

American Literature 1 Final Exam Potential Quotations List
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QUOTE: But Britain is the parent country, say some. Then the more shame upon her conduct. Even brutes do not devour their young, nor savages make war upon their families; Wherefore, the assertion, if true, turns to her reproach; but it happens not to be true, or only partly so, and the phrase *parents* or *mother* country hath been jesuitically adopted by the King and his parasites, with a low papistical design of gaining an unfair bias on the credulous weakness of our minds.

SOURCE: Thomas Paine. *Common Sense*. Vol A. Pg.993

QUOTE: I have heard it asserted by some, that as America has flourished under her former connection with Great Britain, the same connection is necessary towards her future happiness, and will always have the same effect. Nothing can be more fallacious than this kind of argument. We may as well assert that because a child has thrived upon milk, that it is never to have meat, or that the first twenty years of our lives is to become a precedent for the next twenty.

SOURCE: Thomas Paine. *Common Sense*. Vol A. Pg. 993

Quote: There are also many who have been so enthusiastically enraptured by what they conceived to be the infinite love of God to man; in making a sacrifice of himself, that the vehemence of the idea has forbidden and deterred them from examining into the absurdity and profaneness of the story. The more unnatural anything is, the more is it capable of becoming the object of dismal admiration.

Source: Thomas Paine. *Age of Reason*. Vol. A pg. 1006

QUOTE: Of all the systems of religion that ever were invented, there is no more derogatory to the Almighty, more unedifying to man, more repugnant to reason, and more contradictory to itself than this thing called Christianity. Too absurd for belief, too impossible to convince, and too inconsistent for practice, it renders the heart torpid or produces only atheists or fanatics. As an engine of power, it serves the purpose of despotism, and as a means of wealth, the avarice of priests, but so far as respects the good of man in general it leads to nothing here or hereafter.

SOURCE: Thomas Paine. *The Age of Reason*. Vol A. Pg. 1007

QUOTE: Reason and free enquiry are the only effectual agents against error. Give a loose to them, they will support the true religion, by bringing every false one to their tribunal, to the test of their investigation. They are the natural enemies of error, and of error only.

SOURCE: Thomas Jefferson. *Notes on the State of Virginia*. Vol. A p.1040.

Quote: The whole commerce between master and slave is a perpetual exercise of the most boisterous passions, the most unremitting despotism on the one part, and degrading submissions on the other. Our children see this, and learn to imitate it; for man is an imitative animal.

Source: Thomas Jefferson. *Notes on the State of Virginia* Vol. A pg.1041

QUOTE: It will probably be asked, Why not retain and incorporate the blacks into the state, and thus save the expence of supplying, by importation of white settlers, the vacancies they will leave? Deep rooted prejudices entertained by the whites; ten thousand recollections, by the blacks, of the injuries they have sustained; new provocations;

SOURCE: Thomas Jefferson. *Notes on the State of Virginia*. Vol A. Pg. 1035

QUOTE: Twas mercy brought me from my *Pagan* land,
 Taught my benighted soul to understand
 That theres a God, that theres a *Saviour* too:
 Once I redemption neither sought nor knew.
 Some view our sable race with scornful eye,
 "Their colour is a diabolic die."
 Remember, *Christians, Negros*, black as *Cain*,
 May be refin'd, and join th'angelic train.

SOURCE: Phillis Wheatly. A Farewell to America: *On Being Brought from Africa to America*. Vol A. Pg.1306

QUOTE: I long to hear that you have declared an independency - and by the way in the new Code of Laws which I suppose it will be necessary for you to make I desire you would Remember the Ladies, and be more generous and favorable to them than your ancestors. Do not put such unlimited power into the hands of the Husbands. Remember all Men would be tyrants if they could.

SOURCE: Abigail Adams. *Letter from Abigail Adams to John Adam, March 31, 1776*, Vol A. Pg. 101

Quote: If particular care and attention is not paid to the Ladies we are determined to foment Rebellion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any Laws in which we have no voice, or Representation.

Source: John and Abigail Adams, *Letter from Abigail Adams to John Adams, March 31, 1776*,

Quote: But your Letter was the first Intimation that another Tribe more numerous and powerfull than all the rest were grown discontented.-This is rather too coarse a Compliment but you are so saucy, I wont blot it out.

Source: John Adams, *Letters from John Adams to Abigail Adams, April 14, 1776*, Page 1012.

