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PREFACE

QUOTES ARE VALUABLE. THEY ARE KNOWLEDGE, AND WISDOM AND INSIGHT. THEY OFFER US THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN THROUGH OTHERS. AND THEY ARE GREAT TOOLS TO REINFORCE AND REAFFIRM WHAT WE ALREADY UNDERSTAND. SOMETIMES HEARING THE WORDS OF A FAMOUS OR SUCCESSFUL PERSON IS ENOUGH TO HELP US ACCEPT AN IDEA AND PUT IT INTO ACTION. AS, ONCE ZIG ZIGLAR SAID, “**PEOPLE OFTEN SAY THAT MOTIVATION DOESN'T LAST. WELL, NEITHER DOES BATHING - THAT'S WHY WE RECOMMEND IT DAILY.**” SO SOMETIMES WE NEED SOMETHING REGULARLY TO SATISFY OUR PSYCHOLOGICAL & BEHAVIORAL NEEDS, SOMETHING WITH WHICH WE CAN OVERCOME OUR DAILY DIFFICULTIES AND TO LIVE IN HARMONY. THAT'S WHY QUOTES BECOME VERY ESSENTIAL THING IN LIFE. WHETHER, YOU NEED MOTIVATIONAL QUOTES OR FUNNY QUOTES OR QUOTES OF YOUR IDOLS. IN MY BOOK “**THE GREAT BOOK OF BEST QUOTES OF ALL TIME**”, I'VE TRIED MY BEST TO SATISFY IT'S TITLE WITH MY WORK. FOR AN INSTANCE, ‘**THE GREAT**’, TO MY SENSE IS A COLLECTION OF AS MUCH QUOTES & PAGES AS POSSIBLE AND ‘**BEST QUOTES**’, MEANS TO PUT ONLY BEST OF BEST QUOTES OF PARTICULAR FIELD/PERSON. YOU MAY FIND SOME CATEGORIES HAVING ONLY ONE PAGE, SOME EVEN HAVING FOUR PAGES. THAT'S NOTHING BUT MY DETERMINATION TO ADD ONLY BEST QUOTES. AND AS FAR AS IT'S CONCERN TO CREATING THIS BOOK, I REMEMBER WHAT GEORGE ORWELL SAID ONCE, “**WRITING A BOOK IS A HORRIBLE, EXHAUSTING STRUGGLE, LIKE A LONG BOUT WITH SOME PAINFUL ILLNESS. ONE WOULD NEVER UNDERTAKE SUCH A THING IF ONE WERE NOT DRIVEN ON BY SOME DEMON WHOM ONE CAN NEITHER RESIST NOR UNDERSTAND.**” I'M FULLY SATISFIED WITH HIM. IT REALLY TAKES MUCH TIME & HARD WORK TO ARRANGE WORDS & IMAGES AS AN ORGANIZED BOOK. AND, IT BECOMES MORE TERRIBLE IF YOU DON'T BELONGS TO THIS FIELD PROFESSIONALLY. TO ME THIS BOOK IS NOTHING BUT A PROJECT THAT I CREATED IN ONE MONTH OF AFTER SEMESTER VACATIONS FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (AND, FOR WISDOM PURPOSES EITHER). YOU CAN CALL THIS BOOK TRULY AN ACADEMIC PROJECT OF HAVING 200+ PAGES & 2000+ QUOTES IN VERY ORGANIZED WAY. AND, THE IMAGES THAT I'VE USED IN THIS BOOK AREN'T REALLY BELONGS TO ME. I'M VERY THANKFUL TO IT'S ACTUAL CREATORS. THIS BOOK IS SOMEWHERE DEDICATED TO THEM EITHER. SOME OF THE IMAGES ARE COPYRIGHTED THAT I USED WITHOUT PERMISSION (WELL, I DIDN'T KNOW WHOM TO ASK FOR PERMISSION). BUT I'D LIKE TO MAKE THEM SURE THAT THIS IS AN ACADEMIC PROJECT BOOK AND NO ONE WOULD EVER MAKE MONEY FROM THIS BOOK INCLUDING ME. THIS BOOK CONTAINS VERY FLEXIBLE CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSE WHICH IS ALMOST SAME AS PUBLIC DOMAIN. SO, SHARE THIS BOOK WITHOUT ANY HESITATION. AND, ALWAYS REMEMBER, “**THERE ARE TWO KINDS OF PEOPLE; THOSE WHO DO THE WORK AND THOSE WHO TAKE THE CREDIT. TRY TO BE IN THE FIRST GROUP; THERE IS LESS COMPETITION THERE. (INDIRA GANDHI)**” SO WHAT KIND OF PERSON YOU ARE?

DEDICATED TO OPEN SOURCE COMMUNITY AND TO MY EASY CHAIR AND TO MY MOUSE AND OFF COURSE TO ME. ;)

- **ABHI SHARMA**

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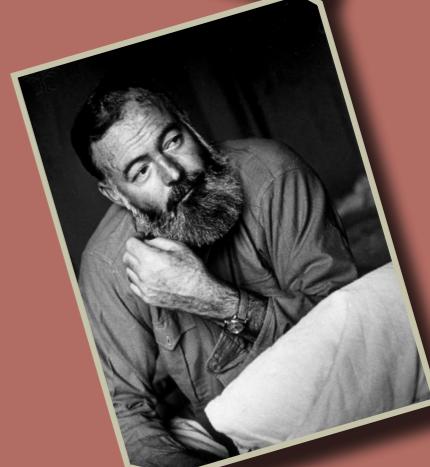
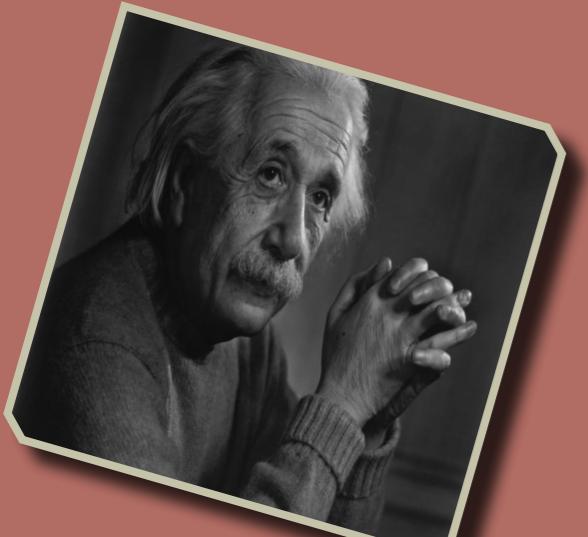
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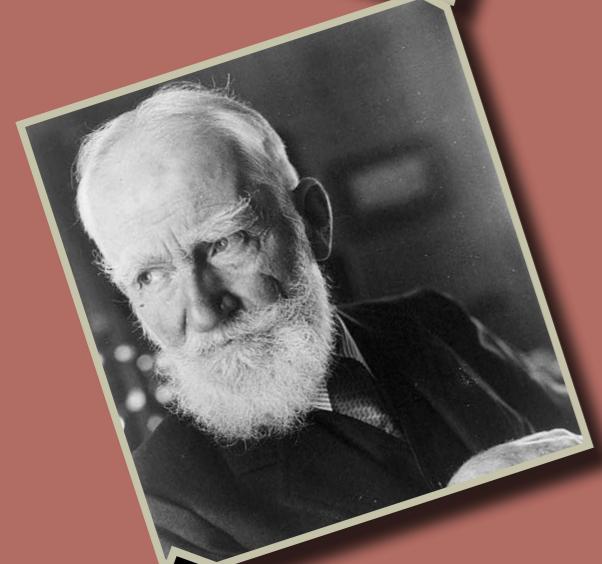
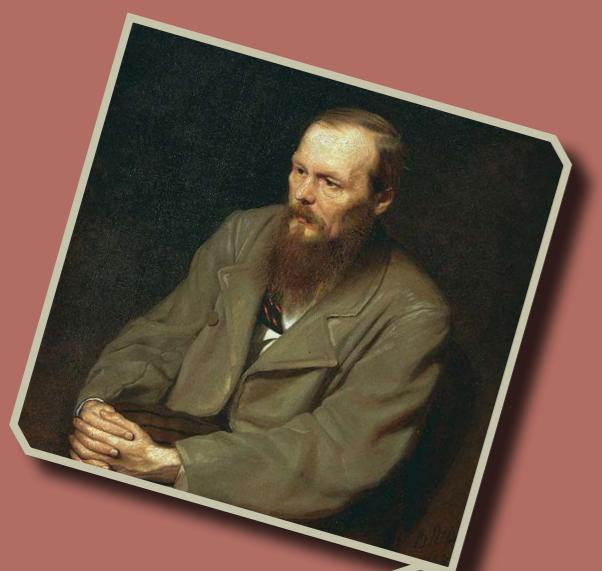
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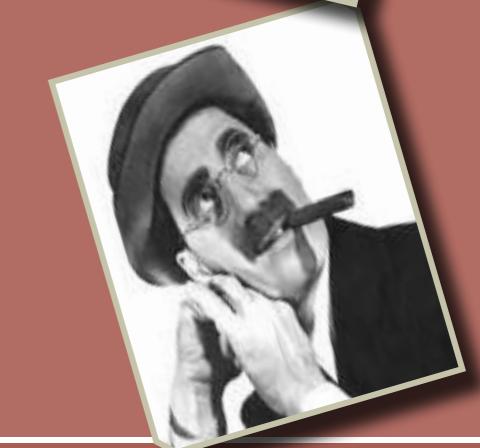
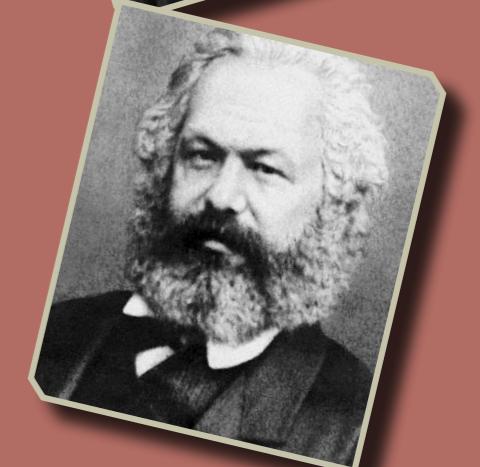
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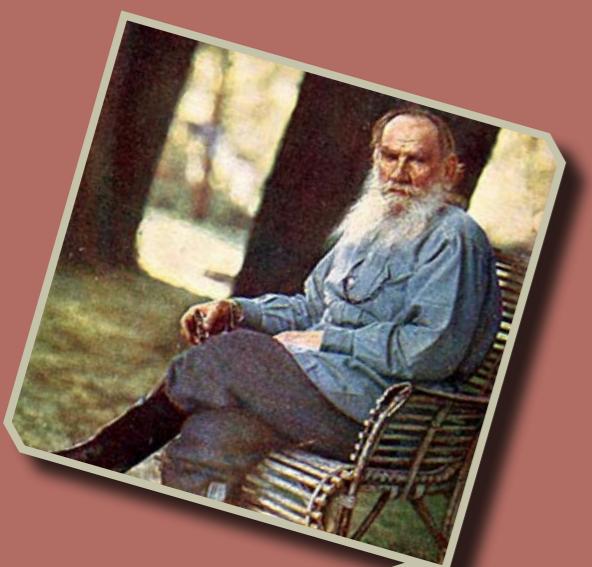
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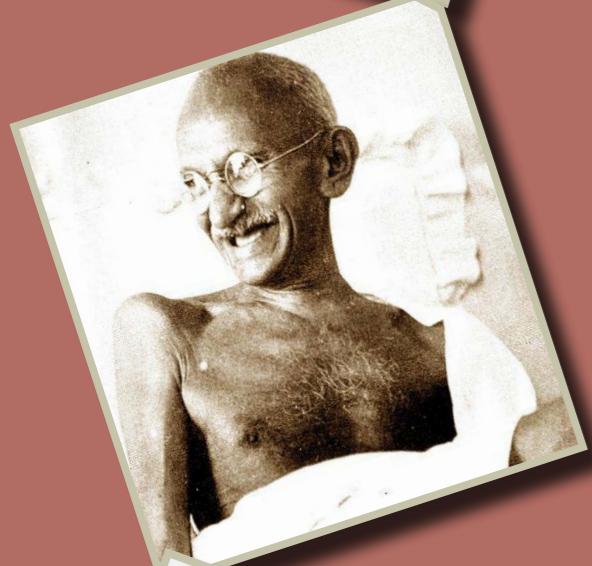
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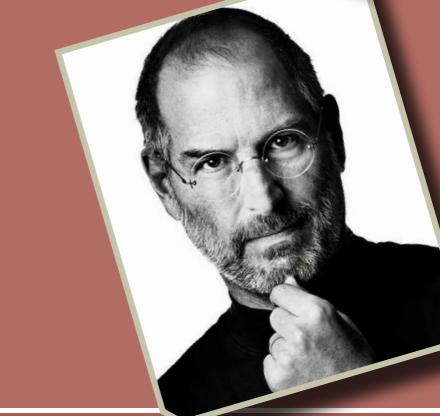
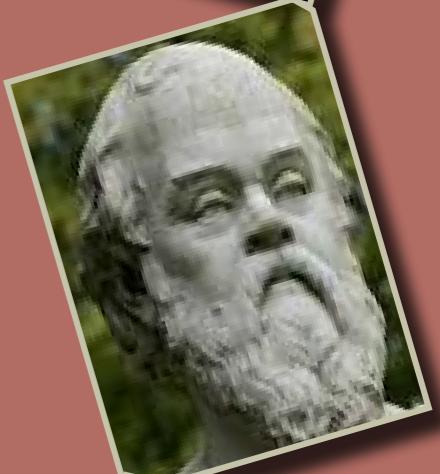
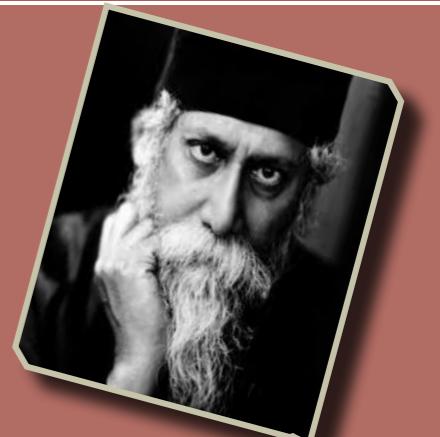
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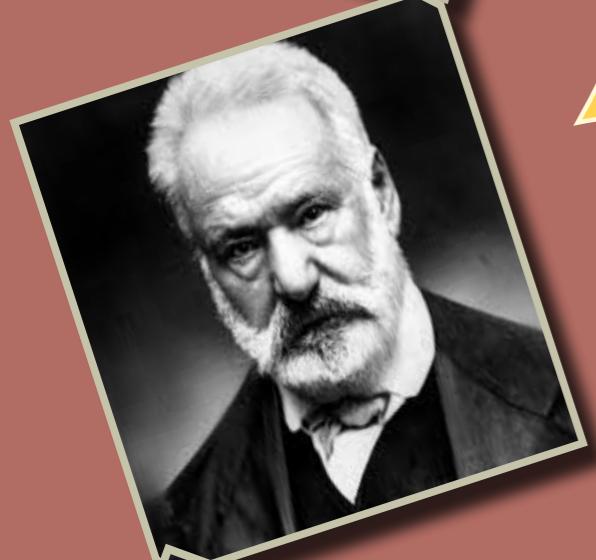




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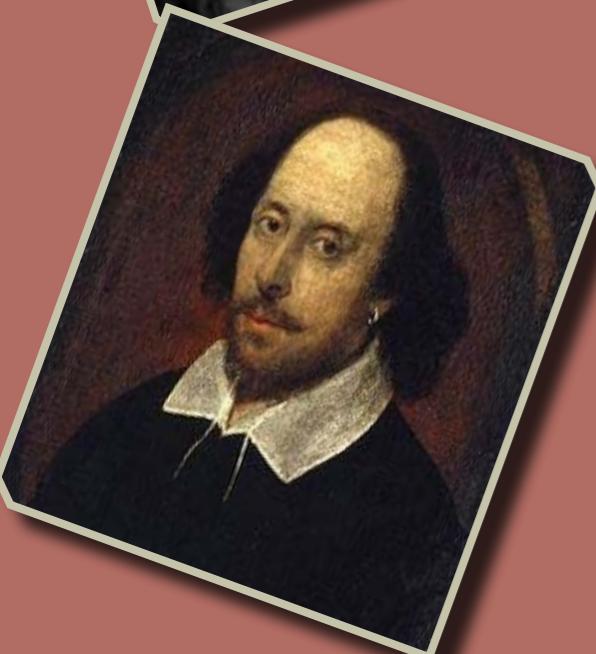
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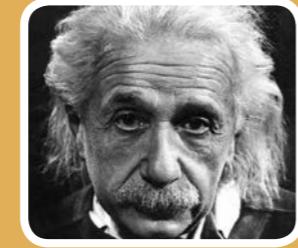
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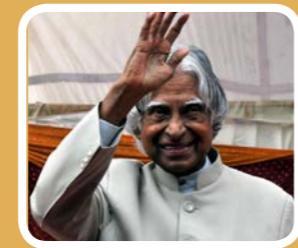
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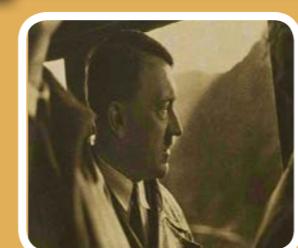
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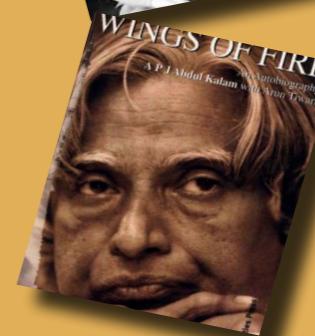
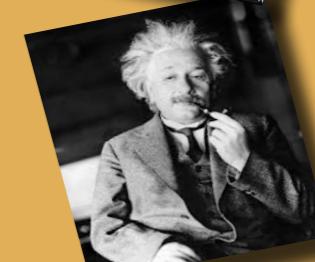
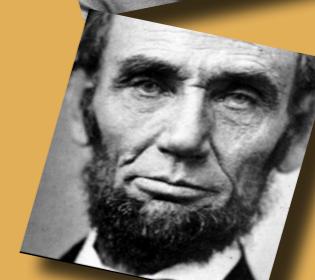
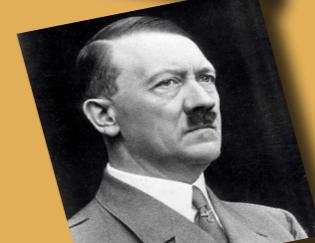
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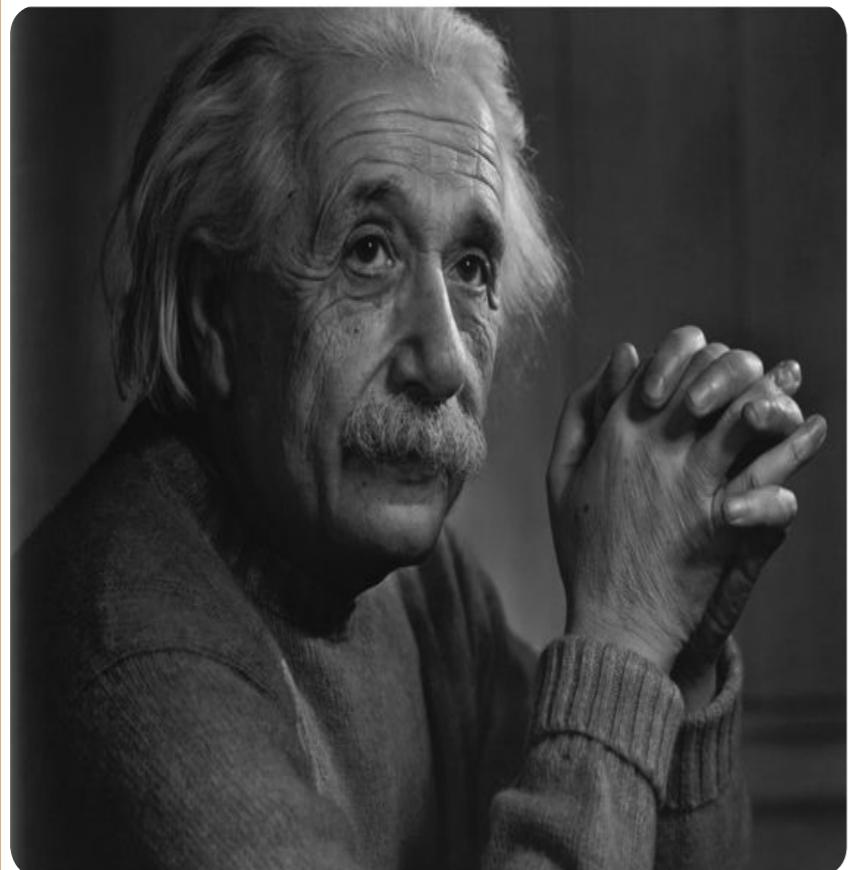
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Artificial Intelligence



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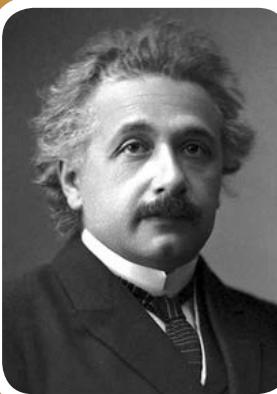
In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.

ALBERT EINSTEIN WAS THE EMBODIMENT OF PURE INTELLECT, THE BUMBLING PROFESSOR WITH THE GERMAN ACCENT, A COMIC CLICHE IN A THOUSAND FILMS. INSTANTLY RECOGNIZABLE, LIKE CHARLIE CHAPLIN'S LITTLE TRAMP, ALBERT EINSTEIN'S SHAGGY-HAIRED VISAGE WAS AS FAMILIAR TO ORDINARY PEOPLE AS TO THE MATRONS WHO FLUTTERED ABOUT HIM IN SALONS FROM BERLIN TO HOLLYWOOD. YET HE WAS UNFATHOMABLY PROFOUND — THE GENIUS AMONG GENIUSES WHO DISCOVERED, MERELY BY THINKING ABOUT IT, THAT THE UNIVERSE WAS NOT AS IT SEEMED.

EVEN NOW SCIENTISTS MARVEL AT THE DARING OF GENERAL RELATIVITY ("I STILL CAN'T SEE HOW HE THOUGHT OF IT," SAID THE LATE RICHARD FEYNMAN, NO SLOUCH HIMSELF). BUT THE GREAT PHYSICIST WAS ALSO ENGAGINGLY SIMPLE, TRADING TIES AND SOCKS FOR MOTHY SWEATERS AND SWEATSHIRTS. HE TOSSSED OFF PITHY APHORISMS ("SCIENCE IS A WONDERFUL THING IF ONE DOES NOT HAVE TO EARN ONE'S LIVING AT IT") AND PLAYFUL DOGGEREL AS EASILY AS EQUATIONS. VIEWING THE HOOPLA OVER HIM WITH HUMOROUS DETACHMENT, HE VARIOUSLY REFERRED TO HIMSELF AS THE JEWISH SAINT OR ARTIST'S MODEL. HE WAS A CARTOONIST'S DREAM COME TRUE.

MUCH TO HIS SURPRISE, HIS IDEAS, LIKE DARWIN'S, REVERBERATED BEYOND SCIENCE, INFLUENCING MODERN CULTURE FROM PAINTING TO POETRY. AT FIRST EVEN MANY SCIENTISTS DIDN'T REALLY GRASP RELATIVITY, PROMPTING ARTHUR EDDINGTON'S CELEBRATED WISECRACK (ASKED IF IT WAS TRUE THAT ONLY THREE PEOPLE UNDERSTOOD RELATIVITY, THE WITTY BRITISH ASTROPHYSICIST PAUSED, THEN SAID, "I AM TRYING TO THINK WHO THE THIRD PERSON IS"). TO THE WORLD AT LARGE, RELATIVITY SEEMED TO PULL THE RUG OUT FROM UNDER PERCEIVED REALITY. AND FOR MANY ADVANCED THINKERS OF THE 1920S, FROM DADAISTS TO CUBISTS TO FREUDIANS, THAT WAS A FITTING CREDO, REFLECTING WHAT SCIENCE HISTORIAN DAVID CASSIDY CALLS "THE INCOMPREHENSIVENESS OF THE CONTEMPORARY SCENE--THE FALL OF MONARCHIES, THE UPHEAVAL OF THE SOCIAL ORDER, INDEED, ALL THE TURBULENCE OF THE 20TH CENTURY."

THE PERSON WHO READS TOO MUCH AND USES HIS BRAIN TOO LITTLE WILL FALL INTO LAZY HABITS OF THINKING.



Any intelligent fool can make things bigger, more complex, and more violent. It takes a touch of genius -- and a lot of courage -- to move in the opposite direction.

Gravitation is not responsible for people falling in love.

The hardest thing in the world to understand is the income tax.

I never think of the future. It comes soon enough.

Science without religion is lame. Religion without science is blind.

Great spirits have often encountered violent opposition from weak minds.

Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not simpler.

The secret to creativity is knowing how to hide your sources.

We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them.

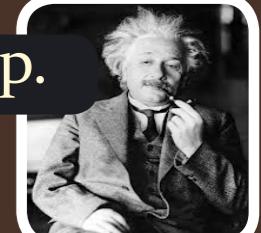
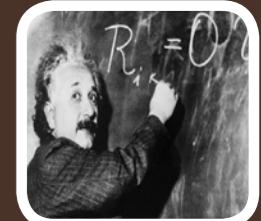
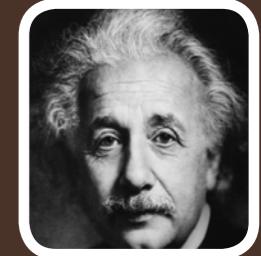
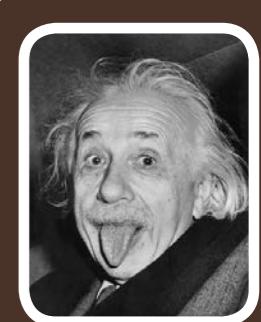
Education is what remains after one has forgotten everything he learned in school.

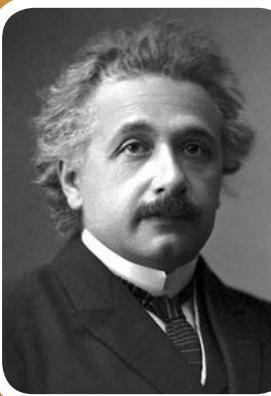
Do not worry about your difficulties in Mathematics. I can assure you, mine are still greater.

Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the the universe.

I know not with what weapons World War III will be fought, but World War IV will be fought with sticks and stones.

In order to form an immaculate member of a flock of sheep one must, above all, be a sheep.





The fear of death is the most unjustified of all fears, for there's no risk of accident for someone who's dead.

The release of atom power has changed everything except our way of thinking... the solution to this problem lies in the heart of mankind. If only I had known, I should have become a watchmaker.

Not everything that counts can be counted, and not everything that can be counted counts.

Insanity is doing the same thing, over and over again, but expecting different results.

I am enough of an artist to draw freely upon my imagination. Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world.

If you can't explain it to a six year old, you don't understand it yourself.

Logic will get you from A to Z; imagination will get you everywhere.

The most incomprehensible thing about the world is that it is comprehensible.

Common sense is the collection of prejudices acquired by age eighteen.

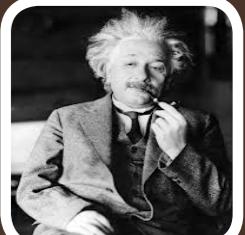
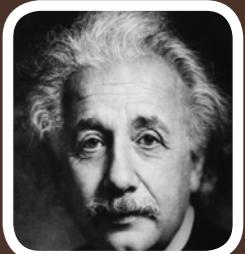
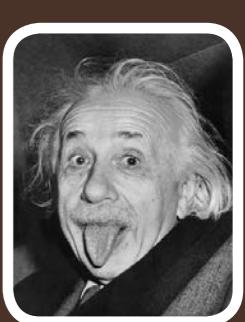
Try not to become just a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value.

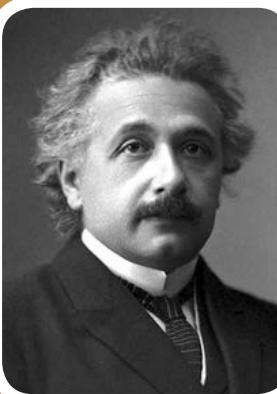
It's not that I'm so smart; it's just that I stay with problems longer.

Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow. The important thing is to not stop questioning.

I have no special talents. I am only passionately curious.

The person who never made a mistake never tried anything new.





Example isn't another way to teach, it is the only way to teach.

If a cluttered desk is a sign of a cluttered mind, of what then, is an empty desk?

The world is a dangerous place, not because of those who do evil, but because of those who look on and do nothing.

When the solution is simple, God is answering.

Money only appeals to selfishness and always tempts its owners irresistibly to abuse it. Can anyone imagine Moses, Jesus, or Gandhi armed with the money-bags of Carnegie?

An empty stomach is not a good political adviser.

The difference between genius and stupidity is; genius has its limits.

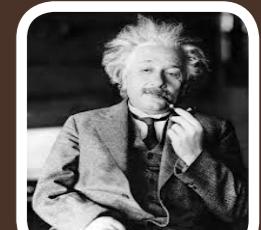
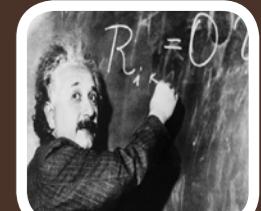
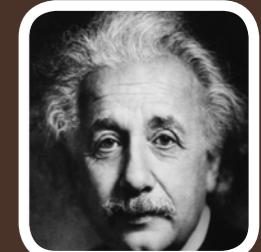
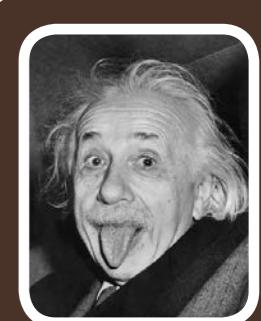
Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid.

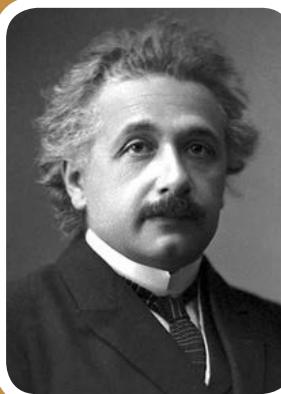
When you are courting a nice girl an hour seems like a second. When you sit on a red-hot cinder a second seems like an hour. That's relativity.

A clever person solves a problem. A wise person avoids it.

If A is a success in life, then A equals x plus y plus z. Work is x; y is play; and z is keeping your mouth shut.

Men marry women with the hope they will never change. Women marry men with the hope they will change. Invariably they are both disappointed.





It would be possible to describe everything scientifically, but it would make no sense; it would be without meaning, as if you described a Beethoven symphony as a variation of wave pressure.

A ship is always safe at the shore - but that is NOT what it is built for.

If people are good only because they fear punishment, and hope for reward, then we are a sorry lot indeed.

Even on the most solemn occasions I got away without wearing socks and hid that lack of civilization in high boots.

A person starts to live when he can live outside himself.

Let every man be respected as an individual and no man idolized.

Technological change is like an axe in the hands of a pathological criminal.

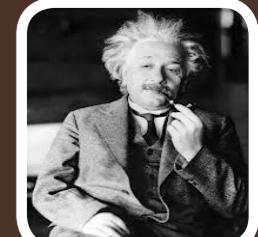
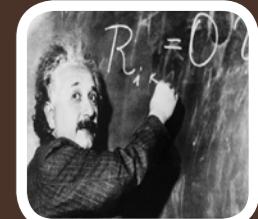
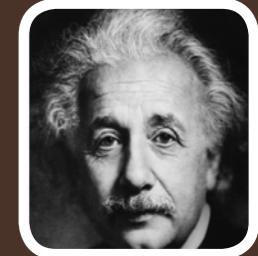
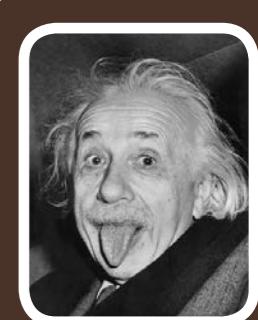
The only justifiable purpose of political institutions is to ensure the unhindered development of the individual.

Work is the only thing that gives substance to life.

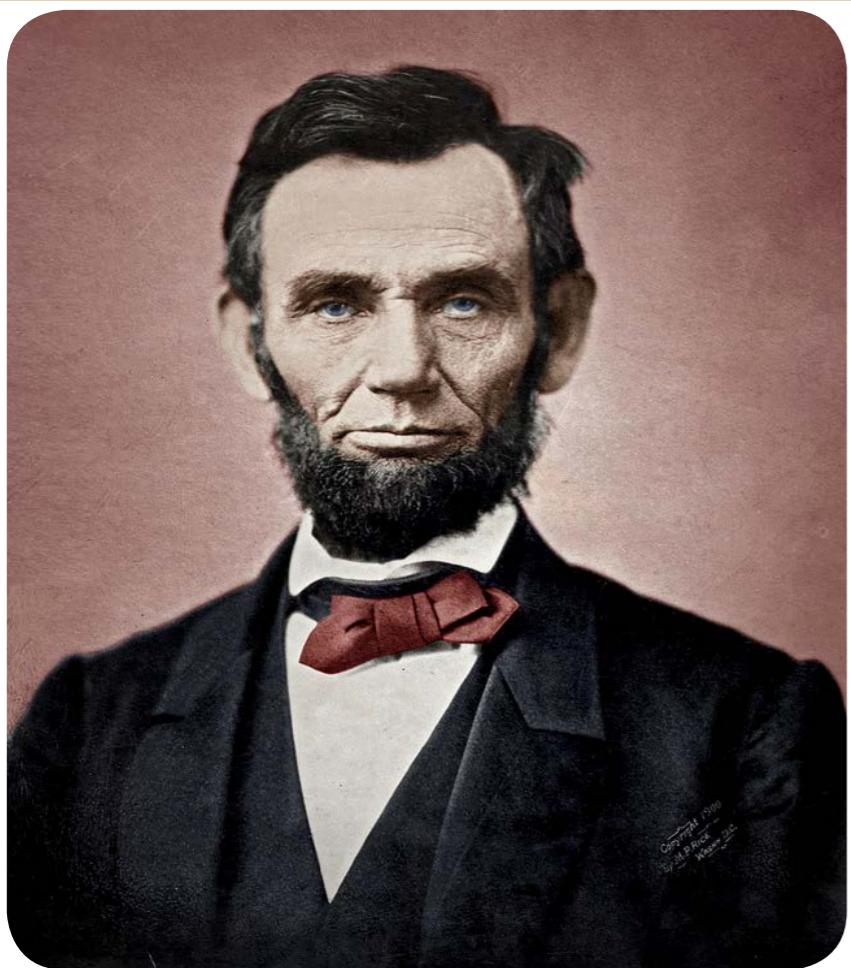
Never lose a holy curiosity.

When you look at yourself from a universal standpoint, something inside always reminds or informs you that there are bigger and better things to worry about.

Paper is to write things down that we need to remember. Our brains are used to think.



ABRAHAM LINCOLN



Whatever you are, be a good one.

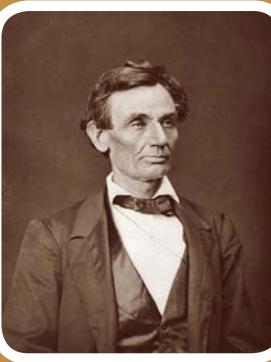
ABRAHAM LINCOLN WAS THE 16TH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND ONE OF THE GREAT AMERICAN LEADERS. HIS PRESIDENCY WAS DOMINATED BY THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN WAS BORN ON 12 FEBRUARY 1809 NEAR HODGENVILLE, KENTUCKY. HE WAS BROUGHT UP IN KENTUCKY, INDIANA AND ILLINOIS. HIS PARENTS WERE POOR PIONEERS AND LINCOLN WAS LARGELY SELF-EDUCATED. IN 1836, HE QUALIFIED AS A LAWYER AND WENT TO WORK IN A LAW PRACTICE IN SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. HE SAT IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE FROM 1834 TO 1842 AND IN 1846 WAS ELECTED TO CONGRESS, REPRESENTING THE WHIG PARTY FOR A TERM. IN 1856, HE JOINED THE NEW REPUBLICAN PARTY AND IN 1860 HE WAS ASKED TO RUN AS THEIR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE.

IN THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN, LINCOLN MADE HIS OPPOSITION TO SLAVERY VERY CLEAR. HIS VICTORY PROVOKED A CRISIS, WITH MANY SOUTHERNERS FEARING THAT HE WOULD ATTEMPT TO ABOLISH SLAVERY IN THE SOUTH. SEVEN SOUTHERN STATES LEFT THE UNION TO FORM THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CONFEDERACY. FOUR MORE JOINED LATER. LINCOLN VOWED TO PRESERVE THE UNION EVEN IF IT MEANT WAR. FIGHTING BROKE OUT IN APRIL 1861. LINCOLN ALWAYS DEFINED THE CIVIL WAR AS A STRUGGLE TO SAVE THE UNION, BUT IN JANUARY 1863 HE NONETHELESS ISSUED THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION, WHICH FREED ALL SLAVES IN AREAS STILL UNDER CONFEDERATE CONTROL. THIS WAS AN IMPORTANT SYMBOLIC GESTURE THAT IDENTIFIED THE UNION'S STRUGGLE AS A WAR TO END SLAVERY.

ON 19 NOVEMBER 1863, LINCOLN DELIVERED HIS FAMOUS GETTYSBURG ADDRESS AT THE DEDICATION OF A CEMETERY AT THE SITE OF THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG, A DECISIVE UNION VICTORY THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE EARLIER IN THE YEAR.

ON 9 APRIL 1865, THE CONFEDERATE GENERAL ROBERT E LEE SURRENDERED, EFFECTIVELY ENDING THE WAR. IT HAD LASTED FOR MORE THAN FOUR YEARS AND 600,000 AMERICANS HAD DIED. LESS THAN A WEEK LATER, LINCOLN WAS SHOT WHILE ATTENDING A PERFORMANCE AT FORD'S THEATRE IN WASHINGTON DC AND DIED THE NEXT MORNING, 15 APRIL 1865. HIS ASSASSIN, JOHN WILKES BOOTH, WAS A STRONG SUPPORTER OF THE CONFEDERACY.



Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power.

People are just as happy as they make up their minds to be.

Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?

My Best Friend is a person who will give me a book I have not read.

My concern is not whether God is on our side; my greatest concern is to be on God's side, for God is always right.

Be sure you put your feet in the right place, then stand firm.

I am a slow walker, but I never walk back.

Character is like a tree and reputation its shadow. The shadow is what we think it is and the tree is the real thing.

You have to do your own growing no matter how tall your grandfather was.

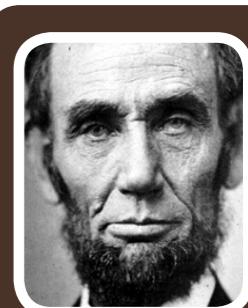
It is not best to swap horses while crossing the river.

You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you can not fool all of the people all of the time.

Nobody has ever expected me to be president. In my poor, lean lank face nobody has ever seen that any cabbages were sprouting.

Truth is generally the best vindication against slander.

In this sad world of ours, sorrow comes to all; and, to the young, it comes with bitterest agony, because it takes them unawares.





Public sentiment is everything. With public sentiment, nothing can fail; without it nothing can succeed.

I am rather inclined to silence, and whether that be wise or not, it is at least more unusual nowadays to find a man who can hold his tongue than to find one who cannot.

Plainly, the central idea of secession, is the essence of anarchy.

Every blade of grass is a study; and to produce two, where there was but one, is both a profit and a pleasure.

It's my experience that folks who have no vices have generally very few virtues.

Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any other thing.

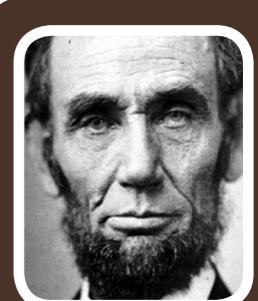
That some achieve great success is proof to all that others can achieve it as well.

The best way to predict your future is to create it.

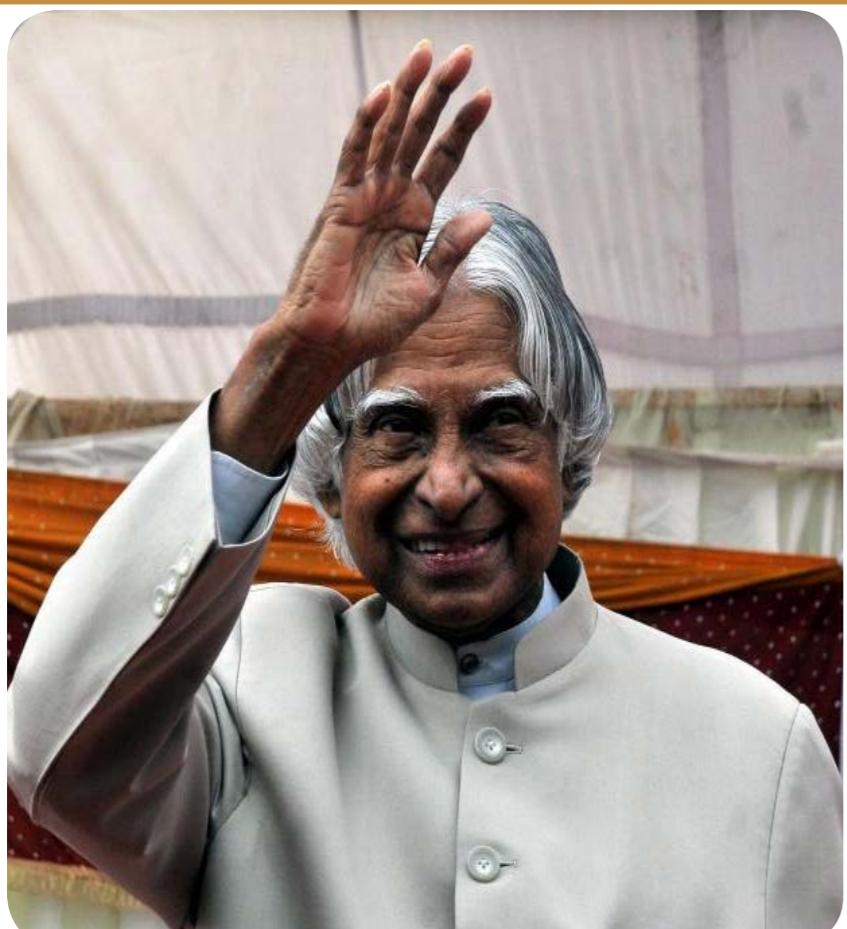
It is better to remain silent and be thought a fool, than to open your mouth and remove all doubts.

Upon the subject of education, not presuming to dictate any plan or system respecting it, I can only say that I view it as the most important subject which we as a people can be engaged in.

The ballot is stronger than the bullet.



ABDUL KALAM



Self respect comes with self reliance.

DR. AVUL PAKIR JAINULABDEEN ABDUL KALAM BORN ON 15TH OCTOBER 1931 AT RAMESWARAM, IN TAMIL NADU, SPECIALIZED IN AERO ENGINEERING FROM MADRAS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

BEFORE HIS TERM AS INDIA'S PRESIDENT, HE WORKED AS AN AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER WITH DRDO AND ISRO. HE IS POPULARLY KNOWN AS THE **MISSILE MAN OF INDIA** FOR HIS WORK ON DEVELOPMENT OF BALLISTIC MISSILE AND SPACE ROCKET TECHNOLOGY. IN INDIA HE IS HIGHLY RESPECTED AS A SCIENTIST AND AS AN ENGINEER.

KALAM PLAYED A PIVOTAL ORGANISATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND POLITICAL ROLE IN INDIA'S POKHRAN-II NUCLEAR TEST IN 1998, THE FIRST SINCE THE ORIGINAL NUCLEAR TEST BY INDIA IN 1974. HE IS A PROFESSOR AT ANNA UNIVERSITY (CHENNAI) AND ADJUNCT/ VISITING FACULTY AT MANY OTHER ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS ACROSS INDIA. WITH THE DEATH OF R. VENKATARAMAN ON JANUARY 27, 2009, KALAM BECAME THE ONLY SURVIVING **FORMER PRESIDENT OF INDIA**.

APJ ABDUL KALAM VIEWS ON CERTAIN ISSUES HAVE BEEN ESPoused BY HIM IN HIS BOOK INDIA 2020 WHERE HE STRONGLY ADVOCATES AN ACTION PLAN TO DEVELOP INDIA INTO A KNOWLEDGE SUPERPOWER AND INTO A DEVELOPED NATION BY THE YEAR 2020. KALAM IS CREDITED WITH THE VIEW THAT INDIA OUGHT TO TAKE A MORE ASSERTIVE STANCE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS; HE REGARDS HIS WORK ON INDIA'S NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAM AS A WAY TO ASSERT INDIA'S PLACE AS A FUTURE SUPERPOWER.

KALAM HAS BEEN CHOSEN TO RECEIVE PRESTIGIOUS 2008 HOOVER MEDAL FOR HIS OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE. THE CITATION SAID THAT HE IS BEING RECOGNISED FOR MAKING STATE-OF-THE-ART HEALTHCARE AVAILABLE TO THE COMMON MAN AT AFFORDABLE PRICES, BRINGING QUALITY MEDICAL CARE TO RURAL AREAS BY ESTABLISHING A LINK BETWEEN DOCTORS AND TECHNOCRATS, USING SPIN-OFFS OF DEFENCE TECHNOLOGY TO CREATE STATE-OF-THE-ART MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND LAUNCHING TELE-MEDICINE PROJECTS CONNECTING REMOTE RURAL-BASED HOSPITALS TO THE SUPER-SPECIALTY HOSPITAL. A PRE EMINENT SCIENTIST, A GIFTED ENGINEER, AND A TRUE VISIONARY, HE IS ALSO A HUMBLE HUMANITARIAN IN EVERY SENSE OF THE WORD, IT ADDED.

GREAT DREAMS OF GREAT DREAMERS ARE ALWAYS TRANSCENDED.



Dream, Dream, Dream, Dreams transform into thoughts And thoughts result in action.

It Is Very Easy To Defeat Someone, But It Is Very Hard To Win Someone.

For great men, religion is a way of making friends; small people make religion a fighting tool.

Dreams are not those which comes while we are sleeping, but dreams are those when you don't sleep before fulfilling them.

Don't take rest after your first victory because if you fail in second, more lips are waiting to say that your first victory was just luck.

As a child of God, I am greater than anything that can happen to me.

Climbing to the top demands strength, whether it is to the top of Mount Everest or to the top of your career.

In India we only read about death, sickness, terrorism, crime.

To succeed in your mission, you must have single-minded devotion to your goal.

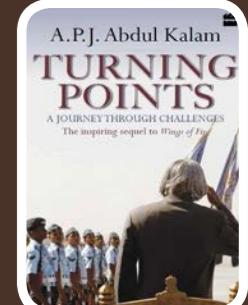
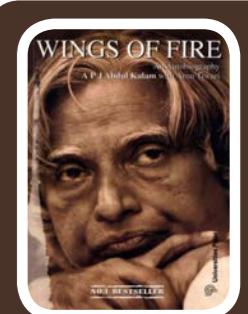
Look at the sky. We are not alone. The whole universe is friendly to us and conspires only to give the best to those who dream and work.

Let us sacrifice our today so that our children can have a better tomorrow.

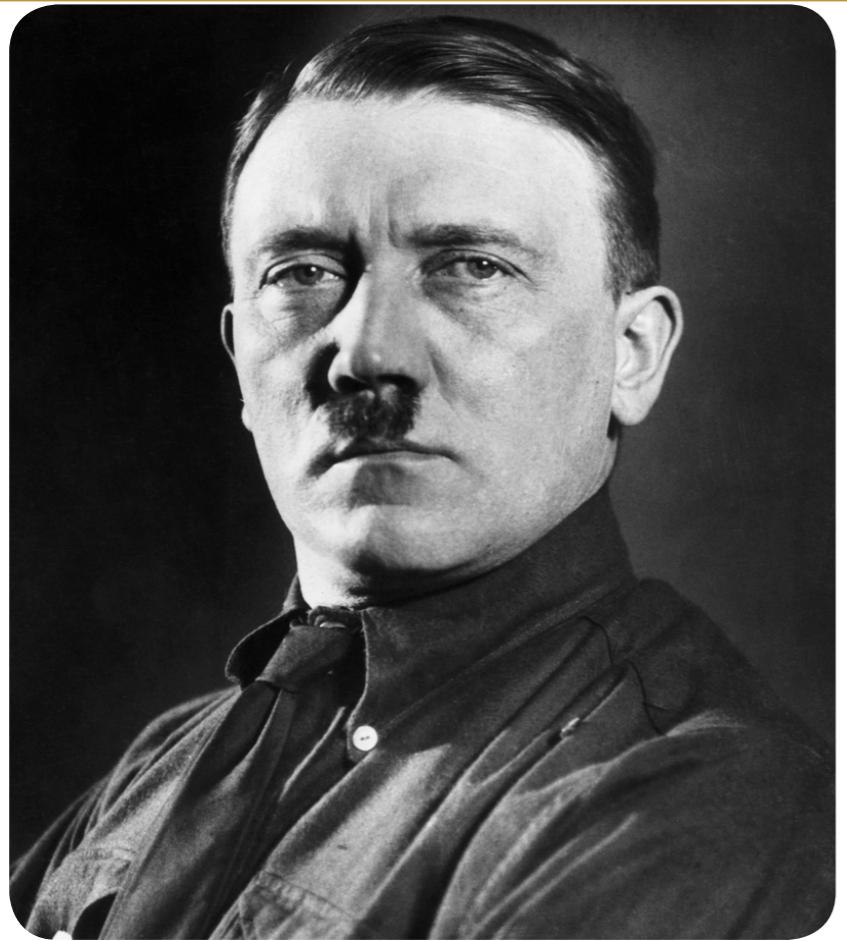
India can live without nuclear weapons. That's our dream, and it should be the dream of the U.S. also.

If we are not free, no one will respect us.

Unless India stands up to the world, no one will respect us. In this world, fear has no place. Only strength respects strength.



ADOLF HITLER



When diplomacy ends, War begins.

ADOLF HITLER WAS BORN ON 20 APRIL 1889 IN BRAUNAU-AM-INN ON THE AUSTRIAN-GERMAN BORDER. HIS FATHER WAS A CUSTOMS OFFICIAL. HITLER LEFT SCHOOL AT 16 WITH NO QUALIFICATIONS AND STRUGGLED TO MAKE A LIVING AS A PAINTER IN VIENNA. THIS WAS WHERE MANY OF HIS EXTREME POLITICAL AND RACIAL IDEAS ORIGINATED.

IN 1913, HE MOVED TO MUNICH AND, ON THE OUTBREAK OF WORLD WAR ONE, ENLISTED IN THE GERMAN ARMY, WHERE HE WAS WOUNDED AND DECORATED. IN 1919, HE JOINED THE FASCIST GERMAN WORKERS' PARTY (DAP). HE PLAYED TO THE RESENTMENTS OF RIGHT-WINGERS, PROMISING EXTREMIST 'REMEDIES' TO GERMANY'S POST-WAR PROBLEMS WHICH HE AND MANY OTHERS BLAMED ON JEWS AND BOLSHEVIKS. BY 1921 HE WAS THE UNQUESTIONED LEADER OF WHAT WAS NOW THE NATIONAL SOCIALIST GERMAN WORKERS' PARTY (NSDAP OR NAZI PARTY).

IN 1923, HITLER ATTEMPTED AN UNSUCCESSFUL ARMED UPRISING IN MUNICH AND WAS IMPRISONED FOR NINE MONTHS, DURING WHICH TIME HE DICTATED HIS BOOK 'MEIN KAMPF' OUTLINING HIS POLITICAL IDEOLOGY. ON HIS RELEASE HE BEGAN TO REBUILD THE NAZI PARTY AND USED NEW TECHNIQUES OF MASS COMMUNICATION, BACKED UP WITH VIOLENCE, TO GET HIS MESSAGE ACROSS. AGAINST A BACKGROUND OF ECONOMIC DEPRESSION AND POLITICAL TURMOIL, THE NAZIS GREW STRONGER AND IN THE 1932 ELECTIONS BECAME THE LARGEST PARTY IN THE GERMAN PARLIAMENT. IN JANUARY 1933, HITLER BECAME CHANCELLOR OF A COALITION GOVERNMENT. HE QUICKLY TOOK DICTATORIAL POWERS AND BEGAN TO INSTITUTE ANTI-JEWISH LAWS. HE ALSO BEGAN THE PROCESS OF GERMAN MILITARISATION AND TERRITORIAL EXPANSION THAT WOULD EVENTUALLY LEAD TO WORLD WAR TWO. HE ALLIED WITH ITALY AND LATER JAPAN TO CREATE THE AXIS.

HITLER'S INVASION OF POLAND IN SEPTEMBER 1939 BEGAN WORLD WAR TWO. AFTER MILITARY SUCCESSES IN DENMARK, NORWAY AND WESTERN EUROPE, BUT AFTER FAILING TO SUBDUCE BRITAIN IN 1941, HITLER ORDERED THE INVASION OF THE SOVIET UNION. THE JEWISH POPULATIONS OF THE COUNTRIES CONQUERED BY THE NAZIS WERE ROUNDED UP AND KILLED. MILLIONS OF OTHERS WHOM THE NAZIS CONSIDERED RACIALLY INFERIOR WERE ALSO KILLED OR WORKED TO DEATH. IN DECEMBER 1941, HITLER DECLARED WAR ON THE UNITED STATES. THE WAR ON THE EASTERN FRONT DRAINED GERMANY'S RESOURCES AND IN JUNE 1944, THE BRITISH AND AMERICANS LANDED IN FRANCE. WITH SOVIET TROOPS POISED TO TAKE THE GERMAN CAPITAL, HITLER COMMITTED SUICIDE IN HIS BUNKER IN BERLIN ON 30 APRIL 1945.

MAKE THE LIE BIG, MAKE IT SIMPLE, KEEP SAYING IT, AND EVENTUALLY THEY WILL BELIEVE IT.



The great masses of the people will more easily fall victims to a big lie than to a small one.

Through clever and constant application of propaganda, people can be made to see paradise as hell, and also the other way round, to consider the most wretched sort of life as paradise.

And I can fight only for something that I love, love only what I respect, and respect only what I at least know.

Cruelty impresses, people want to be afraid of something. They want someone to whom they can submit with a shudder, the masses need that. They need something to dread.

A single blow must destroy the enemy... without regard of losses... a gigantic all-destroying blow.

Demoralize the enemy from within by surprise, terror, sabotage, assassination. This is the future of war.

By the skilful and sustained use of propaganda, one can make a people see even heaven as hell or an extremely wretched life as paradise.

I use emotion for the many and reserve reason for the few.

Generals think war should be waged like the tourneys of the Middle Ages. I have no use for knights; I need revolutionaries.

The man and the movement seemed 'reactionary' in my eyes.





Universal education is the most corroding and disintegrating poison that liberalism has ever invented for its own destruction.

What good fortune for governments that the people do not think.

Hence today I believe that I am acting in accordance with the will of the Almighty Creator: 'by defending myself against the Jew, I am fighting for the work of the Lord.'

If you win, you need not have to explain...If you lose, you should not be there to explain!

If you want to shine like sun first you have to burn like it.

Do not compare yourself to others. If you do so, you are insulting yourself.

Great liars are also great magicians.

Think Thousand times before taking a decision But - After taking decison never turn back even if you get Thousand difficulties!!

Anyone can deal with victory. Only the mighty can bear defeat.

Humanitarianism is the expression of stupidity and cowardice.

The man who has no sense of history, is like a man who has no ears or eyes.

Hate is more lasting than dislike.

I do not see why man should not be just as cruel as nature.

It is not truth that matters, but victory.



Quotes on

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) IS THE INTELLIGENCE OF MACHINES AND ROBOTS AND THE BRANCH OF COMPUTER SCIENCE THAT AIMS TO CREATE IT. AI TEXTBOOKS DEFINE THE FIELD AS "THE STUDY AND DESIGN OF INTELLIGENT AGENTS" WHERE AN INTELLIGENT AGENT IS A SYSTEM THAT PERCEIVES ITS ENVIRONMENT AND TAKES ACTIONS THAT MAXIMIZE ITS CHANCES OF SUCCESS. JOHN McCARTHY, WHO COINED THE TERM IN 1955, DEFINES IT AS "**THE SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING OF MAKING INTELLIGENT MACHINES.**"

AI RESEARCH IS HIGHLY TECHNICAL AND SPECIALIZED, DEEPLY DIVIDED INTO SUBFIELDS THAT OFTEN FAIL TO COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER. SOME OF THE DIVISION IS DUE TO SOCIAL AND CULTURAL FACTORS: SUBFIELDS HAVE GROWN UP AROUND PARTICULAR INSTITUTIONS AND THE WORK OF INDIVIDUAL RESEARCHERS. AI RESEARCH IS ALSO DIVIDED BY SEVERAL TECHNICAL ISSUES. THERE ARE SUBFIELDS WHICH ARE FOCUSED ON THE SOLUTION OF SPECIFIC PROBLEMS, ON ONE OF SEVERAL POSSIBLE APPROACHES, ON THE USE OF WIDELY DIFFERING TOOLS AND TOWARDS THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF PARTICULAR APPLICATIONS. THE CENTRAL PROBLEMS OF AI INCLUDE SUCH TRAITS AS REASONING, KNOWLEDGE, PLANNING, LEARNING, COMMUNICATION, PERCEPTION AND THE ABILITY TO MOVE AND MANIPULATE OBJECTS. GENERAL INTELLIGENCE (OR "STRONG AI") IS STILL AMONG THE FIELD'S LONG TERM GOALS. CURRENTLY POPULAR APPROACHES INCLUDE STATISTICAL METHODS, COMPUTATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AND TRADITIONAL SYMBOLIC AI. THERE ARE AN ENORMOUS NUMBER OF TOOLS USED IN AI, INCLUDING VERSIONS OF SEARCH AND MATHEMATICAL OPTIMIZATION, LOGIC, METHODS BASED ON PROBABILITY AND ECONOMICS, AND MANY OTHERS.

THE FIELD WAS FOUNDED ON THE CLAIM THAT A CENTRAL PROPERTY OF HUMANS, INTELLIGENCE—THE SAPIENCE OF HOMO SAPIENS—CAN BE SO PRECISELY DESCRIBED THAT IT CAN BE SIMULATED BY A MACHINE. THIS RAISES PHILOSOPHICAL ISSUES ABOUT THE NATURE OF THE MIND AND THE ETHICS OF CREATING ARTIFICIAL BEINGS, ISSUES WHICH HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED BY MYTH, FICTION AND PHILOSOPHY SINCE ANTIQUITY. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF OPTIMISM, BUT HAS ALSO SUFFERED SETBACKS AND, TODAY, HAS BECOME AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY, PROVIDING THE HEAVY LIFTING FOR MANY OF THE MOST DIFFICULT PROBLEMS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE.

REAL STUPIDITY BEATS ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE EVERY TIME.
-- TERRY PRATCHETT



The question of whether computers can think is like the question of whether submarines can swim. — Edsger W. Dijkstra

To be human is to be 'a' human, a specific person with a life history and idiosyncrasy and point of view; artificial intelligence suggest that the line between intelligent machines and people blurs most when a puree is made of that identity. — Brian Christian



Maybe the only significant difference between a really smart simulation and a human being was the noise they made when you punched them. — Terry Pratchett

I think they are a better race than humans ever were. — Angelo Tsanatelis

The AI does not hate you, nor does it love you, but you are made out of atoms which it can use for something else. — Eliezer Yudkowsky



Our ultimate objective is to make programs that learn from their experience as effectively as humans do. We shall...say that a program has common sense if it automatically deduces for itself a sufficient wide class of immediate consequences of anything it is told and what it already knows. — John McCarthy

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity. — Anon.

I visualize a time when we will be to robots what dogs are to humans, and I'm rooting for the machines. — Claude Shannon

Artificial intelligence is that field of computer usage which attempts to construct computational mechanisms for activities that are considered to require intelligence when performed by humans. — Derek Partridge





AI is about making machines more fathomable and more under the control of human beings, not less. Conventional technology has indeed been making our environment more complex and more incomprehensible, and if it continues as it is doing now the only conceivable outcome is disaster. — Donald Michie



Machines will be capable, within twenty years, of doing any work that a man can do.
— Herbert Simon



Artificial intelligence is the mimicking of human thought and cognitive processes to solve complex problems. — Richard Stottler

AI has never been a monolithic science; by the mid-1970s, the diverging interests of its pioneers were giving birth to recognizable specialties. — Daniel Crevier



Artificial Intelligence: the art of making computers that behave like the ones in movies. — Bill Bulko



Some people worry that artificial intelligence will make us feel inferior, but then, anybody in his right mind should have an inferiority complex every time he looks at a flower.— Alan Kay



Supercomputers will achieve one human brain capacity by 2010, and personal computers will do so by about 2020. — Ray Kurzweil



By 2100, our destiny is to become like the gods we once worshipped and feared. But our tools will not be magic wands and potions but the science of computers, nanotechnology, artificial intelligence, biotechnology, and most of all, the quantum theory. — Michio Kaku

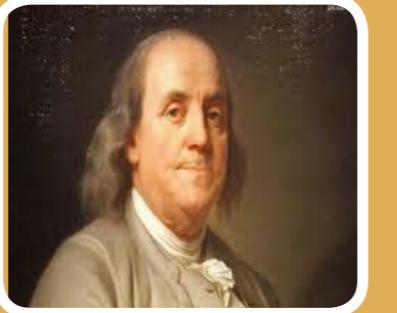
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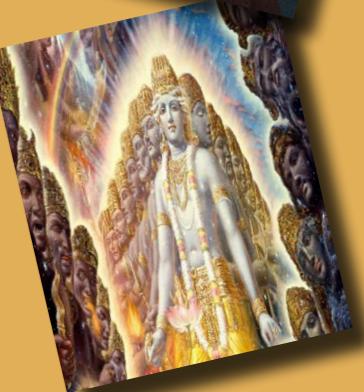
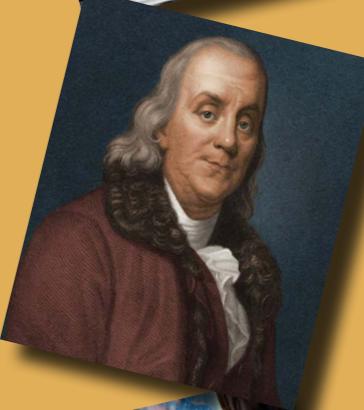
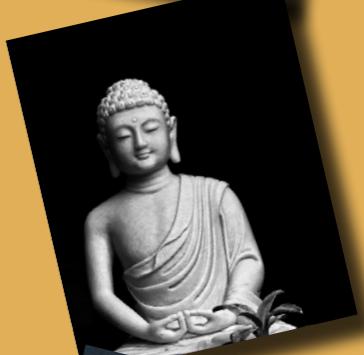
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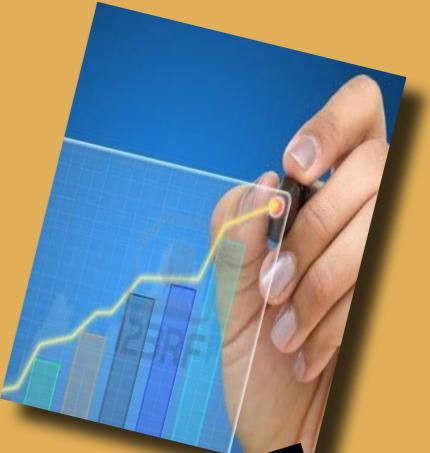
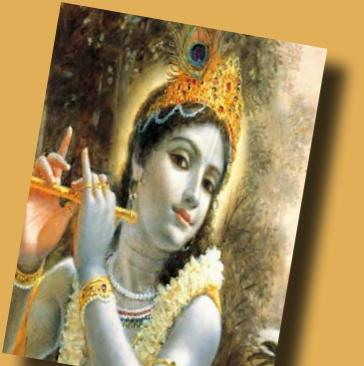


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BHAGWAD GITA

THE BHAGAVAD GITA IS KNOWN AS THE SONG CELESTIAL. IT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT SACRED TEXT IN THE HINDU TRADITION. THE BHAGAVAD GITA IS SOME 700 VERSES AND IS A PART OF THE GREAT EPIC MAHABHARATA.



