

## 19.18: Discussion- Wanda's Entrepreneurial Spirit

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### General Discussion Instructions

In order to prepare for this assignment, READ the information contained in the document “[Salty Pawz Background](#).”

You are required to post to this discussion THREE TIMES, on THREE DIFFERENT DAYS. Please refer to the Discussion Grading Rubric for details regarding how your performance will be assessed. NOTE: Please be certain to read the entire discussion assignment since in some cases there is more than one question you need to discuss, respond to, or address. Be sure that you have answered the entire question!

### Post 1: Initial Post

This posting should be a minimum of one short paragraph and a maximum of two paragraphs. Word totals for this post should be in the 100–200-word range. Whether you agree or disagree, explain why with supporting evidence and concepts from the readings or a related experience. Include a reference, link, or citation when appropriate.

#### Scenario

Wanda comes to you because she is discouraged and needs to talk. Her parents have heard she is thinking of expanding her business and even possibly taking out a second mortgage on her home to fund the expansion. They have never been overly supportive of her business, but as long as it seemed like a hobby, they didn't have much to say. Recently Wanda's mother expressed strong reservations about Wanda taking such a large step. This made a big impression on Wanda. She tells you she doesn't want her business to cause a rift in the family. Perhaps she should take her parents' advice and just forget expanding the business. Moreover, she doesn't understand why her parents aren't as excited about the prospects for the business as she is.

#### For Discussion

1. Using what you know about entrepreneurs, why would Wanda's parents not see things the way that she does? What positive characteristics of entrepreneurs is Wanda exhibiting?
2. Do you know an entrepreneur personally? If so, what characteristics do you see in entrepreneurs that you have to presume Wanda shares? If you don't know an entrepreneur, then look to the world of business and use one about whom you can do a little research. Some examples of famous entrepreneurs are Sir Richard Branson (Virgin Wireless, Virgin Galactic), Elon Musk (Tesla), Oprah Winfrey (the “O” Brands). What characteristics do you think these famous entrepreneurs probably share with Wanda?

### Posts 2 and 3: Respond to Classmates' Posts

#### Instructions

After you have created your initial post, look over the discussion posts of your classmates and give at least two thoughtful responses to two different classmates (one per classmate) as outlined in the Discussion Grading Rubric.

A response posting should be a minimum of one short paragraph. Word totals for these posts should be in the 75–100-word range. Whether you agree or disagree, explain why with supporting evidence and concepts from the readings or a related experience. Include a reference, link, or citation when appropriate. The goal of your response posts is to extend discussions already taking place or pose new possibilities or opinions not previously voiced. Your goal should be to motivate the group discussion and present a creative approach to the topic.

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