

Motivational Quotes for Learning and Teaching

Motivating and enhancing enthusiasm for learning can be a challenge from time to time. Quotations can act as catalysts for a new way of thinking, a theme of a lesson, reflective journaling, or other inspiration to keep going. Hunting for a good quotation can take a lot of time. The CLA has done a bit of digging for you and has organized hundreds of quotations for your use. Be sure to include the author's credit when you use them.

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Great for quotes about reaching pre-eminence.

What you permit, you promote. from Results that Last, Quint Studer. This addresses dysfunctional behavior and patterns in the workplace...if you squelch them, they will not continue.

Objective evaluations set the foundation that moves leaders to the tipping point... Results that Last, Quint Studer

It's objective evaluations that give our hardwiring principles teeth and drive the organization toward results that last. Results that Last, Quint Studer

But there is one thing most companies struggle to standardize, and ironically, it's the most important part of our efforts to gain and sustain results. It is leadership. Results that Last, Quint Studer

As there is no insignificant work, there is not an insignificant leader. All leaders need training...not just a few. Results that Last, Quint Studer

Once we get our corporate culture the way we want it, we have to hire people who fit. Otherwise, the wheels fall off the wagon and we quickly find ourselves back where we started. Results that Last, Quint Studer

Employees want to believe their company has a meaningful purpose. They want to know that their own job is worthwhile. They want to make a difference. If all three of these conditions are accomplished, bottom line results will follow. Results that Last, Quint Studer

Satisfied customers lead to satisfied employees, and vice versa. Both lead to prosperous companies and both are critical components in the quest for results that last. Results that Last, Quint Studer Because greetings are one way to ensure proper identification of patients, they may well be considered a fundamental component of patient safety. Taking Your Organization To The Next Level, Studer Group

Believe in Yourself, Especially When Things Seem Tough. Optimism

My heart is singing for joy this morning. A miracle has happened! The light of understanding has shone upon my little pupil's mind, and behold, all things are changed. Anne Sullivan

Every job is a self-portrait of the person who did it. Autograph your work with excellence. Unknown

We are better than we know. If we can be made to see it, perhaps for the rest of our lives we will be unwilling to settle for less. Outward Bound

You and I possess within ourselves at every moment of our lives under all circumstances, the power to transform the quality of our lives. Outward Bound

When you get into a tight place and everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hold on for a minute longer, never give up, for that is just the place and the time that the tide will turn. Harriet Beecher Stowe

You cannot stay on the summit forever, you have to come down again. So why bother in the first place? Just this: What is above knows what is below, but what is below does not know what is above. One climbs, one sees. One descends, one sees no longer, but one has seen. There is an art of conducting oneself in the lower regions by the memory of what one saw higher up. What one can no longer see, one can at least still know. Rene Daumal

It's not the critic who counts. Not the man who points out where the strong man stumbled or where the doer of great deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena. Whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood. Who strives valiantly, who errs and comes up short again and again. And, who, while daring greatly, spends himself in a worthy cause so that his place may never be among those cold and timid souls who have known neither victory nor defeat. Theodore Roosevelt, While Daring Greatly

Life is what happens to us while we are making other plans.

Now, the present, is the only part of time that exists.

While there may be one part of us that is seventeen, twenty-two, or forty years old, there may be another part of us which has not yet been born.

We are afraid to die, yet are afraid to live.

Our experiences in life are usually forecast by our expectations.

The tragedy of life is what dies inside a man while he lives.

Human life is unsafe at any speed, and therein lies much of its fascination.

I'm a great believer in luck and I find the harder I work, the more I have of it.

Thomas Jefferson, 3rd U.S. President, 1743-1826

A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity. An optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty. Winston Churchill, British Prime Minister, 1874-1965

The person that loses their conscience has nothing left worth keeping. Izaak Walton, Writer, 1593-1683

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., Civil Rights Leader, 1929-1968

Dictionary is the only place that success comes before work. Hard work is the price we must pay for success. I think you can accomplish anything if you're willing to pay the price. Vince Lombardi, Football Coach, 1913–1970

Don't waste life in doubts and fears; spend yourself on the work before you, well assured that the right performance of this hour's duties will be the best preparation for the hours and ages that will follow it. Ralph Waldo Emerson, Essayist and Poet, 1803-1882

Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do are in harmony. Mohandas K Gandhi, Indian Nationalist Leader, 1869-1948

Thought for the week: Always do your best. What you plant now, you will harvest later. Og Mandino

You are responsible for the talent that has been entrusted to you. Henri Frederic-Amiel

Not everyone has equal abilities, but everyone should have equal opportunity for education. John F. Kennedy

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm. Ralph Waldo Emerson

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

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world. Anne Frank

We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails. Bertha Calloway

I have one life and one chance to make it count for something . . . I'm free to choose what that something is, and the something I've chosen is my faith. Now, my faith goes beyond theology and religion and requires considerable work and effort. My faith demands this is not optional my faith demands that I do whatever I can, wherever I am, whenever I can, for as long as I can with whatever I have to try to make a difference. Jimmy Carter

If your ship doesn't come in, swim out to it. Jonathan Winters

The secret of joy in work is contained in one word - excellence. To know how to do something well is to enjoy it.

...the quest for the good life is still the central task of mankind. Man is at last becoming aware that he alone is responsible for the realization of the world of his dreams, that he has within him the power of achievement. He must set intelligence and will to the task... Humanist Manifesto I, 1933

What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us. Ralph Waldo Emerson

Perseverance is the secret of all triumphs. Victor Hugo

If I see a roadblock when I'm going down a highway, I don't wait for someone to build me a different highway. I find a different route. Angela White

What you are is a question only you can answer. Lois McMaster Bujold, The Warrior's Apprentice, 1986

My philosophy of life is that if we make up our mind what we are going to make of our lives, then work hard toward that goal, we never lose - somehow we win out. Ronald Reagan

We should give as we would receive, cheerfully, quickly and without hesitation; for there is no grace in a benefit that sticks to the fingers. Seneca

When the world says, Give up, Hope whispers, Try it one more time. Author Unknown

I don't want to hear excuses of why you can't; I want to hear reasons why you can. Mr. Coker, Junior High BB coach to an ADD player

The success you achieve tomorrow begins the day before.

Your state of mind is your state of life.

Height matters not; heart matters a lot.