Hell has three gates: lust, anger, and greed.

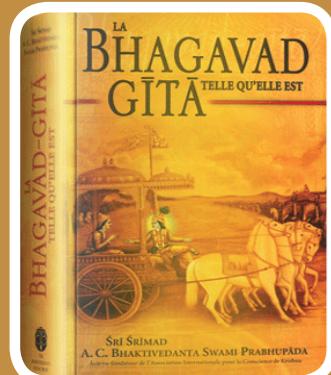
THE BACKDROP TO THE BHAGAVAD GITA IS THE BATTLE OF KURUKSHETRA BETWEEN THE PANDAVAS AND THE KAURAVAS. ARJUNA FINDS HIMSELF RELUCTANTLY FIGHTING FOR THE PANDAVAS AGAINST HIS COUSINS THE KAURAVAS. BEFORE THE START OF THE BATTLE ARJUNA IS GIVEN A CHOICE BETWEEN HAVING THE HELP OF EITHER HIS BELOVED FRIEND KRISHNA OR THE ENTIRE ARMY OF KRISHNA. WITHOUT HESITATION ARJUNA CHOSE TO HAVE SRI KRISHNA AS AN ADVISER, RATHER THAN HIS ARMY. MOST OF THE BHAGAVAD GITA COMPRISSES THE DISCOURSE THAT SRI KRISHNA GAVE TO HIS DISCIPLE ARJUNA ON THE BATTLEFIELD OF KURUSHETRA. THE BATTLE BECOMES A SYNOPSIS FOR LIFE AND PROVIDES SRI KRISHNA THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN TO ARJUNA THE PHILOSOPHY OF YOGA AND VEDANTA, IN A PRACTICAL AND MEANINGFUL WAY.

THE GITA BEGINS WITH SRI KRISHNA EXPLAINING THE ESSENCE OF MAN IS NOT THE BODY BUT THE IMMORTAL SOUL. ON THE EVE OF BATTLE ARJUNA IS FILLED WITH DEEP MISGIVINGS; HE FEELS TO KILL HIS RELATIVES AND FRIENDS WOULD BE A GREAT SIN. BUT SRI KRISHNA REPLIES THAT ARJUNA SHOULD NOT SEE HIMSELF AS THE DOER. IT IS ONLY GOD WHO GIVES AND TAKES LIFE AWAY. FURTHERMORE THE DEATH OF THE BODY DOES NOT HARM THE SOUL. AS THE IMMORTAL QUOTE OF THE GITA RUNS.

“THE SOUL MIGRATES FROM BODY TO BODY. WEAPONS CANNOT CLEAVE IT, NOR FIRE CONSUME IT, NOR WATER DRENCH IT, NOR WIND DRY IT. THIS IS THE SOUL AND THIS IS WHAT IS MEANT BY THE EXISTENCE OF THE SOUL.”

BY REVEALING HIS UNIVERSAL FORM, ARJUNA VIEWS SRI KRISHNA AS NOT JUST A FRIEND, BUT AS AN AVATAR OR INCARNATION OF GOD. IT IS QUITE APT TO NOTE THE ENGLISH WRITER CHRISTOPHER ISHERWOOD WOULD LATER COMMENT ON THE GITA AS BEING “**LIKE A UNIVERSITY LECTURE DELIVERED BY GOD.**” THEIR RELATIONSHIP CHANGES FROM GOOD FRIENDS TO MASTER AND DISCIPLE. IT IS SRI KRISHNA’S REVELATIONS THAT GIVE THE GITA ITS DIVINE POWER. SANJAYA THE SCRIBE OF THE GITA REMEMBERED THE WORDS OF SRI KRISHNA AND THIS IS WHY THE GITA IS USUALLY LOOKED UPON AS ŚRUTI, OR REVEALED KNOWLEDGE. EVEN THOUGH TECHNICALLY THE GITA IS SMRTI BECAUSE IT WAS LATER REMEMBERED AND WRITTEN DOWN BY SANJAYA.

WHEN I READ THE BHAGAVAD-GITA AND REFLECT ABOUT HOW GOD CREATED THIS UNIVERSE
EVERYTHING ELSE SEEMS SO SUPERFLUOUS. - ALBERT EINSTEIN



Whatever you do, make it an offering to me -- the food you eat, the sacrifices you make, the help you give, even your sufferings.

It is better to live your own destiny imperfectly than to live an imitation of somebody else's life with perfection.

A gift is pure when it is given from the heart to the right person at the right time and at the right place, and when we expect nothing in return.

No one who does good work will ever come to a bad end, either here or in the world to come.

I have become Death, the destroyer of worlds.

As a man can drink water from any side of a full tank, so the skilled theologian can wrest from any scripture that which will serve His purpose.

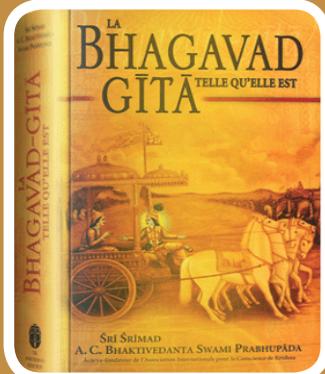
Balance of mind is called Yoga.

It is true that the mind is restless and difficult to control. But it can be conquered, through regular practice and detachment. Those who lack self-control will find it difficult to progress in meditation; but those who are self-controlled, striving earnestly through the right means, will attain the goal.

Knowledge, the object of knowledge and the knower are the three factors, which motivate action; the senses, the work and the doer comprise the threefold basis of action.

For certain is death for the born... And certain is birth for the dead... Therefore, over the inevitable Thou shouldst not grieve.





Neither in this world nor elsewhere is there any happiness in store for him who always doubts.

The mind is restless and difficult to restrain, but it is subdued by practice.

There has never been a time when you and I have not existed, nor will there be a time when we will cease to exist. As the same person inhabits the body through childhood, youth, and old age, so too at the time of death he attains another body. The wise are not deluded by these changes.

Those who eat too much or eat too little, who sleep too much or sleep too little, will not succeed in meditation. But those who are temperate in eating and sleeping, work and recreation, will come to the end of sorrow through meditation.

Still your mind in me, still yourself in me, and without a doubt you shall be united with me, Lord of Love, dwelling in your heart.

Be free from fear. Be fearless and have faith in the divine.

Not by refraining from action does man attain freedom from action. Not by mere renunciation does he attain supreme perfection.

As person abandons worn-out clothes and acquires new ones, so when the body is worn out a new one is acquired by the Self, who lives within.

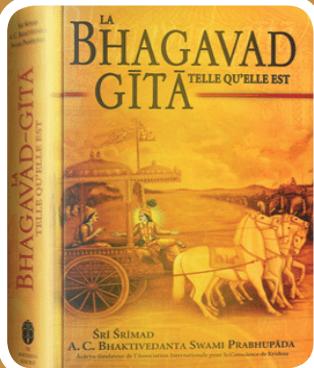
Out of compassion I destroy the darkness of their ignorance. From within them I light the lamp of wisdom and dispel all darkness from their lives.

No work stains a man who is pure, who is in harmony, who is master of his life, whose soul is one with the soul of all.





The happiness which comes from long practice, which leads to the end of suffering, which at first is like poison, but at last like nectar - this kind of happiness arises from the serenity of one's own mind.



The knowledge sacrifice is superior to any material sacrifice.

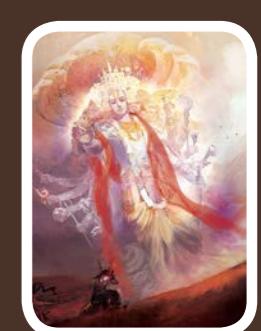
No one is even equal to You in the three worlds how can there be one greater than You O Being of Incomparable Glory.

But, you are not able to see Me with your physical eye therefore, I give you the divine eye to see My majestic power and glory.



THE LAST VERSE OF BHAGAVAD-GITA, WHICH IS KNOWN AS 'ONE VERSE GITA' (EK SLOKI GITA)

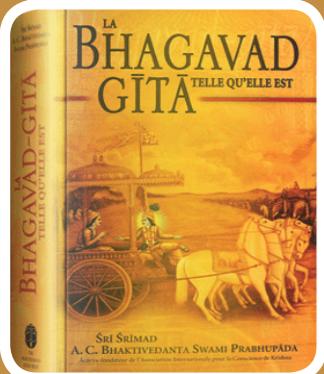
*yatra yogesvarah krsno
yatra partho dhanur-dharah
tatra srir vijayo bhutir
dhruva nitir matir mama || 18-78 ||*



THIS LAST VERSE OF BHAGAVAD-GITA FROM CHAPTER 18 (CONCLUSION--THE PERFECTION OF RENUNCIATION) EXPLAINS:

WHEREVER THERE IS KRISHNA, THE MASTER OF ALL MYSTICS (YOGA AND WISDOM), AND WHEREVER THERE IS ARJUNA (TRUE DEVOTEE), THE SUPREME ARCHER (PERFORMER OF HIS/HER DUTIES), THERE WILL ALWAYS CERTAINLY BE OPULENCE, VICTORY, EXTRAORDINARY POWER, AND MORALITY (POLICY).

QUOTES ON BHAGWAD GITA



"The Bhagavad-Gita has a profound influence on the spirit of mankind by its devotion to God which is manifested by actions." - **Dr. Albert Schweizer**

"When doubts haunt me, when disappointments stare me in the face, and I see not one ray of hope on the horizon, I turn to Bhagavad-Gita and find a verse to comfort me; and I immediately begin to smile in the midst of overwhelming sorrow. Those who meditate on the Gita will derive fresh joy and new meanings from it every day."

- **Mahatma Gandhi**

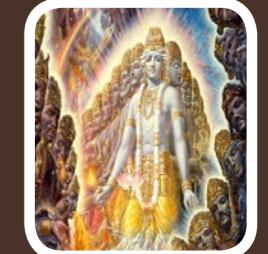
"The Vedas are the greatest privilege of this century." - **J. R. Oppenheimer**

"In the morning I bathe my intellect in the stupendous philosophy of the Bhagavad Gita... in comparison with which... our modern world and its literature seems puny and trivial." - **Henry David Thoreau**

"The Bhagavad-Gita is a true scripture of the human race a living creation rather than a book, with a new message for every age and a new meaning for every civilization." - **Sri Aurobindo**

"The Bhagavad-Gita is an empire of thought and in its philosophical teachings Krishna has all the attributes of the full-fledged montheistic deity and at the same time the attributes of the Upanisadic absolute." - **Ralph Waldo Emerson**

"In order to approach a creation as sublime as the Bhagavad-Gita with full understanding it is necessary to attune our soul to it." - **Rudolph Steiner**



BUDDHA



What we think, we become.

SIDDHARTHA WAS BORN IN NORTHERN CENTRAL INDIA, IN THE YEAR OF 567 B.C. HE WAS BORN INTO THE KSHATRIYA CASTE. HIS BIRTH WAS PRECEDED BY A SERIES OF VISIONS SEEN BY HIS MOTHER AND PROPHECIES MADE TO HIS FATHER. THE PROPHECIES MADE TO HIS FATHER STATED THAT HE WOULDN'T BE A MAHARAJAH BUT A GREAT RELIGIOUS LEADER.

WHEN HE WAS BORN HIS FATHER SHIELDED HIM FROM THE AWARENESS OF THE WORLD'S REALITIES. HE WAS TRAINED IN THE HINDU FAITH. SOMETHING UNUSUAL THAT HAPPENED BEFORE HIS BIRTH WAS WHEN A SACRED WHITE ELEPHANT, WHICH TOUCHED HIS MOTHER'S SIDE WITH A LOTUS, IMPREGNATED HER.

SIDDHARTHA GREW UP IN LUXURY, SECURELY PROTECTED FROM ANYTHING UNPLEASANT. HE LATER MARRIED BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS YASODARA, DAUGHTER OF A NEIGHBORING MAHARAJAH. THEY HAD A SON AND NAMED HIM PRINCE RAHULAH. HIS TUTOR WAS CHANNAH, HIS FATHER'S MOST TRUSTED SERVANT. HE WAS ADVISED TO TUTOR AND GUARD SIDDHARTHA AND TO TEACH HIM TO EXERCISE CONSTANT VIGILANCE SO THAT SIDDHARTHA MAY NEVER EXPERIENCE THE REALITIES OF LIFE (THE PREDICTIONS).

SIDDHARTHA BEGAN TAKING TRIPS TO A NEAR BY CITY WITH A SERVANT, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME SAW THE REALITY OF LIFE. THREE THINGS THAT SIDDHARTHA SAW THAT DEEPLY DISTURBED HIM WAS AN OLD LADY BENT OVER WITH AGE, A MAN WHOSE BODY WAS RAVAGED WITH LEPROSY AND A FUNERAL CART CARRYING A DEAD BODY. SIDDHARTHA COULD NOT GET THE "**MEANING OF LIFE**" QUESTION "**WHY DO PEOPLE SUFFER?**" OUT OF HIS HEAD. HE SPENT MANY HOURS A DAY TRYING TO FIND THE ANSWER IN THE VEDAS BUT FAILED MISERABLY.

TO FIND THE ANSWERS TO HIS QUESTIONS, HE FIRST TRIED TO FOLLOW THE PATH OF ASCETICISM, BY DENYING HIM PHYSICAL PLEASURES AND BY EATING A SINGLE GRAIN OF RICE A DAY. THIS FAILED WHEN HE COLLAPSED FROM ANEMIC EXHAUSTION. HE THEN TRIED TO STUDY. HE SPENT MANY HOURS A DAY READING THE VEDAS, LOOKING FOR CLUES ON LIFE'S MYSTERIES. DURING THIS PERIOD SIDDHARTHA'S LIFE WAS VERY BORING AND SIMPLE. HE WAS NOT SUCCESSFUL IN FINDING ANSWERS BECAUSE HE WAS LOOKING IN THE WRONG PLACES.

SIDDHARTHA WAS ALMOST ABOUT TO GIVE UP WHEN HE DECIDED TO MEDITATE UNDER A TREE FOR AS LONG AS IT WOULD TAKE FOR HIM TO BECOME ENLIGHTENED. HE SPENT FORTY-NINE DAYS AND FORTY-NIGHTS MEDITATING, ON THE FIFTIETH DAY HE AWOKE ENLIGHTENED. HE WAS NOW KNOWN AS **BUDDHA THE ENLIGHTENED ONE**. THIS WAS THE BEGINNING OF A NEW RELIGION. HE WANTED TO SHARE HIS INSIGHT WITH EVERYONE. THE MONKS THAT ABANDONED HIM BACK IN HIS ASCETIC PERIOD REJOINED HIM. BUDDHA DIED WHEN HE WAS MORE THAN EIGHTY YEARS OLD, OF FOOD POISONING.



Three things cannot be long hidden: the sun, the moon, and the truth.

Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment.

An insincere and evil friend is more to be feared than a wild beast; a wild beast may wound your body, but an evil friend will wound your mind.

The tongue like a sharp knife... Kills without drawing blood.

There are only two mistakes one can make along the road to truth; not going all the way, and not starting.

Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else; you are the one who gets burned.

We are shaped by our thoughts; we become what we think. When the mind is pure, joy follows like a shadow that never leaves.

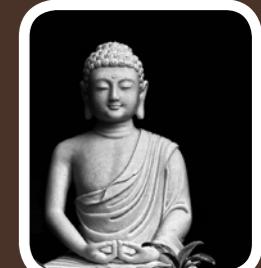
Health is the greatest gift, contentment the greatest wealth, faithfulness the best relationship.

It is better to conquer yourself than to win a thousand battles. Then the victory is yours. It cannot be taken from you, not by angels or by demons, heaven or hell.

However many holy words you read, however many you speak, what good will they do you if you do not act on upon them?

In the sky, there is no distinction of east and west; people create distinctions out of their own minds and then believe them to be true.

I never see what has been done; I only see what remains to be done.





There is nothing more dreadful than the habit of doubt. Doubt separates people. It is a poison that disintegrates friendships and breaks up pleasant relations. It is a thorn that irritates and hurts; it is a sword that kills.

Just as a candle cannot burn without fire, men cannot live without a spiritual life.

Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened. Happiness never decreases by being shared.

A jug fills drop by drop.

Without health life is not life; it is only a state of languor and suffering - an image of death.

It is better to travel well than to arrive.

He who loves 50 people has 50 woes; he who loves no one has no woes.

Peace comes from within. Do not seek it without.

Whatever words we utter should be chosen with care for people will hear them and be influenced by them for good or ill.

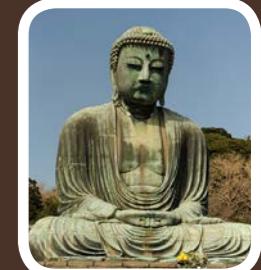
The way is not in the sky. The way is in the heart.

Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else; you are the one who gets burned.

Hatred does not cease through hatred at any time. Hatred ceases through love. This is an unalterable law.

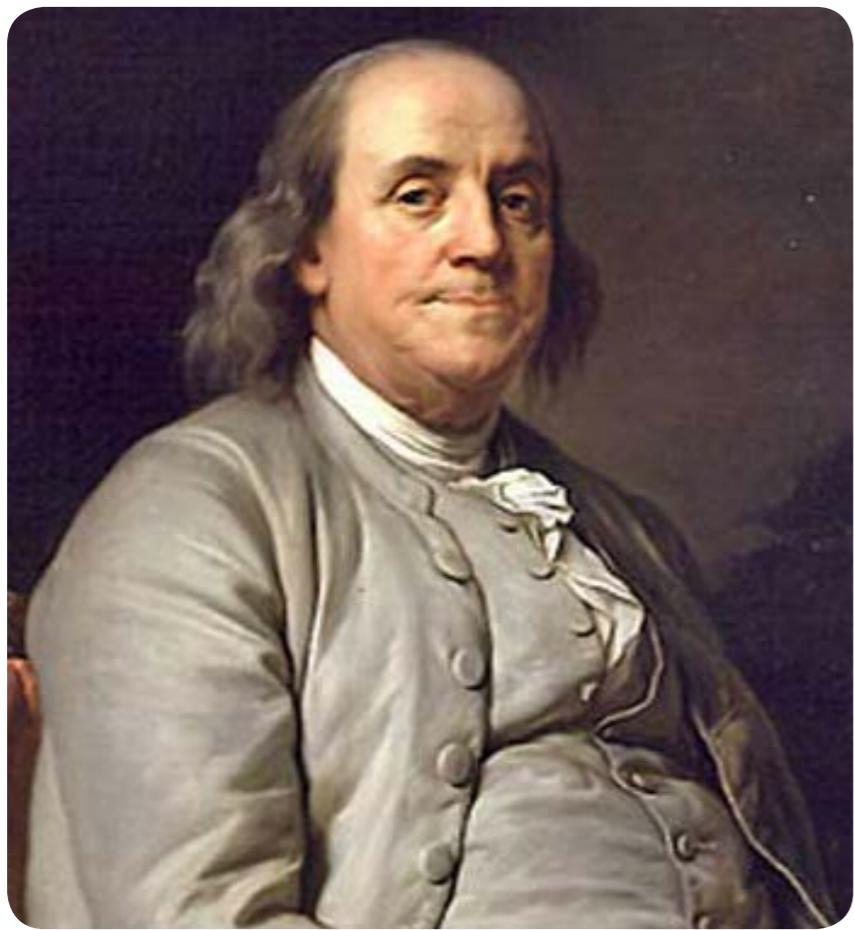
You, yourself, as much as anybody in the entire universe, deserve your love and affection.

Do not overrate what you have received, nor envy others. He who envies others does not obtain peace of mind.



BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

FRANKLIN WAS A STATESMAN, DIPLOMAT, WRITER, SCIENTIST AND INVENTOR, ONE OF THE MOST VERSATILE AND TALENTED MEN IN COLONIAL AMERICA AND A LEADING FIGURE IN THE AMERICAN STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE.



Honesty is the best policy.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WAS BORN IN BOSTON ON 17 JANUARY 1706. HE ATTENDED SCHOOL ONLY BRIEFLY, AND THEN HELPED HIS FATHER, WHO WAS A CANDLE AND SOAP MAKER. HE WAS APPRENTICED TO HIS BROTHER, A PRINTER, AND BEGAN WRITING ANONYMOUSLY FOR HIS BROTHER'S NEWSPAPER. FRANKLIN AND HIS BROTHER QUARRELLED, AND IN 1723 FRANKLIN RAN AWAY TO PHILADELPHIA. AFTER 18 MONTHS IN LONDON, FRANKLIN SETTLED IN PHILADELPHIA, ESTABLISHING HIMSELF AS A PRINTER. HE BOUGHT THE 'PENNSYLVANIA GAZETTE', WHICH HE EDITED AND WHICH BECAME ONE OF THE AMERICAN COLONIES' MAJOR NEWSPAPERS. HE ALSO WROTE AND PUBLISHED 'POOR RICHARD'S ALMANACK', AN ASTRONOMY JOURNAL.

BY 1748, FRANKLIN HAD MADE ENOUGH MONEY TO RETIRE FROM BUSINESS AND CONCENTRATE ON SCIENCE AND INVENTING. HIS INVENTIONS INCLUDED THE FRANKLIN STOVE AND THE LIGHTNING ROD. HE DEMONSTRATED THAT LIGHTNING AND ELECTRICITY ARE IDENTICAL WITH HIS FAMOUS KITE EXPERIMENT. FRANKLIN ALSO BECAME MORE ACTIVE IN POLITICS. HE WAS CLERK OF THE PENNSYLVANIA ASSEMBLY (1736-1751), A MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY (1750-1764), AND DEPUTY POSTMASTER FOR THE COLONIES (1753-1774), REORGANISING THE POSTAL SERVICE TO MAKE IT EFFICIENT AND PROFITABLE.

FRANKLIN WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN MANY PUBLIC PROJECTS, INCLUDING FOUNDING THE AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY, A SUBSCRIPTION LIBRARY AND, IN 1751, AN ACADEMY WHICH LATER BECAME THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

FROM 1757 TO 1774, FRANKLIN LIVED MAINLY IN LONDON WHERE HE WAS THE COLONIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR PENNSYLVANIA, GEORGIA, NEW JERSEY AND MASSACHUSETTS. HIS ATTEMPTS TO RECONCILE THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WITH THE COLONIES PROVED FRUITLESS. ON HIS RETURN TO AMERICA, THE WAR OF INDEPENDENCE HAD ALREADY BROKEN OUT AND HE THREW HIMSELF INTO THE STRUGGLE. IN 1776, HE HELPED TO DRAFT, AND WAS THEN A SIGNATORY TO, THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE. HIS ILLEGITIMATE SON WILLIAM, ROYAL GOVERNOR OF NEW JERSEY BETWEEN 1762 AND 1776, REMAINED LOYAL TO BRITAIN, CAUSING A RIFT THAT LASTED FOR THE REST OF FRANKLIN'S LIFE.

LATER THAT YEAR, FRANKLIN AND TWO OTHERS WERE APPOINTED TO REPRESENT AMERICA IN FRANCE. FRANKLIN NEGOTIATED THE FRANCO-AMERICAN ALLIANCE WHICH PROVIDED FOR MILITARY COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AGAINST BRITAIN AND ENSURED SIGNIFICANT FRENCH SUBSIDIES TO AMERICA. IN 1783, AS AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, FRANKLIN SIGNED THE TREATY OF PARIS, ENDING THE AMERICAN WAR OF INDEPENDENCE. HE WAS EXTREMELY POPULAR AND WELL KNOWN IN FRANCE, BUT IN 1785 RETURNED TO AMERICA. HE CONTINUED TO BE DEEPLY INVOLVED IN POLITICS, HELPING TO DRAFT THE CONSTITUTION. FRANKLIN DIED IN PHILADELPHIA ON 17 APRIL 1790.



Guests, like fish, begin to smell after three days.

A countryman between two lawyers is like a fish between two cats.

A life of leisure and a life of laziness are two things. There will be sleeping enough in the grave.

A man wrapped up in himself makes a very small bundle.

A penny saved is a penny earned.

At twenty years of age the will reigns; at thirty, the wit; and at forty, the judgment.

Three can keep a secret, if two of them are dead.

Eat to please thyself, but dress to please others.

Having been poor is no shame, but being ashamed of it, is.

He that is good for making excuses is seldom good for anything else.

I saw few die of hunger; of eating, a hundred thousand.

I wake up every morning at nine and grab for the morning paper. Then I look at the obituary page. If my name is not on it, I get up.

In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes.

It is the eye of other people that ruin us. If I were blind I would want, neither fine clothes, fine houses or fine furniture.

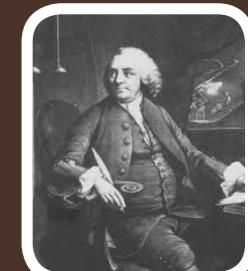
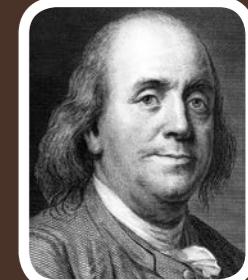
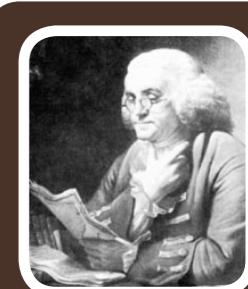
Life's Tragedy is that we get old to soon and wise too late.

Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.

The first mistake in public business is the going into it.

There are three things extremely hard: steel, a diamond, and to know one's self.

There was never a good war, or a bad peace.



BOLD GATES

WILLIAM (BILL) H. GATES IS CHAIRMAN OF MICROSOFT CORPORATION, THE WORLDWIDE LEADER IN SOFTWARE, SERVICES AND SOLUTIONS THAT HELP PEOPLE AND BUSINESSES REALIZE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL.



If you can't make it good, at least make it look good.

BORN ON Oct. 28, 1955, GATES GREW UP IN SEATTLE WITH HIS TWO SISTERS. THEIR FATHER, WILLIAM H. GATES II, IS A SEATTLE ATTORNEY. THEIR LATE MOTHER, MARY GATES, WAS A SCHOOLTEACHER, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON REGENT, AND CHAIRWOMAN OF UNITED WAY INTERNATIONAL. GATES ATTENDED PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE PRIVATE LAKESIDE SCHOOL. THERE, HE DISCOVERED HIS INTEREST IN SOFTWARE AND BEGAN PROGRAMMING COMPUTERS AT AGE 13.

IN 1973, GATES ENTERED HARVARD UNIVERSITY AS A FRESHMAN, WHERE HE LIVED DOWN THE HALL FROM STEVE BALLMER, NOW MICROSOFT'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. WHILE AT HARVARD, GATES DEVELOPED A VERSION OF THE PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE BASIC FOR THE FIRST MICROCOMPUTER - THE MITS ALTAIR. IN HIS JUNIOR YEAR, GATES LEFT HARVARD TO DEVOTE HIS ENERGIES TO MICROSOFT, A COMPANY HE HAD BEGUN IN 1975 WITH HIS CHILDHOOD FRIEND PAUL ALLEN. GUIDED BY A BELIEF THAT THE COMPUTER WOULD BE A VALUABLE TOOL ON EVERY OFFICE DESKTOP AND IN EVERY HOME, THEY BEGAN DEVELOPING SOFTWARE FOR PERSONAL COMPUTERS. GATES' FORESIGHT AND HIS VISION FOR PERSONAL COMPUTING HAVE BEEN CENTRAL TO THE SUCCESS OF MICROSOFT AND THE SOFTWARE INDUSTRY.

UNDER GATES' LEADERSHIP, MICROSOFT'S MISSION HAS BEEN TO CONTINUALLY ADVANCE AND IMPROVE SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGY, AND TO MAKE IT EASIER, MORE COST-EFFECTIVE AND MORE ENJOYABLE FOR PEOPLE TO USE COMPUTERS. THE COMPANY IS COMMITTED TO A LONG-TERM VIEW, REFLECTED IN ITS INDUSTRY-LEADING INVESTMENT IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EACH YEAR. IN 1999, GATES WROTE "BUSINESS @ THE SPEED OF THOUGHT", A BOOK THAT SHOWS HOW COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY CAN SOLVE BUSINESS PROBLEMS IN FUNDAMENTALLY NEW WAYS. THE BOOK WAS PUBLISHED IN 25 LANGUAGES AND IS AVAILABLE IN MORE THAN 60 COUNTRIES. "BUSINESS @ THE SPEED OF THOUGHT" HAS RECEIVED WIDE CRITICAL ACCLAIM, AND WAS LISTED ON THE BEST-SELLER LISTS OF THE "NEW YORK TIMES", "USA TODAY", "THE WALL STREET JOURNAL" AND ON AMAZON.COM. GATES' PREVIOUS BOOK, "THE ROAD AHEAD", PUBLISHED IN 1995, WAS AT THE TOP OF THE "NEW YORK TIMES" BESTSELLER LIST FOR SEVEN WEEKS.

GATES HAS DONATED THE PROCEEDS OF BOTH BOOKS TO NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORT THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT. IN ADDITION TO HIS LOVE OF COMPUTERS AND SOFTWARE, GATES FOUNDED CORBIS, WHICH IS DEVELOPING ONE OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST RESOURCES OF VISUAL INFORMATION - A COMPREHENSIVE DIGITAL ARCHIVE OF ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY FROM PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COLLECTIONS AROUND THE GLOBE. HE IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC., WHICH INVESTS IN COMPANIES ENGAGED IN DIVERSE BUSINESS ACTIVITIES.

GATES WAS MARRIED ON JAN. 1, 1994, TO MELINDA FRENCH GATES. THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN. GATES IS AN AVID READER, AND ENJOYS PLAYING GOLF, TENNIS AND BRIDGE.



I failed in some subjects in exam, but my friend passed in all. Now he is an engineer in Microsoft and I am the owner of Microsoft.

Your most unhappy customers are your greatest source of learning.

I studied every thing but never topped.... But today the toppers of the best universities are my employees.

As we look ahead into the next century, leaders will be those who empower others.

Success is a lousy teacher. It seduces smart people into thinking they can't lose.

Most people overestimate what they can do in one year and underestimate what they can do in ten years.

I choose a lazy person to do a hard job. Because a lazy person will find an easy way to do it.

Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

Life's not fair, get over it!

In china when you're one in a million, there are 1300 people just like you.

The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.

Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping -- they called it opportunity.

It's fine to celebrate success, but it is more important to heed the lessons of failure.





Television is NOT real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. Do that on your own time.

Patience is a key element of success.

... No one is less happy than I am with the performance of Microsoft stock! I've lost tens of billions of dollars this year -- if you check, you'll see that's more than most people make in a lifetime!

Technology is just a tool. In terms of getting the kids working together and motivating them, the teacher is the most important.

If I'd had some set idea of a finish line, don't you think I would have crossed it years ago?

The first rule of any technology used in a business is that automation applied to an efficient operation will magnify the efficiency. The second is that automation applied to an inefficient operation will magnify the inefficiency.

The Internet is becoming the town square for the global village of tomorrow.

I think it's fair to say that personal computers have become the most empowering tool we've ever created. They're tools of communication, they're tools of creativity, and they can be shaped by their user.

Intellectual property has the shelf life of a banana.

Well private money can take risks in a way that government money often isn't willing to.



BILL COSBY



Every Closed eye is not sleeping, and every open eye is not seeing.

BILL COSBY WAS ONE OF AMERICA'S BEST-LOVED TV STARS, BUT HIS SON'S DEATH IN A DRIVE-BY SHOOTING AND COURT BATTLES OVER ALLEGED SEXUAL ASSAULTS HAVE LEFT THE FAMILY MAN'S IMAGE IN TATTERS.

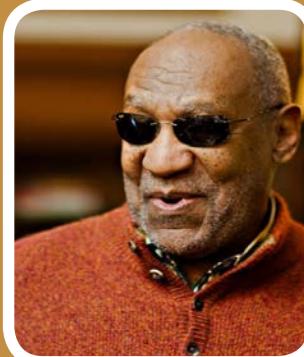
WILLIAM H. COSBY JR. FIRST TOOK TO THE STAGE AS A STAND-UP COMEDIAN WHILE AT COLLEGE. BY HIS EARLY TWENTIES, HE HAD APPEARED IN A NUMBER OF TELEVISION VARIETY PROGRAMMES INCLUDING 'THE ED SULLIVAN SHOW' AND 'THE JOHNNY CARSON SHOW'. HOWEVER, HIS BIG BREAK CAME IN 1965 WHEN HE APPEARED AS ALEXANDER SCOTT IN 'I SPY', WINNING NUMEROUS EMMYS FOR HIS PERFORMANCE.

IN 1969, HE STARRED IN HIS OWN SERIES, 'THE BILL COSBY SHOW'. HE WAS ALSO ONE OF THE MAJOR CHARACTERS ON THE CHILDREN'S TELEVISION SHOW 'THE ELECTRIC COMPANY' FOR ITS FIRST TWO SEASONS, AND CREATED THE HUMOROUS EDUCATIONAL CARTOON SERIES 'FAT ALBERT AND THE COSBY KIDS', ABOUT A GROUP OF YOUNG FRIENDS GROWING UP IN THE CITY. COSBY ALSO ACTED IN NUMEROUS FILMS, ALTHOUGH NONE HAS RECEIVED THE ACCLAIM OF HIS TELEVISION WORK. IN 1984, 'FAT ALBERT AND THE COSBY KIDS' STOPPED PRODUCTION, AND 'THE COSBY SHOW' COMMENCED. THIS PORTRAYAL OF A MIDDLE-CLASS AFRICAN-AMERICAN FAMILY – THE HUXTABLES – WAS ORIGINALLY REJECTED BY ABC, ACCEPTED BY A THEN-FLOUNDERING NBC, AND BECAME AN ALMOST INSTANT SUCCESS. FROM 1985 TO 1987 THE SHOW BROKE VIEWING RECORDS, WITH COSBY BECOMING A REAL DRIVING FORCE IN US TELEVISION DURING THE 1980S.

'THE COSBY SHOW' FINALLY STOPPED PRODUCTION IN 1992, CONCEDING ITS DOMINANT POSITION TO THE CARTOON SERIES, 'THE SIMPSONS'. COSBY WAS ALSO DISSATISFIED WITH THE WAY ETHNIC MINORITIES WERE PORTRAYED ON TELEVISION. HE PRODUCED THE TV SERIES 'A DIFFERENT WORLD' IN 1987, WHICH WAS SET IN A HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE AND CONCENTRATED ON YOUNG PEOPLE AND EDUCATION.

THE LATE 1990S BROUGHT TROUBLE FOR COSBY, FIRST IN EARLY 1997 WITH THE DEATH OF HIS ONLY SON, ENNIS, WHO WAS SHOT TO DEATH IN A RANDOM ACT OF VIOLENCE. ALSO THAT YEAR, HE WAS DRAGGED INTO A COURT CASE THAT INVOLVED A YOUNG WOMAN NAMED AUTUMN JACKSON WHO CLAIMED THAT HE WAS HER BIOLOGICAL FATHER. COSBY ADMITTED TO AN AFFAIR WITH JACKSON'S MOTHER BUT DENIED FATHERING JACKSON. SHE WAS CONVICTED OF EXTORTION AND SENTENCED TO 26 MONTHS IN PRISON.

COSBY HAS RECEIVED A NUMBER OF AWARDS DURING HIS CAREER AND IN OCTOBER 2009, THE COMEDIAN WAS PRESENTED WITH THE 12TH ANNUAL MARK TWAIN PRIZE FOR AMERICAN HUMOUR.



In order to succeed, your desire for success should be greater than your fear of failure.

The past is a ghost, the future a dream and all we ever have is now.

Parents are not interested in justice, they're interested in peace and quiet.

You can turn painful situations around through laughter. If you can find humor in anything, even poverty, you can survive it.

Let us now set forth one of the fundamental truths about marriage: the wife is in charge.

Gray hair is God's graffiti.

I guess the real reason that my wife and I had children is the same reason that Napoleon had for invading Russia: it seemed like a good idea at the time.

No matter how calmly you try to referee, parenting will eventually produce bizarre behavior, and I'm not talking about the kids. Their behavior is always normal.

A grandchild is God's reward for raising a child.

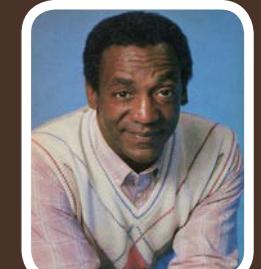
In spite of the seven thousand books of expert advice, the right way to discipline a child is still a mystery to most fathers and...mothers. Only your grandmother and Genghis Khan know how to do it.

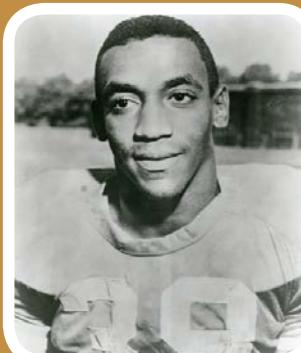
A sail boat that sails backwards can never see the sun rise.

When you become senile, you won't know it.

All Children Have Brain Damage!

There is hope for the future because God has a sense of humor and we are funny to God.





If you want to be seen, stand up.
If you want to be heard, speak up.
If you want to be appreciated, shut up.

Is the glass half full, or half empty? It depends on whether you're pouring, or drinking.

Sex education may be a good idea in the schools, but I don't believe the kids should be given homework.

Sigmund Freud once said, "What do women want?" The only thing I have learned in fifty-two years is that women want men to stop asking dumb questions like that.

Men and women belong to different species and communications between them is still in its infancy.

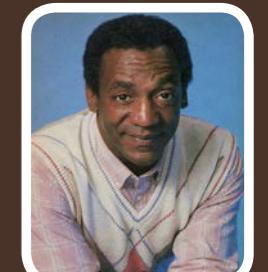
When you introduce competition into the public school system, most studies show that schools start to do better when they are competing for students.

If the new American father feels bewildered and even defeated, let him take comfort from the fact that whatever he does in any fathering situation has a fifty percent chance of being right.

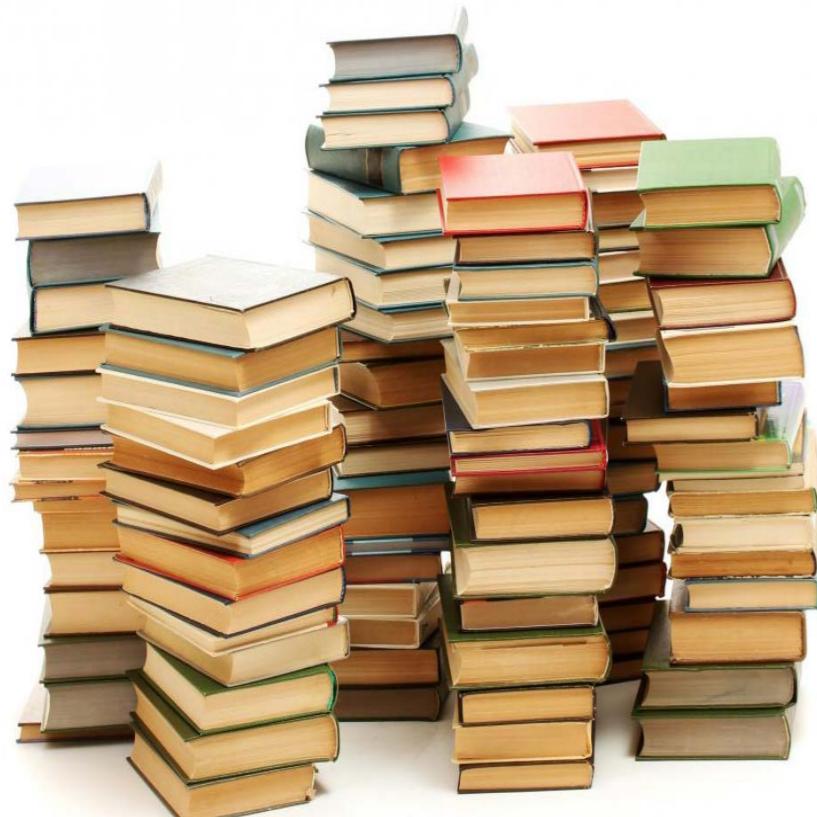
You know the only people who are always sure about the proper way to raise children?
Those who've never had any.

Human beings are the only creatures on earth that allow their children to come back home.

The worst thing to do is to die while reading LIFE magazine.



BOOKS



So many books, So little time.

A BOOK IS A SET OF WRITTEN, PRINTED, ILLUSTRATED, OR BLANK SHEETS, MADE OF INK, PAPER, PARCHMENT, OR OTHER MATERIALS, USUALLY FASTENED TOGETHER TO HINGE AT ONE SIDE. A SINGLE SHEET WITHIN A BOOK IS CALLED A LEAF, AND EACH SIDE OF A LEAF IS CALLED A PAGE. A BOOK PRODUCED IN ELECTRONIC FORMAT IS KNOWN AS AN ELECTRONIC BOOK (E-BOOK).

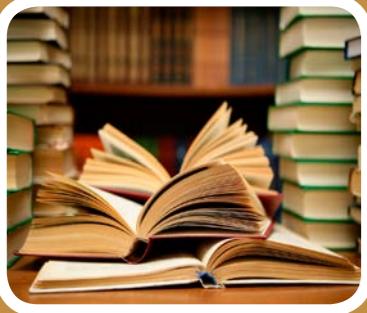
BOOKS MAY ALSO REFER TO WORKS OF LITERATURE, OR A MAIN DIVISION OF SUCH A WORK. IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE, A BOOK IS CALLED A MONOGRAPH, TO DISTINGUISH IT FROM SERIAL PERIODICALS SUCH AS MAGAZINES, JOURNALS OR NEWSPAPERS. THE BODY OF ALL WRITTEN WORKS INCLUDING BOOKS IS LITERATURE. IN NOVELS AND SOMETIMES OTHER TYPES OF BOOKS (FOR EXAMPLE, BIOGRAPHIES), A BOOK MAY BE DIVIDED INTO SEVERAL LARGE SECTIONS, ALSO CALLED BOOKS (BOOK 1, BOOK 2, BOOK 3, AND SO ON). A LOVER OF BOOKS IS USUALLY REFERRED TO AS A BIBLIOPHILE OR, MORE INFORMALLY, A BOOKWORM — AN AVID READER OF BOOKS.

A SHOP WHERE BOOKS ARE BOUGHT AND SOLD IS A BOOKSHOP OR BOOKSTORE. BOOKS CAN ALSO BE BORROWED FROM LIBRARIES. GOOGLE HAS ESTIMATED THAT AS OF 2010, APPROXIMATELY 130,000,000 UNIQUE TITLES HAD BEEN PUBLISHED.

BOOK, PUBLISHED WORK OF LITERATURE OR SCHOLARSHIP; THE TERM HAS BEEN DEFINED BY UNESCO FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES AS A “NON-PERIODICAL PRINTED PUBLICATION OF AT LEAST 49 PAGES EXCLUDING COVERS,” BUT NO STRICT DEFINITION SATISFACTORILY COVERS THE VARIETY OF PUBLICATIONS SO IDENTIFIED.

THE PAPYRUS ROLL OF ANCIENT EGYPT IS MORE NEARLY THE DIRECT ANCESTOR OF THE MODERN BOOK THAN IS THE CLAY TABLET OF THE ANCIENT SUMERIANS, BABYLONIANS, ASSYRIANS, AND HITTITES; EXAMPLES OF BOTH DATE FROM ABOUT 3000 BC.

THERE IS NO FRIEND AS LOYAL AS A BOOK. -- ERNEST HEMINGWAY



A room without books is like a body without a soul. — Marcus Tullius Cicero

The person, be it gentleman or lady, who has not pleasure in a good novel, must be intolerably stupid. — Jane Austen

Good friends, good books, and a sleepy conscience: this is the ideal life.— Mark Twain

I have always imagined that Paradise will be a kind of library. — Jorge Luis Borges

I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book. — Groucho Marx

Never trust anyone who has not brought a book with them. — Lemony Snicket

'Classic' - a book which people praise and don't read. — Mark Twain

The books that the world calls immoral are books that show the world its own shame.
— Oscar Wilde

Books are the ultimate Dumpees: put them down and they'll wait for you forever; pay attention to them and they always love you back. — John Green

There are worse crimes than burning books. One of them is not reading them.
— Joseph Brodsky

So, please, oh please, we beg, we pray, go throw your TV set away, and in its place you can install, a lovely bookcase on the wall. — Roald Dahl

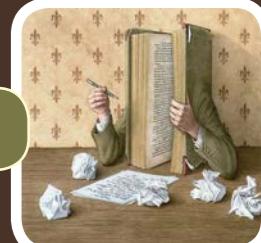
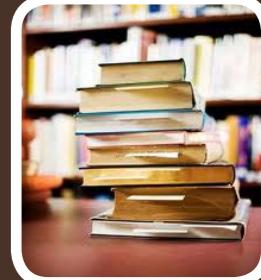
Think before you speak. Read before you think. — Fran Lebowitz

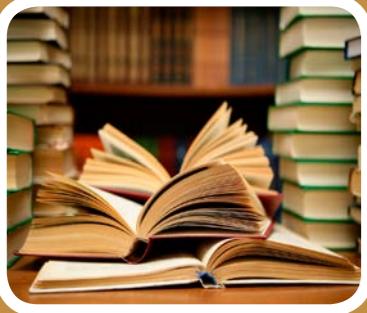
Never judge a book by its movie. — J.W. Eagan

If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need. — Marcus Tullius

Autobiography is probably the most respectable form of lying. — Humphrey Carpenter

Books are the mirrors of the soul. — Virginia Woolf





Only the very weak-minded refuse to be influenced by literature and poetry. — Cassandra Clare

Books are like mirrors: if a fool looks in, you cannot expect a genius to look out. — J.K. Rowling

We are of opinion that instead of letting books grow moldy behind an iron grating, far from the vulgar gaze, it is better to let them wear out by being read. — Jules Verne

A book must be the axe for the frozen sea within us. — Franz Kafka

Without words, without writing and without books there would be no history, there could be no concept of humanity. — Hermann Hesse

A classic is a book that has never finished saying what it has to say. — Italo Calvino

Why can't people just sit and read books and be nice to each other? — David Baldacci

Never lend books, for no one ever returns them; the only books I have in my library are books that other folks have lent me. — Anatole France

Anyone who says they have only one life to live must not know how to read a book.

— Anon

A house without books is like a room without windows. — Horace Mann

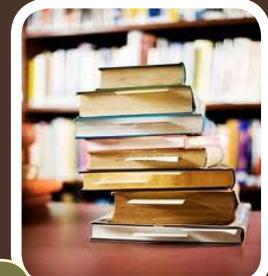
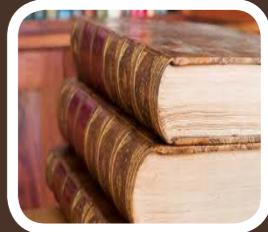
Books are the compass and telescopes and sextants and charts which other men have prepared to help us navigate the dangerous seas of human life. — Jesse Lee Bennett

Whenever you read a good book, somewhere in the world a door opens to allow in more light. — Vera Nazarian

Reading well is one of the great pleasures that solitude can afford you. — Harold Bloom

If you go home with somebody, and they don't have books, don't fuck 'em!

— John Waters



Quotes on

BUSINESS



Business is a combination of war and sport.

A BUSINESS (ALSO KNOWN AS ENTERPRISE OR FIRM) IS AN ORGANIZATION INVOLVED IN THE TRADE OF GOODS, SERVICES, OR BOTH TO CONSUMERS. BUSINESSES ARE PREDOMINANT IN CAPITALIST ECONOMIES, WHERE MOST OF THEM ARE PRIVATELY OWNED AND ADMINISTERED TO EARN PROFIT TO INCREASE THE WEALTH OF THEIR OWNERS. BUSINESSES MAY ALSO BE NOT-FOR-PROFIT OR STATE-OWNED. A BUSINESS OWNED BY MULTIPLE INDIVIDUALS MAY BE REFERRED TO AS A COMPANY, ALTHOUGH THAT TERM ALSO HAS A MORE PRECISE MEANING.

THE ETYMOLOGY OF "BUSINESS" RELATES TO THE STATE OF BEING BUSY EITHER AS AN INDIVIDUAL OR SOCIETY AS A WHOLE, DOING COMMERCIALY VIABLE AND PROFITABLE WORK. THE TERM "BUSINESS" HAS AT LEAST THREE USAGES, DEPENDING ON THE SCOPE — THE SINGULAR USAGE TO MEAN A PARTICULAR ORGANIZATION; THE GENERALIZED USAGE TO REFER TO A PARTICULAR MARKET SECTOR, "THE MUSIC BUSINESS" AND COMPOUND FORMS SUCH AS AGRIBUSINESS; AND THE BROADEST MEANING, WHICH ENCOMPASSES ALL ACTIVITY BY THE COMMUNITY OF SUPPLIERS OF GOODS AND SERVICES. HOWEVER, THE EXACT DEFINITION OF BUSINESS, LIKE MUCH ELSE IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF BUSINESS, IS A MATTER OF DEBATE AND COMPLEXITY OF MEANINGS.

THE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE OPERATION OF A BUSINESS, AND STUDY OF THIS SUBJECT, IS CALLED MANAGEMENT. THE MAJOR BRANCHES OF MANAGEMENT ARE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, MARKETING MANAGEMENT, HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT, PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT, OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT, SERVICE MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT.

OWNERS ENGAGE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY THROUGH THE EMPLOYMENT OF MANAGERS. OWNER MANAGERS, OR HIRED MANAGERS ADMINISTER TO THREE COMPONENT RESOURCES THAT CONSTITUTE THE BUSINESS' VALUE OR WORTH: FINANCIAL RESOURCES, CAPITAL OR TANGIBLE RESOURCES, AND HUMAN RESOURCES. THESE RESOURCES ARE ADMINISTERED TO IN AT LEAST FIVE FUNCTIONAL AREAS: LEGAL CONTRACTING, MANUFACTURING OR SERVICE PRODUCTION, MARKETING, ACCOUNTING, FINANCING, AND HUMAN RESOURCING.

IT IS DIFFICULT, BUT NOT IMPOSSIBLE, TO CONDUCT STRICTLY HONEST BUSINESS. - M. GANDHI



If you think your boss is stupid, remember: you wouldn't have a job if he was any smarter.

— John Gottman

A man without a smiling face must not open a shop. — Chinese Proverb

Customers don't expect you to be perfect. They do expect you to fix things when they go wrong.

— Donald Porter

Every great business is built on friendship. — J.C. Penney

The man who will use his skill and constructive imagination to see how much he can give for a dollar, instead of how little he can give for a dollar, is bound to succeed.

— Henry Ford

The secret to success in business, and in life, is to serve others. Put others first in all you do. — Kevin Stirtz

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not a single act, but a habit.

— Aristotle

In business, three things are necessary: knowledge, temper, and time. — Owen Fellt

Businesspeople are like sharks, not just because we're gray and slightly oily, or because our teeth trail the innards of those we have eviscerated, but because we must move forward or die. — Stanley Bing

Drive your business. Let not your business drive you. — Benjamin Franklin

The secret of business is to know something that nobody else knows. — Aristotle

No enterprise is more likely to succeed than one concealed from the enemy until it is ripe for execution. — Niccolo Machiavelli





And while the law of competition may be sometimes hard for the individual, it is best for the race, because it ensures the survival of the fittest in every department. — Andrew Carnegie

An economist is an expert who will know tomorrow why the things he predicted yesterday didn't happen today. — Laurence J. Peter

The golden rule for every business man is this: “Put yourself in your customer's place.”
— Orison Swett Marden



Business opportunities are like buses, there's always another one coming. — Richard Branson



A man should never neglect his family for business. — Walt Disney

The competitor to be feared is one who never bothers about you at all, but goes on making his own business better all the time. — Henry Ford

A business has to be involving, it has to be fun, and it has to exercise your creative instincts. — Richard Branson

To be successful, you have to have your heart in your business, and your business in your heart. — Thomas Watson, Sr.

If you work just for money, you'll never make it, but if you love what you're doing and you always put the customer first, success will be yours. — Ray Kroc

Out there in some garage is an entrepreneur who's forging a bullet with your company's name on it. — Gary Hamel

I am a man of fixed and unbending principles, the first of which is to be flexible at all times. — Senator Everett Dirksen

Confidence is contagious; so is lack of confidence. — Vince Lombardi



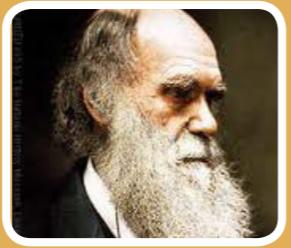
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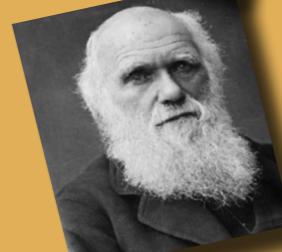
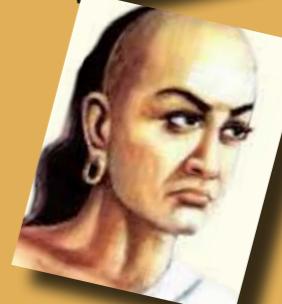
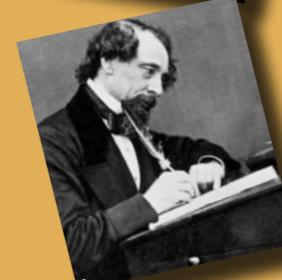
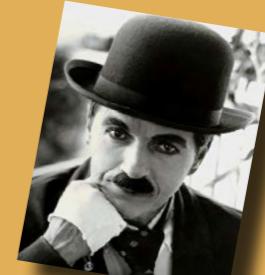
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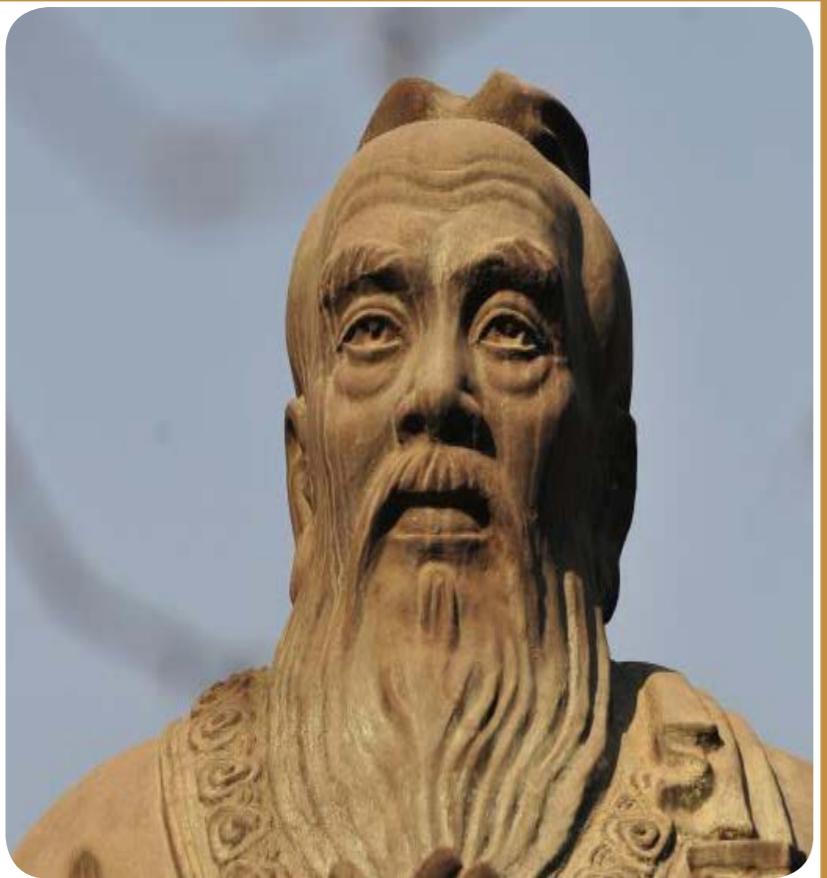
Charles Dickens



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CONFUCIUS



Silence is a true friend who never betrays.

CONFUCIUS (BORN KONG QIU, STYLED ZHONG NI) WAS BORN IN THE VILLAGE OF ZOU IN THE COUNTRY OF LU IN 551 B.C., A POOR DESCENDANT OF A DEPOSED NOBLE FAMILY. AS A CHILD, HE HELD MAKE-BELIEVE TEMPLE RITUALS; AS A YOUNG ADULT, HE QUICKLY EARNED A REPUTATION FOR FAIRNESS, POLITENESS AND LOVE OF LEARNING, AND HE WAS REPUTED TO BE QUITE TALL. HE TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY AND STUDIED AT THE IMPERIAL CAPITAL, ZHOU, WHERE HE IS SAID TO HAVE MET AND SPOKE WITH LAO ZI, THE FOUNDER OF DAOISM.

UPON HIS RETURN TO LU, HE GAINED RENOWN AS A TEACHER, BUT WHEN HE WAS 35, DUKE ZHAO OF LU LED HIS COUNTRY TO WAR, WAS ROUTED AND FLED TO THE NEIGHBORING COUNTRY OF QI; IN THE DISORDER FOLLOWING THE BATTLE, CONFUCIUS FOLLOWED. DUKE ZHAO FREQUENTLY CAME TO HIM FOR ADVICE, BUT UPON COUNSEL OF ONE OF HIS MINISTERS, HE DECIDED AGAINST GRANTING LAND TO CONFUCIUS AND GRADUALLY STOPPED SEEKING HIS COUNSEL. WHEN OTHER NOBLES BEGAN PLOTTING AGAINST CONFUCIUS' POSITION, DUKE ZHAO REFUSED TO INTERVENE, AND CONFUCIUS RETURNED TO LU. BUT CONDITIONS THERE WERE NO BETTER THAN BEFORE, AND CONFUCIUS RETIRED FROM PUBLIC LIFE TO CONCENTRATE ON TEACHING AND STUDYING.

AT AGE 50, HE WAS APPROACHED BY THE BARON OF QI TO HELP DEFEND AGAINST A REBELLION, BUT HE DECLINED. HE WAS LATER MADE A CITY MAGISTRATE BY THE NEW DUKE OF LU, AND UNDER HIS ADMINISTRATION THE CITY FLOURISHED; HE WAS PROMOTED SEVERAL TIMES, EVENTUALLY BECOMING GRAND SECRETARY OF JUSTICE AND, AT AGE 56, CHIEF MINISTER OF LU. NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES BEGAN TO WORRY THAT LU WOULD BECOME TOO POWERFUL, AND THEY SENT MESSENGERS WITH GIFTS AND DANCERS TO DISTRACT THE DUKE DURING A SACRIFICE HOLIDAY. WHEN THE DUKE ABANDONED HIS DUTIES TO RECEIVE THE MESSENGERS, CONFUCIUS RESIGNED AND LEFT THE COUNTRY.

CONFUCIUS SPENT THE NEXT FIVE YEARS WANDERING CHINA WITH HIS DISCIPLES, FINDING THAT HIS PRESENCE AT ROYAL COURTS WAS RARELY TOLERATED FOR LONG BEFORE NOBLES WOULD BEGIN PLOTTING TO DRIVE HIM OUT OR HAVE HIM KILLED. HE WAS ARRESTED ONCE AND JAILED FOR FIVE DAYS, AND AT 62 HE WAS PURSUED, ALONG WITH HIS DISCIPLES, INTO THE COUNTRYSIDE BY A BAND OF SOLDIERS SENT BY JEALOUS NOBLES, UNTIL HE WAS ABLE TO SEND A MESSENGER TO THE SYMPATHETIC KING OF A NEARBY COUNTRY, WHO SENT HIS OWN SOLDIERS TO RESCUE THEM. ONCE AGAIN, CONFUCIUS WAS TO BE GIVEN LAND BUT WAS DENIED IT UPON COUNSEL OF ANOTHER HIGH MINISTER. AFTER FURTHER WANDERINGS, HE EVENTUALLY RETURNED TO LU AT AGE 67. ALTHOUGH HE WAS WELCOMED THERE AND CHOSE TO REMAIN, HE WAS NOT OFFERED PUBLIC OFFICE AGAIN, NOR DID HE SEEK IT. INSTEAD HE SPENT THE REST OF HIS YEARS TEACHING AND, FINALLY, WRITING. HE DIED AT 72.



By three methods we may learn wisdom: First, by reflection, which is noblest; Second, by imitation, which is easiest; and third by experience, which is the bitterest.

Everything has beauty, but not everyone sees it.

Only the wisest and stupidest of men never change.

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

No matter how busy you may think you are, you must find time for reading, or surrender yourself to self-chosen ignorance.

Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated.

It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop.

Before you embark on a journey of revenge, dig two graves.

The funniest people are the saddest once.

What the superior man seeks is in himself; what the small man seeks is in others.

The man who asks a question is a fool for a minute, the man who does not ask is a fool for life.

Attack the evil that is within yourself, rather than attacking the evil that is in others.

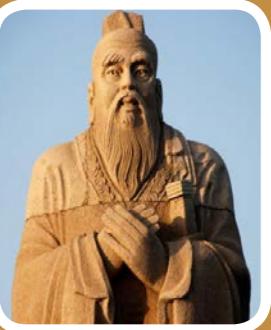
The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials.

When you see a good person, think of becoming like her/him. When you see someone not so good, reflect on your own weak points.

The hardest thing of all is to find a black cat in a dark room, especially if there is no cat.

Don't complain about the snow on your neighbor's roof when your own doorstep is unclean.

The beginning of wisdom is to call things by their proper name.





If your plan is for one year plant rice. If your plan is for ten years plant trees. If your plan is for one hundred years educate children.

Shall I teach you what knowledge?

When you know a thing, say that you know it;
when you do not know a thing,
admit that you do not know it.

That is knowledge.

Education breeds confidence. Confidence breeds hope. Hope breeds peace.

Never give a sword to a man who can't dance.

Be not ashamed of mistakes and thus make them crimes.

It is easy to hate and it is difficult to love. This is how the whole scheme of things works. All good things are difficult to achieve; and bad things are very easy to get.

The noble-minded are calm and steady. Little people are forever fussing and fretting.

The will to win, the desire to succeed, the urge to reach your full potential... these are the keys that will unlock the door to personal excellence.

When anger rises, think of the consequences.

He who wished to secure the good of others, has already secured his own.

