

Durability is part of what makes a great athlete.

~ [Bill Russell](#) ~

What I aspired to be and was not, comforts me.

~ [Robert Browning](#) ~

The men who succeed are the efficient few. They are the few who have the ambition and will power to develop themselves.

~ [Herbert N. Casson](#) ~

Big results require big ambitions.

~ [James Champy](#) ~

At the age of six I wanted to be a cook. At seven I wanted to be Napoleon. And my ambition has been growing steadily ever since.

~ [Salvador Dali](#) ~

Without ambition one starts nothing. Without work one finishes nothing. The prize will not be sent to you. You have to win it. The person who knows how will always have a job. The person who also knows why will always be his boss. As to methods there may be a million and then some, but principles are few. The person who grasps principles can successfully select his own methods. The person who tries methods, ignoring principles, is sure to have trouble.

~ [Ralph Waldo Emerson](#) ~

I've got a great ambition to die of exhaustion rather than boredom.

~ [Angus Grossart](#) ~

Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great.

~ [Kenny Rogers](#) ~

I had no ambition to make a fortune. Mere money-making has never been my goal, I had an ambition to build.

~ [John D. Rockefeller](#) ~

The shortest distance between two points is under construction.

~ [Noelie Alito](#) ~

You can tell more about a person by what he says about others than you can by what others say about him.

~ [Leo Aikman](#) ~

It is easy to sit up and take notice, What is difficult is getting up and taking action.

~ [Al Batt](#) ~

The secret of getting ahead is getting started.

~ [Sally Berger](#) ~

Someone's sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.

~ [Warren Buffett](#) ~

Sometimes I'm so sweet even I can't stand it.

~ [Julie Andrews](#) ~

There are no menial jobs, only menial attitudes.

~ [William John Bennett](#) ~

Life is 10 percent what you make it and 90 percent how you take it.

~ [Irving Berlin](#) ~

Iwould rather be first in a little Iberian village than second in Rome.

~ [Julius Caesar](#) ~

If you wish to travel far and fast, travel light. Take off all your envies, jealousies, unforgiveness, selfishness and fears.

~ [Glenn Clark](#) ~

You've got to sing like you don't need the money. You've got to love like you'll never get hurt. You've got to dance like there's nobody watching. You've got to come from the heart, if you want it to work.

~ [Susanna Clark](#) ~

Win as if you were used to it, lose as if you enjoyed it for a change.

~ [Golnik Eric](#) ~

If you can react the same way to winning and losing, that's a big accomplishment. That quality is important because it stays with you the rest of your life, and there's going to be a life after tennis that's a lot longer than your tennis life.

~ [Chris Evert](#) ~

It's how you deal with failure that determines how you achieve success.

~ [David Feherty](#) ~

Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it.

~ [Lou Holtz](#) ~

It's not the load that breaks you down, it's the way you carry it.

~ [Lena Horne](#) ~

Two men look out the same prison bars; one sees mud and the other stars.

~ [Frederick Langbridge](#) ~

The Green Bay Packers never lost a football game. They just ran out of time.

~ [Vince Lombardi](#) ~

Our attitude toward life determines life's attitude towards us.

~ [Earl Nightingale](#) ~

You play the hand you're dealt. I think the game's worthwhile.

~ [Christopher Reeve](#) ~

There are only 3 colors, 10 digits, and 7 notes; its what we do with them that's important.

~ [Ruth Ross](#) ~

Don't spend time beating on a wall, hoping to transform it into a door.

~ [Dr. Laura Schlessinger](#) ~

Between the optimist and the pessimist, the difference is droll. The optimist sees the doughnut; the pessimist the hole!

~ [Mclandburgh Wilson](#) ~

Nothing will work unless you do.

~ [John Wooden](#) ~

There are only two kinds of coaches -- those who have been fired, and those who will be fired.

~ [Ken Loeffler](#) ~

Coaches have to watch for what they don't want to see and listen to what they don't want to hear.

~ [John Madden](#) ~

A good coach will make his players see what they can be rather than what they are.

