

Steve Carell

Quotes

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When you do an animated movie - at least the ones that I've been a part of - you never see any of the other actors. It's all done separately with headphones in a voice booth.

~Steve Carell

Is it true that if you don't USE it you LOSE it?

~Steve Carell

Everyone said to Vincent van Gogh, "You can't be a great painter, you only have one ear." And you know what he said? "I can't hear you".

~Steve Carell

Nothing to me feels as good as laughing incredibly hard.

~Steve Carell

I am both a night owl and an early bird. So I am wise and I have worms.

~Steve Carell

This year, more people will use cocaine than will read a book to their children.

~Steve Carell

I'm not superstitious, but I'm a little stitious.

~Steve Carell

Fool me once, strike one. But fool me twice ... strike three.

~Steve Carell

I ate fiberglass insulation. It wasn't cotton candy like the guy said! my tummy itches.

~Steve Carell

Actors and magicians are both performers and they represent things

that are not necessarily who they are.

~Steve Carell

I'm not unattractive, but I'm not a matinee idol. I think I have a very non-threatening look - I'm fine, I'm right in the middle.

~Steve Carell

An office is a place to... live life to the fullest. To the max. To... an office is a place where dreams come true.

~Steve Carell

I've waited my entire life to be busy. Whenever I hear actors complain about being busy, I think, 'shut up.' Because you do, you wait to be successful or to be able to work.

~Steve Carell

Do I need to be liked? Absolutely not. I like to be liked. I enjoy being liked. I have to be liked. But it's not like a compulsive need to be liked. Like my need to be praised.

~Steve Carell

The best food is in Chicago. There are great restaurants everywhere, from fancy places to burger joints.

~Steve Carell

Is there a God? If not, what are all these churches for? And who is Jesus' dad?

~Steve Carell

I don't text, I don't have a Blackberry. Literally, I just have a cell phone that I haven't programmed and the whole Bluetooth. No. I don't even have an earpiece for my cell phone.

~Steve Carell

Divorce is fairly common these days, and I think many times people disregard the emotional impact that divorce has on a couple and a family, because it happens so frequently.

~Steve Carell

Instead of telling our young people to plan ahead, we should tell them to plan to be surprised.

~Steve Carell

You're doing your kids a disservice if they do get everything they want because that's not the way life's going to go, and I think kids have to have some reality.

~Steve Carell

Whenever I'm offered something, I always read the script and meet the director. I still appreciate just being considered.

~Steve Carell

I'd love to do Broadway some day. Before I started doing television I was just a primarily a stage actor, but I haven't done it in a while.

~Steve Carell

Goalies almost never get credit for winning a game, but they always get blamed for losing a game.

~Steve Carell

What kind of person would have a real craving for gummy worms?

~Steve Carell

Maybe the coolest people are the ones who don't care about being cool.

~Steve Carell

I don't like to get angry. It doesn't make me feel good. It is very human,

but it's also a loss of control, and I like to have that kind of control.

~Steve Carell

Everybody wants to be a Bond villain. That is the coolest. To be able to portray a Bond villain, that is the feather in any actor's cap.

~Steve Carell

It's not a master plan to do every remake and every recreation of icons. It's just what I've been hired to do.

~Steve Carell

I don't think my kids have to worry too much about me embarrassing them because that's not how I would want to grow up, with wacky dad showing up at school and performing for everyone.

~Steve Carell

High school - those are your prime suffering years. They don't get better suffering than that.

~Steve Carell

I don't feel that I have to control every aspect of things that I appear in. You learn a lot performing someone else's writing.

~Steve Carell

I have no idea where my pathetic nature comes from. If I thought about it too long, it would depress me.

~Steve Carell

Do I want to be feared or loved? That's a good question. I want both. I want people to be afraid of how much they love me.

~Steve Carell

In my wildest dreams i never thought- well, I never thought I'd work

~Steve Carell

I can get lazy. I don't think I'm a very driven person. When I have work, I work very hard. But when I don't work, I really don't do anything. I could easily just fade away.

