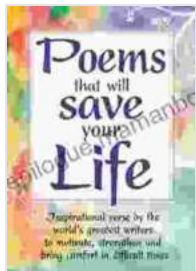


Inspirational Verse By The World's Greatest Writers to Motivate, Strengthen, and Inspire



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In the vast tapestry of literature, poetry stands as a beacon of inspiration, a source of solace, and a catalyst for personal growth. Throughout history, the world's greatest writers have penned verses that have resonated with hearts and minds across generations. These words have the power to ignite our spirits, bolster our resolve, and leave an indelible mark on our souls. In this article, we embark on a journey through the annals of literary history to uncover a treasure trove of inspirational verse that will motivate, strengthen, and inspire you.

Shakespeare: The Bard of Avon

William Shakespeare, the undisputed master of the written word, left behind a legacy of sonnets and plays that continue to captivate audiences to this day. His words are a testament to the human experience, exploring the depths of love, loss, and the complexities of the human condition. In his Sonnet 18, Shakespeare pens the timeless lines:



***“Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?
Thou art more lovely and more temperate:
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer's lease hath all too short a date:***

***Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,
And often is his gold complexion dimm'd;
And every fair from fair sometime declines,
By chance or nature's changing course untrimm'd;***

***But thy eternal summer shall not fade
Nor lose possession of that fair thou owest;
Nor shall Death brag thou wander'st in his shade,
When in eternal lines to time thou growest:
So long as men can breathe or eyes can see,
So long lives this and this gives life to thee.”***

Shakespeare's words remind us of the ephemeral nature of beauty and the enduring power of art. By immortalizing his beloved in verse, he ensures that her memory will live on forever in the hearts of readers.

Wordsworth: The Romantic Wanderer

William Wordsworth, a leading figure of the Romantic movement, found inspiration in the natural world. His poetry celebrates the beauty of the English countryside and the transformative power of nature on the human soul. In his poem "Ode: Intimations of Immortality," Wordsworth writes:



***“There was a time when meadow, grove, and stream,
The earth, and every common sight,
To me did seem
Apparell'd in celestial light,***

***The glory and the freshness of a dream.
It is not now as it hath been of yore;—
Turn wheresoe'er I may,
By night or day,
The things which I have seen I now can see no more.***

***The world is too much with us; late and soon,
Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers;—
Little we see in Nature that is ours;
We have given our hearts away, a sordid boon!***

***This Sea that bares her bosom to the moon;
The winds that will be howling at all hours,
And are up-gather'd now like sleeping flowers;
For this, for everything, we are out of tune;***

***It moves us not. — Great God! I'd rather be
A Pagan suckled in a creed outworn;***

***So might I, standing on this pleasant lea,
Have glimpses that would make me less forlorn;***

***Have sight of Proteus rising from the sea;
Or hear old Triton blow his wreathèd horn.”***

William Wordsworth

Wordsworth's words lament the loss of childhood innocence and the encroachment of modernity on the human experience. He urges us to return to nature as a source of inspiration and renewal.

Keats: The Lyrical Genius

John Keats, a contemporary of Wordsworth, was a master of lyrical poetry. His odes are known for their beauty of language, vivid imagery, and exploration of themes of beauty, love, and mortality. In his "Ode on a Nightingale," Keats writes:

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***“My heart aches, and a drowsy numbness pains
My sense, as though of hemlock I had drunk,
Or emptied some dull opiate to the drains
One minute past, and Lethe-wards had sunk:***

***'Tis not through envy of thy happy lot,
But being too happy in thine happiness,—
That thou, light-winged Dryad of the trees,
In some melodious plot***

***Of beechen green, and shadows numberless,
Singest of summer in full-throated ease.”***

Keats' words capture the bittersweet nature of human existence. He finds solace in the beauty of nature, even as he acknowledges the inevitability of death.

Whitman: The American Bard

Walt Whitman, the great American poet, celebrated the diversity and spirit of his nation. His poetry is characterized by its free verse style, expansive language, and exploration of themes of democracy, equality, and the human condition. In his poem "Song of Myself," Whitman writes:

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***“I celebrate myself, and sing myself,
And what I assume you shall assume,
For every atom belonging to me as good belongs to you.***

***I sing the body electric,
The armies of those I love engirth me and I engirth them,
They will not let me off till I go with them, respond to them,
And discorrupt them, and charge them full with the charge of
the soul.***

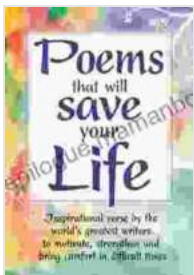
***Was somebody asking to see the soul?
See, your own shape and countenance, persons, substances,
beasts, the trees, the running rivers,
The stars and all the night.”***

Walt Whitman

Whitman's words celebrate the interconnectedness of all living things. He encourages us to embrace our individuality and to work together to create a more just and equitable society.

Dickinson: The Belle of Amherst

Emily Dickinson, a recluse who lived in the small town of Amherst, Massachusetts, produced a body of poetry that is both deeply personal and universally resonant. Her poems explore themes of love, loss, faith, and the struggle for meaning



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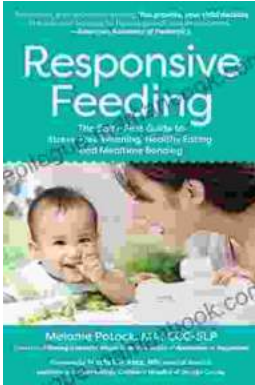
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