

QUOTES for you from *Ken Johnston*.COM

Every artist dips his brush in his own soul, and paints his own nature into his pictures.
— Henry Ward Beecher

To live a creative life, we must lose our fear of being wrong. — Joseph Chilton Pearce

The man who has no imagination has no wings. — Muhammad Ali

Reason can answer questions, but imagination has to ask them. — Ralph Gerard

Your imagination has much to do with your life . . . It is for you to decide how you want your imagination to serve you. — Philip Conley

Vision without action is merely a dream. Action without vision just passes the time. Vision with action can change the world. — Joel Barker

Art is the most intense mode of individualism that the world has known. — Oscar Wilde

There are some people who live in a dream world, and there are some who face reality; and then there are those who turn one into the other. — Douglas Everett

Never give up on what you really want to do. The person with the big dreams is more powerful than one with all the facts. — unknown

If you can't imagine it you can never do it. The image always precedes the reality.
— Marilyn King, Olympic pentathlete

Use your imagination not to scare yourself to death, but to inspire yourself to life.
— Adele Brookman

Imagination is more important than knowledge. It is the preview of life's coming attractions.
— Albert Einstein

Before you can do something you've never done, you have to be able to imagine it is possible.
— Jean Shinoda Bolen

You can't depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus. — Mark Twain

Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up.
— Pablo Picasso

Where the spirit does not work with the hand there is no art. — Leonardo da Vinci

A hunch is creativity trying to tell you something. — Frank Capra

Vision isn't enough unless combined with venture. It's not enough to stare up the steps unless we also step up the stairs. — Vance Havner

I arise each morning torn between a desire to save the world and a desire to savor the world. That makes it hard to plan the day. — E.B. White

Art is our memory of love. The most an artist can do through their work is say, let me show you what I have seen, what I have loved, and perhaps you will see it and love it too. — Annie Bevan

Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard. — Tim Notke

Life may not be the party we hoped for, but while we're here we should dance. — unknown

The really happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery when on a detour. — Unknown

Art is prayer. — Joseph Zinker

A happy person is not a person in a certain set of circumstances, but rather a person with a certain set of attitudes. — Hugh Downs

Start every day off with a smile and get it over with. — W. C. Fields

Comparison is the greatest thief of joy. — unknown

Be happy. It's one way of being wise. — Colette

People need joy. quite as much as clothing. Some of them need it far more.
— Margaret Collier Graham

Once a day you should look in the mirror to see if what stands between you and happiness isn't you. — unknown

Seek out that particular mental attribute which makes you feel most deeply and vitally alive, along with which comes the inner voice which says, "This is the real me," and when you have found that attitude, follow it. — William James

Some people change when they see the light, others when they feel the heat.
— Caroline Schoeder

If I were to begin life again, I should want it just as it was; only I would open my eyes a little more.
— Jules Renard

Though no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending. — Carl Bard

I think of life itself now as a wonderful play that I've written for myself... and so my purpose is to have the utmost fun playing my part. — Shirley MacLaine

It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change. — Charles Darwin

Saying you'll be happy when things change in your experience is like saying you'll smile when your reflection in the mirror smiles first. — Elias

Don't ask yourself what the world needs, ask yourself what makes you come alive. And then go and do that. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive. — Harold Whitman

I always tell people that I'm ready to move to the next level...I just hope there's a bathroom on that floor! - Amy B.

Stop going with the flow in your life. Start your own river instead. — Dr. Phil McGraw

I chose the road less traveled. Now, where the heck am I? — unknown

I'm not trying to find answers anymore. I'm trying to live what I know. — Phil Jackson

You cannot change your destination overnight, but you can change your direction overnight.
— Jim Rohn

To keep a lamp burning, we have to keep putting oil in it. — Mother Teresa

If you don't break your ropes while you are alive, do you think ghosts will do it after? — Kabir

The most exhausting thing you can do is to be inauthentic. — Anne Morrow Lindbergh

If you want something you've never had you have to do something you've never done.
— unknown

Safety is the most unsafe spiritual path you can take. Safety keeps you numb and dead. People are caught by surprise when it is time to die. They have allowed themselves to live so little.
— Stephen Levine

The past is a guidepost not a hitching post. — Thomas Holcroft

Beautiful young people are accidents of nature, but beautiful old people are works of art.
— unknown

To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often. — Winston Churchill

The artist is not a special kind of person, rather each person is a special kind of artist.
— Ananda Coomaraswamy

Art is a road on which getting to your destination is less important than what you discover — and learn — along the way. — A. Dorne

Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep.
— Scott Adams

We must be willing to get rid of the life we've planned so as to have the life that is waiting for us.
— Joseph Campbell

