

Margaret Thatcher Quotes

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Disciplining yourself to do what you know is right and important, although difficult, is the highroad to pride, self-esteem, and personal satisfaction.

~Margaret Thatcher

Most women defend themselves. It is the female of the species-it is the tigress and lioness in you which tends to defend when attacked.

~Margaret Thatcher

If you want something said, ask a man. If you want something done, ask a woman.

~Margaret Thatcher

Socialists cry "Power to the people", and raise the clenched fist as they say it. We all know what they really mean - power over people, power to the State.

~Margaret Thatcher

To cure the British disease with socialism was like trying to cure leukaemia with leeches.

~Margaret Thatcher

It may be the cock that crows, but it is the hen that lays the eggs.

~Margaret Thatcher

If you set out to be liked, you will accomplish nothing.

~Margaret Thatcher

To wear your heart on your sleeve isn't a very good plan; you should wear it inside, where it functions best.

~Margaret Thatcher

I always cheer up immensely if an attack is particularly wounding because I think, well, if they attack one personally, it means they have

not a single political argument left.

~Margaret Thatcher

No one would remember the Good Samaritan if he'd only had good intentions; he had money as well.

~Margaret Thatcher

Each generation has to stand up for democracy. It can't take anything for granted and may have to fight fundamental battles anew.

~Margaret Thatcher

There are too many people who imagine that there is something sophisticated about always believing the best of those who hate your country, and the worst of those who defend it.

~Margaret Thatcher

If you set out to be liked, you would be prepared to compromise on anything at any time, and you would achieve nothing.

~Margaret Thatcher

A man who, beyond the age of 26, finds himself on a bus can count himself as a failure.

~Margaret Thatcher

The wisdom of hindsight, so useful to historians and indeed to authors of memoirs, is sadly denied to practicing politicians.

~Margaret Thatcher

Women have plenty of roles in which they can serve with distinction: some of us even run countries. But generally we are better at wielding the handbag than the bayonet.

~Margaret Thatcher

If my critics saw me walking over the Thames they would say it was

because I couldn't swim.

~Margaret Thatcher

The government has no money of its own. It's all your money.

~Margaret Thatcher

Power is like being a lady... if you have to tell people you are, you aren't.

~Margaret Thatcher

Do you know that one of the great problems of our age is that we are governed by people who care more about feelings than they do about thoughts and ideas.

~Margaret Thatcher

We had to fight the enemy without in the Falklands. We always have to be aware of the enemy within, which is much more difficult to fight and more dangerous to liberty.

~Margaret Thatcher

The problem with socialism is that you eventually run out of other peoples' money.

~Margaret Thatcher

What is success? I think it is a mixture of having a flair for the thing that you are doing; knowing that it is not enough, that you have got to have hard work and a certain sense of purpose.

~Margaret Thatcher

For every idealistic peacemaker willing to renounce his self-defence in favour of a weapons-free world, there is at least one warmaker anxious to exploit the other's good intentions.

~Margaret Thatcher

The Iraqis had paid a terrible price for Saddam's folly (in the Gulf War). But looking at the devastation they left behind (in Kuwait), my sympathy was limited.

~Margaret Thatcher

Don't follow the crowd, let the crowd follow you.

~Margaret Thatcher

You don't win by just being against things, you only win by being for things and making your message perfectly clear.

~Margaret Thatcher

The first step in calculating which way to go is to find out where you are.

~Margaret Thatcher

Socialists have always spent much of their time seeking new titles for their beliefs, because the old versions so quickly become outdated and discredited.

~Margaret Thatcher

Socialist governments traditionally do make a financial mess. They always run out of other people's money. It's quite a characteristic of them.

~Margaret Thatcher

You and I come by road or rail, but economists travel on infrastructure.

~Margaret Thatcher

Standing in the middle of the road is very dangerous; you get knocked down by the traffic from both sides.

~Margaret Thatcher

Pennies do not come from heaven. They have to be earned here on

earth.

~Margaret Thatcher

I don't think there will be a woman Prime Minister in my lifetime.

~Margaret Thatcher

We will stand on principle or we will not stand at all.

~Margaret Thatcher

I seem to smell the stench of appeasement in the air.

~Margaret Thatcher

The feminists hate me, don't they? And I don't blame them. For I hate feminism. It is poison.

~Margaret Thatcher

A man may climb Everest for himself, but at the summit he plants his country's flag.

~Margaret Thatcher

One of the things being in politics has taught me is that men are not a reasoned or reasonable sex.

~Margaret Thatcher

There is no such thing as society: there are individual men and women, and there are families.

~Margaret Thatcher

Look at a day when you are supremely satisfied at the end. It's not a day when you lounge around doing nothing; it's a day you've had everything to do and you've done it.

~Margaret Thatcher

Plan your work for today and every day, then work your plan.

~Margaret Thatcher

No Western nation has to build a wall round itself to keep its people in.

~Margaret Thatcher

A world without nuclear weapons would be less stable and more dangerous for all of us.

~Margaret Thatcher

Europe will never be like America. Europe is a product of history. America is a product of philosophy.

~Margaret Thatcher

I am in politics because of the conflict between good and evil, and I believe that in the end good will triumph.

~Margaret Thatcher

To me consensus seems to be - the process of abandoning all beliefs, principles, values and policies in search of something in which no-one believes, but to which no-one objects.

~Margaret Thatcher

The price of freedom is still, and always will be, eternal vigilance.