Quote: Whenever it fell upon me, my blood ran cold; and so by degrees-very gradually-I made up my mind to take the life of the old man, and thus rid myself of the eye forever.

Source: Edgar Allen Poe, "The Tell-Tale Heart," Page 2517.

Quote: But anything was better than this agony! Anything was more tolerable than this derision! I could bear those hypocritical smiles no longer! I felt that I must scream or die! and now-again!-hark! louder! louder! louder! *louder!*

Source: Edgar Allen Poe. The Tell-Tale Heart. Vol B. Pg. 5217

QUOTE: True! – nervous – very, very dreadfully nervous I had been and am; but why *will* you say that I am mad? The disease had sharpened my senses – not destroyed – not dulled them.

SOURCE: Edgar Allan Poe *The Tell-Tale Heart* (2517).

QUOTE: If still you think me mad, you will think so no longer when I describe the wise precautions I took for the concealment of the body

SOURCE: Edgar Allen Poe, The Tell-tale heart

QUOTE: During the whole of a dull, dark, and soundless day in the autumn of the year, when the clouds hung oppressively low in the heavens, I had been passing alone, on horseback, through a singularly dreary tract of country...

SOURCE: Edgar Allen Poe, "The Fall of the House of Usher". Vol. B. Pg. 2497

QUOTE: I *dared* not speak! *We have put her living in the tomb!* Said I not that my senses were acute? I *now* tell you that I heard her first feeble movements in the hollow coffin. I heard them-many, many days ago--yet I dared not--I *dared not speak!*

SOURCE: Edgar Allan Poe, "The Fall of the House of Usher," Vol. B, Pg 2510

Quote: *I* was a child and *she* was a child,
 In this kingdom by the sea,
 But we loved with a love that was more than love—

Source: Edgar Allen Poe, “Annabel Lee,” Volume B pages 2570-2571.

QUOTE: The angels, not half so happy in heaven,
 Went envying her and me-
 Yes!- that was the reason (as all men know,
 In this kingdom by the sea)
 That the wind came out of the cloud by night,
 Chilling and killing [CENSORED BY DR. HALBERT]

Source: Edgar Allen Poe, “Annabel Lee,” Volume B pages 2570-2571.

QUOTE: And so, all the night-tide, I lie down by the side
 Of my darling- my darling- my life and my bride,
 In the sepulchre there by the sea,
 In her tomb by the sounding sea.

SOURCE: Edgar Allan Poe. Annabel Lee. Pg.2546

QUOTE: The question which has thus suddenly arisen, is, what right had the first discoverers of America to land, and take possession of a country, without asking the consent of its inhabitants, or yielding them an adequate compensation for their territory?

SOURCE: Washington Irving, *A History of New York*, Vol. B, pg. 2301

QUOTE: Now it is notorious, that the savages knew nothing of agriculture, when first discovered by the Europeans, but lived a most vagabond, disorderly, unrighteous life, - rambling from place to place

SOURCE: Washington Irving, *A History of New York*. Vol. B. Pg 2301

QUOTE: It was truly a sight that might well inspire horror, to behold these savages, stumbling among the dark mountains of paganism, and guilty of the most horrible ignorance of religion. It is true, they neither stole nor defrauded, they were sober, frugal, continent, and faithful to their word; but though they acted right habitually, it was all in vain, unless they acted so from precept. The new comers therefore used every method, to induce them to embrace and practice the true religion - except that of setting them the example.

SOURCE: Washington Irving. *A History of New York*. Vol. B p. 2304-2305.

QUOTE: Nor did the other methods of civilization remain unenforced. The Indians improved daily and wonderfully by their intercourse with the whites. They took to drinking rum, and making bargains. They learned to cheat, to lie, to swear, to gamble, to quarrel, to cut each other's throats, in short, to excel in all the accomplishments that had originally marked the superiority of their Christian visitors.

SOURCE: Washington Irving, *A History of New York* (2305).

QUOTE: "For, until this mighty question is totally put to rest, the worthy people of America can be no means enjoy the soil they inhabit, with clear right and title, and quiet, unsullied consciences"

SOURCE: Washington Irving (*A History of New York*)2301

QUOTE: "A slaveholder's profession of Christianity is a palpable imposture. He is a felon of the highest grade. He is a man-stealer. It is of no importance what you put in the other scale"

SOURCE: (Frederick Douglass, *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave*, 2043)

Quote: "The slaves know of little of their ages as horses know of theirs."