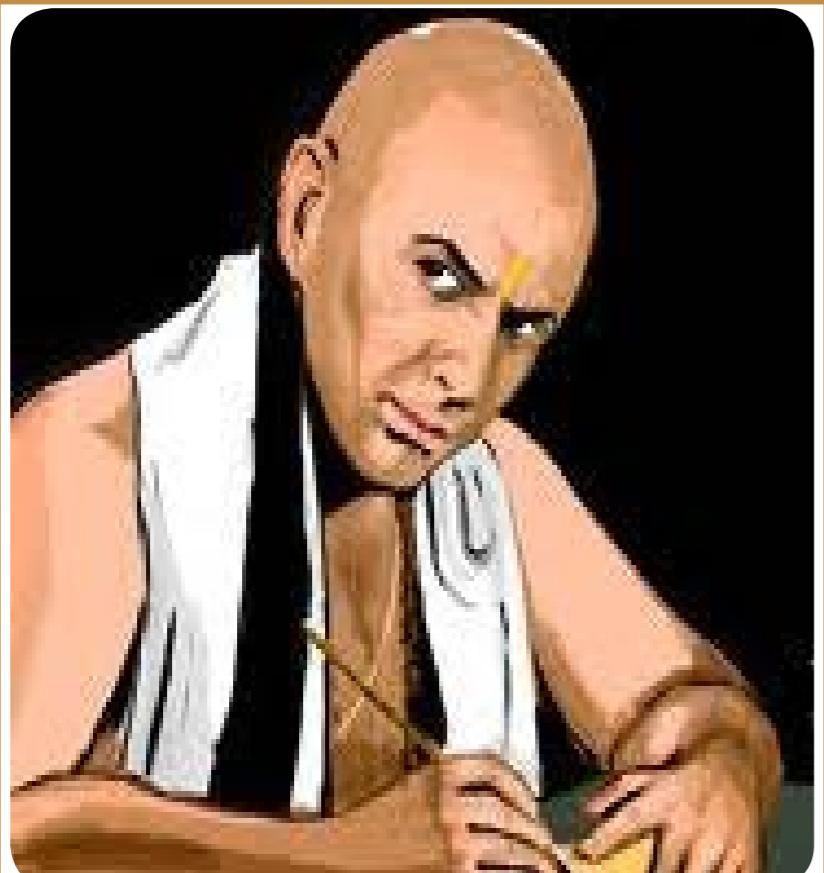
He who keeps danger in mind will rest safely in his seat.

It is more shameful to distrust our friends than to be deceived by them.

You cannot open a book without learning something.



CHANAKYA



There is no disease so destructive as lust.

CHANAKYA (c. 370–283 BCE) WAS AN INDIAN TEACHER, PHILOSOPHER AND ROYAL ADVISOR.

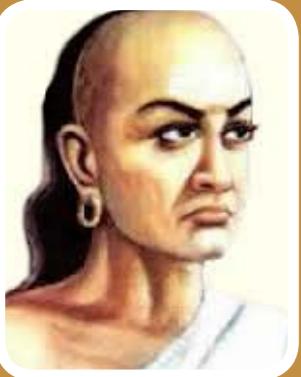
ORIGINALLY A PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE AT THE ANCIENT TAKSHASHILA UNIVERSITY, CHANAKYA MANAGED THE FIRST MAURYA EMPEROR CHANDRAGUPTA'S RISE TO POWER AT A YOUNG AGE. HE IS WIDELY CREDITED FOR HAVING PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MAURYA EMPIRE, WHICH WAS THE FIRST EMPIRE IN ARCHAEOLOGICALLY RECORDED HISTORY TO RULE MOST OF THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT. CHANAKYA SERVED AS THE CHIEF ADVISOR TO BOTH CHANDRAGUPTA AND HIS SON BINDUSARA.

CHANAKYA IS TRADITIONALLY IDENTIFIED AS KAUTILYA OR VISHNU GUPTA, WHO AUTHORED THE ANCIENT INDIAN POLITICAL TREATISE CALLED ARTHĀŚĀTRA. AS SUCH, HE IS CONSIDERED AS THE PIONEER OF THE FIELD OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE IN INDIA, AND HIS WORK IS THOUGHT OF AS AN IMPORTANT PRECURSOR TO CLASSICAL ECONOMICS. CHANAKYA IS OFTEN CALLED THE "INDIAN MACHIAVELLI", ALTHOUGH HIS WORKS PREDATE MACHIAVELLI'S BY ABOUT 1,800 YEARS. HIS WORKS WERE LOST NEAR THE END OF THE GUPTA DYNASTY AND NOT REDISCOVERED UNTIL 1915.

CHANAKYA'S BIRTHPLACE IS A MATTER OF CONTROVERSY, AND THERE ARE MULTIPLE THEORIES ABOUT HIS ORIGIN.

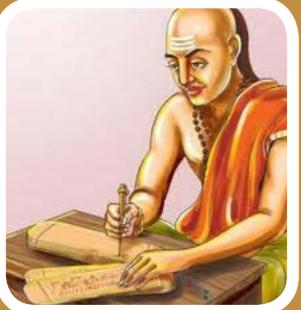
ACCORDING TO ONE THEORY, HE WAS BORN IN PATALIPUTRA OR A TOWN NEAR IT, KUSUMPUR. ACCORDING TO THE BUDDHIST TEXT MAHAVAMSA TIKA, HIS BIRTHPLACE WAS TAXILA. THE JAIN SCRIPTURES, SUCH AS ADBIDHANA CHINTAMANI, MENTION HIM AS A DRAMILA, IMPLYING THAT HE WAS A NATIVE OF SOUTH INDIA. ACCORDING TO SOME OTHER JAIN ACCOUNTS SUCH AS HEMACHANDRA'S PARISHISHTAPARVA, CHANAKYA WAS BORN IN THE CANAKA VILLAGE OF THE GOLLA REGION, TO A JAIN BRAHMIN NAMED CANIN AND HIS WIFE CANESVARI. OTHER SOURCES MENTION HIS FATHER'S NAME AS CHANAK AND STATE THAT CHANAKYA'S NAME DERIVES FROM HIS FATHER'S NAME.

AS SOON AS THE FEAR APPROACHES NEAR, ATTACK AND DESTROY IT.

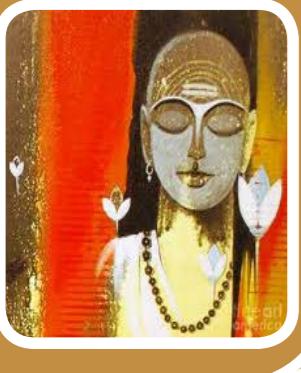


A person should not be too honest. Straight trees are cut first and Honest people are screwed first.

Before you start some work, always ask yourself three questions – Why am I doing it, What the results might be and Will I be successful. Only when you think deeply and find satisfactory answers to these questions, go ahead.



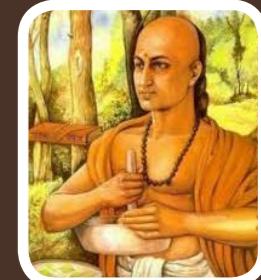
A good wife is one who serves her husband in the morning like a mother does, loves him in the day like a sister does and pleases him like a prostitute in the night.



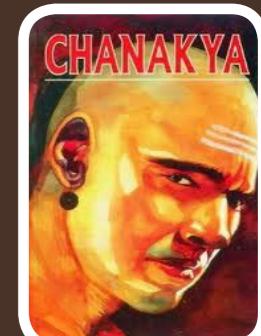
Once you start a working on something, don't be afraid of failure and don't abandon it. People who work sincerely are the happiest.



The biggest guru-mantra is: Never share your secrets with anybody. If you cannot keep secret with you , do not expect that other will keep it. ! It will destroy you.



There is some self-interest behind every friendship. There is no Friendship without self-interests. This is a bitter truth.



People's Fury is above all the furies.

God is not present in idols. Your feelings are your god. The soul is your temple.



Education is the Best Friend. An Educated Person is Respected Everywhere.

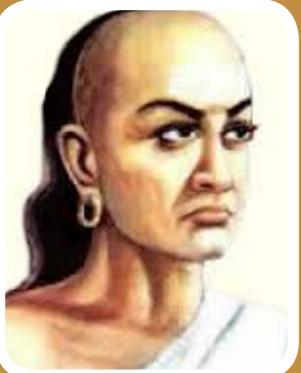
Education beats the Beauty and the Youth.

The serpent, the king, the tiger, the stinging wasp, the small child, the dog owned by other people, and the fool: these seven ought not to be awakened from sleep.

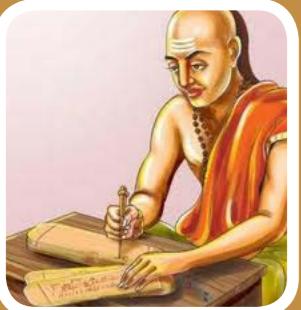


O wise man! Give your wealth only to the worthy and never to others. The water of the sea received by the clouds is always sweet.

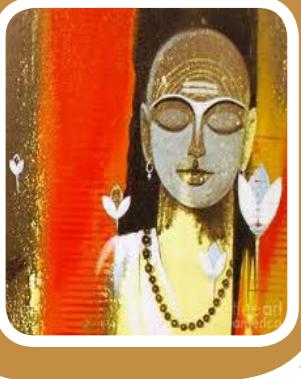
Even if a snake is not poisonous, it should pretend to be venomous.



Never make friends with people who are above or below you in status. Such friendships will never give you any happiness.

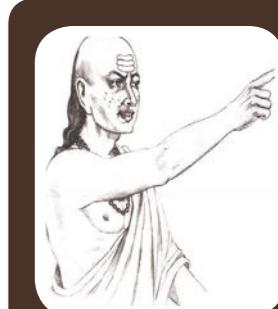


Books are as useful to a stupid person as a mirror is useful to a blind person.

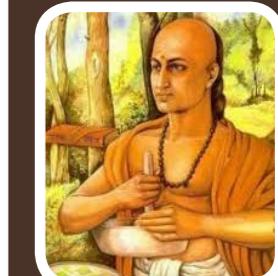


Test a servant while in the discharge of his duty, a relative in difficulty, a friend in adversity, and a wife in misfortune.

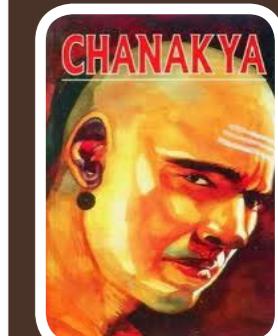
The life of an uneducated man is as useless as the tail of a dog which neither covers its rear end, nor protects it from the bites of insects.



One whose knowledge is confined to books and whose wealth is in the possession of others, can use neither his knowledge nor wealth when the need for them arises.



As a single withered tree, if set aflame, causes a whole forest to burn, so does a rascal son destroy a whole family.



There is poison in the fang of the serpent, in the mouth of the fly and in the sting of a scorpion; but the wicked man is saturated with it.

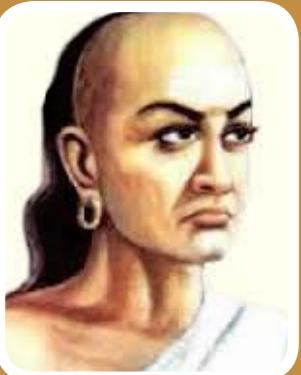
He whose son is obedient to him, whose wife's conduct is in accordance with his wishes, and who is content with his riches has his heaven here on earth.

Avoid him who talks sweetly before you but tries to ruin you behind your back, for he is like a pitcher full of poison with milk on top.

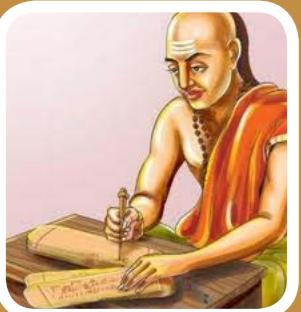


As water collected in a tank gets pure by filtration, so accumulated wealth is preserved by being employed in charity.

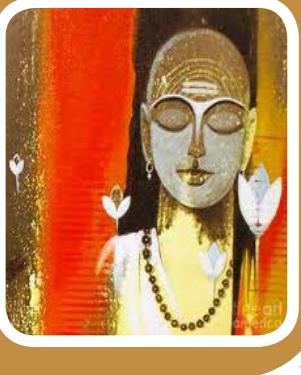
Time perfects men as well as destroys them.



It is better to have only one son endowed with good qualities than a hundred devoid of them. For the moon though one, dispels the darkness, which the stars, though numerous, do not. A wicked wife, a false friend, a saucy servant and living in a house with a serpent in it are nothing but death.



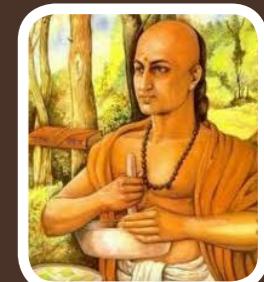
Do not put your trust in rivers, men who carry weapons, beasts with claws or horns, women, and members of a royal family.



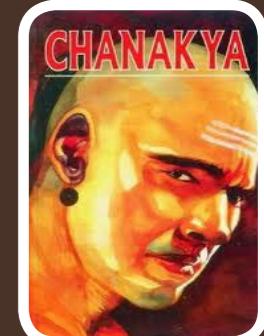
Those parents who do not educate their sons are their enemies; for as is a crane among swans, so are ignorant sons in a public assembly.



Trees on a riverbank, a woman in another man's house, and kings without counselors go without doubt to swift destruction.



Lakshmi, the Goddess of wealth, comes of Her own accord where fools are not respected, grain is well stored up, and the husband and wife do not quarrel.



The Goddess of wealth is unsteady, and so is the life breath. The duration of life is uncertain, and the place of habitation is uncertain; but in all this inconsistent world religious merit alone is immovable.

A father who is a chronic debtor, an adulterous mother, a beautiful wife, and an unlearned son are enemies in one's own home.

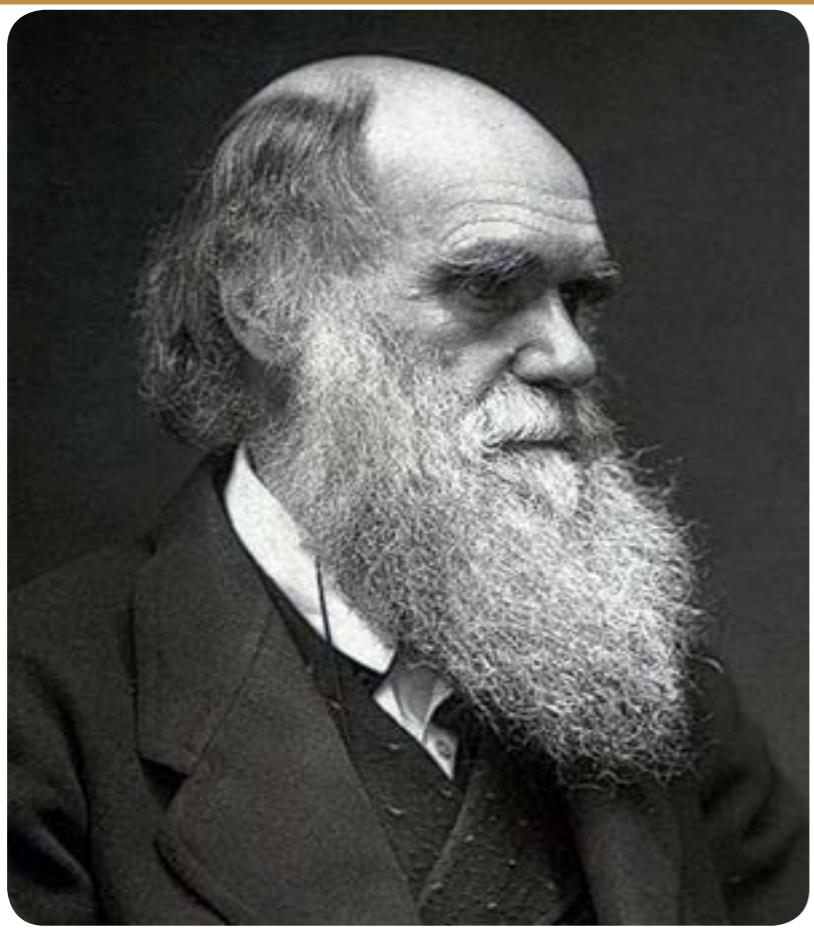
Do not pass between two brahmanas, between a brahmana and his sacrificial fire, between a wife and her husband, a master and his servant, and a plough and an ox.



Beauty is spoiled by an immoral nature; noble birth by bad conduct; learning, without being perfected; and wealth by not being properly utilised.

There are three gems upon this earth; food, water, and pleasing words -- fools consider pieces of rocks as gems.

CHARLES DARWIN



CHARLES DARWIN WAS A BRITISH SCIENTIST WHO LAID THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION AND TRANSFORMED THE WAY WE THINK ABOUT THE NATURAL WORLD.

CHARLES ROBERT DARWIN WAS BORN ON 12 FEBRUARY 1809 IN SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE INTO A WEALTHY AND WELL-CONNECTED FAMILY. HIS MATERNAL GRANDFATHER WAS CHINA MANUFACTURER JOSIAH WEDGWOOD, WHILE HIS PATERNAL GRANDFATHER WAS ERASMUS DARWIN, ONE OF THE LEADING INTELLECTUALS OF 18TH CENTURY ENGLAND.

DARWIN HIMSELF INITIALLY PLANNED TO FOLLOW A MEDICAL CAREER, AND STUDIED AT EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY BUT LATER SWITCHED TO DIVINITY AT CAMBRIDGE. IN 1831, HE JOINED A FIVE YEAR SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION ON THE SURVEY SHIP HMS BEAGLE.

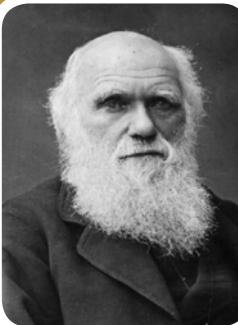
AT THIS TIME, MOST EUROPEANS BELIEVED THAT THE WORLD WAS CREATED BY GOD IN SEVEN DAYS AS DESCRIBED IN THE BIBLE. ON THE VOYAGE, DARWIN READ LYELL'S 'PRINCIPLES OF GEOLOGY' WHICH SUGGESTED THAT THE FOSSILS FOUND IN ROCKS WERE ACTUALLY EVIDENCE OF ANIMALS THAT HAD LIVED MANY THOUSANDS OR MILLIONS OF YEARS AGO. LYELL'S ARGUMENT WAS REINFORCED IN DARWIN'S OWN MIND BY THE RICH VARIETY OF ANIMAL LIFE AND THE GEOLOGICAL FEATURES HE SAW DURING HIS VOYAGE. THE BREAKTHROUGH IN HIS IDEAS CAME IN THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS, 500 MILES WEST OF SOUTH AMERICA. DARWIN NOTICED THAT EACH ISLAND SUPPORTED ITS OWN FORM OF FINCH WHICH WERE CLOSELY RELATED BUT DIFFERED IN IMPORTANT WAYS.

ON HIS RETURN TO ENGLAND IN 1836, DARWIN TRIED TO SOLVE THE RIDDLES OF THESE OBSERVATIONS AND THE PUZZLE OF HOW SPECIES EVOLVE. INFLUENCED BY THE IDEAS OF MALTHUS, HE PROPOSED A THEORY OF EVOLUTION OCCURRING BY THE PROCESS OF NATURAL SELECTION. THE ANIMALS (OR PLANTS) BEST SUITED TO THEIR ENVIRONMENT ARE MORE LIKELY TO SURVIVE AND REPRODUCE, PASSING ON THE CHARACTERISTICS WHICH HELPED THEM SURVIVE TO THEIR OFFSPRING. GRADUALLY, THE SPECIES CHANGES OVER TIME.

DARWIN WORKED ON HIS THEORY FOR 20 YEARS. AFTER LEARNING THAT ANOTHER NATURALIST, ALFRED RUSSEL WALLACE, HAD DEVELOPED SIMILAR IDEAS, THE TWO MADE A JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT OF THEIR DISCOVERY IN 1858. IN 1859 DARWIN PUBLISHED '**ON THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES BY MEANS OF NATURAL SELECTION**'.

THE BOOK WAS EXTREMELY CONTROVERSIAL, BECAUSE THE LOGICAL EXTENSION OF DARWIN'S THEORY WAS THAT HOMO SAPIENS WAS SIMPLY ANOTHER FORM OF ANIMAL. IT MADE IT SEEM POSSIBLE THAT EVEN PEOPLE MIGHT JUST HAVE EVOLVED - QUITE POSSIBLY FROM APES - AND DESTROYED THE PREVAILING ORTHODOXY ON HOW THE WORLD WAS CREATED. DARWIN WAS VEHEMENTLY ATTACKED, PARTICULARLY BY THE CHURCH. HOWEVER, HIS IDEAS SOON GAINED CURRENCY AND HAVE BECOME THE NEW ORTHODOXY.

DARWIN DIED ON 19 APRIL 1882 AND WAS BURIED IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.



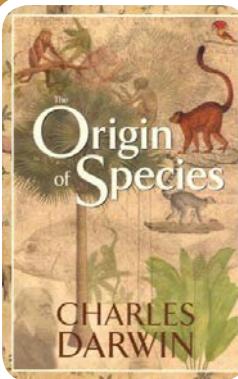
It is not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change.

A man who dares to waste one hour of time has not discovered the value of life.

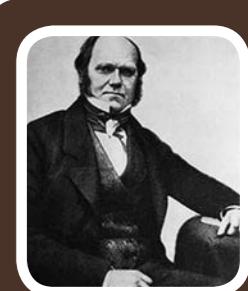


The mystery of the beginning of all things is insoluble by us; and I for one must be content to remain an agnostic.

If I had my life to live over again, I would have made a rule to read some poetry and listen to some music at least once a week.



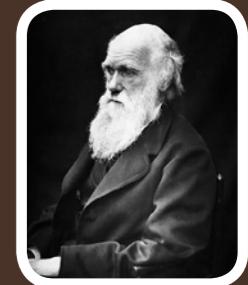
The highest possible stage in moral culture is when we recognise that we ought to control our thoughts.



The fact of evolution is the backbone of biology, and biology is thus in the peculiar position of being a science founded on an improved theory, is it then a science or faith?

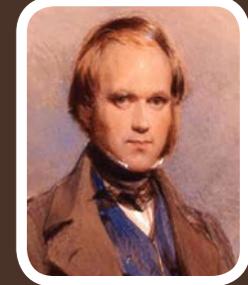


Even in the worm that crawls in the earth there glows a divine spark. When you slaughter a creature, you slaughter God.



An American Monkey after getting drunk on Brandy would never touch it again, and thus is much wiser than most men.

Besides love and sympathy, animals exhibit other qualities connected with the social instincts which in us would be called moral.

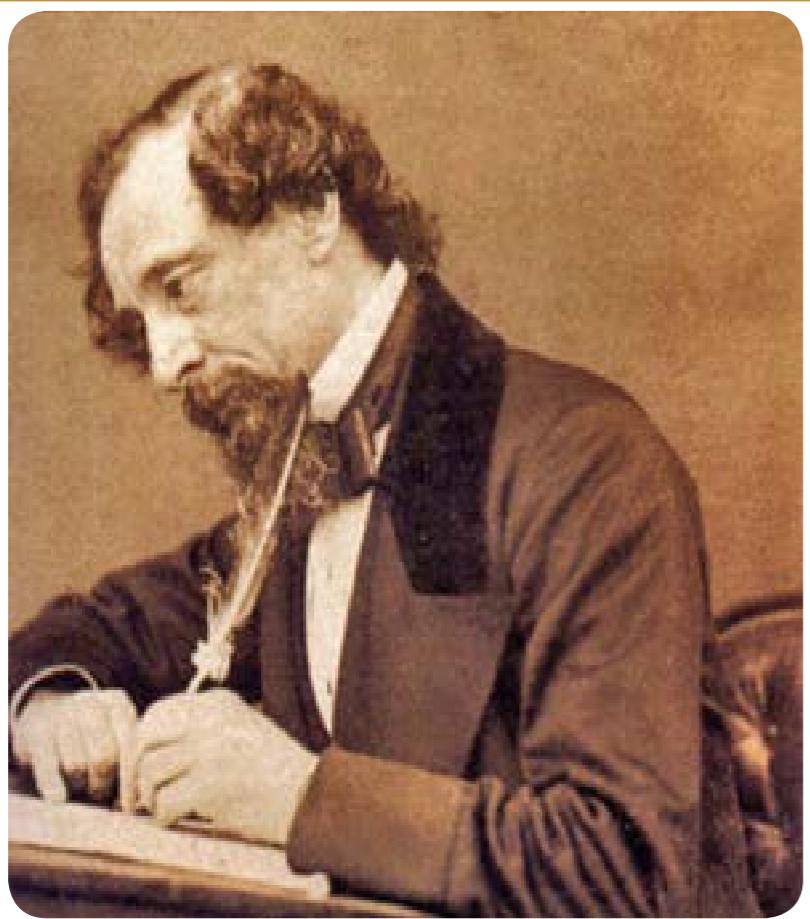


In the long history of humankind (and animal kind, too) those who learned to collaborate and improvise most effectively have prevailed.

A scientific man ought to have no wishes, no affections, - a mere heart of stone.

Man tends to increase at a greater rate than his means of subsistence.

CHARLES DICKENS



A loving heart is the truest wisdom.

CHARLES DICKENS IS MUCH LOVED FOR HIS GREAT CONTRIBUTION TO CLASSIC ENGLISH LITERATURE. HE WAS THE QUINTESSENTIAL VICTORIAN AUTHOR. HIS EPIC STORIES, VIVID CHARACTERS AND EXHAUSTIVE DEPICTION OF CONTEMPORARY LIFE ARE UNFORGETTABLE.

HIS OWN STORY IS ONE OF RAGS TO RICHES. HE WAS BORN IN PORTSMOUTH ON 7 FEBRUARY 1812, TO JOHN AND ELIZABETH DICKENS. THE GOOD FORTUNE OF BEING SENT TO SCHOOL AT THE AGE OF NINE WAS SHORT-LIVED BECAUSE HIS FATHER, INSPIRATION FOR THE CHARACTER OF MR MICAWBER IN 'DAVID COPPERFIELD', WAS IMPRISONED FOR BAD DEBT. THE ENTIRE FAMILY, APART FROM CHARLES, WERE SENT TO MARSHALSEA ALONG WITH THEIR PATRIARCH. CHARLES WAS SENT TO WORK IN WARREN'S BLACKING FACTORY AND ENDURED APPALLING CONDITIONS AS WELL AS LONELINESS AND DESPAIR. AFTER THREE YEARS HE WAS RETURNED TO SCHOOL, BUT THE EXPERIENCE WAS NEVER FORGOTTEN AND BECAME FICTIONALISED IN TWO OF HIS BETTER-KNOWN NOVELS 'DAVID COPPERFIELD' AND 'GREAT EXPECTATIONS'.

LIKE MANY OTHERS, HE BEGAN HIS LITERARY CAREER AS A JOURNALIST. HIS OWN FATHER BECAME A REPORTER AND CHARLES BEGAN WITH THE JOURNALS 'THE MIRROR OF PARLIAMENT' AND 'THE TRUE SUN'. THEN IN 1833 HE BECAME PARLIAMENTARY JOURNALIST FOR THE MORNING CHRONICLE. WITH NEW CONTACTS IN THE PRESS HE WAS ABLE TO PUBLISH A SERIES OF SKETCHES UNDER THE PSEUDONYM 'BOZ'. IN APRIL 1836, HE MARRIED CATHERINE HOGARTH, DAUGHTER OF GEORGE HOGARTH WHO EDITED 'SKETCHES BY BOZ'. WITHIN THE SAME MONTH CAME THE PUBLICATION OF THE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL 'PICKWICK PAPERS', AND FROM THAT POINT ON THERE WAS NO LOOKING BACK FOR DICKENS.

AS WELL AS A HUGE LIST OF NOVELS HE PUBLISHED AUTOBIOGRAPHY, EDITED WEEKLY PERIODICALS INCLUDING 'HOUSEHOLD WORDS' AND 'ALL YEAR ROUND', WROTE TRAVEL BOOKS AND ADMINISTERED CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS. HE WAS ALSO A THEATRE ENTHUSIAST, WROTE PLAYS AND PERFORMED BEFORE QUEEN VICTORIA IN 1851. HIS ENERGY WAS INEXHAUSTIBLE AND HE SPENT MUCH TIME ABROAD - FOR EXAMPLE LECTURING AGAINST SLAVERY IN THE UNITED STATES AND TOURING ITALY WITH COMPANIONS AUGUSTUS EGG AND WILKIE COLLINS, A CONTEMPORARY WRITER WHO INSPIRED DICKENS' FINAL UNFINISHED NOVEL 'THE MYSTERY OF EDWIN DROOD'.

HE WAS ESTRANGED FROM HIS WIFE IN 1858 AFTER THE BIRTH OF THEIR TEN CHILDREN, BUT MAINTAINED RELATIONS WITH HIS MISTRESS, THE ACTRESS ELLEN TERNAN. HE DIED OF A STROKE IN 1870. HE IS BURIED AT WESTMINSTER ABBEY.



There are books of which the backs and covers are by far the best parts.

Have a heart that never hardens, and a temper that never tires, and a touch that never hurts.

Heaven knows we need never be ashamed of our tears, for they are rain upon the blinding dust of earth, overlying our hard hearts.

Suffering has been stronger than all other teaching, and has taught me to understand what your heart used to be. I have been bent and broken, but - I hope - into a better shape.

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another.

There is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious as laughter and good humor.

Charity begins at home, and justice begins next door.

To a young heart everything is fun.

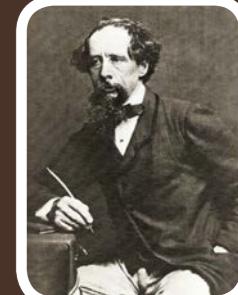
My advice is to never do tomorrow what you can do today. Procrastination is the thief of time.

Although a skillful flatterer is a most delightful companion if you have him all to yourself, his taste becomes very doubtful when he takes to complimenting other people.

I do not know the American gentleman, God forgive me for putting two such words together.

For it is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas, when its mighty Founder was a child Himself.

It's my old girl that advises. She has the head. But I never own to it before her. Discipline must be maintained.



CHARLIE CHAPLIN

ON APRIL 16, 1889, HOLLYWOOD LEGEND CHARLIE CHAPLIN WAS BORN IN LONDON, ENGLAND.



A day without laughter is a day wasted.

CHAPLIN, ONE OF THE MOST FINANCIALLY SUCCESSFUL STARS OF EARLY HOLLYWOOD, WAS INTRODUCED TO THE STAGE WHEN HE WAS FIVE. THE SON OF LONDON MUSIC HALL ENTERTAINERS, YOUNG CHAPLIN WAS WATCHING A SHOW STARRING HIS MOTHER WHEN HER VOICE CRACKED. HE WAS QUICKLY SHUFFLED ONTO THE STAGE TO FINISH THE ACT.

CHAPLIN'S FATHER DIED WHEN CHAPLIN WAS A TODDLER, AND WHEN HIS MOTHER HAD A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN CHAPLIN AND HIS OLDER HALF-BROTHER, SYDNEY, ROAMED LONDON, WHERE THEY DANCED ON THE STREETS AND COLLECTED PENNIES IN A HAT. THEY EVENTUALLY WENT TO AN ORPHANAGE AND JOINED THE EIGHT LANCASHIRE LADS, A CHILDREN'S DANCE TROUPE. WHEN CHAPLIN WAS 17, HE DEVELOPED HIS COMEDIC SKILLS WITH THE HELP OF FRED KARNO'S COMPANY, FOR WHICH HIS HALF-BROTHER HAD ALREADY BECOME A POPULAR COMEDIAN. SOON, CHAPLIN'S BOWLER HAT, OUT-TURNED FEET, MUSTACHE AND WALKING CANE BECAME HIS TRADEMARK. HE JOINED THE KEYSTONE COMPANY AND FILMED *MAKING A LIVING*, IN WHICH HE PLAYED A MUSTACHIOED VILLAIN WHO WORE A MONOCLE. IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE HE ALSO WORKED ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CAMERA, HELPING DIRECT HIS 12TH FILM AND DIRECTING HIS 13TH, *CAUGHT IN THE RAIN*, ON HIS OWN.

CHAPLIN REFINED WHAT WOULD SOON BECOME HIS LEGACY, THE CHARACTER CHARLIE THE TRAMP, AND SIGNED ON WITH THE ESSANAY COMPANY IN 1915 FOR \$1,250 A WEEK, PLUS A \$10,000 BONUS--QUITE A JUMP FROM THE \$175 THAT KEYSTONE PAID HIM. THE NEXT YEAR, HE SIGNED WITH MUTUAL FOR \$10,000 A WEEK, PLUS A \$150,000 BONUS UNDER A CONTRACT THAT REQUIRED HIM TO MAKE 12 FILMS ANNUALLY BUT GRANTED HIM COMPLETE CREATIVE CONTROL OVER THE PICTURES. AND IN 1918, HE SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH FIRST NATIONAL FOR \$1 MILLION FOR EIGHT FILMS. A MASTERFUL SILENT FILM ACTOR AND PANTOMIMIST WHO COULD ELICIT BOTH LAUGHTER AND TEARS FROM HIS AUDIENCES, CHAPLIN RESISTED THE ARRIVAL OF SOUND IN MOVIES. INDEED, IN HIS FIRST FILM THAT FEATURED SOUND (*CITY LIGHTS* IN 1931), HE ONLY USED MUSIC. HIS FIRST TRUE SOUND FILM WAS 1940'S *THE GREAT DICTATOR*, IN WHICH HE MOCKED FASCISM.

CHAPLIN FOUNDED UNITED ARTISTS CORPORATION IN 1919 WITH MARY PICKFORD, DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS AND DIRECTOR D.W. GRIFFITH. CHAPLIN MARRIED TWICE MORE, BOTH TIMES TO TEENAGE GIRLS. HIS FOURTH WIFE, OONA O'NEILL, WHO WAS 18 WHEN SHE MARRIED THE 54-YEAR-OLD ACTOR, WAS THE DAUGHTER OF PLAYWRIGHT EUGENE O'NEILL. THOUGH HE HAD LIVED IN THE UNITED STATES FOR 42 YEARS, CHAPLIN NEVER BECAME A U.S. CITIZEN. A VOCAL PACIFIST, CHAPLIN WAS ACCUSED OF COMMUNIST TIES, WHICH HE DENIED. NEVERTHELESS, IN 1952, IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS PREVENTED CHAPLIN AND HIS WIFE FROM RE-ENTERING THE UNITED STATES AFTER A FOREIGN TOUR. THE COUPLE DID NOT RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES FOR 20 YEARS; INSTEAD THEY SETTLED IN SWITZERLAND WITH THEIR EIGHT CHILDREN. CHAPLIN RETURNED TO AMERICA 1972 TO ACCEPT A SPECIAL ACADEMY AWARD FOR "THE INCALCULABLE EFFECT HE HAS HAD ON MAKING MOTION PICTURES THE ART FOR AND OF THIS CENTURY." HE WAS KNIGHTED **SIR CHARLES SPENCER CHAPLIN** IN 1975. HE DIED TWO YEARS LATER.



I always like walking in the rain, so no one can see me crying.

You'll never find a rainbow if you're looking down.

Nothing is permanent in this wicked world, not even our troubles.

A man's true character comes out when he's drunk.

We think too much and feel too little.

Failure is unimportant. It takes courage to make a fool of yourself.

Life is a tragedy when seen in close-up, but a comedy in long-shot.

To truly laugh, you must be able to take your pain, and play with it.

You'll find that life is still worthwhile, if you just smile.

What do you want meaning for? Life is desire, not meaning.

My pain may be the reason for somebody's laugh.

But my laugh must never be the reason for somebody's pain.

I will not join any club who will take me as a member.

I remain just one thing, and one thing only, and that is a clown. It puts me on a far higher place than any politician.

The saddest thing I can imagine is to get used to luxury.

Laughter is the tonic, the relief, the surcease for pain.

I suppose that's one of the ironies of life doing the wrong thing at the right moment.

All my pictures are built around the idea of getting in trouble and so giving me the chance to be desperately serious in my attempt to appear as a normal little gentleman.





All I need to make a comedy is a park, a policeman and a pretty girl.

Brunettes are troublemakers. They're worse than the Jews.

Man as an individual is a genius. But men in the mass form the headless monster, a great, brutish idiot that goes where prodded.

This is a ruthless world and one must be ruthless to cope with it.

Dictators free themselves, but they enslave the people.

Simplicity is a difficult thing to achieve.

Humor is the sublime wisdom of pity and tolerance in which man recognizes the utter futility of his own enterprise and importance.

Doing something with the public in mind is doing something without your own mind.

I'd sooner be called a successful crook than a destitute monarch.

Whiskey! Never tasted such beastly stuff in my life! In a civilized country they drink wine.

Movies are a fad. Audiences really want to see live actors on a stage.

In this desperate way, I started many a comedy.

I do not have much patience with a thing of beauty that must be explained to be understood. If it does need additional interpretation by someone other than the creator, then I question whether it has fulfilled its purpose.

Imagination means nothing without doing.

In the end, everything is a gag.

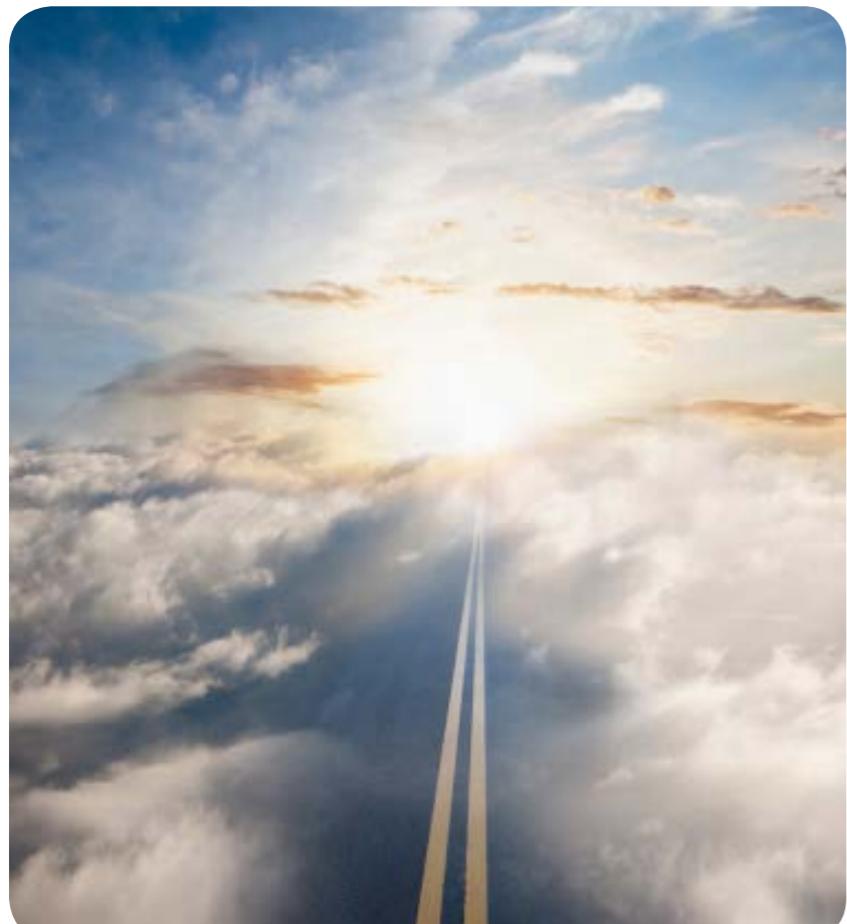


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Dreams



DREAMS



A dream is a wish your heart makes.

A DREAM OR A GOAL IS A DESIRED RESULT A SYSTEM ENVISIONS, PLANS AND COMMITS TO ACHIEVE—A PERSONAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL DESIRED END-POINT IN SOME SORT OF ASSUMED DEVELOPMENT. MANY PEOPLE ENDEAVOR TO REACH GOALS WITHIN A FINITE TIME BY SETTING DEADLINES.

IT IS ROUGHLY SIMILAR TO PURPOSE OR AIM, THE ANTICIPATED RESULT WHICH GUIDES REACTION, OR AN END, WHICH IS AN OBJECT, EITHER A PHYSICAL OBJECT OR AN ABSTRACT OBJECT, THAT HAS INTRINSIC VALUE.

GOAL-SETTING IDEALLY INVOLVES ESTABLISHING SPECIFIC, MEASURABLE, ATTAINABLE, REALISTIC AND TIME-TARGETED OBJECTIVES. WORK ON THE GOAL-SETTING THEORY SUGGESTS THAT IT CAN SERVE AS AN EFFECTIVE TOOL FOR MAKING PROGRESS BY ENSURING THAT PARTICIPANTS HAVE A CLEAR AWARENESS OF WHAT THEY MUST DO TO ACHIEVE OR HELP ACHIEVE AN OBJECTIVE. ON A PERSONAL LEVEL, THE PROCESS OF SETTING GOALS ALLOWS PEOPLE TO SPECIFY AND THEN WORK TOWARDS THEIR OWN OBJECTIVES — MOST COMMONLY FINANCIAL OR CAREER-BASED GOALS. GOAL-SETTING COMPRISES A MAJOR COMPONENT OF PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT. A GOAL CAN BE LONG-TERM OR SHORT-TERM.

ACHIEVING COMPLEX AND DIFFICULT GOALS REQUIRES FOCUS, LONG-TERM DILIGENCE AND EFFORT. SUCCESS IN ANY FIELD REQUIRES FORGOING EXCUSES AND JUSTIFICATIONS FOR POOR PERFORMANCE OR LACK OF ADEQUATE PLANNING; IN SHORT, SUCCESS REQUIRES EMOTIONAL Maturity. THE MEASURE OF BELIEF THAT PEOPLE HAVE IN THEIR ABILITY TO ACHIEVE A PERSONAL GOAL ALSO AFFECTS THAT ACHIEVEMENT.

LONG TERM ACHIEVEMENTS RELY ON SHORT-TERM ACHIEVEMENTS. EMOTIONAL CONTROL OVER THE SMALL MOMENTS OF THE SINGLE DAY MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE IN THE LONG TERM.

THE CENTER OF EVERY MAN'S EXISTENCE IS A DREAM. -- G.K. CHESTERTON



- You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream. — C.S. Lewis
- A dream you dream alone is only a dream. A dream you dream together is reality. — John Lennon
- I don't dream at night, I dream all day; I dream for a living. — Steven Spielberg
- The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams. — Eleanor Roosevelt
- The key to realizing a dream is to focus not on success but significance - and then even the small steps and little victories along your path will take on greater meaning. — Oprah Winfrey
- The whole life is a succession of dreams. My ambition is to be a conscious dreamer, that is all. — Swami Vivekananda
- Hold fast to dreams for if dreams die, life is a broken-winged bird that cannot fly.
— Langston Hughes
- Ideologies separate us. Dreams and anguish bring us together. — Eugene Ionesco
- I challenge you to be dreamers; I challenge you to be doers and let us make the greatest place in the world even better. — Brian Schweitzer
- Dreams are necessary to life. — Anaïs Nin
- Dream and give yourself permission to envision a You that you choose to be. — Joy Page
- All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them. — Walt Disney
- Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover. — Mark Twain
- No dreamer is ever too small; no dream is ever too big. — Anon.
- A goal is a dream with a deadline. — Napolean Hill





Yes: I am a dreamer. For a dreamer is one who can only find his way by moonlight, and his punishment is that he sees the dawn before the rest of the world. — Oscar Wilde



I think we dream so we don't have to be apart for so long. If we're in each other's dreams, we can be together all the time. — A.A. Milne



Dare to live the life you have dreamed for yourself. Go forward and make your dreams come true. — Ralph Waldo Emerson



If you can dream it, you can do it. Always remember that this whole thing was started with a dream and a mouse. — Walt Disney



At first dreams seem impossible, then improbable, then inevitable. — Chris Reeve



Don't be afraid of the space between your dreams and reality. If you can dream it, you can make it so. — Belva Davis



Great dreams of great dreamers are always transcended. — Abdul Kalam

Commitment leads to action. Action brings your dream closer. — Marcia Wieder

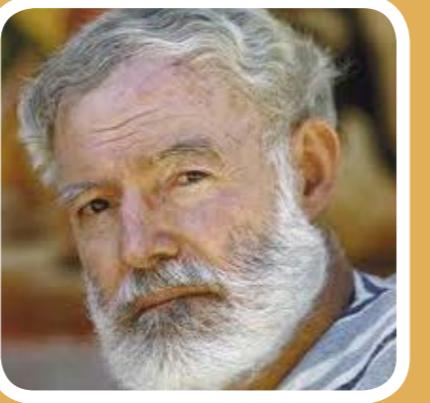
You see things and you say 'Why?' But I dream things that never were and I say 'Why not?' — George Bernard Shaw

Champions aren't made in the gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them –a desire, a dream and a vision. — Muhammad Ali

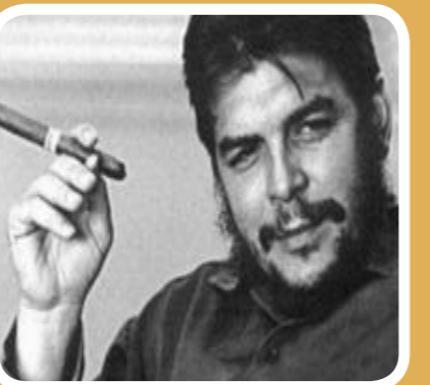
Stand often in the company of dreamers. They believe you can achieve impossible things. — Mary Anne Radmacher

A dream is not something that you wake up from, but something that wakes you up. — Charlie Hedges

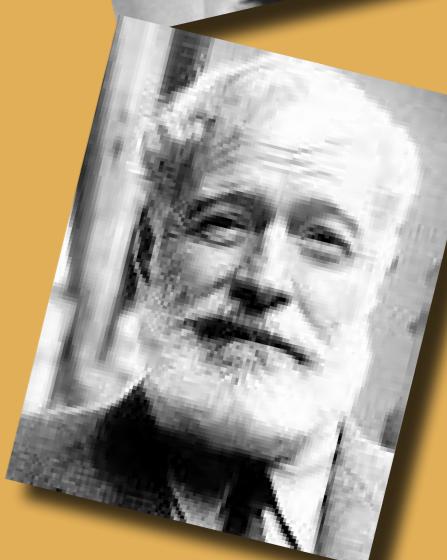
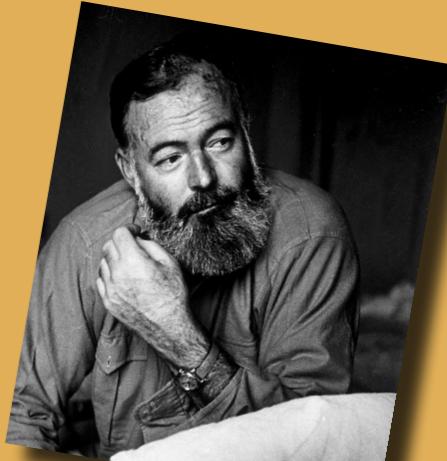
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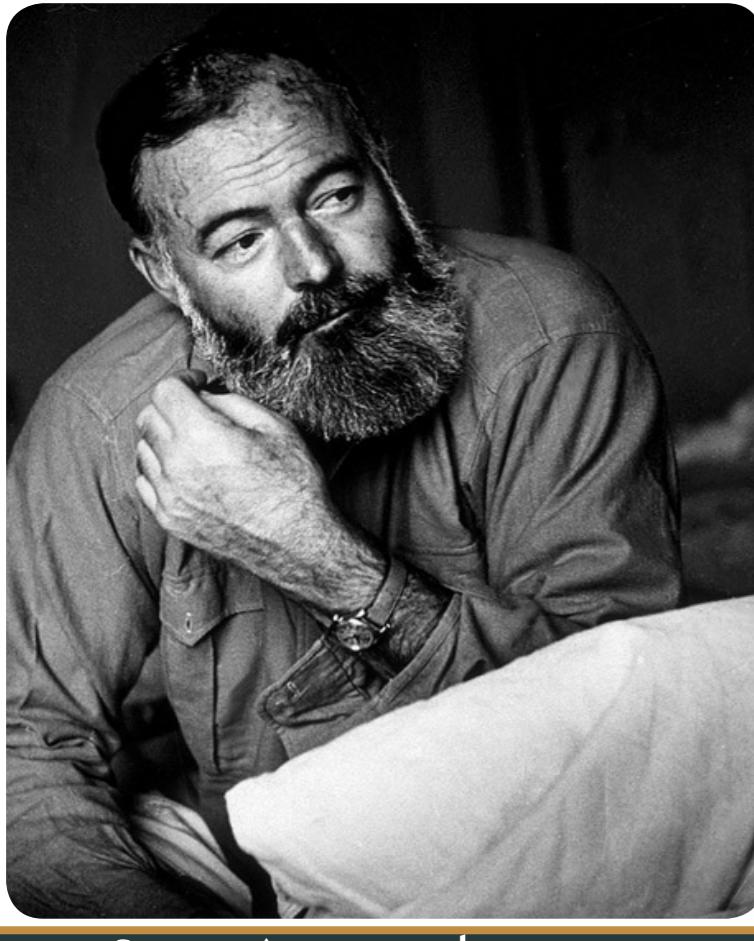
Ernest Hemingway



Ernesto Che Guevara



ERNEST HEMINGWAY



Courage is grace under pressure.

ERNEST HEMINGWAY (1899-1961), BORN IN OAK PARK, ILLINOIS, STARTED HIS CAREER AS A WRITER IN A NEWSPAPER OFFICE IN KANSAS CITY AT THE AGE OF SEVENTEEN. AFTER THE UNITED STATES ENTERED THE FIRST WORLD WAR, HE JOINED A VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE UNIT IN THE ITALIAN ARMY. SERVING AT THE FRONT, HE WAS WOUNDED, WAS DECORATED BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, AND SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME IN HOSPITALS. AFTER HIS RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES, HE BECAME A REPORTER FOR CANADIAN AND AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS AND WAS SOON SENT BACK TO EUROPE TO COVER SUCH EVENTS AS THE GREEK REVOLUTION.

DURING THE TWENTIES, HEMINGWAY BECAME A MEMBER OF THE GROUP OF EXPATRIATE AMERICANS IN PARIS, WHICH HE DESCRIBED IN HIS FIRST IMPORTANT WORK, *THE SUN ALSO RISES* (1926). EQUALLY SUCCESSFUL WAS *A FAREWELL TO ARMS* (1929), THE STUDY OF AN AMERICAN AMBULANCE OFFICER'S DISILLUSIONMENT IN THE WAR AND HIS ROLE AS A DESERTER. HEMINGWAY USED HIS EXPERIENCES AS A REPORTER DURING THE CIVIL WAR IN SPAIN AS THE BACKGROUND FOR HIS MOST AMBITIOUS NOVEL, *FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS* (1940). AMONG HIS LATER WORKS, THE MOST OUTSTANDING IS THE SHORT NOVEL, *THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA* (1952), THE STORY OF AN OLD FISHERMAN'S JOURNEY, HIS LONG AND LONELY STRUGGLE WITH A FISH AND THE SEA, AND HIS VICTORY IN DEFEAT.

HEMINGWAY - HIMSELF A GREAT SPORTSMAN - LIKED TO PORTRAY SOLDIERS, HUNTERS, BULLFIGHTERS - TOUGH, AT TIMES PRIMITIVE PEOPLE WHOSE COURAGE AND HONESTY ARE SET AGAINST THE BRUTAL WAYS OF MODERN SOCIETY, AND WHO IN THIS CONFRONTATION LOSE HOPE AND FAITH. HIS STRAIGHTFORWARD PROSE, HIS SPARE DIALOGUE, AND HIS PREDILECTION FOR UNDERSTATEMENT ARE PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE IN HIS SHORT STORIES, SOME OF WHICH ARE COLLECTED IN *MEN WITHOUT WOMEN* (1927) AND *THE FIFTH COLUMN AND THE FIRST FORTY-NINE STORIES* (1938).

ERNEST HEMINGWAY DIED ON JULY 2, 1961.

HAPPINESS IN INTELLIGENT PEOPLE IS THE RAREST THING I KNOW.



There is nothing to writing. All you do is sit down at a typewriter and bleed.

All things truly wicked start from innocence.

I love sleep. My life has the tendency to fall apart when I'm awake, you know?

Today is only one day in all the days that will ever be. But what will happen in all the other days that ever come can depend on what you do today.

Always do sober what you said you'd do drunk. That will teach you to keep your mouth shut.

I drink to make other people more interesting.

Write drunk; edit sober.

All thinking men are atheists.

When people talk, listen completely. Most people never listen.

Never confuse movement with action.

The hard part about writing a novel is finishing it.

An intelligent man is sometimes forced to be drunk to spend time with his fools.

In order to write about life first you must live it.

When you start to live outside yourself, it's all dangerous.

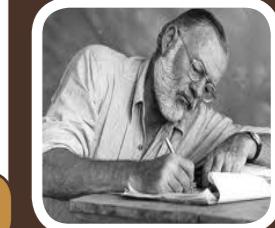
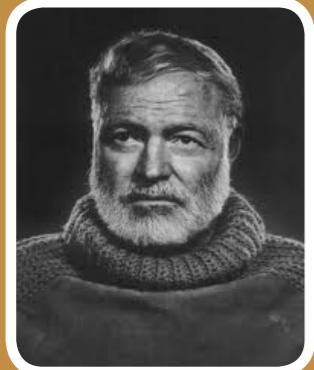
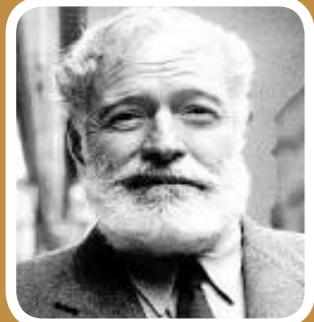
Intelligence is so damn rare and the people who have it often have such a bad time with it that they get bitter or propagandistic and then it's not much use.

Death is like an old whore in a bar--I'll buy her a drink but I won't go upstairs with her.

Wine is the most civilized thing in the world.

Being against evil doesn't make you good.

Life isn't hard to manage when you've nothing to lose.



ERNESTO CHE GUEVARA



Be realistic, Demand the impossible!

ERNESTO CHE GUEVARA WAS AN ARGENTINEAN-BORN, CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY LEADER WHO BECAME A LEFT-WING HERO. A PHOTOGRAPH OF HIM BY ALBERTO KORDA BECAME AN ICONIC IMAGE OF THE 20TH CENTURY.

ERNESTO GUEVARA DE LA SERNA, KNOWN AS CHE GUEVARA, WAS BORN ON 14 JUNE 1928 IN ROSARIO, ARGENTINA INTO A MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILY. HE STUDIED MEDICINE AT BUENOS AIRES UNIVERSITY AND DURING THIS TIME TRAVELED WIDELY IN SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA. THE WIDESPREAD POVERTY AND OPPRESSION HE WITNESSED, FUSED WITH HIS INTEREST IN MARXISM, CONVINCED HIM THAT THE ONLY SOLUTION TO SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA'S PROBLEMS WAS ARMED REVOLUTION.

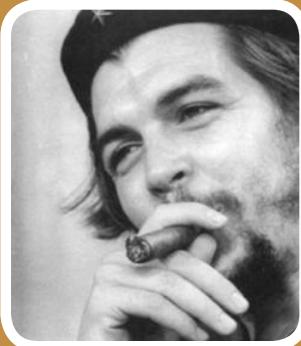
IN 1954 HE WENT TO MEXICO AND THE FOLLOWING YEAR HE MET CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY LEADER FIDEL CASTRO. GUEVARA JOINED CASTRO'S '26TH JULY MOVEMENT' AND PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN THE EVENTUAL SUCCESS OF ITS GUERRILLA WAR AGAINST CUBAN DICTATOR FULGENCIO BATISTA.

CASTRO OVERTHREW BATISTA IN 1959 AND TOOK POWER IN CUBA. FROM 1959-1961, GUEVARA WAS PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF CUBA, AND THEN MINISTER OF INDUSTRY. IN THIS POSITION, HE TRAVELED THE WORLD AS AN AMBASSADOR FOR CUBA. AT HOME, HE CARRIED OUT PLANS FOR LAND REDISTRIBUTION AND THE NATIONALISATION OF INDUSTRY.

A STRONG OPPONENT OF THE UNITED STATES, HE GUIDED THE CASTRO REGIME TOWARDS ALIGNMENT WITH THE SOVIET UNION. THE CUBAN ECONOMY FALTERED AS A RESULT OF AMERICAN TRADE SANCTIONS AND UNSUCCESSFUL REFORMS. DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME GUEVARA BEGAN TO FALL OUT WITH THE OTHER CUBAN LEADERS. HE LATER EXPRESSED HIS DESIRE TO SPREAD REVOLUTION IN OTHER PARTS OF THE DEVELOPING WORLD, AND IN 1965 CASTRO ANNOUNCED THAT GUEVARA HAD LEFT CUBA.

GUEVARA THEN SPENT SEVERAL MONTHS IN AFRICA, PARTICULARLY THE CONGO, ATTEMPTING TO TRAIN REBEL FORCES IN GUERRILLA WARFARE. HIS EFFORTS FAILED AND IN 1966 HE SECRETLY RETURNED TO CUBA. FROM CUBA HE TRAVELED TO BOLIVIA TO LEAD FORCES REBELLING AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT OF RENÉ BARRENTOS ORTUÑO. WITH US ASSISTANCE, THE BOLIVIAN ARMY CAPTURED GUEVARA AND HIS REMAINING FIGHTERS. HE WAS EXECUTED ON 9 OCTOBER 1967 IN THE BOLIVIAN VILLAGE OF LA HIGUERA AND HIS BODY WAS BURIED IN A SECRET LOCATION. IN 1997 HIS REMAINS WERE DISCOVERED, EXHUMED AND RETURNED TO CUBA, WHERE HE WAS REBURIED.

IT IS BETTER TO DIE STANDING THAN TO LIVE ON YOUR KNEES.



If you tremble with indignation at every injustice then you are a comrade of mine.

Let the world change you than you can change the world.

We cannot be sure of having something to live for unless we are willing to die for it.

I am not a liberator. Liberators do not exist. The people liberate themselves.

The first duty of a revolutionary is to be educated.

The revolution is not an apple that falls when ripe. You have to make it fall.

Cruel leaders are replaced only to have new leaders turn cruel!

Words without deeds are worthless.

Always struggle for victory.

It's a sad thing not to have friends, but it is even sadder not to have enemies.

To send men to the firing squad, judicial proof is unnecessary ... These procedures are an archaic bourgeois detail. This is a revolution!

If any person has a good word for the previous government that is good enough for me to have him shot.

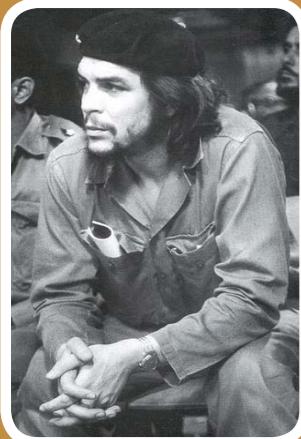
There is no other definition of socialism valid for us than that of the abolition of the exploitation of man by man.

Many will call me an adventurer, and that I am... only one of a different sort: one who risks his skin to prove his truths.

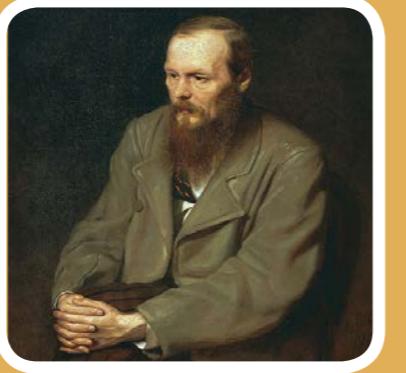
Homeland or death! We will triumph!

Every day People straighten up the hair, why not the heart?

Above all, always be capable of feeling deeply any injustice committed against anyone, anywhere in the world.



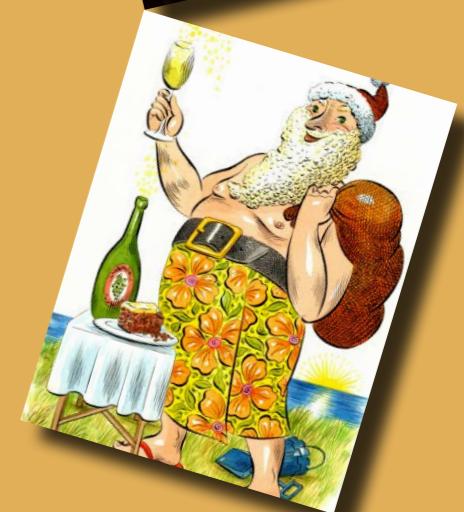
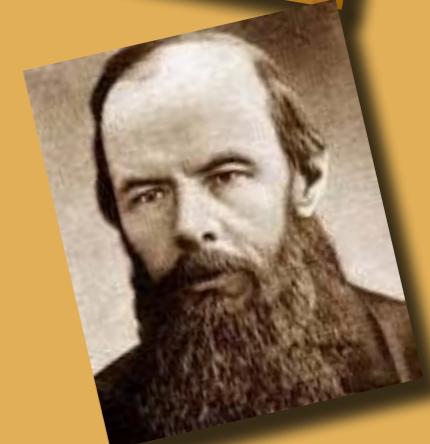
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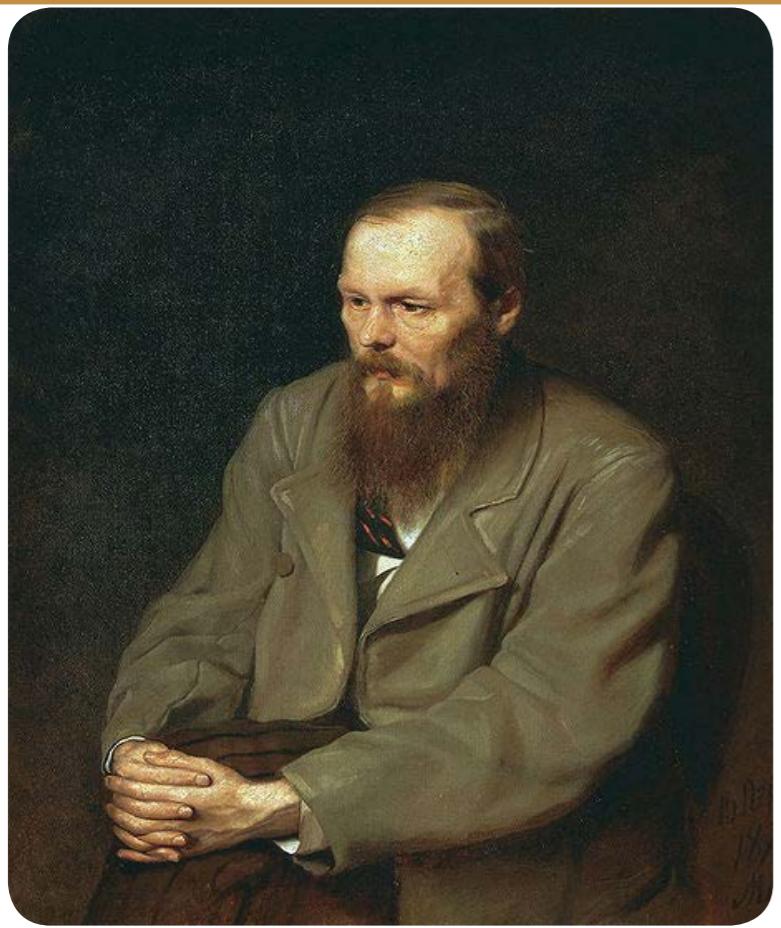
Fyodor Dostoevsky



Funny



FYODOR DOSTOEVSKY



Be the sun and all will see you.

FYODOR MIKHAILOVICH DOSTOEVSKY WAS BORN OCTOBER 30, 1821, IN MOSCOW'S HOSPITAL FOR THE POOR. HE WAS THE SECOND OF SEVEN CHILDREN BORN TO A FORMER ARMY SURGEON, WHO WAS MURDERED IN 1839 WHEN HIS OWN SERFS POURED VODKA DOWN HIS THROAT UNTIL HE DIED.

