

Mustafa Kemal Atatürk

Quotes

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A good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to light the way for others.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Everything we see in the world is the creative work of women.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Science is the most reliable guide for civilization, for life, for success in the world. Searching a guide other than the science is meaning carelessness, ignorance and heresy.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

To see me does not necessarily mean to see my face. To understand my thoughts is to have seen me.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Where there is no freedom, there is death and destruction.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Peace at home is peace in the country. Peace in the country is peace in the world.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

He is a weak ruler who needs religion to uphold his government; it is as if he would catch his people in a trap.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Victory is for those who can say "Victory is mine". Success is for those who can begin saying "I will succeed" and say "I have succeeded" in the end.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

This nation has never lived without independence. We cannot and shall not live without it. Either independence or death.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

The supreme guide in life is knowledge.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Sovereignty is not given, it is taken.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

[Turkish women] had lived free of the veil for 5,000 years, and had been covered only in the last 600 years.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

My people are going to learn the principles of democracy, the dictates of truth and the teachings of science. Superstition must go.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

A man who doesn't think differently from his time and environment can't grow beyond his time and environment.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

A nation which makes the final sacrifice for life and freedom does not get beaten.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

No country is free unless it is democratic.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

On the meeting point of two worlds, the ornament of Turkish homeland, the treasure of Turkish history, the city cherished by the Turkish nation, İstanbul, has its place in the hearts of all citizens.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Teachers are the one and only people who save nations.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

I will lead my people by the hand along the road until their feet are sure and they know the way. Then they may choose for themselves and rule themselves. Then my work will be done.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

We do not consider our principles as dogmas contained in books that are said to come from heaven. We derive our inspiration, not from heaven, or from an unseen world, but directly from life.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

To write history is as important as to make history. It is an unchanging truth that if the writer does not remain true to the maker, then it takes on a quality that will confuse humanity.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

The future is in the skies.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Men, I am not ordering you to attack. I am ordering you to die. In the time that it takes us to die, other forces and commanders can come and take our place.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Freedom and independence form my character.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

In order to stave off covetouness, greed, and spite, citizens world over must be educated.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Religion is an important institution. A nation without religion cannot survive.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Those who are inclined to compromise never make a revolution.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

No matter how rich and prosperous, a nation without independence, cannot be subject to any behaviour before the humanity, at a higher level than serving.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Science is the most reliable guide in life.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Unless a nation's life faces peril, war is murder.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

A nation devoid of art and artists cannot have a full existence.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Our true mentor in life is science.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Every nation has the right to demand proper treatment and no country should violate the territory of any other country.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Nations which don't find their national identities will be preyed upon by other nations.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Peace at home, peace in the world.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Sovereignty and the right to rule cannot be conferred on anyone no matter who ... as a result of an academic discussion. Sovereignty is acquired by force and power and violence.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Authority, without any condition and reservation, belongs to the nation.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Justice is the infrastructure of proprietorship.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Heroes who shed their blood and lost their lives! You are now lying in the soil of a friendly country. Therefore rest in peace.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

The nation has placed its faith in the precept that all laws should be inspired by actual needs here on earth as a basic fact of national life.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

If a society does not wage a common struggle to attain a common goal with its women and men, scientifically there is no way for it to become civilized or developed.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

It was when I entered the military preparatory school and put on its uniform, that a feeling of strength came to me, as if I had become master of my own destiny.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Science is the only true guide in life.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Turkey's true master is the peasant.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

After having lost their lives on this land they have become our sons as well.

~Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

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