The purpose of education is to teach a person to reason. Education itself provides only knowledge. That’s important, but it’s not the key to everything. Knowledge must be applied.

The manner in which we apply wisdom and knowledge is called reason. Without the ability to reason, all other things become valueless. We have never sufficiently emphasized the real value of being able to reason and think as compared with the ability to study and remember what we read.

The ability to reason and think explains why some men and women without much formal education manage to achieve places of importance and leadership in the world.”