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Koan of Kwan Mu First Effort

If one anticipates, who has made the first attack?

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Marks of a Superior KwanMuKan YuDanSha

- Attends all KwanMuKan yudansha events, continually learning and following regulations.
- Demonstrates congruity, balance, harmony, appropriateness.
- Maintains high self-esteem and trust and earns respect and admiration of others.
- Has the ability for total commitment .
- Shows respect for seniors.
- Loves and respect the family and the native country.
- Has honor , integrity and loyalty.
- Possesses the ability to listen before speaking.
- Possesses steel-like inner strength, superior physical development and shows fluidity of motion with cat-like speed.
- Terrific physical development.
- Possesses formidable self-defense skills and is able to confront a hostile world and survive in any kind of society.
- Shows dignity, respectability, and always conducts themselves well.
- Demonstrates unification of power and neutralizes harmful influences others try to exert.
- Wears good, clean heavy-duty instructor's gi when teaching and at all other KwanMuKan functions or wears a suit and tie or proper team gear.
- Is always well-groomed.

Ten Principles for the Practice of Karate Do'

- Speed
- Retraction
- Hara Movement
- Breath Control
- Open Mind

- Extension
- Relaxed Shoulders
- Controlled Blinking
- Chambering
- Best Waza

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Ten Unifying Principles of the Kwan Mu Kan

- Appropriate Power Transference
- Go No Sen / Sen No Sen
- Toughness (Body Conditioning)
- Suddenness
- Maximum Hara Movement
- Control Blinking
- Harmonious Breath
- Proper Chambering
- Lack of Stubbornness (perceptual rigidity)
- Each Effort Is Maximum

Four Elements Inherent in Kwan Mu Kan Kihon

- Extension
- Centering
- Closing the Gates
- Posture

Four Fundamentals Principles of Karate Waza

- Atemi Waza Vital Stroke
- Kime Concentrated application of the mind, body, and weapon. (skill)
- Maii Interval as related to distance and timing.
- Zanshin
 - a. Utterly cutting down.
 - b. Impenetrable posture.
 - c. Remaining mind.
 - d. Extension of the (ki) spirit.

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