

Do What Is Proper for Your Situation

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People should not be motivated by external gain to pursue the status enjoyed by others; rather, they should be content with their own life and tap their full potential given the situation in which they find themselves.

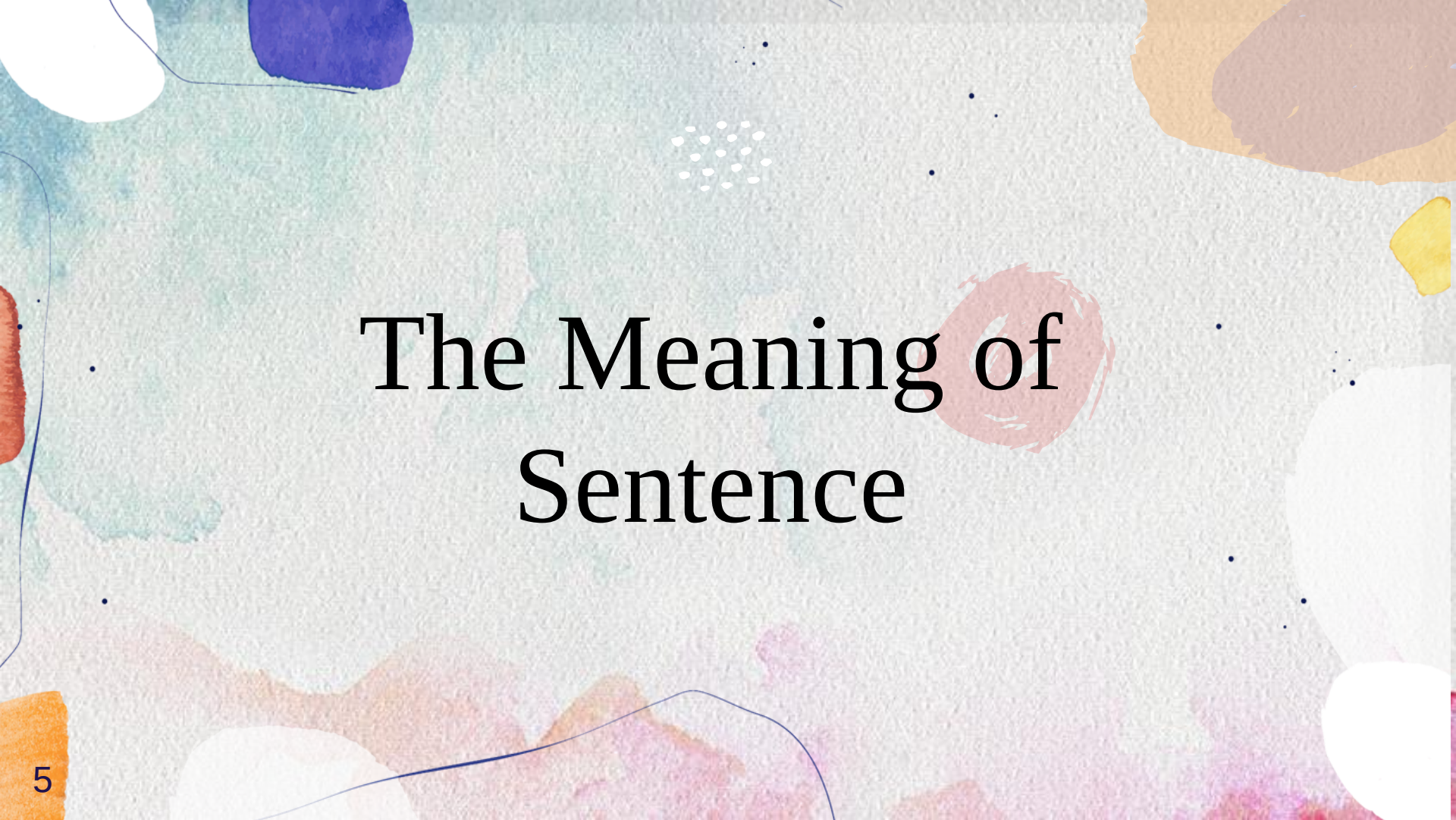
— *The Doctrine of the Mean*

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Motivation





The Meaning of Sentence

Jun Zi Su Qi Wei Er Xing, Bu Yuan Hu Qi Wai.
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Wei位: one's position



When we are a character, we should do
what that character should do.

Five ethical relationships:

Among parents and children

Leaders and subordinates

Husbands and wives

Siblings

Friends



The Five Cardinal Relationships

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Su素: daily life



We should do what we should do every day,
whether in the family or in the society,
when we activities with others.

Jun Zi Su Qi Wei Er Xing, Bu Yuan Hu Qi Wai.

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Yuan願：I wish

Wai外：outside



Not to ask for others and envy for the life beyond.



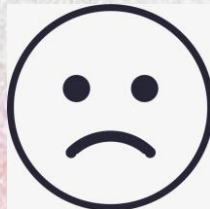
Self-Reflection



People in different circumstances have different duties to perform and different rules to observe. They can give play to their innate morality by proper performance of their duties.



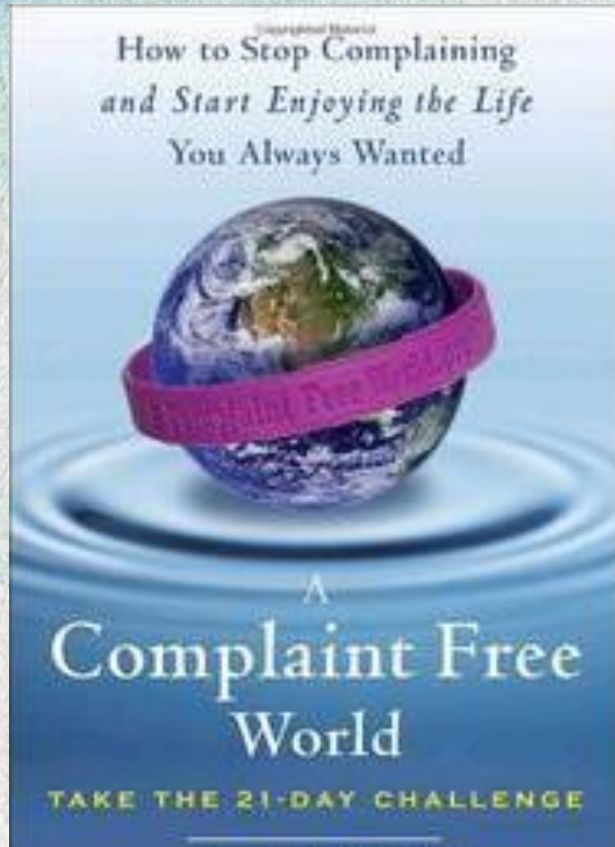
Comparing



Introspection







Appreciation can motivate people to perform better, in order to get more listing; Criticism makes people wear and tear. When we belittle others, we are in fact acquiescing that person to remain the same in the future.



Men of virtue do what is proper to their position and the circumstances they are in, without envying for the life beyond.



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