Source: Frederick Douglass, *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, An American Slave*, Volume B page 2045.

Quote: "The singing of a man cast away upon a desolate island might be as appropriately considered as evidence of contentment and happiness, as the singing of a slave; the songs of the one and of the other are prompted by the same emotion."

Source: Frederick Douglass, *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, An American Slave* Vol. B pg 2051

Quote: "The thought of owning a pair of trousers was great indeed! It was almost a sufficient motive not only to make me take off what would be called by pigdrovers the mange, but the skin itself. I went at it in a good earnest, working for the first time with hope of reward."

Source: Frederick Douglass *An American Slave* Volume B pg. 2057

QUOTE: "In moments of agony, I envied my fellow slaves for their stupidity."

Source: Frederick Douglass. *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave*. Vol. B. Pg. 2063

QUOTE: As I writhed under it, I would at times feel that learning to read had been a curse rather than a blessing. It had given me a view of my wretched condition, without the remedy. It opened my eyes to the horrible pit, but to no ladder upon which to get out.

SOURCE: Frederick Douglass *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave, Written by Himself* (2063).

Quote: Those beautiful vessels, robed in the purest white, so delightful to the eye of freemen, were to me so many shrouded ghosts, to terrify and torment me with thoughts of my wretched condition.

Source: Frederick Douglass. *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave*. Vol. B. Pg. 2073

QUOTE: I could regard them in no other light than a band of successful robbers, who had left their homes, and gone to Africa, and stolen us from our homes, and in a strange land reduced us to slavery. I loathed them as being the meanest as well as the most wicked of men

SOURCE: Frederick Douglass, *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave*, (2062).

Quote: from whence came the spirit I don't know-I resolved to fight; and, suiting my action to the resolution, I seized Covey hard by the throat; and as I did so, I rose. He held on to me, and I to him. My resistance was so entirely unexpected, that Covey seemed taken all aback. He trembled like a leaf.

Source: Frederick Douglass. *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, An American Slave*. Vol B. Pg. 2076.

QUOTE: It was a glorious resurrection, from the tomb of slavery, to the heaven of freedom. My long-crushed spirit rose, cowardice departed, bold defiance took its place; and I now resolved that, however long I might remain a slave in form, the day had passed forever when I could be a slave in fact. I did not hesitate to let it be known of me, that the white man who expected to succeed in whipping, must also succeed in killing me. From this time I was never again what might be called fairly whipped, though I remained a slave four years afterwards. I had several fights, but was never whipped.

SOURCE: Frederick Douglass, *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave*, Vol. B, pg. 2077

QUOTE: I love the pure, peaceable, and impartial Christianity of Christ: I therefore hate the corrupt, slaveholding, women-whipping, cradle-plundering, partial and hypocritical Christianity of this land. Indeed, I can see no reason, but the most deceitful one, for calling the religion of this land Christianity. I look upon it as the climax of all misnomers, the boldest of all frauds, and the grossest of all libels. Never was there a clearer case of “stealing the livery of the court of heaven to serve the devil in.”

SOURCE: *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave* Frederick Douglass, p 2097

QUOTE: They seldom think that men will be allured by intellectual acquirements, because they find, that where any mental superiority exists, a woman is generally shunned and regarded as stepping out of her “appropriate sphere,” which, in their view, is to dress, to dance, to set out to the best possible advantage her person, to read the novels which inundate the press, and which do more to destroy her character as a rational creature, than anything else.

SOURCE: Sarah Moore Grimke. *Letters on the Equality of the Sexes, and the Condition of Woman – Letter VIII: The Condition of Women in the United States*. Volume B. Pg 2238

QUOTE: “A woman who goes out to wash, works as hard in proportion as a wood sawyer, or a coal heaver, but she is not generally able to make more than half as much by a day’s work”

SOURCE: (Sarah Moore Grimke, *The Condition of Women in the United States*, 2239)

Quote: A man who is engaged in teaching, can always, I believe, command a higher price for tuition than a woman—even when he teaches the same branches, and is not in any respect superior to the woman.

Source: Sarah Moore Grimke. *The Condition of Women in the United States*. Vol. B. Pg. 2239

QUOTE: The influence of women over the minds and character of *children* of both sexes, is allowed to be far greater than that of men.

