



Quotes

Want a shortcut to higher level thinking? Use quotes! SAGE’s October Pro-D day with Brian Housand demonstrated how our speaker used quotes to bring wisdom, to make connections and to reflect. SAGE was motivated to use quotes with our own students and share with you!

See if you agree.

Why Should We Use Quotes?

QUOTES MOTIVATE INTEREST	GRADE LEVELS: K-12
<p>ADDITIONAL REMARKS: Gifted students love abstract reasoning and novelty. By placing a ‘quote of the day or week’ in your classroom, students can be motivated to think about a quote of interest, enjoy learning and seek more questions. For Middle School and Secondary Students, use Google Classroom to post a quote and have students respond online. Merging quotes to pop culture is one sure way to motivate interest. One of our very own SAGE Executive members is an avid StarWars fan. It is guaranteed that any reference to StarWars immediately activates interest to our SAGE Secretary!</p>	
QUOTES ENGAGE CORE COMPETENCIES	GRADE LEVELS: K-12
<p>ADDITIONAL REMARKS: Quotes can be connected to curricular big ideas and all core competencies within your classroom. Creative & Critical Thinking and Communication are areas that activate when using quotes. Quotes are a powerful tool as students learn how to listen, explain their thinking and justify their thoughts and ideas. Take a few minutes in your classroom to support these discussions in a safe and inclusive structure to create an open environment. As students get comfortable with analyzing quotes, they will be much more comfortable to create their own quotes following discussions or book studies.</p>	
QUOTES ENHANCE THINKING SKILLS	GRADE LEVELS: K-12

ADDITIONAL REMARKS: All learners, even gifted learners, need to experience how to solve problems and analyze information. When looking at a quote, Depth and Complexity by Dr. Sandra Kaplan comes to mind. What words (Language of the Discipline) are powerful in the statement? What details are in this quote and do we see any patterns? What connections can be made? What further questions does this present? Oh my! There are so many questions that can be asked just by using Dr. Kaplan's prompts:



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Quotes abound and a simple search will help you find the quote that may be a right fit for your situation. Below are some quotes; try one and see how your students respond.

	QUOTES	AUTHOR
<input type="checkbox"/>	The palest ink is better than the best memory.	George Bernard Shaw
<input type="checkbox"/>	The only person you should ever compete with is yourself. You can't hope for a fairer match.	Todd Ruthman
<input type="checkbox"/>	Everything that can be counted does not necessarily count; everything that counts cannot necessarily be counted.	Albert Einstein
<input type="checkbox"/>	Our destiny is not written for us, it's written by us.	Barack Obama
<input type="checkbox"/>	Whoever is happy will make others happy, too.	Anne Frank
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier.	Mother Teresa
<input type="checkbox"/>	Common sense is not so common.	Voltaire
<input type="checkbox"/>	When you make a mistake, don't look back at it long. Take the reason of the thing into your mind, and then look forward. Mistakes are lessons of wisdom. The past cannot be changed. The future is yet in your power.	Hugh White
<input type="checkbox"/>	If you think you are too small to be effective, you have never been in the dark with a mosquito.	Betty Reese
<input type="checkbox"/>	Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I'll spend the first four sharpening the axe.	Abraham Lincoln
<input type="checkbox"/>	There's no shame in admitting what you don't know. The only shame is pretending you know all the answers.	Neil Degrasse Tyson
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friendship is born at the moment when one person says to another: "What? You too? I thought I was the only one".	C.S. Lewis
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nothing will work unless you do.	Maya Angelou
<input type="checkbox"/>	Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.	Thomas A. Edison
<input type="checkbox"/>	Why fit in when you were born to stand out?	Dr. Seuss
<input type="checkbox"/>	If they don't like you for being yourself, be yourself even more.	Taylor Swift
<input type="checkbox"/>	The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong.	Mahatma Gandhi
<input type="checkbox"/>	You have been my friend. That is itself is a tremendous thing.	E.B.White
<input type="checkbox"/>	Most great learning happens in groups. Collaboration is the stuff of growth.	Sir Ken Robinson
<input type="checkbox"/>	I need to listen well so that I hear what is not said.	Thuli Madonsela

MENSA FOR KIDS

Mensa for Kids is an excellent site to use. They have a great resource called the **Quotation Station**. More quotes are

available and specific questions and responses that you can use in your classroom today! Check it out.

WHERE TO ACCESS: Click here [Mensa for Kids](#)

Quotation Station from Mensa for Kids includes:

- 65 quotes
- 65 quotes with questions and responses to use (this reduces your prep!)
- 20 ideas of using quotes in the classroom



You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose.

DR. SEUSS