Where your talents and the needs of the world cross lies your calling. — Aristotle

You don't get to choose how you're going to die, only how you're going to live. — Joan Baez

It is not our abilities that show us who we really are: it is our choices.
— Professor Dumbledore, *Harry Potter and The Chamber of Secrets*

When we feel stuck, going nowhere -- even starting to slip backward -- we may actually be backing up to get a running start. — Dan Millman

Quite often we change jobs, friends and spouses instead of ourselves. — Akbarali H. Jetha

Enlightenment means taking full responsibility for your life. — William Blake

"How does one become a butterfly?" she asked pensively.
"You must want to fly so much that you are willing to give up being a caterpillar."
— Trina Paulus

I've learned the hardest part of moving forward is not looking back. — unknown

It doesn't matter what we do until we accept ourselves. Once we accept ourselves, it doesn't matter what we do. — Charly Heavenrich

You can learn new things at any time in your life if you're willing to be a beginner. If you actually learn to like being a beginner, the whole world opens up to you. — Barbara Sher

If you want to feel rich, just count all of the things you have that money can't buy. — unknown

You can never know that love is real until you yourself are. — unknown

Why go into something to test the waters? Go into it to make waves! — Michael Nolan

My body has certainly wandered a good deal, but I have an uneasy suspicion that my mind has not wandered enough. — Noel Coward

It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are. — e. e. Cummings

It may be that when we no longer know what to do we have come to our real work, and that when we no longer know which way to go we have begun our real journey. — Wendell Berry

What a wonderful life I've had! I only wish I'd realized it sooner! — Colette

Never confuse motion with action. — Ernest Hemingway

Please remember that no one Real is boring. — Gertrude Stein

Nothing much happens without a dream. For something really great to happen, it takes a really great dream. — Robert Greenleaf

It's not what you are that holds you back — it's what you think you're not. — unknown

Do you remember how electrical currents and 'unseen waves' were laughed at? The knowledge about man is still in its infancy. — Albert Einstein

The well of Providence is deep. It's the buckets we bring to it that are small. — Mary Webb

The best way to know God is to love many things. — Vincent van Gogh

Every creature is a word of God. — Meister Eckhart

Life and livelihood ought not to be separated, but to flow from the same source, which is spirit. — Matthew Fox

If you don't have a temple in your heart, you'll never find your heart in a temple. — Sufi saying

People are like stained glass windows, they sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when darkness sets in their true beauty is revealed only if there is a light from within. — Elizabeth Kubler-Ross

Live according to your highest light and more light will be given. — Peace Pilgrim

You must speak straight so that your words may go as sunlight to our hearts. — Cochise

Ring the bell that still can ring, Forget your perfect offering.
There is a crack in everything, That's how the Light gets in. — Leonard Cohen

No one can see who does not kindle a light of their own. — Buddha

The art of being wise is knowing what to overlook. — William James

The secret of success is to make your vacation your vocation. — Mark Twain

Life is the whim of several billion cells to be you for awhile. — unknown

What you do every day is as important to the soul as what your parents did to you.
— James Hillman

What soap is for the body, tears are for the soul. — Hassadic proverb

Peace is when time doesn't matter as it passes by. — Maria Schell

To love, you must free yourself from labels. — unknown

How many of us are literally tied up in knots? — unknown

Creativity can be described as letting go of uncertainties. — Gail Sheehy

Vocation is the place where your deep gladness meets the world's deep need. — Frederick Buechner

Progress is not created by contented people. — Frank Tyger

Life without passion is existence. — unknown

The key to following your bliss is this: You have to fall in love with what you do, then sell that love,
not just sell what you do. — Wayne Dyer

Knowledge speaks, but wisdom listens. — Jimi Hendrix

We don't receive wisdom; we must discover it for ourselves after a journey that no one can take
for us or spare us. — Marcel Proust

There are lots of people who mistake their imagination for their memory. — Josh Billings

The mind is not a vessel to be filled but a fire to be kindled. — Plutarch

With the gift of listening comes the gift of healing. — Catherine de Hueck Doherty

Friends are those rare people who ask how we are and then wait to hear the answer.
— Ed Cunningham

To forgive is to set a prisoner free, and realize the prisoner is you. — unknown

Forgiving is not about healing the past, it is about healing our future. — unknown

The men who try to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing
and succeed. — Lloyd Jones

A word of kindness is seldom spoken in vain. It can be and is often treasured by the recipient for life. — George D. Prentice,

If you can learn from hard knocks, you can also learn from soft touches. — Carolyn Kenmore

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

Ours is the age that is proud of machines that think and suspicious of men who try to. — H. Mumford Jones

The conventional view serves to protect us from the painful job of thinking. — John Kenneth Galbraith

Happiness is not a destination. It's a method of life. — Burton Hills

Happiness is not a goal; it is a by-product. — Eleanor Roosevelt

It is hard enough to remember my opinions, without also remembering my reasons for them! — Friedrich Nietzsche

"Is your glass half empty or half full?"
"Neither! I use a cup and it is running over!"

