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The office of the scholar is to cheer, to raise, and to guide men by showing them facts amidst appearances. He plies the slow, unhonored, and unpaid task of observation. He is the world's eye.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

By the worldly standards of public life, all scholars in their work are of course oddly virtuous. They do not make wild claims, they do not cheat, they do not try to persuade at any cost, they appeal neither to prejudice nor to authority, they are often frank about their ignorance, their disputes are fairly decorous, they do not confuse what is being argued with race, politics, sex or age, they listen patiently to the young and to the old who both know everything. These are the general virtues of scholarship, and they are peculiarly the virtues of science.

- Bronowski, Jacob

One cannot demand of a scholar that he show himself a scholar everywhere in society, but the whole tenor of his behavior must none the less betray the thinker, he must always be instructive, his way of judging a thing must even in the smallest matters be such that people can see what it will amount to when, quietly and self-collected, he puts this power to scholarly use.

- Lichtenberg, Georg C.

I am an old scholar, better-looking now than when I was young. That's what sitting on your ass does to your face.

- Cohen, Leonard

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

- Adams, Abigail

Don't just learn the tricks of the trade. Learn the trade.

- Bennis, James

For a man to attain to an eminent degree in learning costs him time, watching, hunger, nakedness, dizziness in the head, weakness in the stomach, and other inconveniences.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

The best results are achieved by using the right amount of effort in the right place at the right time. And this right amount is usually less than we think we need. In other words, the less unnecessary effort you put into learning, the more successful you'll be... the key to faster learning is to use appropriate effort. Greater effort can exacerbate faulty patterns of action. Doing the wrong thing with more intensity rarely improves the situation. Learning something new often requires us to unlearn something old.

- Buzan, Tony

Wear your learning like a watch and do not pull it out merely to show you have it. If you

are asked for the time, tell it; but do not proclaim it hourly unasked.

- Chesterfield, Lord

Learning is not compulsory but neither is survival.

- Deming, W. Edwards

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