

I was perusing the web and came across the following blog on: [Marc and Angle Hack Life: Practical Tips for Productive Living](#). Their 60 are awesome, but I added another 30 that were impactful to my thinking.

## **60 Quotes That Will Change The Way You Think...**

In your quiet moments, what do you think about? How far you've come, or how far you have to go? Your strengths, or your weaknesses? The best that might happen, or the worst that might come to be? In your quiet moments, pay attention to your thoughts. Because maybe, just maybe, the only thing that needs to shift in order for you to experience more happiness, more love, and more vitality, is your way of thinking. Here are 60 thought-provoking quotes gathered from our sister site, Everyday Life Lessons, and from our blog archive that will help you adjust your way of thinking.

1. You cannot change what you refuse to confront.
2. Sometimes good things fall apart so better things can fall together.
3. Don't think of cost. Think of value.
4. Sometimes you need to distance yourself to see things clearly.
5. Too many people buy things they don't need with money they don't have to impress people they don't know. Read Rich Dad, Poor Dad.
6. No matter how many mistakes you make or how slow you progress, you are still way ahead of everyone who isn't trying.
7. If a person wants to be a part of your life, they will make an obvious effort to do so. Think twice before reserving a space in your heart for people who do not make an effort to stay.
8. Making one person smile can change the world – maybe not the whole world, but their world.
9. Saying someone is ugly doesn't make you any prettier.
10. The only normal people you know are the ones you don't know very well.
11. Life is 10% of what happens to you and 90% of how you react to it.
12. The most painful thing is losing yourself in the process of loving someone too much, and forgetting that you are special too.
13. It's better to be alone than to be in bad company.
14. As we grow up, we realize it becomes less important to have more friends and more important to have real ones.
15. Making a hundred friends is not a miracle. The miracle is to make a single friend who will stand by your side even when hundreds are against you.
16. Giving up doesn't always mean you're weak, sometimes it means you are strong enough and smart enough to let go and move on.
17. Don't say you don't have enough time. You have exactly the same number of hours per day that were given to Helen Keller, Pasteur, Michelangelo, Mother Teresa, Leonardo da Vinci, Thomas Jefferson, Albert Einstein, etc...
18. If you really want to do something, you'll find a way. If you don't, you'll find an excuse.



19. Don't choose the one who is beautiful to the world; choose the one who makes your world beautiful.
20. Falling in love is not a choice. To stay in love is.
21. True love isn't about being inseparable; it's about two people being true to each other even when they are separated.
22. While you're busy looking for the perfect person, you'll probably miss the imperfect person who could make you perfectly happy.
23. Never do something permanently foolish just because you are temporarily upset.
24. You can learn great things from your mistakes when you aren't busy denying them. Read *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*.
25. In life, if you don't risk anything, you risk everything.
26. When you stop chasing the wrong things you give the right things a chance to catch you.
27. Every single thing that has ever happened in your life is preparing you for a moment that is yet to come.
28. There isn't anything noble about being superior to another person. True nobility is in being superior to the person you once were.
29. Trying to be someone else is a waste of the person you are.
30. You will never become who you want to be if you keep blaming everyone else for who you are now.
31. People are more what they hide than what they show.
32. Sometimes people don't notice the things others do for them until they stop doing them.
33. Don't listen to what people say, watch what they do.
34. Being alone does not mean you are lonely, and being lonely does not mean you are alone.
35. Love is not about sex, going on fancy dates, or showing off. It's about being with a person who makes you happy in a way nobody else can.
36. Anyone can come into your life and say how much they love you. It takes someone really special to stay in your life and show how much they love you.
37. Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, wear the fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion; today is special.
38. Love and appreciate your parents. We are often so busy growing up; we forget they are also growing old.
39. When you have to start compromising yourself and your morals for the people around you, it's probably time to change the people around you.
40. Learn to love yourself first, instead of loving the idea of other people loving you.
41. When someone tells you, "You've changed," it might simply be because you've stopped living your life their way.
42. Someone else doesn't have to be wrong for you to be right.
43. Be happy. Be yourself. If others don't like it, then let them be. Happiness is a choice. Life isn't about pleasing everybody.
44. When you're up, your friends know who you are. When you're down, you know who your friends are.



45. Don't look for someone who will solve all your problems; look for someone who will face them with you.
46. If you expect the world to be fair with you because you are fair, you're fooling yourself. That's like expecting the lion not to eat you because you didn't eat him.
47. No matter how good or bad you have it, wake up each day thankful for your life. Someone somewhere else is desperately fighting for theirs.
48. The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention.
49. Many people are so poor because the only thing they have is money.
50. Learn to appreciate the things you have before time forces you appreciate the things you once had.
51. When you choose to see the good in others, you end up finding the good in yourself.
52. You don't drown by falling in the water. You drown by staying there.
53. It's better to know and be disappointed than to never know and always wonder.
54. There are things that we don't want to happen but have to accept, things we don't want to know but have to learn, and people we can't live without but have to let go.
55. Happiness is not determined by what's happening around you, but rather what's happening inside you. Most people depend on others to gain happiness, but the truth is, it always comes from within.
56. If you tell the truth, it becomes a part of your past. If you lie, it becomes a part of your future.
57. What you do every day matters more than what you do every once in a while. Read *The Power of Habit*.
58. You can't start the next chapter of your life if you keep re-reading your last one.
59. Things turn out best for people who make the best out of the way things turn out.
60. If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change the way you think about it.