Worrying does not empty tomorrow of its troubles — it empties today of its strengths. — unknown

When I do not know who I am, I serve you. When I know who I am, I am you. — Indian proverb

The mind creates the abyss and the heart crosses it. - Sri Nisargadatta

My opinions are free but I do accept cash donations. — unknown

Better keep yourself clean and bright; you are the window through which you must see the world. — George Bernard Shaw

There are people who have money and people who are rich. —Coco Chanel

Trouble is part of your life — if you don't share it, you don't give the person who loves you a chance to love you enough. — Dinah Shore

ALWAYS REMEMBER: Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away. — George Carlin

Kindness is more important than wisdom, and the recognition of this is the beginning of wisdom. — Theodore Isaac Rubin

I will not let anyone walk through my mind with their dirty feet. — Mahatma Gandhi

The heart of a fool is in his mouth, but the mouth of the wise man is in his heart. — Benjamin Franklin

Your task is not to seek for love, but merely to seek and find all the barriers within yourself that you have built against it. — Rumi

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

Trust your hunches. They're usually based on facts filed away just below the conscious level. — Joyce Brothers

The heart is the chief feature of a functioning mind. — Frank Lloyd Wright

If you haven't got any charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble. — Bob Hope

Science is organized knowledge. Wisdom is organized life. — Immanuel Kant

Listening is a magnetic and strange thing, a creative force. You can see that when you think how the friends that really listen to us are the ones we move toward, and we want to sit in their radius as though it did us good, like ultraviolet rays. — Brenda Ueland

The first duty of love is to listen. — Paul Tillich

Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself. — Ralph Waldo Emerson

Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you are, are in harmony. — Mahatma Gandhi

When you arrive at your future, will you blame your past? — Robert Half

The time has come for us to stop tuning separate instruments and, together, to create a symphony. — unknown

Creating is easy if you view the world as if you were a child. Playing and creating are almost synonymous. — Bernie Siegal

If I create from the heart, nearly everything works; if from the head, almost nothing. — Marc Chagall

What we can't express runs our life. — unknown

Fine art is that in which the hand, the head, and the heart go together. — John Ruskin

As an improvising musician, I am not in the music business. I am not in the creativity business. I am in the surrender business. — Stephen Nachmanovitch

The hardest part of all this is the part that requires thinking. — Paul Tyson

A good exercise for the heart is to bend down and help another up. — unknown

To worry is like rocking in a rocking chair. It gives you something to do, but gets you nowhere. — Unknown

The facts about one's life remain the same — what changes is the fiction that you make up about those facts. — unknown

Experience is that marvellous thing that enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again. — Franklin P. Jones

Beyond food and shelter, our next greatest need is to matter. — David J. Walk

Blessed are the flexible, for they shall not be bent out of shape. — Michael McGriffy, M.D.

A nation that continues year after year to spend more money on military defense than on programs of social uplift is approaching spiritual doom. — Martin Luther King, Jr.

The real measure of our wealth is our worth if we lost our money. — unknown

We should tackle reality in a slightly humorous way; otherwise, we miss its point.
— Lawrence Durrell

It's not hard to make decisions when you know what your values are. — Roy Disney

Happiness is like a butterfly: the more you chase it, the more it will elude you. But if you turn your attention to other things, it will come and sit softly on your shoulder. — Henry David Thoreau

Let us be grateful to people who make us happy; they are the charming gardeners who make our souls blossom. — Marcel Proust

The bird of paradise alights only on the hand that does not grasp. — John Berry

One good analogy is worth three hours discussion. — James T. McCay

Don't let yesterday use up too much of today. — Will Rogers

If you seek to please your eyes but neglect to look within, you'll always be looking for something more. — Acura commercial

The minute a man ceases to grow, no matter what his years, that minute he begins to be old.
— William James

If you don't know where you are going, you might wind up someplace else. — Yogi Berra

"Attention" is the coin of the realm. Whatever it is that you "pay" your attention to, you've bought.
— unknown

People say that what we are seeking is the meaning of life... I think that what we are really seeking is the experience of being alive. — Joseph Campbell

Love's greatest gift is its ability to make everything it touches sacred. — Barbara De Angelis

Just once I wanted a task that required all the joy I had. — Annie Dillard

We have to be careful about who we assume we are, because that is who we become.
— Albert Einstein

