

Paul Newman

Quotes

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Morning*

If you're playing a poker game and you look around the table and can't tell who the sucker is, it's you.

~Paul Newman

People stay married because they want to, not because the doors are locked.

~Paul Newman

To be an actor you have to be a child.

~Paul Newman

The Alexander Technique helped a long-standing back problem and to get a good night's sleep after many years of tossing and turning.

~Paul Newman

I was always a character actor. I just looked like Little Red Riding Hood.

~Paul Newman

The best gift you can give yourself is the gift of possibility.

~Paul Newman

If you have no enemies, you have no character. Taking a stand always creates opposition.

~Paul Newman

If you don't have enemies, you don't have character.

~Paul Newman

You only grow when you are alone.

~Paul Newman

A man can only be judged by his actions, and not by his good intentions or his beliefs.

~Paul Newman

When you see the right thing to do, you'd better do it.

~Paul Newman

A man with no enemies is a man with no character.

~Paul Newman

At the beginning of your career, it's 'Who is Paul Newman?' and then it's 'Get me Paul Newman.' Then it's 'Get me a young Paul Newman.' Then it's 'Who is Paul Newman?'

~Paul Newman

Sometimes nothin' can be a real cool hand.

~Paul Newman

I don't like to discuss my marriage, but I will tell you something which may sound corny but which happens to be true. I have steak at home. Why should I go out for hamburger?

~Paul Newman

There really is no such thing as a sick child; there are children who happen to be sick. Think about it, and you will understand the magic of the Camps

~Paul Newman

Building weapons that we don't need, don't work, and aren't necessary, and have no mission — that's not bad politics, that's robbery.

~Paul Newman

The best thing you can give yourselves...is the gift of possibility. And the best thing you can give each other is the pledge to go on protecting that gift in each other as long as you live.

~Paul Newman

Make sure you live life, which means don't do things where you court celebrity, and give something positive back to our society.

~Paul Newman

Winning isn't everything.... it's just all there is.

~Paul Newman

The problem with getting older is you still remember how things used to be.

~Paul Newman

Choose between yesterday and tomorrow.

~Paul Newman

What we got here is a failure to communicate.

~Paul Newman

You say somebody's guilty, everybody believes you. You say they're innocent, nobody cares.

~Paul Newman

I think it's very desirable to be an individual and a free thinker.

~Paul Newman

I respect generosity in people, and I respect it in companies too, I don't look at it as philanthropy; I see it as an investment in the community.

~Paul Newman

I check my pulse and if I can find it, I know I've got a chance

~Paul Newman

I picture my epitaph: 'Here lies Paul Newman, who died a failure because his eyes turned brown.

~Paul Newman

I would like it if people would think that beyond Newman, there's a spirit that takes action, a heart, and a talent that doesn't come from my blue eyes.

~Paul Newman

A dollar won is twice as sweet as a dollar earned.

~Paul Newman

The need is great and so are the opportunities to make a difference.

~Paul Newman

I'm like a good cheese. I'm just getting mouldy enough to be interesting.

~Paul Newman

I want to acknowledge luck, the benevolence of it in my life, and the brutality of it in the lives of others.

~Paul Newman

For those of you who like to scarf your popcorn in the sack, the good news is that Newman's Own contains an aphrodisiac.

~Paul Newman

Newman's first law: It is useless to put on your brakes when you're upside down.

~Paul Newman

There are two Newman's laws. The first one is "It is useless to put on your brakes when you're upside down." The second is "Just when things look darkest, they go black."

~Paul Newman

What could be better than to hold your hand out to people less fortunate than you are?

~Paul Newman

It's really important to be attentive to the people who have less - who are less fortunate than you are.

~Paul Newman

Acting is like letting your pants down; you're exposed.

~Paul Newman

It's always darkest before it turns absolutely pitch black.

~Paul Newman

It's been a privilege to be here.

~Paul Newman

Being on President Nixon's enemies list was the highest single honor I've ever received. Who knows who's listening to me now and what government list I'm on?

~Paul Newman

I have vision and the rest of the world wears bifocals.

~Paul Newman

I will continue to get behind the wheel of a racing car as long as I am able. But that could all end tomorrow.

~Paul Newman

If I ever feel like I'm doing something I've done before, I scrap it and start over again.

~Paul Newman

I have taken roads that I wished I had not traveled on. And I'm traveling on some pretty exciting ones, too.

~Paul Newman

I don't think there's anything exceptional or noble in being philanthropic. It's the other attitude that confuses me.

~Paul Newman

A lot of people have dreams and never do anything about them. When you have ideas and dreams, you do something about it.

~Paul Newman

On adultery: "Why fool around with hamburger when you have steak at home?"

~Paul Newman

If you have no enemies, you have no character.

~Paul Newman

The characters I have the least in common with are the ones I have the greatest success with. The further a role is from my own experience, the more I try to deepen it.

~Paul Newman

I'm a great believer in luck and the extraordinary role that plays in all of our lives.

