

I couldn't have said it better.

Quotes I love. Wendy

I quote others only the better to express myself	Michel de Montaigne
'I travel not to go anywhere, but to go. The great affair is to move.'	Robert Louis Stevenson
The camera is an instrument that teaches people how to see without a camera	Dorothea Lange
Anyone who isn't confused really doesn't understand the situation	Edward R. Murrow
When we ask for advice, we are usually looking for an accomplice	Marquis de la Grange
Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents which, in prosperous circumstances, would have lain dormant	Horace
Use your health, even to the point of wearing it out. That is what it is for. Spend all you have before you die; do not outlive yourself.	George Bernard Shaw
A gym is not designed to make you feel instantly better about yourself. If a gym wanted to make you feel instantly better about yourself, it would be a bar.	Jason Gay
The best way out is always through	Robert Frost
We are not retreating -- we are advancing in another direction	Douglas MacArthur

I'm an optimist, but I'm an optimist who carries a raincoat	Harold Wilson
There is no education like adversity	Benjamin Disraeli
In the midst of winter, I found there was, within me, an invincible summer	Albert Camus
Success is the ability to go from one failure to another with no loss of enthusiasm	Winston Churchill
The greatest mistake a man can ever make is to be afraid to make one.	Elbert Hubbard
Happiness is nothing more than good health and a bad memory	Albert Schweitzer
It ain't no use putting up your umbrella till it rains	Alice Caldwell Rice
Resentment is like taking poison and waiting for the other person to die	Malachy McCourt
Be yourself; everyone else is already taken	Oscar Wilde
If your life is free of failures, you're not taking enough risks	H. Jackson Brown, Jr.
The older I get the less I listen to what people say and the more I look at what they do	Andrew Carnegie
I believe all suffering is caused by ignorance. People inflict pain on others in the selfish pursuit of their happiness or satisfaction. Yet true happiness comes from a sense of peace and contentment, which in turn must be achieved through the cultivation of altruism, of love and compassion, and elimination of ignorance, selfishness, and greed.	The Dalai Lama
"[Anxiety] It is the dizziness of reason	Soren Kierkegaard

[Anxiety is] The handmaiden of creativity	TS Eliot
It is tossed by the waves but does not sink	Unknown
Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world.	Albert Einstein
All growth is a leap in the dark, a spontaneous unpremeditated act without the benefit of experience.	Henry Miller
I have done my best. That is all the philosophy of living one needs.	Lin-yutang
Good enough is the new perfect.	Becky Beaupre Gillespie
Don't let the perfect be the enemy of the good.	Voltaire
We come to love not by finding a perfect person, but by learning to see an imperfect person perfectly	Sam Keen
A good plan today is better than a perfect plan tomorrow.	Proverb
A beautiful thing is never perfect.	Proverb
Being happy doesn't mean that everything is perfect. It means you've decided to look beyond the imperfections.	Unknown
Until you stop breathing, there's more right with you than wrong with you.	Jon Kabat-Zinn
It is much more valuable to look for the strength in others. You can gain nothing by criticizing their imperfections.	Daisaku Ikeda

You can do what's reasonable or you can decide what's possible.	Unknown
Letting go isn't the end of the world; it's the beginning of a new life.	Unknown
You only lose what you cling to.	Buddha
In true dialogue, both sides are willing to change.	Thich Nhat Hanh
Never apologize for showing feelings. When you do so, you apologize for the truth.	Benjamin Disraeli
Life is too important to be taken seriously.	Oscar Wilde
Masquerading as a normal person day after day is exhausting.	Anonymous
The first time someone shows you who they are, believe them.	Maya Angelou
People tell you who they are the first time you meet them.	Mom (me)
Think sideways.	
Wherever you go, go with all of your heart.	Confucius
Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind, don't matter and those who matter, don't mind.	Dr. Seuss
Dwell in possibility	Emily Dickinson
Go confidently in the direction of your dreams! Live the life you've imagined. As you simplify your life, the laws of the universe will be simpler.	Henry David Thoreau
We should all start to live before we get too old. Worry is stupid, so are regrets.	Marilyn Monroe
If you obey all the rules, you miss all the fun.	Katherine Hepburn

