GUESS WHO OFFERED EACH

pearl of wisdom?

Try your hand at matching past Tulane University Commencement speakers—from Ellen DeGeneres to the Dalai Lama—to a quote from their speeches to Tulane graduates.

#1
The things which seem like heartbreaking setbacks sometimes turn out to be lucky breaks.

#2
There’s a gravitational pull that brings you back to New Orleans. I promise you, you will be back.

#3
Never follow someone else’s path—unless you’re lost in the woods and you see a path, then by all means you should follow that.

#4
Failure is to success what oxygen is to life. There can be no success without failure.

#5
Hold on to old friends. Kiss your mama. Admit what your dreams are.

#6
Despite difficulties, always keep optimism. That mental attitude will bring inner strength and self-confidence.


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