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Quotes about Work

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Work joyfully and peacefully, knowing that right thoughts and right efforts will inevitably bring about right results.

- Allen, James

Something made greater by ourselves and in turn that makes us greater.

- Angelou, Maya

Don't be condescending to unskilled labor. Try it for a half a day first.

- Atkinson, Brooks

In order that people may be happy in their work, these three things are needed: They must be fit for it: they must not do too much of it: and they must have a sense of success in it --not a doubtful sense, such as needs some testimony of others for its confirmation, but a sure sense, or rather knowledge, that so much work has been done well, and fruitfully done, whatever the world may say or think about it.

- Auden, W. H.

A tremendous number of people in America work very hard at something that bores them. Even a rich man thinks he has to go down to the office everyday. Not because he likes it but because he can't think of anything else to do.

- Auden, W. H.

I am afraid that the pleasantness of an employment does not always evince its propriety.

- Austen, Jane

Work is either fun or drudgery. It depends on your attitude. I like fun.

- Barrett, Colleen C.

Making a success of the job at hand is the best step toward the kind you want.

- Baruch, Bernard M.

What is the good of being a genius if you cannot use it as an excuse for being unemployed?

- Barzan, Gerald

Inspiration comes of working every day.

- Baudelaire, Charles

Work is not a curse, but drudgery is!

- Beecher, Henry Ward

In the ordinary business of life, industry can do anything which genius can do, and very many things which it cannot.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

Anyone can do any amount of work, provided it isn't the work he is supposed to be doing at the moment.

- Benchley, Robert

What is work and what is not work are questions that perplex the wisest of men.

- Bhagavad Gita

I must work the work of him that sent me while it is day; for the night cometh when no man can work.

- Bible

In the sweat of thy brow shall you eat your bread.

- Bible

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave whither thou goest. [Ecclesiastes 9:10]

- Bible

Never work before breakfast. If you have to work before breakfast, get your breakfast first.

- Billings, Josh

To each man is reserved a work which he alone can do.

- Blow, Susan

A man must drive his energy, not be driven by it.

- Book, William Frederick

The way to push things through to a finish effectively must be learned.

- Book, William Frederick

When our eyes see our hands doing the work of our hearts, the circle of Creation is completed inside us, the doors of our souls fly open and love steps forth to heal everything in sight.

- Bridge, Michael

After all, it is hard to master both life and work equally well. So if you are bound to fake one of them, it had better be life.

- Brodsky, Joseph

A person who has not done one half his day's work by ten o'clock, runs a chance of leaving the other half undone.

- Bronte, Emily

We have too many people who live without working, and we have altogether too many who work without living.

- Brown, Dean Charles R.

Measure not the work until the day's out and the labor's done.

- Browning, Elizabeth Barrett

Poor workers! First they're cuckolded, and, as if that weren't enough, then they're beaten! Work's a curse, Saturno. I say to hell with the work you have to do to earn a living! That kind of work does us no honor; all it does is fill up the bellies of the pigs who exploit us. But the work you do because you like to do it, because you've heard the call, you've got a vocation --that's ennobling! We should all be able to work like that. Look at me, Saturno --I don't work. And I don't care if they hang me, I won't work! Yet I'm alive! I may live badly, but at least I don't have to work to do it!

- Bunuel, Luis

Beauty is also to be found in a day's work.

- Burns, Mamie Sypert

Work with some men is as besetting a sin as idleness.

- Butler, Samuel

Every man's work, whether it be literature, or music or pictures or architecture or anything else, is always a portrait of himself.

- Butler, Samuel

Most people show up for work being physically accoutered but mentally disheveled.

- Butterworth, Eric

The secret of making something work in your lives is, first of all, the deep desire to make it work: then the faith and belief that it can work: then to hold that clear definite vision in your consciousness and see it working out step by step, without one thought of doubt or disbelief.

