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You know about a person who deeply interests you more than you can be told. A look, a gesture, an act, which to everybody else is insignificant tells you more about that one than words can.

-Thoreau, Henry David

Whosoever is delighted in solitude is either a wild beast or a god.

-Bacon, Francis

In solitude, where we are least alone.

-Byron, Lord

Good friends, good books and a sleepy conscience: this is the ideal life. The conviction of the rich that the poor are happier is no more foolish than the conviction of the poor that the rich are.

-Twain, Mark

The most I can do for my friend is simply be his friend.

-Thoreau, Henry David

To stop smoking is the easiest thing I ever did. I ought to know; I've done it a thousand

times.

-Twain, Mark

The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation.

-Thoreau, Henry David

It is a time when one's spirit is subdued and sad, one knows not why; when the past seems a storm-swept desolation, life a vanity and a burden, and the future but a way to death.

-Twain, Mark

Experience is in the fingers and head. The heart is inexperienced.

-Thoreau, Henry David

All say, How hard it is that we have to die -- a strange complaint to come from the mouths of people who have had to live.

-Twain, Mark

Happiness ain't a thing in itself --it's only a contrast with something that ain't pleasant. And so, as soon as the novelty is over and the force of the contrast dulled, it ain't happiness any longer, and you have to get something fresh.

-Twain, Mark

A man who carries a cat by the tail learns something he can learn in no other way.

-Twain, Mark

Live your life, do your work, then take your hat.

-Thoreau, Henry David

Sometimes too much drink is barely enough.

-Twain, Mark

Be careless in your dress if you must, but keep a tidy soul.

-Twain, Mark

There's nothing wrong with anger provided you use it constructively.

-Dyer, Wayne

The place is very well and quiet and the children only scream in a low voice.

-Byron, Lord

My friends, there are no friends.

-Chanel, Coco

Whatever is not nailed down is mine. What I can pry loose is not nailed down.

-Huntingdon, Collis P.

We are doomed to cling to a life even while we find it unendurable.

-James, William

Dreams do come true, if we only wish hard enough, You can have anything in life if you will sacrifice everything else for it.

-Barrie, Sir James M.

We are born crying, live complaining, and die disappointed.

-Fuller, Thomas

Sorrow makes us children again.

-Emerson, Ralph Waldo

My hopes are not always realized, but I always hope.

-Ovid

Grow old along with me! The best is yet to be, The last of life, for which the first was

made.

-Browning, Robert

If I look confused it is because I am thinking.

-Goldwyn, Samuel

You will do foolish things, but do them with enthusiasm.

-Colette, Sidonie Gabrielle

I love the rain. I want the feeling of it on my face.

-Mansfield, Katherine

Where does one go from a world of insanity? Somewhere on the other side of despair.

-Eliot, T. S.

Who in the world am I? Ah, that's the great puzzle.

-Carroll, Lewis

Oh! death will find me long before I tire of watching you.

-Brooke, Rupert

I'm still the little southern girl from the wrong side of the tracks who really didn't feel like she belonged.

-Dunaway, Faye

I find it wholesome to be alone the greater part of time. To be in company, even with the best, is soon wearisome and dissipating. I love to be alone, I never found the companionable as solitude.

-Thoreau, Henry David

And were an epitaph to be my story I'd have a short one ready for my own. I would have written of me on my stone: I had a lover's quarrel with the world.

-Frost, Robert

All of my misfortunes come from having thought too well of my fellows.

-Rousseau, Jean Jacques

There is no God, no universe, no human race, no earthly life, no heaven, no hell. It is all a dream, a grotesque and foolish dream. Nothing exists but you. And you are but a thought --a vagrant thought, a useless thought, a homeless thought, wandering forlorn among the empty eternities!

-Twain, Mark

All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others.

-Orwell, George

Nature never did betray the heart that loved her.

-Wordsworth, William

We have to distrust each other. It is our only defense against betrayal.

-Williams, Tennessee

Every time I look at you I get a fierce desire to be lonesome.

