

# CRITICAL THINKING QUINCY

*Use the following critical thinking questions to help foster an open, student-led discussion on the theme(s) discussed in this episode of The Harbor.*

1. **LIKE MANY OF US, QUINCY WAS HESITANT TO PURSUE HIS PASSIONS BECAUSE HE WAS “. . . SCARED OF BEING LAUGHED AT.”**

When have you felt this way? Did you let this fear stop you from doing what you wanted to do?  
What advice from Quincy can you use to help you move past this fear in the future?

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2. **QUINCY BELIEVES THAT, “YOU’RE NOT PUT ON THIS WORLD TO DO EVERYTHING BY YOURSELF.” WITH THE HELP OF HIS GRANDMOTHER, HE WAS ABLE TO TAKE VOCAL LESSONS AND START PURSUING MUSIC MORE SERIOUSLY.**

Who supports you or pushes you to work harder in and/or outside of school?  
Name three people who support you and write them a note of gratitude.

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3. **MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, THERE ARE TENS - MAYBE HUNDREDS - OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ACROSS THE WORLD “. . . THAT ARE TRYING TO DO THE SAME THING THAT YOU’RE DOING.” IN ORDER TO MAKE A LIVING OUT OF YOUR CRAFT, YOU NEED TO BE ONE OF THE BEST.**

What are three things you need to do in order to improve your skills and experience in your field?  
What are three challenges you might face in doing so?

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4. **MIDWAY THROUGH THE EPISODE, QUINCY SAYS THAT, “PEOPLE WANT TO SHINE LIKE DIDDY, BUT DON’T WANT TO WORK LIFE PUFF.”**

What does he mean by this? Do you know someone who fits this description?  
Do you think he or she will find success if they stick to this mentality? Why or why not?

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5. **DESPITE COMING FROM A VERY WEALTHY AND SUCCESSFUL FAMILY, QUINCY UNDERSTANDS THAT “YOU CAN’T INHERIT GREATNESS” - YOU HAVE TO WORK HARD ON YOUR OWN ACCORD TO BECOME SUCCESSFUL.**

Do you think it would feel more gratifying to earn success on your own or to inherit it from someone else?  
Regardless, what work do you need to put in on your own to achieve your vision of success?  
How can you use what you’ve learned from your friends or family about hard work to help strengthen your work ethic?

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