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120 Quotes

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120 of the best, most inspiring, kick-ass quotes to inspire you in 2012.

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In everyone's life, at some time, our inner fire goes out. It is then burst into flame by an encounter with another human being.

We should all be thankful for those people who rekindle the inner spirit.

- Albert Schweitzer. Via Kimberly Hall.

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Life is like a recipe book, you get to choose what you make from it.

- Michele Cook Lewis.

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You can never make a mistake twice. The second time it's a choice, not a mistake.

- Anon. Via Lisa Marie Lee Viglio-Nej.

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Let us rise up and be thankful, for if we didn't learn a lot today, at least we learned a little, and if we didn't learn a little, at least we didn't get sick, and if we got sick, at least we didn't die; so, let us all be thankful.

- Buddha. Via Devery Greene-Corp.

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Happiness is like a kiss, you must share it to enjoy it!

- Bernard Meltzer. Via Jenna Kelly.

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Map out your future - but do it in pencil. The road ahead is as long as you make it. Make it worth the trip.

- Bon Jovi. Via Amanda Jepson.

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**We've got two lives, one we're given and
the other one we make.**

- Mary Chapin Carpenter. Via Gina Clowes.

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If you're trying to achieve, there will be roadblocks. I've had them; everybody has had them. But obstacles don't have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don't turn around and give up. Figure out how to climb it, go through it, or work around it.

- Michael Jordan.

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Do or do not, there is no try - Yoda

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Well-behaved women rarely make history.

- Laurel Thatcher Ulrich. Via Nancy Flores.

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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.

- Lao-Tse.

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

- Buddha. Via Crystal E.

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When I was 5 years old, my mother always told me that happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down 'happy'. They told me I didn't understand the assignment, and I told them they didn't understand life.

- John Lennon. Via Sarah Krose.

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Never cut what you can untie.

-Via Marie Zettler.

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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.

- Mark Twain. Via Amber Otley.

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Success is the ability to go from one failure to another without a loss of enthusiasm.

- Sir Winston Churchill - Via Evelyn Ramos Salabarria.

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And the day came when the risk to remain tight in a bud was more painful than the risk it took to blossom.

- Anais Nin. Via Rebecca Hunter.

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Be yourself; everyone else is already taken.

- Oscar Wilde. Via Elize Pretorius.

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Don't let what you can't do stop you from doing what you can.

- Via Trine Irene Bjarkoy.

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For a long time it had seemed to me that life was about to begin - real life. But there was always some obstacle in the way. Something to be got through first, some unfinished business, time still to be served, a debt to be paid. Then life would begin. At last it dawned on me that these obstacles were my life.

- Fr. Alfred D'Souza. Via Margaret Aidala Fusco.

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Every day is a new beginning. Treat it that way.
Stay away from what might have been, and look
at what can be.

- Marsha Petrie Sue.

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Just because you fail once, doesn't mean you're gonna fail at everything. Keep your head high, keep your chin up, and most importantly, keep smiling, because life's a beautiful thing and there's so much to smile about.

- Marilyn Monroe. Via Pamela Bach.

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When it gets dark enough you see the stars.

- Charles Beard. Via Nikhilish Mehra.

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If you can't finish what you start, start what you can finish.

- Anon. Via Lucy Vaughn LeStrange.

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It is never too late to be what you might have been.

- George Eliot. Via Susan Steele.

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I don't want to get to the end of my life and find that I lived just the length of it. I want to have lived the width of it as well.

- Diane Ackerman.

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Take the first step in faith, you don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Via Tracey Meyers.

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It is kind of fun to do the impossible.

- Walt Disney. Via George Araman.

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**We may not do great things, but we can
do small things with great love.**

Mother Teresa. Via Starpisces Triond.

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**Whatever you can do, or dream you can,
begin it. Boldness has genius, power and
magic in it.**

- Goethe. Via Kristina Dahl Surface.

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Don't live down to expectations. Go out there and do something remarkable.

- Wendy Wasserstein. Via Karthik Sivasubramaniam.

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It's choice, not chance that determines your destiny!

- Jean Nidetch. Via Carla Katie Alex.

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Success is largely a matter of holding on
when others have let go.

- William Feather. Via Richa Tiwari.

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Your time is limited, so don't waste it living someone else's life. Don't be trapped by dogma - which is living with the results of other people's thinking. Don't let the noise of others' opinions drown out your own inner voice. **And most important, have the courage to follow your heart and intuition. They somehow already know what you truly want to become.** Everything else is secondary.

- Steve Jobs. Via Tim Stringer.

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You may not always get what you want in this life, but you stand a lot better chance if you ask for it - sometimes twice.