Be who you are, because those who mind won't matter, and those who matter won't mind. Dr. Seuss

If you don't toot your own horn, there is no music. Patricia Fripp

You are the chairman of the board of your own career. Patricia Fripp

Specificity builds credibility. Patricia Fripp

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To know how to do something well is to enjoy it. Pearl Buck, author

Life is a great big canvas; throw all the paint on it you can. Danny Kaye

The trouble with the rat race is that even if you win you're still a rat. Lily Tomlin

What people say, what people do, and what they say they do are entirely different things. Margaret Meade

Some people want it to happen; some wish it would happen; others make it happen. Michael Jordan

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

Dwell as near as possible to the channel in which your life flows. Henry David Thoreau

Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies. Mother Teresa

One of the things I learned the hard way was that it doesn't pay to get discouraged. Keeping busy and making optimism a way of life can restore your faith in yourself. Lucille Ball

How you imagine the world determines how you live in it. David Suzuki

We either make ourselves miserable, or we make ourselves strong. The amount of work is the same. Carlos Castaneda

Don't ask yourself what the world needs. Ask yourself what makes you come alive, and go do that, because what the world needs is people who have come alive. Gil Bailie

Whenever you do a thing, act as if all the world were watching. Thomas Jefferson

There is a vast world of work out there in this country, where at least 111 million people are employed in this country alone - many of whom are bored out of their minds. All day long. Richard Nelson Bolles

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Not all who wander are lost. J.R.R. Tolkien

Think enthusiastically about everything; but especially about your job. If you do so, you'll put a touch of glory in your life. If you love your job with enthusiasm, you'll shake it to pieces. Norman Vincent Peale

Setting Goals

Develop your initiative. Do something no one else has done. Thomas Watson, Sr., IBM

Give me a stock clerk with a goal and I'll give you a man who will make history. Give me a man with not goals and I'll give a stock clerk. J. C. Penney, Retailer, 1875-1971

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Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe. Abraham Lincoln

There are many ways of going forward, but only one way of standing still. Franklin D. Roosevelt

You can never plan the future by the past. Edmund Burke

Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it now. For boldness has genius, power and magic in it. Goethe

We cannot seek or attain health, wealth, learning, justice or kindness in general. Action is always specific, concrete, individualized, unique. Benjamin Jowett

An idea can turn to dust or magic, depending on the talent that rubs against it. Bill Bernbach

Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work. Aristotle

Keep away from people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that you, too, can become great. Mark Twain

Nothing is ever achieved without enthusiasm. Ralph Waldo Emerson

The important thing is not to stop questioning. Albert Einstein

Creativity, Dedication and Perseverance

If people did not do silly things, nothing intelligent would ever get done. Ludwig Wittgenstein

All of us do not have equal talent, but all of us should have an equal opportunity to develop our talent. John F. Kennedy

If I were asked ... to what the singular prosperity and growing strength of Americans ought mainly to be attributed, I should reply: To the superiority of their women. Alexis de Tocqueville

The reasonable man adapts himself to the world; the unreasonable man persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man. George Bernard Shaw

We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths. Walt Disney

It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge. Albert Einstein

Creativity is a type of learning process where the teacher and pupil are located in the same individual. Arthur Koestler

Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving Albert Einstein

Don't dwell on what went wrong. Instead, focus on what to do next. Spend your energies on moving forward toward finding the answer. Denis Waitley

If you want creative workers, give them enough time to play. John Cleese

It must be borne in mind that the tragedy in life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal. The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach. It isn't a calamity to die with dreams unfulfilled, but it is a calamity not to dream. It is not a disaster to be

unable to capture your ideal, but it is a disaster to have not ideal to capture. It is not a disgrace not to reach the stars, but it is a disgrace to have not stars to reach for. Not failure, but low aim is sin. Dr. Benjamin Mays, former resident of Morehouse College

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

Never laugh at anyone's dreams. People who don't have dreams don't have much.

Everyone gets the same twenty-four hours in a day, the difference is how you use it. Barbara Ann Kipfer

Amateurs built the ark. Professionals built the Titanic.

When you get into a tight place and everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hold on for a minute longer, never give up then, for that is just the place and the time that the tide will turn. Harriet Beecher Stowe

I've always wanted to be somebody, but I see now I should have been more specific. Lily Tomlin in *The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe*, by Jane Wagner

Take a lesson from the grass. No matter how many times it's cut or trampled on, it rises again and continues. So get back up, my friend, get back up and rise again.

To love what you do and feel that it matters - how could anything be more fun? Katherine Graham

If I see a roadblock when I'm going down a highway, I don't wait for someone to build me a different highway. I find a different route. Angela White

Sometimes your greatest asset is simply your ability to stay with it longer than anyone else. Brian Tracy

Run in such a way that you may win it. Holy Bible, I Cor 9:24

With ordinary talent and extraordinary perseverance, all things are attainable. Thomas Foxwell Buxton

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I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving: To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it, but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor Oliver Wendell Holmes

There's always something to suggest that you'll never be who you wanted to be. Your choice is to take it or keep on moving.

The present is the ever moving shadow that divides yesterday from tomorrow. In that lies hope. Frank Lloyd Wright

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We are here to see each other through, not see through each other'.....Doris Moore

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. Chinese Proverb

The reason most people never reach their goals is that they don't define them, or ever seriously consider them as believable or achievable. Winners can tell you where they are going, what they plan to do along the way, and who will be sharing the adventure with them. Dennis Waitley

Life is not easy for any of us, but what of that? We must have perseverance and, above all, confidence in ourselves. Marie Curie

There are two ways of meeting difficulties, you alter the difficulties or you alter yourself to meet them. Phyllis Bottome

Medicine is an advancing science and the best hospitals in the world are not those which merely use new technology but those which create it. Sir George Pickering

Chance favors the prepared mind. Louis Pasteur

Happy are those who dream dreams and are willing to pay the price to make them come true. L. J. Cardinal Suenens

Perfect freedom is reserved for the man who lives by his own work, and in that work does what he wants to do. R.G. Collingwood

The seeds of great discoveries are constantly floating around, but they only take root in minds well prepared to receive them. Joseph Henry

The human mind is our fundamental resource. John Fitzgerald Kennedy

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I know the price of success: dedication, hard work, and an unremitting devotion to the things you want to see happen. Frank Lloyd Wright, Architect, 1867-1959

How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant of the weak and strong. Because someday in life you will have been all of these.
George Washington Carver, Agricultural Chemist, 1861-1943

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My mother said to me, 'If you become a soldier, you'll be a general; if you become a monk, you'll end up as the Pope.' Instead, I became a painter and wound up as Picasso. Pablo Picasso, Artist, 1881-1973

When there is no wind, row. Portuguese sailors' proverb

People can fail—not always from lack of trying. They fail because they lack a clear vision of what they want to accomplish.

