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Every life is its own excuse for being.

- Hubbard, Elbert

It's not that I'm so smart, it's just that I stay with problems longer.

- Einstein, Albert

One must not attempt to justify them, but rather to sense their nature simply and clearly.

- Einstein, Albert

The only source of knowledge is experience.

- Einstein, Albert

Many times a day I realize how much my own life is built on the labors of my fellowmen, and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received.

- Einstein, Albert

Few are those who see with their own eyes and feel with their own hearts.

- Einstein, Albert

Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe.

- Einstein, Albert

The actual tragedies of life bear no relation to one's preconceived ideas. In the event, one is always bewildered by their simplicity, their grandeur of design, and by that element of the bizarre which seems inherent in them.

- Cocteau, Jean

If you saw Atlas, the giant who holds the world on his shoulders, if you saw that he stood, blood running down his chest, his knees buckling, his arms trembling but still trying to hold the world aloft with the last of his strength, and the greater the effort the heavier the world bore down upon his shoulders -- what would you tell him to do? I don't know. What could he do? What would you tell him? To shrug.

- D'Anconia, Francisco

There is a great deal of unmapped country within us which would have to be taken into account in an explanation of our gusts and storms.

- Eliot, George

To desire is to obtain; to aspire is to achieve.

- Allen, James

The law of harvest is to reap more than you sow. Sow an act, and you reap a habit. Sow a habit and you reap a character. Sow a character and you reap a destiny.

- Allen, James

Be such a man, and live such a life, that if every man were such as you, and every life a life like yours, this earth would be God's Paradise.

- Brooks, Phillips

Only the person of worth can recognize the worth in others.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Hope on, and save yourself for prosperous times.

- Virgil

People who never have any time on their hands are those who do the least.

- Lichtenberg, Georg C.

It is by attempting to reach the top in a single leap that so much misery is produced in the world.

- Cobbett, William

Nothing endures but personal qualities.

- Whitman, Walt

I no doubt deserved my enemies, but I don't believe I deserved my friends.

- Whitman, Walt

Natural ability without education has more often raised a man to glory and virtue than education without natural ability.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

In true education, anything that comes to our hand is as good as a book: the prank of a page- boy, the blunder of a servant, a bit of table talk -- they are all part of the curriculum.

- Montaigne, Michel Eyquem De

All the fame you should look for in life is to have lived it quietly.

- Montaigne, Michel Eyquem De

I know what I am fleeing from, but not what I am in search of.

- Montaigne, Michel Eyquem De

Habit is second nature.

- Montaigne, Michel Eyquem De

The smallest annoyances, disturb us the most.

- Montaigne, Michel Eyquem De

The most profound joy has more of gravity than of gaiety in it.

- Montaigne, Michel Eyquem De

Let us not be ashamed to speak what we shame not to think.

- Montaigne, Michel Eyquem De

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