

Living by One-Liners

- guides to good living -

Some sayings - such as the following two - contradict each other. Although each is true in its own context, I have not included any more of the seemingly contradictory type.

'Look before you leap'
Is a saying old and true
But *'He who hesitates is lost'*
So what is one to do?

Likewise:

'Many hands make light work'
Is a saying old and true
But *'Too many cooks spoil the broth'*
So what is one to do?

'One-liner' by Merriam-Webster Dictionary:
a very succinct joke or witticism; a succinct or
meaningful and especially accurate statement.

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Relationships

*Do to others what you would
have them do to you.* (Jesus,
Matthew 7:12a NIV)



*Life is mostly froth and bubble,
Two things stand like stone:
Kindness in another's trouble,
Courage in your own.*
(Adam Lindsay Gordon)



*A friend in need is a friend
indeed.*



Least said, soonest mended.



Don't judge a book by its cover.



Marry in haste, repent at leisure.



People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.



Two Wrongs Don't Make a Right.



Give credit where it's due.



Two heads are better than one.



You catch more flies with honey than with vinegar.



First impressions are lasting.



Lie down with dogs, wake up
with fleas.



Don't bite the hand that feeds
you.



Don't judge a man until you
have walked a mile in his
shoes.



Be wary about choosing to ‘go along to get along’.

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To live fully, we must learn to use things and love people, and not love things and use people. (John Powell, Author)

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Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends. (Jesus, John 15:13)

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No man is an island.

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Love your neighbour as yourself. (Jesus, Matthew 22:39)

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Give a man a fish and he eats for a day. Teach a man how to fish and he eats for a lifetime.

-----ooOoo-----

...every city or household divided against itself will not stand. (Jesus, Matthew 12:25)

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Forgiveness

Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong. (Mahatma Gandhi)

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Forgiveness does not change the past but it does enlarge the future. (Paul Boese, Author of inspirational quotes)

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Unforgiveness is like drinking rat poison and then expecting the rat to die.

-----ooOoo-----

Success and Failure

I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust the sails to always reach my destination. (Jimmy Dean)

-----ooOoo-----

The only difference between winners and losers is that winners lose more often.

-----ooOoo-----

If at first you don't succeed, try, try, try again.

-----ooOoo-----

Only when you accept failure
as final are you finally a
failure.



Treat failure as a moment not
a monument.



You don't drown by falling
into a river. You drown by
staying there.



Fortune favours the prepared.



You don't need to be amazing
to start, but you need to start
to be amazing.



If you fail to plan, you plan to
fail.



He who stands for nothing
will fall for anything.



It's easier to fall lower than to
climb higher.



A can't-do person thinks that when things go wrong that's the end, but a can-do person thinks that it's merely the end of the attempt.



Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could do only a little. (Edmund Burke)



The only real mistake is the one from which we learn nothing. (John Powell, Author)



Power

Power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely.

(Sir John Dalberg-Acton – Lord Acton)

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Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power. (Abraham Lincoln)

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The greater the power, the more dangerous the abuse.

(Edmund Burke)

-----ooOoo-----

Justice

Not only must justice be done
– it must also be seen to be
done.



What goes around comes
around.

Alternatively:

You reap what you sow.



*If you want peace, work for
justice.* (Pope Paul VI)



*Though the mills of God
grind slowly,
Yet they grind exceeding
small.* (Henry Wadsworth Longfellow)



*There is no crueller tyranny
than that which is
perpetrated under the shield
of law and in the name of
justice.* (Charles de Montesquieu, French judge,
political philosopher.)



Crime doesn't pay.



More

Honesty is the best policy.

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Every cloud has a silver
lining.

-----ooOoo-----

Pride goes before a fall.

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If a job's worth doing, it's
worth doing well.

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The grass is greener where
you water it (not on the other side
of the fence).

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A stitch in time saves nine.

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Actions speak louder than
words.

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Don't sweat the small stuff.

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Better safe than sorry.

