Alan Turing Quotes

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Sometimes it is the people no one imagines anything of who do the things that no one can imagine.

~Alan Turing

Do you know why people like violence? It is because it feels good. Humans find violence deeply satisfying. But remove the satisfaction, and the act becomes hollow.

~Alan Turing

One day ladies will take their computers for walks in the park and tell each other, "My little computer said such a funny thing this morning".

~Alan Turing

Mathematical reasoning may be regarded.

~Alan Turing

We can only see a short distance ahead, but we can see plenty there that needs to be done.

~Alan Turing

A computer would deserve to be called intelligent if it could deceive a human into believing that it was human.

~Alan Turing

Programming is a skill best acquired by practice and example rather than from books.

~Alan Turing

If a machine is expected to be infallible, it cannot also be intelligent.

~Alan Turing

A man provided with paper, pencil, and rubber, and subject to strict discipline, is in effect a universal machine.

~Alan Turing

Science is a differential equation. Religion is a boundary condition.

~Alan Turing

Codes are a puzzle. A game, just like any other game.

~Alan Turing

No, I'm not interested in developing a powerful brain.

~Alan Turing

We may hope that machines will eventually compete with men in all purely intellectual fields.

~Alan Turing

The idea behind digital computers may be explained by saying that these machines are intended to carry out any operations which could be done by a human computer.

~Alan Turing

Unless in communicating with it one says exactly what one means, trouble is bound to result.

~Alan Turing

Machines take me by surprise with great frequency.

~Alan Turing

We are not interested in the fact that the brain has the consistency of cold porridge.

~Alan Turing

No, I'm not interested in developing a powerful brain. All I'm after is just a mediocre brain, something like the President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

~Alan Turing

The original question, 'Can machines think?' I believe to be too meaningless to deserve discussion.

~Alan Turing

My little computer said such a funny thing this morning.

~Alan Turing

Mathematical reasoning may be regarded rather schematically as the exercise of a combination of two facilities, which we may call intuition and ingenuity.

~Alan Turing

I'm afraid that the following syllogism may be used by some in the future. Turing believes machines think Turing lies with men Therefore machines do not think Yours in distress, Alan

~Alan Turing

Up to a point, it is better to just let the snags [bugs] be there than to spend such time in design that there are none.

~Alan Turing

A very large part of space-time must be investigated, if reliable results are to be obtained.

~Alan Turing

The Exclusion Principle is laid down purely for the benefit of the electrons themselves, who might be corrupted (and become dragons or demons) if allowed to associate too freely.

~Alan Turing

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