

# Peter Diamandis

## Quotes

*People, Space, Years, Thinking, Government, Car, Ideas, Technology, Earth,  
Risk, Dream, Energy, Way, Challenges, Problem, Crazy, Water, Opportunity,  
Goal, Moon*

True disruption means threatening your existing product line and your past investments. Breakthrough products disrupt current lines of businesses.

~Peter Diamandis

The day before something is a breakthrough, it's a crazy idea.

~Peter Diamandis

Find that thing that you are passionate about, that you will do day or night whether someone pays you or not...because if you have that, you will have gold.

~Peter Diamandis

An expert is someone who can tell you exactly how it can't be done.

~Peter Diamandis

The only constant is change, and the rate of change is increasing.

~Peter Diamandis

Small teams driven by their passion with a clear focus can do extraordinary things. Things that only large corporations and governments could do in the past.

~Peter Diamandis

Companies have too many experts who block innovation. True innovation really comes from perpendicular thinking.

~Peter Diamandis

The best way to become a billionaire is to help a billion people.

~Peter Diamandis

Creating abundance [is] not about creating a life of luxury for everybody on this planet; it's about creating a life of possibility.

~Peter Diamandis

The meek shall inherit the earth. The rest of us are going to the stars.

~Peter Diamandis

If someone is always to blame, if every time something goes wrong someone has to be punished, people quickly stop taking risks. Without risks, there can't be breakthroughs.

~Peter Diamandis

Space is an inspirational concept that allows you to dream big.

~Peter Diamandis

Bad news sells because the amygdala is always looking for something to fear.

~Peter Diamandis

Mining asteroids will ultimately benefit humanity on and off the Earth in a multitude of ways.

~Peter Diamandis

Every generation feels it has the problems that will destroy it. That's because we can perceive them a long time before we have the ability to fix them.

~Peter Diamandis

Humans are the worst control system to put in front of a car.

~Peter Diamandis

More than ever before in history, individuals can now band together to solve grand challenges. We face enormous problems, but we 'as individuals' have enormous power to solve them.

~Peter Diamandis

You need to be a little crazy to change the world, and you can't really fake it.

~Peter Diamandis

I founded a launch company called International Microspace when I graduated medical school in 1989. We were trying to build a microsatellite launcher.

~Peter Diamandis

Stuff goes wrong. Expect it, learn from it, fix it. That's how remarkable happens.

~Peter Diamandis

I get demoralized by organizations that start off with a mission and pull back when they find it's risky.

~Peter Diamandis

The first trillionaire can be made in space.

~Peter Diamandis

Super-ambitious goals tend to be unifying and energizing to people; but only if they believe there's a chance of success.

~Peter Diamandis

If the risk is fully aligned with your purpose and mission, then it's worth considering.

~Peter Diamandis

If you give people unlimited time and money, they'll do things the same old way. But if they have to achieve the goal in a brief time, they'll either give up or try something new.

~Peter Diamandis

When faced without a challenge, make one

~Peter Diamandis

The paradigm I want to change is that, you can have a car that is beautiful, manufacturable, affordable, safe, fast, and oh, by the way, does 100 mpg, or its energy equivalent. Why wouldn't you?

~Peter Diamandis

Every second of every day, our senses bring in way too much data than we can possibly process in our brains.

~Peter Diamandis

I believed that once we got to the Moon, there was no stopping us. But in fact, we did stop.

~Peter Diamandis

A Masai warrior on a cellphone in the middle of Kenya has better mobile comm than President Reagan did 25 years ago.

~Peter Diamandis

We live in a world bathed in 5,000 times more energy than we consume as a species in the year, in the form of solar energy.

~Peter Diamandis

Research shows that the wealthier, more educated, and healthier a nation, the less violence and civil unrest among its populace, and the less likely that unrest will spread across its borders.

~Peter Diamandis

The world's biggest problems are the world's biggest business opportunities.

~Peter Diamandis

Without risks, there can't be breakthroughs.

~Peter Diamandis

What is grit? Grit is refusing to give up. It's persistence. It's making your

own luck.

~Peter Diamandis

I don't think the space station is innovative. Going to the moon was innovative because we had no idea how to do it.

~Peter Diamandis

Go and try to start your own government in the United States today and you'll be squashed very quickly.

~Peter Diamandis

The price to generate a megawatt or a gigawatt of energy is coming down year after year. We're learning how to print it, make it more efficient.

~Peter Diamandis

The idea of a young thin woman who weighs 100 pounds driving herself around in a 4,000 pound SUV is laughable.

~Peter Diamandis

You should command and demand the tenfold leverage on your dollars when you give it away as well.

~Peter Diamandis

I became very much, if I have to describe myself, I'm sort of a Libertarian Capitalist, and I was looking for, what's the economic engine that's going to drive us into space?

~Peter Diamandis

I have the general philosophy of creating the future you want to see.

~Peter Diamandis

The folks who go after grand challenges are impatient. They're pissed off. They're sick and tired, but in a passionate way. They're driven by a

fire in their bellies to make a difference.

~Peter Diamandis

I'm a nine-year old kid inside and my passion has been all my life to want to travel into space.

~Peter Diamandis

I think people are dreaming big because they have the tools to dream big. I hope that people are dreaming big because it makes them feel good about their lives.

~Peter Diamandis

It's sad that the U.S. government doesn't fund risky research anymore.

~Peter Diamandis

By 2020 the U.S. will be short 91,000 doctors. There's no way we can educate enough doctors to make up that shortfall, and other countries are far worse off.

~Peter Diamandis

You either disrupt your own company or someone else will.

~Peter Diamandis

Technology is a resource-liberating force!

~Peter Diamandis

The quality of your life is a function of who you go through life with.

~Peter Diamandis

I'm not saying we don't have our set of problems - climate crisis, species extinction, water and energy shortage - we surely do. But ultimately we knock them down.

~Peter Diamandis

One of my goals is to reinvent philanthropy.

~Peter Diamandis

I ended up realizing that NASA was unlikely to get me into space, or get me to the moon or beyond, and I needed some other way to drive this.

~Peter Diamandis

Eight billion people will have Internet access by 2020.

~Peter Diamandis

My father, who grew up picking olives on the Greek island of Lesbos, was a doctor. So my family expected me to become a physician.

~Peter Diamandis

My childhood dreams were focused on being part of the effort to make humanity a multiplanetary species.

~Peter Diamandis

We are not going to stop here on planet Earth. We're going to move out to other planetary bodies.

~Peter Diamandis

If you can make a big impact on the global literacy problem, you can uplift a big portion of society.

~Peter Diamandis

As lower-cost phones begin to penetrate, they'll become the educator and physician everywhere on the planet.

~Peter Diamandis



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