

# Christian Morgenstern Quotes

*Art, Children, Home, Understood, Animal, World, Safe, Travel, Men, Artist,  
Hundred, Long, Christian, Sides, Constant, Poet, Mean, Carpe Diem, Method,  
Wisdom*

Home is not where you live but where they understand you.

~Christian Morgenstern

The hidden child wants to be able to participate and to co-create in art, rather than being simply an admiring viewer.

~Christian Morgenstern

Woe to humanity, should only a single animal have a seat in the Last Judgement.

~Christian Morgenstern

Aviation will give new nourishment to the religious spirit of mankind. It will add airspace to those other great heighteners of the cosmic mood: the wood, the sea, the desert.

~Christian Morgenstern

If modern civilization man had to kill the animals he eats, the number of vegetarians would rise astronomically.

~Christian Morgenstern

There are often some hundred times, a thousand times, before you can really see it for the first time.

~Christian Morgenstern

Home isn't where our house is, but wherever we are understood.

~Christian Morgenstern

Enthusiasm is the most beautiful word on earth.

~Christian Morgenstern

Humor is the contemplation of the finite from the point of view of the infinite.

~Christian Morgenstern

In every work of art, the artist himself is present.

~Christian Morgenstern

The first principle of child-rearing is to choose a good mother.

~Christian Morgenstern

For me, there is only one means of ensuring that I do not lose respect for myself: constant criticism.

~Christian Morgenstern

A true artist never portrays to please, but to show.

~Christian Morgenstern

If I did not love what is present, if I could not cling to this enormous, safe parachute, I would long since have fallen into the abyss.

~Christian Morgenstern

You are not at home where your residence are but where you are understood.

~Christian Morgenstern

Often I am struck in amazement about a word: I suddenly realize that the complete arbitrariness of our language is but a part of the arbitrariness of our own world in general.

~Christian Morgenstern

It is one of the oddest things in the world that you can read a page or more and think of something utterly different.

~Christian Morgenstern

Chess truly uncovers whether or not someone has imagination and takes initiative.

~Christian Morgenstern

There is a ghost That eats hankerchiefs; It keeps you company On all your travels.

~Christian Morgenstern

My method is to find a word with a gesture.

~Christian Morgenstern

A poet must have died as a man before he is worth anything as a poet.

~Christian Morgenstern

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