

Tony Abbott Quotes

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I think that people should come to Australia through the front door, not through the back door. If people want a migration outcome, they should go through the migration channels.

~Tony Abbott

I would not want to see any relaxation of the law prohibiting human cloning.

~Tony Abbott

Abortion is the easy way out. It's hardly surprising that people should choose the most convenient exit from awkward situations.

~Tony Abbott

We accept that sometimes in difficult circumstances, difficult things happen.

~Tony Abbott

Jesus knew that there was a place for everything and it's not necessarily everyone's place to come to Australia.

~Tony Abbott

No one, however smart, however well-educated, however experienced, is the suppository of all wisdom.

~Tony Abbott

We just can't stop people from being homeless if that's their choice.

~Tony Abbott

I'm focused on doing the job the treasurer should do. I don't respond to gossip.

~Tony Abbott

Aboriginal people have much to celebrate in this country's British heritage

~Tony Abbott

The last thing Australia needs right now is instability and uncertainty.

~Tony Abbott

If you want to put a price on carbon why not just do it with a simple tax?

~Tony Abbott

Voluntary paid maternity leave: yes; compulsory paid maternity leave: over this Government's dead body, frankly. It just won't happen.

~Tony Abbott

To be sociable, I puffed on a marijuana cigarette, but I didn't inhale...I just hate the idea of drawing smoke into my lungs.

~Tony Abbott

I don't think it's a very Christian thing to come in by the back door rather than the front door.

~Tony Abbott

I think it's time for the Prime Minister to stop making excuses and to start governing.

~Tony Abbott

People who have put money aside on the basis of a certain set of rules shouldn't have that money raided just because government has got a problem.

~Tony Abbott

There's always a lot happening. I mean, that's the thing about politics: it's just one damn thing after another!

~Tony Abbott

There may not be a great job for [Aboriginal people] but whatever there is, they just have to do it, and if it's picking up rubbish around the community, it just has to be done.

~Tony Abbott

Climate change is crap.

~Tony Abbott

The problem with the Australian practice of abortion is that an objectively grave matter has been reduced to a question of the mother's convenience.

~Tony Abbott

We shouldn't be willy-nilly creating potential human life just to satisfy the urges of the scientific community.

~Tony Abbott

For small business men and women, less paperwork means higher profits, boosted sales and more time with the family.

~Tony Abbott

I've always been very wary of debates involving women.

~Tony Abbott

I'm not saying that people on welfare don't contribute in their own way, but as many as possible should be encouraged to be economically active as well as socially and culturally active.

~Tony Abbott

Both Mum and Dad were converts to Catholicism, and normally if you convert to Catholicism you have thought about it more than someone who just grew up with it, taking it for granted.

~Tony Abbott

If I was in a refugee camp somewhere on the Pakistani border, of course I'd want to come to Australia.

~Tony Abbott

I am in favour of the notion of Australia as an immigrant society

~Tony Abbott

I am, as you know, hugely unconvinced by the so-called settled science on climate change.

~Tony Abbott

If we boost productivity, we can improve economic growth.

~Tony Abbott

The climate change argument is absolute crap

~Tony Abbott

Part of my role, I suppose, is to run government business in the House of Representatives, and try to ensure that people know exactly what's going on in the Chamber is an important part of that.

~Tony Abbott

The quality of government, I suppose, is determined not by what happens, but by how you react to what happens.

~Tony Abbott

I just think that this whole issue of creating potential human life, not to give life, but to give the scientists a bit more of a leg-up, is fraught with danger.

~Tony Abbott

Even potential human life needs to be treated with great respect.

~Tony Abbott

The Australian people expect the Government to govern, they don't expect it to make excuses.

~Tony Abbott

The only thing I wouldn't do is sell my arse.

~Tony Abbott

If people are going to do things which have certain consequences that they would rather avoid, they should do whatever they need to avoid the consequences.

~Tony Abbott

When the world is in trouble, Australia responds. Australia is a good, global citizen.

~Tony Abbott

A presumption of any fact is, properly, an inferring of that fact from other facts that are known; it is an act of reasoning; and much of human knowledge on all subjects is derived from this source.

~Tony Abbott

Political parties don't work when people just announce what they are doing and expect everyone else to follow.

~Tony Abbott

I am a model of positivity compared to the kinds of vitriol, the kinds of destructive criticisms that Labor members of parliament have been making of each other.

~Tony Abbott

We've got to maintain freedom of navigation of the seas and in the air.

~Tony Abbott

We are about getting things done. We are not about the blame game.

We are not about making excuses.

~Tony Abbott

The argument [behind climate change] is absolute crap. However, the politics of this are tough for us. Eighty per cent of people believe climate change is a real and present danger.

~Tony Abbott

The sky is where mathematics and magic become one.

~Tony Abbott

I try to treat people as people and not put them in pigeonholes.

~Tony Abbott

Tony Abbott's books are so amazing!

~Tony Abbott

Look, good government doesn't look for excuses, good government gets on with the job.

~Tony Abbott

I think that it's high time that the Prime Minister stopped making excuses for bad policy and started listening to the forgotten families of Australia.

