

Based on the origin story of Faceless Maiden, this is a literary response by JS, 21, from Youth Infinity (a service by AMKFSC Community Services)

Looking for a meaning in life.

I woke up to the sound of shouting, once again. I hopped out of bed, and left home. "Will things be better?", I thought to myself. I needed to see the world in my own perspective.

Success? I wanted it. What is the key to success? I didn't know.

Through a market, I walked through. A middle-aged man approached me saying, "Why the long face?" I put up a front and told him that I was having a rough day. He simply replied, "Wherever life may bring you, take your smile, be happy!"

Being happy plays a crucial role in your well-being.

So, I took his advice, smiled and continued my venture. Walking along, I walked pass a kid holding her dead cat, wailing. I couldn't possibly tell her to be happy but I just smiled and walked off.

Being sad is mandatory, but temporary.

I continued walking. I then observed something really familiar, I saw three kids getting scolded by their mother, really badly. I just smiled and walked off.

Anger shouldn't be tamed by anger.

After an entire day of walking, I realised some thing. We are all faceless maidens, putting on a different face during different situations. Emotions we feel can be controlled. And we may all think that the key to happiness is success. But after today, I felt that the key to success is happiness.