~Paul Newman

Men experience many passions in a lifetime. One passion drives away the one before it.

~Paul Newman

It's like chasing a beautiful woman for 80 years. Finally, she relents and you say, 'I'm terribly sorry. I'm tired.'

~Paul Newman

Who's to say who's an expert?

~Paul Newman

The only question I ever ask any woman is, 'what time is your husband coming home?'

~Paul Newman

You can't stop being a citizen just because you have a Screen Actors' Guild card.

~Paul Newman

From salad dressings all blessings flow.

~Paul Newman

A feud should live a full and colorful life, and then it should die a natural death and be forgotten.

~Paul Newman

From the very beginning, we bucked tradition. When the experts said that something was "always done" in a certain way, we'd do it our way, which was sometimes the very opposite.

~Paul Newman

An actor has to evaluate his own abilities and be honest with himself.

~Paul Newman

Natural law. Sons are put on this earth to trouble their fathers.

~Paul Newman

Fill the moment and find variety.

~Paul Newman

The embarrassing thing is that my salad dressing is out-grossing my films.

~Paul Newman

I can eat fifty eggs.

~Paul Newman

I've been accused of being aloof. I'm not. I'm just wary.

~Paul Newman

I don't go for the so-called "intimate" stuff. Column items that report: "Minerva Ferncroft sleeps in pink dusting powder between puce-colored sheets in a heart-shaped bed." It leaves me cold.

~Paul Newman

To that extent that you can sustain and maintain that childlike part of your personality is probably the best part of acting.

~Paul Newman

Newman's second law: Just when things look darkest, they go black.

~Paul Newman

The spaghetti sauce is a good thing to think about. Morning, noon, and night, think about the spaghetti sauce. Think about hustling other people to buy the spaghetti sauce.

~Paul Newman

People like to do what they used to do after they've stopped being able to do it.

~Paul Newman

Where the hell are the singing cats?

~Paul Newman

In racing, the fastest person wins. It is very simple.

~Paul Newman

I find it hard to believe that anyone could be so curious about me that they would want to read that I wear underwear shorts with green polka

dots on them.

~Paul Newman

It's absolutely amazing that I survived all the booze and smoking and the cars and the career.

~Paul Newman

So you wound up with Apollo/If he's sometimes hard to swallow/Use this.

~Paul Newman

It wasn't as though I really made a commitment to it; there wasn't anything else around. So I wasn't driven to become an actor.. it just seemed to be the thing that I managed to do best.

~Paul Newman

How many honest men do you know? Take the sinners away from the saints, you're lucky to end up with Abraham Lincoln.

~Paul Newman

I never ask my wife about my flaws. Instead I try to get her to ignore them and concentrate on my sense of humor.

~Paul Newman

You can't be as old as I am without waking up with a surprised look on your face every morning.

~Paul Newman

Those with a moral deficit put on a good show, and sleep like a baby.

~Paul Newman

I changed my life today. What did you do?

~Paul Newman

Watching something is nothing like doing it.

~Paul Newman

It seems to me that the older I get, the more running around I do with less satisfaction, just spinning my wheels.

~Paul Newman

The accusation is always on the first page, and the retraction on page 19.

~Paul Newman

A man without enemies is a man without character.

~Paul Newman

You got to have two things to win. You got to have brains and you got to have balls. Now you've got too much of one and not enough of the other.

~Paul Newman

I just hope when my body goes, or when my mind does, I have the guts to end it the way Hemingway did. I don't want anybody wiping drool off my chin.

~Paul Newman

The only way we can give our children the best education in the world and prepare them for the next century is by funding the programs that serve them.

~Paul Newman

I am convinced that a person is entitled to as much privacy as he wants. It should be his privilege to keep certain areas of his life out of the newspapers.

~Paul Newman

In the early days of films, the movie star in this country replaced royalty. They've been demoted since then but they're still treated as beings larger than life.

~Paul Newman

I wasn't driven to acting by any inner compulsion. I was running away from the sporting goods business.

~Paul Newman

I don't like gossip stories. Facts are okay. But when gossips begin making items, that's something else again.

~Paul Newman

I believe there can be dignity in the acting profession. And I think there ought to be more dignity in the publicity an actor gets.

~Paul Newman

I was terrorized by the emotional requirements of being an actor. Acting is like letting your pants down; you're exposed.

~Paul Newman

So I've worked really hard, because nothing ever came easily to me.

~Paul Newman

Well, the nice thing about animation, you don't even really have to account for yourself. All of the physical stuff that you work on as an actor, you just throw away.

~Paul Newman

You discover a lot of things on your feet and if you don't have any rehearsal, then anything that happens on the screen is by accident.

~Paul Newman

I think Hollywood is in love with sequels. If it's successful once, just jazz

it up and shoot it out there again. I think it's unfortunate.

~Paul Newman

There are many ingredients that go into making a film. It baffles me, what works and what doesn't.

~Paul Newman

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