

You have to leave the city of your comfort and go into the wilderness of your intuition. You can't get there by bus, only by hard work and risk and by not quite knowing what you're doing, but what you'll discover will be wonderful. What you'll discover will be yourself.

- ALAN ALDA

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It's going to be a very long time before you have to answer that question, but time shifts gears right now and starts to gain speed. Just ask your parents whose heads, I promise you, are exploding right now. They think they took you home from the maternity ward last month. They think you learned how to walk last week. They don't understand how you could possibly be getting a degree in something today.

I'd like to say to the parents that I realized something while I was writing this speech: the last teacher your kids will have in high school will be me. And that thought scared the hell out of me. Frankly, you should feel exactly the same way. But I am the father of an 11-year-old daughter, so I do know how proud you are today, how proud your daughters and your sons make you every day, and that they did just learn how to walk last week, that you'll never not be there for them, that you love them more than they'll ever know and that it doesn't matter how many degrees get put in their hand, they will always be dumber than you are.

Don't ever forget that you're a citizen of this world, and there are things you can do to lift the human spirit, things that are easy, things that are free, things that you can do every day. Civility, respect, kindness, character.

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You are a determined group of young men and women who make all of us here today very proud of you, especially your parents who are thinking that it was just last month they took you home from the maternity ward. They think you learned to walk last week. They don't understand how you could possibly be getting your high school diploma today.

I would like to say to the parents, As a mother of two, I do know how proud your daughters and your sons make you every day, and that they did just learn how to walk last week, that you'll never not be there for them, that you love them more than they'll ever know and that it doesn't matter how many degrees they get you still know more. Graduates stand up, turn around and say thank you to them.

The list of colleges and universities to which these students have received, stretches from Venezuela to the United States up to Europe. The list is extremely long and I am afraid if I mentioned all the universities to which they were all accepted to, we would be here far longer than we would want to. I will however, mention the schools to which our students will be attending this coming fall. They are:

Alessandra Miglietti: Loyola University Chicago with scholarship \$7,500,

Mariana Orellana: Pratt Institute with scholarship \$26,000,

Manuel Plasencia: Purdue University,

Mariana Gomez: Savannah College of Art and Design with scholarship \$16,500,

Eric Neri: Indiana University at Bloomington \$15,000

Diego Zeiter: Purdue University, Northeast,

Andreina Pizzolante: Florida International University,

Jack Acrich: Universidad de Navarra with scholarship,

Flavia Santaella: Universidad CEU San Pablo,

Andrea I. Garcia: Penn State University,

Daviashley Castro: IE University Madrid,

Andres Arrieta: Penn State University with scholarship,

Diego Gordon: Universidad de Salamanca 70% scholarship

Silvio Ramella:

Henrique Arevalo: Kings College London

Mateo Brewer: IE Universidad Madrid,

Mariana Sadde: University of York, England

Diego Gerlach: University of Vermont with scholarship \$8,000,

Valentina Gilly: Florida International University with scholarship,

Anna Gabriella Farina: Universidad Carlos III,

Diego Pereira: Florida International University,

Juan Luzardo: Universidad de Navarra,

Ernesto De Barbieri: Universidad Carlos III,

Micaela Pi: Universidad de Buenos Aires,

Andrea Borges: Universidad CEU San Pablo,

Frank Barreto: Universidad de Navarra,

Eugenia Muratti: Anahuac University with 80% scholarship,

Maria Catalina Perez: Universidad de Navarra,

Carlos Candiales: Universidad Carlos III,
Isabella Di Cione: Universidad Carlos III,
Daniela Bracho: Universidad CEU San Pablo,
Franco de Andreis: Universidad Carlos III,
Catherine Ruibal: Universidad de Navarra ,
Alejandro Guruceaga: Miami Dade College,
Carlos Lahrssen: Florida International University,
Ricardo Garrido: Universidad de Buenos Aires,
Luis Fernando Espejo: Florida International University,
Juan Andres Plata: Universidad de Navarra,
Maurice Cohen: IE University Segovia,
Maria Luisa Paul: University of Notredame with scholarship \$38,000,
Claudio Bastiani: Universita Commerciale Luigi Bocconi,
Valeria Herrera: Universidad de Navarra,
Martin Rodriguez: University of Tampa with scholarship of \$7,000, St. John's University with scholarship of \$8,000, Utica College with scholarship \$6,000, University of South Florida scholarship \$7,000, Universidad Carlos III
Paola Precilla: Savannah College of Art and Design with \$11,00 Scholarship,
Luis Finol: University of Wisconsin, Bryan Wahrman: Universidad de Navarra,
Isabella Mancin:, Northeastern University,
Vicente Blasini: Universidad Carlos III

Make each moment count, have real icecream and know that you are indulging and savor it, recognize the moments as they are happening make moments memorable and count like this one they make up the mesh work of your life. Don't deprive yourself,