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- 4 Turn on captions if that helps, and watch; read the transcript if you prefer.
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WELCOME

1. Read this first — big ideas, small bites, all free

A TED Talk is a short talk by someone interesting — usually around a quarter of an hour — and they are free to watch.

Here is the whole idea in a sentence: TED Talks are short, lively talks — often about fifteen minutes — in which a scientist, a doctor, an artist, an explorer, or just a person with a remarkable story shares one good idea. There are thousands of them, on nearly every subject under the sun, and they are free to watch.

They are the opposite of a long, heavy course. A TED Talk asks very little of you — a cup of coffee's worth of time — and often leaves you with something to think about all day. There is no account required, no fee, and no commitment. You watch one, and if you like it, you watch another.

I am Bill, from Bill's Home Tech here in Portage County, Ohio. For folks who want to keep a curious mind without signing up for anything, this is one of my favorite things to show them. It is learning in bite-size pieces, and it fits into any spare quarter-hour.

TIP

Think of a TED Talk as a short, interesting visit rather than a class. One good talk with your morning coffee is a lovely, low-effort way to learn something new.

THE SHORT VERSION

2. The short version

Open the TED app or YouTube, pick a talk, and watch — free.

If you would like the whole routine before we slow down, here it is.

- 1 On a phone or tablet, install the free TED app; on a computer or TV, go to TED.com or the TED channel on YouTube.
- 2 Browse by topic — health, science, happiness, technology — or search for something you are curious about.
- 3 Pick a talk; most run around ten to twenty minutes.
- 4 Turn on captions if that helps, and watch. Tap another when you are ready.
- 5 No account, no fee, nothing to cancel — it is all free.

GOOD TO KNOW

TED Talks live in several places — the TED app, TED.com, and YouTube — and they are the same free talks. Use whichever is easiest for you.

WHAT THEY ARE

3. What TED Talks actually are

Short talks from a long-running ideas conference.

TED began as a conference where speakers were each given a short slot to share one compelling idea, as clearly and engagingly as they could. Those talks were filmed and put online for free, and the collection grew into thousands of talks from speakers all over the world. The guiding spirit is 'ideas worth spreading,' and the talks are kept short on purpose, so each one respects your time.

A talk might be a brain surgeon explaining how memory works, a musician playing and teaching at once, a ninety-year-old sharing what a long life taught them, or a researcher revealing something surprising about sleep or happiness. The range is enormous, and the quality is high because speakers prepare carefully for their one short turn.

There are also 'TEDx' talks — independently organized local events in the same spirit — which widen the collection even further, including talks from towns and cities everywhere.

WHY THEY MATTER

4. Why they are worth your time

A little learning that fits into real life.

The beauty of a TED Talk is how gently it fits into a day. You do not have to set aside an evening or commit to a course. A single talk fits in the time it takes to drink a coffee, wait for an appointment, or wind down before bed — and you come away having learned or felt something.

They are also a wonderful cure for a tired mind. Rather than scrolling aimlessly or watching the same news on a loop, you can spend fifteen minutes with a genuinely interesting person. Over weeks, those small doses add up to a curious, engaged mind, which is worth a great deal.

TIP

Keep a TED Talk for the little gaps in the day — the waiting room, the coffee break, the quiet half-hour after supper. Small doses are how the habit sticks.

GETTING STARTED

5. Getting started on a phone or tablet

The free TED app is the easiest way.

On a phone or tablet, open your app store, search for 'TED,' and install the free app. Open it and you are greeted with talks to browse by topic and mood. There is no need to make an account to watch, though doing so lets the app remember talks you want to save for later.

The app is nicely made for exactly this: you can download talks to watch without internet, build a little list of ones to see, and let it suggest more along the lines of what you have enjoyed. A tablet is especially pleasant, with a screen big enough to see the speaker clearly.

GETTING STARTED

6. Getting started on a computer or TV

TED.com and YouTube put it on a bigger screen.