-Levant, Oscar

No tears in the writer, no tears in the reader.

-Frost, Robert

To live alone is the fate of all great souls.

-Schopenhauer, Arthur

But when I don't smoke I scarcely feel as if I'm living. I don't feel as if I'm living unless I'm killing myself.

-Hoban, Russell

Parting is all we know of heaven and all we need of hell.

-Dickinson, Emily

True love is like ghosts, which everybody talks about and few have seen.

-La Rochefoucauld, Francois De

The busy have no time for tears.

-Byron, Lord

I cannot sing the old songs, Or dream those dreams again,

-Barnard, Charlotte

I look upon death to be as necessary to our constitution as sleep. We shall rise refreshed in the morning.

-Franklin, Benjamin

I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear.

-King Jr. Martin Luther

Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.

-Auerbach, Berthold

But I have promises to keep, and miles to go before I sleep, and miles to go before I sleep.

-Frost, Robert

Goals determine what you're going to be.

-Erving, Julius

I will indulge my sorrows, and give way to all the pangs and fury of despair.

-Addison, Joseph

I wish I could be half as sure of anything as some people are of everything.

-Barzan, Gerald

In memory everything seems to happen to music.

-Williams, Tennessee

I know I am but summer to your heart, and not the full four seasons of the year.

-Millay, Edna St. Vincent

Lovers may be -- and indeed generally are -- enemies, but they never can be friends, because there must always be a spice of jealousy and a something of Self in all their speculations.

-Byron, Lord

It is cruel, you know, that music should be so beautiful. It has the beauty of loneliness and of pain: of strength and freedom. The beauty of disappointment and never-satisfied love. The cruel beauty of nature, and everlasting beauty of monotony.

-Britten, Benjamin

I would rather be ashes than dust. I would rather that my spark would burn out in a brilliant blaze than be stifled by dry-rot. I would rather be a superb meteor, every atom of me in magnificent glow, than a sleepy and permanent planet.

-London, Jack

I would rather be ashes than dust! I would rather that my spark should burn out in a brilliant blaze than it should be stifled by dry-rot. I would rather be a superb meteor, every atom of me in magnificent glow, than a sleepy and permanent planet. The proper function of man is to live, not to exist. I shall not waste my days in trying to prolong them. I shall use my time.

-London, Jack

There is no instinct like that of the heart.

-Byron, Lord

It's afterwards you realize that the feeling of happiness you had with a man didn't necessarily prove that you loved him.

-Duras, Marguerite

They do not love that do not show their love. The course of true love never did run smooth. Love is a familiar. Love is a devil. There is no evil angel but Love.

-Shakespeare, William

I hold it true, whatever befall; I feel it, when I sorrow most; 'Tis better to have loved and lost Than never to have loved at all.

-Tennyson, Lord Alfred

The dew of compassion is a tear.

-Byron, Lord

I don't say we all ought to misbehave, but we ought to look as if we could.

-Welles, Orson

I do not know what the heart of a rascal may be, but I know what is in the heart of an honest man; it is horrible.

-Maistre, Joseph De

It is such a secret place, the land of tears.

-Saint-Exupery, Antoine De

Into each life some rain must fall, some days be dark and dreary.

-Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth

I can believe anything provided it is incredible.

-Wilde, Oscar

Where you used to be, there is a hole in the world, which I find myself constantly walking around in the daytime, and falling in at night. I miss you like hell.

-Millay, Edna St. Vincent

You must not blame me if I do talk to the clouds.

-Thoreau, Henry David

There is a time for departure even when there's no certain place to go.

-Williams, Tennessee

There's no jealousy in the grave.

-Kipling, Rudyard

Parting is such sweet sorrow.

-Shakespeare, William

The course of true love never did run smooth.

