

Quotable Quotes

There have been some very memorable quotes throughout history. We have provided a list of some of our favourites. You are bound to come across some as well. You might like to continue to collect quotes relevant to intellectual property that have a quirky sense of humour or that provide an insightful look at society.

You might like to use the quote's subject, message and relevance to provoke discussion about a particular time period or some of the social impacts of intellectual property.

This activity is ideal for introducing or promoting discussion about intellectual property.

Sample Quotes

"He that will not apply new remedies must expect new evils, for time is the greatest innovator."

Francis Bacon

"Scientists as a rule do not discover in order to know, they know in order to discover."

Alfred North Whitehead

"Imagination is more important than knowledge."

Einstein

"What use would this company make of an electric toy?"

Carl Orton, President of Western Union, to Alexander Graham Bell, who offered all rights to the telephone for \$100,000.

"Face it Louis, Civil War pictures never mad a dime."

Irving Thalberg, MGM Producer, advising his boss, Louis B Mayer against buying the rights to "Gone with the Wind".

"If we did all the things we are capable of doing we would literally astound ourselves."

Thomas Edison

"Nothing can come along that will beat the horse and buggy."

Chauncey DePew, President of the New York Central Railroad, warning his nephew about investing in Henry Ford's new company.

"I think there is a world market for about five computers."

Thomas J Watson, founder of IBM speaking about the possible future needs of computers



at home and at work.

"Everything that can be invented has been invented."
Charles H Duell, Commissioner, U.S. Office of Patents, 1899.

"... To raise new questions, new possibilities, to regard old problems from a new angle requires creative imagination ..."
Einstein