

Ken Robinson

Quotes

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Our task is to educate their (our students) whole being so they can face the future. We may not see the future, but they will and our job is to help them make something of it.

~Ken Robinson

The role of a creative leader is not to have all the ideas; it's to create a culture where everyone can have ideas and feel that they're valued.

~Ken Robinson

The real role of leadership in education ... is not and should not be command and control. The real role of leadership is climate control, creating a climate of possibility.

~Ken Robinson

The dropout crisis is just the tip of an iceberg. What it doesn't count are all the kids who are in school but being disengaged from it, who don't enjoy it, who don't get any real benefit from it.

~Ken Robinson

Up to a point you welcome being interrupted because it is only by interacting with other people that you get anything interesting done.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity now is as important in education as literacy, and we should treat it with the same status.

~Ken Robinson

What you do for yourself dies with you when you leave this world, what you do for others lives on forever.

~Ken Robinson

Teaching is a creative profession, not a delivery system. Great teachers do [pass on information], but what great teachers also do is mentor, stimulate, provoke, engage.

~Ken Robinson

The first task in teaching for creativity in any field is to encourage people to believe in their creative potential and to nurture the confidence to try.

~Ken Robinson

Imagination is the source of every form of human achievement. And it's the one thing that I believe we are systematically jeopardizing in the way we educate our children and ourselves.

~Ken Robinson

Too many people never connect with their true talents and therefore don't know what they are capable of achieving.

~Ken Robinson

The answer is not to standardize education, but to personalize and customize it to the needs of each child and community. There is no alternative. There never was.

~Ken Robinson

You cannot predict the outcome of human development. All you can do is like a farmer create the conditions under which it will begin to flourish.

~Ken Robinson

Very many people go through their whole lives having no real sense of what their talents may be, or if they have any to speak of.

~Ken Robinson

Most great learning happens in groups. Collaboration is the stuff of growth.

~Ken Robinson

Being in your element is not only about aptitude, it's about passion: it is about loving what you do...tapping into your natural energy and your most authentic self.

~Ken Robinson

Finding the medium that excites your imagination, that you love to play with and work in, is an important step to freeing your creative energies.

~Ken Robinson

Teaching for creativity involves teaching creatively. There are three related tasks in teaching for creativity: encouraging, identifying and fostering.

~Ken Robinson

Through imagination, we can visit the past, contemplate the present, and anticipate the future. We can also do something else of profound and unique significance. We can create.

~Ken Robinson

The arts, sciences, humanities, physical education, languages and maths all have equal and central contributions to make to a student's education.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity is the greatest gift of human intelligence.

~Ken Robinson

There are three (3) principles on which human life flourishes, and they are contradicted by the culture of education under which most teachers have to labor and most students have to endure.

~Ken Robinson

If a man speaks his mind in a forest, and no woman hears him, is he still wrong?

~Ken Robinson

There is no system in the world or any school in the country that is better than its teachers. Teachers are the lifeblood of the success of schools.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity is the process of having original ideas that have value - more often than not, comes about through the interaction of different disciplinary ways of seeing things

~Ken Robinson

One of the enemies of creativity and innovation, especially in relation to our own development, is common sense.

~Ken Robinson

Everyday, everywhere our children spread their dreams beneath our feet and we should tread softly.

~Ken Robinson

The combination of creative energies and the need to perform at the highest level to keep up with peers leads to an otherwise unattainable commitment to excellence.

~Ken Robinson

Never underestimate the vital importance of finding early in life the work that for you is play.

~Ken Robinson

If you can light the spark of curiosity in a child, they will learn without any further assistance.

~Ken Robinson

Everyone has huge creative capacities. The challenge is to develop

them. A culture of creativity has to involve everybody, not just a select few.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity is the process of having original ideas that have value

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Children are wonderfully confident in their own imaginations. Most of us lose this confidence as we grow up.

~Ken Robinson

You can't be a creative thinker if you're not stimulating your mind, just as you can't be an Olympic athlete if you don't train regularly.

~Ken Robinson

Learning happens in the minds and souls, not in the databases of multiple-choice tests.

~Ken Robinson

If you're afraid to be wrong you'll never do anything creative.

~Ken Robinson

You can't just give someone a creativity injection. You have to create an environment for curiosity and a way to encourage people and get the best out of them.

~Ken Robinson

I believe this passionately: that we don't grow into creativity, we grow out of it. Or rather, we get educated out of it.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity is as important as literacy.

~Ken Robinson

Helping people to connect with their personal creative capacities is the surest way to release the best they have to offer.

~Ken Robinson

Human intelligence is richer and more dynamic than we have been led to believe by formal academic education.

~Ken Robinson

Every education system on Earth has the same hierarchy of subjects: at the top are mathematics and languages, then the humanities, and the bottom are the arts.

~Ken Robinson

What you're doing now, or have done in the past, need not determine what you can do next and in the future.

~Ken Robinson

Many highly talented, brilliant, creative people think they're not "because the thing they were good at at school wasn't valued, or was actually stigmatized.

~Ken Robinson

Being wrong doesn't mean being creative - but if you aren't afraid of being wrong, you can't be creative.

~Ken Robinson

If you're doing something you love, an hour feels like five minutes. If you're doing something that doesn't resonate with your spirit, five minutes feels like an hour.