~Steve Carell

Steve Buscemi is hilarious. He's really, really good with improv.

~Steve Carell

One person with the ability of half a person doing the work of four people.

~Steve Carell

When someone is good, but it doesn't seem like their world will collapse if they don't get the part, it's more appealing. It's like dating someone: You don't want someone who's too into you.

~Steve Carell

Do not to be as shy around girls, because they're probably just as shy and just as scared as you are.

~Steve Carell

Wikipedia is the best thing ever. Anyone in the world can write anything they want about any subject. So you know you are getting the best possible information.

~Steve Carell

I know I'm not a woman's fantasy man; I don't have to uphold this image of male beauty, so that's kind of a relief in a way.

~Steve Carell

I love my wife dearly, and, therefore, I've never cooked a meal, romantic or otherwise, for her.

~Steve Carell

I think anyone loves to play a character that is either evil to a certain extent or has a real definable character flaw. Those are always really fun, and, I think, funny.

~Steve Carell

I don't think of myself as funny - I don't fill up a room with my humor... I would fail miserably as a stand-up comedian.

~Steve Carell

The only time I set the bar low is for limbo.

~Steve Carell

Everybody should be normal. Everybody should be nice. I think they go hand in hand, and that to me is the default setting.

~Steve Carell

Like most people, I have painful memories of trying to fit in as a child. I wore, said, and did pretty much what everyone else did.

~Steve Carell

Make friends first, make sales second, make love third. In no particular order.

~Steve Carell

It's harder when people are playing along, because it's just not as funny. They're trying to be funny, and it sort of cancels out the whole joke.

~Steve Carell

How did I end up in films with people like Keira Knightley... all these beautiful leading ladies and me - it's kind of shocking.

~Steve Carell

'Anchorman'... is not grounded in anything. There is absolutely no heart

to that movie, which I love.

~Steve Carell

You know what Disneyland is known for? The Big Turkey Leg. People walk around with enormous deep-fried turkey legs. Like little kids, three-year-old kids eating these five-pound turkey legs.

~Steve Carell

I am always the type of person who is waiting for the other shoe to drop and for it to peter out and end. And if it does that's fine.

~Steve Carell

That's an interesting way to put it: an expectation of who you should be. More often than not, it's described as an expectation of who you are.

~Steve Carell

Everyone is flawed and everyone makes mistakes and is culpable.

~Steve Carell

I play the baritone horn - which is like a mini tuba, and is the least sexy instrument you can choose and I generally say I don't play one so I don't have to acknowledge it. I also play fife.

~Steve Carell

For the better part of my adult life, I proudly avoided nerd/nimrod/goober status. I was always just cool enough.

~Steve Carell

I am happily married, and I think I was lucky that success came a little later in my life. It's difficult to handle all the attention when you are a young gun.

~Steve Carell

Some people just derive great joy from making other people laugh. And

I do, but I don't feel like I need to do it 24 hours a day.

~Steve Carell

I am a patriot and I want to see this country [the USA] soar again.

~Steve Carell

I don't think something necessarily has to be mean or cynical to represent 'edgy.' I think 'edgy' can mean a lot of different things.

~Steve Carell

I always feel so pretentious talking about comedy and deconstructing it. It always feels somehow self-centred to talk about any sort of process.

~Steve Carell

You project a version of yourself to the public to protect and insulate yourself a little bit. Actors come up with a version of themselves in order to protect the real person.

~Steve Carell

It's nice to find people who live on the fringe, finding one another and she's just unrelentingly funny.

~Steve Carell

Being an action star is all I had ever hoped to be. I ultimately knew I would be an action star.

~Steve Carell

I think there's a little bit of idiot in everybody and I think some people cover it better than others but I think I am very much a guy who wears his heart on his sleeve.

