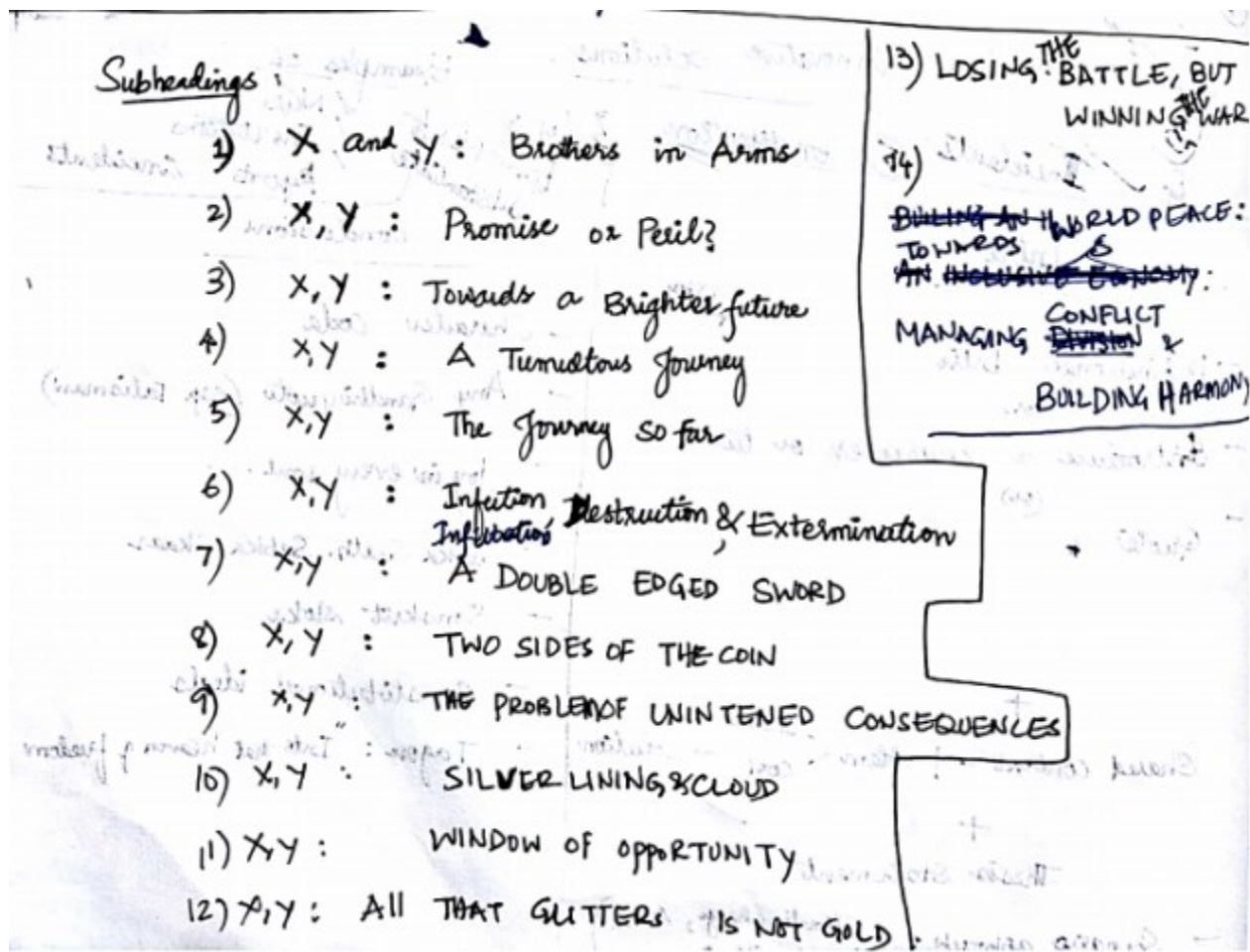


Story/History+Quote

Personal/Professional/ Social/National/International maybe culture

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QUOTES

Lyrics:

The time has come to say fair's fair
To pay the rent, to pay our share
How can we dance when our earth is turning?
How can we sleep when our beds are burning?