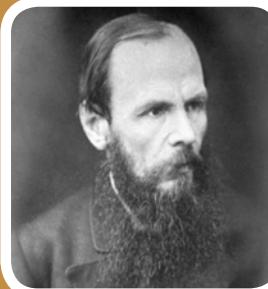
FOLLOWING A BOARDING SCHOOL EDUCATION IN MOSCOW WITH HIS OLDER BROTHER MIKHAIL, FYODOR WAS ADMITTED TO THE ACADEMY OF MILITARY ENGINEERS IN ST. PETERSBURG IN 1838. HE COMPLETED HIS STUDIES IN 1843, GRADUATING AS A LIEUTENANT, BUT WAS QUICKLY CONVINCED THAT HE PREFERRED A CAREER IN WRITING TO BEING MIRED IN THE BUREAUCRATIC RUSSIAN MILITARY. IN 1844 HE PUBLISHED A TRANSLATION OF BALZAC'S EUGENIE GRANDET, AND HE FOLLOWED THIS TWO YEARS LATER WITH HIS FIRST ORIGINAL PUBLISHED WORK, *Poor Folk*, A WIDELY-ACCLAIMED SHORT NOVEL CHAMPIONED BY THE INFLUENTIAL CRITIC VISSARION BELINSKY.

ON APRIL 23, 1849, DOSTOEVSKY WAS ARRESTED WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PETRASHEVSKY CIRCLE AND WAS SENTENCED TO DEATH TO WORK AS MATERIALIST ATHEISM. HE WAS PLACED IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT IN THE PETROPAVLOVSKY FORTRESS FOR EIGHT MONTHS. DURING THIS TIME, TSAR NIKOLAI I CHANGED HIS SENTENCE BUT ORDERED THAT THIS CHANGE ONLY BE ANNOUNCED AT THE LAST MINUTE. ON DECEMBER 22, DOSTOEVSKY AND HIS FELLOW PRISONERS WERE LED THROUGH ALL THE INITIAL STEPS OF EXECUTION, AND SEVERAL OF THEM WERE ALREADY TIED TO POSTS AWAITING THEIR DEATHS WHEN THE REPRIEVE WAS SOUNDED.

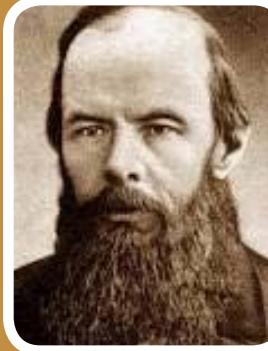
DOSTOEVSKY'S HARROWING NEAR-EXECUTION AND HIS TERRIBLE YEARS OF IMPRISONMENT MADE AN INDELIBLE IMPRESSION ON HIM, CONVERTING HIM TO A LIFELONG INTENSE SPIRITUALITY. THESE BELIEFS FORMED THE BASIS FOR HIS GREAT NOVELS. TIME PASSED, AND DOSTOEVSKY, PREOCCUPIED WITH A LONGER, SERIALIZED NOVEL, DID NO WORK ON THE BOOK HE HAD PROMISED STELLOVSKY UNTIL AT LAST, ON THE ADVICE OF FRIENDS, HE HIRED THE YOUNG ANNA GRIGORIEVNA SNITKIN AS HIS STENOGRAPHER. HE DICTATED *THE GAMBLER* TO HER, AND THE MANUSCRIPT WAS DELIVERED TO STELLOVSKY ON THE VERY DAY THEIR AGREEMENT WAS TO EXPIRE. THROUGH NOVEMBER, DOSTOEVSKY COMPLETED THE LONGER NOVEL *CRIME AND PUNISHMENT*, WHICH WAS PUBLISHED THAT YEAR TO IMMEDIATE AND ABUNDANT SUCCESS. FYODOR PROPOSED TO ANNA, AND THEY SOON WERE WED ON FEBRUARY 15, 1867.

FYODOR DOSTOEVSKY DIED ON JANUARY 28, 1881, OF COMPLICATIONS RELATED TO HIS EPILEPSY. AT THE FUNERAL PROCESSION IN ST. PETERSBURG, HIS COFFIN WAS FOLLOWED BY THIRTY TO FORTY THOUSAND PEOPLE. HIS EPITAPH READS, "**VERILY, VERILY, I SAY UNTO YOU, EXCEPT A CORN OF WHEAT FALL INTO THE GROUND AND DIE, IT ABIDETH ALONE: BUT IF IT DIE, IT BRINGETH FORTH MUCH FRUIT.**" WHICH IS THE QUOTATION DOSTOEVSKY CHOSE FOR THE PREFACE OF *THE BROTHERS KARAMAZOV*.

DOSTOEVSKY IS ONE OF THE FIRST WRITERS TO EXPLORE THE IDEAS OF PSYCHOANALYSIS IN HIS WORKS. HIS RELIGIOUS IDEAS ARE STILL RELEVANT IN THEOLOGICAL DEBATE. HE ALSO IS ONE OF THE SEMINAL CREATORS OF THE IDEAS OF EXISTENTIALISM. DESPITE HIS VARYING SUCCESS DURING HIS LIFETIME, TODAY DOSTOEVSKY IS CONSIDERED TO BE ONE OF THE PREEMINENT RUSSIAN NOVELISTS—INDEED, ONE OF THE PREEMINENT NOVELISTS—OF ALL TIME.

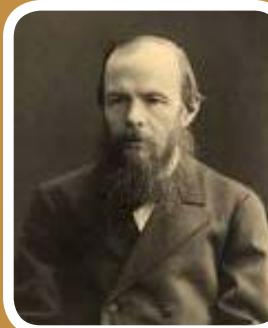


Above all, don't lie to yourself. The man who lies to himself and listens to his own lie comes to a point that he cannot distinguish the truth within him, or around him, and so loses all respect for himself and for others. And having no respect he ceases to love.



What is hell? I maintain that it is the suffering of being unable to love.

The darker the night, the brighter the stars,
The deeper the grief, the closer is God!



People speak sometimes about the "bestial" cruelty of man, but that is terribly unjust and offensive to beasts, no animal could ever be so cruel as a man, so artfully, so artistically cruel.



The soul is healed by being with children.



Nothing in this world is harder than speaking the truth, nothing easier than flattery.



Taking a new step, uttering a new word, is what people fear most.

The awful thing is that beauty is mysterious as well as terrible. God and the devil are fighting there and the battlefield is the heart of man.

The cleverest of all, in my opinion, is the man who calls himself a fool at least once a month.



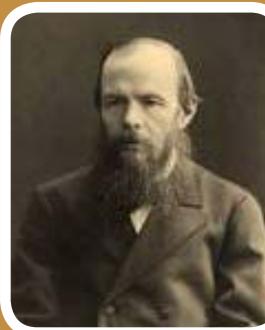
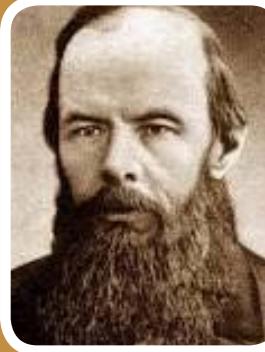
The degree of civilization in a society can be judged by entering its prisons.



It's the great mystery of human life that old grief passes gradually into quiet tender joy.

Love a man, even in his sin, for that love is a likeness of the divine love, and is the summit of love on earth.

The greatest happiness is to know the source of unhappiness.



Destroy my desires, eradicate my ideas, show me something better, and I will follow you.

A fool with a heart and no sense is just as unhappy as a fool with sense and no heart.

If he's honest, he'll steal; if he's human, he'll murder; if he's faithful, he'll deceive.

Truly great men must, I think, experience great sorrow on the earth.

When reason fails, the devil helps!

The mystery of human existence lies not in just staying alive, but in finding something to live for.

If someone proved to me that Christ is outside the truth, and that in reality the truth were outside of Christ, then I should prefer to remain with Christ rather than with the truth.

What do you think, would not one tiny crime be wiped out by thousands of good deeds?

Every ant knows the formula of its ant-hill,
every bee knows the formula of its beehive.

They know it in their own way, not in our way.

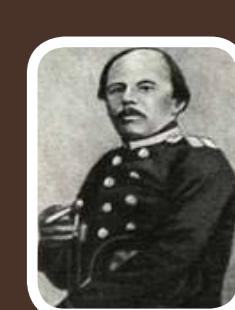
Only humankind does not know its own formula.

Grown-up people do not know that a child can give exceedingly good advice even in the most difficult case.

Life is paradise, and we are all in paradise, but we refuse to see it.

Neither man nor nation can exist without a sublime idea.

Compassion was the most important, perhaps the sole law of human existence.



FUNNY

Quotes



One man's folly is another man's wife.

SOME FUNNY FACTS:

'SECOND STREET' IS THE MOST COMMON STREET NAME IN THE U.S.

THIRTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE WHO USE PERSONAL ADS FOR DATING ARE ALREADY MARRIED.

1/3 OF TAIWANESE FUNERAL PROCESSIONS INCLUDE A STRIPPER.

15 PERCENT OF AMERICANS SECRETLY BITE THEIR TOES.

23% OF ALL PHOTOCOPIER FAULTS WORLDWIDE ARE CAUSED BY PEOPLE SITTING ON THEM AND PHOTOCOPYING THEIR BUTTS.

40% OF ALL INDIGESTION REMEDIES SOLD IN THE WORLD ARE BOUGHT BY AMERICANS.

A BROKEN CLOCK IS ALWAYS RIGHT TWICE A DAY.

THE WORLD'S OLDEST PIECE OF CHEWING GUM IS 9000 YEARS OLD.

QUEEN ELIZABETH I REGARDED HERSELF AS A PARAGON OF CLEANLINESS. SHE DECLARED THAT SHE BATHED ONCE EVERY THREE MONTHS, WHETHER SHE NEEDED IT OR NOT.

A GROUP OF FROGS IS CALLED AN ARMY.

ALBERT EINSTEIN NEVER WORE ANY SOCKS.

I WAS ASKED TO NAME ALL THE PRESIDENTS. I THOUGHT THEY ALREADY HAD NAMES.

-- DEMITRI MARTIN



Before I got married I had six theories about bringing up children; now I have six children and no theories. — **John Wilmot**



When you go into court you are putting your fate into the hands of twelve people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty. — **Norm Crosby**



If there are no stupid questions, then what kind of questions do stupid people ask? Do they get smart just in time to ask questions? — **Scott Adams**

If the lessons of history teach us anything it is that nobody learns the lessons that history teaches us. — **Anon**



When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President. Now I'm beginning to believe it. — **Clarence Darrow**



Laughing at our mistakes can lengthen our own life. Laughing at someone else's can shorten it. — **Cullen Hightower**

All men are frauds. The only difference between them is that some admit it. I myself deny it. — **H. L. Mencken**

It's not true that I had nothing on. I had the radio on. — **Marilyn Monroe**



A government that robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul.

— **George Bernard Shaw**



Between two evils, I always pick the one I never tried before. — **Mae West**

Any girl can be glamorous. All you have to do is stand still and look stupid.

— **Hedy Lamarr**

Go to Heaven for the climate, Hell for the company. — **Mark Twain**



Don't be so humble - you are not that great. — **Golda Meir**

I do not know the American gentleman, God forgive me for putting two such words together. — **Charles Dickens**

What a kid I got, I told him about the birds and the bees and he told me about the butcher and my wife. — **Rodney Dangerfield**



A stockbroker urged me to buy a stock that would triple its value every year. I told him, "At my age, I don't even buy green bananas." — **Claude Pepper**



When you are courting a nice girl an hour seems like a second. When you sit on a red-hot cinder a second seems like an hour. That's relativity. — **Albert Einstein**

A committee is a group that keeps minutes and loses hours. — **Milton Berle**

A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend.

A successful woman is one who can find such a man. — **Lana Turner**



My grandmother started walking five miles a day when she was sixty. She's ninety-seven now, and we don't know where the hell she is. — **Ellen DeGeneres**

Do not worry about avoiding temptation. As you grow older it will avoid you.

— **Joey Adams**



Opera is when a guy gets stabbed in the back and, instead of bleeding, he sings.

— **Robert Benchley**



I can tell if two people are in love by how they hold each other's hands, and how thick their sanitation gloves are. — **Jarod Kintz**



You know, sometimes kids get bad grades in school because the class moves too slow for them. Einstein got D's in school. Well guess what, I get F's!!! — **Bill Watterson**



Electricity is actually made up of extremely tiny particles called electrons, that you cannot see with the naked eye unless you have been drinking. — **Dave Barry**

Politicians and diapers have one thing in common. They should both be changed regularly, and for the same reason. — **José Maria de Eça de Queiroz**



Some cause happiness wherever they go; others whenever they go. — **Oscar Wilde**

When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much he had learned in seven years. — **Mark Twain**



Nothing sucks more than that moment during an argument when you realize you're wrong. — **Unknown**

My computer beat me at checkers, but I sure beat it at kickboxing. — **Emo Philips**

I don't hate you.. I just don't like that you exist. — **Gena Showalter**

Anyone who says he can see through women is missing a lot. — **Groucho Marx**

I found there was only one way to look thin: hang out with fat people.

— **Rodney Dangerfield**

A sure cure for seasickness is to sit under a tree. — **Spike Milligan**

I haven't spoken to my wife in years. I didn't want to interrupt her.

— **Rodney Dangerfield**

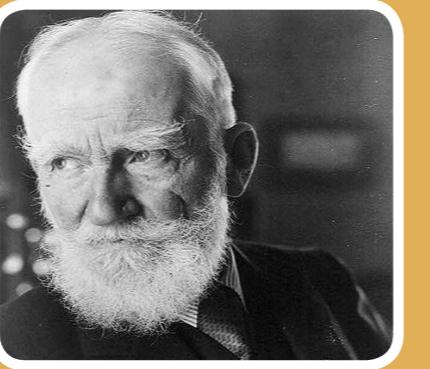
The secret to staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age.

— **Lucille Ball**

I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder. — **Steven Wright**



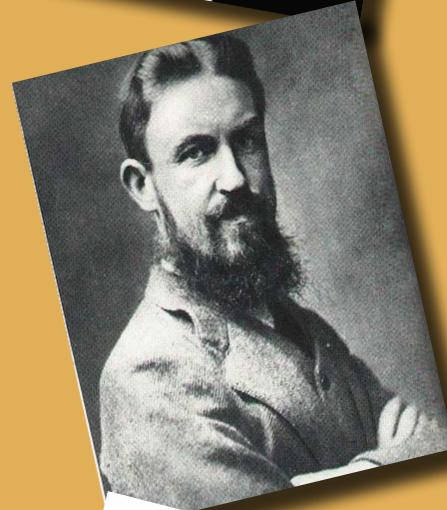
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George Bernard Shaw



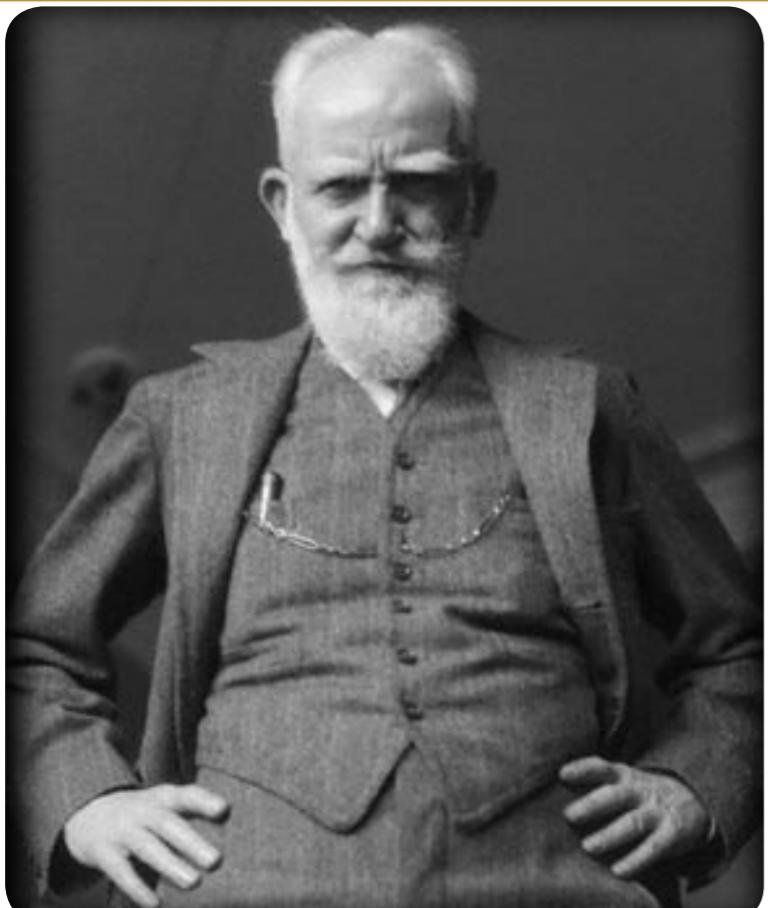
George Orwell



Groucho Marx



GEORGE BERNARD SHAW



A happy family is but an earlier heaven.

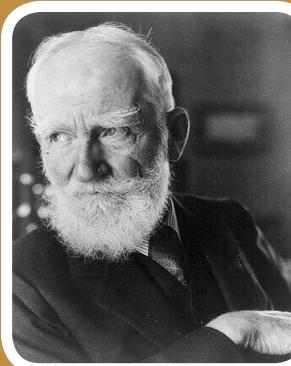
GEORGE BERNARD SHAW (1856-1950) WAS BORN IN DUBLIN, THE SON OF A CIVIL SERVANT. HIS EDUCATION WAS IRREGULAR, DUE TO HIS DISLIKE OF ANY ORGANIZED TRAINING. AFTER WORKING IN AN ESTATE AGENT'S OFFICE FOR A WHILE HE MOVED TO LONDON AS A YOUNG MAN (1876), WHERE HE ESTABLISHED HIMSELF AS A LEADING MUSIC AND THEATRE CRITIC IN THE EIGHTIES AND NINETIES AND BECAME A PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE FABIAN SOCIETY, FOR WHICH HE COMPOSED MANY PAMPHLETS. HE BEGAN HIS LITERARY CAREER AS A NOVELIST; AS A FERVENT ADVOCATE OF THE NEW THEATRE OF IBSEN (THE QUINTESSENCE OF IBSENISM, 1891) HE DECIDED TO WRITE PLAYS IN ORDER TO ILLUSTRATE HIS CRITICISM OF THE ENGLISH STAGE. HIS EARLIEST DRAMAS WERE CALLED APPROPRIATELY PLAYS PLEASANT AND UNPLEASANT (1898). AMONG THESE, WIDOWER'S HOUSES AND MRS. WARREN'S PROFESSION SAVAGELY ATTACK SOCIAL HYPOCRISY, WHILE IN PLAYS SUCH AS ARMS AND THE MAN AND THE MAN OF DESTINY THE CRITICISM IS LESS FIERCE. SHAW'S RADICAL RATIONALISM, HIS UTTER DISREGARD OF CONVENTIONS, HIS KEEN DIALECTIC INTEREST AND VERBAL WIT OFTEN TURN THE STAGE INTO A FORUM OF IDEAS, AND NOWHERE MORE OPENLY THAN IN THE FAMOUS DISCOURSES ON THE LIFE FORCE, «DON JUAN IN HELL», THE THIRD ACT OF THE DRAMATIZATION OF WOMAN'S LOVE CHASE OF MAN, MAN AND SUPERMAN (1903).

IN THE PLAYS OF HIS LATER PERIOD DISCUSSION SOMETIMES DROWNS THE DRAMA, IN BACK TO METHUSELAH (1921), ALTHOUGH IN THE SAME PERIOD HE WORKED ON HIS MASTERPIECE SAINT JOAN (1923), IN WHICH HE REWRITES THE WELL-KNOWN STORY OF THE FRENCH MAIDEN AND EXTENDS IT FROM THE MIDDLE AGES TO THE PRESENT.

OTHER IMPORTANT PLAYS BY SHAW ARE CAESAR AND CLEOPATRA (1901), A HISTORICAL PLAY FILLED WITH ALLUSIONS TO MODERN TIMES, AND ANDROCLES AND THE LION (1912), IN WHICH HE EXERCISED A KIND OF RETROSPECTIVE HISTORY AND FROM MODERN MOVEMENTS DREW DEDUCTIONS FOR THE CHRISTIAN ERA. IN MAJOR BARBARA (1905), ONE OF SHAW'S MOST SUCCESSFUL «DISCUSSION» PLAYS, THE AUDIENCE'S ATTENTION IS HELD BY THE POWER OF THE WITTY ARGUMENTATION THAT MAN CAN ACHIEVE AESTHETIC SALVATION ONLY THROUGH POLITICAL ACTIVITY, NOT AS AN INDIVIDUAL. THE DOCTOR'S DILEMMA (1906), FACETIOUSLY CLASSIFIED AS A TRAGEDY BY SHAW, IS REALLY A COMEDY THE HUMOUR OF WHICH IS DIRECTED AT THE MEDICAL PROFESSION. CANDIDA (1898), WITH SOCIAL ATTITUDES TOWARD SEX RELATIONS AS OBJECTS OF HIS SATIRE, AND PYGMALION (1912), A WITTY STUDY OF PHONETICS AS WELL AS A CLEVER TREATMENT OF MIDDLE-CLASS MORALITY AND CLASS DISTINCTION, PROVED SOME OF SHAW'S GREATEST SUCCESSES ON THE STAGE. IT IS A COMBINATION OF THE DRAMATIC, THE COMIC, AND THE SOCIAL CORRECTIVE THAT GIVES SHAW'S COMEDIES THEIR SPECIAL FLAVOUR.

SHAW'S COMPLETE WORKS APPEARED IN THIRTY-SIX VOLUMES BETWEEN 1930 AND 1950, THE YEAR OF HIS DEATH.

SCIENCE NEVER SOLVES A PROBLEM WITHOUT CREATING TEN MORE.



Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself.

A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable, but more useful than a life spent doing nothing.

Make it a rule never to give a child a book you would not read yourself.

Animals are my friends...and I don't eat my friends.

The reasonable man adapts himself to the world: the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man.

You see things; you say, 'Why?' But I dream things that never were; and I say 'Why not?'

Those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything.

Why should we take advice on sex from the pope? If he knows anything about it, he shouldn't!

The liar's punishment is, not in the least that he is not believed, but that he cannot believe anyone else.

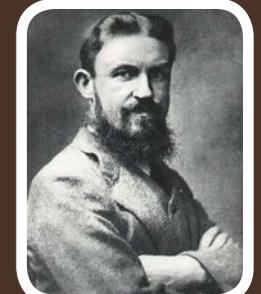
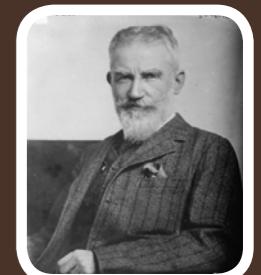
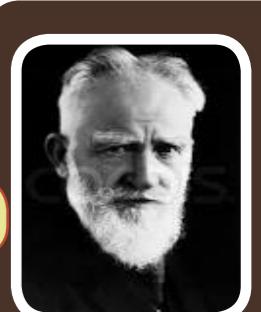
My way of joking is to tell the truth. It's the funniest joke in the world.

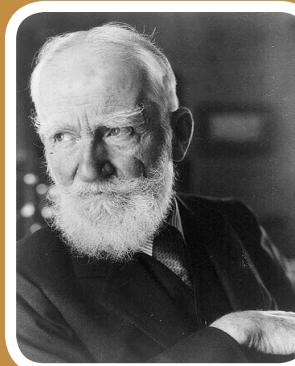
Never wrestle with pigs. You both get dirty and the pig likes it.

Success does not consist in never making mistakes but in never making the same one a second time.

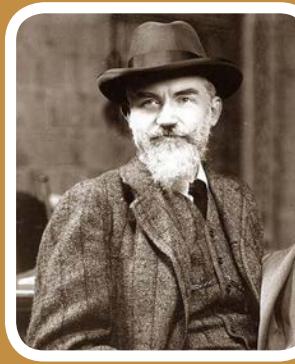
War does not decide who is right but who is left.

When a man wants to murder a tiger he calls it sport; when a tiger wants to murder him he calls it ferocity.

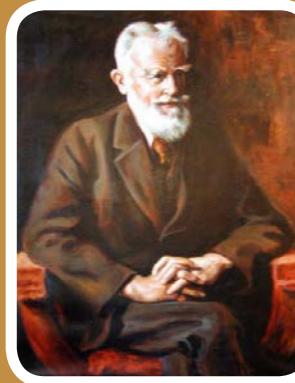




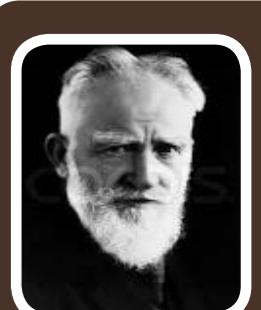
A Native American elder once described his own inner struggles in this manner: Inside of me there are two dogs. One of the dogs is mean and evil. The other dog is good. The mean dog fights the good dog all the time. When asked which dog wins, he reflected for a moment and replied, The one I feed the most.



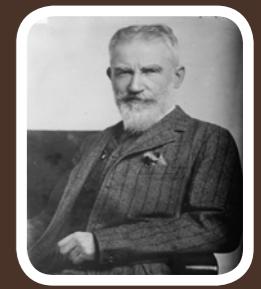
As long as I have a want, I have a reason for living. Satisfaction is death.



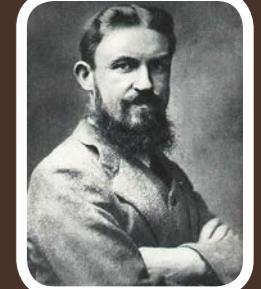
Both optimists and pessimists contribute to society. The optimist invents the aeroplane, the pessimist the parachute.



Liberty means responsibility. That is why most men dread it.



Hatred is the coward's revenge for being intimidated.



You don't stop laughing when you grow old, you grow old when you stop laughing.



I am afraid we must make the world honest before we can honestly say to our children that honesty is the best policy.

Human beings are the only animals of which I am thoroughly and cravenly afraid.

The more things a man is ashamed of, the more respectable he is.

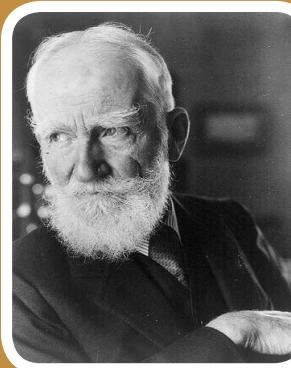
The things most people want to know about are usually none of their business.

The test of a man's or woman's breeding is how they behave in a quarrel.

There is no subject on which more dangerous nonsense is talked and thought than marriage.

A doctor's reputation is made by the number of eminent men who die under his care.

When I was young, I observed that nine out of ten things I did were failures. So I did ten times more work.



The English are not a very spiritual people, so they invented cricket to give them some idea of eternity.

Assassination is the extreme form of censorship.

There is no satisfaction in hanging a man who does not object to it.

It is not pleasure that makes life worth living. It is life that makes pleasure worth having.

A book is like a child: it is easier to bring it into the world than to control it when it is launched there.

Hell is full of musical amateurs: music is the brandy of the damned. May not one lost soul be permitted to abstain?

What is life but a series of inspired follies? The difficulty is to find them to do. Never lose a chance: it doesn't come every day.

A man of my spiritual intensity does not eat corpses.

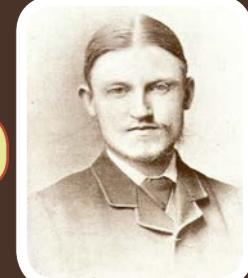
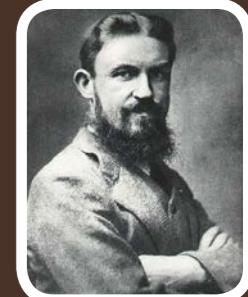
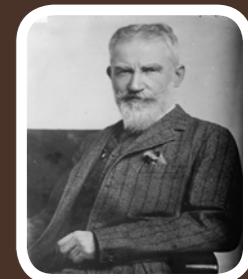
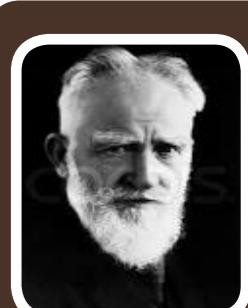
Beware of false knowledge; it is more dangerous than ignorance.

Do not waste your time on Social Questions. What is the matter with the poor is Poverty; what is the matter with the rich is Uselessness.

A fool's brain digests philosophy into folly, science into superstition, and art into pedantry. Hence University education.

A government that robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul.

There are two tragedies in life. One is to lose your heart's desire. The other is to gain it.



GEORGE ORWELL



The only good human being is a dead one.

ORWELL WAS A BRITISH JOURNALIST AND AUTHOR, WHO WROTE TWO OF THE MOST FAMOUS NOVELS OF THE 20TH CENTURY 'ANIMAL FARM' AND 'NINETEEN EIGHTY-FOUR'.

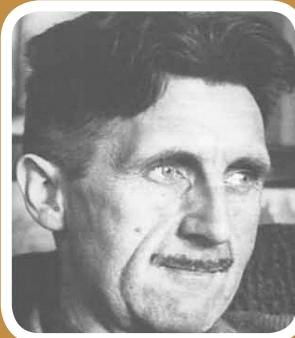
ORWELL WAS BORN ERIC ARTHUR BLAIR ON 25 JUNE 1903 IN EASTERN INDIA, THE SON OF A BRITISH COLONIAL CIVIL SERVANT. HE WAS EDUCATED IN ENGLAND AND, AFTER HE LEFT ETON, JOINED THE INDIAN IMPERIAL POLICE IN BURMA, THEN A BRITISH COLONY. HE RESIGNED IN 1927 AND DECIDED TO BECOME A WRITER. IN 1928, HE MOVED TO PARIS WHERE LACK OF SUCCESS AS A WRITER FORCED HIM INTO A SERIES OF MENIAL JOBS. HE DESCRIBED HIS EXPERIENCES IN HIS FIRST BOOK, 'DOWN AND OUT IN PARIS AND LONDON', PUBLISHED IN 1933. HE TOOK THE NAME GEORGE ORWELL, SHORTLY BEFORE ITS PUBLICATION. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY HIS FIRST NOVEL, 'BURMESE DAYS', IN 1934.

AN ANARCHIST IN THE LATE 1920S, BY THE 1930S HE HAD BEGUN TO CONSIDER HIMSELF A SOCIALIST. IN 1936, HE WAS COMMISSIONED TO WRITE AN ACCOUNT OF POVERTY AMONG UNEMPLOYED MINERS IN NORTHERN ENGLAND, WHICH RESULTED IN 'THE ROAD TO WIGAN PIER' (1937). LATE IN 1936, ORWELL TRAVELED TO SPAIN TO FIGHT FOR THE REPUBLICANS AGAINST FRANCO'S NATIONALISTS. HE WAS FORCED TO FLEE IN FEAR OF HIS LIFE FROM SOVIET-BACKED COMMUNISTS WHO WERE SUPPRESSING REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST DISSENTERS. THE EXPERIENCE TURNED HIM INTO A LIFELONG ANTI-STALINIST.

BETWEEN 1941 AND 1943, ORWELL WORKED ON PROPAGANDA FOR THE BBC. IN 1943, HE BECAME LITERARY EDITOR OF THE TRIBUNE, A WEEKLY LEFT-WING MAGAZINE. BY NOW HE WAS A PROLIFIC JOURNALIST, WRITING ARTICLES, REVIEWS AND BOOKS.

IN 1945, ORWELL'S 'ANIMAL FARM' WAS PUBLISHED. A POLITICAL FABLE SET IN A FARMYARD BUT BASED ON STALIN'S BETRAYAL OF THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION, IT MADE ORWELL'S NAME AND ENSURED HE WAS FINANCIALLY COMFORTABLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HIS LIFE. 'NINETEEN EIGHTY-FOUR' WAS PUBLISHED FOUR YEARS LATER. SET IN AN IMAGINARY TOTALITARIAN FUTURE, THE BOOK MADE A DEEP IMPRESSION, WITH ITS TITLE AND MANY PHRASES - SUCH AS 'BIG BROTHER IS WATCHING YOU', 'NEWSPEAK' AND 'DOUBLETHINK' - ENTERING POPULAR USE. BY NOW ORWELL'S HEALTH WAS DETERIORATING AND HE DIED OF TUBERCULOSIS ON 21 JANUARY 1950.

IN A TIME OF DECEIT TELLING THE TRUTH IS A REVOLUTIONARY ACT.



All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others.

If you want a picture of the future, imagine a boot stamping on a human face—for ever.

War is peace.

Freedom is slavery.

Ignorance is strength.

The most effective way to destroy people is to deny and obliterate their own understanding of their history.

He who controls the past controls the future. He who controls the present controls the past.

The creatures outside looked from pig to man, and from man to pig, and from pig to man again; but already it was impossible to say which was which.

Freedom is the right to tell people what they do not want to hear.

Doublethink means the power of holding two contradictory beliefs in one's mind simultaneously, and accepting both of them.

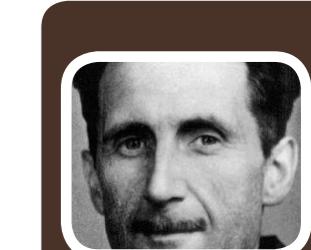
Until they became conscious they will never rebel, and until after they have rebelled they cannot become conscious.

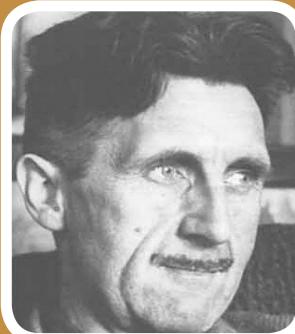
We shall squeeze you empty and then we shall fill you with ourselves.

There was truth and there was untruth, and if you clung to the truth even against the whole world, you were not mad.

Men can only be happy when they do not assume that the object of life is happiness.

If you kept the small rules, you could break the big ones.





All the war-propaganda, all the screaming and lies and hatred, comes invariably from people who are not fighting.

We do not merely destroy our enemies; we change them.

Of pain you could wish only one thing: that it should stop. Nothing in the world was so bad as physical pain. In the face of pain there are no heroes.

One does not establish a dictatorship in order to safeguard a revolution; one makes the revolution in order to establish the dictatorship.

The quickest way of ending a war is to lose it.

Reality exists in the human mind, and nowhere else.

To see what is in front of one's nose needs a constant struggle.

Political language. . . is designed to make lies sound truthful and murder respectable, and to give an appearance of solidity to pure wind.

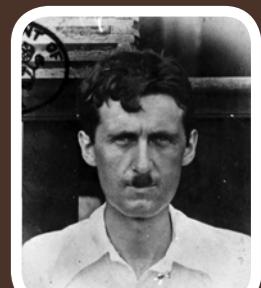
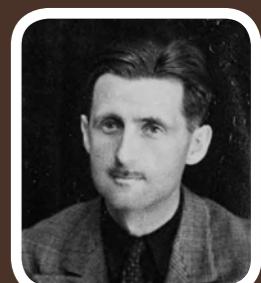
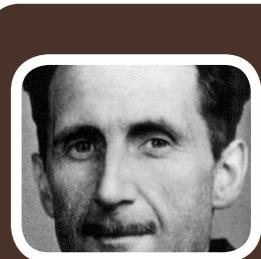
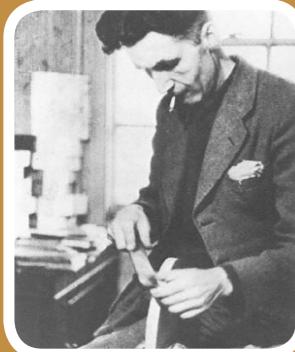
At age 50, every man has the face he deserves.

We sleep safe in our beds because rough men stand ready in the night to visit violence on those who would do us harm.

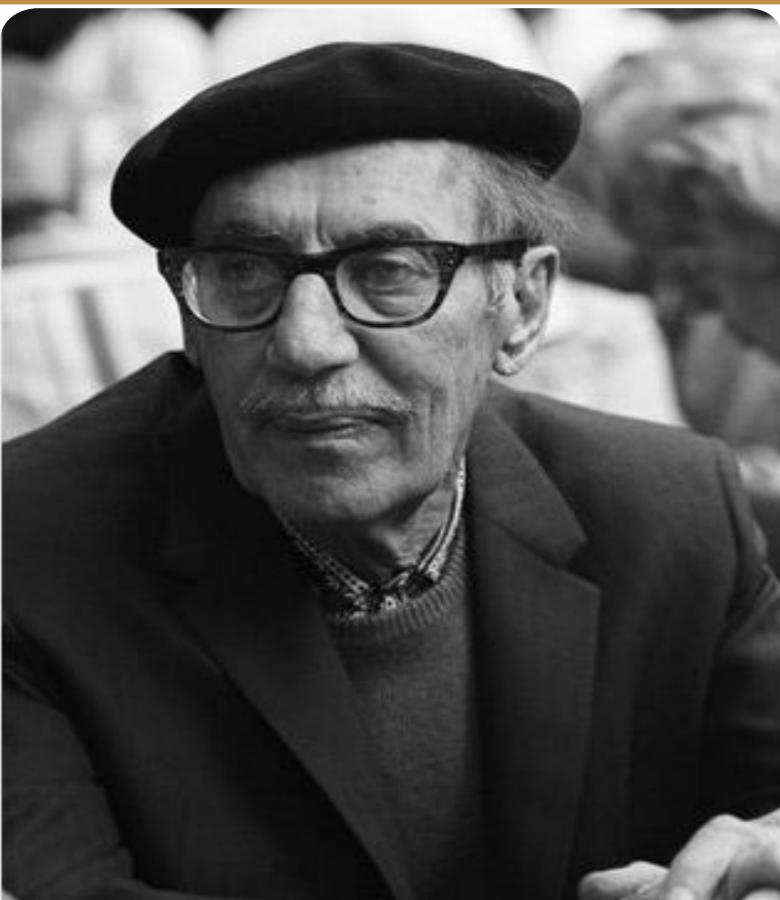
Enlightened people seldom or never possess a sense of responsibility.

We are all capable of believing things which we know to be untrue, and then, when we are finally proved wrong, impudently twisting the facts so as to show that we were right.

Every war when it comes, or before it comes, is represented not as a war but as an act of self-defense against a homicidal maniac.



GROUCHO MARX



Marriage is the Chief cause of divorce.

GROUCHO MARX WAS BORN JULIUS HENRY MARX ON OCT 2 1890 IN NEW YORK. HE WAS THE THIRD OF THE FIVE SURVIVING SONS OF SAM AND MINNIE MARX. HE WAS THE FIRST OF THE BROTHERS TO START A STAGE CAREER AGED 15 IN AN ACT CALLED THE LEROY TRIO. OTHER ACTS FOLLOWED, BUT NONE OF THEM WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. TWICE THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ACT DISAPPEARED OVERNIGHT AND LEFT HIM PENNILESS IN PLACES FAR AWAY FROM HOME.

WHEN HIS BROTHERS CAME ON STAGE THEY FINALLY HAS A SUCCESS WITH THE MUSICAL COMEDY CALLED I'LL SAY SHE IS. IT WAS AT ONE OF THE PERFORMANCES OF THIS SHOW THAT GROUCHO GOT HIS PAINTED MOUSTACHE. HE ARRIVED LATE AT THE THEATER AND USED GREASEPAINT TO CREATE A MOUSTACHE. HE FOUND THIS SO MUCH EASIER THAN A GLUED-ON MOUSTACHE THAT HE INSISTED ON USING THIS TECHNIQUE FROM THEN ON.

IN THE LATER YEAR OF THE BROTHERS MOVIE CAREER GROUCHO STARTED WORKING ON RADIO. HE HOSTED SEVERAL PROGRAMMES AND WAS A GUEST ON MANY SHOWS. HIS BIGGEST SUCCESS WAS THE COMEDY QUIZ SHOW YOU BET YOUR LIFE WHICH STARTED IN 1947. THE SHOW LATER MOVED TO TELEVISION AND WAS ON THE AIR UNTIL 1961.

GROUCHO ALSO APPEARED IN A FEW MOVIES WITHOUT HIS BROTHERS.

ALWAYS BEING A LIBERAL, GROUCHO SOMETIMES MADE CRITICAL REMARKS ABOUT POLITICS AND HAD FRIENDS WHICH WERE REGARDED AS COMMUNIST THE THE US OF THE 1950S. THIS LET TO GROUCHO BEING INVESTIGATED BY THE FBI.

WHEN MARX BROTHERS BECAME POPULAR AGAIN IN THE LATE SIXTIES/EARLY SEVENTIES GROUCHO MADE A COMEBACK WITH A SHOW IN CARNEGIE HALL IN 1972.

AT THE FILM FESTIVAL IN CANNES IN 1972 HE WAS MADE COMMANDEUR DES ARTS ET LETTRES AND IN 1974 HE RECEIVED A SPECIAL ACADEMY AWARD FOR THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE MARX BROTHERS.

GROUCHO DIED ON AUGUST 19TH 1977 AT CEDARS SINAI MEDICAL CENTER. HIS ASHES ARE AT EDEN MEMORIAL PARK, SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA.

ANYONE WHO SAYS HE CAN SEE THROUGH WOMEN IS MISSING A LOT.



Outside of a dog, a book is man's best friend. Inside of a dog it's too dark to read.

I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book.

When you're in jail, a good friend will be trying to bail you out. A best friend will be in the cell next to you saying, 'Damn, that was fun'.

From the moment I picked your book up until I laid it down, I convulsed with laughter.
Someday I intend on reading it.

Humor is reason gone mad.

I never forget a face, but in your case I'll be glad to make an exception.

Learn from the mistakes of others. You can never live long enough to make them all yourself.

I sent the club a wire stating, "PLEASE ACCEPT MY RESIGNATION. I DON'T WANT TO BELONG TO ANY CLUB THAT WILL ACCEPT ME AS A MEMBER.

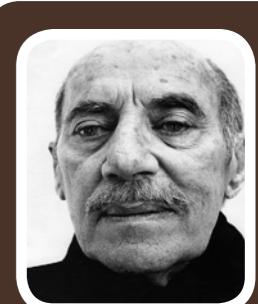
Those are my principles, and if you don't like them...well I have others.

One morning I shot an elephant in my pajamas. How he got in my pajamas I'll never know.

Yesterday is dead, tomorrow hasn't arrived yet. I have just one day, and I'm going to be happy in it.

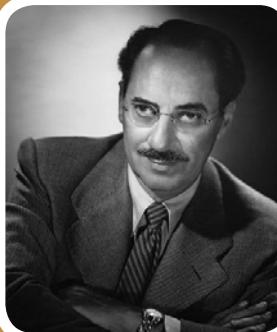
Some people claim that marriage interferes with romance. There's no doubt about it. Anytime you have a romance, your wife is bound to interfere.

There is one way to find out if a man is honest; ask him! If he says yes you know he's crooked.





Just give me a comfortable couch, a dog, a good book, and a woman. Then if you can get the dog to go somewhere and read the book, I might have a little fun.



Only one man in a thousand is a leader of men -- the other 999 follow women.



Either this man is dead or my watch has stopped.

Marriage is a wonderful institution...but who wants to live in an institution?

I don't have a photograph, but you can have my footprints. They're upstairs in my socks.

If you've heard this story before, don't stop me, because I'd like to hear it again.

Paying alimony is like feeding hay to a dead horse.

All people are born alike... except Republicans and Democrats.

Practically everybody in New York has half a mind to write a book -and does.

A man is only as old as the woman he feels.

If you're not having fun, you're doing something wrong.

Time flies like an arrow; fruit flies like a banana.

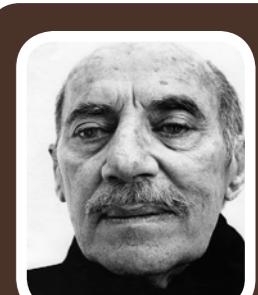
The secret of life is honesty and fair dealing. If you can fake that, you've got it made.

Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it everywhere, diagnosing it incorrectly and applying the wrong remedies.

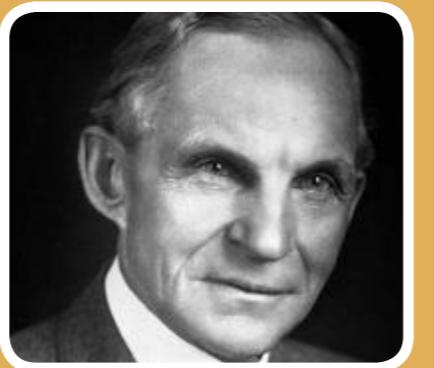
A child of five could understand this. Send someone to fetch a child of five.

Man does not control his own fate. The women in his life do that for him.

Age is not a particularly interesting subject. Anyone can get old. All you have to do is live long enough.



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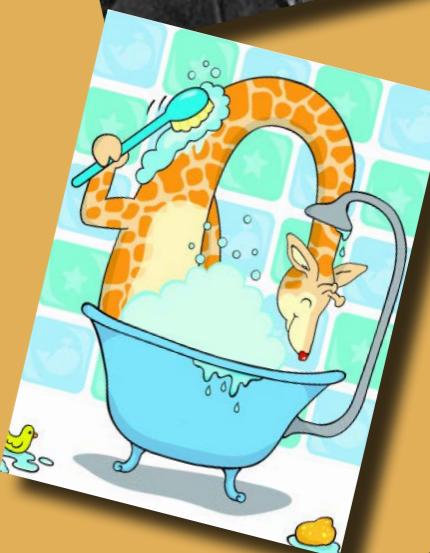
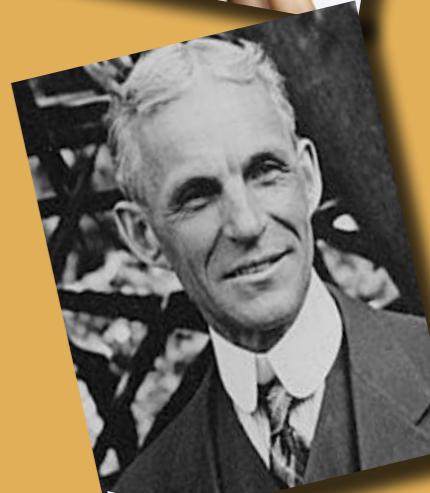
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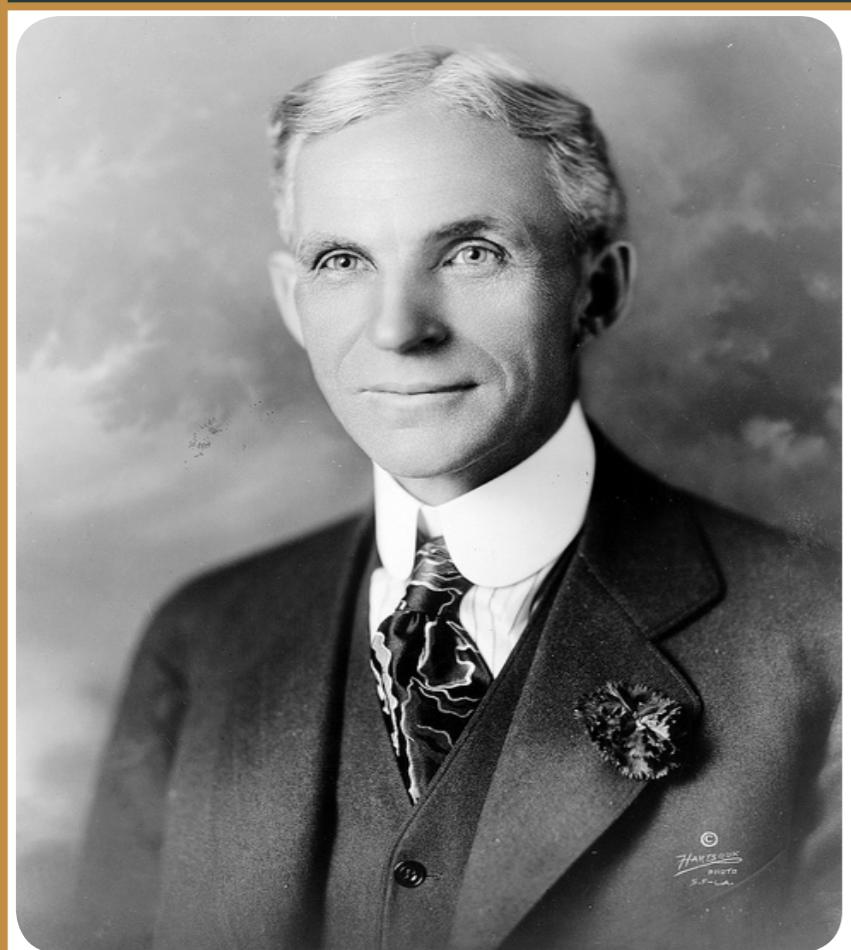
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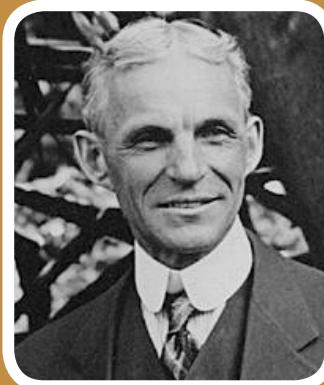


Competition is the lifeblood of industry.

HENRY FORD (July 30, 1863 – April 7, 1947) was an American industrialist, the founder of the Ford Motor Company, and sponsor of the development of the assembly line technique of mass production. Although Ford did not invent the automobile, he developed and manufactured the first automobile that many middle class Americans could afford to buy. His introduction of the Model T automobile revolutionized transportation and American industry. As owner of the Ford Motor Company, he became one of the richest and best-known people in the world. He is credited with "Fordism": mass production of inexpensive goods coupled with high wages for workers. Ford had a global vision, with consumerism as the key to peace. His intense commitment to systematically lowering costs resulted in many technical and business innovations, including a franchise system that put dealerships throughout most of North America and in major cities on six continents. Ford left most of his vast wealth to the Ford Foundation but arranged for his family to control the company permanently.

Ford was also widely known for his pacifism during the first years of World War I, but also for being the publisher of antisemitic texts such as the book **THE INTERNATIONAL JEW**.

WHETHER YOU THINK YOU CAN, OR YOU THINK YOU CAN'T--YOU'RE RIGHT.



Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young.

Failure is simply an opportunity to begin again, this time more intelligently.

My best friend is the one who brings out the best in me.

Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goals.

Don't find fault, find a remedy; anybody can complain.

The only real mistake is the one from which we learn nothing.

Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs.

Quality means doing it right when no one is looking.

If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself.

There are three things that grow more precious with age; old wood to burn, old books to read, and old friends to enjoy.

An innovator should have understanding of one's customers and their problems via empirical, observational, anecdotal methods or even intuition.

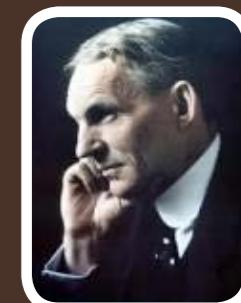
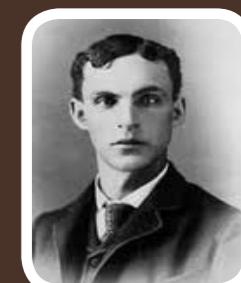
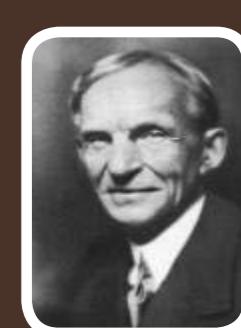
If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have said faster horses.

Those who walk with God, always reach their destination.

Money is like an arm or leg- use it or lose it.

Most people think that faith means believing something; oftener it means trying something, giving it a chance to prove itself

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.



Quotes on

HUMOR



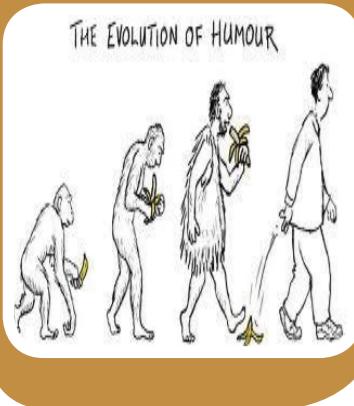
Gags die, humor doesn't.

HUMOUR OR HUMOR IS THE TENDENCY OF PARTICULAR COGNITIVE EXPERIENCES TO PROVOKE LAUGHTER AND PROVIDE AMUSEMENT. THE TERM DERIVES FROM THE HUMORAL MEDICINE OF THE ANCIENT GREEKS, WHICH TAUGHT THAT THE BALANCE OF FLUIDS IN THE HUMAN BODY, KNOWN AS HUMORS (LATIN: HUMOR, "BODY FLUID"), CONTROL HUMAN HEALTH AND EMOTION.

PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND CULTURES RESPOND TO HUMOUR. THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE ARE ABLE TO EXPERIENCE HUMOUR, i.e., TO BE AMUSED, TO LAUGH OR SMILE AT SOMETHING FUNNY, AND THUS THEY ARE CONSIDERED TO HAVE A SENSE OF HUMOUR. THE HYPOTHETICAL PERSON LACKING A SENSE OF HUMOUR WOULD LIKELY FIND THE BEHAVIOUR INDUCED BY HUMOUR TO BE INEXPLICABLE, STRANGE, OR EVEN IRRATIONAL. THOUGH ULTIMATELY DECIDED BY PERSONAL TASTE, THE EXTENT TO WHICH A PERSON WILL FIND SOMETHING HUMOROUS DEPENDS UPON A HOST OF VARIABLES, INCLUDING GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION, CULTURE, MATURITY, LEVEL OF EDUCATION, INTELLIGENCE AND CONTEXT. FOR EXAMPLE, YOUNG CHILDREN MAY FAVOUR SLAPSTICK, SUCH AS PUNCH AND JUDY PUPPET SHOWS OR CARTOONS SUCH AS TOM AND JERRY. SATIRE MAY RELY MORE ON UNDERSTANDING THE TARGET OF THE HUMOUR AND THUS TENDS TO APPEAL TO MORE MATURE AUDIENCES.

MANY THEORIES EXIST ABOUT WHAT HUMOUR IS AND WHAT SOCIAL FUNCTION IT SERVES. THE PREVAILING TYPES OF THEORIES ATTEMPTING TO ACCOUNT FOR THE EXISTENCE OF HUMOUR INCLUDE PSYCHOLOGICAL THEORIES, THE VAST MAJORITY OF WHICH CONSIDER HUMOUR-INDUCED BEHAVIOUR TO BE VERY HEALTHY; SPIRITUAL THEORIES, WHICH MAY, FOR INSTANCE, CONSIDER HUMOUR TO BE A "GIFT FROM GOD"; AND THEORIES WHICH CONSIDER HUMOUR TO BE AN UNEXPLAINABLE MYSTERY, VERY MUCH LIKE A MYSTICAL EXPERIENCE.

HUMOR IS MANKIND'S GREATEST BLESSING. -- MARK TWAIN



Beauty is in the eye of the beholder and it may be necessary from time to time to give a stupid or misinformed beholder a black eye. — Jim Henson

The difference between genius and stupidity is; genius has its limits. — Albert Einstein

The trouble with having an open mind, of course, is that people will insist on coming along and trying to put things in it. — Terry Pratchett

The statistics on sanity are that one out of every four people is suffering from a mental illness. Look at your 3 best friends. If they're ok, then it's you. — Rita Mae Brown

A person without a sense of humor is like a wagon without springs. It's jolted by every pebble on the road. — Henry Ward Beecher

A well-developed sense of humor is the pole that adds balance to your steps as you walk the tightrope of life. — William Arthur Ward

You can turn painful situations around through laughter. If you can find humor in anything, even poverty, you can survive it. — Bill Cosby

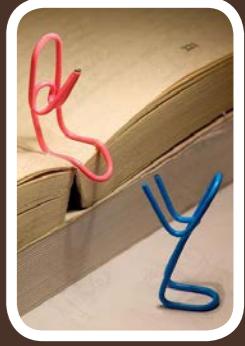
Everything human is pathetic. The secret source of humor itself is not joy but sorrow. There is no humor in heaven. — Mark Twain

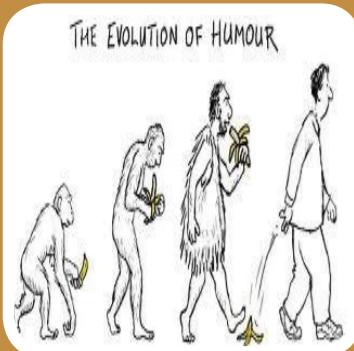
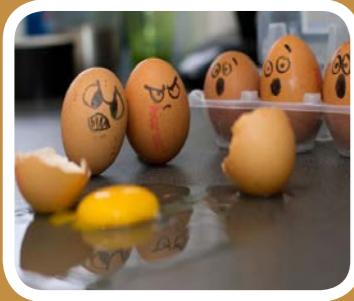
Analyzing humor is like dissecting a frog. Few people are interested and the frog dies of it. — E. B. White

When humor goes, there goes civilization. — Erma Bombeck

The secret to humor is surprise. — Aristotle

I think the next best thing to solving a problem is finding some humor in it.
— Frank Howard Clark





The satirist shoots to kill while the humorist brings his prey back alive and eventually releases him again for another chance. — Peter De Vries

I like work: it fascinates me. I can sit and look at it for hours. — Jerome K. Jerome

Reader, suppose you were an idiot. And suppose you were a member of Congress. But I repeat myself. — Mark Twain

There are two motives for reading a book; one, that you enjoy it; the other, that you can boast about it. — Bertrand Russell

Humor is laughing at what you haven't got when you ought to have it.
— Langston Hughes

Humor is a rubber sword - it allows you to make a point without drawing blood.
— Mary Hirsch

Defining and analyzing humor is a pastime of humorless people. — Robert Benchley

A study of economics reveals that the best time to buy anything is last year.
— Marty Allen

I suppose I'll have to add the force of gravity to my list of enemies. — Lemony Snicket

That is the saving grace of humor, if you fail no one is laughing at you.
— A. Whitney Brown

I do not want people to be very agreeable, as it saves me the trouble of liking them a great deal. — Jane Austen

When you're in jail, a good friend will be trying to bail you out. A best friend will be in the cell next to you saying, 'Damn, that was fun'. — Groucho Marx



HUMANITY



Whoever saves one life, saves the world entire.

HUMANITY OR HUMAN NATURE REFERS TO THE DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS, INCLUDING WAYS OF THINKING, FEELING AND ACTING, THAT HUMANS TEND TO HAVE NATURALLY, I.E. INDEPENDENTLY OF THE INFLUENCE OF CULTURE. THE QUESTIONS OF WHAT THESE CHARACTERISTICS ARE, WHAT CAUSES THEM, AND HOW FIXED HUMAN NATURE IS, ARE AMONGST THE OLDEST AND MOST IMPORTANT QUESTIONS IN WESTERN PHILOSOPHY. THESE QUESTIONS HAVE PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT IMPLICATIONS IN ETHICS, POLITICS, AND THEOLOGY. THIS IS PARTLY BECAUSE HUMAN NATURE CAN BE REGARDED AS BOTH A SOURCE OF NORMS OF CONDUCT OR WAYS OF LIFE, AS WELL AS PRESENTING OBSTACLES OR CONSTRAINTS ON LIVING A GOOD LIFE. THE COMPLEX IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH QUESTIONS ARE ALSO DEALT WITH IN ART AND LITERATURE, WHILE THE MULTIPLE BRANCHES OF THE HUMANITIES TOGETHER FORM AN IMPORTANT DOMAIN OF INQUIRY INTO HUMAN NATURE, AND THE QUESTION OF WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN.

THE BRANCHES OF CONTEMPORARY SCIENCE ASSOCIATED WITH THE STUDY OF HUMAN NATURE INCLUDE ANTHROPOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY, SOCIOBIOLOGY, AND PSYCHOLOGY, PARTICULARLY EVOLUTIONARY PSYCHOLOGY, AND DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY. THE "NATURE VERSUS NURTURE" DEBATE IS A BROADLY INCLUSIVE AND WELL-KNOWN INSTANCE OF A DISCUSSION ABOUT HUMAN NATURE IN THE NATURAL SCIENCES.

THE EXISTENCE OF THIS INVARIABLE HUMAN NATURE IS, HOWEVER, A SUBJECT OF MUCH HISTORICAL DEBATE, CONTINUING INTO MODERN TIMES. AGAINST THIS IDEA OF A FIXED HUMAN NATURE, THE RELATIVE MALLEABILITY OF MAN HAS BEEN ARGUED ESPECIALLY STRONGLY IN RECENT CENTURIES—FIRSTLY BY EARLY MODERNISTS SUCH AS THOMAS HOBBES AND JEAN-JACQUES ROUSSEAU, THE LATTER OF WHOM STATED:

"WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT OUR NATURE PERMITS US TO BE. – JEAN-JACQUES ROUSSEAU, EMILE"

SINCE THE MID-19TH CENTURY, THINKERS SUCH AS HEGEL, MARX, NIETZSCHE, SARTRE, STRUCTURALISTS AND POSTMODERNISTS HAVE ALSO SOMETIMES ARGUED AGAINST A FIXED OR INNATE HUMAN NATURE. STILL MORE RECENT SCIENTIFIC PERSPECTIVES SUCH AS BEHAVIORISM, DETERMINISM, AND THE CHEMICAL MODEL WITHIN MODERN PSYCHIATRY AND PSYCHOLOGY, CLAIM TO BE NEUTRAL REGARDING HUMAN NATURE. (AS IN ALL MODERN SCIENCE THEY SEEK TO EXPLAIN WITHOUT RECOURSE TO METAPHYSICAL CAUSATION.) THEY CAN BE OFFERED TO EXPLAIN ITS ORIGINS AND UNDERLYING MECHANISMS, OR TO DEMONSTRATE CAPACITIES FOR CHANGE AND DIVERSITY WHICH WOULD ARGUABLY VIOLATE THE CONCEPT OF A FIXED HUMAN NATURE.



You must not lose faith in humanity. Humanity is like an ocean; if a few drops of the ocean are dirty, the ocean does not become dirty. — Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi

Life is to be lived, not controlled; and humanity is won by continuing to play in face of certain defeat. — Ralph Ellison

If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other. — Mother Teresa



A feminist is anyone who recognizes the equality and full humanity of women and men. — Gloria Steinem

I love Humanity but I hate humans — Albert Einstein

I know there's evil in the world, and there always has been. But you don't need to believe in Satan or demons to explain it. Human beings are perfectly capable of evil all by themselves. — Tess Gerritsen

I have no country to fight for; my country is the earth; I am a citizen of the world.
— Eugene Victor Debs

Humanity does not ask us to be happy. It merely asks us to be brilliant on its behalf.
— Orson Scott Card

The next evolutionary step for humankind is to move from human to kind. — Anon.

Nobody knows the age of the human race, but everybody agrees that it is old enough to know better. — Anon.

Religion without humanity is a poor human stuff. — Sojourner Truth

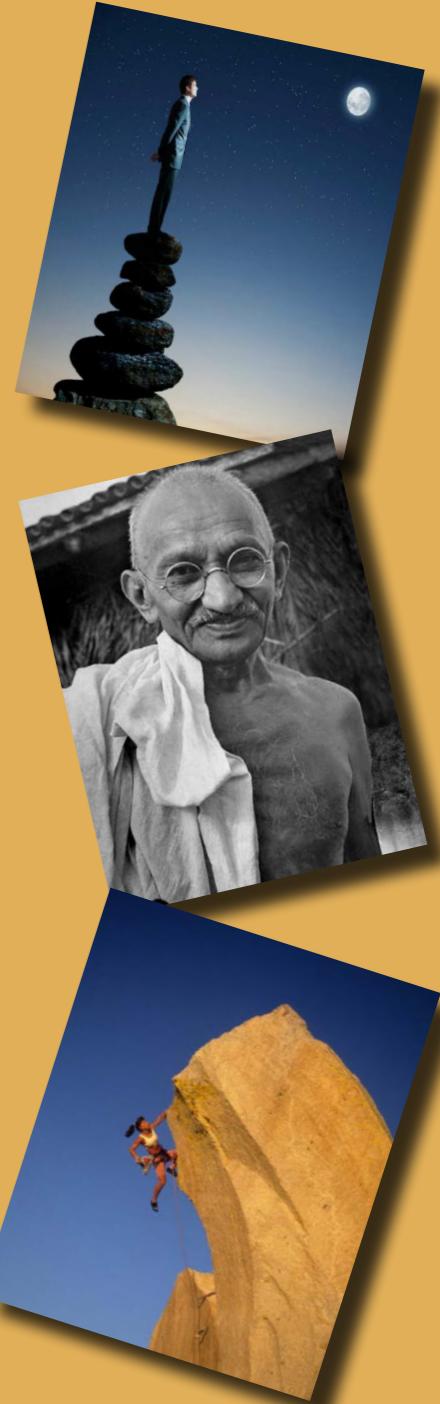
There are people in the world so hungry, that God cannot appear to them except in the form of bread. — Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi



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Inspiration



INSPIRATIONAL Quotes



A problem is a chance for you to do your best.