~ [Ara Parasheghian](#) ~

The highest qualities of character... must be earned.
~ [Lyman Abbott](#) ~

My father told me that if you saw a man in a Rolls Royce you could be sure he was not a gentleman unless he was the chauffeur.
~ [Earl of Arran](#) ~

If you don't run your own life, somebody else will.
~ [John Atkinson](#) ~

Property may be destroyed and money may lose its purchasing power; but, character, health, knowledge and good judgment will always be in demand under all conditions.
~ [Roger Babson](#) ~

Character is the sum and total of a person's choices.
~ [P. B. Fitzwater](#) ~

Deep down, I'm pretty superficial.
~ [Ava Gardner](#) ~

When God measures man, He puts the tape around his heart -- not his head.
~ [Guideposts](#) ~

To keep your character intact you cannot stoop to filthy acts. It makes it easier to stoop the next time.
~ [Katharine Hepburn](#) ~

It isn't the size of the dog in the fight, but the size of the fight in the dog, that counts.
~ [Harry Howell](#) ~

Iook to a day when people will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.
~ [Martin Luther King Jr.](#) ~

To succeed is nothing -- it's an accident. But to feel no doubts about oneself is something very different: it is character.
~ [Marie Leneru](#) ~

We should be too big to take offense and too noble to give it.
~ [Abraham Lincoln](#) ~

Character consists of what you do on the third and fourth tries.
~ [James A. Michener](#) ~

A man's reputation is what other people think of him; his character is what he really is.

~ Jack Miner ~

Watch your thoughts; they become words. Watch your words; they become actions. Watch your actions; they become habits. Watch your habits; they become character. Watch your character; it becomes your destiny.

~ Frank Outlaw ~

I have conquered an empire but I have not been able to conquer myself.

~ Peter The Great ~

When men speak ill of thee, live so as nobody may believe them.

~ Plato ~

Fame is what you have taken, character is what you give. When to this truth you awaken, then you begin to live.

~ Bayard Taylor ~

The only thing to do with good advice is to pass it on. It is never of any use to oneself.

~ Oscar Wilde ~

The basis of optimism is sheer terror.

~ Oscar Wilde ~

I can believe anything provided it is incredible.

~ Oscar Wilde ~

Mistakes

Life would be dull without them.

I never had a policy; I have just tried to do my very best each and every day.

~ Abraham Lincoln ~

When I do good, I feel good. When I do bad, I feel bad. And that's my religion.

~ Abraham Lincoln ~

The best thing about the future is that it comes only one day at a time.

~ Abraham Lincoln ~

The Lord prefers common looking people. That is why he made so many of them.

~ Abraham Lincoln ~

I am a slow walker, but I never walk backwards.

~ Abraham Lincoln~

Self Esteem

Seriously, I do not think I fit for the presidency.

~ Abraham Lincoln~

It is a terrible thing to look over your shoulder when you are trying to lead -- and find no one there.

~ Franklin D. Roosevelt~

In any moment of decision the best thing you can do is the right thing, the next best thing is the wrong thing, and the worst thing you can do is nothing.

~ Teddy. Roosevelt~

No one is above the law, and no one is below it.

~ Teddy. Roosevelt~

The person who makes no mistakes does not usually make anything

~ Teddy. Roosevelt~

Don't hit at all if it is honorably possible to avoid hitting, but never hit soft.

~ Teddy. Roosevelt~

Until we meet again, may the good Lord take a liking to you.

~ Roy Rogers~

The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet.

~ Aristotle~

The aim of the wise is not to secure pleasure, but to avoid pain.

~ Aristotle~

No one wants advice, only corroboration.

~ John Steinbeck~

If you want to sing out, sing out, and if you want to be free, be free, cause there's a million ways to be, you know that there are...

~ Cat Stevens~

You can't get spoiled if you do your own ironing.

~ Meryl Streep~

People think that at the top there isn't much room. They tend to think of it as an Everest. My message is that there is tons of room at the top.

~ Margaret Thatcher~

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

~ Margaret Thatcher~

I've always believed no matter how many shots I miss, I'm going to make the next one.

~ Isiah Thomas~

Faithless is he that says farewell when the road darkens.

~ JR Tolkien~

The cat, having sat upon a hot stove lid, will not sit upon a hot stove lid again. But he won't sit upon a cold stove lid, either.

~ Mark Twain~

If man had created man, he would be ashamed of his performance.

~ Mark Twain~

When I was fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have him around. When I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much he had learned in seven years.

~ Mark Twain~

The trouble with the world is not that people know too little, but that they know so many things that ain't so.

~ Mark Twain~

Irefused to attend his funeral. But I wrote a very nice letter explaining that I approved of it.

~ Mark Twain~