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Presentation speech for Dr Anthony Seldon for the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters of the University honoris causa

Chancellor, Britain is strangely schizophrenic about its private schools. For odd reasons they are known in this country as public schools, but, since they are charities, it would be more appropriate to call them independent schools. Every two years the Orga

- Stop worrying
- Happiness is the opposite of selfishness
- Live by water
- Learn from experience, not just university

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To cap it all, our honorand is a prolific author, the writer or editor of some 25 books. Many are devoted to recent British governments and why they failed. I must confess, Chancellor, I really do not know how he does it all – but if that is what results from his five lessons, then we should take them very seriously indeed.

Chancellor, I call upon you to confer on Anthony Seldon