

# Russell Lynes

## Quotes

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Ragtime was a fanfare for the 20th century.

~Russell Lynes

Camouflage is a game we all like to play, but our secrets are as surely revealed by what we want to seem to be as by what we want to conceal.

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No author dislikes to be edited as much as he dislikes not to be published.

~Russell Lynes

It is always well to accept your own shortcomings with candor but to regard those of your friends with polite incredulity.

~Russell Lynes

The true snob never rests; there is always a higher goal to attain, and there are, by the same token, always more and more people to look down upon.

~Russell Lynes

Are you always this stupid or are you making a special effort today?

~Russell Lynes

Tennis is an addiction that once it has truly hooked a man will not let him go.

~Russell Lynes

Brains aren't everything. In fact in your case they're nothing.

~Russell Lynes

Anybody who told you to be yourself simply couldn't have given you worse advice.

~Russell Lynes

If you can't ignore an insult, top it; if you can't top it, laugh it off; and if you can't laugh it off, it's probably deserved.

~Russell Lynes

Calling you an idiot would be an insult to all the stupid people.

~Russell Lynes

Don't let you mind wander - it's far too small to be let out on its own.

~Russell Lynes

A lady is a woman who makes a man behave like a gentleman.

~Russell Lynes

The bungalow had more to do with how Americans live today than any other building that has gone remotely by the name of architecture in our history.

~Russell Lynes

Friends never make assumptions about you. They never expect a reason to go out with you. In fact friends only expect you to be you.

~Russell Lynes

A lady is nothing very specific. One man's lady is another man's woman; sometimes, one man's lady is another man's wife. Definitions overlap but they almost never coincide.

~Russell Lynes

What we are headed for is a sort of social structure in which the highbrows are the elite, the middlebrows are the bourgeoisie and the lowbrows are hoi polloi.

~Russell Lynes

I'd agree with you, but then we'd both be wrong.

~Russell Lynes

I don't know what makes you so dumb but it really works.

~Russell Lynes

The shaping of taste is essentially the science of merchandising, whether of detergents or cars or books or objects of fine and decorative art.

~Russell Lynes

Every journalist has a novel in him, which is an excellent place for it.

~Russell Lynes

Hi there, I'm a human being! What are you?

~Russell Lynes

The most effective comeback to an insult is silence.

~Russell Lynes

Shouldn't you have a license for being that ugly?

~Russell Lynes

In my estimation, the only thing that is more to be guarded against than bad taste is good taste.

~Russell Lynes

A truly appreciative child will break, lose, spoil, or fondle to death any really successful gift within a matter of minutes.

~Russell Lynes

Your village just called. They're missing an idiot.

~Russell Lynes

Sure, I'd love to help you out...now, which way did you come in?

~Russell Lynes

Sure, I've seen people like you before - but I had to pay an admission.

~Russell Lynes

If you took an IQ test, the results would be negative.

~Russell Lynes

I'd love to ask how old you are, but unfortunately I know you can't count that high.

~Russell Lynes

I'm sorry, I'm a little busy. Can i ignore you later?

~Russell Lynes

There are times when you just get down, you feel like nobody likes you. We're in high school forever. It's just what we do with it.

~Russell Lynes

Clutter is what happens to things when they become useless but friendly.

~Russell Lynes

Wasting time is negative, but there is something positive about idleness.

~Russell Lynes

For all its flexibility, television is more a mirror of taste than a shaper of it.

~Russell Lynes

And I thought I had problems? Look at your face!

~Russell Lynes

The Art Snob will stand back from a picture at some distance, his head cocked slightly to one side

~Russell Lynes

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