Starting From Scratch



DEAR TIM

Dear Tim:

I've got this pie-in-the-sky idea about leaving my job and starting my own business. I know the environment's not great, but I think with hard work and dedication I can pull it off. What do you think?

-Entrepreneur on Oxford

Dear Entrepreneur:

I'm not an analyst or a banker, so I can't tell you much about what you're up against economically. But if you bring that hard work, dedication and can-do attitude to any undertaking, it's bound to pay dividends. I have some pie-related ideas of my own, but most of them revolve around flaky crust and filling. Check out our selection from Just Pies on the table by the service desk. They're sure to put you in a celebratory mood.

Dear Tim:

It seems like the presidential candidates have been getting themselves into (or out of) a lot of sticky situations lately. You're kind of a public figure, what's your advice?

-Watching on Waterman

Dear Watching:

Thankfully the only sticky situations I find myself in these days involve maple syrup (aisle 3), but my advice applies to both kinds of messes. Clean it up and do better next time. It's all anyone can ask.

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