

Very Short Sentence Examples

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LITERATURE AND MORE

Frailty, thy name is woman! ~ William Shakespeare
Fortune favors the brave. ~ Virgil, Aeneid
Brevity is the soul of wit. William Shakespeare
"I have a dream..." Martin Luther King Jr.
"People that care don't mind." Dr. Seuss
"Adults are obsolete children." Dr. Seuss
"Waste is worse than loss." Thomas A. Edison
"Know thyself. ~ Socrates
"Nothing gold can stay. ~ Robert Frost
"Work is love made visible. ~ Kahlil Gibran
"Science is what scientists do. (From *Statistics as Principled Argument* by R P Abelson, 1995)
"If it holds water, it's craft. If it leaks, it's art. (A standard line among potters)

SHAKESPEARE

"My heart is true as steel. (A Midsummer Night's Dream, Act ii. Scene 1).
"There's daggers in men's smiles." - (Macbeth, Act II, Scene III).
"What's done is done." (Macbeth, Act III, Scene II).
"Fair is foul, and foul is fair." - (Macbeth, Act I, Scene I).
"I bear a charmed life." (Macbeth, Act V, Sc. VIII).
"Et tu, Brute!" (Julius Caesar, Act III, Scene I).
"Beware the ides of March". (Julius Caesar, Act I, Scene II).
"And thereby hangs a tale. (The Taming of the Shrew, Act iv. Scene 1).
"Tush! tush! fear boys with bugs. (The Taming of the Shrew, Act i. Scene 2).
"I'll not budge an inch." (Taming of the Shrew, Induction, Scene I).
"Off with his head!" (Richard III, Act III, Scene IV).
"Are you good men and true? (Much Ado about Nothing, Act iii. Scene 3).

WINNIE THE POOH

"Rabbit's clever," said Pooh thoughtfully.
"Yes," said Piglet, "Rabbit's clever."
"And he has Brain."
"Yes," said Piglet, "Rabbit has Brain."
There was a long silence.
"I suppose," said Pooh, "that that's why he never understands anything."
[From *The House at Pooh Corner* by A. A. Milne, 1928]

MOVIES

Let the kids guess which movie these come from!
"Laugh it up, Fuzzball. (Star Wars)
"Phone home. (ET, extra terrestrial)
"Make my day.
"I, I, I be back. (The Terminator)
"You shall not pass! (Lord of the Rings)
"I'm melting, meeeeeeeeee... (Wizard of Oz)
"Oh Gad!" (Life With Father 1947)
"I coulda been a contender." (On the waterfront 1954)
"Blood makes poor mortar." (The Ten Commandments 1956)
"So let it be written, So let it be done." (The Ten Commandments 1956)
"I'm sorry, Dave. I'm afraid I can't do that." (2001: A Space Odyssey 1968)
"Here's looking at you, kid." (Casablanca 1942)
"We'll always have Paris." (Casablanca 1942)
"Round up the usual suspects." (Casablanca 1942)
"Play it, Sam. Play As Time Goes By." (Casablanca 1942)

TOPIC-CLINCHER VSS

"Now, what I want is, facts. Teach these boys and girls nothing but Facts. Facts alone are wanted in life. Plant nothing else, and root out everything else. You can only form the minds of reasoning animals upon Facts: nothing else will ever be of any service to them. This is the principle on which I bring up my own children, and this is the principle on which I bring up these children. Stick to Facts, sir!" — Dickens-