SOURCE: Sarah Moore Grimke, *Letters on the Equality of the Sexes, and the Condition of Woman* (Pg 2239)

QUOTE: “Many women are now supported by the industry of their husbands, fathers, or brothers, who are compelled to toil out their existence, while the wife and daughters appear to think that their sole business is to spend the hard bought earnings of their male friends ... I believe that if a women felt their responsibility it would add strength and dignity to their characters”

SOURCE: Sarah Moore Grimke, *Letters on Equality of the Sexes*. Pg 2241

Quote: “... To perform our duties, we must comprehend our rights and responsibilities; and it is because we do not understand, that we now fall so far short in the discharge of our obligations.”

Source: Sarah Moore Grimké, *Letter XV: Man Equally Guilty with Women in the Fall*, Volume B page 2242

Quote: Far from it: I believe that a complete knowledge of household affairs is an indispensable requisite in a woman’s education,—that by the mistress of a family, whether married or single, doing her duty

thoroughly and understandingly, the happiness of the family is increased to an incalculable degree, as well as a vast amount of time and money saved.

Source: Sarah Moore Grimké. *From Letters on the Equality of the Sexes, and the Condition of Woman*. Pg.2239

Quote: "The fact that women are denied the right of voting for members of Congress, is but a poor reason why they should also be deprived of the right of petition"

Source: Angelina Grimke, Letters to Catherine Beecher, Vol. B pg. 2245

QUOTE: Our fathers waged a bloody conflict with England, because *they* were taxed without being represented. This is just what unmarried women of property now are. *They* were not willing to be governed by laws which *they* had no voice in making; but this is the way in which women are governed in this Republic.

SOURCE: *Letters to Catherine Beecher* by Angelina Grimke, p 2245

QUOTE: I recognize no rights but *human* rights—I know nothing of men’s rights and women’s rights; for in Christ Jesus, there is neither male nor female. It is my solemn conviction, that, until this principle of equality is recognised and embodied in practice, the church can do nothing effectual for the permanent reformation of the world. Woman was the first transgressor, and the first victim of power. In all heathen nations, she has been the slave of man, and Christian nations have never acknowledged her rights....

SOURCE: Sarah Moore Grimke. *Letters on the Equality of the Sexes, and the Condition of Woman—Letter XII: Human Rights Not Founded on Sex*. Volume B. Pg 2246.

QUOTE: Now if rights are founded in the nature of our moral being, then *the mere circumstance of sex* does not give to man higher rights and responsibilities, than to women.

SOURCE: Angelina Grimké, *Letter XII Human Rights Not Founded on Sex*, Vol. B, pg 2246

Quote: The consequence is, he's sick of the sight of her; snubs her when she asks him a question, and after he has eaten her good dinners takes himself off as soon as possible, bearing in mind the old proverb, "that too much of a good thing is good for nothing".

Source: Fanny Fern, "Hints To Young Wives," Vol. B pg 2257

QUOTE: "Just so long as a man isn't quite as sure if he knew for certain, whether nothing on earth could ever disturb your affection for him, he is your humble servant, but the very second he finds out (or thinks he does) that he has possession of every inch of your heart, and no neutral territory—he will turn on his heel and march off whistling Yankee Doodle!"

SOURCE: (Fanny Fern, Hints to Young Wives, 2257-2258)

QUOTE: I dropped the coat, I dropped the work-basket, I dropped the buttons, I dropped the baby (it was a *female*, and I thought it just as well to put her out of future misery)

SOURCE: Fanny Fern (Sara Willis Parton). "Hints to Young Wives". Vol B. Pg. 2258

Quote: "Think of the married women who stay at home after their days toil is done, waiting wearily for their thoughtless, truant husbands, when they might be taking the much needed independent walk in trousers, which custom forbids to petticoats."

Source: Fanny Fern, "A Law More Nice than Just," Vol. B pg 2262

Quote: But oh, the delicious freedom of that walk; after we were well started! No skirts to hold up, or to draggle their wet folds against my ankles; no stifling veil flapping in my face, and blinding my eyes; no umbrella to turn inside out, but instead, the cool rain driving slap into my face, and the resurrectionized blood coursing through my veins, and tingling in my cheeks.

