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It is very obvious from the start of this article that the author is a strongly opinionated person. Their aspects on behavior seem a little intense and over dramatic at times, however, even though they are very dramatic they pose good ideas about what being an adult intellect includes. All of the points are very well thought out and explained to get the idea across to the reader. The author just could have used a calmer, more inviting tone throughout the article.

Starting with their first piece of advice; “show up on time, every time.” They state how you should be there five minutes before the professor every time. But is that really necessary? No, nothing is going to be accomplished because you’re there early the only thing it will do is give you more time to stare at a wall. However, the author does have a good point about class participation. Participation is key to an entertaining class and is the best way for the student and the classmate to learn, also it will make the students and the professor enjoy the class time together better. When it comes to looking things up that you do not know then yes, obviously that is what should be done in order to improve your knowledge.

With the fourth piece of advice, treating your professors respectfully of course you should treat them respectfully but this isn’t high school and you don’t have to walk on glass around them or worry about getting sent to the principal’s office. The fifth piece, know your basics of grammar will always be a good idea and a requirement, it will make every class and every assignment easier. And the sixth piece of advice is one of the most important, knowing

the difference between fact and opinion is essential. It is essential in the classroom, in every single discussion, and in every assignment. And with the seventh piece, it is important that you do take general survey courses before specialized because you always need your base knowledge and skill before you can succeed in anything past that.

And although nobody wants to hear it or do it, taking courses in subject fields you don't like will benefit more than anyone would like to admit. It can open your mind to a whole different world of knowledge and opinion as well as helping you succeed in everything else. However, there shouldn't be a problem with getting excited over high grades, college is hard and good work should be admired. The last thing people need to do every day in every class is respect and be thankful that they get the chance to be there because there are so many people all over the world that would love the opportunity. So yes, most of this article is good pieces of advice, the way the author puts things into context makes it seem a lot more intense than it actually is but overall it is a good mindset to have.