- Caddy, Eileen

It is an article of faith in my creed to pick the man who does not take himself seriously, but does take his work seriously.

- Cahill, Michael C.

Work is nothing but the slow trek to rediscover, through the detours of art, those two or three great images in whose presence 'His Or Her's heart first opened.

- Camus, Albert

A man perfects himself by working. Foul jungles are cleared away, fair seed-fields rise instead, and stately cities; and with the man himself first ceases to be a jungle, and foul unwholesome desert thereby. The man is now a man.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Every noble work is at first impossible.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Our works are the mirror wherein the spirit first sees its natural lineaments, Hence, too, the folly of that impossible precept, Know thyself; till it be translated into this partially possible one, know what thou canst work at.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Work alone is noble.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The average person puts only 25% of his energy and ability into his work. The world takes off its hat to those who put in more than 50% of their capacity, and stands on its head for those few and far between souls who devote 100%.

- Carnegie, Andrew

Do the hard jobs first. The easy jobs will take care of themselves.

- Carnegie, Dale

Cessation of work is not accompanied by cessation of expenses.

- Cato The Elder

Every man is the son of his own works.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

The brave man carves out his fortune, and every man is the son of his own works.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

I believe that good things come to those who work.

- Chamberlain, Wilt

Never hire anyone who is going to report directly to you who you do not intuitively just plain like from first impressions. If your instincts tell you you're going to have a hard time working with someone, pass.

- Charette, Fred

Nowhere so busy a man as he than he, and yet he seemed busier than he was.

- Chaucer, Geoffrey

The more one works, the more willing one is to work.

- Chesterfield, Lord

Feeding the hungry is a greater work than raising the dead.

- Chrysostom, St. John

If you want creative workers, give them enough time to play.

- Cleese, John

Any startling piece of work has a subversive element in it, a delicious element often.

Subversion is only disagreeable when it manifests in political or social activity. In what we call art, it's one of the most desirable characteristics of a piece of work.

- Cohen, Leonard

Chose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life.

- Confucius

I don't like work... but I like what is in work -- the chance to find yourself. Your own reality -- for yourself, not for others -- which no other man can ever know.

- Conrad, Joseph

A man is a worker. If he is not that he is nothing.

- Conrad, Joseph

When more and more people are thrown out of work, unemployment results.

- Coolidge, Calvin

Work is more fun than fun.

- Coward, Noel

It is better to wear out than to rust out.

- Cumberland, Richard

I am a friend of the working man, and I would rather be his friend, than be one.

- Darrow, Clarence

I am doomed to an eternity of compulsive work. No set goal achieved satisfies. Success only breeds a new goal. The golden apple devoured has seeds. It is endless.

- Davis, Bette

To fulfill a dream to be allowed to sweat over lonely labor, to be given a chance to create, is the meat and potatoes of life. The money is the gravy.

- Davis, Bette

Do all the work you can; that is the whole philosophy of the good way of life.

- Delacroix, Eugene

Deprived of meaningful work, men and women lose their reason for existence; they go stark, raving mad.

- Dostoevsky, Fyodor

Sir Walter, with his 61 years of life, although he never wrote a novel until he was over 40,

had, fortunately for the world, a longer working career than most of his brethren.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

Everything must degenerate into work if anything is to happen.

- Drucker, Peter F.

The honest work of yesterday has lost its social status, its social esteem.

- Drucker, Peter F.

I don't think anybody yet has invented a pastime that's as much fun, or keeps you as young, as a good job.

- Ecker, Frederick Hudson

I never did anything by accident, nor did any of my inventions come by accident; they came by work.

- Edison, Thomas A.

I never did a day's work in my life. It was all fun.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Personally, I have nothing against work, particularly when performed, quietly and unobtrusively, by someone else. I just don't happen to think it's an appropriate subject for an ethic.

- Ehrenreich, Barbara

How do I work? I grope.

