



ACHIEVING AMBITIONS

To fulfil his ambitions to become an inventor Rodney Copperbottom™ decides he must travel to the big city. His mother tries to discourage him as the journey will be difficult and she is worried that Rodney will be disappointed. Mr. Copperbottom, however, believes that Rodney should follow his dreams as Mr. Copperbottom did not when he was young.

When Rodney arrives at the big city he meets Ratchet who tells Rodney he is the son of a dishwasher and that is all he will ever be. Rodney starts to believe that he will never make it until his new friends encourage him to keep trying. Rodney begins to believe in himself again and becomes more determined to succeed.

Achieving your ambitions

Rodney Copperbottom™ strives to achieve his ambition to become an inventor. He thinks about how he can achieve this and sets personal goals. Rodney's ambitions are not easy to fulfil and he has to overcome many problems along the way, sometimes having to make choices or seek help from others.

These are steps that we have to take in order to fulfil our own ambitions.

Think about your ambitions. Choose one and think about the following issues affecting your achievement of this goal:

- What are the steps you need to take to achieve this goal? Set some simple personal goals.
- What problems might you have? How can you overcome these problems?
- Who can help you to achieve your goals?