Source: Fanny Fern, "A Law More Nice than Just," Vol. B. pg 2263

QUOTE: Now if any male or female Miss Nancy who reads this feels shocked, let 'em! Any woman who likes, may stay home during a three weeks' rain, till her skin looks like parchment, and her eyes like those of a dead fish, or she may go out and get a consumption dragging round wet petticoats; I won't--I positively declare I won't. I shall begin *evenings* when *that* suit is made, and take private walking lessons with Mr. Fern, and they who choose may crook their backs at home for fashion, and then send for the doctor to straighten them; I prefer to patronize my shoe-maker and tailor.

SOURCE: Fanny Fern. A Law More Nice Than Just. Vol. B p. 2263.

QUOTE: Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shown that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they were accustomed.

SOURCE: Elizabeth Cady Stanton, *Declaration of Sentiments*, 2270

QUOTE: He has made her, if married, in the eye of the law, civilly dead.

SOURCE: Elizabeth Cady Stanton *Declaration of Sentiments* (2270).

QUOTE: Now, in view of this entire disfranchisement of one-half the people of this country, their social and religious degradation—in view of the unjust laws above mentioned, and because women do feel themselves aggrieved, oppressed and fraudulently deprived of their most sacred rights, we insist that they have immediate admission to all the rights and privileges which belong to them as citizens of the United States.

SOURCE: Elizabeth Cady Stanton. *Declaration of Sentiments*. Volume B. Pg 2270

QUOTE: "We insist that they have immediate admission to all the rights and privileges which belong to them as citizens of the United States"

SOURCE: (Elizabeth Cady Stanton, *Declaration of Sentiments*, 2271)

QUOTE: Beauty, in its largest and profoundest sense, is one expression for the universe.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Nature*

QUOTE: The forgoing generations beheld God and nature face to face; we through their eyes. Why should not we also enjoy an original relation to the universe?

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson. *Nature*. Vol. B p. 1707

Quote: "I have become a transparent eye-ball."

Source: Ralph Waldo Emerson, "Nature," Volume B page 1709

QUOTE: I am the lover of uncontained and immortal beauty. In the wilderness, I find something more clear and connate than in streets or village.

SOURCE: Emerson *Nature* (1709).

QUOTE: The sun illuminates only the eye of the man, but shines into the eye and the heart of the child. The lover of nature is he whose inward and outward senses are still adjusted to each other; who has retained the spirit of infancy even into the era of manhood.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson. *Nature*. Volume B. Pg 1709.

QUOTE: Nature never wears a mean appearance. Neither does the wisest man extort her secret, and lose his curiosity by finding out all her perfection. Nature never became a toy to a wise spirit.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Nature*

Quote: Nature always wears the colors of the spirit. To a man laboring under calamity, the heat of his own fire hath sadness in it. Then, there is a kind of contempt of the landscape felt by him who has just lost by death a dear friend. The sky is less grand as it shuts down over less worth in the population.

Source: Ralph Waldo Emerson. *Nature*. Vol B. Pg. 1710.

Quote: A nobler want of man is served by nature, namely, the love of Beauty.

Source: Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Nature*, Page 1711.

Quote: To the body and mind which have been cramped by noxious work or company, nature is medicinal and restores their tone. The tradesman, the attorney comes out of the din and craft of the street, and sees the sky and the woods, and is a man again.

Source: Ralph Waldo Emerson. *Nature: Beauty*. Vol. B. Pg. 1711

QUOTE: Such is the constitution of all things, or such the plastic power of the human eye, that the primary forms, as the sky, the mountain, the tree, the animal, give us a delight in and for themselves; a pleasure arising from outline, color, motion, and grouping.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Nature*, 1711

QUOTE: “Every word which is used to express a moral or intellectual fact, if traced to its root, is found to be borrowed from some material appearance”

SOURCE: (Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Nature* Ch. 4, 1714-1715)

Quote: We are taught by great actions that the universe is the property of every individual in it. Every rational creature has all nature for his dowry and estate.

Source: Ralph Waldo Emerson. *Nature*. Vol.B. pg.1712-1713

QUOTE: Their virtues are penances. I do not wish to expiate, but to live. My life is for itself and not for a spectacle.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson. *Self-Reliance*. Vol B. Pg. 1747

QUOTE: There is a time in every man’s education when he arrives at the conviction that envy is ignorance; that imitation is suicide; that he must take himself for better, for worse, as his portion; that though the wide universe is full of good, no kernel of nourishing corn can come to him but through his toil bestowed on that plot of ground which is given to him to till.

