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1. When you don't know what you're doing, do it neatly.

2. Experiments must be reproducible. They should all fail in the same way.

3. First draw your curves, then plot your data.

4. Experience is directly proportional to the equipment ruined.

5. A record of data is essential. It indicates you have been working.

6. To study a subject best, understand it thoroughly before you start.

7. In case of doubt, make it sound convincing.

8. Do not believe in miracles, rely on them.

9. Teamwork is essential, it allows you to blame someone else.

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