INSPIRATION (FROM THE LATIN INSPIRARE, MEANING "TO BREATHE INTO") REFERS TO AN UNCONSCIOUS BURST OF CREATIVITY IN A LITERARY, MUSICAL, OR OTHER ARTISTIC ENDEAVOUR. THE CONCEPT HAS ORIGINS IN BOTH HELLENISM AND HEBRAISM. THE GREEKS BELIEVED THAT INSPIRATION CAME FROM THE MUSES, AS WELL AS THE GODS APOLLO AND DIONYSUS. SIMILARLY, IN THE ANCIENT NORSE RELIGIONS, INSPIRATION DERIVES FROM THE GODS, SUCH AS ODIN. INSPIRATION IS ALSO A DIVINE MATTER IN HEBREW POETICS. IN THE BOOK OF AMOS THE PROPHET SPEAKS OF BEING OVERWHELMED BY GOD'S VOICE AND COMPELLED TO SPEAK. IN CHRISTIANITY, INSPIRATION IS A GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

IN THE 18TH CENTURY PHILOSOPHER JOHN LOCKE PROPOSED A MODEL OF THE HUMAN MIND IN WHICH IDEAS ASSOCIATE OR RESONATE WITH ONE ANOTHER IN THE MIND. IN THE 19TH CENTURY, ROMANTIC POETS SUCH AS COLERIDGE AND SHELLEY BELIEVED THAT INSPIRATION CAME TO A POET BECAUSE THE POET WAS ATTUNED TO THE (DIVINE OR MYSTICAL) "WINDS" AND BECAUSE THE SOUL OF THE POET WAS ABLE TO RECEIVE SUCH VISIONS. IN THE EARLY 20TH CENTURY, PSYCHOANALYST SIGMUND FREUD LOCATED INSPIRATION IN THE INNER PSYCHE OF THE ARTIST. PSYCHIATRIST CARL GUSTAV JUNG'S THEORY OF INSPIRATION SUGGESTS THAT AN ARTIST IS ONE WHO WAS ATTUNED TO RACIAL MEMORY, WHICH ENCODED THE ARCHETYPES OF THE HUMAN MIND.

THE MARXIST THEORY OF ART SEES IT AS THE EXPRESSION OF THE FRICTION BETWEEN ECONOMIC BASE AND ECONOMIC SUPERSTRUCTURAL POSITIONS, OR AS AN UNAWARE DIALOG OF COMPETING IDEOLOGIES, OR AS AN EXPLOITATION OF A "FISSURE" IN THE RULING CLASS'S IDEOLOGY. IN MODERN PSYCHOLOGY INSPIRATION IS NOT FREQUENTLY STUDIED, BUT IT IS GENERALLY SEEN AS AN ENTIRELY INTERNAL PROCESS.

TO LOSE PATIENCE IS TO LOSE THE BATTLE. -- MAHATMA GANDHI



Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds. — Albert Einstein

If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader. — John Quincy Adams

Our greatest glory is not in never falling but in rising every time we fall. — Confucius

The unhappiest & unsuccessful people in this world, are those who care the most about what other people think. — C. JoyBell

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

— Martin Luther King, Jr.



I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live up to what light I have. — Abraham Lincoln

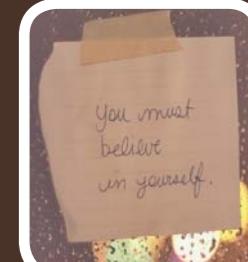
Take time to deliberate, but when the time for action has arrived stop thinking and go in. — Napoleon Bonaparte

You just can't beat the person who never gives up. — Babe Ruth

The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees opportunity in every difficulty. — Winston Churchill

To be a champion, you have to believe in yourself when nobody else will.

— Sugar Ray Robinson





Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow. The important thing is to not stop questioning. — Albert Einstein

Don't limit your challenges; challenge your limits. — Anon.

People become successful the minute they decide to. — Harvey Mackay

Your ideas are like diamonds.. .without the refining process, they are just a dirty rock, but by cutting away the impurities, they become priceless. — Paul Kearly

I have tried 99 times and have failed, but on the 100th time came success.

— Albert Einstein

The size of your success depends on the depth of your desire. — Anon.

He who dares, wins. — Winston Churchill

The achievement of one goal should be the starting point of another.

— Alexander Graham Bell

You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you do not try.

— Beverly Sills

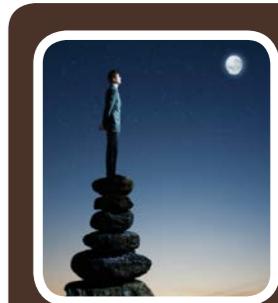
I have failed over and over again. That is why I succeed. — Michael Jordan

The starting point of all achievement is desire. Keep this constantly in mind. Weak desire brings weak results, just as a small amount of fire makes a small amount of heat. — Napoleon Hill

Never give up! Failure and rejection are only the first step to succeeding.

— Jimmy Valvano

Don't wish for it...Work for it! — Anon.





He who conquers others is strong. He who conquers himself is mighty. — Lao Tzu

Think BIG! You are going to be thinking anyway, so think BIG! — Donald Trump

People become really quite remarkable when they start thinking that they can do things. When they believe in themselves, they have the first secret of success. — Norman Vincent Peale

The day I stop giving is the day I stop receiving. The day I stop learning is the day I stop growing.

You miss 100% of the shots you don't take. — Wayne Gretzky

Be courageous! Have faith! Go forward. — Thomas A. Edison

Do not settle for less than an extraordinary life. — Anon.

I am a great believer in luck, and I find that the harder I work the more luck I have.

— Thomas Jefferson



You've got to get up every morning with determination if you're going to go to bed with satisfaction. — George Horace Lorimer

If you have goals and procrastination you have nothing. If you have goals and you take action, you will have anything you want. — Thomas J. Vilord

Remember, if you want a different result, do something different. — Anon.

Successful people in this world are those who get up and look for circumstances they want. If you can't find them, then make them. — George Bernard Shaw

Imagination is more important than knowledge. — Albert Einstein

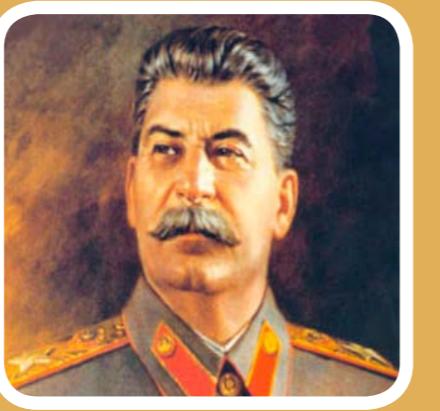
Every man is an impossibility until he is born. — Ralph Waldo Emerson

The greater the obstacle, the more glory in achieving it. — Moliere

People are not lazy; they just have impotent goals, that is, goals that do not inspire them. — Anthony Robbins



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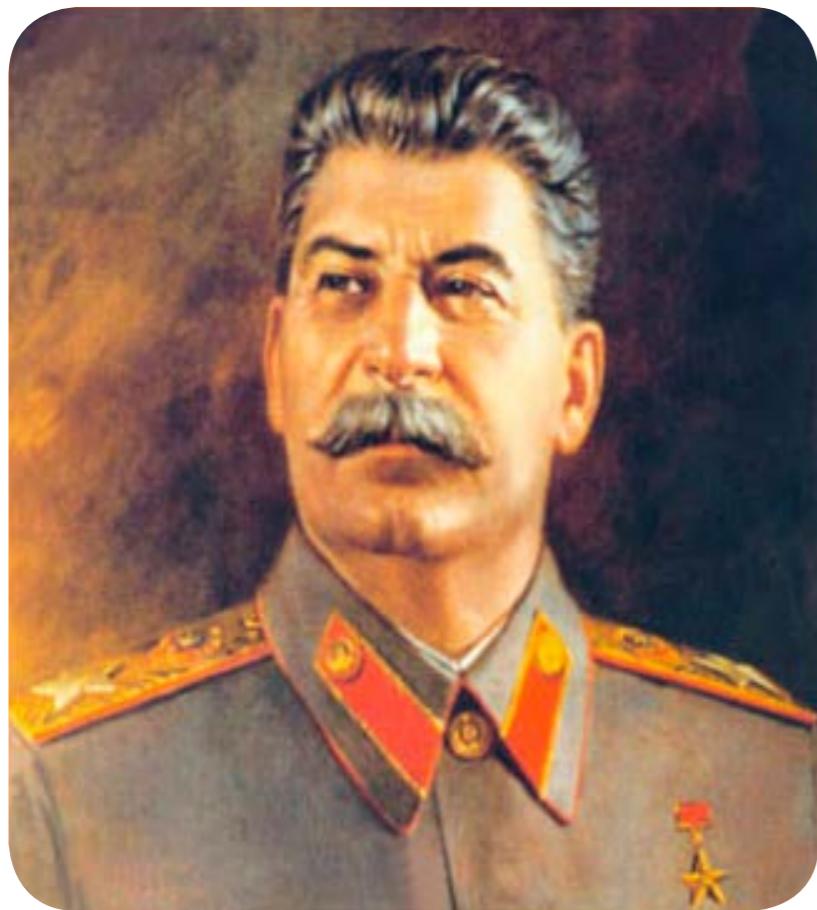
Joseph Stalin



Julian Assange



JOSEPH STALIN



Gratitude is an illness suffered by dogs.

ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL AND MURDEROUS DICTATORS IN HISTORY, STALIN WAS THE SUPREME RULER OF THE SOVIET UNION FOR A QUARTER OF A CENTURY. HIS REGIME OF TERROR CAUSED THE DEATH AND SUFFERING OF TENS OF MILLIONS, BUT HE ALSO OVERSAW THE WAR MACHINE THAT PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN THE DEFEAT OF NAZISM.

IOSIF VISSARIONOVICH DZHUGASHVILI WAS BORN ON 18 DECEMBER 1879 IN GORI, GEORGIA, WHICH WAS THEN PART OF THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE. HIS FATHER WAS A COBBLER AND STALIN GREW UP IN MODEST CIRCUMSTANCES. HE STUDIED AT A THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY WHERE HE BEGAN TO READ MARXIST LITERATURE. HE NEVER GRADUATED, INSTEAD DEVOTING HIS TIME TO THE REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT AGAINST THE RUSSIAN MONARCHY. HE SPENT THE NEXT 15 YEARS AS AN ACTIVIST AND ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS WAS ARRESTED AND EXILED TO SIBERIA.

STALIN WAS NOT ONE OF THE DECISIVE PLAYERS IN THE BOLSHEVIK SEIZURE OF POWER IN 1917, BUT HE SOON ROSE THROUGH THE RANKS OF THE PARTY. IN 1922, HE WAS MADE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, A POST NOT CONSIDERED PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT AT THE TIME BUT WHICH GAVE HIM CONTROL OVER APPOINTMENTS AND THUS ALLOWED HIM TO BUILD UP A BASE OF SUPPORT. AFTER LENIN'S DEATH IN 1924, STALIN PROMOTED HIMSELF AS HIS POLITICAL HEIR AND GRADUALLY OUTMANOEUVRED HIS RIVALS. BY THE LATE 1920S, STALIN WAS EFFECTIVELY THE DICTATOR OF THE SOVIET UNION.

HIS FORCED COLLECTIVISATION OF AGRICULTURE COST MILLIONS OF LIVES, WHILE HIS PROGRAMME OF RAPID INDUSTRIALISATION ACHIEVED HUGE INCREASES IN SOVIET PRODUCTIVITY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH BUT AT GREAT COST. MOREOVER, THE POPULATION SUFFERED IMMENSELY DURING THE GREAT TERROR OF THE 1930S, DURING WHICH STALIN PURGED THE PARTY OF 'ENEMIES OF THE PEOPLE', RESULTING IN THE EXECUTION OF THOUSANDS AND THE EXILE OF MILLIONS TO THE GULAG SYSTEM OF SLAVE LABOUR CAMPS.

AFTER WORLD WAR TWO, THE SOVIET UNION ENTERED THE NUCLEAR AGE AND RULED OVER AN EMPIRE WHICH INCLUDED MOST OF EASTERN EUROPE. INCREASINGLY PARANOID, STALIN DIED OF A STROKE ON 5 MARCH 1953.

ONE DEATH IS A TRAGEDY, A MILLION IS A STATISTIC.



Education is a weapon, whose effect depends on who holds it in his hands and at whom it is aimed.

Ideas are far more powerful than guns. We don't let our people have guns. Why should we let them have ideas?

History has shown there are no invincible armies.

People who cast the votes decide nothing. The people who count the votes decide everything.

It is not heroes that make history, but history that makes heroes.

When there's a person, there's a problem. When there's no person, there's no problem.

Music's a good thing, it calm the beast in the man.

Death is the solution to all problems. No man - no problem.

In the Soviet Union, it's takes more courage to retreat than advance.

The only real power comes out of a long rifle.

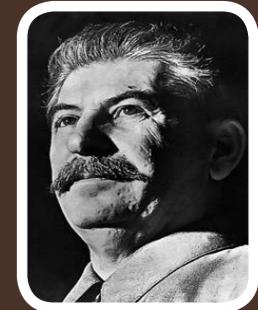
You do not lament the loss of hair of one who has been beheaded.

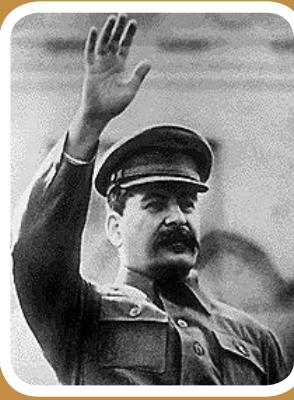
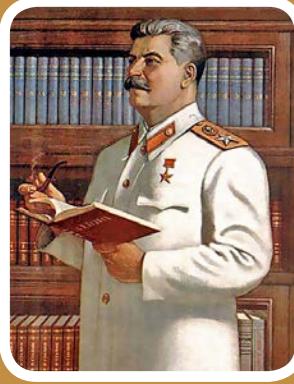
When we hang the capitalists they will sell us the rope we use.

The writer is the engineer of the human soul.

A sincere diplomat is like dry water or wooden iron.

The Pope? How many divisions has he got?





Everyone imposes his own system as far as his army can reach.

You cannot make a revolution with silk gloves.

If the opposition disarms, well and good. If it refuses to disarm, we shall disarm it ourselves.

If any foreign minister begins to defend to the death a "peace conference," you can be sure his government has already placed its orders for new battleships and airplanes.

I believe in one thing only, the power of human will.

I trust no one, not even myself.

It is enough that the people know there was an election. The people who cast the votes decide nothing. The people who count the votes decide everything.

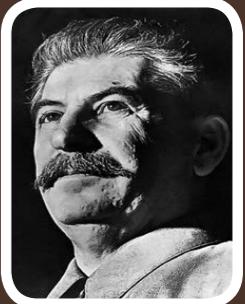
America is like a healthy body and its resistance is threefold: its patriotism, its morality, and its spiritual life. If we can undermine these three areas, America will collapse from within.

I consider it completely unimportant who in the party will vote, or how; but what is extraordinarily important is this—who will count the votes, and how.

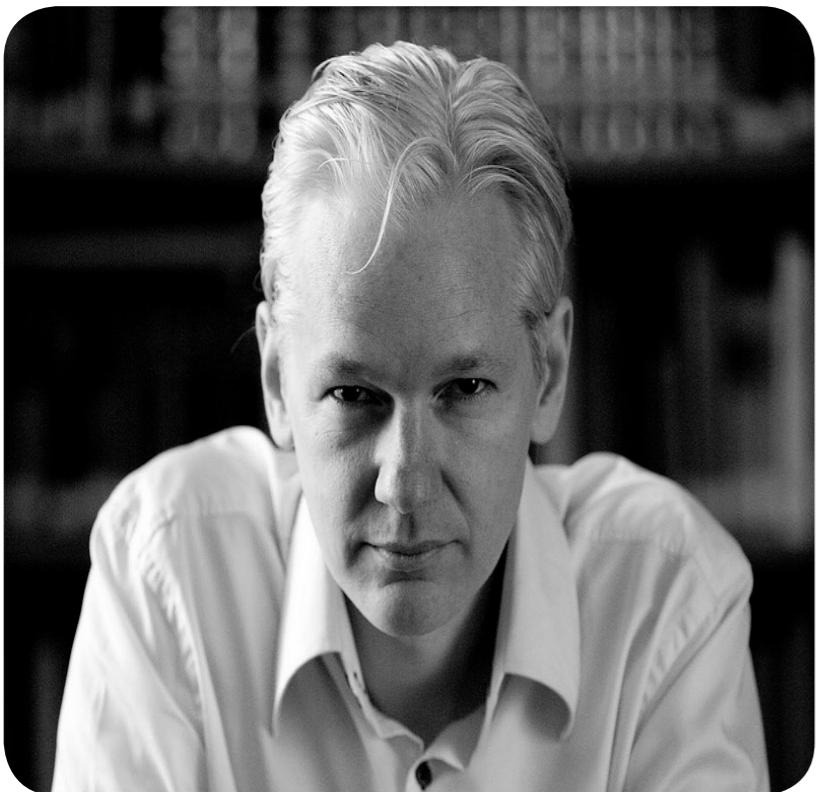
We think that a powerful and vigorous movement is impossible without differences.
"True conformity" is possible only in the cemetery.

We do not want a single foot of foreign territory; but of our territory we shall not surrender a single inch to anyone.

Die, but do not retreat.



JULIAN ASSANGE



If journalism is good, it is controversial, by its nature.

He has been called "The Robin Hood of Hacking." As the founder and public face of WikiLeaks, a website that posts secret documents and information in the public domain, Julian Assange (pronounced Ah-SANJ) believes that total transparency is for the good of all people. But Assange — who reportedly lives an itinerant existence, traveling the world with a backpack and computer — is himself a shadowy figure. Little is known about his life: he has refused to confirm his age in interviews or give a fixed address. But on July 26, the mathematically-trained Australian changed the media landscape — and possibly the course of history — by releasing about 90,000 classified U.S. military records from the war in Afghanistan.

FAST FACTS:

- Assange was reportedly born in 1971 in the city of Townsville, northeastern Australia. He was mostly homeschooled as a child, thanks in large part to his already peripatetic existence: by the time he was 14, he and his mother had reportedly moved 37 times.
- After his mother's relationship with a musician turned violent, Assange lived on the run between the ages of 11 and 16.
- When Assange turned 16, he began hacking computers, reportedly assuming the name MENDAX — from the Latin *SPLENDIDE MENDAX*, or "nobly untruthful."
- In 1991, at the age of 20, Assange and some fellow hackers broke into the master terminal of Nortel, the Canadian telecom company. He was caught and pleaded guilty to 25 charges; six other charges were dropped. Citing Assange's "intelligent inquisitiveness," the judge sentenced him only to pay the Australian state a small sum in damages.
- Assange studied math and physics at the University of Melbourne, though he dropped out when he became convinced that work by others in the department was being applied by defense contractors and militaries.
- In 2006, Assange decided to found WikiLeaks in the belief that the free exchange of information would put an end to illegitimate governance. The website publishes material from sources, and houses its main server in Sweden, which has strong laws protecting whistle-blowers. Assange and others at WikiLeaks also occasionally hack into secure systems to find documents to expose. In December 2006, the website published its first document: a decision by the Somali Islamic Courts Union that called for the execution of government officials. WikiLeaks published a disclaimer that the document may not be authentic but "a clever smear by U.S. intelligence."
- The website went on to get several prominent scoops, including the release in April 2010 of a secret video taken in 2007 of a U.S. helicopter attack in Iraq that killed a dozen civilians, including two unarmed Reuters journalists. Assange helped post the video from a safe house in Iceland that he and the other WikiLeaks administrators called "the bunker."

EVERY ORGANIZATION RESTS UPON A MOUNTAIN OF SECRETS.



Intelligence agencies keep things secret because they often violate the rule of law or of good behavior.

facebook is the most appalling spying machine that has ever been invented.

Capable, generous men do not create victims, they nurture victims.

Vanity in a newspaper man is like perfume on a whore: they use it to fend off a dark whiff of themselves.

True information does good.

The corruption in reporting starts very early. It's like the police reporting on the police.

In the history of Wikileaks, nobody has claimed that the material being put out is not authentic.

What we know is everything, it is our limit, of what we can be.

I may be a chauvinist pig of some sort, but I'm no rapist.

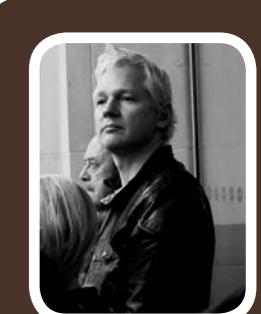
The goal is justice, the method is transparency. It's important not to confuse the goal and the method.

Sweden is the Saudi Arabia of feminism.

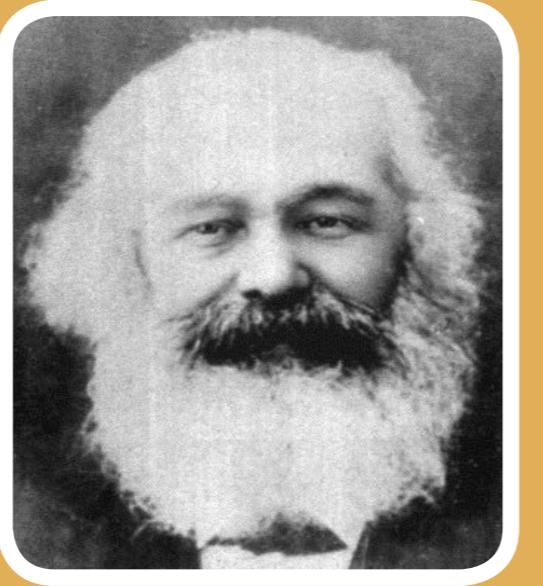
I would be happy to accept asylum, political asylum, in India — a nation I love.

We don't have sources who are dissidents on other sources. Should they come forward, that would be a tricky situation for us. But we're presumably acting in such a way that people feel morally compelled to continue our mission, not to screw it up.

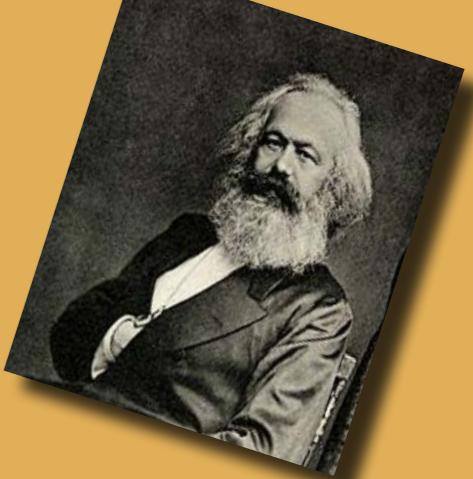
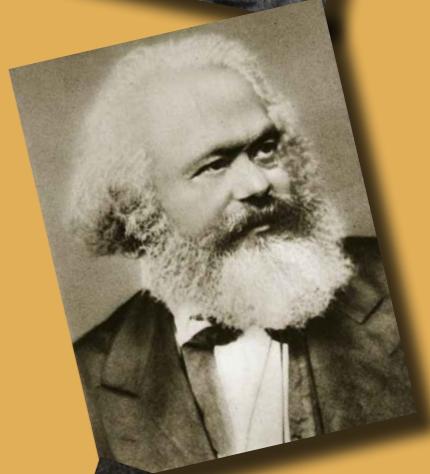
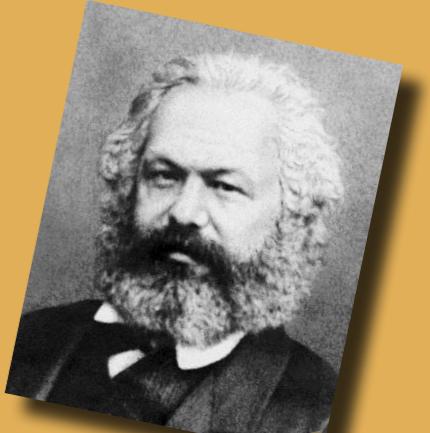
These megileaks... They're an important phenomenon, and they're only going to increase.



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Karl Marx



KARL MARX



Question everything.

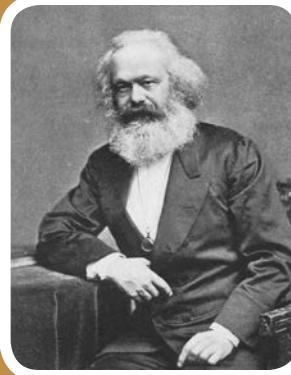
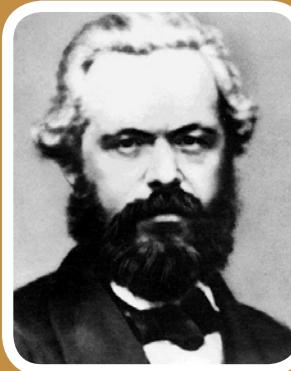
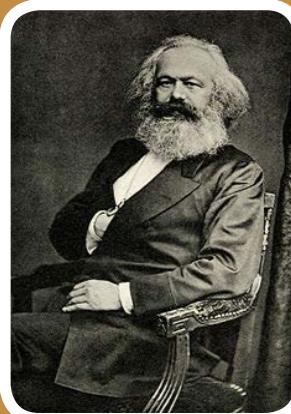
A HUGELY INFLUENTIAL REVOLUTIONARY THINKER AND PHILOSOPHER, MARX DID NOT LIVE TO SEE HIS IDEAS CARRIED OUT IN HIS OWN LIFETIME, BUT HIS WRITINGS FORMED THE THEORETICAL BASE FOR MODERN INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM.

KARL HEINRICH MARX WAS BORN ON 5 MAY 1818 IN TRIER IN WESTERN GERMANY, THE SON OF A SUCCESSFUL JEWISH LAWYER. MARX STUDIED LAW IN BONN AND BERLIN, BUT WAS ALSO INTRODUCED TO THE IDEAS OF HEGEL AND FEUERBACH. IN 1841, HE RECEIVED A DOCTORATE IN PHILOSOPHY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF JENA. IN 1843, AFTER A SHORT SPELL AS EDITOR OF A LIBERAL NEWSPAPER IN COLOGNE, MARX AND HIS WIFE JENNY MOVED TO PARIS, A HOTBED OF RADICAL THOUGHT. THERE HE BECAME A REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST AND BEFRIENDED HIS LIFE LONG COLLABORATOR, **FRIEDRICH ENGELS**. EXPELLED FROM FRANCE, MARX SPENT TWO YEARS IN BRUSSELS, WHERE HIS PARTNERSHIP WITH ENGELS INTENSIFIED. THEY CO-AUTHORED THE PAMPHLET '**THE COMMUNIST MANIFESTO**' WHICH WAS PUBLISHED IN 1848 AND ASSERTED THAT ALL HUMAN HISTORY HAD BEEN BASED ON CLASS STRUGGLES, BUT THAT THESE WOULD ULTIMATELY DISAPPEAR WITH THE VICTORY OF THE PROLETARIAT.

IN 1849, MARX MOVED TO LONDON, WHERE HE WAS TO SPEND THE REMAINDER OF HIS LIFE. FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, HIS FAMILY LIVED IN POVERTY BUT THE WEALTHIER ENGELS WAS ABLE TO SUPPORT THEM TO AN INCREASING EXTENT. GRADUALLY, MARX EMERGED FROM HIS POLITICAL AND SPIRITUAL ISOLATION AND PRODUCED HIS MOST IMPORTANT BODY OF WORK, '**DAS KAPITAL**'. THE FIRST VOLUME OF THIS 'BIBLE OF THE WORKING CLASS' WAS PUBLISHED IN HIS LIFETIME, WHILE THE REMAINING VOLUMES WERE EDITED BY ENGELS AFTER HIS FRIEND'S DEATH.

IN HIS FINAL YEARS, KARL MARX WAS IN CREATIVE AND PHYSICAL DECLINE. HE SPENT TIME AT HEALTH SPAS AND WAS DEEPLY DISTRESSED BY THE DEATH OF HIS WIFE, IN 1881, AND ONE OF HIS DAUGHTERS. HE DIED ON 14 MARCH 1883 AND WAS BURIED AT HIGHGATE CEMETERY IN LONDON.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF, FIRST AS TRAGEDY, SECOND AS FARCE.



The philosophers have only interpreted the world, in various ways: the point, however, is to change it.

Religion is the opiate of the masses.

Sell a man a fish, he eats for a day, teach a man how to fish, you ruin a wonderful business opportunity.

The production of too many useful things results in too many useless people.

Reason has always existed, but not always in a reasonable form.

The abolition of religion as the illusory happiness of the people is the demand for their real happiness.

Social progress can be measured by the social position of the female sex.

Democracy is the road to socialism.

All I know is that I am not a Marxist.

Workers of the world unite! You have nothing to lose but your chains.

It is not the consciousness of men that determines their being, but, on the contrary, their social being that determines their consciousness.

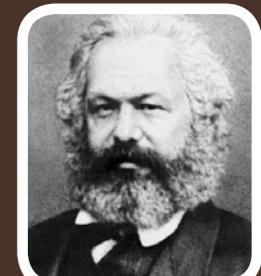
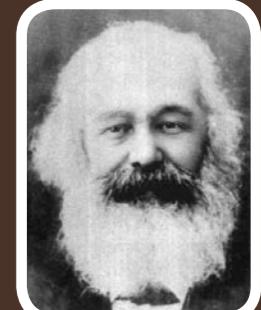
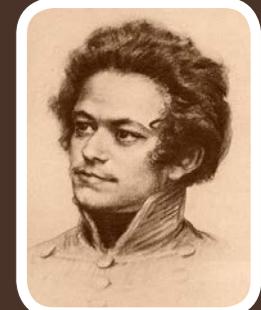
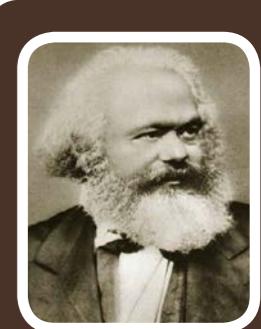
Communism is the riddle of history solved, and it knows itself to be this solution.

Surround yourself with people who make you happy. People who make you laugh, who help you when you're in need. People who genuinely care. They are the ones worth keeping in your life. Everyone else is just passing through.

My object in life is to dethrone God and destroy capitalism.

The task is not just to understand the world but to change it.

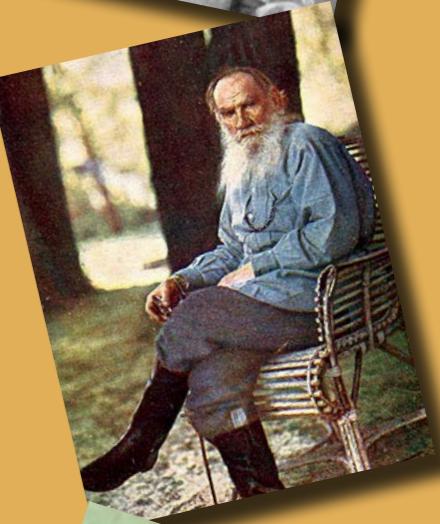
The only antidote to mental suffering is physical pain.



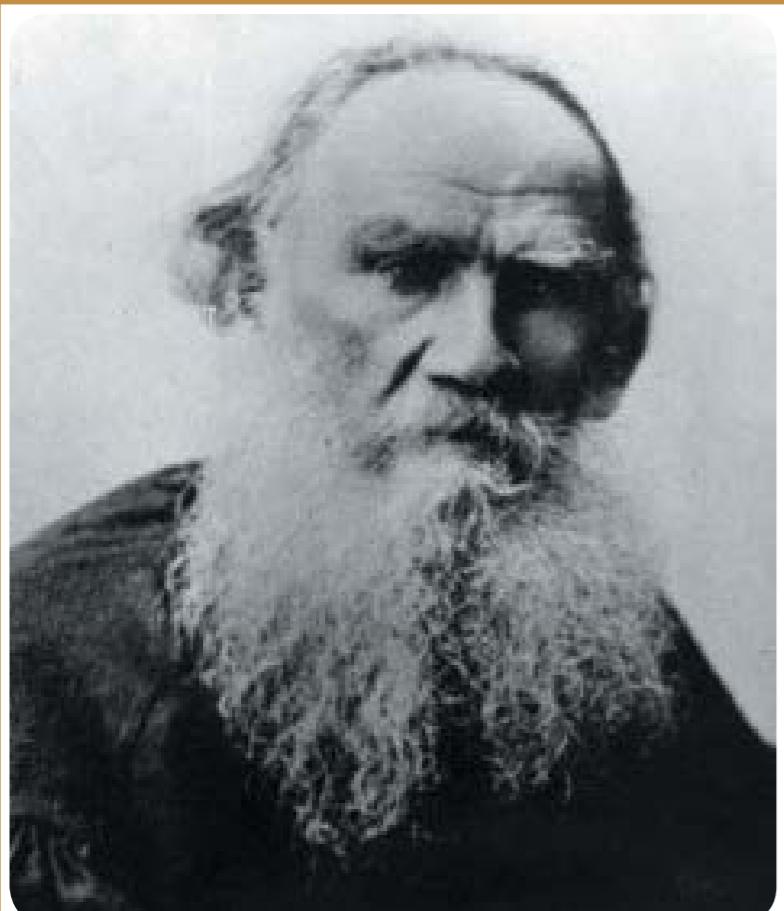
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Leo Tolstoy



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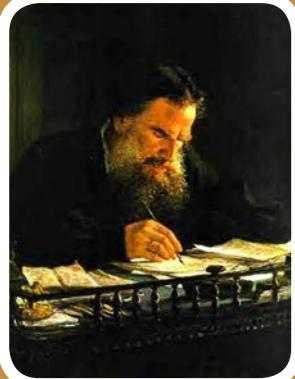
When joy disappears, look for your mistake.

LEV NIKOLAEVICH (LEO) TOLSTOY (1828–1910). A RUSSIAN NOVELIST, REFORMER, AND MORAL THINKER.

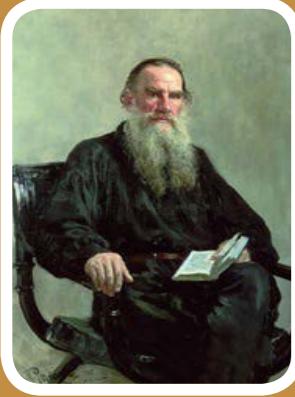
TOLSTOY WAS BORN AT YASNAYA POLYANA, THE TOLSTOY FAMILY ESTATE A HUNDRED MILES SOUTH OF MOSCOW, ON AUGUST 28. HE DIED ON NOVEMBER 20 AT A NEARBY RAILROAD STATION, HAVING FLED IN THE NIGHT FROM AN INCREASINGLY CONTENTIOUS MARRIAGE AND A SET OF FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIPS THAT HAD BEEN HARDENED IN LARGE PART BY TOLSTOY'S ATTEMPTS TO APPLY HIS RADICAL MORAL BELIEFS TO HIS OWN LIFE. IN THE INTERVENING EIGHTY-TWO YEARS TOLSTOY BECAME PERHAPS THE MOST PROMINENT NOVELIST IN AN AGE AND PLACE OF GREAT AUTHORS AS WELL AS A VOCIFEROUS CRITIC OF SCIENCE AND MODERNIZATION.

TOLSTOY'S INTERNATIONAL FAME RESTS PRIMARILY ON TWO NOVELS, *WAR AND PEACE* (1865–1869) AND *ANNA KARENINA* (1875–1877). HIS FICTIONAL WORKS ALSO INCLUDE SHORT MASTERPIECES SUCH AS "THE DEATH OF IVAN ILYICH" (1886), "THE KREUTZER SONATA" (1889), AND "MASTER AND MAN" (1895). IN ADDITION HE WROTE AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL ACCOUNTS OF HIS CHILDHOOD (CHILDHOOD, BOYHOOD, YOUTH [1852–1857]) AND HIS EXPERIENCES AS A SOLDIER IN THE CRIMEAN WAR (SEVASTOPOL SKETCHES [1855]). WITH REGARD TO ISSUES OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND ETHICS TOLSTOY'S MOST RELEVANT WRITINGS INCLUDE A VARIETY OF SHORT, PASSIONATE NON-FICTION WORKS, PARTICULARLY "WHAT I BELIEVE" (1884), "WHAT THEN MUST WE DO?" (1887), "ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF SCIENCE AND ART" (1887), "WHAT IS ART?" (1898), AND "I CANNOT BE SILENT" (1908), ALL OF WHICH ADDRESS A CONFLUENCE OF MORAL AND INTELLECTUAL ERRORS HE PERCEIVED IN MODERN LIFE AND THOUGHT AT THE TURN OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

LIKE HIS CONTEMPORARY FYODOR DOSTOEVSKY (1821–1881), WHOM HE NEVER MET, TOLSTOY WAS BROADLY CONCERNED WITH THE SPIRITUAL FUTURE OF THE HUMAN RACE. HE ATTEMPTED TO CONFRONT THE GRADUAL MOVEMENT AWAY FROM TRADITIONAL VALUES WITH AN ALMOST ARISTOTELIAN EMPHASIS ON THE PERMANENT RELATIONSHIPS OF THINGS, PROMOTING THE UNIVERSALITY OF NATURAL AND RELIGIOUS VALUES OF LOVE AND LABOR TO WHICH HE BELIEVED THE HUMAN HEART RESPONDS. ALTHOUGH THE WEST NOW KNOWS HIM AS THE WRITER OF LARGE AND PERHAPS INFREQUENTLY READ NOVELS, HIS INFLUENCE ON WRITERS AND POLITICAL DISSIDENTS SUCH AS MOHANDAS GANDHI (1869–1948) AND ALEXANDER SOLZHENITSYN (B. 1918) HAS BEEN ENORMOUS, AND HIS THOUGHT PROVIDES RESOURCES FOR ETHICAL ASSESSMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY THAT HAVE NOT YET BEEN EXPLORED FULLY.



I sit on a man's back, choking him, and making him carry me, and yet assure myself and others that I am very sorry for him and wish to ease his lot by any means possible, except getting off his back.

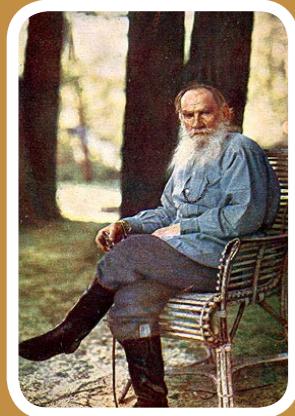


We can know only that we know nothing. And that is the highest degree of human wisdom.

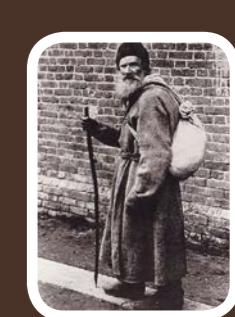
Nothing is so necessary for a young man as the company of intelligent women.

Kings are the slaves of history.

A man can live and be healthy without killing animals for food; therefore, if he eats meat, he participates in taking animal life merely for the sake of his appetite. And to act so is immoral.



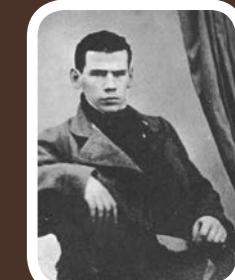
All happy families resemble one another, each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way.



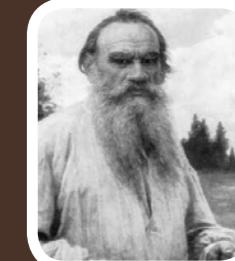
What a joy it is to do a good deed! And this joy is strongest if no one knows that you have done it.



Mysterious language is not a sign of wisdom. The wiser a person is, the simpler the language he uses to express his thoughts.



Until they throw the money changers out of the temple of art, it will never be a real temple.

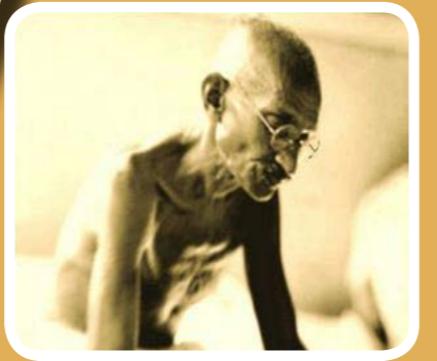


Religion and law try to escape from criticism, religion by saying that it is divine and law by showing that it is powerful.

Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself.

Historians are like deaf people who go on answering questions that no one has asked them.

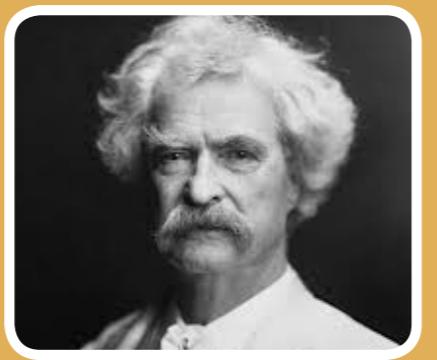
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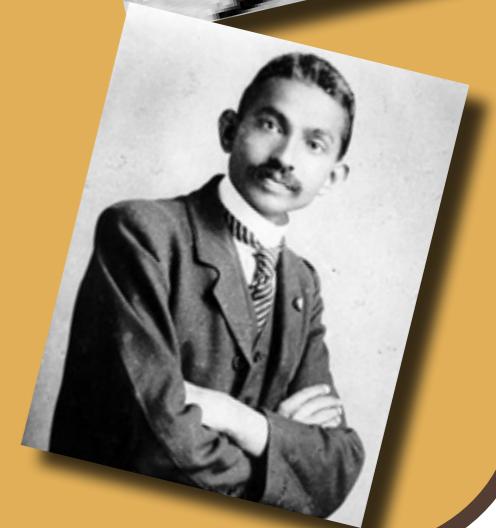
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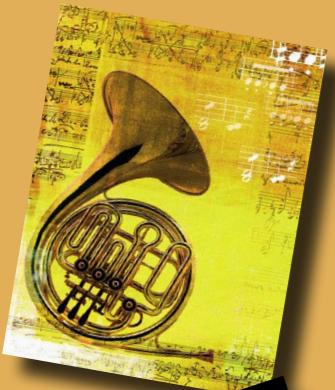
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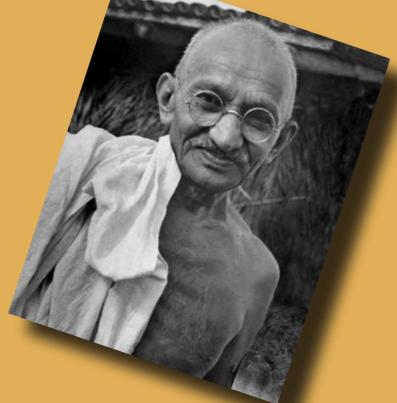
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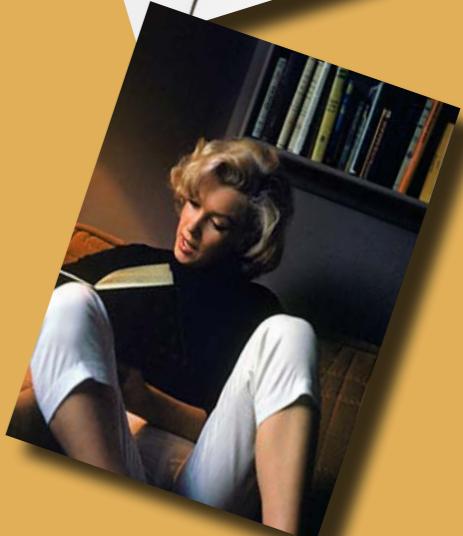
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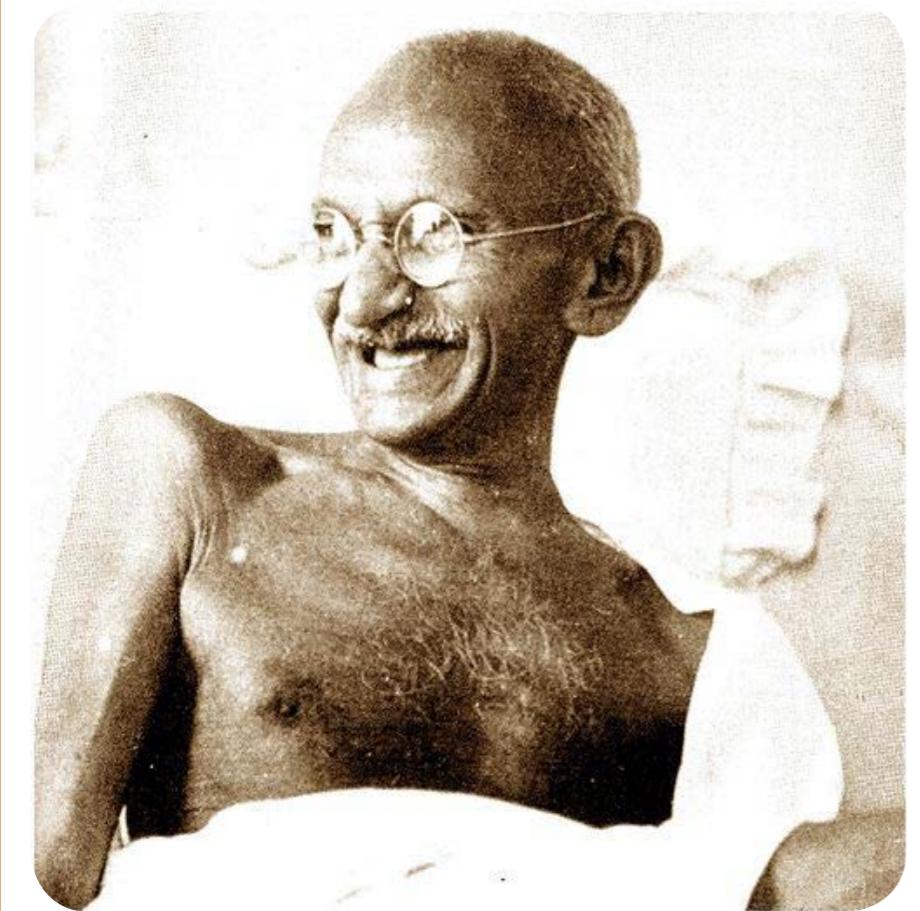
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MOHANDAS GANDHI



My life is my message.

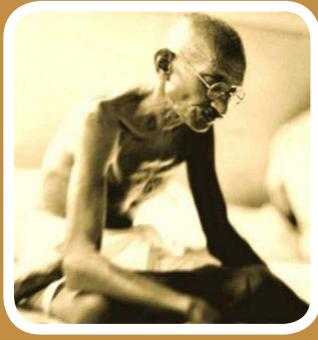
KNOWN AS 'MAHATMA' (GREAT SOUL), GANDHI WAS THE LEADER OF THE INDIAN NATIONALIST MOVEMENT AGAINST BRITISH RULE, AND IS WIDELY CONSIDERED THE FATHER OF HIS COUNTRY. HIS DOCTRINE OF NON-VIOLENT PROTEST TO ACHIEVE POLITICAL AND SOCIAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN HUGELY INFLUENTIAL.

MOHANDAS KARAMCHAND GANDHI WAS BORN ON 2 OCTOBER 1869 IN PORBANDAR IN GUJARAT. AFTER UNIVERSITY, HE WENT TO LONDON TO TRAIN AS A BARRISTER. HE RETURNED TO INDIA IN 1891 AND IN 1893 ACCEPTED A JOB AT AN INDIAN LAW FIRM IN DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA. GANDHI WAS APPALLED BY THE TREATMENT OF INDIAN IMMIGRANTS THERE, AND JOINED THE STRUGGLE TO OBTAIN BASIC RIGHTS FOR THEM. DURING HIS 20 YEARS IN SOUTH AFRICA HE WAS SENT TO PRISON MANY TIMES. INFLUENCED PRIMARILY BY HINDUISM, BUT ALSO BY ELEMENTS OF JAINISM AND CHRISTIANITY AS WELL AS WRITERS INCLUDING TOLSTOY AND THOREAU, GANDHI DEVELOPED THE SATYAGRAHA ('DEVOTION TO TRUTH'), A NEW NON-VIOLENT WAY TO REDRESS WRONGS.

IN 1922, GANDHI HIMSELF WAS SENTENCED TO SIX YEARS' IMPRISONMENT. HE WAS RELEASED AFTER TWO YEARS AND WITHDREW FROM POLITICS, DEVOTING HIMSELF TO TRYING TO IMPROVE HINDU-MUSLIM RELATIONS, WHICH HAD WORSENED. IN 1930, GANDHI PROCLAIMED A NEW CAMPAIGN OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE IN PROTEST AT A TAX ON SALT, LEADING THOUSANDS ON A 'MARCH TO THE SEA' TO SYMBOLICALLY MAKE THEIR OWN SALT FROM SEAWATER. IN 1931, GANDHI ATTENDED THE ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE IN LONDON, AS THE SOLE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS, BUT RESIGNED FROM THE PARTY IN 1934 IN PROTEST AT ITS USE OF NON-VIOLENCE AS A POLITICAL EXPEDIENT. HE WAS REPLACED AS LEADER BY JAWAHARLAL NEHRU.

IN 1945, THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT BEGAN NEGOTIATIONS WHICH CULMINATED IN THE MOUNTBATTEN PLAN OF JUNE 1947, AND THE FORMATION OF THE TWO NEW INDEPENDENT STATES OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN, DIVIDED ALONG RELIGIOUS LINES. MASSIVE INTER-COMMUNAL VIOLENCE MARRED THE MONTHS BEFORE AND AFTER INDEPENDENCE. GANDHI WAS OPPOSED TO PARTITION, AND NOW FASTED IN AN ATTEMPT TO BRING CALM IN CALCUTTA AND DELHI. ON 30 JANUARY 1948, HE WAS ASSASSINATED IN DELHI BY A HINDU FANATIC.

WE MAY IGNORE GANDHI AT OUR OWN RISK.
- DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.



I object to violence because when it appears to do good, the good is only temporary; the evil it does is permanent.

An eye for an eye only ends up making the whole world blind.

A man is but the product of his thoughts what he thinks, he becomes.

You must be the change you wish to see in the world.

A man who was completely innocent, offered himself as a sacrifice for the good of others, including his enemies, and became the ransom of the world. It was a perfect act.

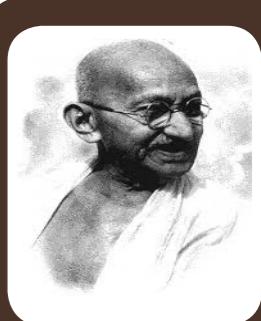
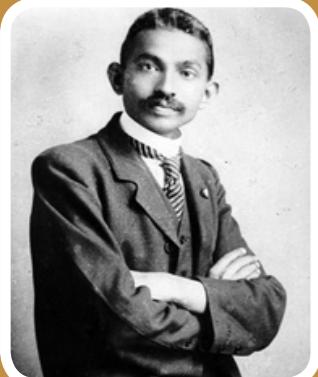
I'm a lover of my own liberty, and so I would do nothing to restrict yours. I simply want to please my own conscience, which is God.

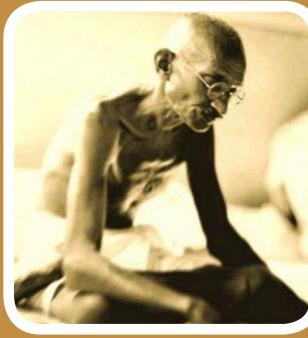
A coward is incapable of exhibiting love; it is the prerogative of the brave.

All compromise is based on give and take, but there can be no give and take on fundamentals. Any compromise on mere fundamentals is a surrender. For it is all give and no take.

To call woman the weaker sex is a libel; it is man's injustice to woman.

Nobody can hurt me without my permission.





You must not lose faith in humanity. Humanity is an ocean; if a few drops of the ocean are dirty, the ocean does not become dirty.

The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong.

An ounce of practice is worth more than tons of preaching.

I do not want to foresee the future. I am concerned with taking care of the present, God has given me no control over the moment following.

It is unwise to be too sure of one's own wisdom.

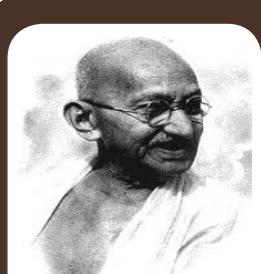
First they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you, then you win.

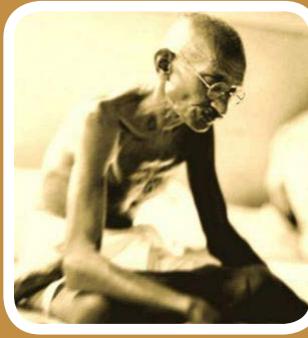
I look only to the good qualities of men. Not being faultless myself, I won't presume to probe into the faults of others.

Constant development is the law of life, and a man who always tries to maintain his dogmas in order to appear consistent drives himself into a false position.

It is healthy to be reminded that the strongest might weaken and the wisest might err.

Hate the sin and love the sinner.





Religions are different roads converging on the same point.

What is faith worth if it is not translated into action?

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

The greatness of a nation can be judged by the way its animals are treated.

It is better to be violent, if there is violence in our hearts, than to put on the cloak of nonviolence to cover impotence.

Even if you are a minority of one, the truth is the truth.

I suppose leadership at one time meant muscles; but today it means getting along with people.

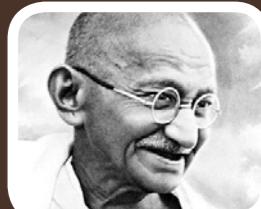
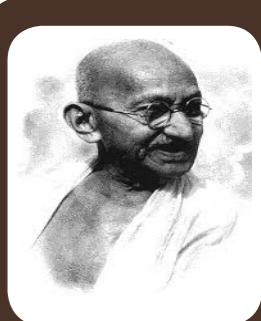
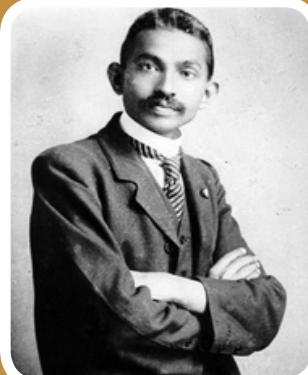
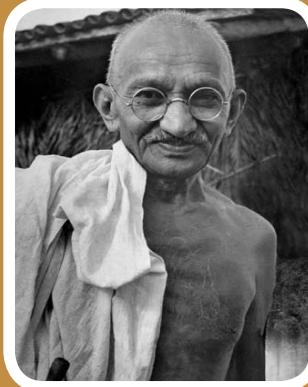
In a gentle way, you can shake the world.

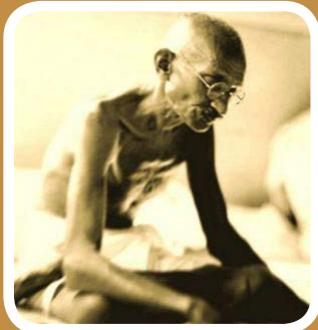
If I had no sense of humor, I would long ago have committed suicide.

Man can never be a woman's equal in the spirit of selfless service with which nature has endowed her.

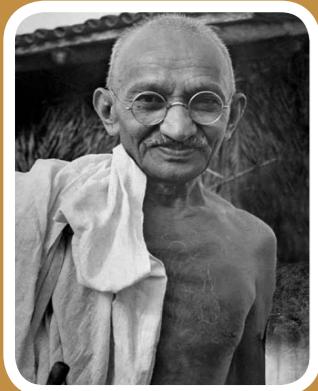
The real ornament of woman is her character, her purity.

The spirit of democracy is not a mechanical thing to be adjusted by abolition of forms. It requires change of heart.

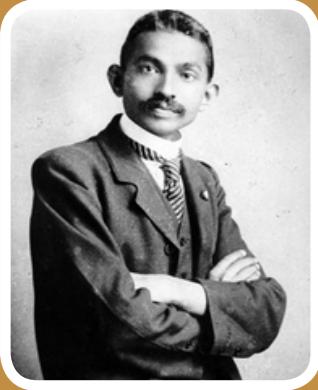




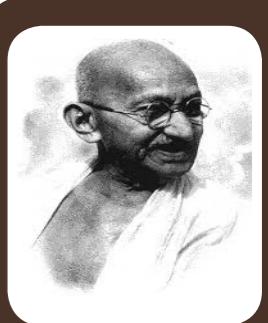
What difference does it make to the dead, the orphans, and the homeless, whether the mad destruction is wrought under the name of totalitarianism or the holy name of liberty or democracy?



Power is of two kinds. One is obtained by the fear of punishment and the other by acts of love. Power based on love is a thousand times more effective and permanent than the one derived from fear of punishment.



A weak man is just by accident. A strong but non-violent man is unjust by accident.



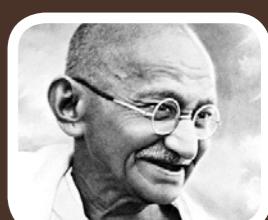
A nation's culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people.

Man should forget his anger before he lies down to sleep.



It is difficult, but not impossible, to conduct strictly honest business.

I believe in equality for everyone, except reporters and photographers.



Honest disagreement is often a good sign of progress.



Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.

Democracy and violence can ill go together. Evolution of democracy is not possible if we are not prepared to hear the other side.

It may be long before the law of love will be recognized in international affairs. The machinery's of government stand between and hide the hearts of one people from those of another.

MOTHER TERESA



Work without love is slavery.

MOTHER TERESA WAS BORN AGNES GONXHA BOJAKHUI IN SKOPJE, MACEDONIA, ON AUGUST 26, 1910. HER FAMILY WAS OF ALBANIAN DESCENT. AT THE AGE OF TWELVE, SHE FELT STRONGLY THE CALL OF GOD. SHE KNEW SHE HAD TO BE A MISSIONARY TO SPREAD THE LOVE OF CHRIST. AT THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN SHE LEFT HER PARENTAL HOME IN SKOPJE AND JOINED THE SISTERS OF LORETO, AN IRISH COMMUNITY OF NUNS WITH MISSIONS IN INDIA. AFTER A FEW MONTHS' TRAINING IN DUBLIN SHE WAS SENT TO INDIA, WHERE ON MAY 24, 1931, SHE TOOK HER INITIAL VOWS AS A NUN. FROM 1931 TO 1948 MOTHER TERESA TAUGHT AT ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL IN CALCUTTA, BUT THE SUFFERING AND POVERTY SHE GLIMPSED OUTSIDE THE CONVENT WALLS MADE SUCH A DEEP IMPRESSION ON HER THAT IN 1948 SHE RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM HER SUPERIORS TO LEAVE THE CONVENT SCHOOL AND DEVOTE HERSELF TO WORKING AMONG THE POOREST OF THE POOR IN THE SLUMS OF CALCUTTA. ALTHOUGH SHE HAD NO FUNDS, SHE DEPENDED ON DIVINE PROVIDENCE, AND STARTED AN OPEN-AIR SCHOOL FOR SLUM CHILDREN. SOON SHE WAS JOINED BY VOLUNTARY HELPERS, AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT WAS ALSO FORTHCOMING. THIS MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR HER TO EXTEND THE SCOPE OF HER WORK.

ON OCTOBER 7, 1950, MOTHER TERESA RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM THE HOLY SEE TO START HER OWN ORDER, "**THE MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY**", WHOSE PRIMARY TASK WAS TO LOVE AND CARE FOR THOSE PERSONS NOBODY WAS PREPARED TO LOOK AFTER. IN 1965 THE SOCIETY BECAME AN INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FAMILY BY A DECREE OF POPE PAUL VI.

THE SOCIETY OF MISSIONARIES HAS SPREAD ALL OVER THE WORLD, INCLUDING THE FORMER SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THEY PROVIDE EFFECTIVE HELP TO THE POOREST OF THE POOR IN A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES IN ASIA, AFRICA, AND LATIN AMERICA, AND THEY UNDERTAKE RELIEF WORK IN THE WAKE OF NATURAL CATASTROPHES SUCH AS FLOODS, EPIDEMICS, AND FAMINE, AND FOR REFUGEES. THE ORDER ALSO HAS HOUSES IN NORTH AMERICA, EUROPE AND AUSTRALIA, WHERE THEY TAKE CARE OF THE SHUT-INS, ALCOHOLICS, HOMELESS, AND AIDS SUFFERERS. THE MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD ARE AIDED AND ASSISTED BY CO-WORKERS WHO BECAME AN OFFICIAL INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION ON MARCH 29, 1969. BY THE 1990S THERE WERE OVER ONE MILLION CO-WORKERS IN MORE THAN 40 COUNTRIES. ALONG WITH THE CO-WORKERS, THE LAY MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY TRY TO FOLLOW MOTHER TERESA'S SPIRIT AND CHARISM IN THEIR FAMILIES.

MOTHER TERESA'S WORK HAS BEEN RECOGNISED AND ACCLAIMED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND SHE HAS RECEIVED A NUMBER OF AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS, INCLUDING THE POPE JOHN XXIII PEACE PRIZE (1971) AND THE NEHRU PRIZE FOR HER PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING (1972). SHE ALSO RECEIVED THE BALZAN PRIZE (1979) AND THE TEMPLETON AND MAGSAYSAY AWARDS. MOTHER TERESA DIED ON SEPTEMBER 5, 1997.

IF YOU CAN'T FEED A HUNDRED PEOPLE, FEED JUST ONE.



If you judge people, you have no time to love them.

People are often unreasonable and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.

If you are honest, people may cheat you. Be honest anyway.

If you find happiness, people may be jealous. Be happy anyway.

The good you do today may be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have and it may never be enough. Give your best anyway.

For you see, in the end, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

Peace begins with a smile.

Do not think that love in order to be genuine has to be extraordinary. What we need is to love without getting tired. Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies.

Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.

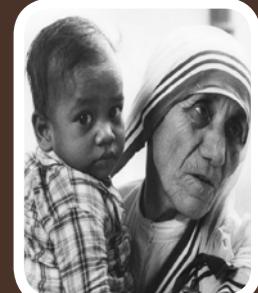
Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin.

God doesn't require you to succeed, he only requires that you try.

What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family.

The most terrible poverty is loneliness, and the feeling of being unloved.

I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things.





Do not wait for leaders; do it alone, person to person.

Joy is a net of love in which you can catch souls.

Words which do not give the light of Christ increase the darkness.

Jesus said love one another. He didn't say love the whole world.

There are many people who can do big things, but there are very few people who will do the small things.

I prefer you to make mistakes in kindness than work miracles in unkindness.

I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.

One of the greatest diseases is to be nobody to anybody.

The hunger for love is much more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread.

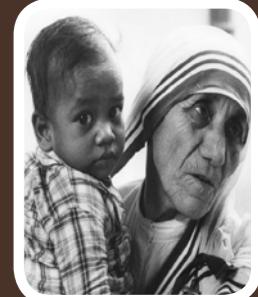
The greatest destroyer of peace is abortion because if a mother can kill her own child, what is left for me to kill you and you to kill me? There is nothing between.

If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.

