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# Quotes about Technology

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Science and technology multiply around us. To an increasing extent they dictate the languages in which we speak and think. Either we use those languages, or we remain mute.

- Ballard, J. G.

Technology has advanced more in the last thirty years than in the previous two thousand. The exponential increase in advancement will only continue. Anthropological Commentary  
The opposite of a trivial truth is false; the opposite of a great truth is also true.

- Bohr, Niels

Once a new technology rolls over you, if you're not part of the steamroller, you're part of the road.

- Brand, Stewart

When we can drain the Ocean into mill-ponds, and bottle up the Force of Gravity, to be sold by retail, in gas jars; then may we hope to comprehend the infinitudes of man's soul under formulas of Profit and Loss; and rule over this too, as over a patent engine, by checks, and valves, and balances.

- Carlyle, Thomas

We are always talking about being together, and yet whatever we invent destroys the family, and makes us wild, touchless beasts feeding on technicolor prairies and rivers.

- Dahlberg, Edward

If we had a reliable way to label our toys good and bad, it would be easy to regulate technology wisely. But we can rarely see far enough ahead to know which road leads to damnation. Whoever concerns himself with big technology, either to push it forward or to stop it, is gambling in human lives.

- Dyson, Freeman

Technological progress is like an ax in the hands of a pathological criminal.

- Einstein, Albert

Technology... the knack of so arranging the world that we don't have to experience it.

- Frisch, Max

I claim that in losing the spinning wheel we lost our left lung. We are, therefore, suffering from galloping consumption. The restoration of the wheel arrests the progress of the fell disease.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

If there is technological advance without social advance, there is, almost automatically, an increase in human misery, in impoverishment.

- Harrington, Michael

Where there is the necessary technical skill to move mountains, there is no need for the faith that moves mountains.

- Hoffer, Eric

Space-ships and time machines are no escape from the human condition. Let Othello subject Desdemona to a lie-detector test; his jealousy will still blind him to the evidence. Let Oedipus triumph over gravity; he won't triumph over his fate.

- Koestler, Arthur

Persons grouped around a fire or candle for warmth or light are less able to pursue independent thoughts, or even tasks, than people supplied with electric light. In the same way, the social and educational patterns latent in automation are those of self-employment and artistic autonomy.

- McLuhan, Marshall

However far modern science and techniques have fallen short of their inherent possibilities, they have taught mankind at least one lesson: Nothing is impossible.

- Mumford, Lewis

By his very success in inventing labor-saving devices, modern man has manufactured an abyss of boredom that only the privileged classes in earlier civilizations have ever fathomed.

- Mumford, Lewis

We must learn to balance the material wonders of technology with the spiritual demands of our human race.

- Naisbitt, John

The press, the machine, the railway, the telegraph are premises whose thousand-year conclusion no one has yet dared to draw.

- Nietzsche, Friedrich

When you see something that is technically sweet, you go ahead and do it and you argue about what to do about it only after you have had your technical success. That is the way it was with the atomic bomb.

- Oppenheimer, Julius Robert

Men are only as good as their technical development allows them to be.

- Orwell, George

The Church welcomes technological progress and receives it with love, for it is an indubitable fact that technological progress comes from God and, therefore, can and must lead to Him.

- Pacelli, Pius XII

Technology is not an image of the world but a way of operating on reality. The nihilism of

technology lies not only in the fact that it is the most perfect expression of the will to power... but also in the fact that it lacks meaning.

- Paz, Octavio

There are three roads to ruin; women, gambling and technicians. The most pleasant is with women, the quickest is with gambling, but the surest is with technicians.

- Pompidou, Georges

In health of mind and body, men should see with their own eyes, hear and speak without trumpets, walk on their feet, not on wheels, and work and war with their arms, not with engine-beams, nor rifles warranted to kill twenty men at a shot before you can see them.

- Ruskin, John

I have no doubt that it is possible to give a new direction to technological development, a direction that shall lead it back to the real needs of man, and that also means: to the actual size of man. Man is small, and, therefore, small is beautiful. To go for giantism is to go for self-destruction.

- Schumacher, E. F.

Our inventions are wont to be pretty toys, which distract our attention from serious things. They are but improved means to an unimproved end.

- Thoreau, Henry David

Technology does not drive change -- it enables change.

- Unknown, Source

Technology is dominated by two types of people: those who understand what they do not manage, and those who manage what they do not understand.

- Unknown, Source

Technology is the drug of choice for most Americans. Source unknown Theory: when you have ideas. Ideology: when ideas have you.

- Unknown, Source





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