

John Maynard Smith

Quotes

*Science, Information, Games, Thinking, Language, Evolution, Mathematics,
Guides, Criticism, Doe, Careers, People, Clear, Boeing, Facts, Suffering,
Human Society, Believe, Able, Natural*

Genetics is about how information is stored and transmitted between generations.

~John Maynard Smith

Evolutionary game theory is a way of thinking about evolution at the phenotypic level when the fitnesses of particular phenotypes depend on their frequencies in the population.

~John Maynard Smith

Mathematics without natural history is sterile, but natural history without mathematics is muddled.

~John Maynard Smith

Scientific theories tell us what is possible; myths tell us what is desirable. Both are needed to guide proper action.

~John Maynard Smith

The evolution of sex is the hardest problem in evolutionary biology.

~John Maynard Smith

Paradoxically, it has turned out that game theory is more readily applied to biology than to the field of economic behavior for which it was originally designed

~John Maynard Smith

Mathematics is so much easier than words mathematics makes things clear that words merely muddle and confuse and mess up.

~John Maynard Smith

Information imposes certain criteria on how it can be stored.

~John Maynard Smith

It is in the nature of science that once a position becomes orthodox it should be suggested to criticism.... It does not follow that, because a

position is orthodox, it is wrong.

~John Maynard Smith

I can't go around believing in a God that believes suffering is good for me.

~John Maynard Smith

Language changes very fast.

~John Maynard Smith

You couldn't have human society without language.

~John Maynard Smith

It is an occupational risk of biologists to claim, towards the end of their careers, that the problems which they have not solved are insoluble.

~John Maynard Smith

Societies depend on agreed rules.

~John Maynard Smith

Related Links:

- [Science Quotes](#)
- [Information Quotes](#)
- [Games Quotes](#)
- [Thinking Quotes](#)
- [Language Quotes](#)
- [Evolution Quotes](#)
- [Mathematics Quotes](#)
- [Guides Quotes](#)
- [Criticism Quotes](#)
- [Doe Quotes](#)
- [Careers Quotes](#)
- [People Quotes](#)
- [Clear Quotes](#)
- [Boeing Quotes](#)
- [Facts Quotes](#)
- [Suffering Quotes](#)
- [Human Society Quotes](#)
- [Believe Quotes](#)
- [Able Quotes](#)
- [Natural Quotes](#)