SOURCE: Emerson *Self-Reliance* (1747)

QUOTE: “Good and bad are but names very readily transferable to that or this; the only right is what is after my constitution and the only wrong what is against it.”

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Self-Reliance*. Pg 1749

QUOTE: A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds, adored by little statesmen and philosophers and divines.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Self-Reliance*, (Pg 1751)

QUOTE: Speak what you think now in hard words, and to-morrow speak what to-morrow thinks in hard words again though it contradict every thing you said to-day—‘Ah, so you shall be sure to be misunderstood.’—is it so bad then to be misunderstood? Pythagoras was misunderstood, and Socrates, and Jesus, and Luther, and Copernicus, and Galileo, and Newton, and every pure and wise spirit that ever took flesh. To be great is to be misunderstood.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Self-Reliance*, (1751).

QUOTE: In that deep force, the last fact behind which analysis cannot go, all things find their common origin. For the sense of being which in calm hours rises, we know not how, in the soul, is not diverse from things, from light, from time, from man, but one with them, and proceeds obviously from the same source whence their life and being also proceed.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson. *Self-Reliance*. Vol. B p. 1753

QUOTE: "If you are noble, I will love you; if you are not, I will not hurt you and myself by hypocritical attentions"

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson (Self-Reliance) 1756-1757

QUOTE: He who travels to be amused, or to get somewhat which he does not carry, travels away from himself, and grows old even in youth among old things.

SOURCE: Ralph Waldo Emerson, Self-Reliance, (Pg 1759)

Quote: "Insist on yourself; never imitate. Your own gift you can present every moment with the culmination force of a whole life's cultivation; but of the adopted talent of another, you have only an extemporaneous, half possession."

Source: Ralph Waldo Emerson, "Self-Reliance," Volume B page 1760.

Quote: "That government is best which governs not at all."

Source: Henry David Thoreau, "Resistance to Civil Government," Volume B page 1862.

QUOTE: I ask for, not at once no government, but *at once* a better government. Let every man make known what kind of government would command his respect, and that will be one step toward obtaining it.

SOURCE: Henry David Thoreau, *Resistance to Civil Government*, (1863).

QUOTE: "I think that we should be men first, and subjects afterward. It is not desirable to cultivate a respect for the law, so much as for the right. The only obligation which I have a right to assume, is to do at any time what I think right"

SOURCE: (Henry David Thoreau, Resistance to Civil Government, 1863)

Quote: Can there not be a government in which majorities do not virtually decide right and wrong, but conscience?--in which majorities decide only those questions to which the rule of expediency is applicable? Must the citizen ever for a moment, or in the least degree, resign his conscience to the legislator? Why has every man a conscience, then?

Source: Henry David Thoreau. Resistance to Civil Government. Vol B. Pg. 1863.

Quote: The mass of men serve the State thus, not as men mainly, but as machines, with their bodies.

Source: Henry David Thoreau. *Resistance to Civil Government*. Vol. B. Pg. 1864

QUOTE: All men recognize the right of revolution; that is, the right to refuse allegiance to and to resist the government, when its tyranny or its inefficiency are great and unendurable.

SOURCE: Henry David Thoreau, *Resistance to Civil Government*. Vol. B. Pg. 1864

QUOTE: All voting is a sort of gaming, like chequers or backgammon, with a slight moral tinge to it, a playing with right and wrong, with moral question; and betting naturally accompanies it. The character of

the voters is not staked. I cast my vote, perchance, as I think right; but I am not vitally concerned that that right should prevail. I aim willing to leave it to the majority.

SOURCE: Henry David Thoreau, *Resistance to Civil Government*, 1866

QUOTE: I have contemplated the imprisonment of the offender, rather than the seizure of his goods, – though both will serve the same purpose, –because they who assert the purest right, and consequently are most dangerous to a corrupt State, commonly have not spent much time in accumulating property.”

SOURCE: Henry David Thoreau, *Resistance to Civil Government*, 1869

Quote: “What force has a multitude? They only can force me who obey a higher law than I. They force me to become like themselves. I do not hear of men being forced to live this way or that by masses of men. What sort of life were that to live?”

Source: Henry David Thoreau *Resistance to Civil Government* Volume B pg. 1871

QUOTE: The authority of government, even such as I am willing to submit to,-for I will cheerfully obey those who know and can do better than I, and in many things even those who neither know nor can do as well,-is still an impure one: to be strictly just, it must have the sanction and consent of the governed.

