



MONDAY MORNING TALK

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My dear children,
today I would like
to speak to you
about a great symbol
of **AMBITION**,
DETERMINATION
and **INNOVATION** –
THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE.

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THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE STORY

A SYMBOL OF DREAMS THAT BECAME REALITY

- ① There lived an engineer
by name **JOHN ROEBLING**,
who had a very crazy idea
of connecting **MANHATTAN**
and **BROOKLYN** separated
by the **EAST RIVER**.

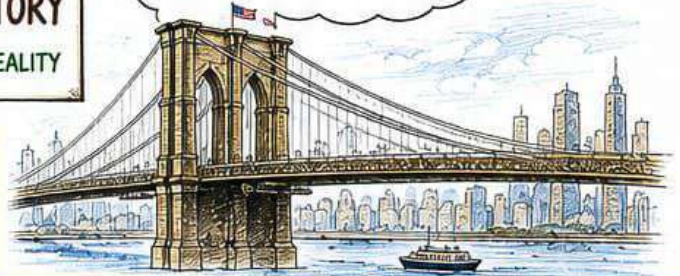


There was no road connection.
He dreamt of a **HANGING BRIDGE**,
the first of its kind.



When he proposed
this to the engineers,
they laughed at him,
saying,

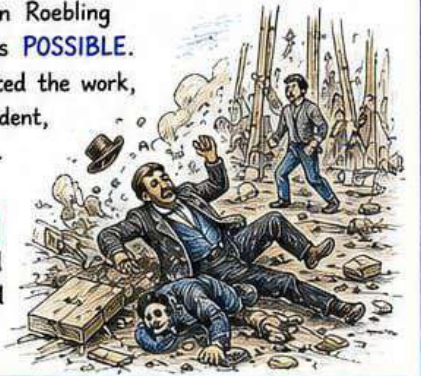
"Crazy men and
their crazy dreams!"



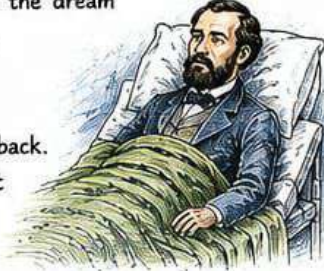
- ② But engineer John Roebling
believed that it is **POSSIBLE**.

And when they started the work,
there was a big accident,
a mishap took place.

The sad story was
Mr. John Roebling
died on the spot and
many workers suffered
terrible damages.



- ③ The one man who believed in the dream
of John Roebling was his son,
WASHINGTON ROEBLING.
He took over the project.
But he too suffered a heavy setback.
He was paralyzed and could not
move his limbs, fingers or legs.



- ④ After many months,
he realized that he
could move his finger.
There was some
development.
Through that movement
of his finger, he got the
attention of his dedicated
wife, **EMILY ROEBLING**.



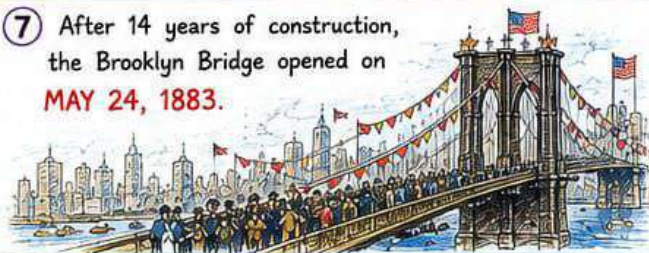
- ⑤ Through the touch of his finger,
he communicated directions
and how to proceed with
the work.
This brilliant, dedicated wife,
Emily Roeblings, instructed
the workers and the work
was resumed.



- ⑥ Four enormous
suspension cables
were installed.
The roadway
finally began
to take shape.



- ⑦ After 14 years of construction,
the Brooklyn Bridge opened on
MAY 24, 1883.



- ⑧ More than 140 years later,
it still stands majestically as
a monument of great
sacrifice, dedication,
courage, innovation
and **ambition**.



MY DEAR CHILDREN,
Today each one of us are invited to –
★ **THINK BIG.**
★ **CREATE OUR OWN DREAMS.**
★ **EVEN IF IT LOOKS IMPOSSIBLE,**
DARE TO DREAM!



**DREAM
BIG**

As young children, think **big**,
think something new for:

- ✓ our society
- ✓ our people
- ✓ our country
- ✓ our school
- ✓ the world



Together we can
certainly achieve
great dreams.
Your friends,
your family,
your teachers –
all can collaborate
with you!



THINK BIG. DREAM BIG. WORK HARD. NEVER GIVE UP. ♥

God bless you and
have a wonderful week ahead! 😊