- Einstein, Albert

See only that thou work and thou canst not escape the reward.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

We must hold a man amenable to reason for the choice of his daily craft or profession. It is not an excuse any longer for his deeds that they are the custom of his trade. What business has he with an evil trade?

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Work and thou canst escape the reward; whether the work be fine or coarse, planting corn or writing epics, so only it be honest work, done to thine own approbation, it shall earn a reward to the senses as well as to the thought.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Work is victory.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

My work is a game -- a very serious game.

- Escher, M. C.

No true work since the world began was ever wasted; no true life since the world began has ever failed. Oh, understand those two perverted words, failure and success and measure them by the eternal, not the earthly, standard. When after thirty obscure, toilsome, unrecorded years in the shop of the village carpenter, one came forth to be pre-eminently the man of sorrows, to wander from city to city in homeless labors, and to expire in lonely agony upon the shameful cross -- was that a failure.

- Farrar, Frederick

One of the saddest things is that the only thing that a man can do for eight hours a day, day after day, is work. You can't eat eight hours a day nor drink for eight hours a day nor make love for eight hours --all you can do for eight hours is work. Which is the reason why man makes himself and everybody else so miserable and unhappy.

- Faulkner, William

There isn't any luck that enters into anything, unless it's poker or shooting dice, maybe. There is no luck to merchandising. There is no luck in going out and working from early in the morning to long after dinner. That is not luck, it's work.

- Fitch, Fred W.

Good work habits help develop an internal toughness and a self-confident attitude that will sustain you through every adversity and temporary discouragement.

- Fleyer, Paul J.

Work is the meat of life, pleasure the dessert.

- Forbes, B. C.

If you have a job without aggravations, you don't have a job.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

Thinking is the hardest work there is, which is the probable reason so few engage in it.

- Ford, Henry

The object of living is work, experience, and happiness. There is joy in work. All that money can do is buy us someone else's work in exchange for our own. There is no happiness except in the realization that we have accomplished something.

- Ford, Henry

I don't need to be Tom Cruise. I just need to work forever.

- Foster, Jodie

My father always told me, Find a job you love and you'll never have to work a day in your life.

- Fox, Jim

Laziness may appear attractive but work gives satisfaction.

- Frank, Anne

It is the working man who is the happy man. It is the idle man who is the miserable man.

- Franklin, Benjamin

There's no such thing as a free lunch.

- Friedman, Milton

A champion of the working man has never yet been known to die of overwork.

- Frost, Robert

The brain is a wonderful organ; it starts working the moment you get up in the morning and does not stop until you get to the office.

- Frost, Robert

Clearly the most unfortunate people are those who must do the same thing over and over again, every minute, or perhaps twenty to the minute. They deserve the shortest hours and the highest pay.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

Going to work for a large company is like getting on a train. Are you going sixty miles an hour or is the train going sixty miles an hour and you're just sitting still?

- Getty, J. Paul

Work is love made visible. And if you can't work with love but only with distaste, it is better that you should leave your work and sit at the gate of the temple and take alms of the people who work with joy.

- Gibran, Kahlil

I don't have anything against work. I just figure, why deprive somebody who really loves it.

- Gillis, Dobie

Like the bee, we should make our industry our amusement.

- Goldsmith, Oliver

When work is a pleasure, life is joy.! When work is a duty, life is slavery.

- Gorky, Maxim

Labor disgraces no man, but occasionally men disgrace labor.

- Grant, Ulysses S.

I have long been of the opinion that if work were such a splendid thing the rich would have kept more of it for themselves.

- Grocott, Bruce

Intimate or drastic elements in the work of others are untouchable and should not be commented upon even in their absence. Private conflicts, quarrels, sentiments,

animosities are unavoidable in any human group. It is our duty towards creation to keep these in check in so far as they might deform and wreck the work process.

- Grotowski, Jerzy

Nothing is work unless you'd rather be doing something else.