Why not have a big life.	Emily Dickinson
We are never so vulnerable as when we love.	Sigmund Freud
And suddenly you know: It's time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings.	Meister Eckhart
It always seems impossible until it's done.	Nelson Mandela
The only people for me are the mad ones, the ones mad to live, mad to talk, mad to be saved, desirous of everything at the same time, the ones who never yawn or say a commonplace thing but burn, burn, burn like fabulous roman candles exploding like spiders across the stars and in the middle you see the blue centerlight pop and everybody goes 'Awwww!'	Jack Kerouac
Enlightenment is construed as seeing things as they really are rather than as they appear; it is a direct insight into, and discernment of, the nature of reality that is apprehended only by wisdom, which transcends and is prior to the activity of discriminative thought.	Hee-Jin Kim
A human being is a part of the whole, called by us 'Universe,' a part limited in time and space. He experiences himself, his thoughts, and feelings as something separated from the rest, a kind of optical delusion of his consciousness. This delusion is a kind of prison for us, restricting us to our personal desires and to affection for a few persons nearest to us. Our task must be to free ourselves from this prison by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature in its beauty. Nobody is able to achieve this completely, but the striving for such achievement is in itself a part of the liberation and a foundation for inner security."	Albert Einstein
"If you are going through hell, keep going"	Winston Churchill

"An idea that is not dangerous is unworthy of being called an idea at all."

Oscar Wilde

"Each of us is a moving center, a space of divine mystery. And though we spend most of our time on the surface in the daily details of ordinary existence, most of us hunger to connect to this space within, to break through to bliss, to be swept away into something bigger than us... The question I ask myself and everyone else is, "Do you have the discipline to be a free spirit? Can you be free of all that binds and bends you into a shape...?"

Gabrielle Roth

A work of art is above all an adventure of the mind.

Eugene Ionesco

"A ship in harbor is safe, but that's not what ships are built for."

William G.T. Shedd,

Held by memory and hope

The way it actually works is the reverse. You must first be who you really are, then do what you need to do, in order to have what you want.

Margaret Young

Snark is the idiot's version of wit (and we are all being polluted by it)

Aaron Sorkin through  
Will MacAvoy - The  
Newsroom

A specialist: someone who reads instructions

In judging our progress as individuals, we tend to concentrate on external factors such as one's social position, influence and popularity, wealth and standard of education...but internal factors may be even more crucial in assessing one's development as a human being: humility, purity, generosity, absence of vanity, readiness to serve your fellow men -- qualities within the reach of every human soul."

Nelson Mandela in a  
letter to Winnie  
Madikizela Mandela,  
1977

A hallmark of intelligence is a willingness to change one's mind

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If you don't know where you are going all roads lead there	unknown
Attitude is the difference between ordeal and adventure.	Unknown
Train your mind to see the good in every situation	Unknown
Cultivate the habit of being grateful	Unknown
There shall be an eternal summer in the grateful heart	Celia Thaxter
Whether you think you can, or think you can't, you're right	Henry Ford
Love the earth and sun and the animals, despise riches, give alms to everyone that asks, stand up for the stupid and crazy, devote your income and labor to others, hate tyrants, argue not concerning God, have patience and indulgence toward the people, take off your hat to nothing known or unknown or to any man or number of men, go freely with powerful uneducated persons and with the young and with the mothers of families, read these leaves in the open air every season of every year of your life, re-examine all you have been told at school or church or in any book, dismiss whatever insults your own soul, and your very flesh shall be a great poem and have the richest fluency not only in its words but in the silent lines of its lips and face and between the lashes of your eyes and in every motion and joint of your body."	Walt Whitman
"Imagination was given to man to compensate him for what he is not; a sense of humor to console him for what he is." ~	Francis Bacon
There are two types of courage in this world. One demands that we jump into action with or armor on. The other demands that we strip ourselves naked and surrender. Bravery is an interesting thing.	Jeff Brown

The Universe is built on a plan the profound symmetry of which is somehow present in the inner structure of our intellect.	Paul Valery
If you like fractals, it is because you are made of them. If you can't stand fractals, it's because you can't stand yourself. It happens.	Homer Smith, Computer Engineer, Art Matrix
That little voice in the back of your head - that's not your conscience, that's fear	Francis on House of Cards
Freedom comes in being bold	Robert Frost
The activity you're most avoiding contains your biggest opportunity	Robin Sharma
Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier.	Mother Teresa
Be a loner. That gives you time to wonder, to search for the truth. Have holy curiosity. Make your life worth living.	Albert Einstein
There is no path to happiness: happiness is the path	
The first step towards getting somewhere is to decide that you are not going to stay where you are.	Chauncey Depew
Your time is limited, don't waste it living someone else's life. Don't be trapped by dogma, which is living the result of other people's thinking. Don't let the noise of other people's opinion drowned your own inner voice. And most important, have the courage to follow your heart and intuition, they somehow already know what you truly want to become. Everything else is secondary.	Steve Jobs
Sometimes the thoughts in my head get so bored they go out for a stroll through my mouth. This is rarely a good thing.	Scott Westerfeild
Avoiding danger is no safer in the long run than outright exposure. Life is either a daring adventure or nothing.	Helen Keller

