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Charles Lutwidge Dodgson (January 27, 1832 January 14, 1898), better known by the pen name Lewis Carroll, was a British author, mathematician, logician, Anglican clergyman and photographer.

If you don't know where you are going, any road will get you there.

- Carroll, Lewis

One day Alice came to a fork in the road and saw a Cheshire cat in a tree. Which road do I take? she asked. Where do you want to go? was his response. I don't know, Alice answered. Then, said the cat, it doesn't matter.

- Carroll, Lewis

Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here? That depends a good deal on where you want to get to. Said the Cat. I don't much care where -- Said Alice. Then it doesn't matter which way you go, said the Cat.

- Carroll, Lewis

If everybody minded their own business, the Duchess said in a hoarse growl, the world would go round a deal faster than it does.

- Carroll, Lewis

Write that down, the King said to the jury, and the jury eagerly wrote down all three dates on their slates, and then added them up, and reduced the answer to shillings and pence.

- Carroll, Lewis

I think I could, if I only knew how to begin. For, you see, so many out-of-the-way things had happened lately that Alice had begun to think that very few things indeed were really impossible.

- Carroll, Lewis

Yet what are all such gaieties to me whose thoughts are full of indices and surds?

- Carroll, Lewis

Now here, you see, it takes all the running you can do, to keep in the same place. If you want to get somewhere else, you must run at least twice as fast as that!

- Carroll, Lewis

And thus they give the time, that Nature meant for peaceful sleep and meditative snores, to ceaseless din and mindless merriment and waste of shoes and floors.

- Carroll, Lewis

The rule is, jam tomorrow and jam yesterday --but never jam today.

- Carroll, Lewis

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- Carroll, Lewis

There is no use trying, said Alice; one can't believe impossible things. I dare say you haven't had much practice, said the Queen. When I was your age, I always did it for half an hour a day. Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast.

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Speak roughly to your little boy, and beat him when he sneezes: he only does it to annoy, because he knows it teases.

- Carroll, Lewis

What I tell you three times is true.

- Carroll, Lewis

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- Carroll, Lewis

I'm very brave generally, he went on in a low voice: only today I happen to have a headache.

- Carroll, Lewis

There comes a pause, for human strength will not endure to dance without cessation; and everyone must reach the point at length of absolute prostration.

- Carroll, Lewis

When I use a word, Humpty Dumpty said, in rather a scornful tone, it means just what I choose it to mean -- neither more nor less. The question is, said Alice, whether you can make words mean so many different things. The question is, said Humpty Dumpty, which is to be master of that all.

- Carroll, Lewis

The time has come, the Walrus said,
To talk of many things:
Of shoes and ships and
sealing-wax
Of cabbages and kings
And why the sea is boiling hot
And whether pigs have
wings.

- Carroll, Lewis

How queer everything is to-day! And yesterday things went on just as usual. I wonder if I've been changed in the night? Let me think: was I the same when I got up this morning? I almost think I can remember feeling a little different. But if I'm not the same, the next question is, Who in the world am I? Ah, that's the great puzzle!

- Carroll, Lewis

No, no! said the Queen. Sentence first verdict afterwards.

- Carroll, Lewis

There's the King's Messenger. He's in prison now, being punished: and the trial doesn't begin until next Wednesday: and of course the crime comes last of all. Suppose he never commits the crime? said Alice. That would be all the better, wouldn't it? the Queen said.

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