"Inspirations" Clip Art Quotes for Teachers & Parents

These quotes are intended to inspire and motivate teachers and parents. As you lead hands-on art projects with your staff and with parents, encourage everyone to select a topic that speaks to them and clip that group of quotes out to glue onto their project. The groupings below are just the right size to clip and stick onto many of the Smart Art 2 lessons, including (but certainly not limited to) the Chopstick Book, Accordion Book, Quick Paper Bag Book, Origami Book, Pitter Patter Plates, and mini versions of the Poetry Panels. Get inspired and have fun!

On Art

There is no must in art because art is free. Kandinsky. Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life. Picasso. Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time. Thomas Merton. Colors speak all languages. Joseph Addison. The job of the artist is always to deepen the mystery. Francis Bacon

On Teachers

A teacher affects eternity. He can never tell where his influence stops. Henry Adams. Teachers are expected to reach unattainable goals with inadequate tools. The miracle is that at times they accomplish this impossible task. Haim Ginott. The work can wait while you show the child the rainbow, but the rainbow won’t wait while you do the work. Patricia Clafford. A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove. But the world may be a little better because I was important in the life of a child. Witcraft

On Living Well

We can do no great things only small things with great heart. Mother Theresa. The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams. Eleanor Roosevelt. And now here is my secret, a very simple secret: It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye. Antoine de Saint-Exupéry. You may say I’m a dreamer, but I’m not the only one. I hope some day you’ll join us, and the world will be as one. John Lennon

On Imagination

Imagination is more important than knowledge. Einstein. All acts performed in the world begin in the imagination. Harrison. My alphabet starts with this letter called yuzz. It’s the letter I use to spell yuzz-a-muzz. You’ll be sort of surprised what there is to be found once you go beyond Z and start poking around! Dr Seuss. Those who dream by day are cognizant of many things which escape those who dream only by night. Edgar Allan Poe. Sometimes I’ve believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast. Lewis Carroll

On Parenting

It’s not only children who grow. Parents do too. As much as we watch to see what our children do with their lives, they are watching us to see what we do with ours. I can’t tell my children to reach for the sun. All I can do is reach for it, myself. Joyce Maynard. There are two lasting bequests we can give our children. One is roots. The other is wings. Hodding Carter. A child enters your home and for the next twenty years makes so much noise you can hardly stand it. The child departs, leaving the house so silent you think you are going mad. John Holmes. You will always be your child’s favorite toy. Vicki Lansky

On Courage and Success

To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment. Emerson. I’ve missed more than 9,000 shots in my career. I’ve lost almost 300 games. 26 times I’ve been trusted to take the game-winning shot and missed. I’ve failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed. Michael Jordan.