# Ferdinand Foch Quotes

Military, War, Mean, Battle, Firsts, Doe, Sports, Art, Goal, Order, Air Power, Command, Ideas, Hands, Silly, Powerful, Responsibility, Lost, Tactics, Troops The most powerful weapon on earth is the human soul on fire.

~Ferdinand Foch

My center is giving way, my right is in retreat; situation excellent. I shall attack.

~Ferdinand Foch

This is not a peace. It is an armistice for twenty years.

~Ferdinand Foch

Aviation is fine as a sport. But as an instrument of war, it is worthless. ~Ferdinand Foch

In whatever position you find yourself, determine first your objective. ~Ferdinand Foch

A battle won is a battle which we will not acknowledge to be lost. ~Ferdinand Foch

Regulations are all very well for drill, but in the hour of danger they are no more use. You have to learn to think.

~Ferdinand Foch

Victory is a thing of the will. ~Ferdinand Foch

Don't drown yourself in details. Look at the whole.

~Ferdinand Foch

It take 15,000 casualties to train a major general.

~Ferdinand Foch

There is but one means to extenuate the effects of enemy fire: it is to develop a more violent fire oneself.

~Ferdinand Foch

The unknown is the governing principle of war.

~Ferdinand Foch

I am conscious of having served England as I served my own country. ~Ferdinand Foch

One does simply what one can in order to apply what one knows . ~Ferdinand Foch

In tactics, action is the governing rule of war.

~Ferdinand Foch

The laurels of victory are at the point of the enemy bayonets. They must be plucked there; they must be carried by a hand-to-hand fight if one really means to conquer.

~Ferdinand Foch

The power to command has never meant the power to remain mysterious.

~Ferdinand Foch

#### A beaten general is disgraced forever.

~Ferdinand Foch

One is defeated only when one accepts defeat.

~Ferdinand Foch

### To inform, and, therefore to reconnoitre, this is the first and constant duty of the advanced guard.

~Ferdinand Foch

Every manoeuvre must be the development of a scheme; it must aim at

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a goal. ~Ferdinand Foch

# No study is possible on the battlefield.

~Ferdinand Foch

## Airplanes are interesting toys but of no military value.

~Ferdinand Foch

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