

## Character Development Quotes

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### Courage

*“True courage consists not in flying from the storm of life but in braving and steering through them with wisdom.”*

-Hannah Webster Foster

*“Stand with anybody that stands right. Stand with him while he is right and part with him when he goes wrong.”*

-Abraham Lincoln

*“Integrity is born of courage shown in the face of error or adversity.”*

-Anonymous

*“You have to accept whatever comes and the only important thing is that you meet it with courage and with the best that you have.”*

-Eleanor Roosevelt

*“Success is that old ABC – ability, breaks, and courage.”*

-Charles Luckman

*“Courage is knowing what to fear.”*

-Plato

*“We become brave by doing brave acts.”*

-Aristotle

*“Nothing in life is to be feared; it is only to be understood.”*

-Marie Curie

*“It is not because things are difficult that we do not dare. It is because we do not dare that they are difficult.”*

-Seneca

*“Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather the judgment that something else is more important than fear.”*

-Ambrose Redmoon

*“I am not afraid of storms, for I am learning how to sail my ship.”*

-Louisa May Alcott

*“What would life be if we had no courage to attempt anything?”*

-Vincent Van Gogh: Letter to his brother

*“Great things are done more through courage than through wisdom.”*

-German Proverb

*“Courage is merely one of the virtues, but the form of every virtue at the testing point, which means at the point of highest reality.”*

-C.S. Lewis: Quoted by  
Cyril Connolly in  
*The Unquiet Grave*

*“Courage is relaxed by delay.”*

-Altrude (1172)

*“It is not the mountain we conquer, it is ourselves. If you can overcome your fear, you are frequently able to extend yourself far beyond what you normally regard as your ability.”*

-Sir Edmund Hillary

*“There is a certain blend of courage, integrity, character, and principle which has no satisfactory dictionary name, but has been called different things at different times in different countries. Our American name for it is ‘guts.’”*

-Louis Adamic: *A Study in Courage*

*“Few persons have courage enough to appear as they really are.”*

-J.C. & A.W. Hare: *Guesses at Truth*

*“Courage conquers all things: it even gives strength to the body.”*

-Ovid: *Letters from Pontus*

*“Courage in danger is half the battle.”*

-Plautus: *Pseudolus*

*“True courage consists in doing alone what one could do in the presence of others.”*

-La Rochefoucauld: *Maxims*

*“Turn your face to the sun, and the shadows fall behind you.”*

-Maori Proverb

*“He who begs timidly invites a refusal.”*

-Seneca: Hippolytus

*“Nothing is impossible to a valiant heart.”*

-Jeanne d’Albret (1528-72)

*“I am only one; but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; I will not refuse to do the something I can do.”*

-Helen Keller

*“Only he who does nothing makes no mistakes.”*

-French Proverb

*“Bravery never goes out of fashion.”*

-William Makepeace Thackeray:  
*The Four Georges*

*“Life is mostly froth and bubble;  
Two things stand like stone;  
Kindness in another’s trouble,  
Courage in your own.”*

-Adam Lindsay Gordon:  
*Ye Wearie Wayfarer*

*“Two-thirds of help is to give courage.”*

-Irish Proverb

*“It takes as much courage to have tried and failed as it does to have tried and succeeded.”*

-Anne Morrow Lindbergh