SOURCE: Henry David Thoreau, “Resistance to Civil Government”, Vol. B, pg. 1876

QUOTE:

O powerful western fallen star!
O shades of night-O moody, tearful night!
O great star disappear'd-O the black murk that hides the star!
O cruel hands that hold me powerless- O helpless soul of me!
O harsh surrounding cloud that will not free my soul.

SOURCE: Walt Whitman, “When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom’d”, Vol. B, pg. 3089

QUOTE: Then with the knowledge of death as walking on one side of me,
And the thought of death close-walking the other side of me,
And I in the middle as with companions, and as holding the hands of companions,
I fled forth to the hiding receiving night that talks not,
Down to the shores of the water, the path by the swamp in the dimness,
To the solemn shadowy cedars and ghostly pines so still.

SOURCE: Walt Whitman "When Lilacs Last in the Door-yard Bloom'd" Vol B. Pg.3093

QUOTE: *Come lovely and soothing death*
Undulate round the world, serenely arriving, arriving,
In the day, in the night, to all, to each,
Sooner or later delicate death.

SOURCE: Walt Whitman "When Lilacs Last in the Door-yard Bloom'd" Vol B. Pg.3094

QUOTE: I saw battle-corpses, myriads of them,
And the white skeletons of young men, I saw them,
I saw the debris and debris of all the dead soldiers of the war,
But I saw they were not as was thought,
They themselves were fully at rest, they suffer'd not,
The living remain'd and suffer'd, the mother suffer'd,
And the wife and the child and the musing comrade suffer'd,
And the armies that remain'd suffer'd.

SOURCE: Walt Whitman, *When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd*. Vol. B. Pg 3089

QUOTE: Thy black cylindric body, golden brass, and silvery steel;
Thy ponderous side-bars, parallel and connecting rods, gyrating, shuttling at thy sides;
Thy metrical, now swelling pant and roar—now tapering in the distance;
Thy great protruding head-light, fix'd in front;

Source: Walt Whitman, *To A Locomotive In Winter*, Vol. B pg 3100

QUOTE: Fierce-throated beauty!
Roll through my chant with all thy lawless music, thy swinging lamps at night.
Thy madly-whistled laughter, echoing, rumbling like an earth-quake, rousing all.
Law of thyself complete, thine own track firmly holding,
(No sweetness debonair of tearful harp or glib piano thine,)
Thy trills of shrieks by rocks and hill return'd

SOURCE: Walt Whitman, *To a Locomotive in Winter*, 3100

QUOTE: *Me, master, years a hundred, since from my parents sunder'd,
A little child, they caught me as the savage beast is caught;
Then hither me, across the sea, the cruel slaver brought.*

SOURCE: Walt Whitman, *Ethiopia Saluting the Color*, (3088).

QUOTE:
A batter'd, wreck'd old man,
Thrown on this savage shore, far, far from home,
Pent by the sea and dark rebellious brows, twelve dreary months,
Sore, stiff with many toils, sicken'd and nigh to death,
I take my way along the island's edge,
Venting a heavy heart.

SOURCE: Walt Whitman, "Prayer of Columbus", Vol. B. pg 3098

QUOTE:
By me and these the work so far accomplish'd,
By me earth's elder cloy'd and stifled lands uncloy'd, unloos'd,

By me the hemispheres rounded and tied, the unknown to the
known.

SOURCE: Walt Whitman, "Prayer of Columbus", Vol. B. pg 3098

Quote: "I'm the very infant that refused his milk before its eyes were open, and called out for a bottle of Old Rye."

Source: Mike Fink, Mike Finks Brag from the Crockett Almanacs, Vol. B pg 2283

QUOTE: The sun walked up beautiful, salutin' me with sich a wind o' gratitude that it made me sneeze. I lit my pipe by the blaze o' his top-knot, shouldered my bear, an' walked home, introducin' people to the fresh daylight with a piece of sunrise in my pocket.

SOURCE: Davy Crockett, "Sunrise in My Pocket" *The Crockett Almanacs*, 2280

QUOTE: She told me that her Sunday bonnet was a hornet's nest garnished with wolves' tails and eagles' feathers, and that she wore a bran new gown, made of a whole bear's-hide, the tail serving for a train.

SOURCE: *The Crockett Almanacs* by Davy Crockett, p 2281