**Quotes on Character**

Good character is the quality which makes one dependable whether being watched or not; which makes one truthful when it is to one’s advantage to be a little less than truthful; which makes one courageous when faced with great obstacles; which endows one with the firmness of wise self-discipline. –Arthur S. Adams

Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, vision cleared, ambition inspired, and success achieved. – Helen Keller

Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves, some turn up their noses, and some don’t turn up at all. – Sam Ewing

Try not to become a man of success but rather try to become a man of value. – Albert Einstein

It is with trifles, and when he is off guard, that a man best reveals his character. – Arthur Schopenhauer

Every man’s work, whether it be literature or music or pictures or anything else, is always a portrait of himself, and the more he tries to conceal himself the more clearly will his character appear in spite of him. – Samuel Butler

If we want our children to possess the traits of character we most admire, we need to teach them what those traits are and why they deserve both admiration and allegiance. Children must learn to identify the forms and content of those traits. – William J. Bennett

Character is like a tree, and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing. – Abraham Lincoln

Fame is a vapor, popularity an accident, riches take wing, and only character endures. – Horace Greeley

Trials, temptations, disappointments—all these are helps instead of hindrances, if one uses them rightly. They not only test the fiber of a character, but strengthen it. Every conquered temptation represents a new fund of moral energy. Every trial endured and weathered in the right spirit makes a soul nobler and stronger than it was before. — James Buckham

You can easily judge the character of others by how they treat those who they think can do nothing for them. -- Malcolm Forbes

We develop our character muscles by overcoming challenges and obstacles. --Stephen Covey

Surmounting difficulty is the crucible that forms character. -- Anthony Robbins

We are growing in our character every day. The question is in which direction are we growing? Are we growing in love or selfishness; in harshness or patience; in greed or generosity; in honesty or dishonesty; in purity or impurity? Every day we train ourselves in one direction or another by the thoughts we think, the words we say, the actions we take, the deeds we do.—Jerry Bridges

Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there. --John Wooden

Most people say that is it is the intellect which makes a great scientist. They are wrong: it is character. -- Albert Einstein

Weakness of attitude becomes weakness of character. --Albert Einstein

During my eighty-seven years I have witnessed a whole succession of technological revolutions. But none of them has done away with the need for character in the individual or the ability to think. --Bernard M. Baruch

Knowledge will give you power, but character respect. --Bruce Lee

Character develops itself in the stream of life. --Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

I look to a day when people will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character. --Martin Luther King Jr.

Character is higher than intellect. A great soul will be strong to live as well as think. --Ralph Waldo Emerson

What is the test of human character? It is probably this: that man will know how to be patient in the midst of hard circumstance, and can continue to be personally effective while living through whatever discouragements beset him and his companions. --Samuel Lyman Atwood Marshall

Just as an oak tree grows from a little acorn so does great character grow from a great many decisions that may at the time seem very minor. --Ben M. Herbster

The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew he never would be found out. -- Thomas Babington Macaulay

Life is a series of experiences, each one of which makes us bigger...for the world was built to develop character, and we must learn that the setbacks and grief's we endure help us in our marching onward. --Henry Ford

Any fool can criticize, condemn and complain--and most fools do. But it takes character and self-control to be understanding and forgiving. --Dale Carnegie

Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are. --John Wooden

The soul is dyed the color of its thoughts. Think only on those things that are in line with your principles and can bear the light of day. The content of your character is your choice. Day by day, what you do is who you become. –Heraclitus

Character is the ability to carry out a good resolution long after the excitement of the moment has passed. —Cavett Robert

When you choose your friends, don't be short-changed by choosing personality over character. --W. Somerset Maugham

Etiquette is based in ethics and kindness, not pretense. It is the mark of character and manners. It is respecting others no matter what their position in life. In fact, you indicate who you are by the way you treat others. --Sara Pentz

Sow a thought, reap an act; sow an act, reap a habit; sow a habit, reap a character; sow a character, reap a destiny. --Charles Reade

The voice of conscience is so delicate that it is easy to stifle it; but it is also so clear that it is impossible to mistake it. --Germaine De Stael

Those who think it is permissible to tell white lies soon grow color-blind. --Austin O'Malley.