

Anthony Giddens

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'Taking charge of one's life' involves risk, because it means confronting a diversity of open possibilities.

~Anthony Giddens

Achieving control over change, in respect to lifestyle, demands an engagement with the outer social world rather than a retreat from it.

~Anthony Giddens

The risk climate of modernity is thus unsettling for everyone: no one escapes.

~Anthony Giddens

The new mixed economy looks...for a synergy between public and private sectors.

~Anthony Giddens

The difficulties of living in a secular risk culture are compounded by the importance of lifestyle choices.

~Anthony Giddens

The body is thus not simply an 'entity', but is experienced as a practical mode of coping with external situations and events.

~Anthony Giddens

Martin Luther King did not stir his audience in 1963 by declaiming 'I have a nightmare'

~Anthony Giddens

Apocalypse has become banal, a set of statistical risk parameters to everyone's existence.

~Anthony Giddens

Risk concerns future happenings - as related to present practices - and the colonising of the future therefore opens up new settings of risk,

some of which are institutionally organised.

~Anthony Giddens

The sustaining of life, in a bodily sense as well as in the sense of psychological health, is inherently subject to risk.

~Anthony Giddens

The thesis that risk assessment itself is inherently risky is nowhere better borne out than in the area of high-consequence risks.

~Anthony Giddens

The body is in some sense perennially at risk. The possibility of bodily injury is ever-present, even in the most familiar of surroundings.

~Anthony Giddens

High-consequence risks have a distinctive quality. The more calamitous the hazards they involve, the less we have any real experience of what we risk: for if things 'go wrong', it is already too late.

~Anthony Giddens

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