~Ken Robinson

Being creative is at the heart of being human and of all cultural progress.

~Ken Robinson

If you're not prepared to be wrong, you're not prepared to be original.

~Ken Robinson

Human communities depend upon a diversity of talent not a singular conception of ability. and at the heart of the challenge is to reconstitute our sense of ability and intelligence

~Ken Robinson

Change what you are doing; change your world. And if enough people do that, we can change the world.

~Ken Robinson

It's education that's meant to take us into this future that we can't grasp.

~Ken Robinson

Imagination is the source of all human achievement.

~Ken Robinson

Private imaginings may have no outcomes in the world at all. Creativity does. Being creative involves doing something.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity involves putting your imagination to work. In a sense, creativity is applied imagination.

~Ken Robinson

I believe our only hope for the future is to adopt a new conception of human ecology, one in which we start to reconstitute our concept of the richness in human capacity.

~Ken Robinson

Innovation is applied creativity. By definition, innovation is always about introducing something new, or improved, or both and it is usually

assumed to be a positive thing.

~Ken Robinson

What we become as our lives evolve depends on the quality of our experiences here and now.

~Ken Robinson

Teaching for creativity aims to encourage self-confidence, independence of mind, and the capacity to think for oneself.

~Ken Robinson

All of our existing ideas have creative possibilities.

~Ken Robinson

Curiosity is the engine of achievement.

~Ken Robinson

Human life is inherently creative. It's why we all have different rÃ©sumÃ©s. â€¦ It's why human culture is so interesting and diverse and dynamic.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity is a process more often than it is an event.

~Ken Robinson

You can be creative in anything - in math, science, engineering, philosophy - as much as you can in music or in painting or in dance.

~Ken Robinson

You don't think of Shakespeare being a child, do you? Shakespeare being seven? He was seven at some point. He was in somebody's English class, wasn't he? How annoying would that be?

~Ken Robinson

In a world where lifelong employment in the same job is a thing of the past, creativity is not a luxury. It is essential for personal security and fulfillment.

~Ken Robinson

Sometimes getting away from school is the best thing that can happen to a great mind.

~Ken Robinson

We have sold ourselves into a fast food model of education, and it's impoverishing our spirit and our energies as much as fast food is depleting our physical bodies.

~Ken Robinson

The gardener does not make a plant grow. The job of a gardener is to create optimal conditions for growth

~Ken Robinson

Creativity is as important as literacy and numeracy, and I actually think people understand that creativity is important - they just don't understand what it is.

~Ken Robinson

My contention is, all kids have tremendous talents. And we squander them, pretty ruthlessly.

~Ken Robinson

A three-year-old is not half a six-year-old.

~Ken Robinson

All children start their school careers with sparkling imaginations, fertile minds, and a willingness to take risks with what they think.

~Ken Robinson

We are educating people out of their creative capacities.

~Ken Robinson

These powers of imagination and creativity are among the few things that set us apart from the rest of life on Earth. But they make all the difference.

~Ken Robinson

I mean, really, whatever you woke up worrying about this morning, get over it. How important in the greater scheme of things can it possibly be? Make your peace and move on.

~Ken Robinson

Life is not linear, it is organic. We create our lives symbiotically as we explore our talents in relation to the circumstances they help create for us

~Ken Robinson

The Element is about discovering your self, and you can't do this if you're trapped in a compulsion to conform. You can't be yourself in a swarm.

~Ken Robinson

Very often, organizations are inflexible because there is too little communication between functions; they are too segregated.

~Ken Robinson

Imagination is the primary gift of human consciousness.

~Ken Robinson

The more alive we feel, the more we can contribute to the lives of others.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity, as I see it, is the process of putting your imagination to work. It's been defined rather simply as applied imagination. That's not a bad way to think about it.

~Ken Robinson

Finding your element is essential to your wellbeing and ultimate success and, by implication to the health of our organisations and the effectiveness of our educational systems

~Ken Robinson

Far more than any other power, imagination is what sets human beings apart from every other species on earth.

~Ken Robinson

We get educated out of creativity.

~Ken Robinson

There isn't an education system on the planet that teaches dance everyday to children the way we teach them mathematics. Why?

~Ken Robinson

I like university professors, but you know, we shouldn't hold them up as the high-water mark of all human achievement. They're just a form of life, another form of life.

~Ken Robinson

You can think of creativity as applied imagination.

~Ken Robinson

Make the most of whatever it is that floats your boat.

~Ken Robinson

Creativity is putting your imagination to work, and it's produced the most extraordinary results in human culture.

~Ken Robinson

To be creative you actually have to do something.

~Ken Robinson

Typically [professors] live in their heads. â€ They look upon their body as a form of transport for their heads. It's a way of getting their head to meetings.

~Ken Robinson

Education doesn't need to be reformed- it needs to be transformed.

~Ken Robinson

Transforming education is not easy but the price of failure is more than we can afford, while the benefits of success are more than we can imagine.

~Ken Robinson

Most people didn't pursue their passions simply because of the promise of a paycheck. They pursued them because they couldn't imagine doing anything else with their lives.

~Ken Robinson

Humans are born curious, creative, and intuitive.

~Ken Robinson

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