- Elijah Brownleader. Via Eric Schneider.

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Everyone is a house with four rooms;
A physical, a mental, an emotional and a
spiritual room.

Most of us tend to live in one room most of
the time

But unless we go into every room, every day,
Even if only to keep it aired, we are not a
complete person.

- Rumer Godden. Via Jenna Kelley.

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It's amazing, how amazing, when it's sooo
amazing.

- Bella Mithsouka Foyyogastudio.

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You must be the change you wish to see in the world.

- Gandhi. Via Judy Black.

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Our beliefs about ourselves are the most telling factors in determining our level of success and happiness in life.

- Dr. Wayne Dyer.

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The cure for anything is salt water -
sweat, tears, or the sea.

- Isak.

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If you're only willing to do what's easy, life will be hard. But if you're willing to do what's hard, life will be easy.

- T. Harv Eker.

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We don't see things the way they are. We see them the way WE are.

- Talmud.

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Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.

- John Wooden.

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Do the thing you fear most and the death
of fear is certain.

- Mark Twain.

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Life is full of challenges. Being happy shouldn't be one of them.

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A bad attitude is like a flat tire - you can't go anywhere until you change it.

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If there is no passion in your life, then have you really lived? Find your passion, whatever it may be. Become it, and let it become you and you will find great things happen FOR you, TO you and BECAUSE of you.

- Alan Armstrong.

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When one door closes, another opens; but we often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the one which has opened for us.

- Alexander Bell.

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The soul would have no rainbow if the eyes had no tears.

- Native American Proverb.

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A journey is best measured in friends and not miles.

- Tim Cahill.

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You can have everything in life that you want if you will just help enough other people get what they want.

- Zig Ziglar.

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It's not who you are that holds you back,
it's who you think you're not.

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Remembering the past and giving thought to the future are important, but only to the extent that they help one deal with the present.

- S.N. Goenka.

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People are like stained-glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in, their true beauty is revealed only if there is a light from within.

- Elizabeth Kübler-Ross.

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The only real failure in life is not to be true to the best one knows.

- Buddha.

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You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson.

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Let yourself be silently drawn by the
stronger pull of what you really love.

- Rumi.

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The secret to changing your life is in your intentions. Wishing, hoping and goal setting cannot accomplish change without intention. What is needed is a shift from the inert energy of wanting to the active energy of doing and intention.

- Wayne Dyer.

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Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated.

- Confucius.

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Courage is the most important of all the virtues, because without courage you can't practice any other virtue consistently. You can practice any virtue erratically, but nothing consistently without courage.

- Maya Angelou.

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Sound when stretched is music. Movement when stretched is dance. Mind when stretched is meditation. Life when stretched is celebration.

- Shri Ravishankar Jee.

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Before I can tell my life what I want to do with it, I must listen to my life telling me who I am.

- Parker J. Palmer

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All great changes are preceded by chaos.

- Deepak Chopra.

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Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at 20 or 80. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young.

- Henry Ford.

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Failure is only a temporary change in direction to set you straight for your next success. Only those who dare to fail greatly can ever achieve greatly.

- Denis Waitley.

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We make a living by what we get, but we
make a life by what we give.

- Winston Churchill.

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Only when we are brave enough to explore the darkness will we discover the infinite power of our light.

- Brene Brown.

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You miss 100% of the shots you don't take.

- Wayne Gretzky.

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I've learned that things change, people change, and it doesn't mean you forget the past or try to cover it up. It simply means that you move on and treasure the memories. Letting go doesn't mean giving up, it means accepting that some things weren't meant to be.

- Lisa Brooks.

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I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times, I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed.

- Michael Jordan.

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Many of the things you can count, don't count. Many of the things you can't count, really count.

- Albert Einstein.

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One of the greatest discoveries a man makes, one of his great surprises, is to find he can do what he was afraid he couldn't do.

- Henry Ford.

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The pessimist complains about the wind;
the optimist expects it to change; the
realist adjusts the sails.

- William Arthur Ward.

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Only those who dare to fail greatly can
ever achieve greatly.

- Robert Kennedy.

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Fear less, hope more; eat less, chew more;
whine less, breathe more; talk less, say
more; love more, and all good things will
be yours.

- Swedish proverb.

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There are hundreds of paths up the mountain, all leading to the same place. So it doesn't matter which path you take to get there as long as you take one. The only person wasting time is the one who runs around the mountain, telling everyone that his or her path is wrong.

- Hindu proverb.

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Never apologize for showing feeling. When you do so, you apologize for the truth.

- Benjamin Disraeli.

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When you were born you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Live your life so that when you die, you're the one smiling and everyone around you is crying.