~Tony Abbott

I am not being negative, I am simply being factual when I say Kevin Rudd is the best friend the people smugglers have ever had

~Tony Abbott

Victory is within our ready grasp...We are in reach of a famous victory

~Tony Abbott

There are tens, perhaps hundreds of millions of people living in poverty

and danger who might readily seek to enter a Western country if the opportunity is there.

~Tony Abbott

There's a sense in which politicians can never work hard enough.

~Tony Abbott

Certainly, my uni days involved some statements that I wouldn't make today.

~Tony Abbott

The role of CO2 is not nearly as clear as the climate catastrophists would suggest.

~Tony Abbott

They've changed the salesman but they haven't changed the product.

~Tony Abbott

Oppositions are not there to get legislation through. Oppositions are there to hold the government to account.

~Tony Abbott

When politicians complain about the media, it strikes me as resembling footballers complaining about the umpire.

~Tony Abbott

There is much to be said for an emissions trading scheme. It was, after all, the mechanism for emission reduction ultimately chosen by the Howard government.

~Tony Abbott

I don't think my religious convictions should be held against me.

~Tony Abbott

Western civilisation came to this country in 1788 and I'm proud of that...

~Tony Abbott

I think my wife and my kids are incredibly good to allow me to stay in public life given that they have to cop a whole lot of collateral attention that, being human, they'd rather not get.

~Tony Abbott

Faith is important to me. It's important to millions of Australians. It helps to shape who I am. It helps to shape my values. But it must never, never dictate my politics.

~Tony Abbott

There will be no overall increase in the tax burden whatsoever.

~Tony Abbott

There are no factions in the Liberal Party

~Tony Abbott

I'm not running for canonisation.

~Tony Abbott

We will be a consultative, collegial government. No surprises, no excuses. That's what you'll get under the Coalition.

~Tony Abbott

A tax cut to compensate for a tax increase is not a cut - it's a con.

~Tony Abbott

There will be no surprises and no excuses from a Coalition government, Barrie.

~Tony Abbott

So, my friends, in a week or so the Governor-General will swear in a new government.

~Tony Abbott

A government that says what it means, and means what it says.

~Tony Abbott

A government that understands the limits of power as well as its potential.

~Tony Abbott

There will be no surprises, there will be no excuses, we will do what we've said we will do.

~Tony Abbott

Whether carbon dioxide is quite the environmental villain that some people make it out to be is not yet proven.

~Tony Abbott

I was pointing out the depth of the friendship between Australia and Indonesia and the fact that Australia has been there for Indonesia when Indonesia has been in difficulty.

~Tony Abbott

You cannot win an election without a fight

~Tony Abbott

A midnight knock on the door followed by execution is no way a leader should be treated.

~Tony Abbott

The only party which is going to increase taxes after the election is the Labor Party.

~Tony Abbott

I think anything which improves services is in principle a good thing.

~Tony Abbott

We have already provided a strong humanitarian response to the problems in the Middle East and that response will be stronger within coming days.

~Tony Abbott

We've got to get the system right. That's why we've got this root-and-branch reform under way.

~Tony Abbott

More excuses for more failures.

~Tony Abbott

And a government that accepts that it will be judged more by its deeds than by its mere words.

~Tony Abbott

Our police, our hard-working police, that our extraordinarily committed and dedicated military personnel, I'm really pleased that they are getting a good paid parental leave scheme.

~Tony Abbott

I'm still getting my exercise at five o'clock in the morning, that's good. So far I've managed to hold on to a bike ride on Saturday or Sunday morning, probably at least two weekends out of three.

~Tony Abbott

I'm confident that there are plenty of people who have the strength of character and the presence of mind to warn me of difficulties and alert me to opportunities.

~Tony Abbott

We are a very like-minded group, the senior members of this government. The outliers are not very far away from the mainstream.

~Tony Abbott

It is a very heavy responsibility [to be a prime-minister] to make, but someone has to make it for our country and I am thrilled and honoured to have that opportunity and that responsibility.

~Tony Abbott

I'm not really managing the work-life balance, I'm just accepting that the work increases and the ordinary life has to decrease when you're the prime minister.

~Tony Abbott

And the commitment that I've been giving to the Australian people is that there'll be no surprises and no excuses under a Coalition government.

~Tony Abbott

I think that political marriages are subject to more strain than most precisely because of the nature of politics.

~Tony Abbott

It seems that, notwithstanding the dramatic increases in manmade CO2 emissions over the last decade, the world's warming has stopped.

~Tony Abbott

I see myself as a social conservative, but I think that there are lots of social institutions that produce beneficial reforms, like public hospitals, for instance, and schools.

~Tony Abbott

It was a positive sign that the conversation took place, it's a sign of the depth of the friendship between Australia and Indonesia.

~Tony Abbott

I am extremely unwilling that we should take upon ourselves to exercise a jurisdiction which the law does not vest in us.

~Tony Abbott

The choice made by families not to immunize their children is not supported by public policy or medical research nor should such action be supported by taxpayers in the form of child care payments.

~Tony Abbott

We cannot suffer a person by his affidavit to arraign the whole justice of the country and its administration.

~Tony Abbott

It is fit that justice should be administered with great caution.

~Tony Abbott

I can't promise that I won't continue to embarrass people.

~Tony Abbott

Mates help each other; they do not tax each other.

~Tony Abbott

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