

# Michael Foot Quotes

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Mind, Thinking, Rising, Essentials, Fascination, Favourite, Imagine, Favour,  
Sight, Leader*

Men of power have no time to read; yet the men who do not read are unfit for power.

~Michael Foot

Most liberties have been won by people who broke the law.

~Michael Foot

The only man I knew who could make a curse sound like a caress.

~Michael Foot

Politicians live in little worlds of their own and imagine these are the universe.

~Michael Foot

In my opinion, Marxism is a great creed of human liberation. It is the creed which says that when all other empires fade and vanish, our business is to enlarge the empire of the human mind.

~Michael Foot

He's passed from rising hope to elder statesman without any intervening period whatsoever.

~Michael Foot

People must learn more and more that the strength of this country is the democratic power of the trade union movement.

~Michael Foot

All is fair in love and war and Parliamentary procedure.

~Michael Foot

Socialism without public ownership is nothing but a fantastic apology.

~Michael Foot

People can say what they want in the Labour Party.

~Michael Foot

Think of it! A second chamber selected by the Whips. A seraglio of eunuchs.

~Michael Foot

How long will it be before the cry goes up: "Let's kill all the judges"?

~Michael Foot

No rising hope on the political scene who offered his services to Labour when I happened to be its leader can be dismissed as an opportunist.

~Michael Foot

Of course my father was a great influence on me. He taught me how to read.

~Michael Foot

I certainly think that a Labour Government will have to have effective powers to control the outflow of capital.

~Michael Foot

A Royal Commission is a broody hen sitting on a china egg.

~Michael Foot

I have never been in favour of expelling people from the Labour Party.

~Michael Foot

You can have a wages policy imposed by mass unemployment.

~Michael Foot

There are judges who stretch the law... to suit reactionary attitudes.

~Michael Foot

A Britain which denounced the insanity of the nuclear strategy would be

in a position to direct its influence at the United Nations and in the world at large, in a manner at present denied us

~Michael Foot

A speech from Ernest Bevin on a major occasion had all the horrific fascination of a public execution. If the mind was left immune, eyes and ears and emotions were riveted.

~Michael Foot

There is nothing wrong with being a Marxist. Their point of view is essential to a democratic debate.

~Michael Foot

The members of our secret service have apparently spent so much time under the bed looking for communists that they haven't had the time to look in the bed.

~Michael Foot

The national strike of the miners in 1972 performed, I believe, a great service, not only to the miners, but the people in Britain today who wanted coal.

~Michael Foot

Disraeli was my favourite Tory. He was an adventurer pure and simple, or impure and complex. I'm glad to say Gladstone got the better of him.

~Michael Foot

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