

**SELF-MANAGEMENT TRAITS IN CHETAN BHAGAT'S *THE 3 MISTAKES OF MY LIFE*  
AND ONE NIGHT @ THE CALL CENTER**

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**ABSTRACT**

The beginning of college life is not just entering a college; the students enter an academic and cultural environment which mostly has even unspoken rules and sets of cultural mores. It is a period of transition. Arming our students with skills and positive attitude which would go a long way in enabling them to be self-managed has become the dire need. Choosing and scheduling purposeful actions would definitely help anyone to get to the right way to achieve the goal or dream. Understanding one's personal responsibilities and executing or dealing with them in the right and proper manner would make a student a better self-managed person. This paper attempts to discern how Chetan Bhagat, with a fine insight into human psychology, has presented self-management skill as a vital concept which would help students, by and large, to fare well in life. "Having mastered self-management, we will find that our education has really prepared us for the business of living" (O'Keefe 1).

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