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# Quotes about Novelty

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The new always happens against the overwhelming odds of statistical laws and their probability, which for all practical, everyday purposes amounts to certainty; the new therefore always appears in the guise of a miracle.

- Arendt, Hannah

The New is not a fashion, it is a value.

- Barthes, Roland

An old thing becomes new if you detach it from what usually surrounds it.

- Bresson, Robert

I don't set trends. I just find out what they are and exploit them.

- Clark, Dick

We do not quite say that the new is more valuable because it fits in; but its fitting in is a test of its value -- a test, it is true, which can only be slowly and cautiously applied, for we are none of us infallible judges of conformity.

- Eliot, T. S.

Of all the passions of mankind, the love of novelty most rules the mind. In search of this,

from realm to realm we roam. Our fleets come loaded with every folly home.

- Foote, Shelby

The birth of the new constitutes a crisis, and its mastery calls for a crude and simple cast of mind -- the mind of a fighter -- in which the virtues of tribal cohesion and fierceness and infantile credulity and malleability are paramount. Thus every new beginning recapitulates in some degree man's first beginning.

- Hoffer, Eric

To the old, the new is usually bad news.

- Hoffer, Eric

The new always carries with it the sense of violation, of sacrilege. What is dead is sacred; what is new, that is different, is evil, dangerous, or subversive.

- Miller, Henry

Always something new, seldom something good.

- Proverb, German

Americans have been conditioned to respect newness, whatever it cost them.

- Updike, John





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