On a computer, go to TED.com in your web browser, or search 'TED' on YouTube to find the official channel. Either way you can browse and watch for free, no account needed. The website lets you filter talks by topic, length, and even the feeling you are after, which is a lovely touch when you are not sure what you want.

On a smart TV, the YouTube app is the simplest route: open it, search for TED or for a subject, and watch the talks on the big screen. Some streaming devices also have a dedicated TED app. Watching a talk on the television, with the sound filling the room, can feel like having a fascinating guest over.

CAPTIONS

7. Captions and transcripts — read along

Every talk can be read as well as heard.

One of the kindest features of TED Talks is that nearly every one has captions — the words printed at the bottom of the screen as they are spoken — and a full written transcript. If your hearing is not what it was, or if a speaker talks quickly, turning on captions makes everything easy to follow.

The transcript is handy too: you can read a talk instead of watching it, or skim one to see if it interests you before pressing play. Many talks also offer captions in other languages, which is a gift if English is not your first language or you are learning another.

FINDING GOOD ONES

8. Finding talks you will love

Browse by topic, or start with the famous ones.

With thousands to choose from, the trick is simply knowing where to begin. Both the app and the website let you browse by topic — health, happiness, science, technology, creativity, history — so pick one that matches your mood and see what comes up. You can also sort by the most-watched talks, which is a reliable way to find the ones people have loved for years.

Searching works well too: type in anything you are curious about — 'sleep,' 'memory,' 'retirement,' 'kindness' — and you will find a talk on it. Do not overthink it; part of the fun is wandering in and being surprised by what grabs you.

TOPICS

9. The sorts of things you will find

Health, happiness, science, stories — and much more.

The subjects stretch about as wide as human curiosity. There are talks on health and the body, on the brain and memory, on happiness and dealing with worry, on science and space, on history and art, on technology explained simply, and on how to live well. Many of the most-loved talks are not technical at all — they are warm, human stories that stay with you.

For older adults in particular, there are wonderful talks on aging well, on staying sharp, on purpose and connection in later life, and on the long view that a full life gives you. They are affirming as well as interesting.

SAVING TALKS

10. Saving talks for later

Build a little list to come back to.

When a talk catches your eye but it is not the moment to watch, you can save it. In the TED app, a simple tap adds it to a list you return to later; on YouTube, you can save to 'Watch Later' or make a playlist. This way you never lose track of something interesting, and you always have a few good talks queued up for a spare moment.

Downloading a few talks in the app before a trip means you can watch on a plane or in the car without using any internet. It is a small thing that makes the whole habit more convenient.

SHARING

11. Sharing a talk with someone

A good talk is a lovely thing to pass along.

Part of the pleasure is sharing. When a talk moves or delights you, you can send it to a friend or family member with a tap — by text, e-mail, or whatever you use — and they can watch it free, no account needed. Adult children and grandchildren often love getting a thoughtful talk from a parent or grandparent.

It is a gentle way to stay connected around ideas rather than only chit-chat. A short note — 'this made me think of you' — with a fifteen-minute talk can mean more than you would expect.

AGING WELL

12. Talks on aging and living well

Wise, warm talks on the years you are living now.

Some of the most affirming talks in the whole collection are about aging, purpose, and what makes for a good life — subjects that mean more with the years behind you. Researchers who have followed people across whole lifetimes share what actually keeps us happy and healthy as we grow older, and the answers are often simpler and kinder than you might expect. These are not dry studies; they are warm, human, and quietly encouraging.

There are talks from people in their eighties and nineties reflecting on what a long life taught them, talks on staying sharp and purposeful, and talks on the surprising freedoms and pleasures of later years. For an older viewer, they can be genuinely heartening — a reminder that this stage of life has its own richness, and that you are far from alone in thinking about these things.

Search for 'aging,' 'happiness,' 'longevity,' or 'purpose' and you will turn up a shelf of them. They make lovely viewing of an evening, and lovely things to share with a friend who is navigating the same questions.

