

Twitter Thread by Atharva Kharbade



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A guide for ambitious teenagers who want to grow

This thread contains guidance related to:

- **Twitter Networking**
- **Avoiding Naive bBlunders**
- **Growing on Twitter**
- **And anything I could tell advise you like an elder brother**

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No one is perfect from the beginning. Self development is a journey.

I made almost all of the mistakes I've mentioned further in the thread

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Be patient when you reach out people (especially the ones with more than 1k followers) on Twitter

You may not get reply for couple of days. This happens cuz the person has many DMs pending and is left with no bandwidth to reply

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So don't be like "???" or "will you reply???"

Be more generous in the approach. Follow up more politely with sentences like "looking forward to your reply"

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Whenever you send a Cold DM, keep the message short and precise.

@palakzat and @SumneshSalodkar guided me in the right direction with this

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Do not add anything irrelevant in the message, especially while asking for help. Ask yourself whether the sentence serves any purpose in the communication or not

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Also, while cold DMing important or busy people, do not start with "Hey" or something like that

Instead, introduce yourself in 1-2 lines and in the next 2-3, explain the reason/favour/purpose of your message

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Avoid reaching out to important/busy (I don't have a better word for them) people without a solid purpose. Don't just randomly text them

Again, this comes from @palakzat

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If you want to grow on Twitter as someone who's interested in startups, tech or anything related to productivity and ambitions, strictly avoid shitposting.

You can build an audience only when keep giving out value, consistently

Thanks for the lesson @join2manish sir

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Avoid DMing anyone on WhatsApp until and unless you've joined their WhatsApp newsletter

<https://t.co/EoYEWJp3cY>

For young tweeps

I've been doing cold outreach since long, & after I dropped out, getting guidance became my priority

So one time, as usual, I made a list of YC startups from LinkedIn. And I got the WhatsApp no. of the co-founder which my friend found on her LinkedIn

1/4 <https://t.co/50zPps6ffg>

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Audience >>> Followers

Don't run after followers, they're just vanity metrics. Build an audience, it'll surely pay off

Learned this from [@ankitkr0](#) and [@nipunnyy](#)

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Choose a specific niche, post content around it and build an audience

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Never ask others anything that you can easily find on Google. May it be during a conversation, or if you don't understand a term in tweet. Don't just comment right away, "What's X?"

Make this a habit, always Google what you don't understand, right away

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Do your homework

Before you hop on a call with someone who's important for you, do a solid research about him/her first

I learned this from [@nikhiljoisr](#)

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Always have a profile picture of yours. Means, your face should be in the DP

Learned this from [@shlokafc](#)

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Have a neat and precise bio. Don't add anything that doesn't depict what you do or what you tweet about

Advise from [@nipunnyy](#)

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Never message busy/important people asking "What are your thoughts on..."

As mentioned previously, message only with a purpose

Learned this from [@warikoo](#)

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I personally never ever sent my thread to anyone and asked them to retweet it. Not a single time.

So I'd recommend you to not do this either.

The logic behind this is, your content must be so damn good and value packed, that people can't resist resharing it

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Avoid scammy self help gurus and courses.

The world is big enough to not follow these things and still have pinnacle quality content and people for you to follow

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Prioritize health (physical and mental)

Compromising health for short term sprints will do nothing but harm in long term

Life is long enough to not hurry at the cost of your health

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Don't fall prey to things on Twitter. For example, you don't need a fancy "productivity setup" to pull off great things.

I used this dumper laptop for years. I did EDM production, graphic design, 3D design, etc. on it. Only when I started earning, I upgraded



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Don't spend your parent's money for buying expensive things that have cheaper alternatives.

Like, don't buy a █7k keyboard with your parent's money. Rather save that money, invest it somewhere.

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Maximize on free resources. If something like [@nntaleb's](#) ebook is for free, doesn't mean that it doesn't provide value.

There are plenty of free resources for almost everything. Take advantage of that

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I've intentionally added many terms in the thread that most of the teenagers won't understand.

If you didn't Google them right away, this is the signal to begin with it asap or else I'll be nonplussed to see you not apply the advice

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I have a detailed article coming with [@internclick](#), on internships. So stay tuned for that. It covers everything you need to know related to internships

And a thread on how to write threads is coming soon too.