~Steve Carell

People generally have sex fairly young, and probably younger than they should be having it.

~Steve Carell

For me, at least, all of my career goals, all of my focus, everything just shifted and the importance was my children, and that's where all the joy came from as well.

~Steve Carell

There's plenty of room for all sorts of movies and all sorts of comedies, so I never saw that as a competitive thing. I think there's room in the marketplace for everything.

~Steve Carell

In my role of agent for Miss Hathaway, I would like to say that she does not answer questions relating to this subject.

~Steve Carell

Talking to my wife, we stare at each other, saying, 'How is this happening? Why is this happening? Why now?' It's nothing I ever aspired to.

~Steve Carell

I tend not to be someone who's on all the time, or is always trying to make other people laugh.

~Steve Carell

I would like for my kids to at least have some familiarity with who I am: "It's the man from TV!"

~Steve Carell

I'm a fun dad, but I don't know if I'm the fun, crazy dad.

~Steve Carell

I'm not good with pickup lines or flirting. I don't have that kind of self-confidence or natural charisma.

~Steve Carell

I've always enjoyed watching characters that aren't aware that they're doing anything funny. And I think that inherently makes them funnier.

~Steve Carell

It's interesting when you're trying to create a character in animation. It's really a communal effort.

~Steve Carell

I'm very fast. I'm like Forest Gump, except ... I am not an idiot!

~Steve Carell

You know, what's funny to one person is not at all to someone else.

~Steve Carell

You're so in love with your children that you'd do anything for them; that's not necessarily the best thing.

~Steve Carell

I had a lot of coaches growing up that were very hard on the kids in the name of building character, but it could have the opposite effect on kids.

~Steve Carell

Taste in comedy, like fashion, changes all the time.

~Steve Carell

I think ultimately, when you believe somebody is going through a situation and it's either awkward or ridiculous, but you believe it, that can be funny.

~Steve Carell

Being a leading man... that's like saying I want to be astronaut. That's

not going to happen.

~Steve Carell

I was a bad dater, and up until 8th grade I went to an all boy's school. So, by the time I hit high school I was a bit freaked out by women in general.

~Steve Carell

I joined an improv group in college, which was a lot of fun. After I graduated, I moved to Chicago to try to get into the Second City.

~Steve Carell

I don't do anything to try to change people's perceptions of me. I tend to think that's sort of an ego driven thing.

~Steve Carell

Anything nice that's said about me is diametrically opposed to who I am.

~Steve Carell

Six-year-olds are very wrapped up in their own lives, and that's the way it should be.

~Steve Carell

People say, 'What's the secret to a marriage?' There's no secret - I think you get lucky.

~Steve Carell

If I'd had a great level of success early on, who knows how I would have responded. I might have been a complete jerk.

~Steve Carell

I'll do whatever I can do to remain employed. I'm just not precious about doing comedy or doing drama. I never want to do something in order to

prove to other people what I can do.

~Steve Carell

We are all facing the end one day or another. I say, live a good and prosperous life, make sure your choices count, make them count.

~Steve Carell

The better the person you're with, the better you're going to be because they're giving you so much more.

~Steve Carell

I've thought a lot about success, because it's very strange to me that I've been successful.

~Steve Carell

Even the most self-confident people, at one point of their lives, felt like outsiders or felt like they weren't being heard or seen or witnessed in some way.

~Steve Carell

Children are very smart, in their own stupid way. A child's brain is like a sponge, and you know how smart sponges are.

~Steve Carell

I'm listening to a lot of Katy Perry, Taylor Swift, and Rihanna. A lot of pop female artists. I have to say I'm pretty well-versed in the pop female category.

~Steve Carell

I think when someone who's known for doing drama does a comedy but just tries to be funny, that's a mistake.

~Steve Carell

Oh, I so don't care about the podium at the Oscars. I've stood at the

podium at the Oscars and that's close enough. To be a presenter is as close as I need to be.

~Steve Carell

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