GOOD TO KNOW

Search 'what makes a good life' or 'aging well' for some of the most quietly uplifting talks in the collection — they speak directly to the years you are living now.

HEALTH

13. Talks on health and the body

Understand your own body a little better.

There is a wealth of talks by doctors, nurses, and researchers explaining how the body works and how to look after it, in plain language a patient can follow. You will find talks on the heart, the brain, sleep, nutrition, pain, and the immune system, as well as talks on navigating illness and the healthcare system with more confidence. They can help you understand your own health and ask your doctor better questions.

A word of good sense applies here, as with any health information: a talk is a window onto an idea, not a diagnosis or a treatment plan. The speakers are sharing research and perspective, not examining you. Enjoy them for understanding and curiosity, and take any decision about your own care to your own doctor, armed with better questions than before.

Talks on the mind-body connection, on managing stress, and on how habits form are especially popular and practical. They tend to leave you with one clear, doable idea rather than a overwhelming list, which is exactly what makes them stick.

WATCH OUT

A health talk is for understanding, not diagnosis. Let it help you ask your doctor sharper questions — but never let it replace your doctor's advice about your own care.

THE MIND

14. Talks on the mind and happiness

Gentle, practical ideas for a calmer outlook.

Among the best-loved talks are those about the mind — happiness, worry, resilience, kindness, and how we think. Psychologists and thoughtful speakers share, in a quarter of an hour, ideas that can genuinely shift how you see a worry or a difficult patch. They are not preachy or syrupy; the good ones are grounded in research and delivered with warmth and often humor.

For anyone going through a hard season — a loss, a big change, a stretch of loneliness — these talks can be quietly companionable, offering a new way to look at things without pretending the hard things away. And for ordinary days, they are a pleasant nudge toward gratitude, patience, and perspective.

Look for talks on happiness, on dealing with stress or grief, on kindness and connection, and on the small habits that shape a contented life. A single good one can leave you thinking differently for days.

TIP

If you are navigating a hard stretch, a thoughtful talk on resilience or grief can be gently companionable. It is no substitute for real support, but it can offer a kinder way of seeing things.

SCIENCE & SPACE

15. Talks on science, space and nature

The wonders of the world, in bite-size pieces.

If you are curious about the universe and the natural world, TED is a treasure. Astronomers walk you through black holes and distant planets, biologists reveal the secret lives of animals and plants, and physicists make the strange rules of the cosmos feel almost graspable. Because each talk is short, you get the wonder and the big idea without needing a science background to keep up.

Nature talks are especially lovely — deep-sea creatures, the intelligence of octopuses, the migration of birds, the hidden workings of forests. Many come with gorgeous footage, so they are a feast for the eyes as well as the mind. They make a wonderful thing to watch with a curious grandchild, sparking questions and conversation.

Search for 'space,' 'ocean,' 'animals,' or any corner of nature that fascinates you, and settle in. You will come away seeing the world with a little more wonder than before, which is no small gift.

STORIES

16. Talks that are really just great stories

Not every talk teaches a fact — some simply move you.

Not all TED Talks are about learning a fact. Some of the most memorable are simply a person telling a remarkable true story — of survival, of an unlikely friendship, of a quiet act of courage, of a life turned around. These talks teach in a gentler way, through the feeling they leave behind rather than any lesson you could write down.

These are the talks people most often remember years later and most love to share. They remind you of the range of human experience, and they can be funny, moving, or inspiring in turn. On an evening when you do not want to study anything, a good story-talk is perfect company.

You will stumble on these as you browse, but you can also search 'inspiring' or 'storytelling,' or sort by the most-watched talks, where many of the great stories live. Keep a few on hand for when you want to feel something rather than learn something.

CREATIVITY

17. Talks on creativity and the arts

For anyone who makes, or loves, things.

