

Trevor Noah Quotes

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Often, people who can do, don't because they're afraid of what people that can't do will say about them doing.

~Trevor Noah

I know that I cannot change the entire world, but I've always believed I can at least affect change in my world.

~Trevor Noah

Comedy is a great tool. We [comics] are trying to find ways to use humor to enlighten people without preaching to them.

~Trevor Noah

I became a chameleon. My color didn't change. But I could change your perception of my color.

~Trevor Noah

Living with my mom, I saw how she used language to cross boundaries, handle situations, navigate the world.

~Trevor Noah

There are many people out there who don't even think of themselves as being averse to facts, but the truth is, they are not getting it.

~Trevor Noah

I knew of like - I remember, for most of my life, I grew up, and "Knight Rider" was, you know - David Hasselhoff was a Dutch character in my world.

~Trevor Noah

Language and accents govern so much of how people think about other people.

~Trevor Noah

I don't think things are getting more insane. I do know that the country

is more divided than it's ever been. Tensions in America are at their peak.

~Trevor Noah

I'm always fascinated when people say, "We found rude conversations people had via e-mail." Why are you e-mailing this stuff? It has your signature on it! It has a time stamp!

~Trevor Noah

Smaller incidents in my life made me realize that language, even more than color, defines who you are to people.

~Trevor Noah

I think all of us should seek help, and not help is in a - you know, help shouldn't be seen as a frightening thing. Help shouldn't be seen as a weak thing.

~Trevor Noah

When Donald Trump won the election because when I came into the show, I said, I think this guy can win. This was when he first came down that escalator. He gave his first speech.

~Trevor Noah

When I first started doing comedy, there was no such thing as a room that had black people and white people in it. That didn't exist.

~Trevor Noah

I do feel like I have a sense of the times. A lot of the things America is experiencing now, I feel like I have lived through. I think there is a cause for concern.

~Trevor Noah

I lived in a world where I didn't share the love for my stepfather that my mother shared for him. She married him.

~Trevor Noah

[Languages] became a tool that served me my whole life.

~Trevor Noah

What the apartheid system was really good at doing was convincing groups to hate one another.

~Trevor Noah

I think any show has the potential to bring about social change. I do not think any one show in isolation can do it. I think it is a groundswell that needs to continue to be bolstered from all ends.

~Trevor Noah

I love ebola jokes. When done in the right way, maybe it gets people to learn about ebola, to learn about the stigmas behind the identities held by Africans and so on.

~Trevor Noah

In an American context, let's say gay rights or marriage policy - that's a progressive thing. I understand that in an American context.

~Trevor Noah

If you spoke to me in Zulu, I replied to you in Zulu. If you spoke to me in Tswana, I replied to you in Tswana. Maybe I didn't look like you, but if I spoke like you, I was you.

~Trevor Noah

In America, there is no racial segregation. I'm not sure I'm quite familiar with this phrase.

~Trevor Noah

Comedy is crowded. There are hundreds of comedians in every place in the world.

~Trevor Noah

Traveling the world I've learned that progressives, regardless of their locations, think in a global space.

~Trevor Noah

There's news that happens in different spheres and can be made just as funny, but it's not necessarily in the normal news medium.

~Trevor Noah

I want to be in a position where I get to start off fresh. I don't have any preconceived notion of how I should feel.

~Trevor Noah

It's the reason the United States fell into the Patriot Act - because they were reacting.

~Trevor Noah

I hate using this term [miracle]. I'm a man of science. I'm a doctor. I don't use this word. But he said, it's a miracle your mom's alive.

~Trevor Noah

I've lived many places all over the world, so I've always seen myself as a citizen of the world.

~Trevor Noah

The police didn't afford you a phone call. You just disappeared for a while. And what was scary was we lived in a state where some people disappeared forever.

~Trevor Noah

I learned to use language like my mother did. I would simulcast, give you the program in your own tongue.

~Trevor Noah

When I wrote the book, I thought that I was the hero of my story. And in writing it, I came to realize over time that my mom was the hero. And I was, you know - I was just her punk-ass sidekick.

~Trevor Noah

Now everyone has eyes, and now everyone has evidence. That's really changed how we tell the news and what we get from it.

~Trevor Noah

We all do that as human beings, you know? It's what my mom would call shopping on an empty stomach. You're going to buy food that you shouldn't because, at the time, you are reacting to your hunger.

~Trevor Noah

I lived my life as a - as a part-white, part-black but then sometimes-Jewish kid.

~Trevor Noah

Twitter is a place where there is extreme vitriol at all times.

~Trevor Noah

When you see someone as a human being, you begin to understand most people are doing what they believe is right. I ask myself, "What if you were wrong? How would you want someone to engage with you?"

~Trevor Noah

I think when you look at religion, you look at where Christianity came from. You know, my mom delved deeper into that. And she felt a deep connection.

~Trevor Noah

I still live today with my mom sending me, you know, Hebrew Scriptures or phrases or celebrating.

~Trevor Noah

If you look at this election, I feel like Donald Trump was speaking a different language to Hillary Clinton.

~Trevor Noah

America is dealing with the effects of an underreaction to Donald Trump when he was running and when he was Mr. Saying-Racist-Things-on-the-News.

~Trevor Noah

I hope America manages to steer itself away from partisanship and back to patriotism; we are all Americans. And as long as I can make people laugh and feel better, I'm happy.

~Trevor Noah

My mother converted, my mom converted to Judaism.

~Trevor Noah

My mother's always looking for answers. She's always searching for new information. I think she has a thirst for hunger that very few possess innately.

~Trevor Noah

[My mother] wanted to go as deep as possible into the world of religion. And that took her into Judaism.

~Trevor Noah

My mother never stagnated in a place where she said, I have it all.

~Trevor Noah

We have a fair amount of racism.

~Trevor Noah

Here's one redeeming quality about Donald Trump. He's an equal opportunity offender.

~Trevor Noah

If the police believed that they were planning any form of resistance against the state, then you were just gone. Nobody knew where you were, and you just hoped to see that family member again.

~Trevor Noah

Donald Trump was appealing to a lot of people with his populist message.

~Trevor Noah

Donald Trump was just an entertaining buffoon to watch.

~Trevor Noah

Donald Trump does not take criticism well, nor does he appreciate reporting on his life.

~Trevor Noah

I actually think this whole Brexit thing in the U.K. was a welcome example of being straightforward. With the candidates pulling out quickly, there's no stringing the people along.

~Trevor Noah

No one knows what Donald Trump is doing or planning.

~Trevor Noah

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