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Teaching and Learning in Medicine

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The safest thing for a patient is to be in the hands of a man engaged in teaching medicine. In order to be a teacher of medicine the doctor must always be a student. Charles H. Mayo

There are no such things as incurables, there are only things for which man has not found a cure. Bernard Baruch

I love doctors and hate their medicine. Walt Whitman

I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand. Confucius

On-going Learning. Making Progress

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We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give. Winston Churchill, British Prime Minister, 1874-1965

Tell me, I forget. Teach me, I learn. Involve me, I remember. Ben Franklin

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world. W.E.B. Du Bois:

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

The most important thing to remember is this: To be ready at any moment to give up what you are for what you might become.

The most successful people are those who are good at plan B. James Yorke

The mind is not a vessel to be filled, but a fire to be lighted. Plutarch, a noted Greek historian, biographer, and essayist; one of the first to write in the form known as biography lived somewhere between 46 BC and 120 AD; his writings influenced notable authors including Shakespeare and Emerson

This quote was from the HBO series From the Earth to the Moon
Only the educated are free. Epictetus, Roman philosopher, slave and author of Discourses

The only thing worse than training good employees and losing them is NOT training your employees and keeping them. Zig Ziglar

Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one. Malcolm S. Forbes

We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths. Walt Disney

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I believe that education is the fundamental method of social progress and reform. All reforms which rest simply upon the law, or the threatening of certain penalties, or upon changes in mechanical or outward arrangements, are transitory and futile.... But through education society can formulate its own purposes, can organize its own means and resources, and thus shape itself with definiteness and economy in the direction in which it wishes to move.... Education thus conceived marks the most perfect and intimate union of science and art conceivable in human experience. John Dewey

Every student can learn, just not on the same day, or the same way. George Evans

That is what learning is. You suddenly understand something you've understood all your life, but in a new way. Doris Lessing

What is important is to keep learning, to enjoy challenge, and to tolerate ambiguity. In the end there are no certain answers. Martina Horner

Do not train children to learning by force and harshness, but direct them to it by what amuses their minds, so that you may be better able to discover with accuracy the peculiar bent of the genius of each. Plato

Learning to teach is a bigger job than universities, schools, experience, or personal disposition alone can accomplish. Sharon Feiman-Nemser

Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever. Gandhi

I am learning all the time. The tombstone will be my diploma. Eartha Kitt

You learn something every day if you pay attention. Ray LeBlond

Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere. Chinese Proverb

I have never in my life learned anything from any man who agreed with me.
Dudley Field Malone

You don't understand anything until you learn it more than one way. Marvin
Minsky

People learn something every day, and a lot of times it's that what they
learned the day before was wrong. Bill Vaughan

Nothing is more powerful and liberating than knowledge. William H. Gray III

The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you. B.B.
King

The larger the island of knowledge, the longer the shoreline of wonder. Ralph M.
Sockman

Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and attended
to with diligence.

Whoever ceases to be a student has never been a student. Euripides 484 BC -
406 BC, Phrixus

The wisest mind has something yet to learn. George Iles

Much learning does not teach understanding. George Santayana 1863 - 1952

Never seem more learned than the people you are with. Wear your learning like
a pocket watch and keep it hidden. Do not pull it out to count the hours, but give
the time when you are asked. Heraclitus 540 BC - 480 BC, On the Universe

We learn by example and by direct experience because there are real limits to
the adequacy of verbal instruction. Lord Chesterfield 1694 - 1773

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ambiguity. In the end there are no certain answers. Malcolm Gladwell, Blink: The
Power of Thinking Without Thinking, 2005

Whenever you are asked if you can do a job, tell 'em, 'Certainly I can!' Then get
busy and find out how to do it. Martina Horner, President of Radcliffe College

Learning is not compulsory... neither is survival. Theodore Roosevelt 1858 - 1919

Learning without thought is labor lost; thought without learning is perilous. Abigail
Adams 1744 - 1818, 1780

That is what learning is. You suddenly understand something you've understood
all your life, but in a new way. Confucius 551 BC - 479 BC, The Confucian
Analects

Only the curious will learn and only the resolute overcome the obstacles to learning. The quest quotient has always excited me more than the intelligence quotient. Doris Lessing

Who so neglects learning in his youth, loses the past and is dead for the future. Eugene S. Wilson

You don't need fancy highbrow traditions or money to really learn. You just need people with the desire to better themselves. W. Edwards Deming 1900 - 1993

It is possible to store the mind with a million facts and still be entirely uneducated. Adam Cooper and Bill Collage, Accepted, 2006

An education isn't how much you have committed to memory, or even how much you know. It's being able to differentiate between what you do know and what you don't. Alec Bourne

A well-informed mind is the best security against the contagion of folly and of vice. The vacant mind is ever on the watch for relief, and ready to plunge into error, to escape from the languor of idleness. Anatole France 1844 - 1924

The Advantages of Failure/Mistakes: Getting Back Up

Failure is always a safe, familiar, no-risk refuge, a known experience; it focuses on testing no new responsibilities upon one. Success, on the other hand, is unknown territory and a high-risk business; the very life-style it imposes is full of relentless demands for even better performances and achievements. Alan H. Olmstead

It takes as much courage to have tried and failed as it does to have tried and succeeded. Anne Morrow Lindbergh

It's okay to make mistakes. Mistakes are our teachers they help us to learn. John Bradshaw

Failure is instructive. The person who really thinks learns quite as much from his failures as from his successes. John Dewey

Failure is only temporary, if after you have fallen, you get up. If you stay down, lie down and choose not to continue, then and only then have you given up. Having fallen is not a sign of weakness, but not getting up makes you weak. Like little babies when they are first learning to walk, they fall down, but then they get up and fall down again. After many times of falling, they eventually learn how to walk and discover how easy it is to walk. This is not to say they will never fall again. They have learned when they fall not to stay down, but get up. As we have gotten older we have come to understand that to fall does not mean to quit.

When we fall, as long as we get up, then everything will be OK. Getting up shows you can and will continue on not matter what. Getting up means you know you can achieve the goals you have set for yourself. Getting up shows you are a winner and not a quitter. You may have failed; you may have not reached your goal yet. You may have fallen, but get up! Kevin J Houston Motivating and Encouraging People For Life

Understand that most problems are a good sign. Problems indicate that progress is being made, wheels are turning, you are moving toward your goals. Beware when you have no problems. Then you've really got a problem... Problems are like landmarks of progress. Scott Alexander

Forget past mistakes. Forget failures. Forget everything except what you're going to do now and do it. William James Will Durant

Mistakes are sometimes the best memories.

You're born, you die, and in between you make a lot of mistakes.