Knowledge is power, but enthusiasm throws the switch. — unknown

Things may happen for a reason, but sometimes things happen to give you a reason.
— unknown

Abnormal people are the only people who have ever changed the world, because normal people stay normal. — David Hasz

Ten people who speak make more noise than ten thousand who are silent. — Napoleon

Life is not an art gallery... It's a workshop. — unknown

It's not so much how busy you are, but why you are busy. The bee is praised. The mosquito is swatted. — Mary O'Connor

If you cry "Forward" you must make it plain in what direction to go. — Anton Chekov

Life is the greatest art of all. —Tennessee Williams

Try not to become a man of success but rather try to become a man of value. — Albert Einstein

Someone told me that blind people need to realize their limitations; but I think it's more exciting to realize my potential. — Erik Weihenmayer

The secret of getting ahead is getting started. — Sally Berger

You have to expect things of yourself before you can do them. — Michael Jordan

The universe is full of magical things, patiently waiting for our wits to grow sharper. — Eden Phillpotts

We must all work to make the world worthy of its children. — Pablo Casals

Always make sure the horizon you think you see is not the rut you are standing in. — unknown

Painting is just another way of keeping a diary. — Pablo Picasso

To create is always to learn, to begin over, to begin at zero. — Matthew Fox

I believe talent is like electricity. We don't understand electricity. We use it. — Maya Angelou

Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves. — Sir James Barrie

A good coach will make his players see what they can be rather than what they are. — Ara Parasheghian

Those at the top of the mountain didn't fall there. — Marcus Washling

I can usually judge a fellow by what he laughs at. — Wilson Mizner

Fear is the resistance of what is, as is. Love is the acceptance of what is, as is. — unknown

Rocking Chair Living: Lots of action, but not any movement forward. — unknown

What you have become is the price you paid to get what you used to want. — Mignon McLaughlin

People who matter are most aware that everyone else does too. — Malcom Forbes

I have learned that failure is really God's way of saying, "Excuse me, but are you headed in the wrong direction?" — Oprah Winfrey

Education is what you get from reading the fine print. Experience is what you get from not reading it. — unknown

Only in quiet waters things mirror themselves undistorted. Only in a quiet mind is adequate perception of the world. — Hans Margolius

Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life. — Pablo Picasso

You use a glass mirror to see your face; you use works of art to see your soul.
— George Bernard Shaw

What we must decide is how we are valuable rather than how valuable we are. — Edgar
Friedenberg

Art is an extension of language for the expression of sensations too subtle for words. — Robert
Henri

Practice is the best instruction of them all. — Publilius Syrus

Writing a novel is like driving at night: You can only see as far as your headlights let you, but you
can make the whole trip that way. — E. L. Doctorow

If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop digging. — Will Rogers

Forgiveness does not change the past, but it does enlarge the future. — Paul Boese

Pretend that every single person you meet has a sign around his or her neck that says, "Make me
feel important." Not only will you succeed in sales, you will succeed in life. — Mary Kay Ash

There is a fountain of youth: it is your mind, your talents, the creativity you bring to your life and
the lives of the people you love. When you learn to tap this source, you will have truly defeated
age. — Sophia Loren

Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all others. — Cicero

If you believe you can, you probably can. If you believe you won't, you most assuredly won't.
Believe is the ignition switch that gets you off the launching pad. — Denis Waitley

One person with a belief is equal to a force of ninety-nine with only interests. — John Stuart Mill

The man who rows the boat doesn't have time to rock it! — unknown

The most important trip you may take in life is meeting people halfway. — Henry Boyce

We attract hearts by the qualities we display; we retain them by the qualities we possess.
— Suard

I've never seen a monument erected to a pessimist. — Paul Harvey

The cart before the horse is neither beautiful or useful. — Ralph Waldo Emerson

Imagination continually frustrates tradition... that is its function. — John Pfeifferw

Some drink from the fountain of life, the rest gargle. — unknown

Don't be afraid to give up the good for the great. — Kenny Rogers

It's kind of fun to do the impossible. — Walt Disney

Some suffer from real misfortunes. Sadly, others only imagine that they do. — Boyd Packer

A professional is a person who can do his best at a time when he doesn't particularly feel like it.
— Alistair Cooke

Home is not where you live, but where they understand you. — Christian Morgenstern

If you judge people, you have no time to love them. — Mother Teresa

Some people grin and bear it; other smile and do it. — unknown

You do not lead by hitting people over the head. That's assault, not leadership. — Dwight D. Eisenhower

The most effective kind of education is that a child should play amongst lovely things. — Plato

Wise sayings often fall on barren ground, but a kind word is never thrown away. — Arthur Helps