-Shakespeare, William

People have to face regrets. Becoming mature means learning to accept what you cannot change, facing unresolved sorrows and learning to love life as it really happens, not as you would have it happen. When someone attaches unkindness to criticism, she's angry. Angry people need to criticize as an outlet for their anger. That's why you must reject unkind criticism. Unkind criticism is never part of a meaningful critique of you. Its purpose is not to teach or to help, its purpose is to punish. Life isn't supposed to be an all or nothing battle between misery and bliss. Life isn't supposed to be a battle at all. And when it comes to happiness, well, sometimes life is just okay, sometimes it's comfortable, sometimes wonderful, sometimes boring, sometimes unpleasant. When

your day's not perfect, it's not a failure or a terrible loss. It's just another day.

-Sher, Barbara

Take chances, take a lot of them. Because honestly, no matter where you end up and with whom, it always ends up just the way it should be. Your mistakes make you who you are. You learn and grow with each choice you make. Everything is worth it. Say how you feel, always. Be you, and be okay with it.

-Unknown, Source

Unless it is mad, passionate, extraordinary love, it's a waste of time. There are too many mediocre things in life - love should not be one of them.

-Unknown, Source

I laughed and said, Life is easy. What I meant was, Life is easy with you here, and when you leave it will be hard again.

-July, Miranda

Come for the week, you can sleep in my bed and pass through my life like a dream through my head. It will be easy. I'll make it easy.

-Bright Eyes

You know when you're sitting on a chair and you lean back so you're just on two legs

then you lean too far and you almost fall over but at the last second you catch yourself?
I feel like that all the time.

-Wright, Stephen

It wasn't her warm breath in my ear, or her dark hair tickling my face, or her cold hand pulling at my arm, pulling me to her whisper almost desperately. No, it was the thing itself, the three words walking into my brain like they owned the place, changing everything.

-Unknown, Source

Sometimes I wish I had never met you. Because then I could go to sleep at night not knowing there was someone like you out there.

-Skarsgard, Stellen

They came to see that family need not be defined merely as those with whom they share blood but for those whom they would give their blood.

-Dickens, Charles

I myself am made entirely of flaws, stitched together with good intentions.

-Burroughs, Augusten

One day, in retrospect, the years of struggle will strike you as the most beautiful.

-Freud, Sigmund

Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely and with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense.

-Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Generally, by the time you are Real, most of your hair has been loved off, and your eyes drop out and you get loose in the joints and very shabby. But these things don't matter at all, because once you're Real, you can't be ugly, except to people who don't understand.

-Williams, Margery

Anyone who lives within their means suffers from a lack of imagination.

-Wilde, Oscar

If you want to tell people the truth, make them laugh, otherwise they'll kill you.

-Wilde, Oscar

I hate to advocate drugs, alcohol, violence, or insanity to anyone...but they've always worked for me.

-Thompson, Hunter S.

The absolute yearning of one human body for another particular one & its indifference to substitutes is one of life's major mysteries.

-Murdoch, Iris

At the time, my life just seemed too complete, and maybe we have to break everything to make something better out of ourselves.

-Palahniuk, Chuck

Often in winter the end of the day is like the final metaphor in a poem celebrating death: there is no way out.

-Gomez-Arcos, Agustin

To love what you do and feel that it matters -- how could anything be more fun?

-Graham, Katherine

One of the hardest things in life is having words in your heart that you can't utter.

-Jones, James Earl

Even after all this time the sun never says to the earth, "you owe me." Look what happens with a love like that, it lights the whole sky.

-Hafiz

There are many things that we would throw away if we were not afraid that others might pick them up.

-Wilde, Oscar

A human being is a single being. Unique and unrepeatable.

-Caddy, Eileen

Wherever you are it is your friends who make your world.

-James, William

Autumn is the hardest season. The leaves have all fallen. And they fell like they were falling in love with the ground.

-Gibson, Andrea

And the sun and the moon sometimes argue over who will tuck me in at night. If you think I am having more fun than anyone on this planet, you are absolutely correct.

-Hafiz

To be nobody but yourself in a world which is doing its best, night and day, to make you everybody else means to fight the hardest battle which any human being can fight; and

never stop fighting.

-Cummings, E.E. (Edward. E.)

