

F. Scott Fitzgerald

Quotes

*Men, People, Eye, Heart, Thinking, Dream, Writing, Girl, Want, World, Years,
Past, Book, Children, Beautiful, Night, Kissing, Hands, Morning, Stars*

For what it's worth, it's never too late to be whoever you want to be. I hope you live a life you're proud of and if you find that you're not, I hope you have the strength to start over.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

You are the finest, loveliest, tenderest, and most beautiful person I have ever known—and even that is an understatement.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

And in the end, we were all just humans...Drunk on the idea that love, only love, could heal our brokenness.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Suddenly she realized that what she was regretting was not the lost past but the lost future, not what had not been but what would never be.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

To be kind is more important than to be right. Many times, what people need is not a brilliant mind that speaks but a special heart that listens.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

The world only exists in your eyes. You can make it as big or as small as you want

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Never confuse a single defeat with a final defeat.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

There are all kinds of love in this world but never the same love twice.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

You have a place in my heart no one else ever could have.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

The loneliest moment in someone's life is when they are watching their whole world fall apart, and all they can do is stare blankly.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

It was only a sunny smile, and little it cost in the giving, but like morning light it scattered the night and made the day worth living.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

You are mysterious, I love you. You're beautiful, intelligent, and virtuous, and that's the rarest known combination.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Her philosophy is carpe diem for herself and laissez faire for others.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I love her and that's the beginning and end of everything.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Before you criticize others, remember, they may not have had the same opportunities in life as you have had

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Intelligence is measured by a person's ability to see validity within both sides of contradicting arguments.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I never blame failure - there are too many complicated situations in life - but I am absolutely merciless toward lack of effort.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

That is part of the beauty of all literature. You discover that your longings are universal longings, that you're not lonely and isolated from anyone. You belong.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

He was so terrible that he was no longer terrible, only dehumanized.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Vitality shows in not only the ability to persist but the ability to start over.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

In a real dark night of the soul, it is always three o'clock in the morning, day after day.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Whenever you feel like criticizing any one... just remember that all the people in this world haven't had the advantages that you've had.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Here's to alcohol, the rose colored glasses of life.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

The test of a first-rate intelligence is the ability to hold two opposed ideas in mind at the same time and still retain the ability to function.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I hope she'll be a fool -- that's the best thing a girl can be in this world, a beautiful little fool.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

So we beat on, boats against the current, borne back ceaselessly into the past.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

God knows what you've been doing, everything you've been doing. You may fool me, but you can't fool God!

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Let us learn to show our friendship for a man when he is alive and not after he is dead.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

We all have souls of different ages

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Then I grew up, and the beauty of succulent illusions fell away from me.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Every one suspects himself of at least one of the cardinal virtues, and this is mine: I am one of the few honest people that I have ever known.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

So we'll just let things take their course, and never be sorry.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Men get to be a mixture of the charming mannerisms of the women they have known.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Don't say 'wife.' I'm your mistress. Wife's such an ugly word. Your 'permanent mistress' is so much more tangible and desirable.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

one of those men who reach such an acute limited excellence at twenty-one that everything afterward savors of anti-climax.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Actually that's my secret - I can't even talk about you to anybody because I don't want any more people to know how wonderful you are.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I'm not sure what I'll do, butâ€™ well, I want to go places and see people. I want my mind to grow. I want to live where things happen on a big scale.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

He's a bootlegger....One time he killed a man who found out that he was nephew to Von Hindenburg and second cousin to the devil.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Scratch a Yale man with both hands and you'll be lucky to find a coast-guard. Usually you find nothing at all.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Life is a comedy for those who think and a tragedy for those who feel. Show me a hero and I will write you a tragedy.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

You see I usually find myself among strangers because I drift here and there trying to forget the sad things that happened to me.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I wasn't actually in love, but I felt a sort of tender curiosity.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Well, you never knew exactly how much space you occupied in people's lives.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

There are only the pursued, the pursuing, the busy and the tired.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Eighteen might look at thirty-four through a rising mist of adolescence, but twenty-two would see thirty-eight with discerning clarity.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

That familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Either you think, or else others have to think for you and take power from you, pervert and discipline your natural tastes, civilize and sterilize you.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Angry, and half in love with her, and tremendously sorry, I turned away.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I won't kiss you. It might get to be a habit and I can't get rid of habits.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

She was feeling the pressure of the world outside and she wanted to see him and feel his presence beside her and be reassured that she was doing the right thing after all.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

No matter how low you go, there's always an unexplored basement.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I don't want just words. If that's all you have for me, you'd better go

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

All good writing is swimming under water and holding your breath.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I was within and without. Simultaneously enchanted and repelled by the inexhaustible variety of life.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Experience is the name so many people give to their mistakes.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Life is essentially a cheat and its conditions are those of defeat; the redeeming things are not happiness and pleasure but the deeper satisfactions that come out of struggle.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

The greatest profound pain is caused by, and is the result of our own illusions, fantasies and dreams.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

You remind me of a smoked cigarette.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Life is much more successfully looked at from a single window.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Switzerland is a country where very few things begin, but many things end.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

His was a great sin who first invented consciousness. Let us lose it for a few hours.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

So he waited, listening for a moment longer to the tuning-fork that had

been struck upon a star.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Tomorrow we will run faster, stretch out our arms farther.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

This unlikely story begins on a sea that was a blue dream, as colorful as blue-silk stockings, and beneath a sky as blue as the irises of children's eyes.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

The kiss originated when the first male reptile licked the first female reptile, implying in a subtle way that she was as succulent as the small reptile he had for dinner the night before.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

The ability to hold two competing thoughts in one's mind and still be able to function is the mark of a superior mind

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

A woman should be able to kiss a man beautifully and romantically without any desire to be either his wife or his mistress.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Life is so damned hard, so damned hard... It just hurts people and hurts people, until finally it hurts them so that they can't be hurt ever any more. That's the last and worst thing it does.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Things are sweeter when they're lost. I know--because once I wanted something and got it. It was the only thing I ever wanted badly, Dot, and when I got it it turned to dust in my hand.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

In his blue gardens men and girls came and went like moths among the whisperings and the champagne and the stars.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

It is sadder to find the past again and find it inadequate to the present than it is to have it elude you and remain forever a harmonious conception of memory.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

His dream must have seemed so close that he could hardly fail to grasp it. He did not know that it was already behind him.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

He had no plans, no definite intentions, except to kiss her lips again, to hold her in his arms.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

You're a slave, a bound helpless slave to one thing in the world, your imagination.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

No grand idea was ever born in a conference, but a lot of foolish ideas have died there.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Trouble has no necessary connection with discouragement. Discouragement has a germ of its own, as different from trouble as arthritis is different from a stiff joint.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

i'm a slave to my emotions, to my likes, to my hatred of boredom, to most of my desires

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

She wanted to crawl into his pocket and be safe forever.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Personality is an unbroken series of successful gestures.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Too much of anything is bad, but too much Champagne is just right.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I shall go on shining as a brilliantly meaningless figure in a meaningless world.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

There is no confusion like the confusion of a simple mind.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Never confuse activity with action.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

A lot of young girls together is a romantic secret thing like the first sight of wild ducks at dawn.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

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~F. Scott Fitzgerald

At eighteen our convictions are hills from which we look; at forty-five they are caves in which we hide.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

You are the loveliest thing that I have ever known.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

When I'm with you, I don't breathe quite right.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I felt that I wanted the world to be in uniform and at a sort of moral attention forever; I wanted no more riotous excursions with privileged glimpses into the human heart.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Don't forget who you are and where you come from.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Great art is the contempt of a great man for small art.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

I was enjoying myself now. I had taken two finger bowls of champagne and the scene had changed before my eyes into something significant, elemental and profound.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

They slipped briskly into an intimacy from which they never recovered.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

It's never too late or, in my case, too early to be whoever you want to be.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

And I like large parties. They're so intimate. At small parties there isn't any privacy.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

The worst thing in the world is to try to sleep and not to.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Boredom is not an end-product, is comparatively rather an early stage in life and art. You've got to go by or past or through boredom, as

through a filter, before the clear product emerges.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

Action is character.

~F. Scott Fitzgerald

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