

Ovid Quotes

*Men, Love, Mind, Life, May, Art, Believe, Time, Death, Heart, Beauty, Years,
Lying, Pleasure, Hands, Giving, Evil, Pain, Light, Inspirational*

A horse never runs so fast as when he has other horses to catch up and outpace.

~Ovid

Quarrels are the dowry which married folk bring one another.

~Ovid

Be patient and tough; someday this pain will be useful to you.

~Ovid

Make the workmanship surpass the materials.

~Ovid

Love is no assignment for cowards.

~Ovid

Happy is the man who has broken the chains which hurt the mind, and has given up worrying once and for all.

~Ovid

The man who has experienced shipwreck shudders even at a calm sea.

~Ovid

Dripping water hollows out stone, not through force but through persistence.

~Ovid

If you want to be loved, be lovable.

~Ovid

Venus favors the bold.

~Ovid

Pleasure is sweetest when 'tis paid for by another's pain.

~Ovid

Our integrity is never worth so much as when we have parted with our all to keep it.

~Ovid

Suppressed grief suffocates, it rages within the breast, and is forced to multiply its strength.

~Ovid

Jupiter from on high smiles at the perjuries of lovers.

~Ovid

My hopes are not always realized, but I always hope. [Lat., Et res non semper, spes mihi semper adest.]

~Ovid

Medicine sometimes snatches away health, sometimes gives it.

~Ovid

Those things that nature denied to human sight, she revealed to the eyes of the soul.

~Ovid

Love is the force that leaves you colorless

~Ovid

The end doesn't justify the means.

~Ovid

Love is a driver, bitter and fierce if you fight and resist him, Easy-going enough once you acknowledge his power.

~Ovid

Neither can the wave that has passed by be recalled, nor the hour which has passed return again.

~Ovid

A soldier when aged is not appreciated; the love of an old man sickens.

~Ovid

There is nothing constant in the universe. All ebb and flow, and every shape that's born, bears in its womb the seeds of change.

~Ovid

Everything comes gradually and at its appointed hour.

~Ovid

We are ever striving after what is forbidden, and coveting what is denied us.

~Ovid

What is without periods of rest will not endure.

~Ovid

Passion persuades me one way, reason another. I see the better and approve it, but I follow the worse.

~Ovid

Nothing is stronger than habit.

~Ovid

All other creatures look down toward the earth, but man was given a face so that might turn his eyes toward the stars and his gaze upon the sky.

~Ovid

Tempus fugit (time flies).

~Ovid

Fortune and love favor the brave.

~Ovid

The glow of inspiration warms us; it is a holy rapture.

~Ovid

Stop short of your appetite; eat less than you are able.

~Ovid

Endure and persist; this pain will turn to good by and by.

~Ovid

Take rest; a field that has rested gives a bountiful crop

~Ovid

In prosperity you may count on many friends; if the sky becomes overcast you will be alone.

~Ovid

There is no brotherhood between love and dignity, Nor can they share the same abode.

~Ovid

Why should I go into details, we have nothing that is not perishable except what our hearts and our intellects endows us with.

~Ovid

Either you pursue or push, O Sisyphus, the stone destined to keep rolling. [Lat., Aut petis aut urges ruiturum, Sisyphus, saxum.]

~Ovid

I am the poet of the poor, because I was poor when I loved; since I could not give gifts, I gave words.

~Ovid

Dripping water hollows out a stone

~Ovid

The lamp burns bright when wick and oil are clean.

~Ovid

If Jupiter hurled his thunderbolt as often as men sinned, he would soon be out of thunderbolts.

~Ovid

If you count the sunny and the cloudy days of the whole year, you will find that the sunshine predominates.

~Ovid

In our play we reveal what kind of people we are.

~Ovid

Whilst you are prosperous you can number many friends; but when the storm comes you are left alone.

~Ovid

Gifts, believe me, captivate both men and Gods, Jupiter himself was won over and appeased by gifts.

~Ovid

Habits change into character.

~Ovid

Well has he lived who has lived well in obscurity.

