

Leadership Quotes (www.hobynv.org)

“Leaders aren't born, they are made. And they are made just like anything else, through hard work. And that's the price we'll have to pay to achieve that goal, or any goal.”—*Vince Lombardi*

“Where you came from is NOT nearly as important as where you are going.”—*Unknown*

“A hug is the perfect gift. One size fits all, and no one minds if you exchange it.”—*Evern Ball*

“You don't lead by pointing and telling people some place to go. You lead by going to that place and making a case.”—*Ken Kesey*

“Neither success nor failure is ever final.”—*Roger Babson*

“Contrary to popular opinion, leadership is not about deciding where other people should go. It's about finding out where they want go and then helping them get there.”—*Unknown*

“Nobody's a natural. You work to get good and then work to get better. It's hard to stay on top.”—*Paul Coffey, NHL star*

“Remember you can coast on a downhill road...but where does it go?”—*Keith Hoeschen*

“A leader is one who is confident in his or herself. A leader is pragmatic yet sensitive to the needs of others.”—*NY-East HOBY Representative*

“You are today where your thoughts have brought you. You will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you.”—*Denis Mahoney*

“It's surprising how many persons go through life without ever recognizing that their feelings toward other people are largely determined by their feelings toward themselves. If you're not comfortable within yourself, you can't be comfortable with others.”—*Sydney J. Harris*

“We should be careful to get out of an experience all the wisdom that is in it—not like the cat that sits on a hot stove lid. She will never sit down on a hot lid again—and that is well; but also she will never sit down on a cold one anymore.”—*Mark Twain*

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, concerned citizens can change world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has.”—*Margaret Mead*

“Things may come to those who wait, but only the things left by those who hustle.”—*Abraham Lincoln*

“Contrary to the cliché, genuinely nice guys most often finish first—or very near it”—*Malcolm Forbes*

“I found that the men and women who got to the top were those who did the jobs they had in hand, with everything they had of energy and enthusiasm and hard work.”—*Harry S. Truman*

“Personal initiative, competitive selection, the profit motive, corrected by failure and the infinite process of good housekeeping and the personal ingenuity—here constitute the life of a free society.”—*Winston Churchill*

“The will to win is worthless if you do not have the will to prepare.”—*Thane Yost*

“In the public mind, perception is reality.”—*Long X. Perience*

“A man's reputation is the opinion people have of him; his character is what he really is.”—*Jack Miner*

“The very essence of leadership is you have to have a vision. It's got to be a vision you articulate forcefully on every occasion. You can't blow an uncertain trumpet.”—*Rev. Theodore Hesburgh*

“People ask the difference between a leader and a boss. The leader leads, and the boss drives.”—*Theodore Roosevelt*

“Leadership cannot really be taught. It can only be learned.”—*Harold Geneen*

“Many managers know how to get things done through people, to turn people into tools, but not how to direct them, inspire them or motivate them. Leadership provides a scenario to the people they're leading. People are willing to work their butts off if you give them an objective, show them how to reach it, and prove that you mean it through action and consistency.”—*John Music*

“Management is efficiency in climbing the ladder of success; leadership determines whether the ladder is leaning against the right wall.”—*Stephen R. Covey*

“Leadership is action, not position.”—*Unknown*

“A leader is best when he is neither seen nor heard, Not so good when he is adored and glorified, Worst when he is hated and despised. Fail to honor people, they will fail to honor you. But of a good leader, when his work is done, his aim fulfilled, The people will say, We did this ourselves.”—*Lao-Tse*

“Not the cry, but the flight of the wild duck, leads the flock to fly and follow.”—*Chinese Proverb*

“The first responsibility of a leader is to define reality. The last is to say thank you. In between, the leader is a servant.”—*Max DePree*

“A good leader inspires others with confidence in him; a great leader inspires them with confidence in themselves.”—*Unknown*

“The final test of a leader is that he leaves behind him in other men the conviction and the will to carry on.”—*Walter Lippmann*

“The leader who can enlist cooperation and respect, without having to pull rank, has power of the most positive kind.”—*Unknown*

“You can judge a leader by the size of the problems he tackles—people nearly always pick a problem their own size, and ignore or leave to others the bigger of smaller ones.”—*Anthony Jay*

“You cannot be a leader, and ask other people to follow you, unless you know how to follow, too.”—*Sam Rayburn*

“Effective interdependence can only be built on true independence.”—*Stephen R. Covey*

“There are no short cuts to any place worth going.”—*Beverly Sills*

“Don't wait for your ship to come in; swim out to it.”—*Unknown*

“It was high counsel that I once heard give to a young person, always do what you are afraid to do.”—*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

“I can't imagine a person becoming a success who doesn't give this game of life everything he's got.”—*Walter Cronkite*

“Whatever you do, put romance and enthusiasm into the life of our children.”—*Margaret Ramsey MacDonald*

“When one door closes, another opens. Sometimes we look so long at the closed door we fail to notice the new opportunity before us.”—*paraphrased by Brianna Giacoia*

“The future is built on yesterday's efforts, today's growth, and tomorrow's dreams.”—*Anonymous*

“...a well-lived life isn't always about extraordinary and grand endeavors; the best lives are often lived doing the smallest things with immeasurable amounts of love and concern.”—*Brendan Lill*

“Leadership involves the reflection of your past, knowing how to surmount weakness and fortify strengths as strong, independent leaders as well as individuals making a mark in today's society to the greatest degree.”—*Anonymous*

“The essence of leadership is your true inner-self, realizing and emphasizing the importance of shouldering your responsibilities and respecting the rights of others.”—*Unknown*

“Leadership in its best form is sharing. By sharing the best in us, we bring out the best in others.”—*Kenneth Love*

“Leadership is not positional and does not require formal authority or personal charisma. Every person in the world has the capacity to effectively lead with integrity, and this capacity can be developed in all people who are committed to doing so.”—*LeaderShape, Inc*

“To laugh often and much; To win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; To earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; To appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; To leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded.”—*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

“For some reason I became intent on watching the raindrops on the window. Two separate drops, pushed by the wind, merged into one for a moment and then divided again, each carrying with it a part of the other. Simply by that momentary touching, neither was what it had been before. And as each one went on to touch other rain drops, it shared not only itself, but what it had gleaned from the others.”—*Peggy Tabor Millin*

“Becoming a leader is synonymous with becoming yourself. That simple, that difficult.”—*Warren Bennis*