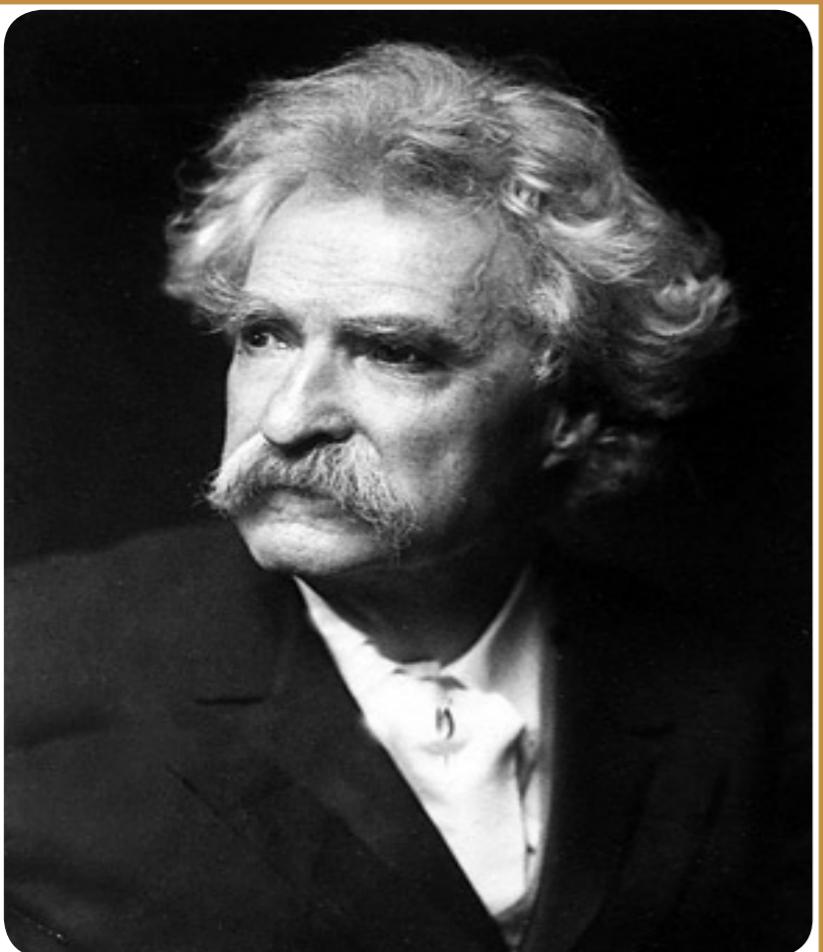
When you have nothing left but God, you have more than enough to start over again.

Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier.

Joy is strength.



MARK TWAIN



We are all stupid, just on different subjects.

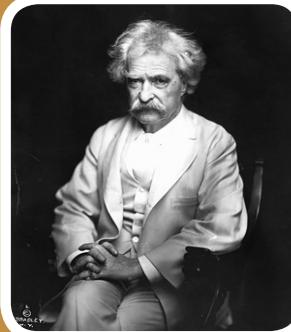
ON Nov. 30, 1835, THE SMALL TOWN OF FLORIDA, Mo. WITNESSED THE BIRTH OF ITS MOST FAMOUS SON. SAMUEL LANGHORNE CLEMENS WAS WELCOMED INTO THE WORLD AS THE SIXTH CHILD OF JOHN MARSHALL AND JANE LAMPTON CLEMENS. LITTLE DID JOHN AND JANE KNOW, THEIR SON SAMUEL WOULD ONE DAY BE KNOWN AS **MARK TWAIN** - AMERICA'S MOST FAMOUS LITERARY ICON. APPROXIMATELY FOUR YEARS AFTER HIS BIRTH, IN 1839, THE CLEMENS FAMILY MOVED 35 MILES EAST TO THE TOWN OF HANNIBAL. A GROWING PORT CITY THAT LIE ALONG THE BANKS OF THE MISSISSIPPI, HANNIBAL WAS A FREQUENT STOP FOR STEAM BOATS ARRIVING BY BOTH DAY AND NIGHT FROM ST. LOUIS AND NEW ORLEANS.

SAMUEL'S FATHER WAS A JUDGE, AND HE BUILT A TWO-STORY FRAME HOUSE AT 206 HILL STREET IN 1844. AS A YOUNGSTER, SAMUEL WAS KEPT INDOORS BECAUSE OF POOR HEALTH. HOWEVER, BY AGE NINE, HE SEEMED TO RECOVER FROM HIS AILMENTS AND JOINED THE REST OF THE TOWN'S CHILDREN OUTSIDE. HE THEN ATTENDED A PRIVATE SCHOOL IN HANNIBAL. WHEN HE WAS 12, HIS FATHER DIED OF PNEUMONIA, AND AT 13, SAMUEL LEFT SCHOOL TO BECOME A PRINTER'S APPRENTICE. AFTER TWO SHORT YEARS, HE JOINED HIS BROTHER ORION'S NEWSPAPER AS A PRINTER AND EDITORIAL ASSISTANT. IT WAS HERE THAT YOUNG SAMUEL FOUND HE ENJOYED WRITING.

AT 17, HE LEFT HANNIBAL BEHIND FOR A PRINTER'S JOB IN ST. LOUIS. WHILE IN ST. LOUIS, CLEMENS BECAME A RIVER PILOT'S APPRENTICE. HE BECAME A LICENSED RIVER PILOT IN 1858. CLEMENS' PSEUDONYM, MARK TWAIN, COMES FROM HIS DAYS AS A RIVER PILOT. IT IS A RIVER TERM WHICH MEANS TWO FATHOMS OR 12 FEET WHEN THE DEPTH OF WATER FOR A BOAT IS BEING SOUNDED. "MARK TWAIN" MEANS THAT IS SAFE TO NAVIGATE. BECAUSE THE RIVER TRADE WAS BROUGHT TO A STAND STILL BY THE CIVIL WAR IN 1861, CLEMENS BEGAN WORKING AS A NEWSPAPER REPORTER FOR SEVERAL NEWSPAPERS ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES. IN 1870, CLEMENS MARRIED OLIVIA LANGDON, AND THEY HAD FOUR CHILDREN.

TWAIN BEGAN TO GAIN FAME WHEN HIS STORY, "THE CELEBRATED JUMPING FROG OF CALAVARAS COUNTY" APPEARED IN THE NEW YORK SATURDAY PRESS ON NOVEMBER 18, 1865. TWAIN'S FIRST BOOK, "THE INNOCENTS ABROAD," WAS PUBLISHED IN 1869, "THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER" IN 1876, AND "THE ADVENTURES OF HUCKLEBERRY FINN" IN 1885. HE WROTE 28 BOOKS AND NUMEROUS SHORT STORIES, LETTERS AND SKETCHES.

MARK TWAIN PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 21, 1910, BUT HAS A FOLLOWING STILL TODAY. HIS CHILDHOOD HOME IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS A MUSEUM IN HANNIBAL, AND CALAVARAS COUNTY IN CALIFORNIA HOLDS THE CALAVARAS COUNTY FAIR AND JUMPING FROG JUBILEE EVERY THIRD WEEKEND IN MAY. WALKING TOURS ARE GIVEN IN NEW YORK CITY OF PLACES TWAIN VISITED NEAR HIS BIRTHDAY EVERY YEAR.



If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.

Never put off until tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow.

Good friends, good books, and a sleepy conscience: this is the ideal life.

Whenever you find yourself on the side of the majority, it is time to pause and reflect.

Great people are those who make others feel that they, too, can become great.

The secret of getting ahead is getting started.

Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing.

It was here first.

To get the full value of a joy you must have somebody to divide it with.

The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who can't read them.

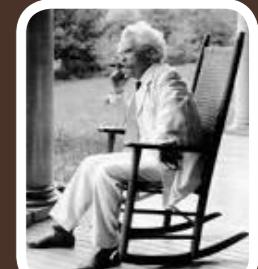
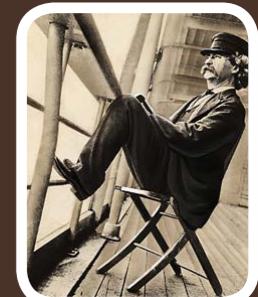
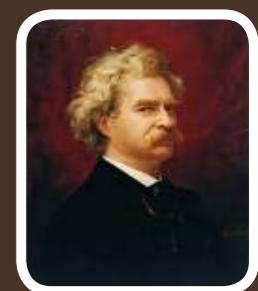
In the first place God made idiots. This was for practice. Then He made School Boards.

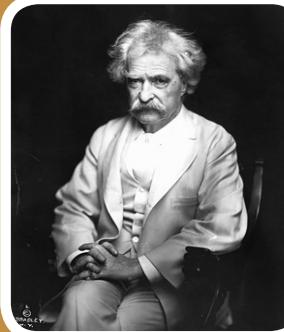
The Bible: It is full of interest. It has noble poetry in it; and some clever fables; and some blood-drenched history; and some good morals; and a wealth of obscenity; and upwards of a thousand lies.

The man with a new idea is a Crank until the idea succeeds.

There are many humorous things in the world; among them, the white man's notion that he is less savage than the other savages.

Man is the only animal that blushes, or needs to.





One of the most striking differences between a cat and a lie is that a cat has only nine lives.

The dictionary is the only place where success comes before work.

Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.

Never tell the truth to people who are not worthy of it.

Reader, suppose you were an idiot. And suppose you were a member of Congress. But I repeat myself.

Loyalty to country always. Loyalty to government, when it deserves it.

If you don't read the newspaper, you're uninformed. If you read the newspaper, you're mis-informed.

If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and man.

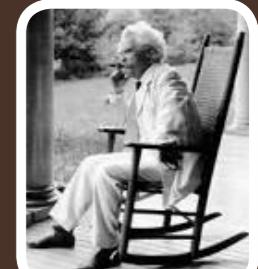
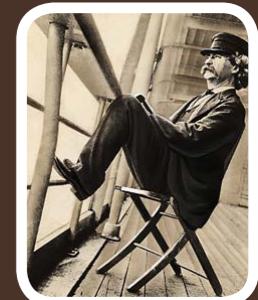
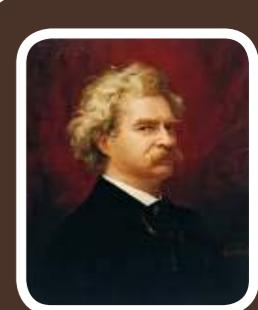
The best way to cheer yourself is to try to cheer someone else up.

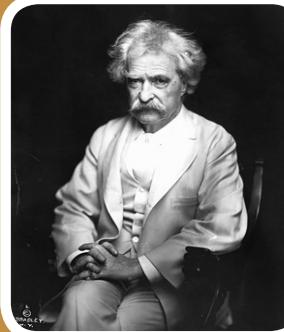
April 1. This is the day upon which we are reminded of what we are on the other three hundred and sixty-four days.

Heaven goes by favor. If it went by merit, you would stay out and your dog would go in.

Giving up smoking is the easiest thing in the world. I know because I've done it thousands of times.

Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter.





I have a higher and grander standard of principle than George Washington. He could not lie; I can, but I won't.

A banker is a fellow who lends you his umbrella when the sun is shining, but wants it back the minute it begins to rain.

When your friends begin to flatter you on how young you look, it's a sure sign you're getting old.

Write without pay until somebody offers to pay you. If nobody offers within three years, sawing wood is what you were intended for.

Let us be thankful for the fools. Because of them the rest of us could not succeed.

A room without books is like a body without a soul.

The two most important days in your life are, the day you are born and the day you find out why.

Plan for the future because that's where you are going to spend the rest of your life.

Get your facts first, then you can distort them as you please.

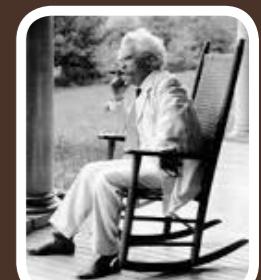
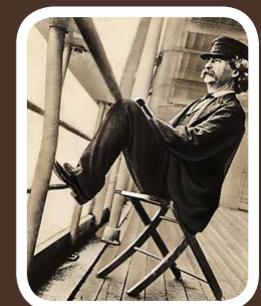
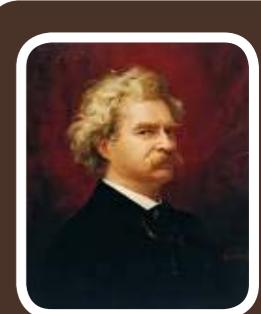
A man's character may be learned from the adjectives which he habitually uses in conversation.

To succeed in life, you need two things: ignorance and confidence.

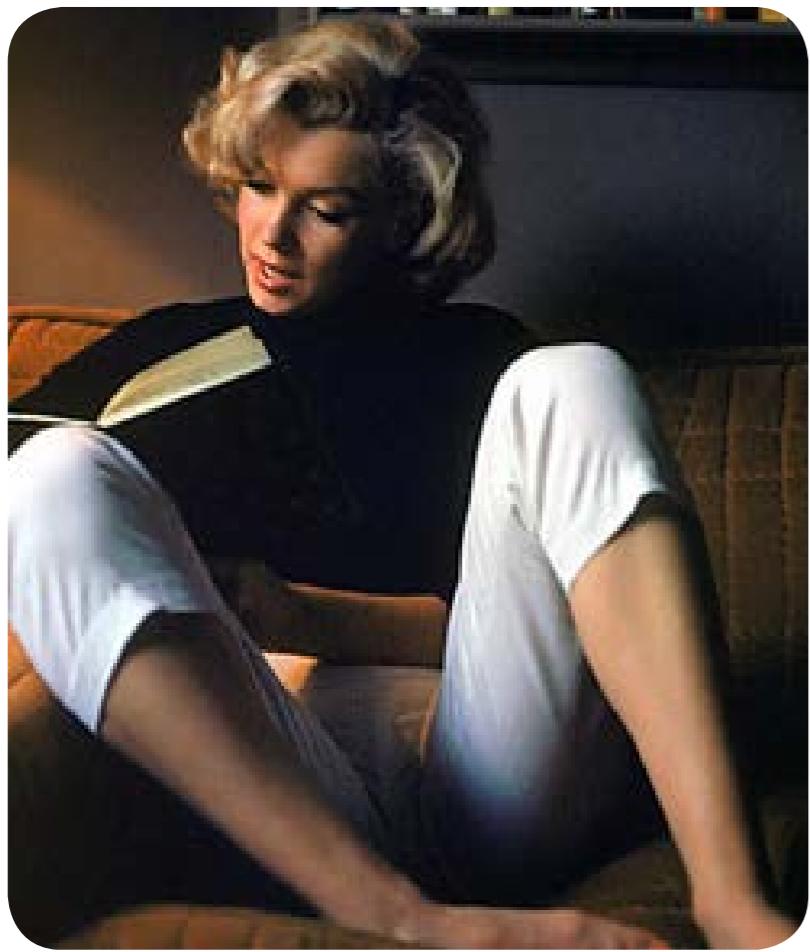
When you fish for love, bait with your heart, not your brain.

When angry, count to four. When very angry, swear.

Only one thing is impossible for God: To find any sense in any copyright law on the planet.



MARILYN MONROE



Dogs never bite me. Just humans.

NORMA JEAN BAKER ENDURED A FATHERLESS CHILDHOOD OF SEXUAL ABUSE AND POVERTY AND WAS PUT IN A STRING OF ORPHANAGES AND FOSTER HOMES AFTER MOTHER GLADYS BAKER (NEE MONROE), WHO SUFFERED MENTAL ILLNESS, WAS INSTITUTIONALISED.

SHE WAS BORN ON 1 JUNE 1926 IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOSPITAL, THE THIRD CHILD OF GLADYS BAKER. SHE LIVED WITH A NUMBER OF FOSTER PARENTS, AS HER MOTHER WAS MENTALLY UNSTABLE, UNTIL HER MUM'S BEST FRIEND GRACE MCKEE BECAME HER GUARDIAN.

MCKEE WAS INSPIRED BY JEAN HARLOW AND ALLOWED THE NINE-YEAR-OLD NORMA TO WEAR MAKEUP AND CURL HER HAIR UNTIL MCKEE MARRIED AND SENT NORMA TO AN ORPHANAGE. SHE WAS THEN SENT TO LIVE WITH HER GREAT AUNT OLIVE BRUNINGS AND IT IS THOUGHT THAT NORMA WAS SEXUALLY ASSAULTED BY OLIVE'S SON, WHICH SOME BIOGRAPHERS HAVE CLAIMED LED TO HER LATER BEHAVIOUR, INCLUDING SUBSTANCE ABUSE. AT 16, SHE ESCAPED HER OLD LIFE BY MARRYING A 21-YEAR-OLD AIRCRAFT PLANT WORKER, JIM DOUGHERTY, WHO SHE DIVORCED FOUR YEARS LATER. BY THIS TIME SHE HAD BEGUN MODELLING BATHING SUITS AND, AFTER BLEACHING HER HAIR BLONDE, POSED FOR PIN-UPS AND GLAMOUR PHOTOS.

HOWARD HUGHES TRIED TO GET HER A SCREEN TEST BUT WAS BEATEN TO THE PUNCH BY 20TH CENTURY-FOX, WHO SIGNED HER TO A CONTRACT - AT \$125 PER WEEK FOR SIX MONTHS - AND CHANGED HER NAME TO MARILYN MONROE. AFTER APPEARING IN SMALL PARTS IN FILMS INCLUDING 'LOVE HAPPY' AND 'ALL ABOUT EVE', MONROE FOUND FAME IN 1953 WITH 'NIAGARA', 'GENTLEMEN PREFER BLONDES' AND 'HOW TO MARRY A MILLIONAIRE'. THAT SAME YEAR, SHE BEGAN DATING BASEBALL PLAYER JO DiMAGGIO, AND A NUDE SPREAD OF HER APPEARED IN THE DEBUT ISSUE OF PLAYBOY MAGAZINE. MONROE HAD HIT STARDOM. THE NUDE SPREAD CAUSED A SCANDAL WITH HER STUDIO SO SHE AGREED TO ADMIT SHE HAD POSED FOR THE PHOTO AS SHE WAS STRUGGLING TO PAY HER RENT. THE RESULTING PUBLICITY CREATED SOME SYMPATHY FOR THE STRUGGLING ACTRESS.

MONROE'S WORK BEGAN TO SLOW DOWN BUT, AFTER UNDERGOING PSYCHOANALYSIS, CRITICS PRAISED HER ACTING IN 1956 FILM 'BUS STOP'. SHE MARRIED PLAYWRIGHT ARTHUR MILLER THE SAME YEAR, DIVORCING HIM FOUR YEARS ON. IN THE MEANTIME, SHE FELL PREY TO ALCOHOL AND PILLS, AND SUFFERED TWO MISCARRIAGES. AFTER A YEAR OFF IN 1958, MARILYN RETURNED TO THE SILVER SCREEN FOR SMASH COMEDY, 'SOME LIKE IT HOT'. IN 1960, SHE APPEARED IN 'LET'S MAKE LOVE', WITH YVES MONTAND, WITH WHOM SHE HAD AN AFFAIR. 'THE MISFITS', WRITTEN BY HUSBAND MILLER, WAS TO BE HER FINAL FILM. WORK WAS INTERRUPTED BY EXHAUSTION, AND SHE WAS THEN FIRED FROM 'SOMETHING'S GOT TO GIVE' FOR NOT TURNING UP FOR FILMING.

ON 19 MAY 1962, THE ACTRESS ATTENDED THE EARLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OF JOHN F KENNEDY AT MADISON SQUARE GARDENS AND SANG 'HAPPY BIRTHDAY MR PRESIDENT' IN A NOW ICONIC MANNER. SHE WENT INTO SECLUSION AND ON 5 AUGUST 1962, SHE WAS FOUND DEAD AT HER HOME OF AN OVERDOSE OF SLEEPING PILLS, AGED 36. THE VERDICT WAS SUICIDE BUT HAS ALWAYS BEEN DISPUTED, WITH COUNTLESS CONSPIRACY THEORIES TRIGGERED BY ALLEGED AFFAIRS WITH BROTHERS JOHN F AND ROBERT KENNEDY.



I'm selfish, impatient and a little insecure. I make mistakes, I am out of control and at times hard to handle. But if you can't handle me at my worst, then you sure as hell don't deserve me at my best.



Imperfection is beauty, madness is genius and it's better to be absolutely ridiculous than absolutely boring.



I am good, but not an angel. I do sin, but I am not the devil. I am just a small girl in a big world trying to find someone to love.



If you can make a girl laugh, you can make her do anything.



If you're gonna be two-faced at least make one of them pretty.

When it comes down to it, I let them think what they want. If they care enough to bother with what I do, then I'm already better than them.



Give a girl the right shoes, and she can conquer the world.



We should all start to live before we get too old. Fear is stupid. So are regrets.

I don't mind living in a man's world, as long as I can be a woman in it.

The nicest thing for me is sleep, then at least I can dream.

I want to grow old without facelifts. I want to have the courage to be loyal to the face I have made.

I don't know who invented high heels, but all women owe him a lot!

Sometimes things fall apart so that better things can fall together.

Sex is part of nature. I go along with nature.



Hollywood is a place where they'll pay you a thousand dollars for a kiss and fifty cents for your soul. I know, because I turned down the first offer often enough and held out for the fifty cents.

Before marriage, a girl has to make love to a man to hold him. After marriage, she has to hold him to make love to him.

Wanting to be someone else is a waste of the person you are.

A sex symbol becomes a thing. I hate being a thing.

The thing I want more than anything else? I want to have children. I used to feel for every child I had, I would adopt another.

Your clothes should be tight enough to show you're a woman but loose enough to show you're a lady.

A career is born in public—talent in privacy.

I don't want to make money, I just want to be wonderful.

Men are so willing to respect anything that bores them.

I'm very definitely a woman and I enjoy it.

If I'd observed all the rules, I'd never have got anywhere.

First, I'm trying to prove to myself that I'm a person. Then maybe I'll convince myself that I'm an actress.

The trouble with censors is that they worry if a girl has cleavage. They ought to worry if she hasn't any.





Film spectators are quiet vampires.

A FILM, ALSO CALLED A MOVIE OR MOTION PICTURE, IS A SERIES OF STILL IMAGES ON A STRIP OF PLASTIC WHICH, WHEN RUN THROUGH A PROJECTOR AND SHOWN ON A SCREEN, CREATES THE ILLUSION OF MOVING IMAGES. A FILM IS CREATED BY PHOTOGRAPHING ACTUAL SCENES WITH A MOTION PICTURE CAMERA; BY PHOTOGRAPHING DRAWINGS OR MINIATURE MODELS USING TRADITIONAL ANIMATION TECHNIQUES; BY MEANS OF CGI AND COMPUTER ANIMATION; OR BY A COMBINATION OF SOME OR ALL OF THESE TECHNIQUES AND OTHER VISUAL EFFECTS. THE PROCESS OF FILMMAKING IS BOTH AN ART AND AN INDUSTRY.

FILMS USUALLY INCLUDE AN OPTICAL SOUNDTRACK, WHICH IS A GRAPHIC RECORDING OF THE SPOKEN WORDS, MUSIC AND OTHER SOUNDS THAT ARE TO ACCOMPANY THE IMAGES. IT RUNS ALONG A PORTION OF THE FILM EXCLUSIVELY RESERVED FOR IT AND IS NOT PROJECTED.

FILMS ARE CULTURAL ARTIFACTS CREATED BY SPECIFIC CULTURES. THEY REFLECT THOSE CULTURES, AND, IN TURN, AFFECT THEM. FILM IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN IMPORTANT ART FORM, A SOURCE OF POPULAR ENTERTAINMENT, AND A POWERFUL MEDIUM FOR EDUCATING—OR INDOCTRINATING—CITIZENS. THE VISUAL BASIS OF FILM GIVES IT A UNIVERSAL POWER OF COMMUNICATION. SOME FILMS HAVE BECOME POPULAR WORLDWIDE ATTRACTIONS BY USING DUBBING OR SUBTITLES TO TRANSLATE THE DIALOG INTO THE LANGUAGE OF THE VIEWER.

THE INDIVIDUAL IMAGES THAT MAKE UP A FILM ARE CALLED FRAMES. DURING PROJECTION, A ROTATING SHUTTER CAUSES INTERVALS OF DARKNESS AS EACH FRAME IN TURN IS MOVED INTO POSITION TO BE PROJECTED, BUT THE VIEWER DOES NOT NOTICE THE INTERRUPTIONS BECAUSE OF AN EFFECT KNOWN AS PERSISTENCE OF VISION, WHEREBY THE EYE RETAINS A VISUAL IMAGE FOR A FRACTION OF A SECOND AFTER THE SOURCE HAS BEEN REMOVED. THE PERCEPTION OF MOTION IS DUE TO A PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT CALLED BETA MOVEMENT.

THE NAME “FILM” ORIGINATES FROM THE FACT THAT PHOTOGRAPHIC FILM (ALSO CALLED FILM STOCK) HAS HISTORICALLY BEEN THE MEDIUM FOR RECORDING AND DISPLAYING MOTION PICTURES. MANY OTHER TERMS EXIST FOR AN INDIVIDUAL MOTION PICTURE, INCLUDING PICTURE, PICTURE SHOW, MOVING PICTURE, PHOToplay AND FLICK. THE MOST COMMON TERM IN THE UNITED STATES IS MOVIE, WHILE IN EUROPE FILM IS PREFERRED. TERMS FOR THE FIELD IN GENERAL INCLUDE THE BIG SCREEN, THE SILVER SCREEN, THE MOVIES AND CINEMA; THE LATTER IS COMMONLY USED IN SCHOLARLY TEXTS AND CRITICAL ESSAYS, ESPECIALLY BY EUROPEAN WRITERS. IN EARLY YEARS, THE WORD SHEET WAS SOMETIMES USED INSTEAD OF SCREEN.



Everything I learned I learned from the movies. — **Audrey Hepburn**

The whole of life is just like watching a film. Only it's as though you always get in ten minutes after the big picture has started, and no-one will tell you the plot, so you have to work it out all yourself from the clues. — **Terry Pratchett**



The length of a film should be directly related to the endurance of the human bladder.

— **Alfred Hitchcock**



Art produces ugly things which frequently become more beautiful with time. Fashion, on the other hand, produces beautiful things that always become ugly with time.

— **Jean Cocteau**



An essential element of any art is risk. If you don't take a risk then how are you going to make something really beautiful, that hasn't been seen before? — **Francis Ford Coppola**



I steal from every single movie ever made. I love it – if my work has anything it's that I'm taking this from this and that from that and mixing them together. If people don't like that, then tough titty, don't go and see it, alright? I steal from everything. Great artists steal; they don't do homages. — **Quentin Tarantino**



Cinema is a matter of what's in the frame and what's out. — **Martin Scorsese**



You don't have to be naked to be sexy. — **Nicole Kidman**

The best reason to make a film is that you feel passionately about it. — **Jodie Foster**

Movies are a fad. Audiences really want to see live actors on a stage. — **Charles Chaplin**

A wide screen just makes a bad film twice as bad. — **Samuel Goldwyn**

Cinema is the most beautiful fraud in the world. — **Jean-Luc Godard**

I'm married to the theater but my mistress is the films. — **Oskar Werner**



I don't dream at night, I dream all day; I dream for a living.— Steven Spielberg

Films are subjective—what you like, what you don't like. But the thing for me that is absolutely unifying is the idea that every time I go to the cinema and pay my money and sit down and watch a film go up on-screen, I want to feel that the people who made that film think it's the best movie in the world, that they poured everything into it and they really love it. Whether or not I agree with what they've done, I want that effort there—I want that sincerity. And when you don't feel it, that's the only time I feel like I'm wasting my time at the movies. — Christopher Nolan

I thought Star Wars was too wacky for the general public. — George Lucas

The movies are the only business where you can go out front and applaud yourself.

— Will Rogers

If my films don't show a profit, I know I'm doing something right. — Woody Allen

I make movies I want to see. — Neil LaBute

Movies are so rarely great art that if we cannot appreciate great trash we have very little reason to be interested in them. — Pauline Kael

Never compare your love story to those you watch in movies. They're written by scriptwriters, yours is written by God. — Efren Peñaflorida Jr.

All you need to make a movie is a girl and a gun. — Jean-Luc Godard

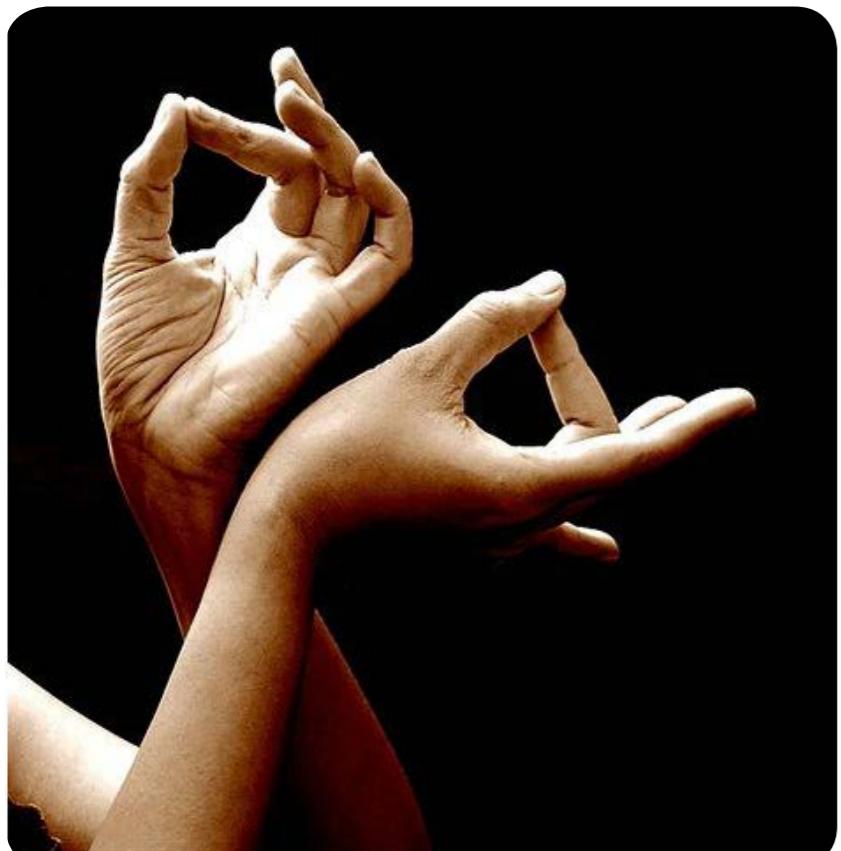
I have a theory that movies operate on the level of dreams, where you dream yourself.

— Meryl Streep

The only way to get rid of fear is to make films about it. — Alfred Hitchcock

It's hard to make a cultural phenomenon every time. — John Travolta





Where words fail, music speaks.

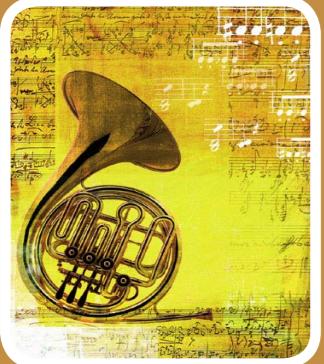
MUSIC IS AN ART FORM WHOSE MEDIUM IS SOUND AND SILENCE. Its common elements are pitch (which governs melody and harmony), rhythm (and its associated concepts tempo, meter, and articulation), dynamics, and the sonic qualities of timbre and texture. The word derives from Greek μουσική (MOUSIKE; "ART OF THE MUSES").

The creation, performance, significance, and even the definition of music vary according to culture and social context. Music ranges from strictly organized compositions (and their recreation in performance), through improvisational music to aleatoric forms. Music can be divided into genres and subgenres, although the dividing lines and relationships between music genres are often subtle, sometimes open to individual interpretation, and occasionally controversial. Within "the arts", music may be classified as a performing art, a fine art, and auditory art. It may also be divided among "art music" and "folk music". There is also a strong connection between music and mathematics.

Music may be played and heard live, may be part of a dramatic work or film, or may be recorded.

To many people in many cultures, music is an important part of their way of life. Ancient Greek and Indian philosophers defined music as tones ordered horizontally as melodies and vertically as harmonies. Common sayings such as "the harmony of the spheres" and "it is music to my ears" point to the notion that music is often ordered and pleasant to listen to. However, 20th-century composer John Cage thought that any sound can be music, saying, for example, "There is no noise, only sound." Musicologist Jean-Jacques Nattiez summarizes the relativist, post-modern viewpoint: "The border between music and noise is always culturally defined—which implies that, even within a single society, this border does not always pass through the same place; in short, there is rarely a consensus. By all accounts there is no single and intercultural universal concept defining what music might be."

MUSIC'S A GOOD THING, IT CALMS THE BEAST IN THE MAN. -- JOSEPH STALIN



Without music, life would be a mistake. — Friedrich Nietzsche

Music expresses that which cannot be said and on which it is impossible to be silent.
— Victor Hugo

Music is the wine that fills the cup of silence. — Robert Fripp

Life is like a beautiful melody, only the lyrics are messed up. — Hans Christian Andersen

After silence, that which comes nearest to expressing the inexpressible is music. — Aldous Huxley

Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything. — Plato

Music is the universal language of mankind. — Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

The music is not in the notes,
but in the silence between.

— Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Music is everybody's business. It's only the publishers who think people own it.
— John Lennon

Music in the soul can be heard by the universe. — Lao Tzu

Music when healthy, is the teacher of perfect order, and when depraved, the teacher of perfect disorder. — John Ruskin

Music is well said to be the speech of angels. — Thomas Carlyle

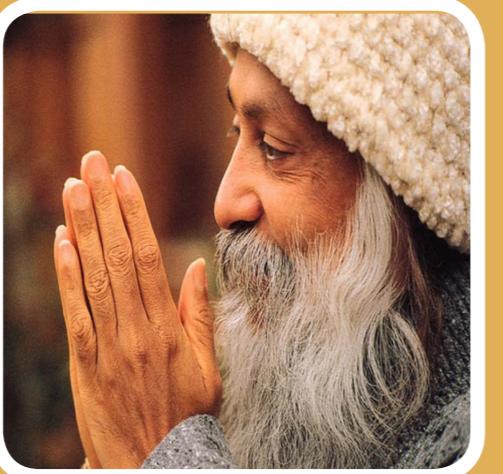
Music is nothing else but wild sounds civilized into time and tune. — Thomas Fuller

One good thing about music, when it hits you, you feel no pain. — Bob Marley

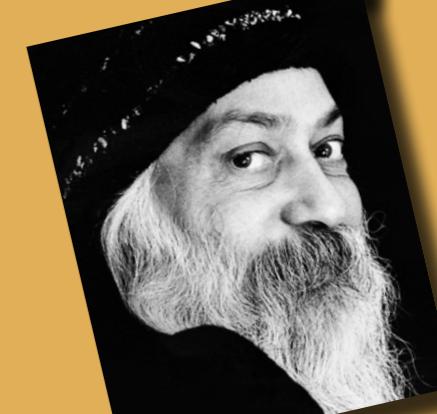


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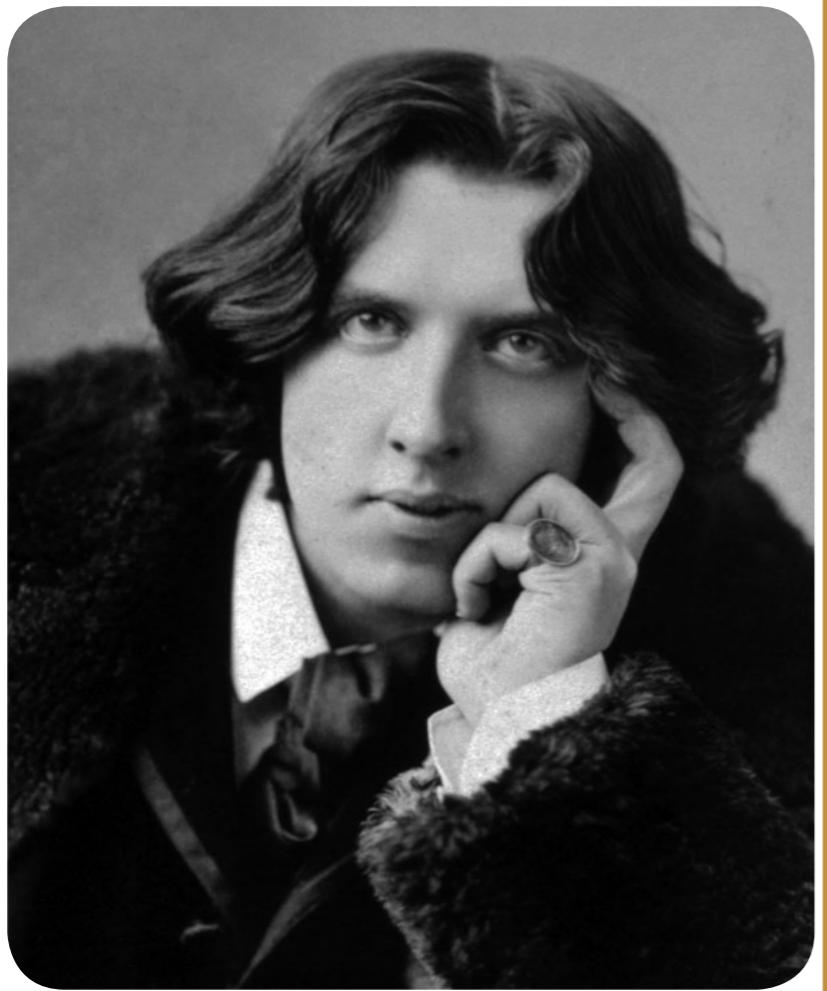
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OSCAR WILDE



Be yourself; everyone else is already taken.

OSCAR WILDE WAS AN ANGLO-IRISH NOVELIST, PLAYWRIGHT, POET AND CRITIC, AND A CELEBRITY IN LATE 19TH CENTURY LONDON.

OSCAR FINGAL O'FLAHERTY WILLS WILDE WAS BORN IN DUBLIN ON 16 OCTOBER 1854. HIS FATHER WAS A SUCCESSFUL SURGEON AND HIS MOTHER A WRITER AND LITERARY HOSTESS. WILDE WAS EDUCATED AT TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN AND MAGDALEN COLLEGE, OXFORD. WHILE AT OXFORD, WILDE BECAME INVOLVED IN THE AESTHETIC MOVEMENT. AFTER HE GRADUATED, HE MOVED TO LONDON TO PURSUE A LITERARY CAREER.

HIS OUTPUT WAS DIVERSE. A FIRST VOLUME OF HIS POETRY WAS PUBLISHED IN 1881 BUT AS WELL AS COMPOSING VERSE, HE CONTRIBUTED TO PUBLICATIONS SUCH AS THE 'PALL MALL GAZETTE', WROTE FAIRY STORIES AND PUBLISHED A NOVEL 'THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GRAY' (1891). HIS GREATEST TALENT WAS FOR WRITING PLAYS, AND HE PRODUCED A STRING OF EXTREMELY POPULAR COMEDIES INCLUDING 'LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN' (1892), 'AN IDEAL HUSBAND (1895)' AND 'THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST' (1895). 'SALOMÉ' WAS PERFORMED IN PARIS IN 1896.

DRAMA AND TRAGEDY MARRED WILDE'S PRIVATE LIFE. HE MARRIED CONSTANCE LLOYD IN 1884 AND THEY HAD TWO SONS, BUT IN 1891 WILDE BEGAN AN AFFAIR WITH LORD ALFRED DOUGLAS, NICKNAMED 'BOSIE'. IN APRIL 1895, WILDE SUED BOSIE'S FATHER, THE MARQUIS OF QUEENSBERRY, FOR LIBEL, AFTER THE MARQUIS HAS ACCUSED HIM OF BEING HOMOSEXUAL. WILDE LOST AND, AFTER DETAILS OF HIS PRIVATE LIFE WERE REVEALED DURING THE TRIAL, WAS ARRESTED AND TRIED FOR GROSS INDECENCY. HE WAS SENTENCED TO TWO YEARS OF HARD LABOUR. WHILE IN PRISON HE COMPOSED A LONG LETTER TO DOUGLAS, POSTHUMOUSLY PUBLISHED UNDER THE TITLE 'DE PROFUNDIS'. HIS WIFE TOOK THEIR CHILDREN TO SWITZERLAND AND ADOPTED THE NAME 'HOLLAND'. WILDE WAS RELEASED WITH HIS HEALTH IRREVOCABLY DAMAGED AND HIS REPUTATION RUINED. HE SPENT THE REST OF HIS LIFE IN EUROPE, PUBLISHING 'THE BALLAD OF READING GAOL' IN 1898. HE DIED IN PARIS ON 30 NOVEMBER 1900.

WE ARE ALL IN THE GUTTER, BUT SOME OF US ARE LOOKING AT THE STARS.



Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much.

To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all.

If one cannot enjoy reading a book over and over again, there is no use in reading it at all.

The pure and simple truth is rarely pure and never simple.

The books that the world calls immoral are books that show the world its own shame.

You can never be overdressed or overeducated.

I don't want to go to heaven. None of my friends are there.

I am so clever that sometimes I don't understand a single word of what I am saying.

A good friend will always stab you in the front.

Most people are other people. Their thoughts are someone else's opinions, their lives a mimicry, their passions a quotation.

Anyone who lives within their means suffers from a lack of imagination.

Every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future.

I think God, in creating man, somewhat overestimated his ability.

Experience is merely the name men gave to their mistakes.

Man is least himself when he talks in his own person. Give him a mask, and he will tell you the truth.

Never love anyone who treats you like you're ordinary.

I can resist anything except temptation.





- All women become like their mothers. That is their tragedy. No man does, and that is his.
- Fashion is a form of ugliness so intolerable that we have to alter it every six months.
- Whenever people agree with me I always feel I must be wrong.
- A man's face is his autobiography. A woman's face is her work of fiction.
- I choose my friends for their good looks, my acquaintances for their good characters, and my enemies for their good intellects.
- We live in an age when unnecessary things are our only necessities.
- Humanity takes itself too seriously. It is the world's original sin. If the cave-man had known how to laugh, History would have been different.
- A little sincerity is a dangerous thing, and a great deal of it is absolutely fatal.
- When the gods wish to punish us, they answer our prayers.
- My own business always bores me to death; I prefer other people's.
- What is a cynic? A man who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing.
- The critic has to educate the public; the artist has to educate the critic.
- The Americans are certainly hero-worshippers, and always take their heroes from the criminal classes.
- If you pretend to be good, the world takes you very seriously. If you pretend to be bad, it doesn't. Such is the astounding stupidity of optimism.
- If you want to tell people the truth, make them laugh, otherwise they'll kill you.





The public have an insatiable curiosity to know everything, except what is worth knowing.

A man can be happy with any woman as long as he does not love her.

No man is rich enough to buy back his past.

Nothing can cure the soul but the senses, just as nothing can cure the senses but the soul.

One should always be in love. That is the reason one should never marry.

It is always a silly thing to give advice, but to give good advice is fatal.

Pessimist: One who, when he has the choice of two evils, chooses both.

There is no necessity to separate the monarch from the mob; all authority is equally bad.

The moment you think you understand a great work of art, it's dead for you.

An excellent man; he has no enemies; and none of his friends like him.

Men always want to be a woman's first love - women like to be a man's last romance.

Democracy means simply the bludgeoning of the people by the people for the people.

No great artist ever sees things as they really are. If he did, he would cease to be an artist.

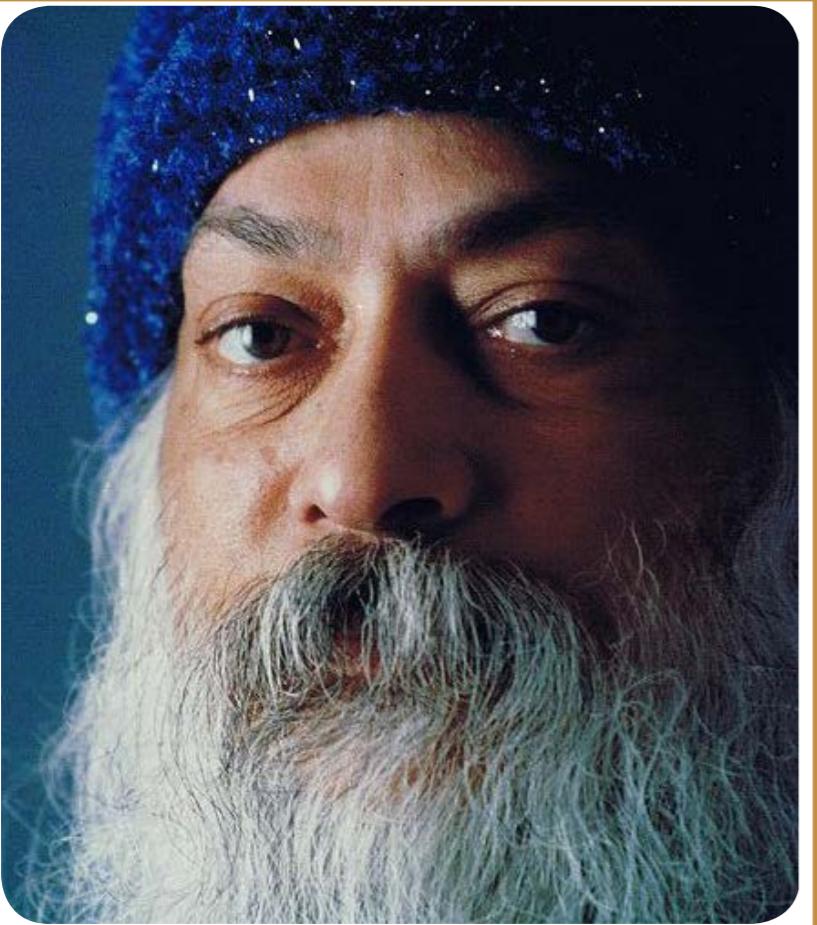
Between men and women there is no friendship possible. There is passion, enmity, worship, love, but no friendship.

It is better to be beautiful than to be good. But. it is better to be good than to be ugly.

To expect the unexpected shows a thoroughly modern intellect.



OSHO



Be realistic: Plan for a miracle.

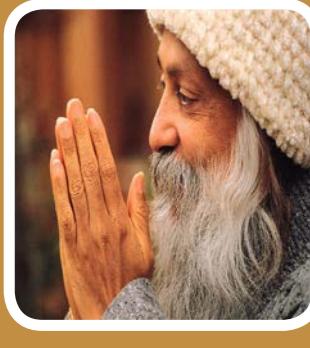
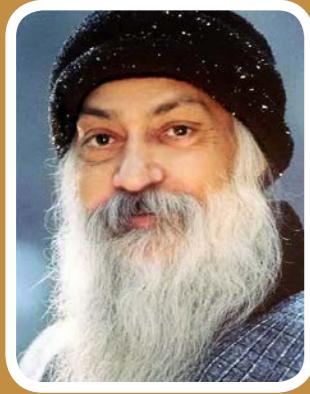
OSHO OR BHAGWAN SHREE RAJNEESH WAS BORN IN 1931 IN CENTRAL INDIA. HE WAS A CHARISMATIC AND GIFTED SPEAKER WHO BECAME THE LEADER OF A WORLDWIDE NEW SPIRITUAL MOVEMENT. IT IS SAID THAT AT THE AGE OF 21 HE ATTAINED ENLIGHTENMENT OR SAMADHI. AT THE TIME HE WAS STUDYING PHILOSOPHY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SAUGAR. ON RECEIVING A MASTERS DEGREE HE TAUGHT PHILOSOPHY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF JABALPUR FOR NINE YEARS.

AS WELL AS TEACHING PHILOSOPHY HE ALSO BEGAN TO ATTRACT DISCIPLES TO FOLLOW HIS OWN ECLECTIC MIX OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION. IN 1966 HE DECIDED TO LEAVE HIS TEACHING POST AND GIVE FULL ATTENTION TO HIS ROLE AS SPIRITUAL MASTER. IN 1974 HE MOVED WITH HIS DISCIPLES TO PUNE, INDIA. HERE HE ESTABLISHED A NEW ASHRAM IN A COMFORTABLE SETTING OF 6 ACRES. IN 1980 HE WAS ATTACKED BY A HINDU FUNDAMENTALIST WHO DISAGREED WITH OSHO'S UNCONVENTIONAL STANCE ON RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY. IT IS SAID THAT DUE TO POLICE INCOMPETENCE THE ASSAILANT WAS NEVER CONVICTED.

DUE TO FAILING HEALTH OSHO DECIDED TO LEAVE INDIA FOR AMERICA WHERE HE WOULD BE ABLE TO RECEIVE BETTER MEDICAL TREATMENT. HIS DISCIPLES BOUGHT A LARGE PLOT OF LAND NEAR ANTELOPE, OREGON. HERE THEY WISHED TO BUILD A LARGE ASHRAM AND OTHER BUILDINGS. THERE WAS OFTEN FRICTION BETWEEN THE LOCAL TOWNSPEOPLE AND THE ASHRAMITES. THERE WAS A CLASH OF CULTURES AND THE LOCAL TOWNSPEOPLE FELT THREATENED BY THE INFUX OF DEVOTEES. BECAUSE OF THIS MANY BUILDING PERMITS WERE DENIED. THIS LED TO ASHRAMITES TRYING TO GET ELECTED DIRECTLY TO THE TOWN COUNCIL. THERE WERE ALSO ALLEGATIONS MADE THAT FOLLOWERS OF OSHO WERE INVOLVED IN ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS SPREADING SALMONELLA IN A LOCAL RESTAURANT. MORE SERIOUSLY THERE WERE ALLEGATIONS OF MURDER MADE AGAINST SOME FOLLOWERS OF OSHO. TWO WERE EVENTUALLY CONVICTED OF THE MURDER OF CHARLES TURNER WHO HAD TRIED TO CLOSE THE RANCH.

IN 1987 OSHO BECAME FEARFUL OF INVESTIGATION BY THE AUTHORITIES SO HE DECIDED TO LEAVE THE COMPOUND IN OREGON AND WENT TO SOUTH CAROLINA. HERE HE FELL FOUL OF US IMMIGRATION LAW. HE HAD ARRANGED FALSE MARRIAGES AND OTHER VIOLATIONS OF IMMIGRATION LAWS. HE WAS GIVEN A SUSPENDED SENTENCE ON THE CONDITION THAT HE LEAVE THE COUNTRY. THEREFORE HE RELUCTANTLY DECIDED TO LEAVE FOR PUNE IN INDIA. IT WAS AT THIS TIME THAT HE DECIDED TO CHANGE HIS NAME FROM RAJNEESH TO OSHO. THIS IS SAID TO BE A JAPANESE WORD FOR "MASTER", ALTHOUGH OTHERS SAY OSHO COMES FROM THE TERM "OCEANIC EXPERIENCE". OSHO DIED IN 1990, HIS BIRTH CERTIFICATE GAVE A REASON OF HEART FAILURE. ALTHOUGH SOME FOLLOWERS ALLEGED POISONING BY THE U.S, BUT THESE ALLEGATIONS HAD LITTLE EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THEM.

ZEN IS AN EFFORT TO BECOME ALERT AND AWAKE.



Happiness happens when you fit with your life, when you fit so harmoniously that whatsoever you are doing is your joy.

Attachment is the root cause of all misery. Possessiveness is nourishment for the ego.

As long as the “I” is there, love cannot be. All that we call love is only desire, longing, passion and attachment; as long as ego is there, all these bind one.

Transcendence means going beyond duality. Attachment means remaining within duality.

Find ecstasy within yourself. It is not out there. It is in your innermost flowering. The one you are looking for is you. You are the traveler and you are the destination. In experiencing the ecstasy of your own being, you have achieved the final goal.

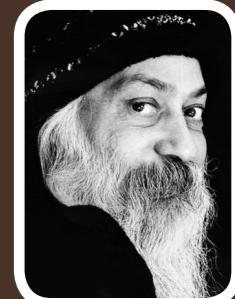
Comparison is a very foolish attitude, because each person is unique and incomparable. Once this understanding settles in you, jealousy disappears. Each is unique and incomparable. You are just yourself: nobody has ever been like you, and nobody will ever be like you. And you need not be like anybody else, either. God creates only originals; he does not believe in carbon copies.

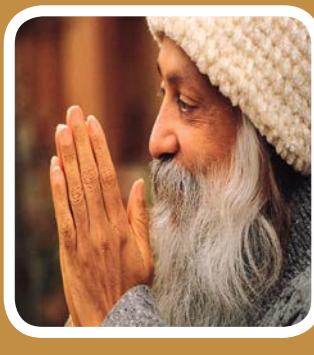
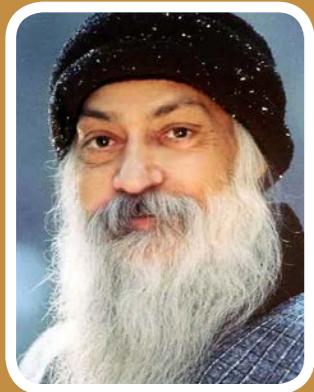
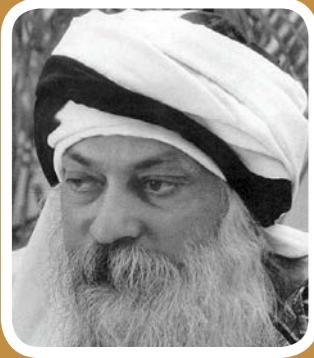
Life is a pilgrimage to nowhere, from nowhere to nowhere. And between these two nowheres is the Now-Here.

To be alone is the only real revolution. To accept that you are alone is the greatest transformation that can happen to you.

Meaning is man-created. And because you constantly look for meaning, you start to feel meaninglessness.

Always remember to judge everything by your inner feeling of bliss.





Friendship is the purest love. It is the highest form of Love where nothing is asked for, no condition, where one simply enjoys giving.

Only those who are ready to become nobodies are able to love.

Don't choose. Accept life as it is in its totality.

Life is a balance between rest and movement.

Fools laugh at others. Wisdom laughs at itself.

Zen is the only religion in the world that teaches sudden enlightenment. It says that enlightenment takes no time, it can happen in a single, split second.

Drop the idea of becoming someone, because you are already a masterpiece. You can not be improved. You have only to come to it, to know it, to realize it.

They say: Think twice before you jump. I say: Jump first and then think as much as you want!

Creativity is the greatest rebellion in existence.

Life begins where fear ends.

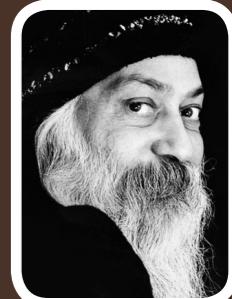
My meditation is simple. It does not require any complex practices. It is simple. It is singing. It is dancing. It is sitting silently.

The less people know, the more stubbornly they know it.

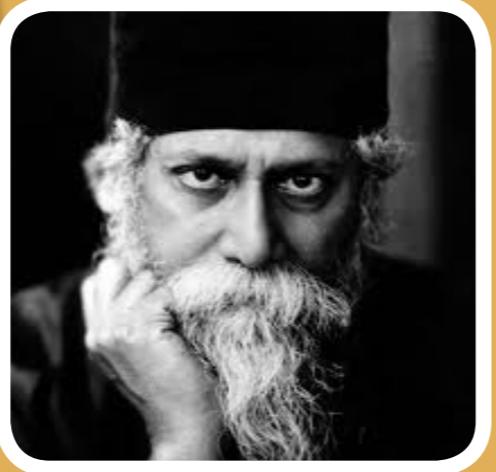
If you are a parent, open doors to unknown directions to the child so he can explore.

Don't make him afraid of the unknown, give him support.

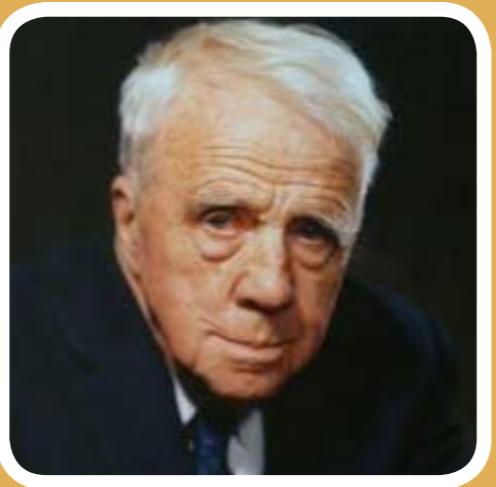
In the space of no-mind, truth descends like light.



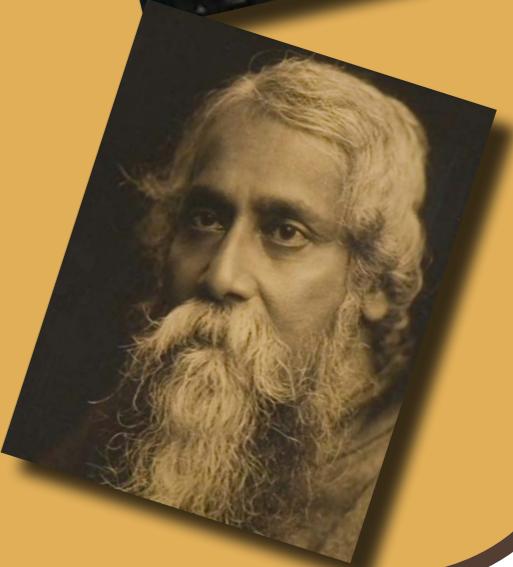
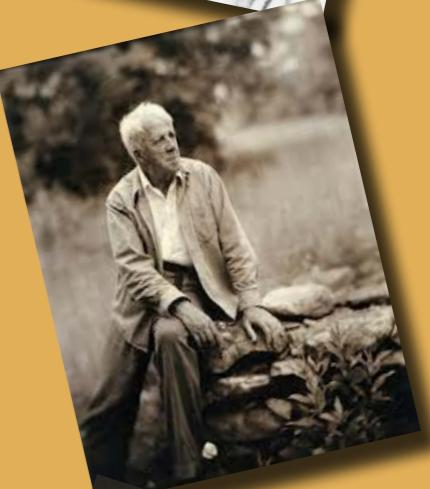
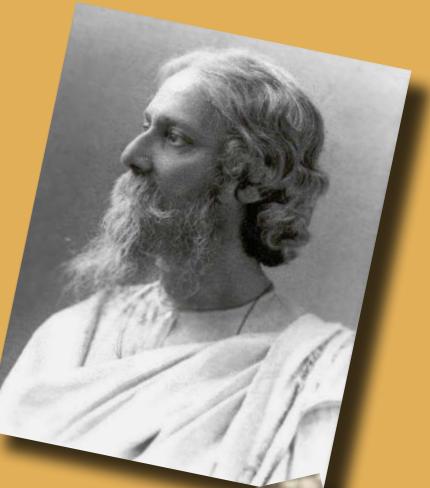
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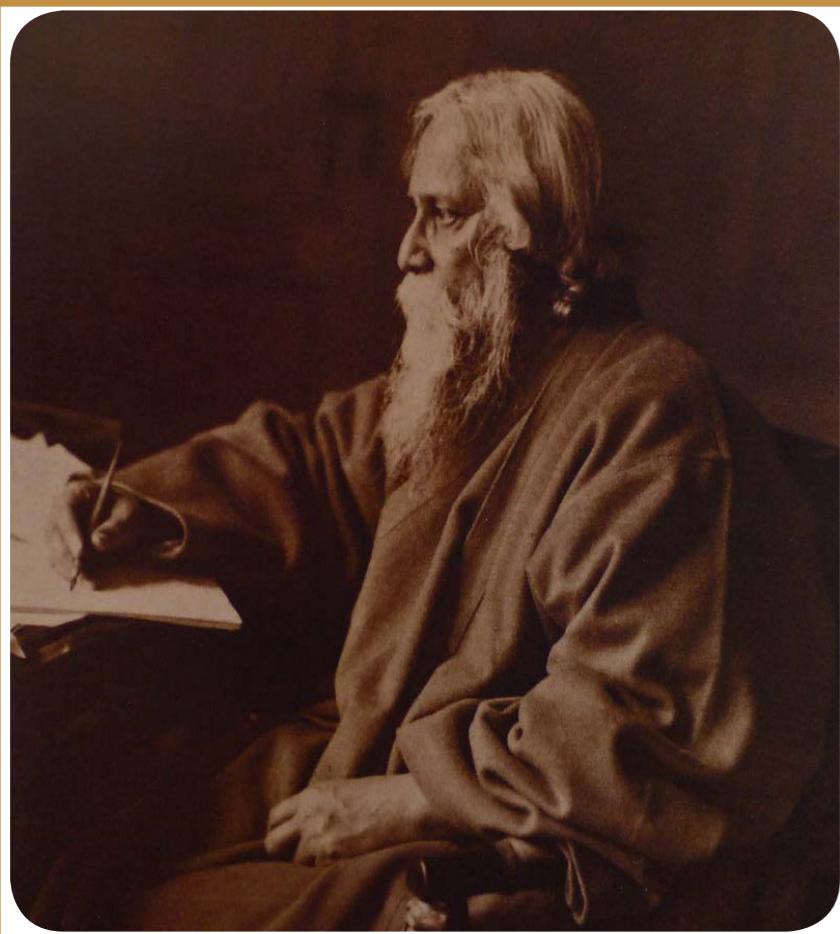
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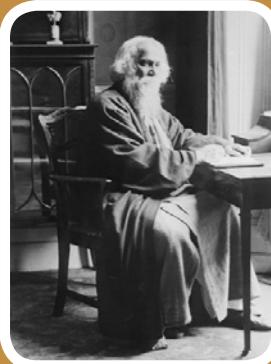
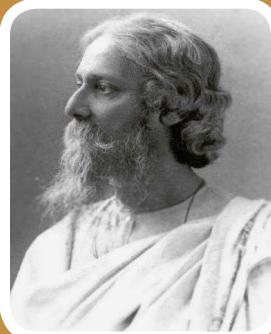
Men are cruel, but Man is kind.

RABINDRANATH TAGORE (1861-1941) WAS THE YOUNGEST SON OF DEBENDRANATH TAGORE, A LEADER OF THE BRAHMO SAMAJ, WHICH WAS A NEW RELIGIOUS SECT IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY BENGAL AND WHICH ATTEMPTED A REVIVAL OF THE ULTIMATE MONISTIC BASIS OF HINDUISM AS LAID DOWN IN THE UPANISHADS. HE WAS EDUCATED AT HOME; AND ALTHOUGH AT SEVENTEEN HE WAS SENT TO ENGLAND FOR FORMAL SCHOOLING, HE DID NOT FINISH HIS STUDIES THERE. IN HIS MATURE YEARS, IN ADDITION TO HIS MANY-SIDED LITERARY ACTIVITIES, HE MANAGED THE FAMILY ESTATES, A PROJECT WHICH BROUGHT HIM INTO CLOSE TOUCH WITH COMMON HUMANITY AND INCREASED HIS INTEREST IN SOCIAL REFORMS. HE ALSO STARTED AN EXPERIMENTAL SCHOOL AT SHANTINIKETAN WHERE HE TRIED HIS UPANISHADIC IDEALS OF EDUCATION. FROM TIME TO TIME HE PARTICIPATED IN THE INDIAN NATIONALIST MOVEMENT, THOUGH IN HIS OWN NON-SENTIMENTAL AND VISIONARY WAY; AND MAHATMA GANDHI, THE POLITICAL FATHER OF MODERN INDIA, WAS HIS DEVOTED FRIEND. TAGORE WAS KNIGHTED BY THE RULING BRITISH GOVERNMENT IN 1915, BUT WITHIN A FEW YEARS HE RESIGNED THE HONOUR AS A PROTEST AGAINST BRITISH POLICIES IN INDIA.