We are most alive in those moments when our hearts are conscious of our treasures.	Thorton Wilder
The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away.	Pablo Picasso
There are three ways to ultimate success: The first way is to be kind. The second way is to be kind. The third way is to be kind.	Fred Rogers
May your choices reflect your hopes, not your fears	Nelson Mandela
If your inner being changes, your whole outer life will be totally different. It will have a different fragrance, a different beauty, a different grace. And when your inner being is changed and becomes a flame of light, you will become a light unto others too. You will become a beckoning light, a great herald of a new dawn. Your very presence will trigger revolutions in other people's lives.	Osho
Small soul, big problems, Big soul, small problems.	Ratu Bagus
No one ever wishes they traveled less.	unknown
Tear off the mask. Your face is glorious.	Rumi
Be curious, not judgmental.	Walt Whitman
Solitary tree, if they grow at all, grow strong.	Winston Churchill
Great minds discuss ideas. Average minds discuss events. Small minds discuss people.	Eleanor Roosevelt
America has only three cities: New York, San Francisco, and New Orleans. Everywhere else is Cleveland.	Tennessee Williams
Eventually, everything connects.	Charles Eames
The first to apologize is the bravest. The first to forgive is the strongest. And the first to forget is the happiest.	unknown
You won't find reasonable men on the tops of tall mountains	Hunter Thompson

Life's journey is not to arrive at the grave safely in a well-preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways, totally worn out, shouting 'Holy shit...what a ride!	Hunter Thompson
Difficult takes a day and impossible takes a week.	Jay Z
Don't Complain, Learn; Don't get Complicated, Enjoy and Don't get Upset, Smile.	unknown
Show me a good loser and I'll show you a loser	Lee Atwater
Don't appear stupid	Stanley Slesheild
Identify the corridors of indifference and run like hell down them	unknown
"It is never too late to turn on the light. Your ability to break an unhealthy habit or turn off an old tape doesn't depend on how long it has been running; a shift in perspective doesn't depend on how long you've held on to the old view. When you flip the switch in that attic, it doesn't matter whether it's been dark for ten minutes, ten years or ten decades. The light still illuminates the room and banishes the murkiness, letting you see the things you couldn't see before. It's never too late to take a moment to look."	Sharon Salzberg
"All negativity is caused by an accumulation of psychological time and denial of the present. Unease, anxiety, tension, stress, worry – all forms of fear – are caused by too much future, and not enough presence. Guilt, regret, resentment, grievances, sadness, bitterness, and all forms of non-forgiveness are caused by too much past, and not enough presence."	Eckhart Tolle

“What we are today comes from our thoughts of yesterday, and our present thoughts build our life of tomorrow: our life is the creation of our mind. If a man speaks or acts with an impure mind, suffering will follow him as the wheel of the cart follows the beast that draws the cart. If a man speaks or acts with a pure mind, joy follows him as his own shadow.”

Buddha

“One of the great benefits of meditation on sound is that it gradually teaches you to detach from assigning meaning to the various sounds you hear. You learn to listen to what you hear without necessarily responding emotionally to the content. As you grow accustomed to giving bare attention to sound simply as sound, you’ll find yourself able to listen to criticism without becoming angry or defensive and able to listen to praise without becoming overly proud or excited. You can simply listen to what other people say with a much more relaxed and balanced attitude, without being carried away by an emotional response.”

Mingyur Rinpoche

The difference between my pleasure and your revulsion is 'taste.'

Loyd Grossman

“Sometimes the questions are complicated, and the answers are simple.”

Dr. Seuss

The traveler sees what he sees, the tourist sees what he has come to see.

G.K. Chesterton

A piece of writing will stubbornly pursue its author and hold him accountable to the end. Look to your conscience; speak your own truth. That is the only way that you can go beyond what you have been taught and accomplish a literature that truly belongs to you.

Kim Sang-o (from Dear Leader)

To awaken quite alone in a strange town is one of the pleasantest sensations in the world.

Freya Stark

The architecture I have always sought is one of the tense, tranquil spaces that emerge from pursuing a single ray of light.