The bad thing about falling to pieces is that it hurts. The good thing about it is that once you're lying there in shards you've got nothing left to protect, and so you have no reason no to be honest.

-Duncan, David James

Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.

-Twain, Mark

No winter lasts forever; no spring skips it's turn.

-Borland, Hal

My happiness derives from knowing the people I love are happy.

-Ketchel, Holly

A friend is one that knows you as you are, understands where you have been, accepts what you have become, and still, gently allows you to grow.

-Shakespeare, William

Health is the thing that makes you feel that now is the best time of the year.

-Adams, Franklin P.

Waiting is painful. Forgetting is painful. But not knowing which to do is the worst kind of suffering.

-Coelho, Paulo

It's sad when someone you know becomes someone you knew.

-Rollins, Henry

To me, bad taste is what entertainment is all about.

-Waters, John

The world belongs to the energetic.

-Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Between men and women there is no friendship possible. There is passion, enmity, worship, love, but no friendship.

-Wilde, Oscar

You know you're in love when you can't fall asleep because reality is better than your dreams.

-Seuss, Dr.

Without obsession, life is nothing.

-Waters, John

I have heard there are troubles of more than one kind. Some come from ahead and some come from behind. But I've bought a big boat. I'm all ready you see. Now my troubles are going to have troubles with me!

-Seuss, Dr.

I like persons better than principles, and I like persons with no principles better than anything else in the world.

-Wilde, Oscar

I'd love to sell out completely, it's just that nobody has been willing to buy.

-Waters, John

If one cannot enjoy reading a book over and over again, there is no use in reading at all.

-Wilde, Oscar

If better were within, better would come out.

-Fuller, Thomas

We loved with a love that was more than love.

-Poe, Edgar Allan

Bad as I like ye, it's worse without ye.

-Proverb, Irish

I had nothing to offer anybody except my own confusion.

-Kerouac, Jack

The pain passes, but the beauty remains.

-Renoir, Pierre Auguste

Some may never live, but the crazy never die.

-Thompson, Hunter S.

Today you are You, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is Youer than You.

-Seuss, Dr.

Alas, I am dying beyond my means.

-Wilde, Oscar

The only difference between the saint and the sinner is that every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future.

-Wilde, Oscar

The truth is rarely pure, and never simple

-Wilde, Oscar

Always do what you want, and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter, and those who matter don't mind.

-Seuss, Theodor

Music was my refuge. I could crawl into the spaces between the notes and curl my back to loneliness.

-Angelou, Maya

I have just about all I can take of myself.

-Behrman, S.

Pray that your loneliness may spur you into finding something to live for, great enough to die for.

-Hammar skjold, Dag

Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not.

-Seuss, Theodor

I may not have gone where I intended to go, but I think I have ended up where I needed to be.

-Adams, Douglas

One day Alice came to a fork in the road and saw a Cheshire cat in a tree. Which road do I take? she asked. Where do you want to go? was his response. I don't know, Alice answered. Then, said the cat, it doesn't matter.

-Carroll, Lewis

It is absurd to divide people into good and bad. People are either charming or tedious.

-Wilde, Oscar

Music makes one feel so romantic - at least it always gets on one's nerves - which is the same thing nowadays.

-Wilde, Oscar

Announced by all the trumpets of the sky, arrives the snow.

-Emerson, Ralph Waldo

I like nonsense -- it wakes up the brain cells. Fantasy is a necessary ingredient in living. It's a way of looking at life through the wrong end of a telescope... and that enables you to laugh at all of life's realities.

-Seuss, Dr.

I meant what I said and I said what I meant.

-Seuss, Dr.

It's about a girl who lost her reputation and never missed it.

-West, Mae

A thing is not necessarily true because a man dies for it.

-Wilde, Oscar

Man's loneliness is but his fear of life.

-O'Neill, Eugene

And you never knew how much I really liked you, because I never even told you. Oh and I meant to.

-Smiths, the

I can forget my very existence in a deep kiss of you.

-Smith, Byron Caldwell

There is a time for work and a time for love. That leaves no other time.