An inventor fails 999 times, and if he succeeds once, he's in. He treats his failures simply as practice shots. Charles Kettering

Do not fear mistakes. There are none. Miles Davis

The way to succeed is to double your failure rate. Thomas Watson, Founder of IBM

Failure is only the opportunity to begin again more intelligently. Henry Ford

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

Give me the young man who has brains enough to make a fool of himself. Robert Louis Stevenson

Adversity reveals genius, prosperity conceals it. Horace

I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everybody. Bill Cosby

I have not failed once. I've just found 10,000 ways that didn't work. Thomas Edison

Only those who dare to fail greatly can ever achieve greatly. Robert F. Kennedy

No matter how well you perform, there's always somebody of intelligent opinion who thinks it's lousy. Sir Laurence Olivier

If your life is free of failures, you're not taking enough risks. H. Jackson Brown

You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try. Beverly Sills

I failed my way to success. Thomas Edison

99 percent of success is built on failure. Charles Kettering

Act as if it were impossible to fail. Dorothea Brande

Failure is success if we learn from it. Malcolm Forbes

You can only be as good as you dare to be bad. John Barrymore

The season of failure is the best time for sowing the seeds of success. Paramahansa Yogananda

Never confuse a single defeat with a final defeat. F. Scott Fitzgerald

You may have a fresh start any moment you choose, for this thing that we call 'failure' is not the falling down, but the staying down. Mary Pickford

Never give in, never give in, never, never, never never in nothing, great or small, large or petty never give in except to convictions of honor and good sense. Winston Churchill

We are not retreating we are advancing in another direction. Douglas MacArthur

I am not discouraged, because every wrong attempt discarded is another step forward. Thomas A. Edison

Fall seven times, stand up eight. Japanese Proverb

Stumbling is not falling. Portuguese Proverb

I only follow my voice inside, if it guides me wrong and I do not win I'll learn from my mistakes and try 2 achieve again.

Take chances... alot of them. Because honestly, no matter where you end up- and with who, it always ends up just the way it should be. Your mistakes make you who you are... you learn and grow with each choice you make. Everything is worth it. say how you feel- always . Be you, and be okay with it. It doesn't matter

what any other person thinks.

Mistakes are a part of being human. Appreciate your mistakes for what they are: precious life lessons that can only be learned the hard way. Unless it's a fatal mistake, which, at least, others can learn from.

The only man who never makes mistakes is the man who never does anything.
Eleanor Roosevelt

The greatest mistake you can make in life is to be continually fearing you will make one. Elbert Hubbard

Do not fear risk. All exploration, all growth is calculated. Without challenge people cannot reach their higher selves. Only if we are willing to walk over the edge can we become winners. The families of the Challenger Space Shuttle Crew

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Earning as Opening Doors

You can do anything you think you can. This knowledge is literally the gift of the gods, for through it you can solve every human problem. It should make of you an incurable optimist. It is the open door. Robert Collier

What we really want to do is what we are really meant to do. When we do what we are meant to do, money comes to us, doors open for us, we feel useful, and the work we do feels like play to us. Julia Cameron

Ideas can be life-changing. Sometimes all you need to open the door is just one more good idea Jim Rohn

In oneself lies the whole world and if you know how to look and learn, the door is there and the key is in your hand. Nobody on earth can give you either the key or the door to open, except yourself. Jiddu Krishnamurti

Teachers open the door, but you must enter by yourself. Chinese Proverbs

Follow your bliss and the universe will open doors for you where there were only walls Joseph Campbell

Formal Education

Education is not received. It is achieved.

Tell me and I'll forget; show me and I may remember; involve me and I'll understand. Chinese proverb

I never teach my pupils; I only attempt to provide the conditions in which they can learn. Albert Einstein

Education is learning what you didn't even know you didn't know. Daniel Boorstin

The only person who is educated is the one who has learned how to learn - and change. Carl Rogers

By nature all people are alike, but by education become different.

The direction in which education starts a man will determine his future in life. Plato

Education is not a product: mark, diploma, job, money in that order; it is a process, a never ending one. Bel Kaufman

Human history becomes more and more a race between education and catastrophe. George Bernard Shaw 1856 - 1950

College isn't the place to go for ideas. H. G. Wells 1866 - 1946, Outline of History 1920

Education has for its object the formation of character. Helen Keller 1880 - 1968

The great aim of education is not knowledge but action. Herbert Spencer 1820 - 1903

Next in importance to freedom and justice is popular education, without which neither freedom nor justice can be permanently maintained. Herbert Spencer 1820 - 1903

The number of books will grow continually, and one can predict that a time will come when it will be almost as difficult to learn anything from books as from the direct study of the whole universe. It will be almost as convenient to search for some bit of truth concealed in nature as it will be to find it hidden away in an immense multitude of bound volumes. Clive James

The foundation of every state is the education of its youth. Denis Diderot 1713 - 1784

Education begins a gentleman, conversation completes him. Diogenes Laertius

Only the educated are free. Dr. Thomas Fuller 1654 - 1734, Gnomologia, 1732

America believes in education: the average professor earns more money in a year than a professional athlete earns in a whole week. Epictetus 55 AD - 135 AD, Discourses

A word as to the education of the heart. We don't believe that this can be imparted through books; it can only be imparted through the loving touch of the teacher. Cesar Chavez

In an effective classroom students should not only know what they are doing, they should also know why and how. Harry Wong

The important thing is not to stop questioning. Albert Einstein

The whole world opened to me when I learned to read. Mary McLeod Bethune

A gifted teacher is as rare as a gifted doctor, and makes far less money. Unknown

A teacher is one who makes himself progressively unnecessary. Thomas Carruthers

The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires. William Arthur Ward

All of us do not have equal talent, but all of us should have an equal opportunity to develop our talent. John F. Kennedy

It is, in fact, nothing short of a miracle that the modern methods of instruction have not entirely strangled the holy curiosity of inquiry. Albert Einstein

It is a miracle that curiosity survives formal education. Albert Einstein

The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn. Alvin Toffler

The whole art of teaching is only the art of awakening the natural curiosity of young minds for the purpose of satisfying it afterwards. Anatole France

Children require guidance and sympathy far more than instruction. Annie Sullivan

Your ability to learn faster than your competition is your only sustainable competitive advantage. Arie De Gues

Education is the transmission of civilization. Ariel and Will Durant

All who have meditated on the art of governing mankind have been convinced that the fate of empires depends on the education of youth. Aristotle

Creativity is a type of learning process where the teacher and pupil are located in the same individual. Arthur Koestler