- Halas, George

My work is magnified by the fact that the streets of heaven are too crowded with angels -- we know their names, they number a thousand for each red ribbon we wear here tonight.

[Accepting his Best Actor Oscar for Philadelphia]

- Hanks, Tom

As for me, prizes are nothing. My prize is my work.

- Hepburn, Katharine

Work is the greatest thing in the world, so we should always save some of it for tomorrow.

- Herold, Don

Every calling is great when greatly pursued.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Work your way up or rust your way out.

- Holton

A shoe that is too large is apt to trip one, and when too small, to pinch the feet. So it is with those whose fortune does not suit them.

- Horace

Labor diligently to increase your property.

- Horace

If food were free, why work?

- Horton, Doug

The highest reward that God gives us for good work is the ability to do better work.

- Hubbard, Elbert

Get happiness out of your work or you may never know what happiness is.

- Hubbard, Elbert

Folks who never do any more than they get paid for, never get paid for anymore than they do.

- Hubbard, Elbert

We work to become, not to acquire.

- Hubbard, Elbert

Blessed is that man who has found his work.

- Hubbard, Elbert

Personnel and their capacity for work on their exact jobs is the basic key to income and success.

- Hubbard, L. Ron

If your work is becoming uninteresting, so are you. Work is an inanimate thing and can be made lively and interesting only by injecting yourself into it. Your job is only as big as you are.

- Hubbs, George C.

Industrial man --a sentient reciprocating engine having a fluctuating output, coupled to an iron wheel revolving with uniform velocity. And then we wonder why this should be the golden age of revolution and mental derangement.

- Huxley, Aldous

Like every man of sense and good feeling, I abominate work.

- Huxley, Aldous

I am his mistress. His work is his wife.

- Javits, Marion

I like work; it fascinates me. I can sit and look at it for hours. I love to keep it by me; the idea of getting rid of it nearly breaks my heart.

- Jerome, Jerome K.

The sharp employ the sharp.

- Jerrold, Douglas William

Labor is the fabled magician's wand, the philosophers stone, and the cap of good fortune.

- Johnson, James Weldon

It is wonderful when a calculation is made, how little the mind is actually employed in the discharge of any profession.

- Johnson, Samuel

The world is moved along not only by the mighty shoves of its heroes, but also by the aggregate of the tiny pushes of each honest worker.

- Keller, Helen

My share of the work may be limited, but the fact that it is work makes it precious.

- Keller, Helen

There is a kind of victory in good work, no matter how humble.

- Kemp, Jack

Whatever your life's work is, do it well. A man should do his job so well that the living, the dead, and the unborn could do it no better.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

More men are killed by overwork than the importance of the world justifies.

- Kipling, Rudyard

No longer diverted by other emotions, I work the way a cow grazes.

- Kollwitz, KaThe

Bodily labor alleviates the pains of the mind and from this arises the happiness of the poor.

- La Rochefoucauld, Francois De

Nobody ever drowned in his own sweat.

- Landers, Ann

Why should I let the toad work Squat on my life? Can't I use my wit as a pitchfork and drive the brute off?

- Larkin, Philip

Work is life, you know, and without it, there's nothing but fear and insecurity.

- Lennon, John

The question is not whether the system works, but whether we like the way it works. Just because something works doesn't mean it is desirable. Concentration camps work, if your purpose is to enslave people. Stealing works, if all you care about is money. Lying works, if you don't give a damn about your personal integrity. Literally anything, no matter how monstrously immoral will work, depending on your desires and how you define the term work,

- Leon, Sy

My father taught me to work, but he did not teach me to love it.

- Lincoln, Abraham

Wanting to work is so rare a merit that it should be encouraged.

- Lincoln, Abraham

If I had eight hours to chop down a tree, I'd spend six sharpening my ax.

- Lincoln, Abraham

The harder you work, the harder it is to surrender.

- Lombardi, Vince

Every person born into this world their work is born with them.