-Chanel, Coco

Life begins on the other side of despair.

-Sartre, Jean-Paul

Love bears it out even to the edge of doom.

-Shakespeare, William

There'll be spring every year without you. England still will be here without you.

There'll be fruit on the tree.

And a shore by the sea.

There'll be crumpets and tea without you.

Art and music will thrive without you. Somehow Keats will survive without you.
And there still will be rain on that plain down in Spain,
even that will remain without you.
I can do without you.

You, dear friend, who taught so well,
You can go to Hartford, Hereford and Hampshire.

They can still rule with land without you.
Windsor Castle will stand without you.
And without much ado we can all muddle through without you.
-Loewe, Frederick

My bounty is as boundless as the sea, my love as deep. The more I give thee, the more I
have, For both are infinite
-Shakespeare, William

There is no use trying, said Alice; one can't believe impossible things. I dare say you
haven't had much practice, said the Queen. When I was your age, I always did it for half
an hour a day. Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before
breakfast.
-Carroll, Lewis

The worst feeling in the world is the homesickness that comes over a man occasionally when he is at home.

-Howe, Edgar Watson

No man dies for what he knows to be true. Men die for what they want to be true, for what some terror in their hearts tells them is not true.

-Wilde, Oscar

Roll on, deep and dark blue ocean, roll. Ten thousand fleets sweep over thee in vain.

Man marks the earth with ruin, but his control stops with the shore.

-Byron, Lord

Forget not that the earth delights to feel your bare feet and the winds long to play with your hair.

-Gibran, Kahlil

No man understands a deep book until he has seen and lived at least part of its contents.

-Pound, Ezra

Tis but an hour ago since it was nine, and after one hour more twill be eleven. And so

from hour to hour we ripe and ripe, and then from hour to hour we rot and rot. and
thereby hangs a tale.

-Shakespeare, William

But what we call our despair is often only the painful eagerness of unfed hope.

-Eliot, George

In her first passion, a woman loves her lover, in all the others all she loves is love.

-Byron, Lord

A wind has blown the rain away and blown the sky away and all the leaves away, and
the trees stand. I think, I too, have known autumn too long.

-Cummings, E.E. (Edward. E.)

Laughter is not at all a bad beginning for a friendship, and it is far the best ending for
one.

-Wilde, Oscar

I live in my house as I live inside my skin: I know more beautiful, more ample, more
sturdy and more picturesque skins: but it would seem to me unnatural to exchange
them for mine.

-Levi, Primo

I do desire we may be better strangers.

-Shakespeare, William

Let a good person do good deeds with the same zeal that an evil person does bad ones.

-Rokeach, Shalom

Oh what lies lurk in kisses!

-Heine, Heinrich

I do not love a man who is zealous for nothing.

-Goldsmith, Oliver

A kiss is a lovely trick designed by nature to stop speech when words become superfluous.

-Bergman, Ingrid

Either I will find a way, or I will make one.

-Sidney, Sir Philip

I don't like to commit myself about heaven and hell -- you see, I have friends in both

places.

-Twain, Mark

I am not a teacher, but an awakener.

-Frost, Robert

Abandon all hope, you who enter here!

-Dante Alighieri

But then they danced down the street like dingedodies, and I shambled after as I've been doing all my life after people who interest me, because the only people for me are the mad ones, the ones who are mad to live, mad to talk, mad to be saved, desirous of everything at the same time, the ones who never yawn or say a commonplace thing, but burn, burn, burn, like fabulous yellow roman candles exploding like spiders across the stars and in the middle you see the blue centerlight pop and everybody goes "Awww!"

-Kerouac, Jack

You cannot be lonely if you like the person you're alone with.

-Dyer, Wayne

Rain is grace; rain is the sky condescending to the earth; without rain, there would be

no life.

-Updike, John

We are all in the gutter, but some of us are looking at the stars.

-Wilde, Oscar

O, let me not be mad, not mad, sweet heaven! Keep me in temper. I would not be mad.

-Shakespeare, William

Nature always tends to act in the simplest way.