Learning from experience is a faculty almost never practiced. Barbara Tuchman

Thank goodness I was never sent to school; it would have rubbed off some of the originality. Beatrix Potter

We cannot hold a torch to light another's path without brightening our own. Ben Sweetland

The aim of education should be to teach us rather how to think, than what to think - rather to improve our minds, so as to enable us to think for ourselves, than to load the memory with thoughts of other men. Bill Beattie

If we value independence, if we are disturbed by the growing conformity of knowledge, of values, of attitudes, which our present system induces, then we may wish to set up conditions of learning which make for uniqueness, for self-direction, and for self-initiated learning. Carl Rogers

Prejudices, it is well known, are most difficult to eradicate from the heart whose soil has never been loosened or fertilized by education; they grow there, firm as weeds among rocks. Charlotte Bronte

The aim of education is the knowledge not of fact, but of values. Dean William R. Inge

Human beings, who are almost unique in having the ability to learn from the experience of others, are also remarkable for their apparent disinclination to do so. Douglas Adams

It has always seemed strange to me that in our endless discussions about education so little stress is laid on the pleasure of becoming an educated person, the enormous interest it adds to life. To be able to be caught up into the world of thought that is to be educated. Edith Hamilton

To be able to be caught up into the world of thought that is educated. Edith Hamilton

It is impossible for a man to learn what he thinks he already knows. Epictetus

We must not believe the many, who say that only free people ought to be educated, but we should rather believe the philosophers who say that only the educated are free. Discourses. Epictetus

In times of change, learners inherit the earth, while the learned find themselves beautifully equipped to deal with a world that no longer exists. Eric Hoffer

You must learn day by day, year by year, to broaden your horizon. The more things you love, the more you are interested in, the more you enjoy, the more you are indignant about, the more you have left when anything happens. Ethel Barrymore

Ye can lead a man up to the university, but you can't make him think. Finley Peter Dunne

Everywhere I go I'm asked if I think the university stifles writers. My opinion is that they don't stifle enough of them. There's many a best-seller that could have been prevented by a good teacher. Flannery O'Conner

Education a debt due from present to future generations. George Peabody

Those who cannot learn from history are doomed to repeat it. George Santayana

The first problem for all of us, men and women, is not to learn, but to unlearn. Gloria Steinem

Treat people as if they were what they ought to be and you help them to become what they are capable of being. Goethe

It is not so important to know everything as to appreciate what we learn. Hannah More

Have you ever been at sea in a dense fog, when it seemed as if a tangible white darkness shut you in and the great ship, tense and anxious, groped her way toward the shore with plummet and sounding-line, and you waited with beating heart for something to happen? I was like that ship before my education began, only I was without compass or sounding line, and no way of knowing how near the harbor was. light! Give me light! was the wordless cry of my soul, and the light of love shone on me in that very hour. Helen Keller

Nothing in education is so astonishing as the amount of ignorance it accumulates in the form of inert facts. Henry B. Adams

A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops. Henry B. Adams

I was determined to know beans. Walden Henry David Thoreau

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Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they have never failed to imitate them. James Baldwin

The first duty of a lecturer to hand you after an hour's discourse a nugget of pure truth to wrap up between the pages of your notebooks, and keep on the mantle piece forever. Virginia Woolfe

Only people who die very young learn all they really need to know in kindergarten. Wendy Kaminer

Education is a progressive discovery of our own ignorance. Will Durant

Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire. William Butler Yeats

Never forget that the purpose for which a man lives is the improvement of the man himself, so that he may go out of this world having, in his great sphere or his small one, done some little good for his fellow creatures and labored a little to diminish the sin and sorrow that are in the world. William E. Gladstone

But the ground of a man's [sic] culture lies in his nature, not in his calling. His powers are to be unfolded on account of their inherent dignity, not their outward direction. He is to be educated, because he is a man, not because he is to make shoes, nail, or pins. William Ellery Channing

I do not look on a human being as a machine, made to be kept in action by a foreign force, to accomplish an unvarying succession of motions, to do a fixed amount of work, and then to fall to pieces at death, but as a being of free spiritual powers; and i place little value on any culture but that which aims to bring out these, and to give them perpetual impulse and expansion. William Ellery Channing

Cramming seeks to stamp things in by intense application immediately before the ordeal. But a thing thus learned can form but few associations. William James

It is a good thing for an uneducated man to read books of quotations. Winston Churchill

Good schools, like good societies and good families, celebrate and cherish diversity. Deborah Meier

Every student can learn, just not on the same day, or the same way. George Evans

That is what learning is. You suddenly understand something you've understood all your life, but in a new way. Doris Lessing

Laws for the liberal education of youth, especially for the lower classes of people, are so extremely wise and useful that to a humane and generous mind, no expense for this purpose would be thought extravagant. John Adams

Nature teaches more than she preaches. There are no sermons in stones. It is easier to get a spark out of a stone than a moral. John Burroughs

Education, therefore, is a process of living and not a preparation for future living. John Dewey

Remember that our nation's first great leaders were also our first great scholars. John F. Kennedy

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

Pick battles big enough to matter, small enough to win. *On Being A Teacher*. Jonathan Kozol

Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern, but impossible to enslave. Lord Brougham

Theories and goals of education don't matter a whit if you don't consider your students to be human beings. Lou Ann Walker

We have a hunger of the mind, which asks for knowledge of all around us, and the more we gain, the more is our desire; the more we see, the more we are capable of seeing. Maria Mitchell

Study as if you were going to live forever; live as if you were going to die tomorrow. Maria Mitchell

Establishing lasting peace is the work of education; all politics can do is keep us out of war. Maria Montessori

Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it. Marian Wright Edelman

First, god created idiots. That was just for practice. Then he created school boards. Mark Twain

Many public-school children seem to know only two dates 1492 and 4th of July; and as a rule they don't know what happened on either occasion. Mark Twain

All schools, all colleges, have two great functions to confer, and to conceal, valuable knowledge. The theological knowledge which they conceal cannot justly be regarded as less valuable than that which they reveal. That is, when a man is buying a basket of strawberries it can profit him to know that the bottom half of it is rotten. Mark Twain, 1908 notebook

To repeat what others have said, requires education, to challenge it, requires brains. Mary Pettibone Poole

If your heart acquires strength, you will be able to remove blemishes from others without thinking evil of them. Mohandas K. Gandhi

The purpose of learning is growth, and our minds, unlike our bodies, can continue growing as we continue to live. Mortimer Adler

In the case of good books, the point is not how many of them you can get through, but rather how many can get through to you. Mortimer Adler

Education is the most powerful weapon, which you can use to change the world. Nelson Mandela

