

Jose Rizal Quotes

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Age, Fall, Youth, Writing, Struggle, Independence, Book, Passion, Heart, Today,
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On this battlefield man has no better weapon than his intelligence, no other force but his heart.

~Jose Rizal

He who does not know how to look back at where he came from will never get to his destination.

~Jose Rizal

To foretell the destiny of a nation, it is necessary to open a book that tells of her past.

~Jose Rizal

Filipinos don't realize that victory is the child of struggle, that joy blossoms from suffering, and redemption is a product of sacrifice.

~Jose Rizal

Treat your old parents as you would like to be treated by your children later.

~Jose Rizal

Ignorance is servitude, because as a man thinks, so he is; a man who does not think for himself and allows himself to be guided by the thought of another is like the beast led by a halter.

~Jose Rizal

Genius has no country. It blossoms everywhere. Genius is like the light, the air. It is the heritage of all.

~Jose Rizal

I have to believe much in God because I have lost my faith in man.

~Jose Rizal

One only dies once, and if one does not die well, a good opportunity is lost and will not present itself again.

~Jose Rizal

I die without seeing dawn's light shining on my country... You, who will see it, welcome it for me...don't forget those who fell during the nighttime.

~Jose Rizal

It is enough for the evil people to succeed, for the good people to do nothing.

~Jose Rizal

No good water comes from a muddy spring. No sweet fruit comes from a bitter seed.

~Jose Rizal

The youth is the hope of our future.

~Jose Rizal

Travel is a caprice in childhood, a passion in youth, a necessity in manhood, and an elegy in old age.

~Jose Rizal

I go where there are no slaves, hangmen or oppressors; where faith does not kill; where the one who reigns is God.

~Jose Rizal

He who would love much has also much to suffer.

~Jose Rizal

I wish to show those who deny us Patriotism that we know how to die for our country and convictions.

~Jose Rizal

Who does not love his own tongue is far worse than a brute or stinking

fish.

~Jose Rizal

To be happy does not mean to indulge in foolishness!

~Jose Rizal

To live is to be among men, and to be among men is to struggle, a struggle not only with them but with oneself; with their passions, but also with one's own.

~Jose Rizal

It is not the criminals who arouse the hatred of others, but the men who are honest.

~Jose Rizal

The people do not complain because they have no voice; do not move because they are lethargic, and you say that they do not suffer because you have not seen their hearts bleed.

~Jose Rizal

I honor the father in his son, not the son in his father. Each one receives a reward or punishment for his deeds, but not for the acts of others.

~Jose Rizal

No one blames a pilot who takes refuge in port when the storm begins to blow. It is not cowardice to duck under a bullet; what is wrong is to defy it only to fall and never rise again.

~Jose Rizal

The glory of saving a country is not for him who has contributed to its ruin.

~Jose Rizal

Why independence? If the slaves of today will be the tyrants of tomorrow.

~Jose Rizal

For myself I think that one wrong does not right the other, and forgiveness cannot be won with useless tears or alms to the Church.

~Jose Rizal

While a people preserves its language; it preserves the marks of liberty.

~Jose Rizal

The example could encourage others who only fear to start.

~Jose Rizal

It is a useless life that is not consecrated to a great ideal. It is like a stone wasted on the field without becoming a part of any edifice.

~Jose Rizal

The tyranny of some is possible only through the cowardice of others.

~Jose Rizal

Friar! What a strange name. I don't remember having created such a thing!

~Jose Rizal

Cowardice rightly understood begins with selfishness and ends with shame.

~Jose Rizal

Man works for an object. Remove that object and you reduce him into inaction.

~Jose Rizal

I don't see why I should bow my head when I could hold it high, or place it in the hands of my enemies when I can defeat them.

~Jose Rizal

Oh how beautiful to fall to give you flight, to die to give you life, to rest under your sky; and in your enchanted land forever sleep.

~Jose Rizal

To doubt God is to doubt one's own conscience, and in consequence it would be to doubt everything.

~Jose Rizal

What is death to me? I have sown the seeds others will reap.

~Jose Rizal

No one has a monopoly of the true God, nor is there a nation or religion that can claim, or at any rate prove, that it has been given the exclusive right to the Creator or sole knowledge of His Being.

~Jose Rizal

Man is multiplied by the number of languages he possesses and speaks.

~Jose Rizal

God has made man a cosmopolite. He created seas for ships to glide on, the wind to push them, and the stars to guide them even in darkest night.

~Jose Rizal

To the questioning glance of love, as it flashes out and then conceals itself, speech has no reply; the smile, the kiss, the sigh answer.

~Jose Rizal

The world laughs at another man's pain.

~Jose Rizal

Tomorrow at 7, I shall be shot; but I am innocent of the crime of rebellion. I am going to die with a tranquil conscience.

~Jose Rizal

Law has no skin, reason has no nostrils.

~Jose Rizal

Let us not ask for miracles, let us not ask for concern with what is good for the country of him who comes as a stranger to make his fortune and leave afterwards.

~Jose Rizal

Hold high the brow serene, O youth, where now you stand; Let the bright sheen Of your grace be seen, Fair hope of my fatherland!

~Jose Rizal

The appetite is sharpened by the first bites.

~Jose Rizal

There can be no tyrants where there are no slaves.

~Jose Rizal

Virtue lies in the middle ground.

~Jose Rizal

Necessity is the most powerful divinity the world knows - it is the result of physical forces set in operation by ethical forces.

~Jose Rizal

Each one writes history according to his convenience.

~Jose Rizal

Dying people don't need medicine, the ones who remain do.

~Jose Rizal

Climate affects bipeds in the same way it does quadrupeds.

~Jose Rizal

In the Middle Ages, everything bad was the work of the devil, everything good, the work of God. Today, the French see everything in reverse and blame the Germans for it.

~Jose Rizal

When there is in nature no fixed condition, how much less must there be in the life of a people, beings endowed with mobility and movement!

~Jose Rizal

Death has always been the first sign of European civilization when introduced in the Pacific.

~Jose Rizal

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