

TEN QUALITIES OF A LEADER

- 1. *A leader must be able to take criticism.***
No person in a position of authority will be immune from it. One must learn to sort out the constructive, from which one can learn, and the malicious, which one must ignore.
- 2. *A leader must learn to stand adversity.***
Things will not always go well. Failures will happen. A good leader will bounce back.
- 3. *A leader must be able to delegate authority.***
He or she *must* be able to give up power, to trust those under them.
- 4. *The leader must make decisions.***
The person who cannot take a stand does not deserve to lead others.
- 5. *The leader must be free from prejudices.***
“Prejudice,” someone once said, “is a luxury only little people can afford.”
- 6. *Leaders must learn to praise others, to share the credit, and to give credit where it is due.***
If they try to take credit for everything, they will not lead, they will only frustrate those under them.
- 7. *Leaders must be able to concentrate under difficult conditions.***
To keep the goal constantly in mind, to keep their heads when all about them are losing theirs.
- 8. *True leaders will assume responsibility for their own mistake.***
- 9. *Leaders will not try to avoid responsibility for the mistakes of others.***
- 10. *A good leader will grow and learn.***
Stagnation is not leadership.