- Lowell, James Russell

Keep quiet. Do your work in the world, but inwardly keep quiet. Then all will come to you.

- Maharaj, Nisaragada Ha

To work -- to work! It is such infinite delight to know that we still have the best things to do.

- Mansfield, Katherine

The quality of your work, in the long run, is the deciding factor on how much your services are valued by the world.

- Marden, Orison Swett

He worked like hell in the country so he could live in the city, where he worked like hell so he could live in the country.

- Marquis, Don

In communist society, where nobody has one exclusive sphere of activity but each can become accomplished in any branch he wishes, society regulates the general production and thus makes it possible for me to do one thing today and another tomorrow, to hunt in the morning, fish in the afternoon, rear cattle in the evening, criticize after dinner, just as I have a mind, without ever becoming hunter, fisherman, shepherd or critic.

- Marx, Karl

Remember that your work comes only moment by moment, and as surely as God calls you to work, he gives the strength to do it.

- Maurice, Priscilla

The effectiveness of work increases according to geometric progression if there are no interruptions.

- Maurois, Andre

Labor is work that leaves no trace behind it when it is finished, or if it does, as in the case of the tilled field, this product of human activity requires still more labor, incessant, tireless labor, to maintain its identity as a work of man.

- Mccarthy, Mary

Life is just a dirty four-letter word: W-O-R-K.

- Mcevoy, J. P.

I have never liked working. To me a job is an invasion of privacy.

- Mcgoorty, Danny

Every job has drudgery, whether it is in the home, in the school, or in the office. The first secret of happiness is the recognition of this fundamental fact.

- Mcintosh, M. C.

If it's true that men today value their lives outside of work as much as women do--and research proves it is--then they have to join women's fight to reconstruct the way we work and create a new, broader definition of success.

- Mckenna, Elizabeth Perle

Where the whole man is involved there is no work. Work begins with the division of labor.

- Mcluhan, Marshall

Toil is man's allotment; toil of brain, or toil of hands, or a grief that's more than either, the grief and sin of idleness.

- Melville, Herman

It is well with me only when I have a chisel in my hand.

- Michelangelo

Work for the fun of it, and the money will arrive some day.

- Milsap, Ronnie

In case of doubt, do a little more than you have to.

- Mitchell, Warren

I suspect that American workers have come to lack a work ethic. They do not live by the

sweat of their brow.

- Miyazawa, Kiichi

Work will win when wishy washy wishing won t.

- Monson, Thomas S.

A man at work, making something which he feels will exist because he is working at it and wills it, is exercising the energies of his mind and soul as well as of his body. Memory and imagination help him as he works. Not only his own thoughts, but the thoughts of the men of past ages guide his hands; and, as part of the human race, he creates. If we work thus we shall be men, and our days will be happy and eventful.

- Morris, William

As American productivity, once the exuberant engine of national wealth, has dipped to an embarrassingly uncompetitive low, Americans have shaken their heads: the country's old work ethic is dead.

- Morrow, Lance

There is always the danger that we may just do the work for the sake of the work. This is where the respect and the love and the devotion come in --that we do it to God, to Christ, and that's why we try to do it as beautifully as possible.

- Mother Teresa

If you don't want to work, you have to work to earn enough money so that you won't have

to work.

- Nash, Ogden

Work! labor the asparagus me of life; the one great sacrament of humanity from which all other things flow -- security, leisure, joy, art, literature, even divinity itself.

- O'Casey, Sean

Work is the open sesame of every portal, the great equalizer in the world, the true philosopher's stone which transmutes all the base metal of humanity into gold.

- Osler, Sir William

Work is the province of cattle.

- Parker, Dorothy

Work expands so as to fill the time available for its completion. General recognition of this fact is shown in the proverbial phrase It is the busiest man who has time to spare.

- Parkinson, C. Northcote

You don't grow up in our neck of the woods believing that someone can outwork you.

- Parkinson, Joseph

Work either expands or contracts in order to fill the time available.

