

WISE WORDS

I do not believe that friends are necessarily the people you like best, they are merely the people who got there first.

Peter Ustinov

Friendship is certainly the finest balm for the pangs of disappointed love.

Jane Austen

Champagne for my real friends, real pain for my sham friends.

Francis Bacon

Enemies and adversaries
Forgive your enemies but never forget their names.

John F Kennedy

Money can't buy you friends but it can get you a better class of enemy.

Spike Milligan

All in the family
Family quarrels are bitter things. They don't go according to any rules. They are not like aches or wounds, they're more like splits in the skin that won't heal because there's not enough material.

F Scott Fitzgerald

There is no such thing as "fun for the whole family".

Jerry Seinfeld

A fine romance
Love is a fire. But whether it is going to warm your hearth or burn down your house you can never tell.

Joan Crawford

Women need a reason to have sex, men just need a place.

Billy Crystal

If grass can grow through cement, love can find you at every time of your life.

Cher

Men and women
The male is a domestic animal which, if treated with firmness, can be trained to do most things.

Jilly Cooper

A man can sleep around, no questions asked, but if a woman makes 19 or 20 mistakes she's a tramp.

Joan Rivers

Television
Television is an invention that permits you to be entertained in your living room by people you wouldn't have in your home.

David Frost

I hate television. I hate it as much as peanuts. But I can't stop eating peanuts.

Orson Welles

The silver screen
If you have to have a job in this world, a high-priced movie star is a pretty good gig.

Tom Hanks

There are only six basic plots. Frankenstein and My Fair Lady are really the same story.

William Holden

Growing old
Everybody my age should be issued with a 2lb fresh salmon. If you see someone young, beautiful and happy you should slap them as hard as you can with it.

Richard Griffiths

Age, a high price to pay for maturity.

Tom Stoppard

Dreams and desires
Boredom: the desire for desires.

Leo Tolstoy

Want a thing long enough and you don't.

Chinese proverb

Choices and decisions
Ever noticed that "what the hell" is always the right decision?

Marilyn Monroe

We

have to believe in free will. We've got no choice.

Isaac Bashevis Singer

Nothing but the truth
There are two kinds of truth: the truth that lights the way and the truth that warms the heart. The first of these is science and the second is art.

Raymond Chandler

Bad taste is simply saying the truth before it should be said.

Mel Brooks

The final curtain
Life is like a B-movie. You don't want to leave in the middle of it but you don't want to see it again.

Ted Turner

For three days after death, hair and fingernails continue to grow but phone calls taper off.

Johnny Carson

Happiness
The lamentable phrase "the pursuit of happiness" is responsible for a good part of the ills and miseries of the modern world.

Malcolm Muggeridge

Happiness is as a butterfly which, when pursued, is always beyond our grasp but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you.

Nathaniel Hawthorne

Be my guest
After all, what is your host's purpose in having a party? Surely not for you to enjoy yourself, if that were their sole purpose, they'd have simply sent champagne and women over to your place by taxi.

PJ O'Rourke

Did you ever go to a party, go in the bathroom, flush the toilet and the water starts coming up? That is the most frightening moment in the life of a human being.

Jerry Seinfeld

Heaven and Hell
I shall be happy in heaven provided the angels are beautifully attired and wear their halos at a tilt.

Yves Saint Laurent

Hell is other people.

Jean-Paul Sartre

The Catholic idea of Heaven and Hell is full of extremes. It's either eternal bliss, walking around on clouds playing table tennis with Mozart and Cary Grant, or eternal damnation where you have to light Hitler's cigars.

Paul Merton

Sit back and relax
To sit in the shade on a fine day and look upon verdure is the most perfect refreshment.

Jane Austen

Lying in bed would be an altogether perfect and supreme experience if only one had a coloured pencil long enough to draw on the ceiling.

GK Chesterton

House and home
Home is where the mortgage is.

Billy Conolly

Home is where you come to when you have nothing better to do.

Margaret Thatcher