-Bernoulli

I was angry with my friend: I told my wrath, my wrath did end. I was angry with my foe:

I told it not, my wrath did grow.

-Blake, William

Nothing makes one so vain as being told that one is a sinner.

-Wilde, Oscar

Black magic operates most effectively in preconscious, marginal areas. Casual curses are the most effective.

-Burroughs, William S.

Because I remember, I despair. Because I remember, I have the duty to reject despair.

-Wiesel, Elie

For of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these: It might have been!

-Whittier, John Greenleaf

I celebrate myself, and sing myself.

-Whitman, Walt

My great mistake, the fault for which I can't forgive myself, is that one day I ceased my obstinate pursuit of my own individuality.

-Wilde, Oscar

But what is Hope? Nothing but the paint on the face of Existence; the least touch of truth rubs it off, and then we see what a hollow-cheeked harlot we have got hold of.

-Byron, Lord

Our bodies are our gardens... our wills are our gardeners.

-Shakespeare, William

To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all.

-Wilde, Oscar

Take me to you, imprison me, for I, except you enthrall me, never shall be free, nor ever chaste, except you ravish me.

-Donne, John

It is best to love wisely, no doubt: but to love foolishly is better than not to be able to love at all.

-Thackeray, William M.

If men could see the epitaphs their friends write they would believe they had gotten into the wrong grave.

-Proverb, American

Dream lofty dreams, and as you dream, so shall you become. Your vision is the promise of what you shall one day be; your ideal is the prophecy of what you shall at last unveil.

-Allen, James

Thank Heaven, the sun has gone in, and I don't have to go out and enjoy it.

-Smith, Logan Pearsall

Laughter is the sun that drives winter from the human face.

-Hugo, Victor

Music should strike fire from the heart of man, and bring tears from the eyes of woman.

-Beethoven, Ludwig Van

As in nature, as in art, so in grace; it is rough treatment that gives souls, as well as stones, their luster. The more the diamond is cut the brighter it sparkles; and in what seems hard dealing, there God has no end in view but to perfect His people.

-Guthrie, Thomas

Things are beautiful if you love them.

-Anouilh, Jean

But love is blind, and lovers cannot see What petty follies they themselves commit

-Shakespeare, William

He wrapped himself in quotations -- as a beggar would enfold himself in the purple of Emperors.

-Kipling, Rudyard

The best remedy for those who are afraid, lonely or unhappy is to go outside, somewhere where they can be quiet, alone with the heavens, nature and God. Because only then does one feel that all is as it should be and that God wishes to see people happy, amidst the simple beauty of nature. As long as this exists, and it certainly always will, I know that then there will always be comfort for every sorrow, whatever the circumstances may be. And I firmly believe that nature brings solace in all troubles.

-Frank, Anne

All my life I believed I knew something. But then one strange day came when I realized that I knew nothing, yes, I knew nothing. And so words became void of meaning. I have arrived too late at ultimate uncertainty.

-Pound, Ezra

A mistress never is nor can be a friend. While you agree, you are lovers; and when it is over, anything but friends.

-Byron, Lord

Love is a smoke made with the fume of sighs. Being purged, a fire sparkling in lovers eyes. Being vexed, a sea nourished with lovers tears. What is it else? A madness most discreet, a choking gall and a preserving sweet.

-Shakespeare, William

I hated her now with a hatred more fatal than indifference because it was the other side of love.

-Strindberg, J. August

People usually are the happiest at home.

-Shakespeare, William

There's always a period of curious fear between the first sweet-smelling breeze and the time when the rain comes cracking down.

-Delillo, Don

The tree which moves some to tears of joy is in the eyes of others only a green thing that stands in the way. Some see nature all ridicule and deformity... and some scarce see nature at all. But to the eyes of the man of imagination, nature is imagination itself.

-Blake, William

Pleasure is nothing else but the intermission of pain.

-Selden, John

There are few people who are not ashamed of their love affairs when the infatuation is over.