If you paint, write, garden, cook, play music, or simply love the arts, there are talks that will delight and inspire you. Artists and writers share how they work and where ideas come from; musicians play and explain at once; designers reveal the thought behind everyday things. They are a lovely way to feed a hobby or rekindle a creative spark you had set aside.

Even if you do not consider yourself a creative sort, these talks are a pleasure, opening your eyes to the craft behind things you enjoy. A talk on how a piece of music is built, or how a story is shaped, can change how you experience the next concert or novel. Creativity, the good talks remind us, is not a rare gift but a habit anyone can practice.

Browse the creativity and arts topics, or search your particular craft, and you will find kindred spirits sharing what they have learned. It is encouragement and company for whatever you like to make.

TECHNOLOGY

18. Talks that explain technology plainly

Make sense of the gadgets and ideas in the news.

Technology moves fast and the news is full of terms that can feel baffling. TED has a steady stream of talks that explain, in plain and often reassuring language, what these new things actually are and what they mean for ordinary people. A fifteen-minute talk can demystify a subject the headlines only made frightening, and leave you feeling more in control rather than less.

The best of these talks are balanced — neither breathless hype nor doom — and aimed squarely at the non-expert. They are a fine way to keep abreast of the changing world without having to wade through jargon, and they give you the gist so you can follow a conversation or form your own view.

When some new technology is in the news and you would like to understand it calmly, search TED for it. You will usually find a clear-headed talk that treats you as an intelligent adult rather than a child or a customer.

SHORT TALKS

19. When you have only five minutes

Some talks are shorter still.

While many talks run around fifteen minutes, plenty are shorter — some just five or six — and they are perfect for the smallest gaps in a day. There is even a category of very short talks designed to deliver one sharp idea in the time it takes to boil the kettle. When you want a little lift but have only a moment, these are ideal.

On the website and in the app you can filter talks by length, so if you have exactly ten minutes, you can find talks that fit. This makes it easy to match a talk to whatever scrap of time you have, rather than starting something you cannot finish. A short talk finished beats a long one abandoned.

TIP

Filter talks by length when you are short on time. A six-minute talk watched all the way through does you more good than a twenty-minute one you have to leave halfway.

PLAYLISTS

20. Playlists — talks gathered by theme

Someone has already grouped the best for you.

One of the nicest features is the playlist: a collection of talks gathered around a theme — 'talks to watch when you need a boost,' 'the most popular talks of all time,' 'talks about the brain,' and so on. These are curated by TED and by fellow viewers, so they are a shortcut to good viewing when you are not sure where to begin. Pick a playlist that matches your mood and let it guide you.

You can make your own playlists too, saving talks around a subject you are exploring so they are gathered in one place for later. For someone working through a particular interest — the brain, say, or creativity — a personal playlist becomes a tidy little course you have assembled yourself, free of charge.

Browse the playlists when you fancy being guided rather than choosing, and build your own when you want to keep a trail of what you have loved. Either way, they make the vast collection feel manageable and friendly.

WITH OTHERS

21. Watching and discussing with others

A talk is a lovely conversation-starter.

A TED Talk is a wonderful thing to share and then talk over. Watch one with your spouse of an evening and you have something more interesting than the usual television to discuss afterward. Send one to a friend or an adult child, and it gives the two of you something to chew on together — a gentler kind of connection than everyday chit-chat.

Some people gather a few friends to watch and discuss talks, rather like a book club but shorter and lighter — a 'TED club,' if you like. A fifteen-minute talk leaves plenty of evening for coffee and conversation, and because the talks span every subject, there is always something to spark a lively discussion. Your library might even help you start such a group.

However you do it, sharing a talk turns a solo pleasure into a shared one. Ideas are more fun when there is someone to turn to and say, 'well, what do you make of that?'

GOOD TO KNOW

A TED Talk makes a perfect short 'club' — a few friends, one fifteen-minute talk, and a pot of coffee leaves plenty of evening for good conversation about it.

