

1 Famous Stoic quotes

- “The happiness of your life depends upon the quality of your thoughts.”
- “Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity.”
- “You have power over your mind—not outside events. Realize this, and you will find strength.”
- “It is not death that a man should fear, but he should fear never beginning to live.”
- “Think of yourself as dead. You have lived your life. Now take what’s left and live it properly.”
- “To live a good life; we all have the potential for it, if we learn to be indifferent to what makes no difference.”
- “Death smiles at us all, but all a man can do is smile back.”
- “Accept whatever comes to you woven in the pattern of your destiny, for what could more aptly fit your needs?”
- “The object of life is not to be on the side of the majority, but to escape finding oneself in the ranks of the insane.”
- “The best revenge is not to be like your enemy.”
- “Very little is needed to make a happy life; it is all within yourself, in your way of thinking.”
- “Loss is nothing else but change, and change is nature’s delight.”
- “It is not because things are difficult that we don’t dare; it is because we do not dare that things are difficult.”
- “A gem cannot be polished without friction, nor a man perfected without trials.”
- “The bravest sight in the world is to see a man struggling against adversity.”
- “Throw me to the wolves and I will return leading the pack.”
- “Life is never incomplete if it is an honorable one. At whatever point you leave life, if you leave it in the right way, it is whole.”
- “Man is affected not by events, but by the view he takes of them.”
- “Sometimes even to live is an act of courage.”
- “If you really want to escape the things that harass you, what you’re needing is not to be in a different place but to be a different person.”
- “He suffers more than necessary, who suffers before it is necessary.”
- “It is not the man who has too little, but the man who craves more, that is poor.”
- “If a man knows not to which port he sails, no wind is favorable.”
- “If you want to improve, be content to be foolish and stupid.”
- “The world turns aside to let any man pass who knows where he is going.”
- “Seek not the good in eternal things, seek it in yourselves.”
- “It is the nature of the wise to resist pleasures, but the foolish to be a slave to them.”
- “No man is free who is not a master of himself.”
- “It is impossible to begin to learn that which one thinks one already knows.”
- “Never depend on the admiration of others. There is no strength in it. Personal merit cannot be derived from an external source.”