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Topic: Handsome is as handsome does.

Subject: Re: Handsome is as handsome does. vs Monkey see, monkey do

Posted by: futari

Posted on: 2011/5/29 17:14:27

Quote:

SouthLily wrote:

How about "Monkey see, monkey do"?

I just love money

Hi Lily,

Did you actually mean you just love "monkey"?

"monkey see, monkey do"

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http://wiki.answers.com/Q/Who_came_up_with_the_quote_monkey_see_monkey_do

The saying refers to the learning of a process without an understanding of why it works. Another definition implies the act of mimicry, usually with limited knowledge of the consequences.

Monkey see, monkey do is a saying originated in Jamaica in the early 18th century and popped up in the early 1920s. It's probably from the folklore of West Africa, made well-known by retelling, which she calls (A Tale of a Peddler; Some Monkeys and Their Monkey Business). There are also various other versions of this, such as The Hatseller and the Monkeys by Baba WaguÃ© DiakitÃ©, set in Mali.