TEDx

22. TEDx — talks from towns everywhere

The same spirit, organized locally, all over the world.

Alongside the main TED conference are thousands of 'TEDx' events — independently organized gatherings, held in cities, towns, and even schools, that follow the TED format and spirit. Their talks join the same free collection, which hugely widens the range of voices and subjects you will find, including speakers from places and walks of life the big conference might never reach.

Because TEDx events are run locally by volunteers, the polish varies a little more than the main-stage talks, but many are excellent, and they often tackle subjects close to a particular community. Searching 'TEDx' along with a topic turns up a wealth of them. It is a lovely reminder that good ideas are not confined to famous people on grand stages.

You may even find a TEDx event has been held near our part of Ohio. Watching talks from your own region can feel especially close to home, and it shows what your neighbors are

thinking about.

TED-ED

23. TED-Ed — short animated lessons

Little illustrated lessons, wonderful for the grandkids.

A corner of TED called TED-Ed makes short, beautifully animated lessons on all sorts of questions — why the sky is blue, how a particular invention came to be, what happens in the body when you laugh. They are brief, colorful, and clear, and they are a delight for curious children as much as for adults who like their learning bite-size and illustrated.

These make wonderful viewing with a grandchild, sparking exactly the sort of 'but why?' questions that lead somewhere good. Each one answers a single interesting question in a few minutes, so you can watch one over breakfast or several in a cheerful afternoon. Being animated rather than a person talking, they hold a younger child's attention especially well.

Look for 'TED-Ed' on the website or YouTube. It is a gentler, more playful cousin of the main talks, and a fine first taste of TED for the youngest members of the family.

LISTENING

24. Listening instead of watching

TED as audio, for the car or a rest.

Many TED Talks work perfectly well as pure listening, since so much of the value is in the words rather than the pictures. If your eyes tire, or you would rather listen while you drive, garden, or rest, you can treat talks much like a podcast. There is also a popular radio-style program built around TED Talks, grouping several on a theme with a host weaving them together, which many people enjoy as a gentle way to take in ideas.

You will find these audio forms through the usual podcast apps on a phone, or simply by playing a talk and setting the screen aside. For anyone who spends time in the car or likes something thoughtful in their ears while they potter, it turns spare time into learning without asking anything of your eyes.

TIP

Treat talks like a podcast when your eyes want a rest — play one in the car or while you garden. Much of a talk's value is in the words, so you lose very little by only listening.

OTHER LANGUAGES

25. Captions and talks in other languages

A help for learners and for far-flung family.

Because volunteers around the world translate TED Talks, many offer captions and even full translations in a great range of languages. If English is not your first language, or you are learning another, this is a real gift — you can watch a talk with captions in a language you are studying, or in your mother tongue, and follow along with ease.

This also makes TED a lovely bridge with family abroad or grandchildren learning a language. A grandparent and grandchild can each watch the same talk with captions in their own language and then talk about it together. It is a small thing, but it quietly connects people across a language gap around shared ideas.

Look for the captions or language options on a talk, usually tucked into the settings. The choice varies from talk to talk, since it depends on the volunteers, but popular talks often offer many languages.

A TALK A DAY

26. Making it a gentle daily habit

One talk a day is a quietly powerful thing.

The surest way to get the most from TED is to make it a small, regular habit rather than an occasional binge. One talk a day — with your morning coffee, after lunch, or as you wind down in the evening — asks almost nothing of your time, yet over a year it adds up to hundreds of good ideas and a mind kept lively and curious. Little and often truly is the secret.

Tie the habit to something you already do, so it needs no willpower: the first coffee of the day, or the quiet half-hour after supper. Keep the app handy, let it suggest the next talk, and do not fret about watching the 'right' one — any good talk is a good talk. If you miss a day, simply pick it up the next; there is no streak to protect and no one keeping score.

Folks who settle into this habit often say it becomes a small highlight of the day — a reliable little window of wonder or insight that costs nothing and asks nothing. That is TED at its best: learning folded so gently into life that it never feels like work.

