

Selected Quotations

“Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent.”

– *Calvin Coolidge*

“The key to a better world is to reassert the importance of values and to encourage idealism.”

– *Benjamin Spock*

“Nothing can be woven out of threads that all run the same way. An unchallenged idea or belief is on the way to death and meaninglessness.”

– *Emily Bach*

“Desperate lack of knowledge is always fertile ground for an elevated state of mind.”

– *anonymous*

“It’s not what happened to you that matters, it’s what you do that makes a difference.”

– *anonymous*

“Right wrongs nobody.”

– *anonymous*

“A wise man turns chance into good fortune.”

– *fortune cookie*

“Innocence and time, once lost can never be regained.”

– *fortune cookie*

“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.”

– *Lewis Carroll*

“People are like trees only they take the longest to bare fruit.”

– *Sufi saying*

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“I can’t predict the future. That’s why I work so hard to create it.”

– *A.H. Brown*

“I always leave the sleep in my eyes because I can fall asleep better with it in.”

– *Author’s 7-year-old son*

“If I were any better I couldn’t stand it.”

– *Anne McClure on her 90th birthday*

“Ah, but I may as well try and catch the wind.”

– *Donovan*