- Parkinson's Law

My only concern was to get home after a hard day's work.

- Parks, Rosa

No one can arrive from being talented alone. God gives talent; work transforms talent into genius.

- Pavlova, Anna

After love, the most sacred gift you can give is your labor.

- Pennebaker, Don Alan

Work is necessary for man. Man invented the alarm clock.

- Picasso, Pablo

Work eight hours and sleep eight hours and make sure that they are not the same hours.

- Pickens, T. Boone

Work is only work if you'd rather be doing something else.

- Prince, Ray

A dog that barks much is never a good hunter.

- Proverb

No bees, no honey; no work, no money.

- Proverb

Plaster thick, some will stick.

- Proverb

Want is the mother of industry.

- Proverb

The secret of life is not to do what you like, but to like what you do.

- Proverb, American

A man grows most tired while standing still.

- Proverb, Chinese

Work relieves us from three great evils, boredom, vice, and want.

- Proverb, French

The work praises the man.

- Proverb, Irish

While a person gets they can never lose.

- Proverb, Scottish

Industry is fortunes right hand, and frugality its left.

- Ray, John

The intellectual equipment needed for the job of the future is an ability to define problems, quickly assimilate relevant data, conceptualize and reorganize the information, make deductive and inductive leaps with it, ask hard questions about it, discuss findings with colleagues, work collaboratively to find solutions and then convince others.

- Reich, Robert B.

If you have great talents, industry will improve them: if you have but moderate abilities, industry will supply their deficiency.

- Reynolds, Sir Joshua

The person with the best job in the country is the vice president. All he has to do is get up every morning and say, How is the president?

- Rogers, Will

The time spent in trying to impress others could be spent in doing the things by which others would be impressed.

- Romer, Frank

When you cease to make a contribution, you begin to die.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

If I went to work in a factory the first thing I'd do is join a union.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

We need the iron qualities that go with true manhood. We need the positive virtues of resolution, of courage, of indomitable will, of power to do without shrinking the rough work that must always be done.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Never throughout history has a man who lived a life of ease left a name worth remembering.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

It is too difficult to think nobly when one thinks only of earning a living.

- Rousseau, Jean Jacques

The best work never was and never will be done for money.

- Ruskin, John

The reward for work well done is the opportunity to do more.

- Salk, Dr. Jonas

Work is not man's punishment! It is his reward and his strength, his glory and his pleasure.

- Sand, George

The man who does not work for the love of work but only for money is not likely to make money nor find much fun in life.

- Schwab, Charles M.

I never worked a day in my life. It's not work when you love what you're doing.

- Shakarian, David

Nothing makes a man so selfish as work.

- Shaw, George Bernard

Get the job done.

- Shula, Don

When I think of work, it's mostly about having control over your destiny, as opposed to being at the mercy of what's out there.

- Sinise, Gary

No matter how big or soft or warm your beds is, you still have to get out of it.

- Slick, Grace

Our works decay and disappear but God gentlest works stay looking down on the ruins we toil to rear.

- Smith, Dr. Walter

The work will stand, no matter what.

- Streep, Meryl

At daybreak, when loath to rise, have this thought in thy mind: I am rising for a man's work.

- Syrus, Publilius

The greatest analgesic, soporific, stimulant, tranquilizer, narcotic, and to some extent even antibiotic --in short, the closest thing to a genuine panacea --known to medical science is work.

- Szasz, Thomas

No labor, however humble, is dishonoring.

- Talmud, The

Anything that comes easy, comes wrong.

- Tessier, Josephine

Pennies do not come from heaven -- they have to be earned here on earth.

- Thatcher, Margaret

Men have become the tools of their trade.

- Thoreau, Henry David

The really efficient laborer will be found not to crowd his day with work, but will saunter to his task surrounded by a wide halo of ease and leisure.