-La Rochefoucauld, Francois De

I think I could, if I only knew how to begin. For, you see, so many out-of-the-way things had happened lately that Alice had begun to think that very few things indeed were really impossible.

-Carroll, Lewis

When I was young I used to think that money was the most important thing in life; now that I am old, I know it is.

-Wilde, Oscar

My sorrow, when she's here with me, thinks these dark days of autumn rain are beautiful as days can be; she loves the bare, the withered tree; she walks the sodden pasture lane.

-Frost, Robert

In time we hate that which we often fear.

-Shakespeare, William

Our thoughts take the wildest flight: Even at the moment when they should arrange themselves in thoughtful order.

-Byron, Lord

But I will be a bridegroom in my death, and run into a lover's bed.

-Shakespeare, William

Seven to eleven is a huge chunk of life, full of dulling and forgetting. It is fabled that we slowly lose the gift of speech with animals, that birds no longer visit our windowsills to converse. As our eyes grow accustomed to sight they armor themselves against wonder.

-Cohen, Leonard

I stood among them, but not of them; in a shroud of thoughts which were not their thoughts.

-Byron, Lord

There is little much beyond the grave, but the strong are saying nothing until they see.

-Frost, Robert

I tell you these stories because these things happen to everyone. It's not about being starched or polished or cute or polite. It's about having ears that stick out. About breaking yet another glass. It's about seeing something for the first time and making a million mistakes and not ever getting completely discouraged.

-Kalman, Maira

To love means loving the unlovable. To forgive means pardoning the unpardonable.

Faith means believing the unbelievable. Hope means hoping when everything seems hopeless.

-Chesterton, Gilbert K.

Try as much as possible to be wholly alive, with all your might, and when you laugh, laugh like hell and when you get angry, get good and angry. Try to be alive. You will be dead soon enough.

-Saroyan, William

Human beings are so made that the ones who do the crushing feel nothing; it is the person crushed who feels what is happening. Unless one has placed oneself on the side of the oppressed, to feel with them, one cannot understand.

-Weil, Simone

A king should die on his feet.

-Louis XVIII

People change and forget to tell each other.

-Hellman, Lillian

Come, let's have one other gaudy night. Call to me. All my sad captains. Fill our bowls once more. Let's mock the midnight bell.

-Shakespeare, William

Who, except the gods, can live time through forever without any pain?

-Aeschylus

Almost all of our sorrows spring out of our relations with other people.

-Schopenhauer, Arthur

I Carry your heart. (I carry it in my heart).

-Cummings, E.E. (Edward. E.)

The only way of knowing a person is to love them without hope.

-Benjamin, Walter

Let us ask ourselves; What kind of people do we think we are?

-Reagan, Ronald

God must love the common man, he made so many of them.

-Lincoln, Abraham

The suspense is terrible, I hope it will last.

-Wilde, Oscar

Appearances are deceptive.

-Aesop

Men's second childhood begins when a woman gets a hold of him.

-Barrie, Sir James M.

Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow; Don't walk behind me, I may not lead; Walk beside me, and just be my friend.

-Camus, Albert

We're born alone, we live alone, we die alone. Only through our love and friendship can we create the illusion for the moment that we're not alone.

-Welles, Orson

Go away...I'm alright.

-Wells, H.G.

Our best thoughts come from others.

-Emerson, Ralph Waldo

We consume our tomorrows fretting about our yesterdays.

-Persius

We are all mortal until the first kiss and the second glass of wine.

-Galeano, Eduardo

We all want to be happy, and we're all going to die. You might say those are the only two unchallengeably true facts that apply to every human being on this planet.

-Boyd, William

The man who gives up accomplishes nothing and is only a hindrance. The man who does not give up can move mountains.

-Hello, Ernest

How like a winter hath my absence been. From thee, the pleasure of the fleeting year!
What freezings have I felt, what dark days seen, What old December's bareness
everywhere!

-Shakespeare, William

These two imparadised in one another's arms, the happier Eden, shall enjoy their fill of bliss on bliss.

