

Day -1 **Stop, Look, & Listen**

Are You Ready To GO THE DISTANCE?

" Today I am DETERMINED to GO THE DISTANCE! Hell or high waters!"



Please Study This Lesson In One Sitting

Our reason for being here could be in any number of categories, but what is most important is that we are here and we are going to benefit.

In this Lesson, we are going to consider:

*The “6 *Basic Certainties*” to private home living.

*The importance of always being conscientious about what these “7 *Basic Certainties*” are.

*The “4 Key Questions” whose answers are pivotal determinants for if whether or not your home projects will match or exceed your best expectations.

At this point and for every succeeding Lesson it is suggested that we to *STOP* any tendencies we may have to wander; *LOOK* (focus) on the business at hand; *LISTEN* intently since the course reaches a lot deeper than what you can readily *hear*.

“The moment you take responsibility for everything in your life is the moment you can change anything in your life.” Hal Elrod

As a private home decision maker, there are a number of inescapable certainties. Although we can list many which are specific to each household, hopefully, it will suffice to just list a few positive aspects among them. We are doing this because often we are so inundated by all the other things going on in our lives that we really do not stop to consider what these are, and how crucial it is for us to have a reliable plan for action specific to them.

6 Basic Certainties

1. We live there.
2. We need to live there.
3. We require sustainable financial resources.

**Explanation:* In order to ensure our comfort and convenience within the context of property, aside from other things, adequate funds via insurance, cash on-hand, etc. to address related:

- a. *Fixed bills* (such as mortgage and/or leasing fees, utilities and services)
- b. *Incidental bills* (supplies, materials, services, accessories, tools, equipment, appliances, etc.)

4. Something will malfunction and will need to be repaired, removed, and/or replaced.

Examples: Water heater, Furnace, Air Conditioner, Dual HVAC central systems, thermostats, gas fire places, garage doors, an assortment of water pumps, switch boxes, diversified electrical switches, permanent light fixtures, electronic entry/exit systems for gates and doors, security systems (including cameras, monitors, and central control panels, especially for some estates).

5. We will always have a few projects we will settle for doing ourselves.
6. We will always have special projects best delegated to outside assistance.

When we remind ourselves of these 6 fundamentals in daily home life, it becomes imperative to consider also 4 *Key Questions* and to answer them with relative and comparable authority.

4 Key Questions

1. When is the best time to do what?
2. Who is going to do it?
3. How much is it going to cost?
4. How well defined is our protocol?

***Research Links** [Please Access Each Link Below. These Are Part Of *Day 1* Enrichment]:

" [**SERVICE VALIDATION FORM**](#)"(a form for gathering essential information from contractors in order for us to conduct a thorough reputation check).

[**Pre-Project Cost Assessment Work Sheet.**](#) This download is also free!

[**Contract**](#) (form & purpose).

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End of lesson for *Day 1*– “*Stop! Look!, & Listen!*”

Tomorrow: *Day 2 – Planning*

Tip - “Since planning is the most rudimentary aspect for successful home projects, its significance is briefly addressed in lesson Day 2 in relation to four basic factors: Hesitancy, Insight, Wisdom, and Foresight.”

GO THE DISTANCE!