### **And now to add a few of my favorites...**

61. You become what you focus on and like the people you spend time with.
62. People do what seems easy and convenient, not what is best for them.
63. When values are clear, decisions are easy.
64. If you just help enough other people get what they need, you will get everything you need.
65. Build your house on the rock of learning; no one can take your education away from you.
66. Whatever you fill your brain with and whoever you spend your time with... will determine your life a decade from now.
67. Hope is NOT a strategy.
68. Successful people willingly do what unsuccessful people are unwilling to do.
69. My definition of success: When your core values and self-concept are in harmony with your daily actions and behaviors.
70. To be interesting – be interested.



71. Remember: everyone you meet is fighting a mighty battle. Be kind. Be understanding.

72. The minute you stop expecting life to be simple, fair and easy... it becomes simple, fair and easy.

73. To be successful in life you must have a PLAN: PREPARE for the journey – LAUNCH into action – ADJUST as you go – NETWORK with those who know. (*by Tom Morris*)

74. The Seven Cs of Success (*by Tom Morris*)

1. A clear CONCEPTION of what we want, a vivid vision, a goal clearly imagined.

2. A strong CONFIDENCE that we can attain the goal.

3. A focus CONCENTRATION on what it takes to reach the goal.

4. A stubborn CONSISTENCY in pursuing our vision.

5. And emotional COMMITMENT to the importance of what we are doing.

6. A good CHARACTER to guide us and keep us on the proper course.

7. A CAPACITY to enjoy the process along the way.

75. The Four Agreements (*by Miguel Ruiz*)

1. Be Impeccable with your Word:

Speak with integrity. Say only what you mean. Avoid using the Word to speak against yourself or to gossip about others. Use the power of your Word in the direction of truth and love.

2. Don't Take Anything Personally

Nothing others do is because of you. What others say and do is a projection of their own reality, their own dream. When you are immune to the opinions and actions of others, you won't be the victim of needless suffering.

3. Don't Make Assumptions

Find the courage to ask questions and to express what you really want.

Communicate with others as clearly as you can to avoid misunderstandings, sadness and drama. With just this one agreement, you can completely transform your life.

4. Always Do Your Best

Your best is going to change from moment to moment; it will be different when you are healthy as opposed to sick. Under any circumstance, simply do your best and you will avoid self-judgment, self-abuse, and regret.



76. The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People (by Stephen Covey)

***Independence or Self-Mastery***

The First Three Habits surround moving from dependence to independence (i.e., self-mastery):

**Habit 1: Be Proactive**

Take initiative in life by realizing that your decisions (and how they align with life's principles) are the primary determining factors for effectiveness in your life. Take responsibility for your choices and the subsequent consequences that follow.

**Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind**

Self-discover and clarify your deeply important character values and life goals. Envision the ideal characteristics for each of your various roles and relationships in life.

**Habit 3: Put First Things First**

Plan, prioritize, and execute your week's tasks based on importance rather than urgency. Evaluate whether your efforts exemplify your desired character values, propel you toward goals, and enrich the roles and relationships that were elaborated in Habit 2.

***Interdependence***

The next three have to do with Interdependence (i.e., working with others):

**Habit 4: Think Win-Win**

Genuinely strive for mutually beneficial solutions or agreements in your relationships. Value and respect people by understanding a "win" for all is ultimately a better long-term resolution than if only one person in the situation had gotten his way.

**Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to be Understood**

Use empathetic listening to be genuinely influenced by a person, which compels them to reciprocate the listening and take an open mind to being influenced by you. This creates an atmosphere of caring, respect, and positive problem solving.

**Habit 6: Synergize**

Combine the strengths of people through positive teamwork, so as to achieve goals no one person could have done alone. Get the best performance out of a group of people through encouraging meaningful contribution, and modeling inspirational and supportive leadership.

***Self-Renewal***

The Last habit relates to self-rejuvenation:

**Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw**

Balance and renew your resources, energy, and health to create a sustainable, long-term, effective lifestyle. And learn from the mistakes.

77. Your Day Is Your Life

78. Vision = Focus / Focus = Attention / Attention = Action / Action = Results /

Consistent Results = Destiny

79. Until you can see, and admit, that YOU are the problem... You will be unable to realize that YOU must be the solution.

80. We see the world not as it is, but as we are.

81. We often talk to ourselves in ways that we would never let a stranger or even a friend talk to us.



82. All that you achieve and all that you fail to achieve are the direct results of your thoughts.
83. We are the producers of our own thinking. Thought is not something that happens to us, but something that we do to ourselves.
84. Habits, good or bad, can always be traced back to your own thinking.
85. People are anxious to improve their circumstances, but are unwilling to improve themselves.
86. People do not attract that which they want, but that which they are.
87. What you do today determines who you will be tomorrow.
88. You are the average of your five closest associates.
89. **The Six Mistakes of Man**
- I. The illusion that personal gain is made up of crushing others.
  - II. The tendency to worry about things that cannot be changed or corrected.
  - III. Insisting that a thing is impossible because we cannot accomplish it.
  - IV. Refusing to set aside trivial preferences.
  - V. Neglecting development and refinement of the mind, and not acquiring the habit of reading and study.
  - VI. Attempting to compel others to believe and live as we do.
- Marcus Tullius Cicero (106 B.C.–43 B.C.)*
90. At the end of the day – the long day of your life – as people stand around your grave no one will talk about how big your house was, or how many cars you owned, or your boat or plane... they will only talk about ONE thing and ONE thing ONLY: LOVE! How much you loved them and how much they loved you. So the goal then is to live a life of love. That is all. – *John Spence*

*I hope you found these quotes of value and welcome you sending me any of your favorite quotes.*

*Thanks – love, John*

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