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Quotes about Coward and Cowardice

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A coward is one who in a perilous emergency thinks with his legs.

- Bierce, Ambrose

For cowards the road of desertion should be left open; they will carry over to the enemy nothing, but their fears.

- Bovee, Christian Nevell

Faint heart never won fair lady.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

How many feasible projects have miscarried through despondency, and been strangled in their birth by a cowardly imagination.

- Collier, Jeremy

To know what is right and not do it is the worst cowardice.

- Confucius

Cowards falter, but danger is often overcome by those who nobly dare.

- Elizabeth, Queen's Mother

Covetousness like jealousy, when it has taken root, never leaves a person, but with their life. Cowardice is the dread of what will happen.

- Epictetus

Fear has its use but cowardice has none.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Cowards can never be moral.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Cowards are cruel, but the brave love mercy and delight to save.

- Gay, John

The coward threatens when he is safe.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Cowardice, as distinguished from panic, is almost always simply a lack of ability to suspend the functioning of the imagination.

- Hemingway, Ernest

When cowardice is made respectable, its followers are without number both from among the weak and the strong; it easily becomes a fashion.

- Hoffer, Eric

It is better to be the widow of a hero than the wife of a coward.

- Ibaruri, Dolores

A coward is much more exposed to quarrels than a man of spirit.

- Jefferson, Thomas

I hate a fellow whom pride, or cowardice, or laziness drives into a corner, and who does nothing when he is there but sit and growl; let him come out as I do, and bark.

- Johnson, Samuel

It is the coward who fawns upon those above him. It is the coward who is insolent whenever he dares be so.

- Junius

A coward is a hero with a wife, kids, and a mortgage.

- Kitman, Marvin

Dishonesty, cowardice and duplicity are never impulsive.

- Knight, George A.

I'm a hero with coward's legs.

- Milligan, Spike

That man is not truly brave who is afraid either to seem or to be, when it suits him, a coward.

- Poe, Edgar Allan

It is better to be a coward for a minute than dead for the rest of your life.

- Proverb, Irish

There is a level of cowardice lower than that of the conformist: the fashionable non-conformist.

- Rand, Ayn

All men would be cowards if they could.

- Rochester, Earl

The greatest braggarts are usually the biggest cowards.

- Rousseau, Jean Jacques

A cowardly cur barks more fiercely than it bites.

- Rufus, Quintus Curtius

When the adulation of life is gone, the coward sneaks to his death, but the brave live on.

- Sewell, George

Cowards die many times before their deaths; The valiant never taste of death but once.

- Shakespeare, William

Cowards die a thousand deaths. The valiant taste of death but once.

- Shakespeare, William

Man gives every reason for his conduct save one, every excuse for his crimes save one, every plea for his safety save one; and that one is his cowardice.

- Shaw, George Bernard

My valor is certainly going, it is sneaking off! I feel it oozing out as it were, at the palms of my hands!

- Sheridan, Richard Brinsley

A light supper, a good night's sleep, and a fine morning have sometimes made a hero of the same man who, by an indigestion, a restless night, and a rainy morning would have proved a coward.

- Stanhope, Philip Dormer

It is better to be killed than frightened to death.

- Surtees, Robert S.

The human race is a race of cowards; and I am not only marching in that procession, but carrying a banner.

- Twain, Mark

There are several good protections against temptation, but the surest is cowardice.

- Twain, Mark

A coward gets scared and quits. A hero gets scared, but still goes on.

- Unknown, Source

The cowards never started -- and the weak died along the way.

- Unknown, Source

One of the chief misfortunes of honest people is that they are cowardly.

- Voltaire

Great occasions do not make heroes or cowards; they simply unveil them to the eyes of men.

- Westcott, Bishop



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