Martin Niemoller, Pastor, Poem: And Then They Came For Me-

First they came for the communists,

Well, I was not a communist,
so I said nothing
Then they came for the Social Democrats,
Well, I was not a social democrat,
So i did nothing
Then they came for the Jews,
But i was not a Jew
Then when they came for me,
There was no one left who could stand up for me

1989 Romanian ruler - Nicolae Ceausescu

Use of a newborn baby - Faraday, on electricity

“I measure the progress of a community by the degree of progress which women have achieved”
— Babasaheb Ambedkar.

On Justice

“If you see fraud and do not say fraud, you are a fraud.” - Nassim Taleb
<http://www.bbc.com/culture/story/20181001-the-danish-network-that-defied-hitler>
Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere
To see injustice and do nothing about it is to participate in it - Rousseau

"All it takes for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing." - Lincoln

There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest

Hint - if we stand up, by our action we can encourage others to emulate us.

Kennedy - Each time a man stands up for an ideal, he sends forth a ripple of hope, that can build a current to sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression

Responsibility of all is responsibility of none

The inherent vice of capitalism is unequal sharing of blessings; the inherent virtue of socialism is equal sharing of miseries

Arguing that you don't care about privacy because you have nothing to hide is no different than saying you don't care about free speech because you have nothing to say -> Snowden

Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety

Remedy for such unpleasant speech is more speech, and not enforced silence

Every saint has a past, every sinner has a future

“If all our misfortunes were laid in one common heap whence everyone must take an equal portion, most people would be content to take their own and depart.”

At his best, man is the noblest of all animals; separated from justice and law, he is the worst - Aristotle

Ambedkar - Article 32, right to constitutional remedies - Heart and soul of Constitution

Yato Dharma stato Jayah - Where there is dharma, there shall be victory - Mahabharata Justice shall prevail

Arc of moral universe is long, but it bends towards justice - MLK

LEGALITY VS MORALITY

Ethics is knowing the difference between what you have a right to do and what is right to do

Tragic plight when standard of integrity is nothing more than that a person keep within the letter of the law

EDUCATION W/O CHARACTER

MLK: Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.

Gandhi: Education that does not mould the character is absolutely worthless.

SCIENCE WITHOUT HUMANITY

MLK: Our scientific power has outrun our spiritual power. We have guided missiles and misguided men.

Einstein: Science without religion is lame and religion without science is blind.

NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired is a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and not clothed - Pres Eisenhower (and WW2 Gen, D-Day)

EMPATHY

There are no great things, only small things with great love - Mother Teresa

As human beings, our greatness lies not so much in being able to remake the world as in being able to remake ourselves

The death of one man is a tragedy, the death of millions is a statistic - Joseph Stalin

To educate a man in mind and not in morals is to create a menace to society

ETHICS

Enough on this earth for everyone's need but for no one's greed - Gandhi

An ethical man doesn't need consensus of others to stand for what is right

Nearly all men can withstand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power - Lincoln

I count him braver who overcomes his desires than him who overcomes his enemies - Aristotle

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not an act but a habit. - Aristotle

Devotion to duty is the highest form of worship of God - Swami Vivekananda

The good of an individual is contained in the good of all

Patriotism - True patriotism hates injustice in its own land more than anywhere else
Tagore- I will never allow patriotism to triumph over humanity as long as I live

Mercy - Nothing can make injustice just but mercy - Robert Frost

Family/Childhood role - "The child is the father of the man" - Wordsworth

FREEDOM

If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear - G Orwell

I may not agree with you, but I will defend to the death your right to say it - Voltaire

It is a mark of an educated person to entertain a thought without agreeing with it - Aristotle

If freedom of speech and expression is taken away, then, dumb and silent, we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter

Tagore- I will never allow patriotism to triumph over humanity as long as I live

Tagore - Freedom of mind is needed for the reception of truth

MISC

A man is great by deeds, not by birth - Chanakya

Political power grows out of the barrel of a gun - Mao

It takes a village to raise a child

The child is the father of the man

Attitude, not aptitude, determines your altitude

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Stoic:

The north wind made the Vikings - *easy living, comfort never made people good or happy but those in hard circumstances overcame to become great*

GOVERNANCE

When in doubt, Recall the face of the poorest person you have seen, and ask yourself, if your action is going to be of any use to him. - Gandhi (Talisman)

Chanakya: Just as it is impossible not to taste honey at the tip of the tongue, so it is impossible for a government servant not to eat up some of the king's revenue

It is impossible to know when and how much water a fish drank, similar is the act of stealing money by govt officials.