- Thoreau, Henry David

There is no more fatal blunderer than he who consumes the greater part of his life getting his living.

- Thoreau, Henry David

Most men would feel insulted if it were proposed to employ them in throwing stones over a wall, and then in throwing them back, merely that they might earn their wages. But many are no more worthily employed now.

- Thoreau, Henry David

Let us be grateful to Adam, our benefactor. He cut us out of the blessing of idleness and won for us the curse of labor.

- Twain, Mark

Intellectual work is misnamed; it is a pleasure, a dissipation, and is its own highest reward.

- Twain, Mark

Work and play are words used to describe the same thing under differing conditions.

- Twain, Mark

I do not like work even when someone else does it.

- Twain, Mark

Thunder is impressive, but it is lightning that does the work.

- Twain, Mark

Work consists of whatever a body is obliged to do, and play consists of whatever a body is not obliged to do.

- Twain, Mark

There is no excellence without labor, in the furnace, God may try you, thus to bring thee forth more bright.

- Unknown, Source

Even a mosquito doesn't get a pat on the back until he's well into his work.

- Unknown, Source

Even the woodpecker owes its success to the fact that he used his head.

- Unknown, Source

Every morning in Africa, a Gazelle wakes up. It knows it must run faster than the fastest lion or it will be killed. Every morning a Lion wakes up. It knows it must outrun the slowest Gazelle or it will starve to death. It doesn't matter whether you are a Lion or a Gazelle... when the sun comes up, you'd better be running.

- Unknown, Source

I love the work; I could sit and look at it for hours.

- Unknown, Source

It is quite possible to work without results, but never will there be results without work.

- Unknown, Source

Lincoln's stepmother probably did not teach him very much, but she kindled his mind and

encouraged him. He did the work and put in the hours on his own.

- Unknown, Source

All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, and Jill a wealthy widow.

- Unknown, Source

The idea that to make a man work you've got to hold gold in front of his eyes is a growth, not an axiom. We've done that for so long that we've forgotten there's any other way.

- Unknown, Source

Every day's a perfect gift of time for us to use. Hours waiting to be filled in any way we choose. Each morning brings a quiet hope that rises with the sun. Each evening brings the sweet content that comes with work well done.

- Unknown, Source

Work is a four letter word!

- Unknown, Source

Work keeps at bay, three great evils -- boredom, vice and need.

- Voltaire

You may be the only standard work somebody ever reads.

- Unknown, Source

Mankind's worst enemy is fear of work.

- Unknown, Source

How can there be so much difference between a day off and an off day?

- Unknown, Source

A woman's work is never done, especially the part she asks her husband to do.

- Unknown, Source

A work is never completed except by some accident such as weariness, satisfaction, the need to deliver, or death: for, in relation to who or what is making it, it can only be one stage in a series of inner transformations.

- Valery, Paul

Work to survive, survive by consuming, survive to consume: the hellish cycle is complete.

- Vaneigem, Raoul

Of all pleasures the fruit of labor is the sweetest.

- Vauvenargues, Marquis De

Work banishes those three great evils: boredom, vice and poverty.

- Voltaire

I suppose I have a really loose interpretation of work, because I think that just being alive is so much work at something you don't always want to do. The machinery is always going. Even when you sleep.

- Warhol, Andy

Let your heart feel for the afflictions and distress of everyone, and let your hand give in proportion to your purse.

- Washington, George

The contemporary form of true greatness lies in a civilization founded on the spirituality of work.

- Weil, Simone

Work is the curse of the drinking class.

- Wilde, Oscar

Work is a refuge of people who have nothing better to do.

- Wilde, Oscar

A new breed of Americans born out of the social movements of the 60s and grown into a majority in the 70s holds a set of values so markedly different from the traditional outlook that they promise to transform the character of work in America in the 80s.

- Yankelovitch, Daniel

Better to burn out than rust out.

- Young, Neil

Work is a part of life, not the point of it.

- Adams, Sean



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