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**Rhymes for Reasons!**

**Things to Think About**

It's not what *you* think and its not what *I* think. It's what *I think you think* and *you think I think* that helps us think what we think. I think. Don't you think? Well, think about it.

If it's not illegal, immoral, or fattening and it won't hurt anybody or hurt anything and I might learn something, might have a good time; I might as well get involved.

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**Smile** 

I know it isn't easy when things look bleak and dark  
 To curl your lips and tell your eyes it's time for them to SPARK!  
 But SMILING on the outside will warm your inside so;  
 Your SMILE will make another SMILE and then two smiles will glow!  
 So through life's daily ups and downs show forth a smiling face.  
 Just SMILE and pass it warmly on, you'll make a better place!

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**Rule #1 for Success**

When life seems like a minefield with choices full of “do’s” and “don’ts,”  
 Punctuated now and then with various “will’s” and “won’ts,”  
 And you're looking for THE ANSWER 'cause you know it's up to YOU;  
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 But it's really very simple... **Do what you say you'll do!**

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Pointing the finger of blame requires the curling back of three.  
 It's nature's way of pointing out the blame must rest with me.  
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### Can't Yet

"I can't" is not a phrase for me.  
It's not the goal that I will see,  
For I determine what will be.

If by accident I forget  
And say "I can't," then it's a bet  
That I will quickly add a YET!

There's nothing here that I CAN'T do.  
I know my dreams can all come true.  
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It records your every thought and deed and forms the filters that you heed.  
But tomorrow's dreams come through that glass, made of memories from your past.  
It blocks new things that come your way which leaves you with your yesterday.  
Since you choose what you say and do, your programming is up to you.  
Choose your acts and words with care, the future YOU is building there.

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### Good Enough

All too often "good enough" is where the "weak hearts" stop.  
It keeps the very best in them from rising to the top.

"Enough" implies just getting by, and "good" falls short of best.  
So "good enough" is average stuff and seldom meets the test.

But you don't have to settle there. You have what it takes.  
Push yourself to do your best; it's how you get the "breaks."

Remember that the choice is yours and you alone choose either;  
But those who win are those who know that "good enough" is neither!

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### Make Good Choices *Right Now!*

In every moment there is an opportunity to choose—one second when you can select the negative or the positive. Emotion will *often* take away your good sense, so it is best to choose between these actions now, before you are stressed. Review these choices and make the positive ones part of your ACTIONS instead of Reactions to life's situations.

The Positive (+)	The Negative (-)
Always smile first	Show no emotion
Look for what is good	Look for what is bad
Offer a hug	Be prepared to hit
Always count to ten	Emotionally blow-up
Walk away	Move to attack
First listen to learn	Speak only to impress
Look for the humorous	Look for what hurts you
Seek to lift up	Seek to tear down
Act towards a goal	React without thinking
Look for solutions	Look for problems
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