Tadao Ando

No population can find its salvation by detaching itself from the others. Either we are saved together, or we disappear together.	R. Tagore, 1924
Anything's possible if you've got enough nerve.	J.K. Rowling
I would be a horrible girlfriend at this point in my life because I'm both needy and unavailable	p. 44 of 239 of either how to be a woman or wanderlust - can't remember
Traveling is like flirting with life. It's like saying, I would stay and love you, but I have to go; this is my station."	Lisa St. Aubin de Teran
We must be conscious that what we say creates our future	Karen Berg
To a coward courage always looks like stupidity	Bill Maher
Your sarcasm is ineffective against my absolute rightness	TV
Don't appear stupid	Stanley Sleshefeld
Show me a good loser and I'll show you a loser	Lee Atwater
Repetition does not transform a lie into a truth	Franklin Delano Roosevelt
I ask you to judge me by the enemies I have made.	Franklin Delano Roosevelt
Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort.	Franklin Delano Roosevelt
You are only an extra in everyone else's play	Franklin Delano Roosevelt

The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today	Franklin Delano Roosevelt
If you treat people right they will treat you right...ninety percent of the time	Franklin Delano Roosevelt
Opera is where a guy gets stabbed in the back, and instead of dying, he sings	Robert Benchley
It's so hard to leave until you leave. And then it is the easiest goddamned thing in the world.	John Green
Always push the boundaries. You are only confined by the walls you build yourself. A comfort zone is a beautiful place, but nothing ever grows there.	Therese Rasmussen
She loved him with too clear a vision to fear his cloudiness	E.M. Forster
Take a lover who looks at you like maybe you are magic.	Frida Kahlo
The most effective way to do it, is to do it.	Amelia Earhart
...but every time I underestimate her, I'm wrong. It's like she's daring the world to try to stop her, setting it up so her mom, her dad, me, anyone, will tell her don't do it. Then she can say fuck off, no one tells me what to do.	from the book, "Emergency Sex"
You need a little bit of insanity to do great things.	Henry Rollins
The journey itself is my home	Matsuo Basho
Push yourself to the point of quitting. Then keep going. That's where you'll find the greatest gift.	kabbalah
There are two ways to get enough: One is to continue to accumulate more and more. The other is to desire less.	G.K. Chesterton

The true New Yorker secretly believes that people living anywhere else have to be, in some sense, kidding.	John Updike
Success is getting what you want: happiness is wanting what you get.	Ingrid Bergman
Traveling, you realize that differences are lost: each city takes to resembling all cities, places exchange their form, order, distances, a shapeless dust cloud invades the continents. Your atlas preserves the differences intact....	Calvino
Let us love this distance, which is thoroughly woven with friendship, since those who do not love each other are not separated	Simone Weil
Earth's Florida (North Korea)	John Oliver
What do you get the country that is ordered to think it has everything (North Korea)	John Oliver
Dicknotized - as in Hypnotized	Sex, Drugs, and Rock and Roll
Vajected - as in Rejected	Sex, Drugs, and Rock and Roll
As for me, I am tormented with an everlasting itch for things remote. I love to sail forbidden seas, and land on barbarous coasts.	Herman Melville, Moby-Dick; or, The Whale
A little bit sad about the place you are leaving, a little bit glad about the place you are going.	Robert McCloskey
I ain't afraid to love a man. I ain't afraid to shoot him either.	Annie Oakley
"Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well-preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming "Wow! What a Ride!"	Hunter S. Thompson

Sex without love is as hollow and ridiculous as love without sex.

Hunter S. Thompson

So, we shall let the reader answer this question for himself: who is the happier man, he who has braved the storm of life and lived or he who has stayed securely on shore and merely existed?

Hunter S. Thompson

You were brave enough to write when so many are too afraid to try.

The first draft of anything is shit.

Ernest Hemingway

I'd rather regret the things I've done than regret the things I haven't done.

Lucille Ball

I have not lived as a woman. I have lived as a man. I've just done what I damn well want to, and I've made enough money support myself, and ain't afraid of being alone.

Katharine Hepburn

I myself have never able to find out precisely what a feminist is. I only know that people call me a feminist whenever I express sentiments that differentiate me from a doormat.

Rebecca West

In societies where men are truly confident of their own worth, women are not merely tolerated but valued.

Aung San Suu Kyi

I'm over trying to find the 'adorable' way to state my opinion and still be likable! F\*\*k that. I don't think I've ever worked for a man in charge who spent time contemplating what angle he should use to have his voice heard. It's just heard.

