

Chanakya Quotes

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Wise, Enemy, Religion, Integrity, Tree, Mother, Heart, Fire, Sweet, Mean,
Husband*

Don't judge the future of a person based on his present conditions, because time has the power to change black coal to shiny diamond.

~Chanakya

Avoid him who talks sweetly before you but tries to ruin you behind your back, for he is like a pitcher of poison with milk on top.

~Chanakya

There is no austerity equal to a balanced mind, and there is no happiness equal to contentment; there is no disease like covetousness, and no virtue like mercy.

~Chanakya

A man is great by deeds, not by birth.

~Chanakya

A person should not be too honest. Straight trees are cut first and honest people are screwed first.

~Chanakya

A man is born alone and dies alone; and he experiences the good and bad consequences of his karma alone; and he goes alone to hell or the Supreme abode.

~Chanakya

A good wife is one who serves her husband in the morning like a mother does, loves him in the day like a sister does and pleases him like a prostitute in the night.

~Chanakya

The biggest guru-mantra is: never share your secrets with anybody. It will destroy you.

~Chanakya

Education is the best friend. An educated person is respected everywhere. Education beats the beauty and the youth.

~Chanakya

The wise man should restrain his senses like the crane and accomplish his purpose with due knowledge of his place, time and ability.

~Chanakya

God is not present in idols. Your feelings are your god. The soul is your temple.

~Chanakya

A man attains greatness by his merits, not simply by occupying an exalted seat. Can we call a crow an eagle (garuda) simply because he sits on the top of a tall building.

~Chanakya

Do not reveal what you have thought upon doing, but by wise council keep it secret being determined to carry it into execution.

~Chanakya

He who is overly attached to his family members experiences fear and sorrow, for the root of all grief is attachment. Thus one should discard attachment to be happy.

~Chanakya

The fragrance of flowers spreads only in the direction of the wind. But the goodness of a person spreads in all direction.

~Chanakya

Books are as useful to a stupid person as a mirror is useful to a blind person.

~Chanakya

Treat your kid like a darling for the first five years. For the next five years, scold them. By the time they turn sixteen, treat them like a friend. Your grown up children are your best friends.

~Chanakya

There is some self-interest behind every friendship. There is no friendship without self-interests. This is a bitter truth.

~Chanakya

Once you start working on something, don't be afraid of failure and don't abandon it. People who work sincerely are the happiest.

~Chanakya

Skills are called hidden treasure as they save like a mother in a foreign country.

~Chanakya

Test a servant while in the discharge of his duty, a relative in difficulty, a friend in adversity, and a wife in misfortune.

~Chanakya

We should not fret for what is past, nor should we be anxious about the future; men of discernment deal only with the present moment.

~Chanakya

Even if a snake is not poisonous, it should pretend to be venomous.

~Chanakya

The life of an uneducated man is as useless as the tail of a dog which neither covers its rear end, nor protects it from the bites of insects.

~Chanakya

One who is in search of knowledge should give up the search of pleasure and the one who is in search of pleasure should give up the

search of knowledge.

~Chanakya

Prosperity lasts long for one who acts after proper consideration.

~Chanakya

The serpent, the king, the tiger, the stinging wasp, the small child, the dog owned by other people, and the fool: these seven ought not to be awakened from sleep.

~Chanakya

What good is a cow that neither gives milk nor conceives? Similarly, what is the value of the birth of a son if he becomes neither learned nor a pure devotee of the Lord?

~Chanakya

If a king is energetic, his subjects will be equally energetic.

~Chanakya

Rain which falls upon the sea is useless; so is food for one who is satiated; in vain is a gift for one who is wealthy; and a burning lamp during the daytime is useless.

~Chanakya

The one excellent thing that can be learned from a lion is that whatever a man intends doing should be done by him with a whole-hearted and strenuous effort.

~Chanakya

The forest fire burns even tree like sandalwood.

~Chanakya

Low class men desire wealth; middle class men both wealth and respect; but the noble, honour only; hence honour is the noble man's

true wealth.

~Chanakya

Do not put your trust in a bad companion nor even trust an ordinary friend, for if he should get angry with you, he may bring all your secrets to light.

~Chanakya

The world's biggest power is the youth and beauty of a woman.

~Chanakya

What good can the scriptures do to a man who has no sense of his own? Of what use is as mirror to a blind man?

~Chanakya

A thing may be dreaded as long as it has not overtaken you.

~Chanakya

Union in privacy (with one's wife); boldness; storing away useful items; watchfulness; and not easily trusting others; these five things are to be learned from a crow.

~Chanakya

Never make friends with people who are above or below you in status. Such friendships will never give you any happiness.

~Chanakya

Lakshmi, the Goddess of wealth, comes of Her own accord where fools are not respected, grain is well stored up, and the husband and wife do not quarrel.

~Chanakya

Do not be very upright in your dealings for you would see by going to the forest that straight trees are cut down while crooked ones are left

standing.

~Chanakya

As long as your body is healthy and under control and death is distant, try to save your soul; when death is imminent what can you do?

~Chanakya

As soon as the fear approaches near, attack and destroy it.

~Chanakya

Love is indicated by deeds (and not by words)

~Chanakya

Knowledge is lost without putting it into practice; a man is lost due to ignorance; an army is lost without a commander; and a woman is lost without a husband.

~Chanakya

A person becomes great not by sitting on some high seat, but through higher qualities. Can a crow become an eagle by simply sitting on the top of a palatial building?

~Chanakya

The happiness and peace attained by those satisfied by the nectar of spiritual tranquillity is not attained by greedy persons restlessly moving here and there.

~Chanakya

An egoist can be won over by being respected, a crazy person can be won over by allowing him to behave in an insane manner and a wise person can be won over by truth.