All children are artists. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up. Pablo Picasso

A master can tell you what he expects of you. A teacher though awakens your own expectations. Patricia Neal

Education either functions as an instrument which is used to facilitate integration of the younger generation into the logic of the present system and bring about conformity or it becomes the practice of freedom, the means by which men and women deal critically and creatively with reality and discover how to participate in the transformation of their world. Paulo Freire

Education is when you read the fine print. Experience is what you get if you don't. Pete Seeger

Don't limit a child to your own learning, for he was born in another time. Rabbinical Saying

If a child is to keep alive his inborn sense of wonder, he needs the companionship of at least one adult who can share it, rediscovering with him the joy, excitement and mystery of the world we live in. Rachel Carson

Skill to do comes of doing. Ralph Waldo Emerson

There is a time in every man's education when he arrives at the conviction that envy is ignorance; that imitation is suicide; that he must take himself for better for worse as his portion . . . It is the harder because you will always find those who think they know what is your duty better than you know it. It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after our own; but the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude. Ralph Waldo Emerson

If the colleges were better, if they really had it, you would need to get the police at the gates to keep order in the irrushing multitude. See in college how we thwart the natural love of learning by leaving the natural method of teaching what each wishes to learn, and insisting that you shall learn what you have no taste or capacity for. The college, which should be a place of delightful labour, is made odious and unhealthy, and the young men are tempted to frivolous amusements to rally their jaded spirits. I would have the studies elective. Scholarship is to be created not by compulsion, but by awakening a pure interest in knowledge. The wise instructor accomplishes this by opening to his pupils precisely the attractions the study has for himself. The marking is a system for schools, not for the college; for boys, not for men; and it is an ungracious work to put on a professor. Ralph Waldo Emerson

The man who can make hard things easy is the educator. Ralph Waldo Emerson

Life is a succession of lessons, which must be lived to be understood. Ralph Waldo Emerson

Learning is finding out what we already know. Doing is demonstrating that you know it. Teaching is reminding others that they know just as well as you. You are all learners, doers and teachers. Richard Bach

All I really need to know ... I learned in kindergarten. Robert Fulghum

It is a thousand times better to have common sense without education than to have education without common sense. Robert Green Ingersoll

Too often we give our children answers to remember rather than problems to solve. Roger Lewin

Leaders are more powerful role models when they learn than when they teach. Rosabeth Moss Kantor

An educated person is one who has learned that information almost always turns out to be at best incomplete and very often false, misleading, fictitious, mendacious - just dead wrong. Russell Baker

You learn to speak by speaking, to study by studying, to run by running, to work by working; and just so, you learn to love by loving. All those who think to learn in any other way deceive themselves. Saint Francis de Sales

What does labor want? We want more schoolhouses and less jails; more books and less arsenals; more learning and less vice; more leisure and less greed; more justice and less revenge; in fact, more of the opportunities to cultivate our better natures, to make manhood more noble, womanhood more beautiful, and childhood more happy and bright. Samuel Gompers

Home is the place where boys and girls first learn how to limit their wishes, abide by rules, and consider the rights and needs of others. Sidonie Gruenberg

The joy of learning is as indispensable in study as breathing is in running. Where it is lacking there are no real students, but only poor caricatures of apprentices who, at the end of their apprenticeship, will not even have a trade. Simone Weil

Give me the children until they are seven and anyone may have them afterward. St. Francis Xavier

If all the rich and all of the church people should send their children to the public schools they would feel bound to concentrate their money on improving these schools until they met the highest ideals. Susan B. Anthony

Sit down before fact as a little child, be prepared to give up every preconceived notion, follow humbly wherever or whatever abysses nature leads, or you will learn nothing. Thomas h. Huxley

Whenever the people are well-informed, they can be trusted with their own government. Thomas Jefferson

History is philosophy teaching by examples. Thucydides

Some children's answers to church school questions - from the church of England. Unknown

These days people seek knowledge, not wisdom. Knowledge is of the past, wisdom is of the future. Vernon Cooper

As the twig is bent the tree inclines. Virgil

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Learning without thought is labor lost; thought without learning is perilous. Confucius

The mark of a true MBA is that he is often wrong but seldom in doubt. Robert Buzzell

Education is not the filling of a bucket, but the lighting of a fire. W. B. Yeats

The objective of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives. Robert Maynard Hutchins

There is a brilliant child locked inside every student. Marva Collins

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Information cannot replace education. Earl Kiole

We all need someone who inspires us to do better than we know how. Anonymous

When will the public cease to insult the teacher's calling with empty flattery? When will men who would never for a moment encourage their own sons to enter the work of the public schools cease to tell us that education is the greatest and noblest of all human callings? William C. Bagley

The kids in our classroom are infinitely more significant than the subject matter we teach. Meladee McCarty

Teaching is not a profession; it's a passion. Unknown

Your heart is slightly bigger than the average human heart, but that's because

you're a teacher. Aaron Bacall

Aim for success, not perfection. Never give up your right to be wrong, because then you will lose the ability to learn new things and move forward with your life. Remember that fear always lurks behind perfectionism. David M. Burns

A professor can never better distinguish himself in his work than by encouraging a clever pupil, for the true discoverers are among them, as comets amongst the stars. Linnaeus

Instruction begins when you, the teacher, learn from the learner; put yourself in his place so that you may understand... what he learns and the way he understands it. Soren Kierkegaard

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If I were asked ... to what the singular prosperity and growing strength of Americans ought mainly to be attributed, I should reply To the superiority of their women. Alexis de Tocqueville

Children need models rather than critics. Joseph Joubert

The true teacher defends his pupils against his own personal influence. He inspires self-trust. He guides their eyes from himself to the spirit that quickens him. He will have no disciple. Amos Bronson Alcott

It is the responsibility of every adult... to make sure that children hear what we have learned from the lessons of life and to hear over and over that we love them and that they are not alone. Marian Wright Edelman

Education is more than filling a child with facts. It starts with posing questions. D.T. Max

If the only tool you have is a hammer, you tend to see every problem as a nail. Abraham Maslow

The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet. Aristotle

Higher education must lead the march back to the fundamentals of human relationships, to the old discovery that is ever new, that man does not live by bread alone. John A. Hannah

I teach therefore I am. Anonymous

Freedom of teaching and of opinion in book or press is the foundation for the sound and natural development of any people. Albert Einstein

How many a man has dated a new era in his life from the reading of a book! The book exists for us, perchance, that will explain our miracles and reveal new ones. Henry David Thoreau

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Effective teachers seek feedback and consensus on their decisions and make sure that students understand. Linda Shalaway

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. Margaret Mead

There is nothing more unequal than the equal treatment of unequal people.