~Margaret Thatcher

It is not the creation of wealth that is wrong, but the love of money for its own sake.

~Margaret Thatcher

When you've spent half your political life dealing with humdrum issues like the environment, it's exciting to have a real crisis on your hands.

~Margaret Thatcher

If you want to cut your own throat, don't come to me for a bandage.

~Margaret Thatcher

I do not know anyone who has got to the top without hard work. That is the recipe. It will not always get you to the top, but should get you pretty near.

~Margaret Thatcher

What Britain needs is an iron lady.

~Margaret Thatcher

I wouldn't be worth my salt if I weren't attracting some controversy and criticism. Everyone in the world who has done something in life has attracted criticism.

~Margaret Thatcher

You do not achieve anything without trouble, ever.

~Margaret Thatcher

No great goal was ever easily achieved.

~Margaret Thatcher

Leadership is about having principles. A leader must have a vision and principles that will endure for all time and must always be true to these principles, applying them to changing circumstances

~Margaret Thatcher

I'm either the witch or Lady Macbeth of English politics, but someone gotta wear the pants in England when others wearing kilts

~Margaret Thatcher

The Labour Party believes in turning workers against owners; we believe in turning workers into owners.

~Margaret Thatcher

Constitutions have to be written on hearts, not just paper.

~Margaret Thatcher

It is not the business of politicians to please everyone.

~Margaret Thatcher

I am not a consensus politician. Im a conviction politician.

~Margaret Thatcher

When I'm out of politics I'm going to run a business, it'll be called rent-a-spine

~Margaret Thatcher

Many of our troubles are due to the fact that our people turn to politicians for everything.

~Margaret Thatcher

It used to be about trying to do something. Now it's about trying to be someone.

~Margaret Thatcher

Let us, then, draw together in the name, not of jingoism, but of justice

~Margaret Thatcher

The desire to win is born in most of us. The will to win is a matter of training. The manner of winning is a matter of honour.

~Margaret Thatcher

The spirit of envy can destroy; it can never build.

~Margaret Thatcher

History has taught us that freedom cannot long survive unless it is based on moral foundations. You can get the economics right, but in addition liberty must be cultivated as a moral quality.

~Margaret Thatcher

Democratic nations must try to find ways to starve the terrorist and the hijacker of the oxygen of publicity on which they depend.

~Margaret Thatcher

It pays to know the enemy - not least because at some time you may have the opportunity to turn him into a friend.

~Margaret Thatcher

Marxists get up early to further their cause. We must get up even earlier to defend our freedom.

~Margaret Thatcher

If your only opportunity is to be equal then it is not opportunity.

~Margaret Thatcher

Life's greatest reward is life itself

~Margaret Thatcher

No woman in my time will be prime minister or chancellor or foreign secretary - not the top jobs. Anyway, I wouldn't want to be prime minister; you have to give yourself 100 percent.

~Margaret Thatcher

Do you think you would ever have heard of Christianity if the Apostles had gone out and said, 'I believe in consensus?'

~Margaret Thatcher

A quick cure is a quack cure.

~Margaret Thatcher

There is little hope for democracy if the hearts of men and women in democratic societies cannot be touched by a call to something greater

than themselves.

~Margaret Thatcher

Everything a politician promises at election time has to be paid for either by higher taxation or by borrowing.

~Margaret Thatcher

Citizenship should be based on those who have a close and real relationship with this country and its inhabitants.

~Margaret Thatcher

I started out in life with two great advantages: No money and good parents.

~Margaret Thatcher

My job is to stop Britain from going red.

~Margaret Thatcher

You cannot make an omelet without breaking some balls

~Margaret Thatcher

When you hold back the successful, you penalize those who need help.

~Margaret Thatcher

I might have preferred iron - but bronze will do. It won't rust. This time I hope, the head will stay on.

~Margaret Thatcher

Why in the world anyone in America is allowing another language (other than English) to be his first... I don't know

~Margaret Thatcher

Nothing is more obstinate than a fashionable consensus.

~Margaret Thatcher

Christmas is a day of meaning and traditions, a special day spent in the warm circle of family and friends." ~ (1925-), English political leader.

~Margaret Thatcher

It's the Labour Government that have brought us record peacetime taxation. They've got the usual Socialist disease - they've run out of other people's money.

~Margaret Thatcher

There can be no liberty unless there is economic liberty.

~Margaret Thatcher

When you stop a dictator, there are always risks. But there are greater risks in not stopping a dictator.

~Margaret Thatcher

Good Conservatives always pay their bills. And on time. Not like the Socialists who run up other people's bills.

~Margaret Thatcher

Ronald Reagan won the Cold War without firing a shot.

~Margaret Thatcher

The larger the slice taken by government, the smaller the cake available for everyone.

~Margaret Thatcher

The desire to achieve grand utopian plans often poses a grave threat to freedom.

~Margaret Thatcher

I do believe that political arrangements which are based upon violence,

intimidation and theft will eventually break down - and will deserve to do so.

~Margaret Thatcher

Freedom will destroy itself if it is not exercised within some sort of moral framework, some body of shared beliefs, some spiritual heritage transmitted through the Church, the family, and the school.

~Margaret Thatcher

Tyranny must not prevail.

~Margaret Thatcher

Being prime minister is a lonely job... you cannot lead from the crowd.

~Margaret Thatcher

Europe was created by history. America was created by philosophy.

~Margaret Thatcher

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