**Our World Quotes**

We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children. —Native American Proverb

We abuse land because we regard it as a commodity belonging to us. When we see land as a community to which we belong we may begin to use it with love and respect. —Aldo Leopold

The ultimate test of man’s conscience may be his willingness to sacrifice something today for future generations whose words of thanks will not be heard. —Gaylord Nelson

The activist is not the man who says the river is dirty. The activist is the man who cleans up the river. —Ross Perot

Waste is a tax on the whole people. —Albert W. Atwood

There is hope if people will begin to awaken that spiritual part of themselves, that heartfelt knowledge that we are caretakers of this planet. —Brooke Medicine Eagle

When we heal the earth, we heal ourselves.—David Orr

Environmental sustainability is not an option—it is a necessity. For economies to flourish, for global poverty to be banished, for the wellbeing of the world’s people to be enhanced—not just in this generation but in succeeding generations—we have a compelling and ever more

urgent duty of stewardship to take care of the natural environment and resources on which our economic activity and social fabric depends. —Gordon Brown

What we are living with is the result of human choices, and it can be changed by making better, wiser choices. —Robert Redford

By accepting responsibility, we take effective steps toward our goal: an inclusive human society on a habitable planet, a society that works for all humans and for all nonhumans. By accepting responsibility, we move closer to creating a world that works for all.—Sharif M. Abdullah