In the happiness of his subjects lies the king's happiness; in their welfare, his welfare; he shall not consider as good whatever pleases him, but that which pleases his subjects - Chanakya

Public morality must be of a higher calibre than private morality because public employees carry out the public's trust - Paul Appleby

No responsibility of government is more fundamental than the responsibility of maintaining high standards of ethical behaviour - John Kennedy

Plato: The punishment suffered by the wise who refuse to take part in govt is to suffer under the govt of bad men

Napoleon: Law should be so succinct to be carried in the pocket of the coat and so simple to be understood by a peasant

Gladstone: The purpose of a govt is to make it easy for people to do good and difficult to do evil

Lord William Bentinck: The bones of cotton weavers are bleaching the plains of India

Ambedkar: What is a village, but a sink of localism, a den of ignorance, narrow mindedness and communalism

You can fool some of the people all the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you can't fool all the people all the time - Lincoln

Privacy

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Privacy is the line we continuously negotiate between us as individuals and us as social beings responsible to the larger group

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WOMEN

Bad - use to counter: 'A woman should never be independent. Her father has authority over her in childhood, her husband in youth, and her son in old age.' (Manusmriti)

Sexist: John Wayne - "Women have the right to work wherever they want, as long as they have dinner ready when you get home"

Love and respect a woman - blot out from your mind any idea of superiority, you have none. - Mazzini

One is not born a woman, one becomes one - Simone de Beauvoir

Ethics when no one is Ethical

Tagore - If they answer not to your call, walk alone -> Ekla chalo re!

“Nobody needs to wait for anyone to adopt just and humane course of action”. - Gandhi

“let the evil come in this world, let it even dominate this world, but not through me.” - Greek saying

Admin like a ship that serves many - even small hole can sink it

Stone creates ripple

Change

Any man who stands for progress has to challenge every item of the old faith. - Bhagat Singh

Old order should change, yielding place to new, so that one "good" order may not corrupt the world - Bhagat Singh

Mandela - If you want to change the world, start with children.

GANDHI

Nature has enough for man's need but not for his greed

Sarvodaya - Uplift of all

We have not inherited the earth from our ancestors, but borrowed it from our children

Our greatness lies not so much in being able to remake the world as in being able to remake ourselves

Live simply, that others may simply live

Happiness is when what we believe, what we speak and what we do are in complete harmony.

The surest way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others

Recall the face of the poorest person you have seen, and ask yourself, if your action is going to be of any use to him. - Gandhi

Sanskrit Verse, quoted by Gandhi
Kingship and learning are never equal
A king is worshipped in his own kingdom
But a learned man throughout the world

Without ideals, life can have no meaning, because there would be no goals towards which human endeavour can be directed

All reforms owe their origin to minorities in opposition to majorities

The weak can never forgive; forgiveness is the attribute of the strong

For Morality vs Law Dilemma - CONSCIENCE

- An unjust law is itself a species of violence. Arrest for its breach is more so.
- In matters of morality and conscience, the law of majority has no sphere.
- There is a higher court than the courts of justice, and that is the court of conscience. It supersedes all other courts.

I object to violence because when it does do good, the good is only temporary, the evil it does is permanent

Sarva Dharma Sama Bhava - All paths (religions) lead to same destination (God) - equality of religions

Sarva Jana Sukhino Bhavantu - May everyone be happy (not Gandhi)

Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam - world is a family -> Maha Upanishad

SHAKESPEARE

All that glitters is not gold

(This above all, to thine own self be true)

(To thine own self be true, and it must follow, thou canst not be false to any man)

Sweet mercy is nobility's true badge

I must be cruel only to be kind

To do a great right, do a little wrong

There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so

A fool thinks himself to be wise, but a wise man knows himself to be a fool

Not in our stars, my dear Brutus, but in ourselves

No legacy is so rich as honesty

We know what we are, but we know not what we may be

How far a little candle throws its beams! So shines a good deed in a cruel world

What's in a name? A rose by any other name would smell as sweet

The Devil can cite Scripture for his purpose - Use for science vs religion

MARX

The philosophers have hitherto only interpreted the world in various ways; the point is to change it

To Act, not just keep talking

Workers of the world, unite! You have nothing to lose but your chains!

From each according to his ability, to each according to his need