

Quotes About Books & Reading

Today a reader, tomorrow a leader.
~ W. Fusselman ~

Good children's literature appeals not only to the child in the adult, but to the adult in the child.
~ Anonymous ~

I've traveled the world twice over,
Met the famous; saints and sinners,
Poets and artists, kings and queens,
Old stars and hopeful beginners,
I've been where no-one's been before,
Learned secrets from writers and cooks
All with one library ticket
To the wonderful world of books.
~ Anonymous ~

Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body.
~ Joseph Addison ~

Reading is a basic tool in the living of a good life.
~ Mortimer J. Adler ~

A wonderful thing about a book, in contrast to a computer screen,
is that you can take it to bed with you.
~ Daniel J. Boorstin ~

When I got [my] library card, that was when my life began.
~ Rita Mae Brown ~

Children are made readers on the laps of their parents. (1994)
~ Emilie Buchwald ~

There is no substitute for books in the life of a child. (1952)
~ Mary Ellen Chase ~

There is more treasure in books than
in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island.
~ Walt Disney ~

Never judge a book by its movie.
~ J. W. Eagan ~

Books are the quietest and most constant of friends;
they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors,
and the most patient of teachers.”
~ Charles W. Eliot ~

To read is to empower
To empower is to write
To write is to influence
To Influence is to change
To change is to live.
~ Jane Evershed ~
More than a Tea Party

MY BOOK!
I did it!
I did it!
Come and look
At what I've done!
I read a book!
When someone wrote it
Long ago
For me to read,
How did he know
That this was the book
I'd take from the shelf
And lie on the floor
And read by myself?
I really read it!
Just like that!
Word by word,
From first to last!
I'm sleeping with
This book in bed,
This first **FIRST** book
I've ever read!
~ David L. Harrison ~
(from *Somebody Catch My Homework*)

In a very real sense, people who have read good literature
have lived more than people who cannot or will not read.
It is not true that we have only one life to lead; if we can read,
we can live as many more lives and as many kinds of lives as we wish.
~ S. I. Hayakawa ~

What a school thinks about its library is a measure
of what it feels about education.
~ Harold Howe ~
*Professor Emeritus at the Harvard Graduate School of Education
and a former U.S. Commissioner of Education*

I am a part of everything that I have read.
~ John Kieran ~

Books to the ceiling,
Books to the sky.
My pile of books
Are a mile high.
How I love them!
How I need them!
I'll have a long beard
By the time I read them.
~ Arnold Lobel ~

It is not enough to simply teach children to read;
we have to give them something worth reading.
Something that will stretch their imaginations-
something that will help them make sense of their own lives
and encourage them to reach out toward people
whose lives are quite different from their own.
~ Katherine Paterson ~

The more that you read,
the more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
the more places you'll go.
~ Dr. Seuss ~

We shouldn't teach great books;
we should teach a love of reading.
~ B. F. Skinner ~

*"Not all readers are leaders, but all leaders are readers."
Harry Truman, the only American president without a formal college education.*

I would rather be a poor man in a garret with plenty of books
than a king who did not love reading.
Thomas B. Macaulay



"To learn to read is to light a fire; every syllable that is spelled out is a spark." Victor Hugo
quotes (French romantic poet, novelist and dramatist, 1802-1885)



"Read in order to live." Henry Fielding quotes (British playwright and novelist, 1707-1754)

"The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who can't read them." - Mark Twain

"Book lovers never go to bed alone." – Unknown

"The most technologically efficient machine that man has ever invented is the book. -
Northrup Frye

"Just the knowledge that a good book is awaiting one at the end of a long day makes that day happier." - **Kathleen Norris**

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"What can I say? Librarians rule."
Regis Philbin