Thomas Jefferson

The role of parents in the education of their children cannot be overestimated.
Mexican American Legal Defense Fund

Change

Every new day is another chance to change your life.

It's hard to accept, but you can't change the past. You can't go back and manipulate things to the way you wanted them to happen. Because life'd be meaningless and boring and just not worth living. But you can change the future and that's a beautiful thing about life. Yes, you will make mistakes. And yes, you will have bad days - but as long as you let the past go, you'll have such a gorgeous and bright future ahead of you. Knowing that things were meant to happen. Knowing that each day you will learn something so that you keep growing to be a better person. Life is like a rope, twined in all its complexities and yet weaved into one marvelous stream that you have the chance you use something amazing from. So grab hold of it.

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Gloria Steinem

Change is a process and not an event...Change is a process through which people and organizations move as they gradually come to understand, and become skilled and competent in the use of new ways. Hall and Ford, 2001

Risk and Vision

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We must dare, and dare again, and go on daring. Georges Jacque Danton

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The possibility that we may fail in the struggle ought not to deter us from the support of a cause we believe to be just. Abraham Lincoln

The only way of discovering the limits of the possible is to venture a little past them into the impossible. Arthur Clarke

Sometimes you just have to take the leap and build your wings on the way down.
Kobi Yamada

We can never discover new continents until we have the courage to lose sight of all coasts. André Gide

There is a time for daring and a time for caution, and a wise man knows which is called for. John Keating, the teacher in Dead Poet's Society

If you let your fear of consequence prevent you from following your deepest instinct, your life will be safe, expedient and thin. Katharine B. Hathaway

The only man who never makes mistakes is the man who never does anything.
Eleanor Roosevelt

Adventure is worthwhile in itself. Amelia Earhart

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There are risks and costs to action. But they are far less than the long range risks of comfortable inaction. John F. Kennedy

If there is something to gain and nothing to lose by asking—by all means ask! W.

Clement Stone

Undertake something that is difficult; it will do you good. Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered, you will never grow. Ronald Osborn

People don't always have the vision, and the secret for the person with the vision is to stand up. It takes a lot of courage. Natalie Cole

I say if it's going to be done, let's do it. Let's not put it in the hands of fate. Let's not put it in the hands of someone who doesn't know me. I know me best. Then take a breath and go ahead. Anita Baker

Risk! Risk anything! Care no more for the opinions of others, for those voices. Do the hardest thing on earth for you. Act for yourself. Face the truth. Katherine Mansfield

We must have courage to bet on our ideas, to take the calculated risk, and to act. Everyday living requires courage if life is to be effective and bring happiness. Maxwell Maltz

My advice to someone who wants to become a CEO Take risks and never stop learning. Barry Rand, CEO, Avis Rent A Car System

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To conquer without risk is to triumph without glory. Pierre Corneille

There has been a calculated risk in every stage of American development - the pioneers who were not afraid of the wilderness, businessmen who were not afraid of failure, dreamers who were not afraid of action. Brooks Atkinson

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Everything is sweetened by risk. Alexander Smith

I think we should follow a simple rule if we can take the worst, take the risk. Dr. Joyce Brothers

Only when we accept full responsibility for our lives will we have the confidence and courage to risk. Stacy Allison, first American woman to climb Mt. Everest

I want to work with the top people, because only they have the courage and the confidence and the risk-seeking profile that you need. Laurel Cutler

You'll always miss 100 percent of the shots you don't take. Wayne Gretzky

Why not go out on a limb? Isn't that where the fruit is? Frank Scully

It is not because things are difficult that we do not dare, it is because we do not dare that they are difficult. Seneca

Progress always involves risks. You can't steal second base and keep your foot on first. Frederick B. Wilcox

Who dares nothing, need hope for nothing. Johann Friedrich Von Schiller

Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things 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

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All men's gains are the fruit of venturing. Herodotus

Be always sure you're right, then go ahead. Davy Crockett

If you're never scared or embarrassed or hurt, it means you never take any chances. Julia Sorel, author

Do not wait for ideal circumstances, nor the best opportunities; they will never come. Janet E. Stuart

Begin somewhere; you cannot build a reputation on what you intend to do. Liz Smith

Conditions are never just right. People who delay action until all factors are favorable do nothing. William Feather

An idea that is not dangerous is unworthy to be called an idea at all. Elbert

Hubbard

When you cannot make up your mind which of two evenly balanced courses of action you should take—choose the bolder. William Joseph Slim, British field marshal

Yes, risk taking is inherently failure-prone. Otherwise, it would be called sure-thing taking. Tim McMahon

Take risks if you win, you will be happy; if you lose, you will be wise. Anonymous

If you don't risk anything, you risk even more. Erica Jong, author

If you are not living on the edge, you are taking up too much room. Jayne Howard

Take calculated risks. That is quite different from being rash. General George S. Patton

If everything seems under control, you're just not going fast enough. Mario Andretti

Nothing ventured, something lost. Neale Clapp, consultant

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The men who have done big things are those who were not afraid to attempt big things, who were not afraid to risk failure in order to gain success. B. C. Forbes

Do one thing everyday that scares you. Eleanor Roosevelt

Leap and the net will appear. Zen saying

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The mind, ever the willing servant, will respond to boldness, for boldness, in effect, is a command to deliver mental resources. Norman Vincent Peale, pastor, speaker, & author

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Regret for the things we did can be tempered by time; it is regret for the things we did not do that is inconsolable. Sydney J. Harris, *Strictly Personal*

If you let fear of the unknown stop you from taking chances, you will stifle your true potential. Steve Rizzo, speaker, comedian, and author

To win, you have to risk loss. Jean-Claude Killy, champion skier

It takes courage to be creative. Just as soon as you have a new idea, you are a minority of one. E. Paul Torrence

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Stay firmly in your path and dare; be wild two hours a day! Paul Gauguin

Everything you want is just outside your comfort zone. Robert Allen, author and speaker

Take a chance! All life is a chance. The man who goes the furthest is generally the one who is willing to do and dare. Dale Carnegie, author

Throughout the ages there have always been those who have been willing to go beyond the norms and reach for that unknown and distant star. Ralph Waldo Emerson

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If you trust your nerve as well as your skill, you're capable of a lot more than you can imagine. Debi Thomas, Olympic figure skater

We cannot fail to win unless we fail to try. Tom Clancy, American novelist

If you're not a risk taker, you should get the hell out of business. Ray Kroc, founder of McDonald's Corporation

Happiness comes of the capacity to feel deeply, to enjoy simply, to think freely, to risk life, to be needed. Storm Jameson, British writer