TAGORE HAD EARLY SUCCESS AS A WRITER IN HIS NATIVE BENGAL. WITH HIS TRANSLATIONS OF SOME OF HIS POEMS HE BECAME RAPIDLY KNOWN IN THE WEST. IN FACT HIS FAME ATTAINED A LUMINOUS HEIGHT, TAKING HIM ACROSS CONTINENTS ON LECTURE TOURS AND TOURS OF FRIENDSHIP. FOR THE WORLD HE BECAME THE VOICE OF INDIA'S SPIRITUAL HERITAGE; AND FOR INDIA, ESPECIALLY FOR BENGAL, HE BECAME A GREAT LIVING INSTITUTION.

ALTHOUGH TAGORE WROTE SUCCESSFULLY IN ALL LITERARY GENRES, HE WAS FIRST OF ALL A POET. AMONG HIS FIFTY AND ODD VOLUMES OF POETRY ARE MANASI (1890) [THE IDEAL ONE], SONAR TARI (1894) [THE GOLDEN BOAT], GITANJALI (1910) [SONG OFFERINGS], GITIMALYA (1914) [WREATH OF SONGS], AND BALAKA (1916) [THE FLIGHT OF CRANES]. THE ENGLISH RENDERINGS OF HIS POETRY, WHICH INCLUDE THE GARDENER (1913), FRUIT-GATHERING (1916), AND THE FUGITIVE (1921), DO NOT GENERALLY CORRESPOND TO PARTICULAR VOLUMES IN THE ORIGINAL BENGALI; AND IN SPITE OF ITS TITLE, **GITANJALI: SONG OFFERINGS (1912)**, THE MOST ACCLAIMED OF THEM, CONTAINS POEMS FROM OTHER WORKS BESIDES ITS NAMESAKE. TAGORE'S MAJOR PLAYS ARE RAJA (1910) [THE KING OF THE DARK CHAMBER], DAKGHAR (1912) [THE POST OFFICE], ACHALAYATAN (1912) [THE IMMOVABLE], MUKTADHARA (1922) [THE WATERFALL], AND RAKTAKARAVI (1926) [RED OLEANDERS]. HE IS THE AUTHOR OF SEVERAL VOLUMES OF SHORT STORIES AND A NUMBER OF NOVELS, AMONG THEM GORA (1910), GHARE-BAIRE (1916) [THE HOME AND THE WORLD], AND YOGAYOG (1929) [CROSSCURRENTS]. BESIDES THESE, HE WROTE MUSICAL DRAMAS, DANCE DRAMAS, ESSAYS OF ALL TYPES, TRAVEL DIARIES, AND TWO AUTOBIOGRAPHIES, ONE IN HIS MIDDLE YEARS AND THE OTHER SHORTLY BEFORE HIS DEATH IN 1941. TAGORE ALSO LEFT NUMEROUS DRAWINGS AND PAINTINGS, AND SONGS FOR WHICH HE WROTE THE MUSIC HIMSELF.

RABINDRANATH TAGORE DIED ON AUGUST 7, 1941.



If you cry because the sun has gone out of your life, your tears will prevent you from seeing the stars.

Love's gift cannot be given, it waits to be accepted.

The butterfly counts not months but moments, and has time enough.

I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy.

It is very simple to be happy, but it is very difficult to be simple.

The small wisdom is like water in a glass:
clear, transparent, pure.

The great wisdom is like the water in the sea:
dark, mysterious, impenetrable.

Don't limit a child to your own learning, for he was born in another time.

By plucking her petals you do not gather the beauty of the flower.

We read the world wrong and say that it deceives us.

Music fills the infinite between two souls.

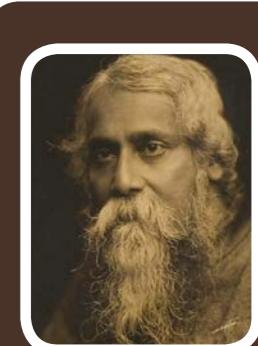
Every child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged of man.

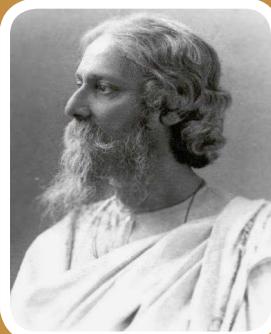
The biggest changes in a women's nature are brought by love; in man, by ambition.

The water in a vessel is sparkling; the water in the sea is dark. The small truth has words which are clear; the great truth has great silence.

when you came you cried and everybody smiled with joy; when you go smile and let the world cry for you.

In Art, man reveals himself and not his objects.





These paper boats of mine are meant to dance on the ripples of hours, and not reach any destination.

Clouds come floating into my life, no longer to carry rain or usher storm, but to add color to my sunset sky.

Let us not pray to be sheltered from dangers but to be fearless when facing them.

Faith is the bird that feels the light when the dawn is still dark.

Do not say, 'It is morning,' and dismiss it with a name of yesterday. See it for the first time as a newborn child that has no name.

Beauty is truth's smile when she beholds her own face in a perfect mirror.

The singer alone does not make a song, there has to be someone who hears.

Let me not look for allies in life's battlefield, But to my own strength. Let me not crave in anxious fear to be saved, But for the patience to win my freedom.

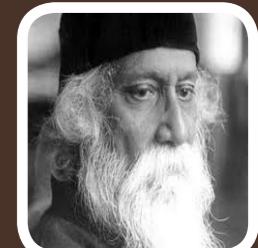
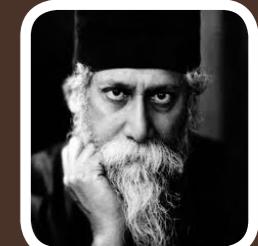
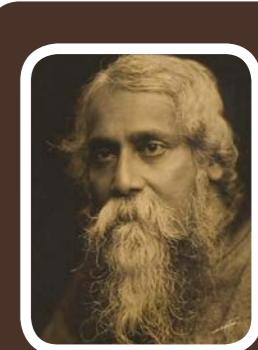
Bigotry tries to keep truth safe in its hand with a grip that kills it.

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The fish in the water is silent, the animals on the earth is noisy, the bird in the air is singing. But man has in him the silence of the sea, the noise of the earth and the music of the air.

My day is done, and I am like a boat drawn on the beach, listening to the dance-music of the tide in the evening.

Depth of friendship does not depend on length of acquaintance.



ROBERT FROST



Poetry is what gets lost in translation.

ROBERT FROST WAS BORN IN SAN FRANCISCO ON MARCH 26, 1874. HE MOVED TO NEW ENGLAND AT THE AGE OF ELEVEN AND BECAME INTERESTED IN READING AND WRITING POETRY DURING HIS HIGH SCHOOL YEARS IN LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS. HE WAS ENROLLED AT DARTMOUTH COLLEGE IN 1892, AND LATER AT HARVARD, THOUGH HE NEVER EARNED A FORMAL DEGREE.

FROST DRIFTED THROUGH A STRING OF OCCUPATIONS AFTER LEAVING SCHOOL, WORKING AS A TEACHER, COBBLER, AND EDITOR OF THE LAWRENCE SENTINEL. HIS FIRST PROFESSIONAL POEM, "MY BUTTERFLY," WAS PUBLISHED ON NOVEMBER 8, 1894, IN THE NEW YORK NEWSPAPER THE INDEPENDENT.

IN 1895, FROST MARRIED ELINOR MIRIAM WHITE, WHO BECAME A MAJOR INSPIRATION IN HIS POETRY UNTIL HER DEATH IN 1938. THE COUPLE MOVED TO ENGLAND IN 1912, AFTER THEIR NEW HAMPSHIRE FARM FAILED, AND IT WAS ABROAD THAT FROST MET AND WAS INFLUENCED BY SUCH CONTEMPORARY BRITISH POETS AS EDWARD THOMAS, RUPERT BROOKE, AND ROBERT GRAVES. WHILE IN ENGLAND, FROST ALSO ESTABLISHED A FRIENDSHIP WITH THE POET EZRA POUND, WHO HELPED TO PROMOTE AND PUBLISH HIS WORK.

BY THE TIME FROST RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1915, HE HAD PUBLISHED TWO FULL-LENGTH COLLECTIONS, *A BOY'S WILL* AND *NORTH OF BOSTON*, AND HIS REPUTATION WAS ESTABLISHED. BY THE NINETEEN-TWENTIES, HE WAS THE MOST CELEBRATED POET IN AMERICA, AND WITH EACH NEW BOOK—INCLUDING *NEW HAMPSHIRE* (1923), *A FURTHER RANGE* (1936), *STEEPLE BUSH* (1947), AND *IN THE CLEARING* (1962)—HIS FAME AND HONORS (INCLUDING FOUR PULITZER PRIZES) INCREASED.

THOUGH HIS WORK IS PRINCIPALLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE LIFE AND LANDSCAPE OF NEW ENGLAND, AND THOUGH HE WAS A POET OF TRADITIONAL VERSE FORMS AND METRICS WHO REMAINED STEADFASTLY ALOOF FROM THE POETIC MOVEMENTS AND FASHIONS OF HIS TIME, FROST IS ANYTHING BUT A MERELY REGIONAL OR MINOR POET. THE AUTHOR OF SEARCHING AND OFTEN DARK MEDITATIONS ON UNIVERSAL THEMES, HE IS A QUINTESSENTIALLY MODERN POET IN HIS ADHERENCE TO LANGUAGE AS IT IS ACTUALLY SPOKEN, IN THE PSYCHOLOGICAL COMPLEXITY OF HIS PORTRAITS, AND IN THE DEGREE TO WHICH HIS WORK IS INFUSED WITH LAYERS OF AMBIGUITY AND IRONY.

IN A 1970 REVIEW OF THE POETRY OF ROBERT FROST, THE POET DANIEL HOFFMAN DESCRIBES FROST'S EARLY WORK AS "THE PURITAN ETHIC TURNED ASTONISHINGLY LYRICAL AND ENABLED TO SAY OUT LOUD THE SOURCES OF ITS OWN DELIGHT IN THE WORLD," AND COMMENTS ON FROST'S CAREER AS THE AMERICAN BARD: "HE BECAME A NATIONAL CELEBRITY, OUR NEARLY OFFICIAL POET LAUREATE, AND A GREAT PERFORMER IN THE TRADITION OF THAT EARLIER MASTER OF THE LITERARY VERNACULAR, MARK TWAIN."

ABOUT FROST, PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY SAID, "HE HAS BEQUEATHED HIS NATION A BODY OF IMPERISHABLE VERSE FROM WHICH AMERICANS WILL FOREVER GAIN JOY AND UNDERSTANDING."

ROBERT FROST LIVED AND TAUGHT FOR MANY YEARS IN MASSACHUSETTS AND VERMONT, AND DIED IN BOSTON ON JANUARY 29, 1963.



In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on.

Never be bullied into silence. Never allow yourself to be made a victim. Accept no one's definition of your life; define yourself.

Love is an irresistible desire to be irresistibly desired.

If we couldn't laugh we would all go insane.

Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or your self-confidence.

Happiness makes up in height for what it lacks in length.

Half the world is composed of people who have something to say and can't, and the other half who have nothing to say and keep on saying it.

The best way out is always through.

I am not a teacher, but an awakener.

I'm not confused. I'm just well mixed.

Forgive me my nonsense as I also forgive the nonsense of those who think they talk sense.

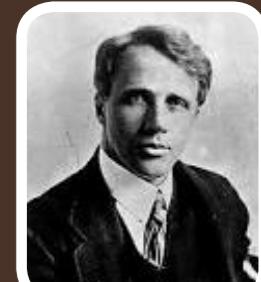
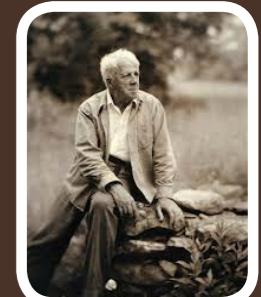
A diplomat is a man who always remembers a woman's birthday but never remembers her age.

Poetry is when an emotion has found its thought and the thought has found words.

A mother takes twenty years to make a man of her boy, and another woman makes a fool of him in twenty minutes.

The world is full of willing people, some willing to work, the rest willing to let them.

The afternoon knows what the morning never suspected.





We dance round in a ring and suppose,
But the Secret sits in the middle and knows.

By working faithfully eight hours a day, you may eventually get to be a boss and work twelve hours a day.

A person will sometimes devote all his life to the development of one part of his body - the wishbone.

A poem begins in delight and ends in wisdom.

The brain is a wonderful organ; it starts working the moment you get up in the morning and does not stop until you get into the office.

You're always believing ahead of your evidence. What was the evidence I could write a poem? I just believed it. The most creative thing in us is to believe in a thing.

A liberal is a man too broadminded to take his own side in a quarrel.

A good book has no ending.

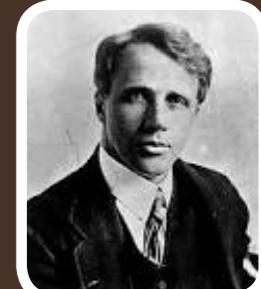
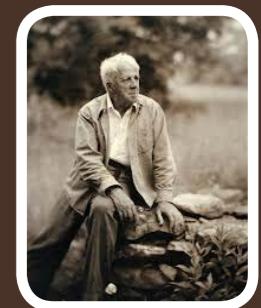
A civilized society is one which tolerates eccentricity to the point of doubtful sanity.

You've got to love what's lovable, and hate what's hateable. It takes brains to see the difference.

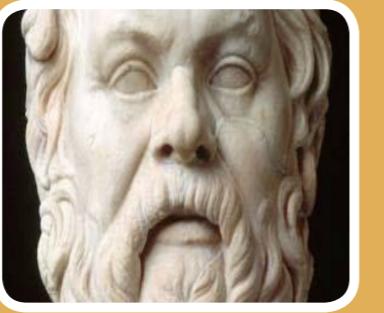
A bank is a place where they lend you an umbrella in fair weather and ask for it back when it begins to rain.

Families break up when they get hints you don't intend and miss hints that you do.

The reason why worry kills more people than work is that more people worry than work.



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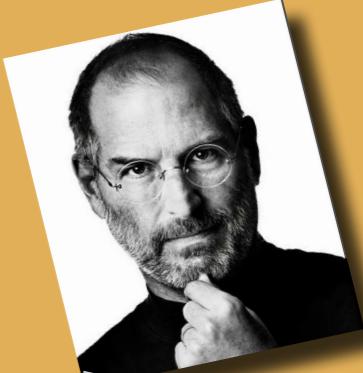
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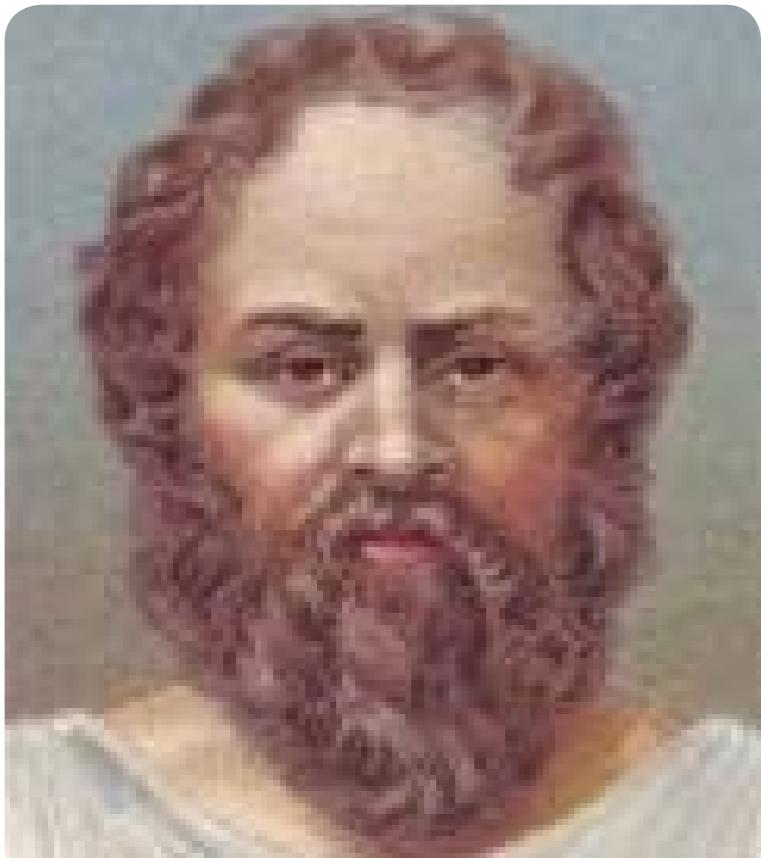
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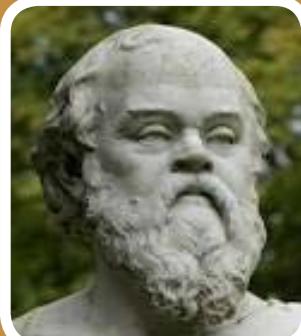
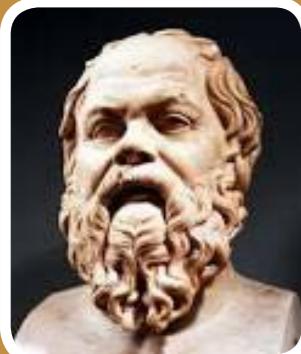


An honest man is always a child.

SOCRATES (469 BC – 399 BC) WAS A CLASSICAL GREEK ATHENIAN PHILOSOPHER. CREDITED AS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY, HE IS AN ENIGMATIC FIGURE KNOWN CHIEFLY THROUGH THE ACCOUNTS OF LATER CLASSICAL WRITERS, ESPECIALLY THE WRITINGS OF HIS STUDENTS PLATO AND XENOPHON, AND THE PLAYS OF HIS CONTEMPORARY ARISTOPHANES. MANY WOULD CLAIM THAT PLATO'S DIALOGUES ARE THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE ACCOUNTS OF SOCRATES TO SURVIVE FROM ANTIQUITY.

THROUGH HIS PORTRAYAL IN PLATO'S DIALOGUES, SOCRATES HAS BECOME RENOWNED FOR HIS CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIELD OF ETHICS, AND IT IS THIS PLATONIC SOCRATES WHO ALSO LENDS HIS NAME TO THE CONCEPTS OF SOCRATIC IRONY AND THE SOCRATIC METHOD, OR ELENCHUS. THE LATTER REMAINS A COMMONLY USED TOOL IN A WIDE RANGE OF DISCUSSIONS, AND IS A TYPE OF PEDAGOGY IN WHICH A SERIES OF QUESTIONS ARE ASKED NOT ONLY TO DRAW INDIVIDUAL ANSWERS, BUT ALSO TO ENCOURAGE FUNDAMENTAL INSIGHT INTO THE ISSUE AT HAND. IT IS PLATO'S SOCRATES THAT ALSO MADE IMPORTANT AND LASTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FIELDS OF EPISTEMOLOGY AND LOGIC, AND THE INFLUENCE OF HIS IDEAS AND APPROACH REMAINS STRONG IN PROVIDING A FOUNDATION FOR MUCH WESTERN PHILOSOPHY THAT FOLLOWED.

THE ONLY TRUE WISDOM IS IN KNOWING YOU KNOW NOTHING.



The unexamined life is not worth living.

Wonder is the beginning of wisdom.

Strong minds discuss ideas, average minds discuss events, weak minds discuss people.

By all means marry; if you get a good wife, you'll become happy; if you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher.

The only good is knowledge and the only evil is ignorance.

Death may be the greatest of all human blessings.

Be slow to fall into friendship, but when you are in, continue firm and constant.

Sometimes you put walls up not to keep people out, but to see who cares enough to break them down.

I am not an Athenian nor a Greek, but a citizen of the world.

The secret of happiness, you see, is not found in seeking more, but in developing the capacity to enjoy less.

When the debate is lost, slander becomes the tool of the loser.

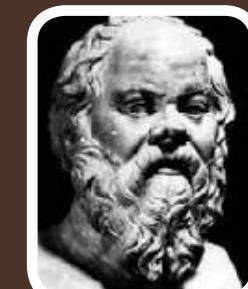
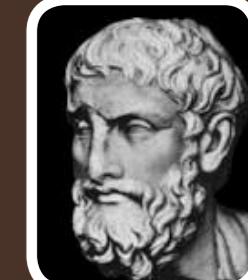
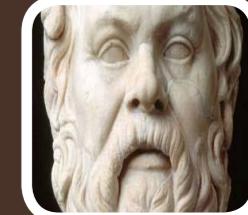
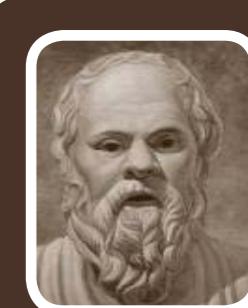
Employ your time in improving yourself by other men's writings so that you shall come easily by what others have labored hard for.

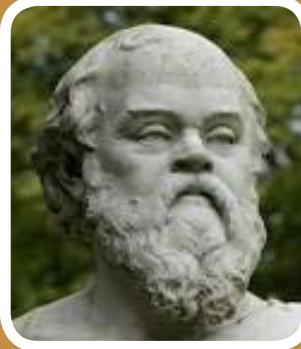
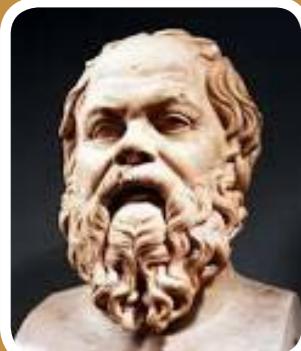
The greatest way to live with honor in this world is to be what we pretend to be.

He is richest who is content with the least, for content is the wealth of nature.

To move the world we must move ourselves.

Life contains but two tragedies. One is not to get your heart's desire; the other is to get it.





All men's souls are immortal, but the souls of the righteous are immortal and divine.

Be as you wish to seem.

False words are not only evil in themselves, but they infect the soul with evil.

No man undertakes a trade he has not learned, even the meanest; yet every one thinks himself sufficiently qualified for the hardest of all trades - that of government.

True wisdom comes to each of us when we realize how little we understand about life, ourselves, and the world around us.

Remember, no human condition is ever permanent. Then you will not be overjoyed in good fortune nor too scornful in misfortune.

The hour of departure has arrived and we go our ways; I to die, and you to live.
Which is better? Only God knows.

False words are not only evil in themselves, but they infect the soul with evil.

From the deepest desires often come the deadliest hate.

Call no man unhappy until he is married.

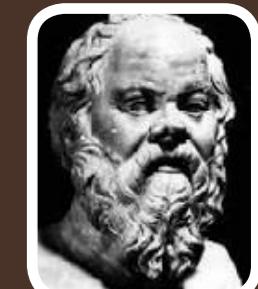
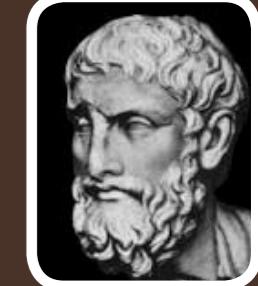
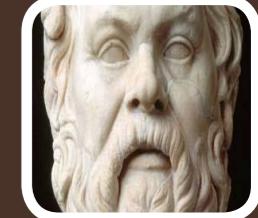
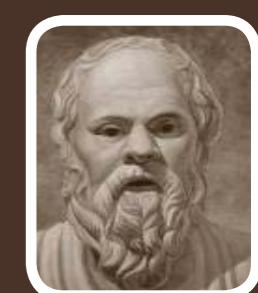
The hottest love has the coldest end.

If a man is proud of his wealth, he should not be praised until it is known how he employs it.

The poets are only the interpreters of the Gods.

Our prayers should be for blessings in general, for God knows best what is good for us.

Happiness is unrepentant pleasure.



SWAMI VIVEKANANDA



Strength is life, Weakness is death.

SWAMI VIVEKANANDA (12 JANUARY 1863–4 JULY 1902), BORN NARENDRANATH DATTA, WAS AN INDIAN HINDU MONK. HE WAS A KEY FIGURE IN THE INTRODUCTION OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHIES OF VEDANTA AND YOGA TO THE WESTERN WORLD AND WAS CREDITED WITH RAISING INTERFAITH AWARENESS, BRINGING HINDUISM TO THE STATUS OF A MAJOR WORLD RELIGION IN THE LATE 19TH CENTURY. HE WAS A MAJOR FORCE IN THE REVIVAL OF HINDUISM IN INDIA AND CONTRIBUTED TO THE NOTION OF NATIONALISM IN COLONIAL INDIA. HE WAS THE CHIEF DISCIPLE OF THE 19TH CENTURY SAINT RAMAKRISHNA AND THE FOUNDER OF THE RAMAKRISHNA MATH AND THE RAMAKRISHNA MISSION. HE IS PERHAPS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS INSPIRING SPEECH BEGINNING WITH "SISTERS AND BROTHERS OF AMERICA," THROUGH WHICH HE INTRODUCED HINDUISM AT THE PARLIAMENT OF THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS IN CHICAGO IN 1893.

BORN INTO AN ARISTOCRATIC BENGALI FAMILY OF CALCUTTA, VIVEKANANDA SHOWED AN INCLINATION TOWARDS SPIRITUALITY. HE WAS INFLUENCED BY HIS GURU RAMAKRISHNA FROM WHOM HE LEARNT THAT ALL LIVING BEINGS WERE AN EMBODIMENT OF THE DIVINE SELF AND HENCE, SERVICE TO GOD COULD BE RENDERED BY SERVICE TO MANKIND. AFTER THE DEATH OF HIS GURU, VIVEKANANDA TOURED THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT EXTENSIVELY AND ACQUIRED A FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONDITIONS THAT PREVAILED IN BRITISH INDIA. HE LATER TRAVELED TO THE UNITED STATES TO REPRESENT INDIA AS A DELEGATE IN THE 1893 PARLIAMENT OF WORLD RELIGIONS. HE CONDUCTED HUNDREDS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LECTURES AND CLASSES, DISSEMINATING TENETS OF HINDU PHILOSOPHY IN THE UNITED STATES, ENGLAND AND EUROPE. IN INDIA, VIVEKANANDA IS REGARDED AS A PATRIOTIC SAINT AND HIS BIRTHDAY IS CELEBRATED AS THE NATIONAL YOUTH DAY.

ARISE! AWAKE! AND STOP NOT TILL THE GOAL IS REACHED.



See for the highest, aim at that highest, and you shall reach the highest.

"Comfort" is no test of truth; on the contrary, truth is often far from being "comfortable".

The only test of good things is that they make us strong.

Purity, patience, and perseverance are the three essentials to success, and above all, love.

Stand up, be bold, be strong. Take the whole responsibility on your own shoulders, and know that you are the creator of your own destiny.

We must keep our dignity before others. Unless we do that, we expose ourselves to insult.

The history of the world is the history of a few men who had faith in themselves.

When death is certain, it is best to sacrifice oneself for a good cause.

Experience is the only teacher we have.

If superstition enters, the brain is gone.

Tell the truth boldly, whether it hurts or not.

The greatest sin is to think that you are weak.

Whatever is weak, avoid! It is death. If it is strength, go down into hell and get hold of it!

The fire that warms us can also consume us; it is not the fault of the fire.

You have to grow from the inside out. None can teach you, none can make you spiritual. There is no other teacher but your own soul.

In a conflict between the heart and the brain, follow your heart.

Neither seek nor avoid, take what comes.





Take up one idea. Make that one idea your life; dream of it; think of it; live on that idea. Let the brain, the body, muscles, nerves, every part of your body be full of that idea, and just leave every other idea alone. This is the way to success, and this is the way great spiritual giants are produced.



The greatest religion is to be true to your own nature. Have faith in yourselves.



We are what our thoughts have made us; so take care about what you think. Words are secondary. Thoughts live; they travel far.

Strength is Life, Weakness is Death.

Expansion is Life, Contraction is Death.

Love is Life, Hatred is Death.



Neither money pays, nor name pays, nor fame, nor learning; it is CHARACTER that cleave through adamantine walls of difference.

Desire, ignorance, and inequality—this is the trinity of bondage.



Not believing in the glory of our own soul is what the Vedanta calls atheism.



The world is the great gymnasium where we come to make ourselves strong.

Truth can be stated in a thousand different ways, yet each one can be true.

All the powers in the universe are already ours. It is we who have put our hands before our eyes and cry that it is dark.

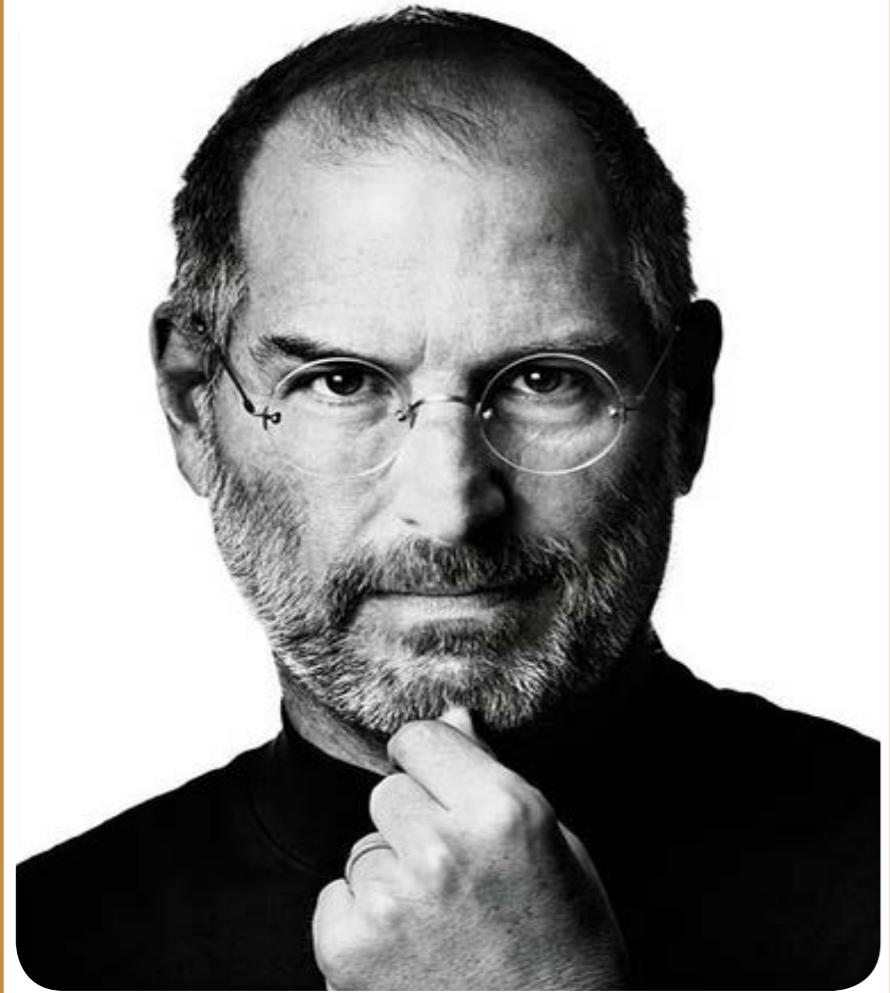


We must be Bright and Cheerful, long faces do not make Religion.

The whole life is a succession of dreams. My ambition is to be a conscious dreamer, that is all.

They alone live, who live for others.

STEVE JOBS



Stay hungry, Stay foolish.

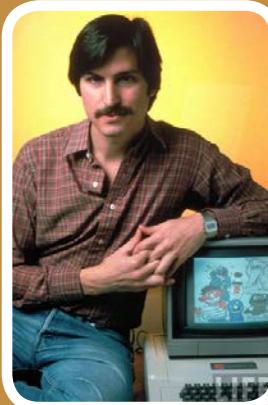
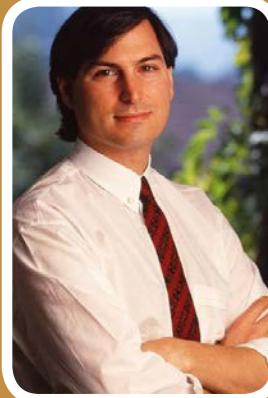
STEVEN PAUL JOBS (FEBRUARY 24, 1955 – OCTOBER 5, 2011) WAS AN AMERICAN ENTREPRENEUR. HE IS BEST KNOWN AS THE CO-FOUNDER, CHAIRMAN, AND CEO OF APPLE INC. THROUGH APPLE, HE WAS WIDELY RECOGNIZED AS A CHARISMATIC PIONEER OF THE PERSONAL COMPUTER REVOLUTION AND FOR HIS INFLUENTIAL CAREER IN THE COMPUTER AND CONSUMER ELECTRONICS FIELDS. JOBS ALSO CO-FOUNDED AND SERVED AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF PIXAR ANIMATION STUDIOS; HE BECAME A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY IN 2006, WHEN DISNEY ACQUIRED PIXAR.

IN THE LATE 1970S, APPLE CO-FOUNDER STEVE WOZNIAK ENGINEERED ONE OF THE FIRST COMMERCIALLY SUCCESSFUL LINES OF PERSONAL COMPUTERS, THE APPLE II SERIES. JOBS WAS AMONG THE FIRST TO SEE THE COMMERCIAL POTENTIAL OF XEROX PARC'S MOUSE-DRIVEN GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE, WHICH LED TO THE CREATION OF THE APPLE LISA AND, ONE YEAR LATER, THE MACINTOSH. HE ALSO PLAYED A ROLE IN INTRODUCING THE LASERWRITER, ONE OF THE FIRST WIDELY AVAILABLE LASER PRINTERS, TO THE MARKET.

AFTER A POWER STRUGGLE WITH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN 1985, JOBS LEFT APPLE AND FOUNDED NEXT, A COMPUTER PLATFORM DEVELOPMENT COMPANY SPECIALIZING IN THE HIGHER-EDUCATION AND BUSINESS MARKETS. IN 1986, HE ACQUIRED THE COMPUTER GRAPHICS DIVISION OF LUCASFILM, WHICH WAS SPUN OFF AS PIXAR. HE WAS CREDITED IN TOY STORY (1995) AS AN EXECUTIVE PRODUCER. HE SERVED AS CEO AND MAJORITY SHAREHOLDER UNTIL DISNEY'S PURCHASE OF PIXAR IN 2006. IN 1996, AFTER APPLE HAD FAILED TO DELIVER ITS OPERATING SYSTEM, COPLAND, GIL AMELIO TURNED TO NEXT COMPUTER, AND THE NEXTSTEP PLATFORM BECAME THE FOUNDATION FOR THE MAC OS X. JOBS RETURNED TO APPLE AS AN ADVISOR, AND TOOK CONTROL OF THE COMPANY AS AN INTERIM CEO. JOBS BROUGHT APPLE FROM NEAR BANKRUPTCY TO PROFITABILITY BY 1998.

AS THE NEW CEO OF THE COMPANY, JOBS OVERSAW THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE IMAC, ITUNES, IPOD, IPHONE, AND IPAD, AND ON THE SERVICES SIDE, THE COMPANY'S APPLE RETAIL STORES, ITUNES STORE AND THE APP STORE. THE SUCCESS OF THESE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES PROVIDED SEVERAL YEARS OF STABLE FINANCIAL RETURNS, AND PROPELLED APPLE TO BECOME THE WORLD'S MOST VALUABLE PUBLICLY TRADED COMPANY IN 2011. THE REINVIGORATION OF THE COMPANY IS REGARDED BY MANY COMMENTATORS AS ONE OF THE GREATEST TURNAROUNDS IN BUSINESS HISTORY.

IN 2003, JOBS WAS DIAGNOSED WITH A PANCREAS NEUROENDOCRINE TUMOR. THOUGH IT WAS INITIALLY TREATED, HE REPORTED A HORMONE IMBALANCE, UNDERWENT A LIVER TRANSPLANT IN 2009, AND APPEARED PROGRESSIVELY THINNER AS HIS HEALTH DECLINED. ON MEDICAL LEAVE FOR MOST OF 2011, JOBS RESIGNED IN AUGUST THAT YEAR, AND WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. HE DIED OF RESPIRATORY ARREST RELATED TO HIS METASTATIC TUMOR ON OCTOBER 5, 2011.



Design is not just what it looks like and feels like. Design is how it works.

Do you want to spend the rest of your life selling sugared water or do you want a chance to change the world?

If today were the last day of my life, Would I want to do what I'm about to do today?
And whenever the answer has been “no” for too many days in a row, I know I need to change something.

Be a yardstick of quality. Some people aren't used to an environment where excellence is expected.

Being the richest man in the cemetery doesn't matter to me ... Going to bed at night saying we've done something wonderful... that's what matters to me.

It's more fun to be a pirate than to join the navy.

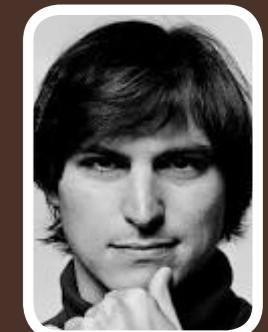
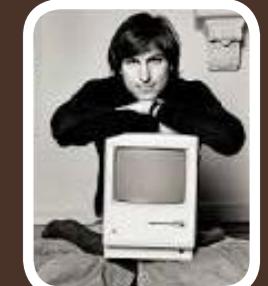
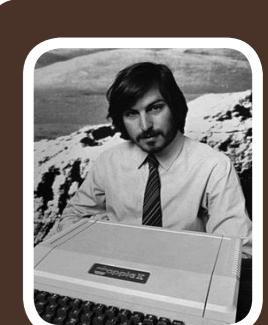
It's really hard to design products by focus groups. A lot of times, people don't know what they want until you show it to them.

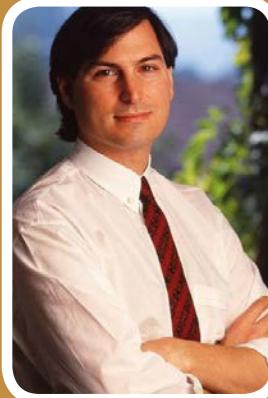
My job is not to be easy on people. My job is to make them better.

Innovation has nothing to do with how many R&D dollars you have. When Apple came up with the Mac, IBM was spending at least 100 times more on R&D. It's not about money. It's about the people you have, how you're led, and how much you get it.

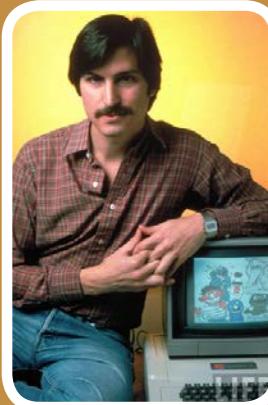
Older people sit down and ask, 'What is it?' but the boy asks, 'What can I do with it?'.

That's been one of my mantras - focus and simplicity. Simple can be harder than complex: You have to work hard to get your thinking clean to make it simple. But it's worth it in the end, because once you get there, you can move mountains.





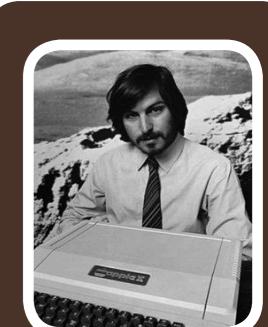
My model for business is The Beatles: They were four guys that kept each other's negative tendencies in check; they balanced each other. And the total was greater than the sum of the parts. Great things in business are not done by one person, they are done by a team of people.



I'm actually as proud of the things we haven't done as the things I have done. Innovation is saying no to 1,000 things.



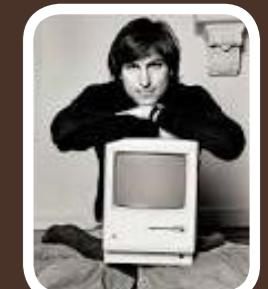
I am saddened, not by Microsoft's success — I have no problem with their success. They've earned their success, for the most part. I have a problem with the fact that they just make really third-rate products.



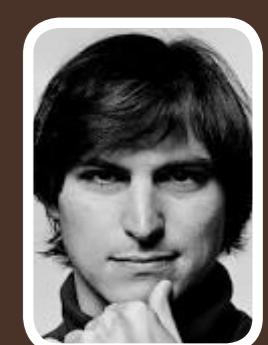
It's not a faith in technology. It's faith in people.



My favorite things in life don't cost any money. It's really clear that the most precious resource we all have is time.



Pretty much, Apple and Dell are the only ones in this industry making money. They make it by being WalMart. We make it by innovation.



Sometimes life hits you in the head with a brick. Don't lose faith.

To turn really interesting ideas and fledgling technologies into a company that can continue to innovate for years, it requires a lot of disciplines.

We hire people who want to make the best things in the world.

I think death is the most wonderful invention of life. It purges the system of these old models that are obsolete.

I would trade all my technology for an afternoon with Socrates.

Quotes on

SUCCESS



Never, never, never, never give up.

IN SOCIOLOGY OR ANTHROPOLOGY, SOCIAL STATUS OR SUCCESS IS THE HONOR OR PRESTIGE ATTACHED TO ONE'S POSITION IN SOCIETY (ONE'S SOCIAL POSITION). IT MAY ALSO REFER TO A RANK OR POSITION THAT ONE HOLDS IN A GROUP, FOR EXAMPLE SON OR DAUGHTER, PLAYMATE, PUPIL, ETC.

SOCIAL STATUS, THE POSITION OR RANK OF A PERSON OR GROUP WITHIN THE SOCIETY, CAN BE DETERMINED TWO WAYS. ONE CAN EARN THEIR SOCIAL STATUS BY THEIR OWN ACHIEVEMENTS, WHICH IS KNOWN AS ACHIEVED STATUS. ALTERNATIVELY, ONE CAN BE PLACED IN THE STRATIFICATION SYSTEM BY THEIR INHERITED POSITION, WHICH IS CALLED ASCRIBED STATUS. ASCRIBED STATUSES CAN ALSO BE DEFINED AS THOSE THAT ARE FIXED FOR AN INDIVIDUAL AT BIRTH. ASCRIBED STATUSES THAT EXIST IN ALL SOCIETIES INCLUDE THOSE BASED UPON SEX, AGE, RACE ETHNIC GROUP AND FAMILY BACKGROUND. FOR EXAMPLE, A PERSON BORN INTO A WEALTHY FAMILY CHARACTERIZED BY TRAITS SUCH AS POPULARITY, TALENTS AND HIGH VALUES WILL HAVE MANY EXPECTATIONS GROWING UP. THEREFORE, THEY ARE GIVEN AND TAUGHT MANY SOCIAL ROLES AS THEY ARE SOCIALLY POSITIONED INTO A FAMILY BECOMING EQUIPPED WITH ALL THESE TRAITS AND CHARACTERISTICS. ACHIEVED STATUSES MEANING ALSO WHAT THE INDIVIDUAL ACQUIRES DURING HIS OR HER LIFETIME AS A RESULT OF THE EXERCISE OF KNOWLEDGE, ABILITY, SKILL AND/OR PERSEVERANCE. OCCUPATION PROVIDES AN EXAMPLE OF STATUS THAT MAY BE EITHER ASCRIBED OR ACHIEVED, IT CAN BE ACHIEVED BY ONE GAINING THE RIGHT KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL TO BECOME SOCIALLY POSITIONED INTO A HIGHER POSITION OF THAT JOB; BUILDING A PERSONS SOCIAL IDENTITY WITHIN THE OCCUPATION.

IN MODERN SOCIETIES, OCCUPATION IS USUALLY THOUGHT OF AS THE MAIN DETERMINANT OF STATUS, BUT OTHER MEMBERSHIPS OR AFFILIATIONS (SUCH AS ETHNIC GROUP, RELIGION, GENDER, VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATIONS, FANDOM, HOBBY) CAN HAVE AN INFLUENCE. THE IMPORTANCE OF SOCIAL STATUS CAN BE SEEN IN THE PEER STATUS HIERARCHY OF GEEKS, ATHLETES, CHEERLEADERS, NERDS, AND WEIRDOS IN HOLLYWOOD STEREOTYPES OF AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOLS. ACHIEVED STATUS IS WHEN PEOPLE ARE PLACED IN THE STRATIFICATION STRUCTURE BASED ON THEIR INDIVIDUAL MERITS OR ACHIEVEMENTS. THIS STATUS CAN BE ACHIEVED THROUGH EDUCATION, OCCUPATION, AND MARITAL STATUS. THEIR PLACE WITHIN THE STRATIFICATION STRUCTURE IS DETERMINED BY SOCIETY'S BAR, WHICH OFTEN JUDGES THEM ON SUCCESS, SUCCESS BEING FINANCIAL, ACADEMIC, POLITICAL AND SO ON. AMERICA MOST COMMONLY USES THIS FORM OF STATUS WITH JOBS. THE HIGHER YOU ARE IN RANK THE BETTER OFF YOU ARE AND THE MORE CONTROL YOU HAVE OVER YOUR CO-WORKERS.



The greater danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that it is too low and we reach it. — Michelangelo

Success seems to be connected to action. Successful people keep moving. They make mistakes, but they don't quit. — Conrad Hilton

The secret of getting ahead is getting started. — Mark Twain

For true success ask yourself these four questions: Why? Why not? Why not me? Why not now? — James Allen

Impossible is a word to be found only in the dictionary of fools. — Napoleon Bonaparte

It is hard to fail, but it is worse never to have tried to succeed. — Theodore Roosevelt

I cannot give you the formula for success, but I can give you the formula for failure which is, try to please everybody. — Herbert Swope

Sweat plus sacrifice equals success. — Charles O. Finley

Put your heart, mind, intellect and soul even to your smallest acts. That is the secret to success. — Swami Sivananda

Success is a journey, not a destination. — Ben Sweetland

The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. — Chinese proverb

You just can't beat the person who never gives up. — Babe Ruth

Successful people are always looking for opportunities to help others.

Unsuccessful people are always asking, 'What's in it for me?' — Brian Tracy

The only man who never makes mistakes is the man who never does anything.

— Theodore Roosevelt





I don't measure a man's success by how high he climbs but how high he bounces when he hits bottom. — George Patton

In order to succeed you must fail so that you know what not to do the next time.
— Anthony J. D'Angelo

People who are afraid to fail can never experience the joys of success. — Pete Zafra

Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.
— Ralph Waldo Emerson

Success is doing ordinary things extraordinarily well. — Jim Rohn

I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everybody.
— Bill Cosby

The greatest barrier to success is the fear of failure. — Sven Goran Eriksson

The most important single ingredient in the formula of success is knowing how to get along with people. — Theodore Roosevelt

Try to become not a man of success, but try rather to become a man of value.
— Albert Einstein

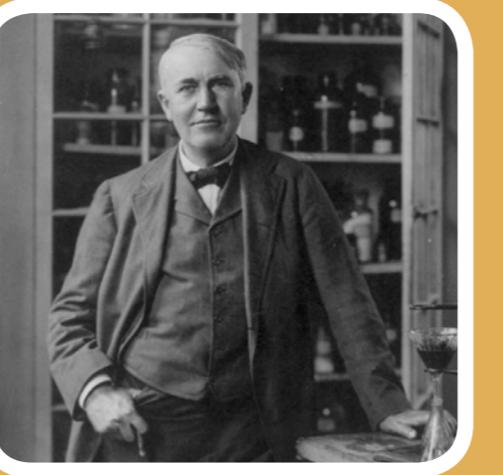
Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up. — Thomas Edison

Always bear in mind that your own resolution to success is more important than any other thing. — Abraham Lincoln

Success often comes to those who dare to act. It seldom goes to the timid who are ever afraid of the consequences. — Jawaharlal Nehru



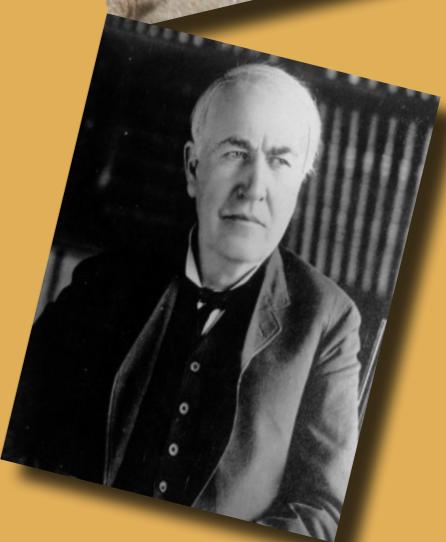
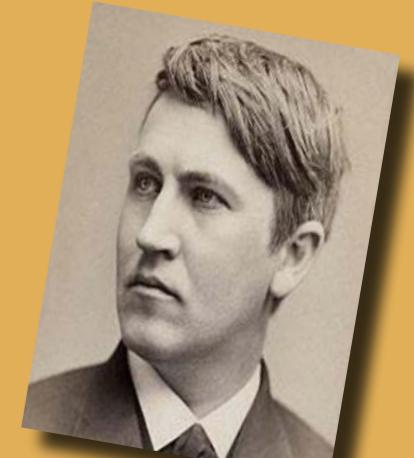
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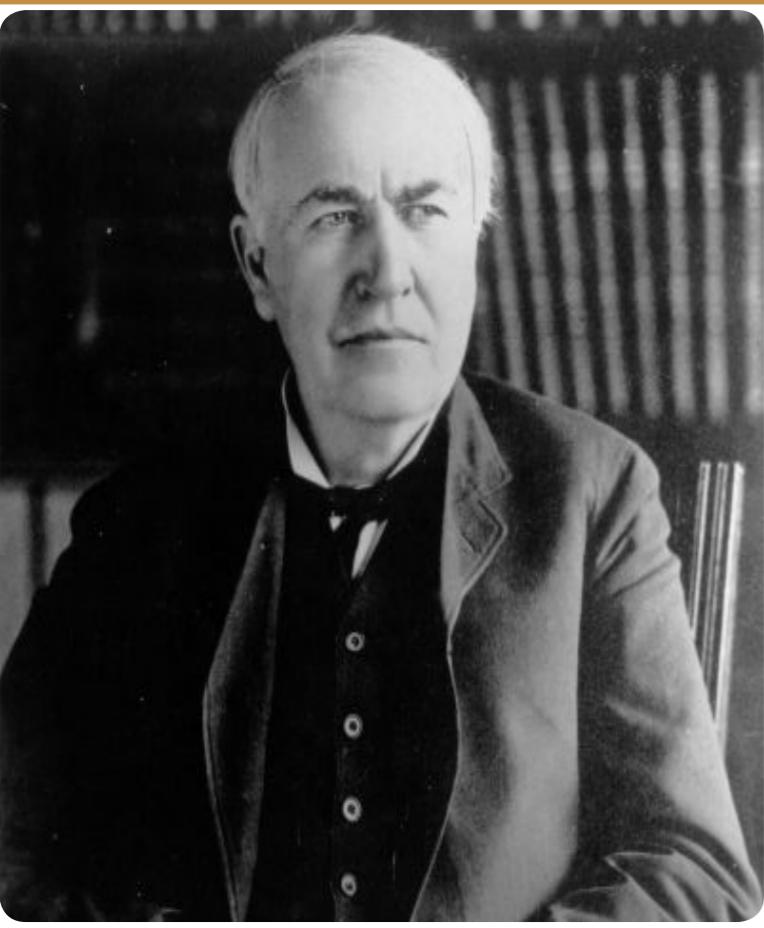
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Teamwork (Unity)



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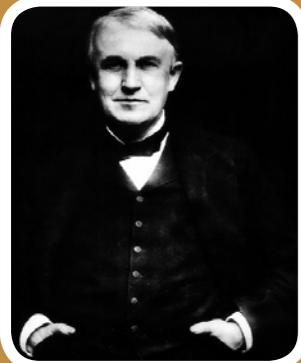
There is no substitute for hard work.

THOMAS ALVA EDISON, (BORN FEBRUARY 11, 1847, MILAN, OHIO, U.S.—DIED OCTOBER 18, 1931, WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY), AMERICAN INVENTOR WHO, SINGLY OR JOINTLY, HELD A WORLD RECORD 1,093 PATENTS. IN ADDITION, HE CREATED THE WORLD'S FIRST INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH LABORATORY.

EDISON WAS THE QUINTESSENTIAL AMERICAN INVENTOR IN THE ERA OF YANKEE INGENUITY. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER IN 1863, IN THE ADOLESCENCE OF THE TELEGRAPH INDUSTRY, WHEN VIRTUALLY THE ONLY SOURCE OF ELECTRICITY WAS PRIMITIVE BATTERIES PUTTING OUT A LOW-VOLTAGE CURRENT. BEFORE HE DIED, IN 1931, HE HAD PLAYED A CRITICAL ROLE IN INTRODUCING THE MODERN AGE OF ELECTRICITY. FROM HIS LABORATORIES AND WORKSHOPS EMANATED THE PHONOGRAPH, THE CARBON-BUTTON TRANSMITTER FOR THE TELEPHONE SPEAKER AND MICROPHONE, THE INCANDESCENT LAMP, A REVOLUTIONARY GENERATOR OF UNPRECEDENTED EFFICIENCY, THE FIRST COMMERCIAL ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER SYSTEM, AN EXPERIMENTAL ELECTRIC RAILROAD, AND KEY ELEMENTS OF MOTION-PICTURE APPARATUS, AS WELL AS A HOST OF OTHER INVENTIONS.

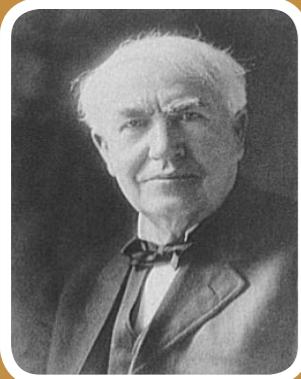
EDISON WAS THE SEVENTH AND LAST CHILD—THE FOURTH SURVIVING—OF SAMUEL EDISON, JR., AND NANCY ELLIOT EDISON. AT AN EARLY AGE HE DEVELOPED HEARING PROBLEMS, WHICH HAVE BEEN VARIOUSLY ATTRIBUTED BUT WERE MOST LIKELY DUE TO A FAMILIAL TENDENCY TO MASTOIDITIS. WHATEVER THE CAUSE, EDISON'S DEAFNESS STRONGLY INFLUENCED HIS BEHAVIOUR AND CAREER, PROVIDING THE MOTIVATION FOR MANY OF HIS INVENTIONS.

WE OFTEN MISS OPPORTUNITY BECAUSE IT'S DRESSED IN OVERALLS AND LOOKS LIKE WORK.



I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.
Genius is 1 percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration.

Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up.



Non-violence leads to the highest ethics, which is the goal of all evolution. Until we stop harming all other living beings, we are still savages.

To invent, you need a good imagination and a pile of junk.



Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is to try just one more time.

The three great essentials to achieve anything worthwhile are, first, hard work; second, stick-to-itiveness; third, common sense.

Five percent of the people think;
ten percent of the people think they think;
and the other eighty-five percent would rather die than think.

Negative results are just what I want. They're just as valuable to me as positive results.
I can never find the thing that does the job best until I find the ones that don't.

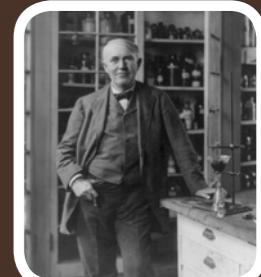
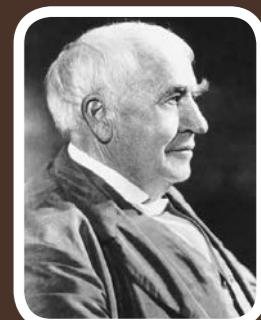
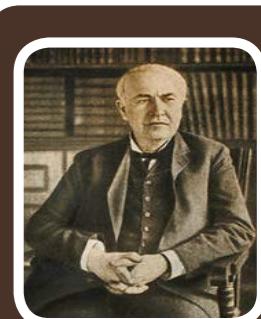
I never did a day's work in my life. it was all fun.

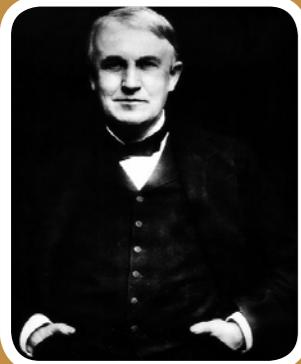
There is always a better way.

Your worth consists in what you are and not in what you have.

We have but two ears and one mouth so that we may listen twice as much as we speak.

I find out what the world needs. Then I go ahead and try to invent it.





I am proud of the fact that I never invented weapons to kill.

Good fortune is what happens when opportunity meets with planning.

I never failed once. It just happened to be a 2000-step process.

As a cure for worrying, work is better than whisky.

Everything comes to him who hustles while he waits.

So far as the religion of the day is concerned, it is a damned fake.. Religion is all bunk.

I owe my success to the fact that I never had a clock in my workroom.

If we did all the things we are capable of, we would literally astound ourselves.

Be courageous! Have faith! Go forward.

I am not discouraged, because every wrong attempt discarded is another step forward.

Relentlessness and discontent are the first necessities of progress.

Maturity is often more absurd than youth and very frequently is most unjust to youth.

It is astonishing what an effort it seems to be for many people to put their brains definitely and systematically to work.

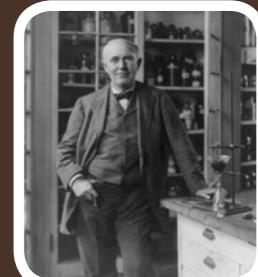
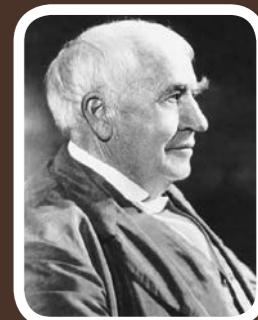
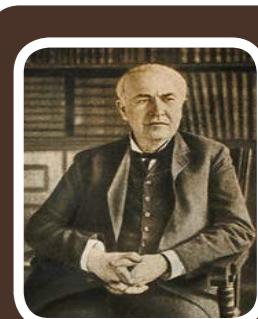
Show me a thoroughly satisfied man and I will show you a failure.

I find my greatest pleasure, and so my reward, in the work that precedes what the world calls success.

I start where the last man left off.

There is far more opportunity than there is ability.

There is no expedient to which a man will not go to avoid the labor of thinking.



TEAMWORK



Where there is unity there is always victory.

TEAMWORK IS "WORK DONE BY SEVERAL ASSOCIATES WITH EACH DOING A PART BUT ALL SUBORDINATING PERSONAL PROMINENCE TO THE EFFICIENCY OF THE WHOLE".

IN A BUSINESS SETTING ACCOUNTING TECHNIQUES MAY BE USED TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL MEASURES OF THE BENEFITS OF TEAMWORK WHICH ARE USEFUL FOR JUSTIFYING THE CONCEPT. TEAMWORK IS INCREASINGLY ADVOCATED BY HEALTH CARE POLICY MAKERS AS A MEANS OF ASSURING QUALITY AND SAFETY IN THE DELIVERY OF SERVICES; A COMMITTEE OF THE INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE RECOMMENDED IN 2000 THAT PATIENT SAFETY PROGRAMS "ESTABLISH INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR PROVIDERS THAT INCORPORATE PROVEN METHODS OF TEAM TRAINING, SUCH AS SIMULATION."

IN HEALTH CARE, ONE DEFINITION OF TEAMWORK IS "THOSE BEHAVIOURS THAT FACILITATE EFFECTIVE TEAM MEMBER INTERACTION," WITH "TEAM" DEFINED AS "A GROUP OF TWO OR MORE INDIVIDUALS WHO PERFORM SOME WORK RELATED TASK, INTERACT WITH ONE ANOTHER DYNAMICALLY, HAVE A SHARED PAST, HAVE A FORESEEABLE SHARED FUTURE, AND SHARE A COMMON FATE." ONE DEFINITION FOR TEAMWORK PROPOSED IN 2008 IS "THE INTERDEPENDENT COMPONENTS OF PERFORMANCE REQUIRED TO EFFECTIVELY COORDINATE THE PERFORMANCE OF MULTIPLE INDIVIDUALS"; AS SUCH, TEAMWORK IS "NESTED WITHIN" THE BROADER CONCEPT OF TEAM PERFORMANCE WHICH ALSO INCLUDES INDIVIDUAL-LEVEL TASKWORK. ANOTHER DEFINITION PROPOSED IN 2008 IS "A DYNAMIC PROCESS INVOLVING TWO OR MORE HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS WITH COMPLEMENTARY BACKGROUNDS AND SKILLS, SHARING COMMON HEALTH GOALS AND EXERCISING CONCERTED PHYSICAL AND MENTAL EFFORT IN ASSESSING, PLANNING, OR EVALUATING PATIENT CARE." A 2012 REVIEW OF THE ACADEMIC LITERATURE FOUND THAT THE WORD "TEAMWORK" HAS BEEN USED "AS A CATCHALL TO REFER TO A NUMBER OF BEHAVIORAL PROCESSES AND EMERGENT STATES."

TEAM = TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

BURDENS SHARED ARE EASIER TO BEAR. -- JESSE JACKSON



Coming together is a beginning.

Keeping together is progress.

Working together is success. — Henry Ford

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much. — Helen Keller

Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships. — Michael Jordan

Teamwork is the secret that make common people achieve uncommon result. — Ifeanyi Enoch

If two men on the same job agree all the time, then one is useless. If they disagree all the time, both are useless. — Darryl F. Zanuck

None of us is as smart as all of us. — Ken Blanchard

Do you want a collection of brilliant minds or a brilliant collection of minds?

— R. Meredith Belbin

Teams share the burden and divide the grief. — Doug Smith

No one can whistle a symphony. It takes an orchestra to play it. — H.E. Luccock

The best teamwork comes from men who are working independently toward one goal in unison. — James Cash Penney

When you start out in a team, you have to get the teamwork going and then you get something back. — Michael Schumacher

Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved. — Mattie Stepanek

When you score a goal, or hit a three, or get a touchdown, you don't do it for yourself, you do it for the team cause the name in the front of the shirt is more important than the one on the back. — Anon.





Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success. — Anon

Contrary to popular belief, there most certainly is an "I" in "team." It is the same "I" that appears three times in "responsibility." — Amber Harding

Remember upon the conduct of each depends the fate of all. — Alexander the Great

If you want to build a ship, don't drum up people together to collect wood and don't assign them tasks and work, but rather teach them to long for the endless immensity of the sea.

— Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Finding good players is easy. Getting them to play as a team is another story.

— Casey Stengel

The achievements of an organization are the results of the combined effort of each individual. — Vince Lombardi

We are only as strong as we are united, as weak as we are divided. — J.K. Rowling

All for one and one for all. — Alexandre Dumas

A hand fought best when it made a fist. — Guy Gavriel

The reason why the world lacks unity, and lies broken and in heaps, is, because man is disunited with himself. — Ralph Waldo Emerson

Build for your team a feeling of oneness, of dependence on one another and of strength to be derived by unity. — Vince Lombardi

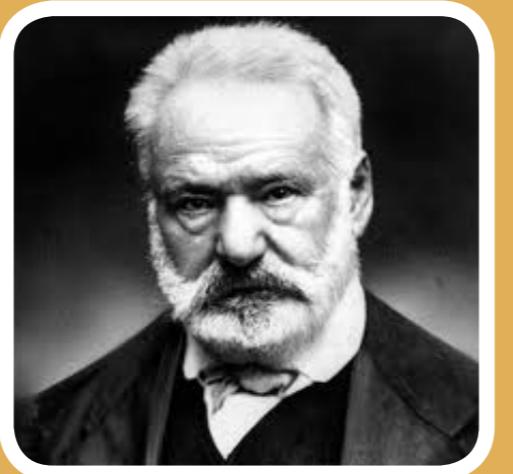
Effective teamwork is all about making a good, well-balanced salad not whipping individuals into a single batch of V8. — Sandra Richardson

Without forgiveness, there can be no real freedom to act within a group.

