

# Mikhail Lermontov

## Quotes

*Men, Heart, People, Evil, Soul, Feelings, Storm, Hate, Believe, Dream, Knows, Ideas, Slave, World, Children, Eye, Facts, Ready For Love, Home, Strange*

Many a calm river begins as a turbulent waterfall, yet none hurtles and foams all the way to the sea.

~Mikhail Lermontov

I was ready to love the whole world, but no one understood me, and I learned to hate.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Afraid of decision, I buried my finer feelings in the depths of my heart and they died there.

~Mikhail Lermontov

An unusual beginning must have an unusual end.

~Mikhail Lermontov

He in his madness prays for storms, and dreams that storms will bring him peace.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Women love only those whom they do not know!

~Mikhail Lermontov

We almost always forgive those we understand.

~Mikhail Lermontov

What is this eternity to me without you? What is the infinity of my domains? Empty ringing words, A spacious temple - without a divinity!

~Mikhail Lermontov

Happiness comes the way the wind blows.

~Mikhail Lermontov

I was born, so that the whole world could be a spectator  
Of my triumph  
or my doom.

~Mikhail Lermontov

In the first place, [his eyes] never laughed when he laughed. Have you ever noticed this peculiarity some people have? It is either the sign of an evil nature or of a profound and lasting sorrow.

~Mikhail Lermontov

If only people thought a little more about it, they would see that life is not worrying about so much.

~Mikhail Lermontov

And I, as I lived, in an alien land  
Will die a slave and an orphan.

~Mikhail Lermontov

my love had grown one with my soul; it became darker, but did not go out

~Mikhail Lermontov

Passions are merely ideas in their initial stage.

~Mikhail Lermontov

We survive on novelty, so much less demanding than commitment.

~Mikhail Lermontov

I want to reconcile myself with heaven, I want to love, I want to pray, I want to believe in good.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Evil spawns evil. The first experience of torture gives an understanding of the pleasure in tormenting others.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Love, like fire, goes out without fuel.

~Mikhail Lermontov

No good ever becomes of a man who forgets an old friend

~Mikhail Lermontov

In simple hearts the feeling for the beauty and grandeur of nature is a hundred-fold stronger and more vivid than in us, ecstatic composers of narratives in words and on paper.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Of two friends, one is always the slave of the other, although frequently neither acknowledges the fact to himself.

~Mikhail Lermontov

A strange thing, the human heart in general, and woman's heart in particular.

~Mikhail Lermontov

My whole life has been merely a succession of miserable and unsuccessful denials of feelings or reason.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Russian ladies, for the most part, cherish only Platonic love, without mingling any thought of matrimony with it; and Platonic love is exceedingly embarrassing.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Happy people are ignoramuses and glory is nothing else but success, and to achieve it one only has to be cunning.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Women only love those that they don't know.

~Mikhail Lermontov

In people's eyes I readPages of malice and sin.

~Mikhail Lermontov

Out of life's storm I carried only a few ideas - and not one feeling.

~Mikhail Lermontov

One should never spurn a penitent criminal: in his despair he may become twice as much a criminal as before.

~Mikhail Lermontov

For what did the creator prepare me, Why did he so terribly contradict  
The hopes of my youth?

~Mikhail Lermontov

We practically always excuse things when we understand them

~Mikhail Lermontov

O vanity! you are the lever by means of which Archimedes wished to lift  
the earth!

~Mikhail Lermontov

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