TWO WAYS PEOPLE COME TO THIS -- AND BOTH ARE FINE**27. Two ways people come to this — and both are fine**

Keeping the mind curious, or chasing one particular interest.

People come to TED Talks from two directions, and both are perfectly good.

If you just want to keep a curious mind

You would like a little mental nourishment that fits into ordinary days.

- Keep the TED app on your phone and watch one talk in the day's spare moments.
- Browse by mood — 'inspiring,' 'fascinating' — rather than hunting for anything in particular.
- Save the ones you love and share them with family.

If you have a particular interest

There is a subject close to your heart and you would like to hear smart people on it.

- Search that exact topic and work through the best talks on it.
- Use the transcripts to revisit the parts that struck you.
- Follow where it leads — one good talk often points to the next.

GOOD TO KNOW

Whichever you are, start with a single famous, well-loved talk. One that delights you is all it takes to make this a happy habit.

LENGTH**28. Why fifteen minutes is the point**

Short is a feature, not a limitation.

Some people assume a short talk must be shallow. The opposite is true: the tight time limit forces each speaker to boil their idea down to its clearest, most vivid form, cutting everything that does not earn its place. The result is often more memorable than a long lecture, because nothing is wasted.

It also means you can always fit one in. There is almost no gap in a day too small for a good idea. That combination — short and substantial — is exactly what makes TED Talks such an easy, rewarding habit.

STAYING SAFE

29. Keeping it safe and free

The real TED, and no payment needed.

TED Talks are free, so there is little to worry about, but use the genuine sources: the official TED app from your app store, TED.com, or the official TED channel on YouTube. These never charge you to watch a talk.

On YouTube in particular, be aware that not everything labeled 'TED' is an official talk, and that the site surrounds videos with ads and suggestions that can pull you elsewhere. Stick to the official TED and TEDx channels, and be a little wary of anything asking for payment or personal details — the real talks never do.

COMMON MISTAKES

30. Common mistakes

Avoid these and it stays simple and pleasant.

The few snags I see are all easy to sidestep.

- Thinking you must sign up or pay — you need neither to watch.
- Trying to find the 'perfect' talk instead of just starting one.
- Forgetting captions exist, when turning them on would make listening far easier.
- On YouTube, drifting from real TED talks into unrelated videos and ads.
- Saving dozens of talks but never actually watching one — keep the habit small and real.

WATCH OUT

If you only watch one talk a day, you will have seen hundreds in a year. Little and often beats a big list you never get to.

COMMON QUESTIONS

31. Common questions

The questions I hear most about TED Talks.

Here are the ones that come up most at the kitchen table.

If yours is not here, it is likely a quick answer — ask me, or just explore the app and see.

QUESTIONS

32. Are TED Talks really free?

Yes — completely, in every official place.

Yes. TED Talks are free to watch on the TED app, on TED.com, and on the official TED channel on YouTube. There is no subscription and nothing to buy, and you do not even need an account to watch. An account simply lets you save talks for later.

QUESTIONS

33. How long is a typical talk?

Usually around ten to twenty minutes.

Most TED Talks run somewhere between about ten and twenty minutes, with many right around a quarter of an hour. Some are shorter still. The short length is deliberate — it keeps the talks focused and makes it easy to fit one into a spare moment.

QUESTIONS

34. Can I turn on captions or read a transcript?

Yes — nearly every talk offers both.

Nearly every TED Talk has captions you can switch on, and a full written transcript you can read instead of watching. Many also offer captions in other languages. If your hearing has changed or a speaker goes quickly, captions make everything easy to follow.

QUESTIONS

35. Can I watch on my television?

Yes — the YouTube app on a smart TV is easiest.

The simplest way is the YouTube app on a smart TV: open it, search for TED or a subject, and watch on the big screen. Some streaming devices also offer a dedicated TED app. Watching on the television, with the sound filling the room, is a fine way to enjoy a talk.