~Chanakya

Women have hunger two-fold, shyness four-fold, daring six-fold, and

lust eight-fold as compared to men.

~Chanakya

Your feelings are your god.

~Chanakya

Till the enemy's weakness is known , he should be kept on friendly terms.

~Chanakya

They (low-minded) ones should never be trusted.

~Chanakya

The earth is supported by the power of truth; it is the power of truth that makes the sun shine and the winds blow; indeed all things rest upon truth.

~Chanakya

O wise man! Give your wealth only to the worthy and never to others. The water of the sea received by the clouds is always sweet.

~Chanakya

Purity of speech, of the mind, of the senses, and of a compassionate heart are needed by one who desires to rise to the divine platform.

~Chanakya

He who has wealth has friends.

~Chanakya

Poverty, disease, sorrow, imprisonment and other evils are the fruits borne by the tree of one's own sins.

~Chanakya

The foolish wish to speak out what was spoken in secret by the master.

~Chanakya

Swans live wherever there is water, and leave the place where water dries up; let not a man act so - and comes and goes as he pleases.

~Chanakya

Offspring, friends and relatives flee from a devotee of the Lord: yet those who follow him bring merit to their families through their devotion.

~Chanakya

Education beats the beauty and the youth.

~Chanakya

Religion is preserved by wealth; knowledge by diligent practice; a king by conciliatory words; and a home by a dutiful housewife.

~Chanakya

There is poison in the fang of the serpent, in the mouth of the fly and in the sting of a scorpion; but the wicked man is saturated with it.

~Chanakya

As a calf follows its mother among a thousand cows, so the (good or bad) deeds of a man follow him.

~Chanakya

Learning is a friend on the journey; a wife in the house; medicine in sickness; and religious merit is the only friend after death.

~Chanakya

There is no disease so destructive as lust.

~Chanakya

It is better to die than to preserve this life by incurring disgrace. The

loss of life causes but a moment's grief, but disgrace brings grief every day of one's life.

~Chanakya

A wicked wife, a false friend, a saucy servant and living in a house with a serpent in it are nothing but death.

~Chanakya

Enemies strike at weak points.

~Chanakya

One's weakness should not ever be revealed.

~Chanakya

A still-born son is superior to a foolish son endowed with a long life. The first causes grief for but a moment while the latter like a blazing fire consumes his parents in grief for life.

~Chanakya

This world is a bitter tree, it has only two sweet nectar like fruits - one is soft voice and the other is company of gentlemen.

~Chanakya

Wealth, a friend, a wife, and a kingdom may be regained; but this body when lost may never be acquired again.

~Chanakya

Those base men who speak of the secret faults of others destroy themselves like serpents that stray onto anthills.

~Chanakya

Whores don't live in company of poor men, citizens never support a weak company and birds don't build nests on a tree that doesn't bear fruits.

~Chanakya

He who has wealth has friends and relations; he alone survives and is respected as a man.

~Chanakya

Sinfully acquired wealth may remain for ten years; in the eleventh year it disappears with even the original stock.

~Chanakya

Virtuous persons and fruit-laden trees bow, but fools and dry sticks break because they do not bend.

~Chanakya

Our bodies are perishable, wealth is not at all permanent and death is always nearby. Therefore we must immediately engage in acts of merit.

~Chanakya

He is a pandit (man of knowledge) who speaks what is suitable to the occasion, who renders loving service according to his ability, and who knows the limits of his anger.

~Chanakya

As a single withered tree, if set aflame, causes a whole forest to burn, so does a rascal son destroy a whole family.

~Chanakya

One destitute of wealth is not destitute, he is indeed rich, but the man devoid of learning is destitute in every way.

~Chanakya

A learned man is honoured by the people. A learned man commands respect everywhere for his learning. Indeed, learning is honoured

everywhere.

~Chanakya

One whose knowledge is confined to books and whose wealth is in the possession of others, can use neither his knowledge nor wealth when the need for them arises.

~Chanakya

The poor wish for wealth; animals for the faculty of speech; men wish for heaven; and godly persons for liberation.

~Chanakya

There are three gems upon this earth; food, water, and pleasing words - fools (mudhas) consider pieces of rocks as gems.

~Chanakya

The beauty of a cuckoo is in its notes, that of a woman in her unalloyed devotion to her husband, that of an ugly person in his scholarship, and that of an ascetic in his forgiveness.

~Chanakya

Time perfects all living beings as well as kills them; it alone is awake when all others are asleep. Time is insurmountable.

~Chanakya

The low minded are fond of deception the nature of low-minded people never changes.

~Chanakya

The house of a childless person is a void, all directions are void to one who has no relatives, the heart of a fool is also void, but to a poverty stricken man all is void.

~Chanakya

Considering the forbearance of a person, Do not harass him.

~Chanakya

Do not put your trust in rivers, men who carry weapons, beasts with claws or horns, women, and members of a royal family.

~Chanakya

The ruler should employ person in tasks according to their abilities because Knowers (or the means) and efficient employees make impossible tasks also possible.

~Chanakya

How well u treat the wicked people, they do nto give up their wickedness. They derive pleasure in hurting others. A serpent made to drink milk, it ejects poison only.

~Chanakya

Time perfects men as well as destroys them.

~Chanakya

The learned are envied by the foolish; rich men by the poor; chaste women by adulteresses; and beautiful ladies by ugly ones.

~Chanakya

Accumulated wealth is saved by spending just as incoming fresh water is saved by letting out stagnant water.

~Chanakya

As water collected in a tank gets pure by filtration, so accumulated wealth is preserved by being employed in charity.

~Chanakya

No amount of advice change his attitude. He does not listed to good advice. Rather he gets angry.

~Chanakya

Knower of the means makes impossible tasks also possible.

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