-Milton, John

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be nor more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain. [Revelation]

-Bible

I want to be left alone.

-Garbo, Greta

If you are not too long, I will wait here for you all my life.

-Wilde, Oscar

The richness I achieve comes from Nature, the source of my inspiration.

-Monet, Claude

Everybody must have a fantasy.

-Warhol, Andy

I travel not to go anywhere, but to go. I travel for travel's sake. The great affair is to move.

-Stevenson, Robert Louis

What we remember from childhood we remember forever...

-Ozick, Cynthia

You yourself, as much as anybody in the entire universe, deserve your love and affection.

-Buddha

There is no place more delightful than one's own fireplace.

-Cicero, Marcus T.

When I find myself fading, I close my eyes and realize my friends are my energy.

-Anonymous

A memory lasts forever. Never does it die. True friends stay together. And never say goodbye!

-Anonymous

She's gone. I am abused, and my relief must be to loathe her.

-Shakespeare, William

A kiss may ruin a human life.

-Wilde, Oscar

I no doubt deserved my enemies, but I don't believe I deserved my friends.

-Whitman, Walt

I hate mankind, for I think of myself as one of the best of them, and I know how bad I am.

-Johnson, Samuel

I was never less alone than when by myself.

-Gibbon, Edward

No one ever discovers the depths of his own loneliness.

-Bernanos, Georges

I am an invisible man. I am a man of substance, of flesh and bone, fiber and liquids --

and I might even be said to possess a mind. I am invisible, understand, simply because people refuse to see me.

-Ellison, Ralph

Really to sin you have to be serious about it.

-Ibsen, Henrik

A man's face is his autobiography. A woman's face is her work of fiction.

-Wilde, Oscar

Reading is a basic tool in the living of a good life.

-Adler, Mortimer J.

Humanity I love you because when you're hard up you pawn your intelligence to buy a drink

-Cummings, E.E. (Edward. E.)

When you pass through, no one can pin you down, no one can call you back.

-Ying-An

I believe that I am in hell, therefore I am there.

-Rimbaud, Arthur

To fear the worst oft cures the worse.

-Shakespeare, William

Let go over a cliff, die completely, and then come back to life -- after that you cannot be deceived.

-Saying, Zen

Hell is oneself, hell is alone, the other figures in it merely projections. There is nothing to escape from and nothing to escape to. One is always alone.

-Eliot, T. S.

Man is a useless passion.

-Sartre, Jean-Paul

The heart will break, but broken live on.

-Byron, Lord

There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.

-Einstein, Albert

Where there is love there is life.

-Gandhi, Mahatma

Though we travel the world over to find the beautiful, we must carry it with us or we find it not.

-Emerson, Ralph Waldo

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.

-Keller, Helen

How beautiful you are, now that you love me.

-Dietrich, Marlene

Most of us are pawns in a game of love we don't understand.

-Buscaglia, Leo

The magic of first love is our ignorance that it can never end.

-Disraeli, Benjamin

We are all sentenced to solitary confinement inside our own skins, for life.

-Williams, Tennessee

I know the answer! The answer lies within the heart of all mankind! The answer is twelve? I think I'm in the wrong building.

-Schulz, Charles M.

Man was nature's mistake --she neglected to finish him -- and she has never ceased paying for her mistake.

-Hoffer, Eric

We have seen better days.

-Shakespeare, William

Why abandon a belief merely because it ceases to be true? Cling to it long enough and... it will turn true again, for so it goes. Most of the change we think we see in life is due to truths being in and out of favor.

-Frost, Robert

Hell is other people.

-Sartre, Jean-Paul

I guess the definition of a lunatic is a man surrounded by them.

-Pound, Ezra

I know of no more disagreeable situation than to be left feeling generally angry without anybody in particular to be angry at.

-Colby, Frank Moore

Within your heart, keep one still, secret spot where dreams may go.

-Driscoll, Louise

Beware thoughts that come in the night. They aren't turned properly; they come in askew, free of sense and restriction, deriving from the most remote of sources.

-Trogdon, William



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