— Max DePree



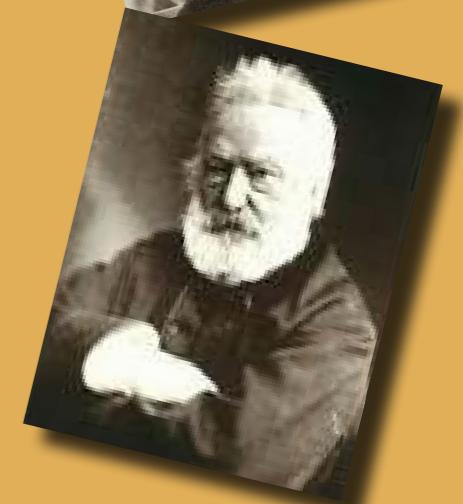
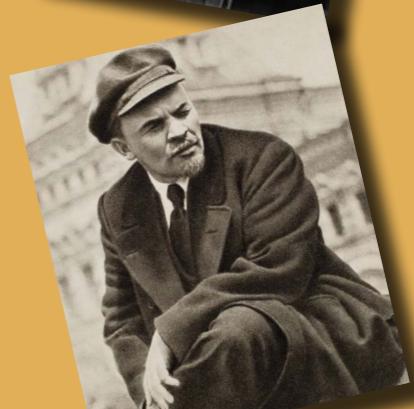
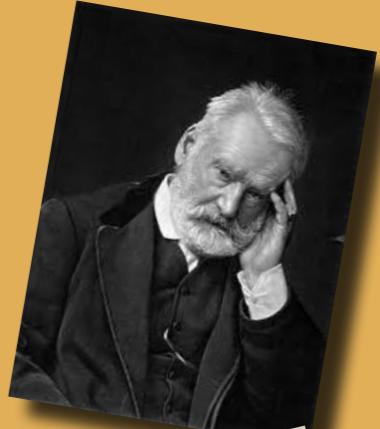
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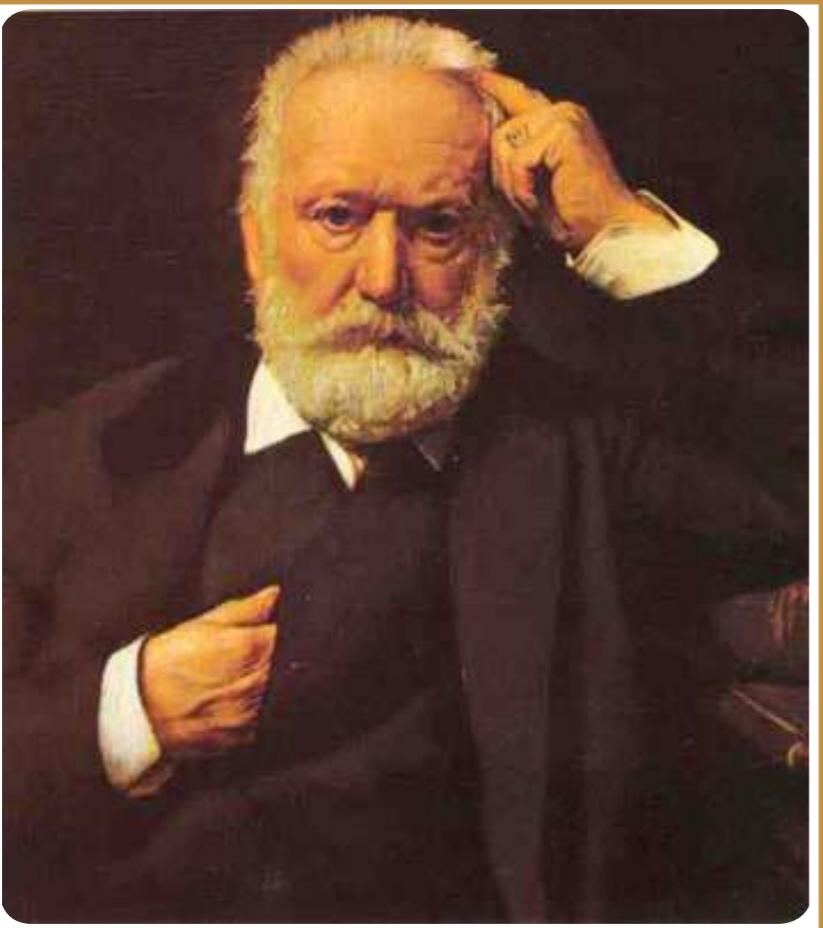
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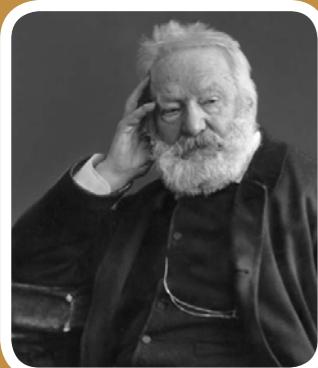


He who opens a school door, closes a prison.

VICTOR MARIE VICOMTE HUGO, ONE OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED FRENCH WRITERS, WAS BORN FEBRUARY 26TH, 1802, AT BESANCON, WHERE HIS FATHER WAS THEN COMMANDANT OF THE GARRISON. HE EARLY ACQUIRED DISTINCTION BY HIS POETIC EFFUSIONS, AND BEFORE HE WAS THIRTY YEARS OF AGE, HIS PUBLISHED WORKS WERE NUMEROUS, AND HIS NAME FAMOUS. ODES AND BALLADS, ROMANCES, DRAMAS, ETC., FLOWED FROM HIS PROLIFIC PEN. SHORTLY BEFORE THE REVOLUTION OF 1830, A LITERARY REVOLUTION TOOK PLACE, AT THE HEAD OF WHICH WAS HUGO. A BAND OF YOUNG MEN, IMAGINATIVE, ARDENT, AND CONFIDENT, SOUGHT TO RENOVATE FRENCH LITERATURE BY DEPARTING FROM CLASSIC RULES AND MODELS, SUBSTITUTING A VARIED AND VERY IRREGULAR VERSE FOR THE MONOTONOUS ALEXANDRINES OF THE OLD SCHOOL. THE NEW SCHOOL, "LA JEUNE FRANCE," AS THEY CALLED THEMSELVES, FORMED THE ROMANTICISTS, AND THEIR OPPONENTS THE CLASSICISTS. THE LITERARY WAR WHICH AROSE LASTED FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

HUGO'S POPULARITY CONTINUED TO INCREASE, AND IN 1837, LOUIS PHILIPPE MADE HIM AN OFFICER OF THE LEGION OF HONOR, AND IN 1845 A PEER OF FRANCE. AFTER THE REVOLUTION OF 1848, HE WAS ELECTED TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF PARIS, BOTH IN THE CONSTITUENT AND IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, IN WHICH HE MANIFESTED DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES, AND WAS ONE OF THOSE MEMBERS OF THE EXTREME LEFT, WHO WERE BANISHED FROM FRANCE FOR LIFE BY LOUIS NAPOLEON. HE TOOK UP HIS RESIDENCE IN THE ISLAND OF JERSEY. IN 1852, HE ASSAILED THE RULER OF FRANCE IN A REMARKABLE POLITICAL PAMPHLET, NAPOLEON LE PETIT, (NAPOLEON THE LITTLE), WHICH PRODUCED A GREAT SENSATION; BUT THE EFFECT OF ITS SEVERITY WAS WEAKENED BY ITS UNDIGNIFIED VIRULENCE. IN 1862, HE PUBLISHED **LES MISÉRABLES**, IN WHICH, WITH GREAT DRAMATIC FORCE, HE HANDLES SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT SOCIAL QUESTIONS. HUGO'S WRITINGS HAVE GREAT FAULTS. THEY ARE OFTEN EXTRAVAGANT BOTH IN FORM AND SUBSTANCE, AND SOMETIMES MARRED BY AN AFFECTIONATE TRIVIALITY OF IMAGES AND HARSHNESS OF VERSIFICATION. YET THEY HAVE ALSO GREAT EXCELLENCE; THE COMMAND OF LANGUAGE IS WONDERFUL, AND AS A LYRIC POET, HUGO HAS, PERHAPS, NEVER BEEN EQUALLED IN FRANCE.

AN INTELLIGENT HELL WOULD BE BETTER THAN A STUPID PARADISE.



I don't mind what Congress does, as long as they don't do it in the streets and frighten the horses.

Indigestion is charged by God with enforcing morality on the stomach.

There are many tongues to talk, and but few heads to think.

Table talk and lovers' talk equally elude the grasp; lovers' talk is clouds, table talk is smoke.

Love is the foolishness of men, and the wisdom of God.

Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent.

Even the darkest night will end and the sun will rise.

To love another person is to see the face of God.

Certain thoughts are prayers. There are moments when, whatever be the attitude of the body, the soul is on its knees.

You ask me what forces me to speak? a strange thing; my conscience.

The future has several names. For the weak, it is impossible; for the fainthearted, it is unknown; but for the valiant, it is ideal.

If I speak, I am condemned.

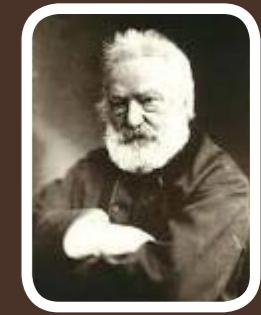
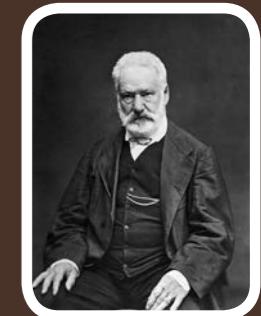
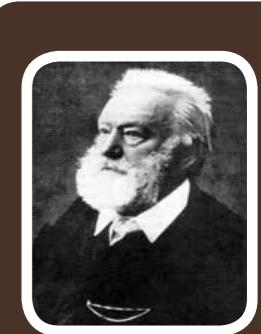
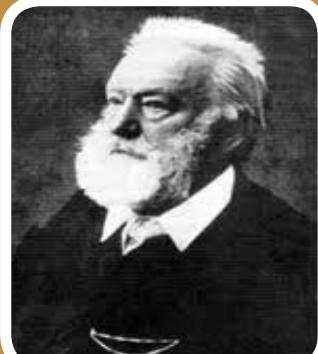
If I stay silent, I am damned!

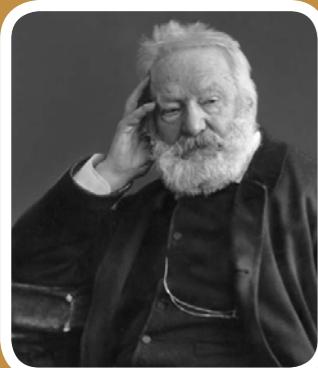
People do not lack strength, they lack will.

There is always more misery among the lower classes than there is humanity in the higher.

It is not easy to keep silent when silence is a lie.

Fashions have done more harm than revolutions.





When a woman is talking to you, listen to what she says with her eyes.

The word which God has written on the brow of every man is Hope.

The first symptom of love in a young man is timidity; in a girl boldness.

Civil war? What does that mean? Is there any foreign war? Isn't every war fought between men, between brothers?

When dictatorship is a fact, revolution becomes a right.

There are fathers who do not love their children; there is no grandfather who does not adore his grandson.

Common sense is in spite of, not as the result of education.

A shadow is hard to seize by the throat and dash to the ground.

To destroy abuses is not enough; Habits must also be changed. The windmill has gone, but the wind is still there.

Be a bird perched on a frail branch that she feels bending beneath her, still she sings away all the same, knowing she has wings.

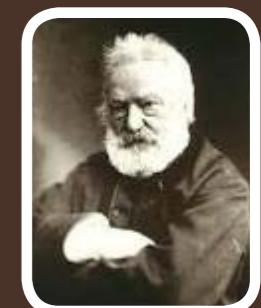
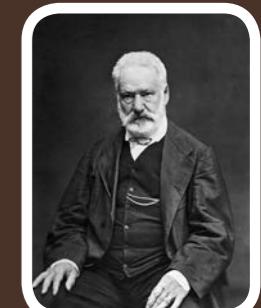
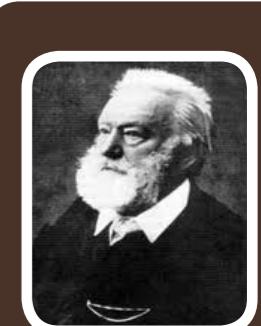
England has two books, the Bible and Shakespeare. England made Shakespeare, but the Bible made England.

A one-eyed man is much more incomplete than a blind man, for he knows what it is that's lacking.

All the forces in the world are not so powerful as an idea whose time has come.

Adversity makes men, and prosperity makes monsters.

It is by suffering that human beings become angels.



VLADIMIR LENIN



The goal of socialism is Communism.

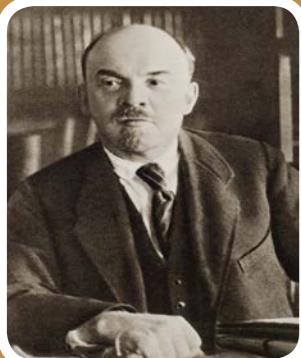
VLADIMIR LENIN WAS ONE OF THE LEADING POLITICAL FIGURES AND REVOLUTIONARY THINKERS OF THE 20TH CENTURY, WHO MASTERMINDED THE BOLSHEVIK TAKE-OVER OF POWER IN RUSSIA IN 1917, AND WAS THE ARCHITECT AND FIRST HEAD OF THE USSR.

VLADIMIR Ilich Ulyanov was born in Simbirsk on the Volga River on 22 April 1870 into a well-educated family. He excelled at school and went on to study law. At university, he was exposed to radical thinking, and his views were also influenced by the execution of his elder brother, a member of a revolutionary group.

Expelled from university for his radical policies, Lenin completed his law degree as an external student in 1891. He moved to St Petersburg and became a professional revolutionary. Like many of his contemporaries, he was arrested and exiled to Siberia, where he married Nadezhda Krupskaya. After his Siberian exile, Lenin - the pseudonym he adopted in 1901 - spent most of the subsequent decade and a half in Western Europe, where he emerged as a prominent figure in the international revolutionary movement and became the leader of the 'Bolshevik' faction of the Russian Social Democratic Worker's Party.

In 1917, exhausted by World War One, Russia was ripe for change. Assisted by the Germans, who hoped that he would undermine the Russian war effort, Lenin returned home and started working against the Provisional Government that had overthrown the Tsarist regime. He eventually led what was soon to be known as the October Revolution, but was effectively a coup d'état. Almost three years of civil war followed. The Bolsheviks were victorious and assumed total control of the country. During this period of revolution, war and famine, Lenin demonstrated a chilling disregard for the sufferings of his fellow countrymen and mercilessly crushed any opposition.

Although Lenin was ruthless he was also pragmatic. When his efforts to transform the Russian economy to a socialist model stalled, he introduced the New Economic Policy, where a measure of private enterprise was again permitted, a policy that continued for several years after his death. In 1918, Lenin narrowly survived an assassination attempt, but was severely wounded. His long term health was affected, and in 1922 he suffered a stroke from which he never fully recovered. In his declining years, he worried about the bureaucratisation of the regime and also expressed concern over the increasing power of his eventual successor Joseph Stalin. Lenin died on 24 January 1924. His corpse was embalmed and placed in a mausoleum on Moscow's Red Square.



Freedom in capitalist society always remains about the same as it was in ancient Greek republics: Freedom for slave owners.

There are no morals in politics; there is only expedience. A scoundrel may be of use to us just because he is a scoundrel.

Give me just one generation of youth, and I'll transform the whole world.

There are decades where nothing happens; and there are weeks where decades happen.

The way to crush the bourgeoisie is to grind them between the millstones of taxation and inflation.

It is true that liberty is precious; so precious that it must be carefully rationed.

Sometimes - history needs a push.

It is more pleasant and useful to go through the 'experience of the revolution' than to write about it.

The best way to control the opposition is to lead it ourselves.

One man with a gun can control 100 without one.... Make mass searches and hold executions for found arms.

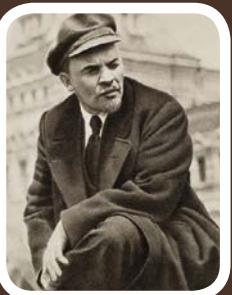
One of the basic conditions for the victory of socialism is the arming of the workers and the disarming of the bourgeoisie (the middle class).

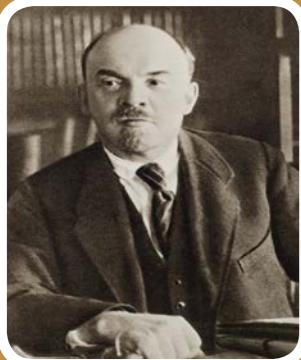
Fascism is capitalism in decay.

Capitalists are no more capable of self-sacrifice than a man is capable of lifting himself up by his own bootstraps.

Crime is a product of social excess.

The best way to destroy the capitalist system is to debauch the currency.





He who now talks about the "freedom of the press" goes backward, and halts our headlong course towards Socialism.

Whenever the cause of the people is entrusted to professors, it is lost.

No amount of political freedom will satisfy the hungry masses.

It is impossible to predict the time and progress of revolution. It is governed by its own more or less mysterious laws.

The history of all countries shows that the working class exclusively by its own effort is able to develop only trade-union consciousness.

In the history of modern socialism this is a phenomenon, that the strife of the various trends within the socialist movement has from national become international.

War cannot be abolished unless classes are abolished and Socialism is created.

Give me four years to teach the children and the seed I have sown will never be uprooted.

If it were necessary to give the briefest possible definition of imperialism, we should have to say that imperialism is the monopoly stage of capitalism.

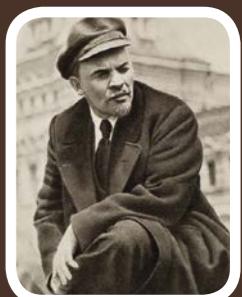
Can a nation be free if it oppresses other nations? It cannot.

Give us the child for 8 years and it will be a Bolshevik forever.

A revolution is impossible without a revolutionary situation; furthermore, not every revolutionary situation leads to revolution.

Communism is Soviet power plus the electrification of the whole country.

Politics begin where the masses are, not where there are thousands, but where there are millions, that is where serious politics begin.



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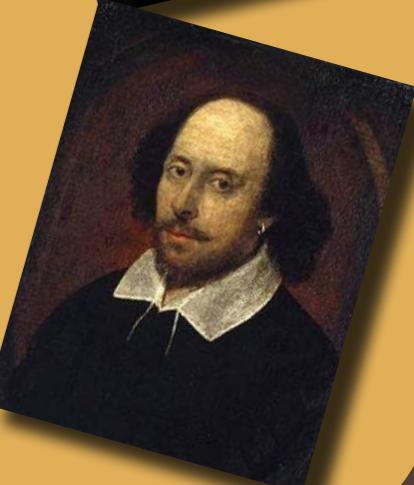
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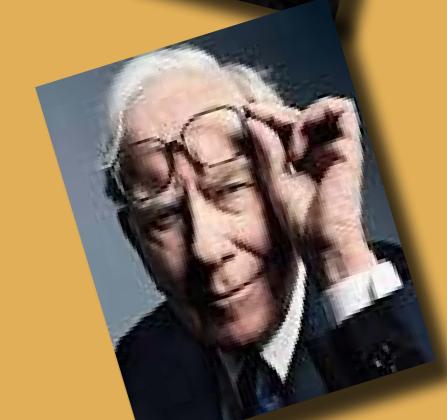
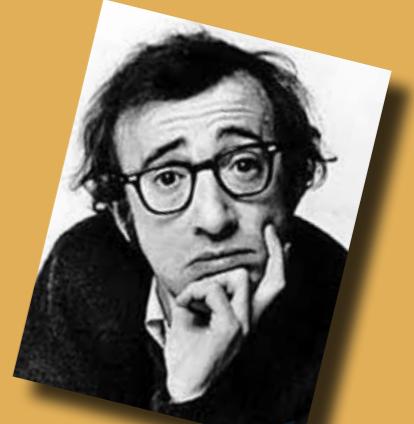
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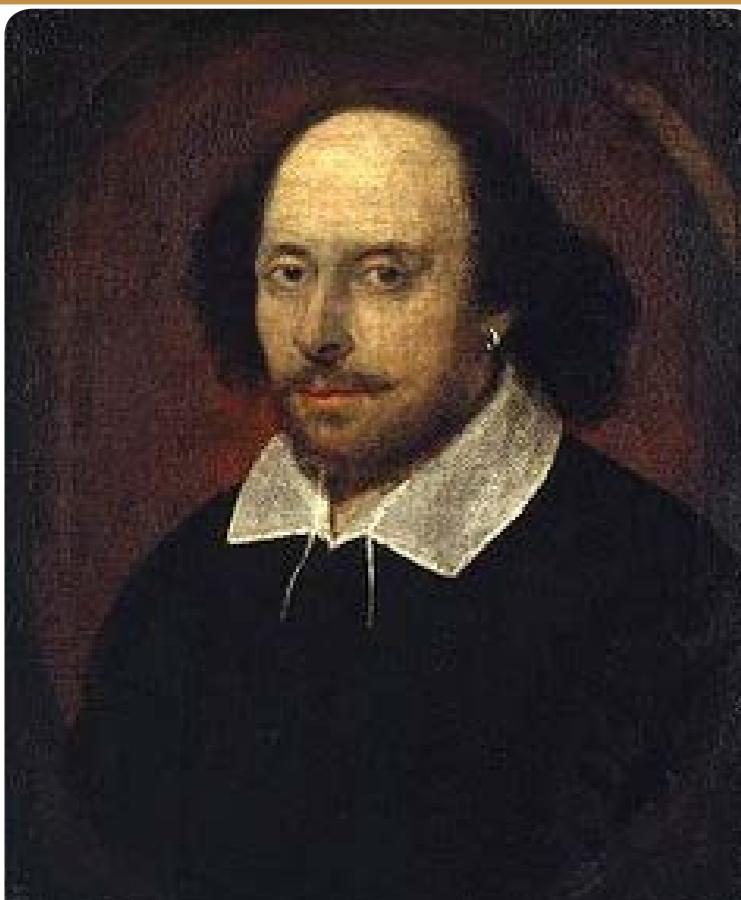
Will Rogers



Woody Allen



WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE



Listen to many, Speak to a few.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S REPUTATION AS DRAMATIST AND POET ACTOR IS UNIQUE AND HE IS CONSIDERED BY MANY TO BE THE GREATEST PLAYWRIGHT OF ALL TIME, ALTHOUGH MANY OF THE FACTS OF HIS LIFE REMAIN MYSTERIOUS.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE WAS BORN IN STRATFORD-UPON-AVON IN WARWICKSHIRE AND WAS BAPTISED ON 26 APRIL 1564. HIS FATHER WAS A GLOVEMAKER AND WOOL MERCHANT AND HIS MOTHER, MARY ARDEN, THE DAUGHTER OF A WELL-TO-DO LOCAL LANDOWNER. SHAKESPEARE WAS PROBABLY EDUCATED IN STRATFORD'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL. THE NEXT DOCUMENTED EVENT IN SHAKESPEARE'S LIFE IS HIS MARRIAGE IN 1582 TO ANNE HATHAWAY, DAUGHTER OF A FARMER. THE COUPLE HAD A DAUGHTER THE FOLLOWING YEAR AND TWINS IN 1585. THERE IS NOW ANOTHER GAP, REFERRED TO BY SOME SCHOLARS AS 'THE LOST YEARS', WITH SHAKESPEARE ONLY REAPPEARING IN LONDON IN 1592, WHEN HE WAS ALREADY WORKING IN THE THEATRE.

SHAKESPEARE'S ACTING CAREER WAS SPENT WITH THE LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S COMPANY, WHICH WAS RENAMED THE KING'S COMPANY IN 1603 WHEN JAMES SUCCEEDED TO THE THRONE. AMONG THE ACTORS IN THE GROUP WAS THE FAMOUS RICHARD BURBAGE. THE PARTNERSHIP ACQUIRED INTERESTS IN TWO THEATRES IN THE SOUTHWARK AREA OF LONDON, NEAR THE BANKS OF THE THAMES - THE GLOBE AND THE BLACKFRIARS.

SHAKESPEARE'S POETRY WAS PUBLISHED BEFORE HIS PLAYS, WITH TWO POEMS APPEARING IN 1593 AND 1594, DEDICATED TO HIS PATRON HENRY WROTHESLEY, EARL OF SOUTHAMPTON. MOST OF SHAKESPEARE'S SONNETS WERE PROBABLY WRITTEN AT THIS TIME AS WELL. RECORDS OF SHAKESPEARE'S PLAYS BEGIN TO APPEAR IN 1594, AND HE PRODUCED ROUGHLY TWO A YEAR UNTIL AROUND 1611. HIS EARLIEST PLAYS INCLUDE 'HENRY VI' AND 'TITUS ANDRONICUS'. 'A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM', 'THE MERCHANT OF VENICE' AND 'RICHARD II' ALL DATE FROM THE MID TO LATE 1590S. SOME OF HIS MOST FAMOUS TRAGEDIES WERE WRITTEN IN THE EARLY 1600S INCLUDING 'HAMLET', 'OTHELLO', 'KING LEAR' AND 'MACBETH'. HIS LATE PLAYS, OFTEN KNOWN AS THE ROMANCES, DATE FROM 1608 ONWARDS AND INCLUDE 'THE TEMPEST'.

SHAKESPEARE SPENT THE LAST FIVE YEARS OF HIS LIFE IN STRATFORD, BY NOW A WEALTHY MAN. HE DIED ON 23 APRIL 1616 AND WAS BURIED IN HOLY TRINITY CHURCH IN STRATFORD. THE FIRST COLLECTED EDITION OF HIS WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN 1623 AND IS KNOWN AS 'THE FIRST FOLIO'.

LOVE ALL, TRUST A FEW, DO WRONG TO NONE.



The fool doth think he is wise, but the wise man knows himself to be a fool.

Love looks not with the eyes, but with the mind.

Be not afraid of greatness. Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and others have greatness thrust upon them.

It is not in the stars to hold our destiny but in ourselves.

Time is very slow for those who wait,

Very fast for those who are scared,

Very long for those who lament,

Very short for those who celebrate,

But for those who love, time is eternal.

There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so.

If you love and get hurt, love more.

If you love more and hurt more, love even more.

If you love even more and get hurt even more, love some more until it hurts no more...

Nothing will come of nothing; we must dare mighty things.

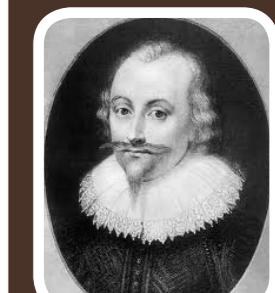
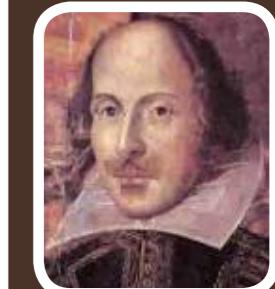
Our doubts are traitors, and make us lose the good we oft might win, by fearing to attempt.

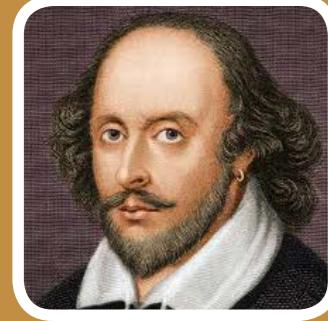
A light heart lives long.

Neither a borrower nor a lender be: For loan oft loses both itself and friend.

'Tis an ill cook that cannot lick his own fingers.

Brevity is the soul of wit.





O thou invisible spirit of wine, if thou hast no name to be known by, let us call thee devil.
When sorrows come, they come not single spies, But in battalions.

The course of true love never did run smooth.

I like this place and could willingly waste my time in it.

Love is heavy and light, bright and dark, hot and cold, sick and healthy, asleep and awake- its everything except what it is!

Beware the ides of March.

With mirth and laughter let old wrinkles come.

The object of Art is to give life a shape.

Love me or hate me, both are in my favor...If you love me, I'll always be in your heart...
If you hate me, I'll always be in your mind.

Expectation is the root of all heartache.

Love is the greatest of dreams, yet the worst of nightmares.

All's well if all ends well.

One may smile, and smile, and be a villain.

Nothing will come of nothing: speak again.

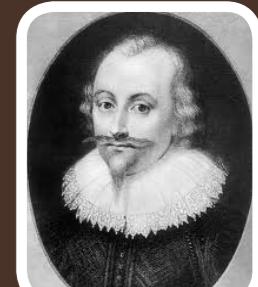
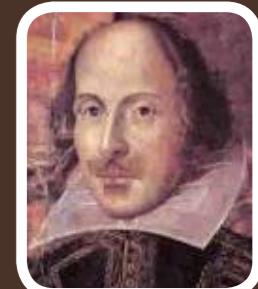
What's done cannot be undone.

A young woman in love always looks like patience on a monument smiling at grief.

People's good deeds we write in water. The evil deeds are etched in brass.

Better three hours too soon than a minute too late.

No legacy is so rich as honesty.





When we are born, we cry that we are come to this great stage of fools.

Better a witty fool, than a foolish wit.

There are three people in yourself: Who people think you are, Who you think you are, and who you really are.

Men have died from time to time, and worms have eaten them, but not for love.

Go to your bosom; Knock there, and ask your heart what it doth know.

I wish my horse had the speed of your tongue.

What a piece of work is a man!

How noble in reason! How infinite in faculties!

In form and moving, how express and admirable!

In action how like an angel!

In apprehension how like a god!

The beauty of the world!

The paragon of animals!

And yet, to me, what is this quintessence of dust?

I must be cruel only to be kind; Thus bad begins, and worse remains behind.

Parting is such sweet sorrow that I shall say goodnight till it be morrow.

Hell is empty and all the devils are here.

Life is as tedious as twice-told tale, vexing the dull ear of a drowsy man.

Fishes live in the sea, as men do a-land; the great ones eat up the little ones.

Speak low, if you speak love.



WINSTON CHURCHILL



The price of greatness is responsibility.

WINSTON LEONARD SPENCER CHURCHILL WAS BORN ON 30 NOVEMBER 1874 AT BLENHEIM PALACE IN OXFORDSHIRE. HIS FATHER WAS THE PROMINENT TORY POLITICIAN, LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL. CHURCHILL ATTENDED THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE, SANDHURST, BEFORE EMBARKING ON AN ARMY CAREER. HE SAW ACTION ON THE NORTH WEST FRONTIER OF INDIA AND IN THE SUDAN. WHILE WORKING AS A JOURNALIST DURING THE BOER WAR HE WAS CAPTURED AND MADE A PRISONER-OF-WAR BEFORE ESCAPING.

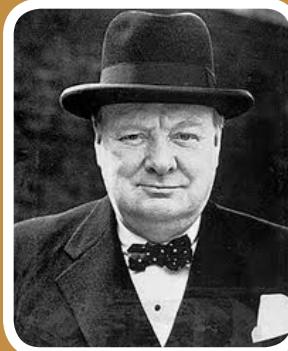
IN 1900, CHURCHILL BECAME CONSERVATIVE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR OLDHAM. BUT HE BECAME DISAFFECTED WITH HIS PARTY AND IN 1904 JOINED THE LIBERAL PARTY. WHEN THE LIBERALS WON THE 1905 ELECTION, CHURCHILL WAS APPOINTED UNDERSECRETARY AT THE COLONIAL OFFICE. IN 1908 HE ENTERED THE CABINET AS PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRADE, BECOMING HOME SECRETARY IN 1910. THE FOLLOWING YEAR HE BECAME FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY. HE HELD THIS POST IN THE FIRST MONTHS OF WORLD WAR ONE BUT AFTER THE DISASTROUS DARDANELLES EXPEDITION, FOR WHICH HE WAS BLAMED, HE RESIGNED. HE JOINED THE ARMY, SERVING FOR A TIME ON THE WESTERN FRONT. IN 1917, HE WAS BACK IN GOVERNMENT AS MINISTER OF MUNITIONS. FROM 1919 TO 1921 HE WAS SECRETARY OF STATE FOR WAR AND AIR, AND FROM 1924-1929 WAS CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.

THE NEXT DECADE WERE HIS 'WILDERNESS YEARS', IN WHICH HIS OPPOSITION TO INDIAN SELF-RULE AND HIS SUPPORT FOR EDWARD VIII DURING THE 'ABDICTION CRISIS' MADE HIM UNPOPULAR, WHILE HIS WARNINGS ABOUT THE RISE OF NAZI GERMANY AND THE NEED FOR BRITISH REARMAMENT WERE IGNORED. WHEN WAR BROKE OUT IN 1939, CHURCHILL BECAME FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY. IN MAY 1940, NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN RESIGNED AS PRIME MINISTER AND CHURCHILL TOOK HIS PLACE. HIS REFUSAL TO SURRENDER TO NAZI GERMANY INSPIRED THE COUNTRY. HE WORKED TIRELESSLY THROUGHOUT THE WAR, BUILDING STRONG RELATIONS WITH US PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WHILE MAINTAINING A SOMETIMES DIFFICULT ALLIANCE WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

CHURCHILL LOST POWER IN THE 1945 POST-WAR ELECTION BUT REMAINED LEADER OF THE OPPosition, VOICING APPREHENSIONS ABOUT THE COLD WAR (HE POPULARISED THE TERM 'IRON CURTAIN') AND ENCOURAGING EUROPEAN AND TRANS-ATLANTIC UNITY. IN 1951, HE BECAME PRIME MINISTER AGAIN. HE RESIGNED IN 1955, BUT REMAINED AN MP UNTIL SHORTLY BEFORE HIS DEATH. AS WELL AS HIS MANY POLITICAL ACHIEVEMENTS, HE LEFT A LEGACY OF AN IMPRESSIVE NUMBER OF PUBLICATIONS AND IN 1953 WON THE NOBEL PRIZE FOR LITERATURE.

CHURCHILL DIED ON 24 JANUARY 1965 AND WAS GIVEN A STATE FUNERAL.

MY TASTES ARE SIMPLE: I AM EASILY SATISFIED WITH THE BEST.



Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.

A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.

You have enemies? Good. That means you've stood up for something, sometime in your life.

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.

If you are going through hell, keep going.

History will be kind to me for I intend to write it.

Tact is the ability to tell someone to go to hell in such a way that they look forward to the trip.

Success is stumbling from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm.

I am fond of pigs. Dogs look up to us. Cats look down on us. Pigs treat us as equals.

The best argument against democracy is a five-minute conversation with the average voter.

A fanatic is one who can't change his mind and won't change the subject.

Don't interrupt me while I'm interrupting.

Kites rise highest against the wind, not with it.

There is no such thing as a good tax.

The greatest lesson in life is to know that even fools are right sometimes.

An appeaser is one who feeds a crocodile—hoping it will eat him last.

A joke is a very serious thing.

We are all worms, But I do believe that I am a glow worm.





To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.

The farther backward you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see.

Democracy is the worst form of government except all those other forms that have been tried.

Personally I'm always ready to learn, although I do not always like being taught.

War is a game that is played with a smile. If you can't smile, grin. If you can't grin, keep out of the way till you can.

You will never reach your destination if you stop and throw stones at every dog that barks.

We contend that for a nation to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.

Politics is the ability to foretell what is going to happen tomorrow, next week, next month and next year. And to have the ability afterwards to explain why it didn't happen.

Never, never, never give up.

A small lie needs a bodyguard of bigger lies to protect it.

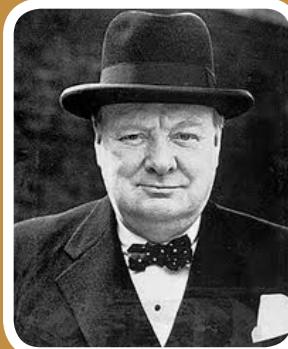
Battles are won by slaughter and maneuver. The greater the general, the more he contributes in maneuver, the less he demands in slaughter.

If Hitler invaded hell I would make at least a favorable reference to the devil in the House of Commons.

Danger: if you meet it promptly and without flinching, you will reduce the danger by half. Never run away from anything. Never!

A prisoner of war is a man who tries to kill you and fails, and then asks you not to kill him.





If we open a quarrel between past and present, we shall find that we have lost the future.

A good speech should be like a woman's skirt: long enough to cover the subject and short enough to create interest.

When you have to kill a man it costs nothing to be polite.

Always remember, that I have taken more out of alcohol than alcohol has taken out of me.

When there is no enemy within, the enemies outside cannot hurt you.

Churchill: "Madam, would you sleep with me for five million pounds?"

Socialite: "My goodness, Mr. Churchill... Well, I suppose... we would have to discuss terms, of course..."

Churchill: "Would you sleep with me for five pounds?"

Socialite: "Mr. Churchill, what kind of woman do you think I am?!"

Churchill: "Madam, we've already established that.

Now we are haggling about the price."

If you're not a liberal at twenty you have no heart, if you're not a conservative at forty, you have no brain.

You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give.

He who dares, wins.

Continuous effort! not strength or intelligence, is the key to unlocking your potential.

Sometimes our best is simply not enough. We have to do what is required.

I do not see any other way of realizing our hopes about World Organization in five or six days. Even the Almighty took seven.

Don't talk to me about naval tradition. It's nothing but rum, sodomy, and the lash.

There is no time for ease and comfort. It is the time to dare and endure.



WALT DISNEY



It's kind of fun to do the impossible.

WALTER ELIAS "WALT" DISNEY (DECEMBER 5, 1901 – DECEMBER 15, 1966) WAS AN AMERICAN FILM PRODUCER, DIRECTOR, SCREENWRITER, VOICE ACTOR, ANIMATOR, ENTREPRENEUR, ENTERTAINER, INTERNATIONAL ICON, AND PHILANTHROPIST, WELL KNOWN FOR HIS INFLUENCE IN THE FIELD OF ENTERTAINMENT DURING THE 20TH CENTURY. ALONG WITH HIS BROTHER ROY O. DISNEY, HE WAS CO-FOUNDER OF WALT DISNEY PRODUCTIONS, WHICH LATER BECAME ONE OF THE BEST-KNOWN MOTION PICTURE PRODUCERS IN THE WORLD. THE CORPORATION IS NOW KNOWN AS THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY AND HAD AN ANNUAL REVENUE OF APPROXIMATELY US\$36 BILLION IN THE 2010 FINANCIAL YEAR.

DISNEY IS PARTICULARLY NOTED AS A FILM PRODUCER AND A POPULAR SHOWMAN, AS WELL AS AN INNOVATOR IN ANIMATION AND THEME PARK DESIGN. HE AND HIS STAFF CREATED SOME OF THE WORLD'S MOST WELL-KNOWN FICTIONAL CHARACTERS INCLUDING MICKEY MOUSE, FOR WHOM DISNEY HIMSELF PROVIDED THE ORIGINAL VOICE. DURING HIS LIFETIME HE RECEIVED FOUR HONORARY ACADEMY AWARDS AND WON 22 ACADEMY AWARDS FROM A TOTAL OF 59 NOMINATIONS, INCLUDING A RECORD FOUR IN ONE YEAR, GIVING HIM MORE AWARDS AND NOMINATIONS THAN ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL IN HISTORY. DISNEY ALSO WON SEVEN EMMY AWARDS AND GAVE HIS NAME TO THE DISNEYLAND AND WALT DISNEY WORLD RESORT THEME PARKS IN THE U.S., AS WELL AS THE INTERNATIONAL RESORTS TOKYO DISNEY RESORT, DISNEYLAND PARIS, AND HONG KONG DISNEYLAND.

THE YEAR AFTER HIS DECEMBER 15, 1966 DEATH FROM LUNG CANCER IN BURBANK, CALIFORNIA, CONSTRUCTION BEGAN ON WALT DISNEY WORLD RESORT IN FLORIDA. HIS BROTHER ROY DISNEY INAUGURATED THE MAGIC KINGDOM ON OCTOBER 1, 1971.

LAUGHTER IS TIMELESS. IMAGINATION HAS NO AGE. AND DREAMS ARE FOREVER.



Whatever we accomplish is due to the combined effort.

The flower that blooms in adversity is the rarest and most beautiful of all.

All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them.

What ever you do, do it well. Do it so well that when people see you do it they will want to come back and see you do it again and they will want to bring others and show them how well you do what you do.

There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island.

I have been up against tough competition all my life. I wouldn't know how to get along without it.

No matter how your heart is grieving, if you keep on believing, the dreams that you wish will come true.

The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing.

The more you like yourself, the less you are like anyone else, which makes you unique.

Our greatest national resource is the minds of our children.

The past can hurt. But the way I see it, you can either run from it, or learn from it.

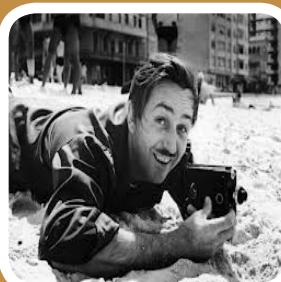
Laughter is America's most important export.

Disneyland will never be completed. It will continue to grow as long as there is imagination left in the world.

If you can dream it, you can do it.

Nothing is impossible.





- You'll be a poorer person all your life if you don't know some of the great stories and great poems.
- Get a good idea and stay with it. Dog it, and work at it until it's done right.
- A lie keeps growing and growing until it's as plain as the nose on your face.
- A man should never neglect his family for business.
- Adults are only kids grown up.
- The difference in winning & losing is most often, not quitting.
- We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.
- I never called my work an 'art' It's part of show business, the business of building entertainment.
- The era we are living in today is a dream of coming true.
- We allow no geniuses around our Studio.
- Disneyland is a work of love. We didn't go into Disneyland just with the idea of making money.
- There's nothing funnier than the human animal.
- We are not trying to entertain the critics. I'll take my chances with the public.
- You can design and create, and build the most wonderful place in the world. But it takes people to make the dream a reality.
- A good story can take you on a fantastic journey.



WARREN BUFFETT



Our favorite holding period is forever.

WARREN EDWARD BUFFETT (BORN AUGUST 30, 1930) IS AN AMERICAN BUSINESS MAGNATE, INVESTOR, AND PHILANTHROPIST. HE IS WIDELY CONSIDERED THE MOST SUCCESSFUL INVESTOR OF THE 20TH CENTURY. BUFFETT IS THE PRIMARY SHAREHOLDER, CHAIRMAN AND CEO OF BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY AND CONSISTENTLY RANKED AMONG THE WORLD'S WEALTHIEST PEOPLE. HE WAS RANKED AS THE WORLD'S WEALTHIEST PERSON IN 2008 AND AS THE THIRD WEALTHIEST PERSON IN 2011. IN 2012, AMERICAN MAGAZINE TIME NAMED BUFFETT ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE IN THE WORLD.

BUFFETT IS CALLED THE "WIZARD OF OMAHA", "ORACLE OF OMAHA", OR THE "SAGE OF OMAHA" AND IS NOTED FOR HIS ADHERENCE TO THE VALUE INVESTING PHILOSOPHY AND FOR HIS PERSONAL FRUGALITY DESPITE HIS IMMENSE WEALTH. BUFFETT IS ALSO A NOTABLE PHILANTHROPIST, HAVING PLEDGED TO GIVE AWAY 99 PERCENT OF HIS FORTUNE TO PHILANTHROPIC CAUSES, PRIMARILY VIA THE GATES FOUNDATION. ON APRIL 11, 2012, HE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH PROSTATE CANCER, FOR WHICH HE COMPLETED TREATMENT IN SEPTEMBER 2012.

BUFFETT'S SPEECHES ARE KNOWN FOR MIXING BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS WITH HUMOR. EACH YEAR, BUFFETT PRESIDES OVER BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY'S ANNUAL SHAREHOLDER MEETING IN THE QWEST CENTER IN OMAHA, NEBRASKA, AN EVENT DRAWING OVER 20,000 VISITORS FROM BOTH UNITED STATES AND ABROAD, GIVING IT THE NICKNAME "WOODSTOCK OF CAPITALISM". BERKSHIRE'S ANNUAL REPORTS AND LETTERS TO SHAREHOLDERS, PREPARED BY BUFFETT, FREQUENTLY RECEIVE COVERAGE BY THE FINANCIAL MEDIA. BUFFETT'S WRITINGS ARE KNOWN FOR CONTAINING QUOTATIONS FROM SOURCES AS RANGING BETWEEN THE BIBLE AND MAE WEST, AS WELL AS ADVICE IN A MIDWESTERN FOLK STYLE, AND NUMEROUS JOKES.

WHAT THE WISE DO IN THE BEGINNING, FOOLS DO IN THE END.



Rule No.1: Never lose money. Rule No.2: Never forget rule No.1.

I will tell you how to become rich. Close the doors. Be fearful when others are greedy. Be greedy when others are fearful.

Never invest in a business you can't understand.

The only value of stock forecasters is to make fortune tellers look good.

I don't look to jump over 7-foot bars: I look around for 1-foot bars that I can step over.

Someone's sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.

Price is what you pay. Value is what you get.

Whether we're talking about socks or stocks, I like buying quality merchandise when it is marked down.

Without passion, you don't have energy. Without energy, you have nothing.

It takes 20 years to build a reputation and five minutes to ruin it. If you think about that you'll do things differently.

You never know who's swimming naked until the tide goes out.

Honesty is a very expensive gift, Don't expect it from cheap people.

It's better to hang out with people better than you. Pick out associates whose behavior is better than yours and you'll drift in that direction.

You can't produce a baby in one month by getting nine women pregnant.

When you combine ignorance and leverage, you get some pretty interesting results.

Never ask a barber if you need a haircut.





Wall Street is the only place that people drive to in a Rolls Royce to take advice from people who ride the subway.

Diversification is protection against ignorance. It makes little sense if you know what you are doing.

The fact that people will be full of greed, fear or folly is predictable. The sequence is not predictable.

When a management with a reputation for brilliance tackles a business with a reputation for bad economics, it is usually the reputation of the business that remains intact.



I try to buy stock in businesses that are so wonderful that an idiot can run them.
Because sooner or later, one will.



If a business does well, the stock eventually follows.



I like to go for cinches. I like to shoot fish in a barrel. But I like to do it after the water has run out.



In the business world, the rearview mirror is always clearer than the windshield.

The investor of today does not profit from yesterday's growth.

There seems to be some perverse human characteristic that likes to make easy things difficult.



Time is the friend of the wonderful company, the enemy of the mediocre.

Chains of habit are too light to be felt until they are too heavy to be broken.



If past history was all there was to the game, the richest people would be librarians.

I buy expensive suits. They just look cheap on me.

I never attempt to make money on the stock market. I buy on the assumption that they could close the market the next day and not reopen it for five years.

WILL ROGERS



Never miss a good chance to shut up.

WILL ROGERS WAS FIRST AN INDIAN, A COWBOY AND A NATIONAL FIGURE.

BORN IN 1879 ON A LARGE RANCH IN THE CHEROKEE NATION NEAR WHAT LATER WOULD BECOME Oologah, Oklahoma, Will Rogers was taught by a freed slave how to use a lasso as a tool to work Texas longhorn cattle on the family ranch. As he grew older, Will Rogers' roping skills developed so special that he was listed in the Guinness Book of Records for throwing three lassos at once: one rope caught the running horse's neck, the other would hoop around the rider and the third swooped up under the horse to loop all four legs. Will Rogers' unsurpassed lariat feats were recorded in the classic movie, "The Ropin' Fool."

His hard-earned skills won him jobs trick roping in Wild West shows and on the vaudeville stages where, soon, he started telling small jokes. Quickly, his wise cracks and folksy observations became more prized by audiences than his expert roping. He became recognized as being a very informed and smart philosopher--telling the truth in very simple words so that everyone could understand. After the 10th grade, Will Rogers dropped out of school to become a cowboy in a cattle drive. He always regretted that he didn't finish school, but he made sure that he never stopped learning--reading, thinking and talking to smart people. His hard work paid off.

Will Rogers was the star of Broadway and 71 movies of the 1920s and 1930s; a popular broadcaster; besides writing more than 4,000 syndicated newspaper columns and befriending presidents, senators and kings. During his lifetime, he traveled around the globe three times-- meeting people, covering wars, talking about peace and learning everything possible. He wrote six books. In fact he published more than two million words. He was the first big time radio commentator, was a guest at the White House and his opinions were sought by the leaders of the world. Inside himself, Will Rogers remained a simple Oklahoma cowboy. "I never met a man I didn't like," was his credo of genuine love and respect for humanity and all people everywhere. He gave his own money to disaster victims and raised thousands for the Red Cross and Salvation Army.

At home, either on his ranch in Oklahoma or California, he always enjoyed riding horseback, roping steers or playing polo. He would scratch his head, grin and quip that he figured there was something wrong with anybody that didn't like a horse. Jim Rogers, 1915-2000, after starring in some cowboy movies as a young man, spent his life as a horse and cattle rancher. Betty and Will Rogers's youngest son, Fred, died of diphtheria when he was two. There were eight children born to Will Rogers' parents, but only four reached adulthood on the rugged frontier of 19th century Indian Territory.

While a fast horse thrilled Will Rogers, he also loved flying. It was on a flight to Alaska in 1935 with a daring one-eyed Oklahoma pilot named Wiley Post that their plane crashed and both men lost their lives.



If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went.

Even if you are on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there.

There are three kinds of men. The ones that learn by readin'. The few who learn by observation. The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence for themselves.

Everything is funny as long as it is happening to somebody else.

Live in such a way that you would not be ashamed to sell your parrot to the town gossip.

Diplomacy is the art of saying 'nice doggie' until you can find a rock.

There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.

When you find yourself in a hole, quit digging.

A man only learns in two ways, one by reading, and the other by association with smarter people.

Common sense ain't common.

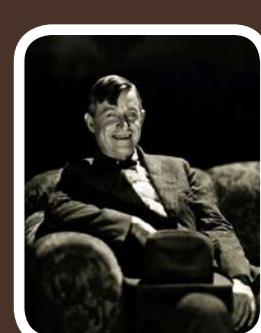
If pro is the opposite of con, what is the opposite of Congress?

I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts.

The more you observe politics, the more you've got to admit that each party is worse than the other.

The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it in your back pocket.

The difference between death and taxes is death doesn't get worse every time Congress meets.





No party is as bad as its leaders.

Everybody is ignorant only on different subjects.

Strangers are just friends I haven't met yet.

Everything is changing. People are taking the comedians seriously and the politicians as a joke.



With Congress, every time they make a joke it's a law, and every time they make a law it's a joke.



I'm not a real movie star. I've still got the same wife I started out with twenty-eight years ago.



Be thankful we're not getting all the government we're paying for.



The only way to beat the lawyers is to die with nothing.

Liberty doesn't work as well in practice as it does in speeches.



You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.

If you don't learn to laugh at trouble, you won't have anything to laugh at when you're old.



Mona Lisa is the only beauty who went through history and retained her reputation.

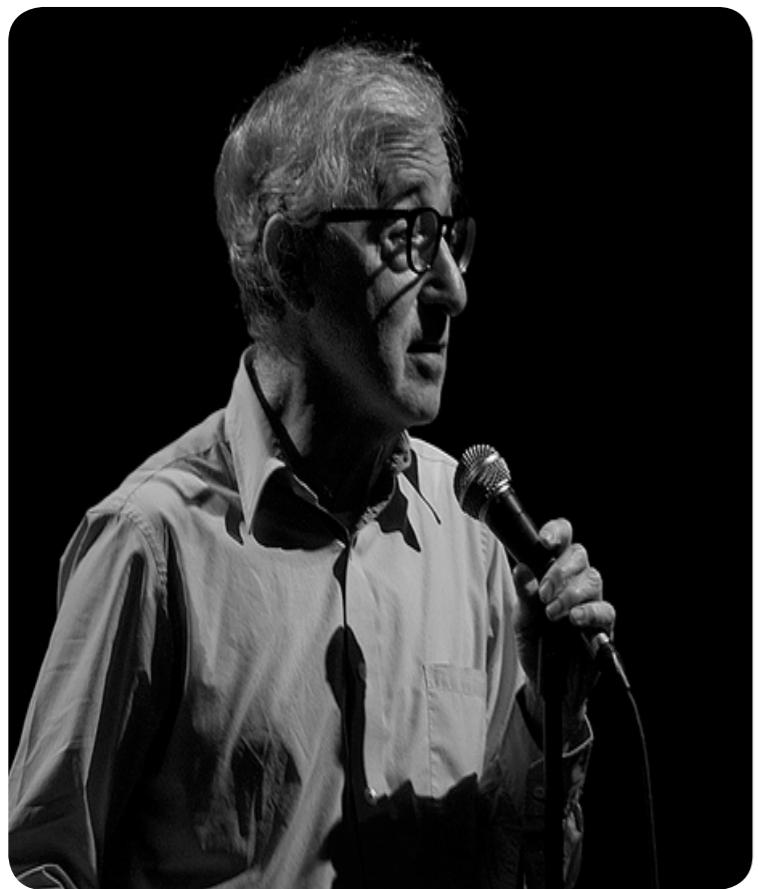
Things will get better - despite our efforts to improve them.

I bet after seeing us, George Washington would sue us for calling him "father."

Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.

I never met a man that I didn't like.

WOODY ALLEN



Eighty percent of success is showing up.

WOODY ALLEN - DATE OF BIRTH: DECEMBER 1, 1935

BORN AS ALLEN STEWART KONIGSBERG IN BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, THIS MULTI-TALENTED ACTOR, DIRECTOR, WRITER, AND MUSICIAN BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A COMEDIAN AND PLAYWRIGHT. HE WAS A TELEVISION GAG WRITER BEFORE WRITING AND STARRING IN HIS FIRST FEATURE FILM, *WHAT'S NEW, PUSSYCAT?* *TAKE THE MONEY AND RUN* MARKED ALLEN'S DIRECTORIAL DEBUT IN A HILARIOUS PARODY OF CRIME FILMS AND DOCUMENTARIES.

ALLEN'S FILMS ARE CHARACTERIZED BY THEIR NEUROTIC, URBAN-JEWISH SHTICK AND CAN BE DATED BY THE FEMALE LEAD—WHO IS GENERALLY HIS CURRENT LOVER OF CHOICE. PAST FEMMES INCLUDE LOUISE LASSEN, DIANE KEATON AND MIA FARROW.

RECLUSIVE AND ANTI-HOLLYWOOD, ALLEN'S CRITICAL MOMENT IN THE SPOTLIGHT WAS NOT FOR HIS WORK AS A FILMMAKER, BUT FOR HIS AFFAIR WITH FARROW'S (COLLEGE-AGE) ADOPTED DAUGHTER, SOON-YI PREVIN. IN 1992, ALLEN FILED FOR CUSTODY OF THEIR THREE CHILDREN AND LATER MADE SHOCKING HEADLINES WHEN FARROW ACCUSED HIM OF MOLESTING THEIR ADOPTED DAUGHTER DYLAN. WHILE EXPERTS FOUND NO EVIDENCE TO SUBSTANTIATE THESE ALLEGATIONS, ALLEN'S REPUTATION HAD ALREADY BEEN TRASHED IN THE TABLOIDS. AFTER A LENGTHY AND VERY PUBLIC COURT BATTLE, ALLEN LOST CUSTODY OF THE THREE CHILDREN. HE MARRIED SOON-YI IN DECEMBER 1997 AND THE TWO NOW HAVE TWO CHILDREN TOGETHER.

"IF YOU'RE AN ENTERTAINER," ALLEN SAYS, "YOUR PRIVATE LIFE IS PUBLIC, THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS. OVER THE YEARS, I'VE GOT USED TO THAT. SOMETIMES THEY WRITE WONDERFUL THINGS, SOMETIMES THEY WRITE WHAT A FOOL YOU ARE. THAT'S PART OF WHAT IT IS TO BE IN THE PUBLIC EYE."

OVER THE YEARS, ALLEN HAS WON AN ASTOUNDING NUMBER OF AWARDS, INCLUDING THREE ACADEMY AWARDS AND TWO GOLDEN GLOBES. HIS MOST RECENT GOLDEN GLOBE WAS FOR HIS *MIDNIGHT IN PARIS* SCREENPLAY. HE'S ALSO RECEIVED TWO ACADEMY AWARD NOMINATIONS FOR BEST ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY AND BEST DIRECTOR FOR HIS WORK ON THE FILM. ALLEN FOLLOWED UP *MIDNIGHT IN PARIS* WITH *TO ROME WITH LOVE* (2012), WHICH FOLLOWS THE INTERSECTING STORIES OF BOTH FOREIGNERS AND ITALIANS IN ROME.

I'M NOT AFRAID OF DEATH; I JUST DON'T WANT TO BE THERE WHEN IT HAPPENS.



I don't know the question, but sex is definitely the answer.

Life doesn't imitate art, it imitates bad television.

The difference between sex and love is that sex relieves tension and love causes it.

Is sex dirty? Only when it's being done right.

Sex is better than talk. Ask anybody. Talk is what you suffer through so you can get to sex.

Harvard makes mistakes too, you know. Kissinger taught there.

I took a speed-reading course and read War and Peace in twenty minutes. It involves Russia.

I'm astounded by people who want to 'know' the universe when it's hard enough to find your way around Chinatown.

I'm very proud of my gold pocket watch. My grandfather, on his deathbed, sold me this watch.

I believe there is something out there watching us. Unfortunately, it's the government.

When I was kidnapped, my parents snapped into action. They rented out my room.

If you want to make God laugh, tell him about your plans.

I took a test in Existentialism. I left all the answers blank and got 100.

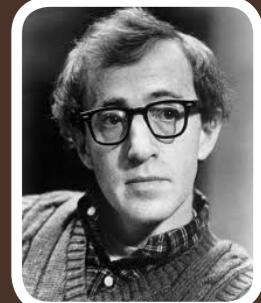
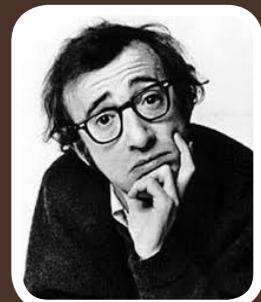
My brain? That's my second favorite organ.

Bisexuality immediately doubles your chances for a date on Saturday night.

Don't knock masturbation. It's sex with someone you love.

The only thing standing between me and greatness is me.

There are worse things in life than death. Have you ever spent an evening with an insurance salesman?





She wore a short skirt and a tight sweater and her figure described a set of parabolas that could cause cardiac arrest in a yak.

If God exists, I hope he has a good excuse.

All people know the same truth. Our lives consist of how we choose to distort it.

Someone once asked me if my dream was to live on in the hearts of my people, and I said I would like to live on in my apartment.

This year I'm a star, but what will I be next year? A black hole?

In my house I'm the boss, my wife is just the decision maker.

Having sex is like bridge. If you don't have a good partner, you'd better have a good hand.

I do not believe in an afterlife, although I am bringing a change of underwear.

To you I'm an atheist; to God, I'm the Loyal Opposition.

Another good thing about being poor is that when you are seventy your children will not have declared you legally insane in order to gain control of your estate.

Human beings are divided into mind and body. The mind embraces all the nobler aspirations, like poetry and philosophy, but the body has all the fun.

Sex alleviates tension. Love causes it.

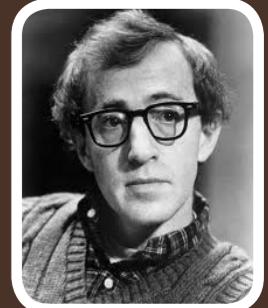
Most of the time I don't have much fun. The rest of the time I don't have any fun at all.

I had a terrible education. I attended a school for emotionally disturbed teachers.

Sex between 2 people is a beautiful thing; among 5 it's fantastic.

When I was in school, I cheated on my metaphysics exam: I looked into the soul of the boy sitting next to me.

The last woman I was in was the Statue of Liberty.

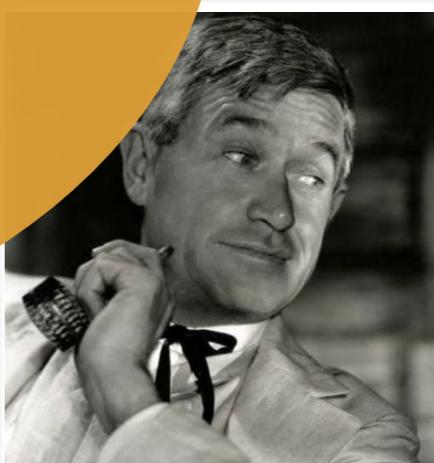
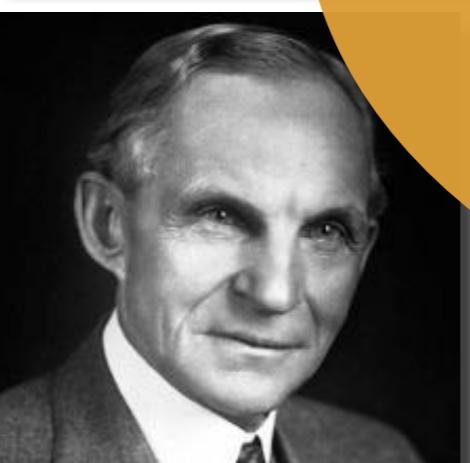
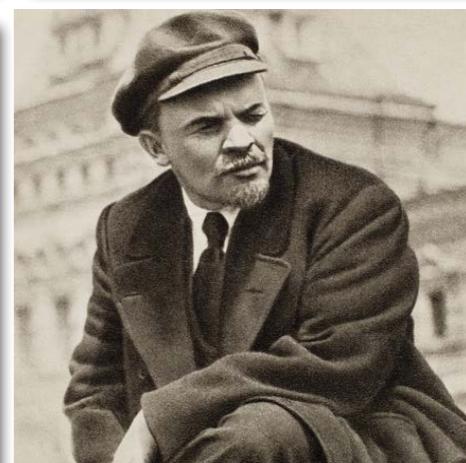
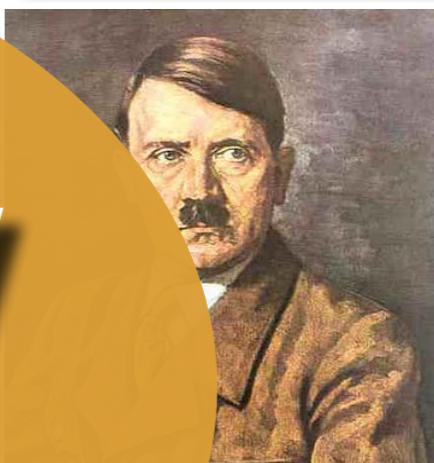
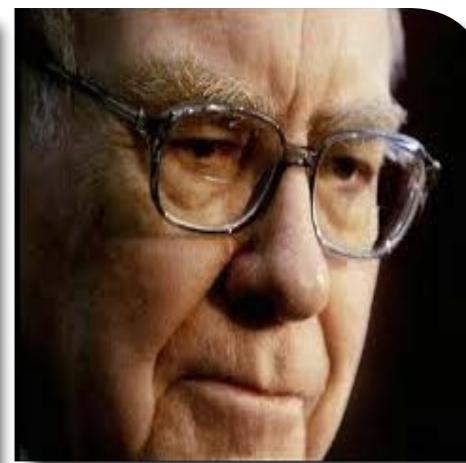
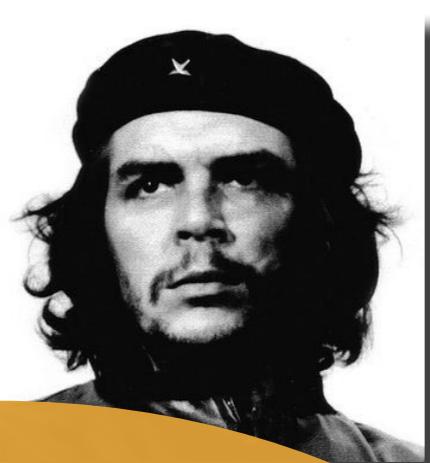
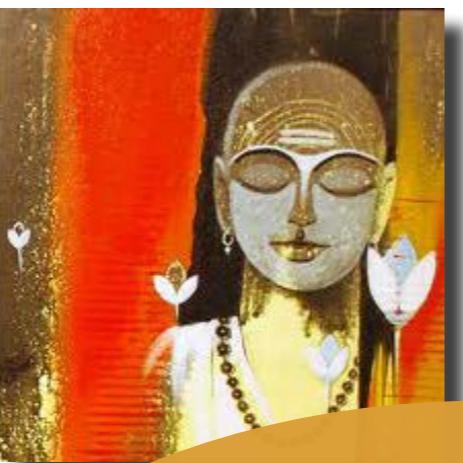


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