Jennifer Lawrence

"Then he went into the dining room, consulting his watch. It was ten thirty already. More than half the morning was gone. More than half the time for sitting and trying to write the prose that would make people sit up and gasp. It happened that way more often now than he would even admit to himself. Sleeping late, making up errands, doing anything to forestall the terrible moment when he must sit down before his typewriter and try to wrench some harvest from the growing desert of his mind. ("Mad House")"

Richard Matheson,  
Collected Stories, Vol. 1

"Maybe I can do some writing then. The phrase made him sick. It had no meaning anymore. Like a word that is repeated until it becomes gibberish that sentence, for him, had been used to extinction. It sounded silly; like some bit of cliché from a soap opera. Hero saying in dramatic tones – Now, by God, maybe I can do some writing. Senseless. For a moment, though, he wondered if it was true. Now that she was leaving could he forget about her and really get some work done? Quit his job? Go somewhere and hold up in a cheap furnished room and write? You have \$123.89 in the bank, his mind informed him. He pretended it was the only thing that kept him from it. But, far back in his mind, he wondered if he could write anything. Often the question threw itself at him when he was least expecting it. You have four hours every morning, the statement would rise like a menacing wraith. You have time to write many thousands of words. Why don't you? And the answer was always lost in a tangle of because and wells and endless reasons that he clung to like a drowning man at straws. ("Mad House")"

Richard Matheson,  
Collected Stories, Vol. 1

Synchronicity is an ever-present reality for those who have eyes to see

Carl Jung

It will never be perfect. But perfect is overrated. Perfect is boring.

Tina Fey

My face carries all my memories. Why would I erase them?

Diane Von Furstenberg

So much of what we learn about love is taught by people who never really loved us.

r.h. Sin

Whatever you're thinking about, you will attract.

Bob Proctor

She is free in her wildness, she is a wandress, a drop of free water. She knows nothing of borders and cares nothing for rules or customs. 'Time' for her isn't something to fight against. Her life flows clean, with passion, like fresh water."

Roman Payne

There is a period when it is clear that you have gone wrong, but you continue. Sometimes there is a luxurious amount of time before anything bad happens.

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Pray as if God will take care of all; act as if all is up to you.

St. Ignatius

Knowing your power is what creates humility. Not knowing your power is what creates insecurity.

ego (?)

The result of consistent and total substitution of lies for the factual truth is not that the lies will now be accepted as truth, and the truth be defamed as lies, but that the sense by which we take our bearings in the real world...is being destroyed.

Hannah Arendt

Doubt is not a pleasant condition, but certainty is an absurd one.

Voltaire

Foolishness is right next door to strength

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"victims of un-synchronized passion"

Hemingway in a letter to Dietrich

I realized that I was attached to my firm, had clung to it longer than I should have, and had succumbed to a stronger preference for avoiding losses rather than acquiring gains. It was a natural tendency, first described by economists Daniel Kahneman

It takes a lot of courage to release the familiar and seemingly secure, to embrace the new. But there is no real security in what is no longer meaningful. There more security in the adventurous and exciting, for in movement there is life, and in change there is power.

Alan Cohen, Owner,  
NHL Florida Panthers

If you have to swallow a toad, it's best not to look at it too long.

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I don't give a shit about anything, yet I simultaneously have strong opinions about everything.

Lena Dunham on Girls

Actually Max, the mistake people make in these situations isn't the fucking, it's the feeling.

Marianne to Max in the  
movie, Allied

A bunch of dumbass millennials. You know, too lazy to learn how to drive drunk.

Ben on Uber, on Veep.

There is no such person as a fearless person. The point is to deal with the fear.

Mr. Szyarto on Krav  
Maga

Always a little further...a little further

mantra of an explorer

I am a fountain of misinformation

Wendy (me)

Clapping for all the wrong reasons

Wendy (me)

This environment suited me and other people who, like me, wanted to appear more industrious than average without doing much work.

Gumbo Tales

In order to be able to think you have to be able to be offensive.

Jordan Petersen, Maps of Meaning

The journey changes you. It should change you. It leaves marks on your memory, your consciousness, your heart and on your body. You take something with you, and hopefully, you leave something good behind.

Anthony Bourdain

Don't ever be afraid to sound crazy. Innovation and genius often times literally requires thinking and action that is so far out of the box people will simply say you're crazy. Playing it safe never resulted in brilliance.

Brian D. Evans on Twitter

Those who dance are considered mad by those who don't hear the music

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We went in search of places that were intimidating and uncontrollable, which inspired in us the heady blend of pleasure and terror which we came to call the sublime

From the movie Mountain

It's amazing how many things that are bad for me I can do at once.

Wendy (me)

To be afraid is to be alive.

Wendy (me)

Never miss a good chance to shut up.

Will Rogers