~Ovid

When there is plenty of wine, sorrow and worry take wing.

~Ovid

Love and dignity cannot share the same abode.

~Ovid

By looking at squinting people you learn to squint.

~Ovid

The purpose of law is to prevent the strong always having their way.

~Ovid

What makes men indifferent to their wives is that they can see them when they please.

~Ovid

Minds that are ill at ease are agitated by both hope and fear.

~Ovid

We are charmed by neatness: Let not your hair be out of order. [Lat., Munditiis capimur: non sine lege capilli.]

~Ovid

Lovers remember everything. [Lat., Meminerunt omnia amantes.]

~Ovid

The high-spirited man may indeed die, but he will not stoop to meanness. Fire, though it may be quenched, will not become cool.

~Ovid

Love and dignity do not dwell together.

~Ovid

There is nothing in the whole world which abides. All things are in a

state of ebb and flow, and every shadow passes away. Even time itself, like a river, is constantly gliding away .

~Ovid

Misfortunes often sharpen the genius.

~Ovid

To wish is of little account; to succeed you must earnestly desire; and this desire must shorten thy sleep.

~Ovid

Thou seest how sloth wastes the sluggish body, as water is corrupted unless it moves.

~Ovid

A good disposition is a virtue in itself, and it is lasting; the burden of the years cannot depress it, and love that is founded on it endures to the end.

~Ovid

Change is always powerful. Let your hook be always cast. In the pool where you least expect it, will be a fish.

~Ovid

I flee who chases me and chase who flees me.

~Ovid

Beauty is a frail good.

~Ovid

Remove the temptation of idleness and Cupid's bow is useless.

~Ovid

This letter gives me a tongue; and were I not allowed to write, I should

be dumb. [Lat., Praebet mihi littera linguam: Et, si non liceat scribere, mutus ero.]

~Ovid

If you are not ready today, you will be even less so tomorrow.

~Ovid

The bold adventurer succeeds the best.

~Ovid

Happy the man who can count his sufferings.

~Ovid

When a rose dies, a thorn is left behind.

~Ovid

Occupy yourself, and you will be out of harm's way.

~Ovid

The brave find a home in every land.

~Ovid

At times it is folly to hasten at other times, to delay. The wise do everything in its proper time.

~Ovid

The vulgar crowd values friends according to their usefulness.

~Ovid

Bear and endure: This sorrow will one day prove to be for your good.

~Ovid

Take away leisure and Cupid's bow is broken

~Ovid

Envy, the meanest of vices, creeps on the ground like a serpent.

~Ovid

All things change, nothing perishes.

~Ovid

Wine gives courage and makes men more apt for passion.

~Ovid

What is harder than rock, or softer than water? Yet soft water hollows out hard rock. Persevere.

~Ovid

Deadly poisons are concealed under sweet honey.

~Ovid

He who has lived obscurely and quietly has lived well.

~Ovid

He, who is not prepared today, will be less so tomorrow.

~Ovid

That you may please others you must be forgetful of yourself.

~Ovid

Great talents, by the rust of long disuse, Grow lethargic and shrink from what they were.

~Ovid

Burdens become light when cheerfully borne.

~Ovid

Be bold, take courage... and be strong of soul

~Ovid

You will be melancholy, if you are solitary.

~Ovid

A ruler should be slow to punish and swift to reward.

~Ovid

Work while your strength and years permit you; crooked age will by-and-by come upon you with silent foot.

~Ovid

There is no excellence uncoupled with difficulties.

~Ovid

We are always striving for things forbidden, and coveting those denied us.

~Ovid

The spirited horse, which will try to win the race of its own accord, will run even faster if encouraged.

~Ovid

I hate a woman who offers herself because she ought to do so, and cold and dry thinks of her sewing when making love.

~Ovid

What is deservedly suffered must be borne with calmness, but when the pain is unmerited, the grief is resistless.

~Ovid

The sharp thorn often produces delicate roses.

~Ovid

Cunning leads to knavery. It is but a step from one to the other, and that very slippery. Only lying makes the difference; add that to cunning,

and it is knavery.

~Ovid

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