

## Life's Lessons for Dominic David Henrici

**D**etermination can be the difference between a success and a failure  
**O**ther people's directions is fine, but at times you must blaze your own path  
**M**eeting challenges with an open mind allows you to overcome them quicker  
**I**t takes a strong person to know when to hold on and when to let go  
**N**ever accept the way things are if you know how to make them better  
**I**f someone you love is ever down do your best to help them up  
**C**atching a little bit of luck always requires you to cast fate into the wind

**D**on't worry about making mistakes, but always make sure you learn from them  
**A**ny time you are feeling down remember there are people willing to help you up  
**V**enturing out into the world is great, but always find your way home  
**I**ncreasing the joys in your life well help you get through the sorrows  
**D**ecisions you make will say a lot about you so make them carefully

**H**olding onto the past too tightly will cause the future to slip through your fingers  
**E**xpecting the worst will always stand in the way of you doing your best  
**N**ever underestimate the power of a simple act of kindness  
**R**oll around in the dirt whenever possible, that's what boys do  
**I**f someone claims to have all the answers, never ask them any questions  
**C**oping with a loss is easier if you focus on what you have gained  
**I**t is important to pay attention to all the lessons life has to teach you

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