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Practice what you preach.

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All that glitters is not gold.

-----ooOoo-----

Don't burn the candle at both ends.

-----ooOoo-----

Variety is the spice of life.

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You can lead a horse to water
but you can't make it drink.

-----ooOoo-----

Don't count your chickens
before they hatch.

-----ooOoo-----

*The only thing necessary for
the triumph of evil is for good
men to do nothing.* (Edmund Burke)

-----ooOoo-----

A fool and his money are
soon parted.

-----ooOoo-----

Practice makes perfect.

-----ooOoo-----

Better late than never.

-----ooOoo-----

An idle mind is the devil's
workshop.



The devil finds work for idle
hands.



When the going gets tough,
the tough get going.



Sow to the wind and you'll
reap the whirlwind.



Never put off till tomorrow
what you can do today.



The early bird catches the
worm.



Haste makes waste.



Discretion is the greater part
of valour.



God helps those who help
themselves.



Necessity is the mother of
invention.



Slow and steady wins the race.

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Don't put all your eggs in one basket.

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A chain is only as strong as its weakest link.

-----ooOoo-----

It's no use crying over spilled milk.

-----ooOoo-----

Home is where the heart is.

-----ooOoo-----

Don't throw out the baby
with the bath water.



Wherever you are, be there.



Don't kill the goose that lays
the golden eggs.



It's always darkest before the
dawn.



A little knowledge is a
dangerous thing.



There are three kinds of lies:
lies, damned lies, and
statistics.



*It is more blessed to give
than to receive.* (Jesus, Acts 20:35)



*You cannot keep birds from
flying over your head but
you can keep them from
building a nest in your hair.*
(Martin Luther King Jnr)



Envy is counting the blessings
of others instead of your own.



Comparison is the death of joy. (Mark Twain)



Worrying about tomorrow won't make tomorrow better, but it will make today worse. (Corrie Ten Boom)



Don't let 'good' be the enemy of 'best' in your life.



Be patient; in time an egg will walk.



*Eschew the idle life
Flee, flee from doing nought
For never was there idle brain
But bred an idle thought.*

-----ooOoo-----

*Better to remain silent and
be thought a fool than to
speak out and remove all
doubt.* (Abraham Lincoln)

-----ooOoo-----

*You can fool some of the
people all of the time, and all
of the people some of the
time, but you can not fool all
of the people all of the time.*
(Abraham Lincoln)

-----ooOoo-----

*... in the end, it's not the
years in your life that count.
It's the life in your years.*

(Abraham Lincoln)

-----ooOoo-----

When a wise man points at
the stars, the fool sees only
the finger.

-----ooOoo-----

*Never wrestle with pigs;
you'll both get dirty and the
pigs like it.* (George Bernard Shaw)

-----ooOoo-----

*Mt Everest can't get any
bigger, but I can.* (Sir Edmund Hillary)

-----ooOoo-----

Reach for the stars and you'll get the stars, reach for the heavens and you'll get the stars thrown in. (Mary Poppins)



In every job that must be done there is an element of fun. Fund the fun, and the job's a game. (P.L. Travers, Mary Poppins)



In twenty years, today will be the 'good old days' so enjoy them now.



Have a gratitude attitude.



If you make time for good health you will always have enough health for a good time.

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Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it. (George Santayana, writer and philosopher)

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Thoughts disentangle themselves when they pass through the fingers.

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The only way to break a bad habit is to drop it.

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Bloom where you're planted.



*Wanting to be someone else
is a waste of who you are.*

(Marilyn Monroe)



*Be yourself. Everyone else is
taken.* (Oscar Wilde)



A bird in the hand is worth
two in the bush. (generally true)



Don't burn your bridges.
(generally true)



Beauty is in the eye of the beholder. (generally true)



A prophet is honoured everywhere except in his own hometown and among his relatives and his own family. (Jesus, Mark 6:4, NLT)



Have faith in God. (Jesus, Mark 11:22)

