

# Use What You've Already Got by Mark Victor Hansen

Celebrating our natural talents should be an easy task. But for many people it's emotionally exhausting. Why? Because a lot of folks fight their natural talents for one reason or another. Perhaps their parents wouldn't approve of their artistic ability to paint or sculpt, because they want them to be a successful doctor or lawyer. Maybe someone's gift wouldn't seem to have the ability to bring the kind of wealth they desire. Sometimes people are simply afraid to pursue something that seems to come so easily to them – shouldn't success be difficult? No, it shouldn't and it isn't. These are all excuses. And all the excuses in the world won't destroy talent. It will be there, waiting for us to fight through fear and “what ifs” until we realize what we should have been doing our entire lives. We have been given natural talents for a reason – to use them to the betterment of the planet and those who inhabit it.

Your job is to find out what makes you buzz and begin to perfect it. Discover your brilliance in life and practice, practice, practice. You must hone your natural abilities to perfect them – concentrate on your strengths, not your weaknesses. Look at the world's greatest athletes. They practice what they're naturally good at – and what they love to do – every day. You don't see Michael Jordan sitting around trying to decipher a strand of DNA. If that was something he was talented at, that's what he would be doing. But it's not. He's a brilliant athlete and businessman. He sticks to what he does best and has reaped astounding rewards because of it.

There are only two steps to success – discover your brilliance and perfect it. Doing this will allow you to receive the wealth you truly deserve. “The only waste of human resources is letting them go unused.”