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Fear

Never let the fear of striking out get in your way. Babe Ruth

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Every creative project I've produced required courage and a triumph over fear, but some potential accomplishments remain unrealized because of fear of failure, fear of rejection, fear of ridicule, fear of error. Dr. Edward Rockey

The greatest barrier to innovation/creativity is fear. Fear of failure, fear of success, fear of ridicule or speculation or being noticed . . . whatever. Just fear of reaching into the unknown, trying something different. The 'way it's always been' is safe. Change is scary and takes courage to initiate. Those who dare to say 'what if?' and take even the 1st steps toward change are the bravest of souls. Beverly Mardis

Looking back on my life, I wish I'd stepped forward and made a fool of myself more often when I was younger—because when you do, you find out you can do it. William Sessions, former FBI Director

The greatest mistake you can make in life is to be continually fearing you will make one. Elbert Hubbard

Fear is like a wound within our emotions. You heal a fear much like you heal a cut on your hand. If you ignore a cut, it will get infected. But it will heal itself if you pay attention to it and give it time. Same with a fear. First, recognize its existence—what kind of fear is it? Is it fear of poverty, loneliness, of rejection? Then use common sense. Don't let the fear get infected. Often we burn 70% of our emotional energy on what we fear might happen 90% of which won't happen. BY devoting our energy to our other emotions, we will heal naturally. from Po Bronson's book, *What Should I Do with My Life?* citing one of Rinpoche's teachings at hospice

Every tomorrow has two handles. We can take hold of it by the handle of anxiety, or by the handle of faith.

Sometimes in life there are things we are afraid to do, and we just have to do them afraid. Paul Franklin, Riley Clinical Engineering Author Unknown

Worry is like a rocking chair it gives you something to do, but it doesn't get you anywhere. Dorothy Galyean

Don't be afraid to take a big step if one is indicated. You can't cross a chasm in two small jumps. David Lloyd George

Mentoring

Education is not the filling of a bucket, but the lighting of a fire. W. B. Yeats

A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops. Henry B. Adams

A professor can never better distinguish himself in his work than by encouraging a clever pupil, for the true discoverers are among them, as comets amongst the stars. Linnaeus

We all need someone who inspires us to do better than we know how. Anonymous

In discussing the ingredients in a successful mentoring relationship, she observes, Mentors have to be willing to give of themselves and to consistently take the time to help their mentorees. I'm convinced that mentors can teach anyone anything as long as they're willing to invest the time. Mentorees, she continued, need to drive the relationship. They have to take responsibility for setting and focusing on their goals. They need to be receptive, but they can't just sit back and wait to be spoon-fed, she added. In short, both parties must be active participants, but the mentorees' initiative is the major vehicle for change.

In looking back over her tenure with the program, Blyden describes the sense of satisfaction that the role has brought to her work. I have seen tangible growth in people as a direct result of their experience as mentorees—and as mentors, she observed. When both mentors and mentorees are committed to working together and have organizational support along with the insights of career professionals, she said, amazing things can happen. Barbara Suddarth

In parenting and teaching, let this be our aim: Not to make every idea safe for children, but every child safe for ideas. Gerhardt E. Frost

The secret of teaching is to appear to have known all your life what you learned

this afternoon. Anonymous

They may forget what you said but they will never forget how you made them feel. Anonymous

The job of an educator is to teach students to see vitality in themselves. Joseph Campbell

Do not train children to learning by force and harshness, but direct them to it by what amuses their minds, so that you may be better able to discover with accuracy the peculiar bent of the genius of each. Plato

As a teacher I feel I have a moral obligation to help the children in my classroom grow toward becoming full human beings and to feel successful. Teaching cognitive skills is not enough... Jean Medick

Learning to teach is a bigger job than universities, schools, experience, or personal disposition alone can accomplish. Sharon Feiman-Nemser

Quirky Perspectives on Motivational Standards

Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me either. Just pretty much leave me alone.

The journey of a thousand miles begins with a broken fan belt and a leaky tire.

Don't be irreplaceable. If you can't be replaced, you can't be promoted.

Always remember that you're unique. Just like everyone else.

Never test the depth of the water with both feet.

If you think nobody cares if you're alive, try missing a couple of car payments.

Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them you're a mile away and you have their shoes.

If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day.

If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.

If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.

Some days you're the bug; some days you're the windshield

Good judgment comes from bad experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.

The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your pocket

A closed mouth gathers no foot.

Duct tape is like the Force. It has a light side and a dark side, and it holds the universe together.

There are two theories to arguing with women. Neither one works.

Generally speaking, you aren't learning much when your lips are moving.

Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.

Never miss a good chance to shut up.

Never, under any circumstances, take a sleeping pill and a laxative on the same night.

There is a fine line between hobby and mental illness.

No matter what happens, somebody will find a way to take it too seriously.

There comes a time when you should stop expecting other people to make a big deal about your birthday...around age 11.

Everyone seems normal until you get to know them.

Transition

No story is the same to us after a lapse of time; or rather we who read it are no longer the same interpreters. George Eliot

"Who are you?" said the Caterpillar.... "I—I hardly know, Sir, just at the present," Alice replied rather shyly, "at least I know who I was when I got up this morning, but I think I must have changed several times since then." Lewis Carroll, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

The chief object of education is not to learn things, but to unlearn things. G. K.

Chesterton

There is a time for departure, even when there's no certain place to go.
Tennessee Williams

One must be thrust out of a finished cycle in life, and...part with one's faith, one's love, when one would rather renew the faith and recreate the passion. Anais Nin

Observe constantly that all things take place by change, and accustom thyself to consider that the nature of the universe loves nothing so much as to change the things which are. Marcus Aurelius

Everybody wants to BE somebody; nobody wants to grow. Goethe

The important thing is this: to be able at any moment to sacrifice what we are for what we could become. Charles DuBos

Every beginning is a consequence—every beginning ends something. Paul Valery

Only in growth, reform, and change (paradoxically enough) is true security to be found. Anne Morrow Lindbergh

And to make an end is to make a beginning. The end is where we start from. T. S. Eliot

You make what seems a simple choice: Choose a man or a job or a neighborhood—and what you have chosen is not a man or a job or a neighborhood, but a life. Jessamyn West

Great is the art of beginning, but greater the art of ending. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Age seldom arrives smoothly or quickly. It's more often a succession of jerks. Jean Rhys

It's not so much that we're afraid of change or so in love with the old ways, but it's that place in between that we fear.... It's like being in between trapezes. It's Linus when his blanket is in the dryer. There's nothing to hold on to. Marilyn Ferguson