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No one is in control of your happiness but you; therefore, you have the power to change anything about yourself or your life that you want to change.

- Barbara de Angelis.

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Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value.

- Albert Einstein.

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Don't judge each day by the harvest you
reap but by the seeds you plant.

- Robert Louis Stevenson.

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When faced with the unknown, it is only human for most of us to want to turn around. It takes courage to keep going. It is only when you are tested that you discover who you really are.

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It's always darkest before the dawn.

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Make sure you visualize what you really want, not what someone else wants for you.

- Jerry Gillies.

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Remember, if you're headed in the wrong direction, God allows U-turns.

- Allison Gappa Bottke.

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It's not the day you have to manage but the moment.

It's not the dragon you have to slay, but the fear.

And it's not the path you have to know, but the destination.

- Mike Dooley.

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Never become so much of an expert that you stop gaining expertise. View life as a continuous learning experience.

- Denis Waitley.

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Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough.

- Oprah Winfrey.

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Develop an attitude of gratitude, and give thanks for everything that happens to you, knowing that every step forward is a step toward achieving something bigger and better than your current situation.

- Brian Tracy.

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The Tao Te Ching says: when I let go of what I am, I become what I might be. When I let go of what I have, I receive what I need. Have you ever struggled to find work or love, only to find them after you have given up? This is the paradox of letting go. Let go, in order to achieve. Letting go is God's law.

– Mary Manin Morrissey.

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You'll never plough a field by turning it
over in your mind.

– Irish Proverb.

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A little knowledge that acts is worth infinitely more than much knowledge that is idle.

- Khalil Gibran.

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You can't change what you haven't realized yet. Once you realize what you were asleep to, the change happens on its own.

- Byron Katie.

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Life is too short to wake up with regrets. So love the people who treat you right. Forget about those who don't. Believe everything happens for a reason. If you get a chance, take it. If it changes your life, let it. Nobody said life would be easy, they just promised it would most likely be worth it.

- Harvey MacKay.

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If wrinkles must be written upon our brow, let them not be written upon the heart. The spirit should not grow old.

– James A. Garfield.

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Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference.

- Winston Churchill.

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Obstacles can't stop you. Problems can't stop you. Most of all, other people can't stop you. Only you can stop you.

– J. Gitomer.

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Most people are searching for happiness outside of themselves. That's a fundamental mistake. Happiness is something that you are, and it comes from the way that you think.

- Dr. Wayne Dyer.

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Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather the judgement that something else is more important than fear.

- Ambrose Redmoon

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We are not held back by the love we didn't receive in the past, but by the love we're not extending in the present.

- Marianne Williamson.

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You are never too old to set a new goal or
dream another dream.

- C.S. Lewis.

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A man who views the world the same at fifty as he did at twenty has wasted thirty years of his life.

- Muhammad Ali.

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The more you take responsibility for your past and present, the more you are able to create the future you seek.

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Learn to enjoy every minute of your life. Be happy now. Don't wait for something outside of yourself to make you happy in the future. Think how really precious is the time you have to spend, whether it's at work or with your family. Every minute should be enjoyed and savored.

- Earl Nightingale.

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Small positive changes made on a consistent basis result in big **POSITIVE** results.

- Chalene Johnson.

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Until you make peace with who you are,
you will never be content with what you
have.

- Doris Mortman.

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Don't ask yourself what the world needs,
ask yourself what makes you come alive.
And then go and do that. Because what the
world needs is people who are alive.

- Howard Thurman.

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In the end, we only regret the chances we didn't take, the relationships we were afraid to have, and the decisions we waited too long to make.

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The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now.

- Chinese Proverb

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One reason why you can do something is worth more than one hundred why you can't.

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Life has no remote. You've got to get up &
CHANGE it yourself!

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Either you run the day or the day runs
you.

- Jim Rohn.

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**Whatever the mind can conceive and
believe, the mind can achieve.**

- Napoleon Hill.

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Make your life a mission - not an intermission.

- Unknown.

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I am here to seduce you into a love of life;
to help you to become a little more
poetic; to help you die to the mundane and
to the ordinary so that the extraordinary
explodes in your life.

- Osho.

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Your imagination is your preview of life's
coming attractions.

- Albert Einstein.

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Every second you spend thinking about someone else's dreams you take time away from your own.

– Yogi Ramen.

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Don't let the past steal your present.

- Cherralea Morgen.

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Why complicate life?
Missing somebody? Call.
Wanna meet up? Invite.
Wanna be understood? Explain.
Have questions? Ask.
Don't like something? Say it.
Like something? State it.
Want something? Ask for it.
Love someone? Tell them.

- Anon.

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