QUESTIONS

36. How do I find a good one to start with?

Browse the most-watched talks, or search a topic.

A reliable starting point is to sort by the most-watched talks, which are beloved for good reason. Or simply search a subject you are curious about — 'happiness,' 'sleep,' 'memory,' 'kindness' — and watch what comes up. Do not overthink it; the first good one hooks most people.

QUICK RECAP

37. The quick recap

The whole guide in one glance.

- TED Talks are short talks — often about fifteen minutes — sharing one good idea, on nearly every subject.
- They are free on the TED app, TED.com, and the official TED channel on YouTube; no account needed.
- Nearly every talk has captions and a transcript, in several languages.
- Browse by topic or mood, or start with the most-watched talks.
- Watch on a phone, tablet, computer, or the big TV through YouTube.
- Save and share talks easily; stick to the official TED sources.

GOOD TO KNOW

Start with one famous, well-loved talk today. A single fifteen-minute idea is all it takes to make this a happy little habit.

BILL'S HERE TO HELP

38. You do not have to do this alone

You just have to remember that a friendly, patient person is one call away.

I hope this guide made TED Talks feel a little less daunting and a lot more doable. Keep it in a drawer with your other home papers, come back to a page whenever you need it, and do not worry for a moment about memorizing anything.

When you would rather have a hand, that is exactly what I do. I come to your home, work at your pace, and never make you feel rushed or silly for asking. A first visit is a flat \$99, and for the parts that do not need me on-site I can often help right on your screen for \$49. Every visit comes with a 30-day, come-back-free guarantee. I am a patient tech helper, so

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A Picture to Follow Along

Three Free Ways to Watch

The same talks, wherever is easiest

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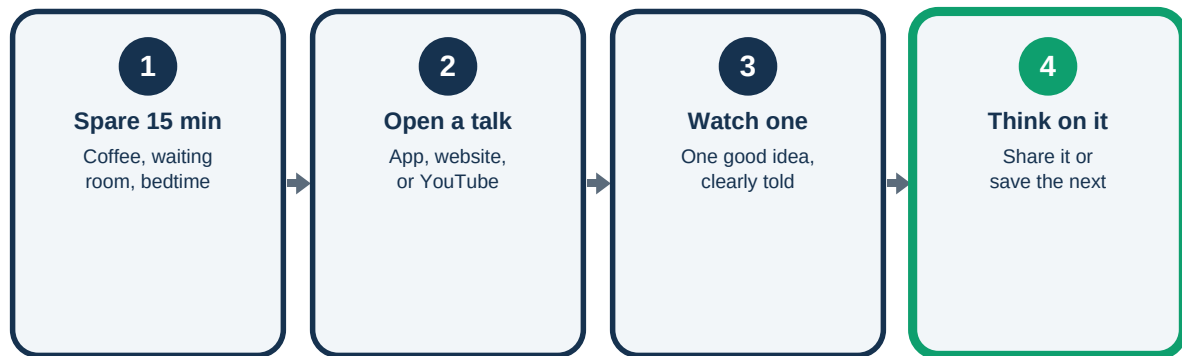
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A Second Look

A Talk in a Spare Moment

Learning that fits real life



One talk a day adds up to hundreds in a year -- little and often.

BEFORE YOU GO

A Note From Bill

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HOW I CAN HELP

Your Visit — and My Promise

In-home visit — \$99 flat for your first visit. No contracts and no surprise charges, and a 30-day follow-up is included.

Remote Support — \$49 for a screen-share session. I only connect with your permission, you watch the whole time, and you can end anytime. If I can't fix it over the screen-share, I refund the \$49 — and if it turns out you need me in person, that \$49 goes toward your visit. It's included free for Support Plan members (\$39/mo).

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My promise — If you're not 100% satisfied with your visit, I'll come back at no charge, or refund the full \$99. No questions, no awkwardness. That's how I'd want to be treated.

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