

Sitting Bull Quotes

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Inside of me there are two dogs. One is mean and evil and the other is good and they fight each other all the time. When asked which one wins I answer, the one I feed the most.

~Sitting Bull

As individual fingers we can easily be broken, but all together we make a mighty fist.

~Sitting Bull

What treaty have the Sioux made with the white man that we have broken? Not one. What treaty have the white man ever made with us that they have kept? Not one.

~Sitting Bull

It does not take many words to tell the truth

~Sitting Bull

If we must die, we die defending our rights.

~Sitting Bull

I wish it to be remembered that I was the last man of my tribe to surrender my rifle.

~Sitting Bull

They claim this mother of ours, the Earth, for their own use, and fence their neighbors away from her, and deface her with their buildings and their refuse.

~Sitting Bull

The white man knows how to make everything, but he does not know how to distribute it.

~Sitting Bull

Behold, my friends, the spring is come; the earth has gladly received

the embraces of the sun, and we shall soon see the results of their love!

~Sitting Bull

Our religion seems foolish to you, but so does yours to me. The Baptists and Methodists and Presbyterians and the Catholics all have a different God. Why cannot we have one of our own?

~Sitting Bull

Each man is good in His sight. It is not necessary for eagles to be crows.

~Sitting Bull

They want us to give up another chunk of our tribal land. This is not the first time or the last time.

~Sitting Bull

It is through this mysterious power that we too have our being, and we therefore yield to our neighbors, even to our animal neighbors, the same right as ourselves to inhabit this vast land.

~Sitting Bull

God made me an Indian.

~Sitting Bull

If I agree to dispose of any part of our land to the white people I would feel guilty of taking food away from our children's mouths, and I do not wish to be that mean.

~Sitting Bull

When I was a boy, the Sioux owned the world. The sun rose and set on their land; they sent ten thousand men to battle. Where are the warriors today? Who slew them? Where are our lands? Who owns them?

~Sitting Bull

Healthy feet can feel the very heart of Mother Earth.

~Sitting Bull

I am a red man. If the Great Spirit had desired me to be a white man he would have made me so in the first place.

~Sitting Bull

If a man loses anything and goes back and looks carefully for it, he will find it.

~Sitting Bull

I know Great Spirit is looking down upon me from above, and will hear what I say.

~Sitting Bull

Is it wrong for me to love my own? Is it wicked for me because my skin is red? Because I am Sioux? Because I was born where my father lived? Because I would die for my people and my country?

~Sitting Bull

I was very sorry when I found out that your intentions were good and not what I supposed they were.

~Sitting Bull

This is a good day to die. Follow me!

~Sitting Bull

What white man can say I never stole his land or a penny of his money? Yet they say that I am a thief.

~Sitting Bull

Each man is good in the sight of the Great Spirit.

~Sitting Bull

Every seed is awakened, and all animal life.

~Sitting Bull

What treaty that the whites have kept has the red man broken? Not one.

~Sitting Bull

God made me an Indian, but not a reservation Indian.

~Sitting Bull

You think I am a fool, but you are a greater fool than I am.

~Sitting Bull

You come here to tell us lies, but we don't want to hear them. If we told you more, you would have paid no attention. That is all I have to say.

~Sitting Bull

I do not wish to be shut up in a corral. All agency Indians I have seen are worthless. They are neither red warriors nor white farmers. They are neither wolf nor dog.

~Sitting Bull

Strangely enough, they have a mind to till the soil, and the love of possessions is a disease in them.

~Sitting Bull

A cold wind blew on the prairie on the day the last buffalo fell. A death wind for my people.

~Sitting Bull

In my early days, I was eager to learn and to do things, and therefore I learned quickly.

~Sitting Bull

Only seven years ago we made a treaty by which we were assured that the buffalo country should be left to us forever. Now they threaten to take that from us also.

~Sitting Bull

He put in your heart certain wishes and plans; in my heart he put other different desires.

~Sitting Bull

First kill me before you take possession of my Fatherland.

~Sitting Bull

Go back home where you came from. This country is mine, and I intend to stay here and to raise this country full of grown people.

~Sitting Bull

What white man has ever seen me drunk? Who has ever come to me hungry and left me unfed? Who has seen me beat my wives or abuse my children? What law have I broken?

~Sitting Bull

Now that we are poor, we are free. No white man controls our footsteps.

~Sitting Bull

There are things they tell us that sound good to hear, but when they have accomplished their purpose they will go home and will not try to fulfill our agreements with them.

~Sitting Bull

This nation is like a spring freshet; it overruns its banks and destroys all who are in its path.

~Sitting Bull

What does it matter how long I pray, so long as my prayers are answered?

~Sitting Bull

I want to tell you that if the Great Spirit had chosen anyone to be the chief of this country, it is myself.

~Sitting Bull

I am here by the will of the Great Spirit, and by his will I am chief.

~Sitting Bull

I have killed, robbed, and injured too many white men to believe in a good peace. They are medicine, and I would eventually die a lingering death. I had rather die on the field of battle.

~Sitting Bull

What white woman, however lonely, was ever captive or insulted by me? Yet they say I am a bad Indian.

~Sitting Bull

The meat of the buffalo tastes the same on both sides of the border.

~Sitting Bull

Therefore, I do not wish to consider any proposition to cede any portion of our tribal holdings to the Great Father.

~Sitting Bull

I am nothing, neither a chief nor a soldier.

~Sitting Bull

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