

Jane Eyre Quotes

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Quotes

1. Quote: ***"I am no bird; and no net ensnares me: I am a free human being with an independent will."*** – (Jane Eyre, Chapter 23)

Explanation:

Here, Jane asserts her independence. She declares that even if she loves someone, she will not sacrifice her freedom. This is a symbol of women's liberation and self-respect.

1. Quote: ***"Do you think I am an automaton? — a machine without feelings?"*** – (Jane Eyre, Chapter 23)

Explanation:

Jane says this while expressing her feelings to Rochester. She shows that women are not just about outward beauty; they also have emotions and self-respect.

1. Quote: ***"Reader, I married him."*** – (Jane Eyre, Chapter 38 – Final Chapter)

Explanation:

This is the most famous line of the novel. Short but powerful. Here, Jane takes control of her own life. It is her declaration of love, equality, and independent choice.

1. Quote: ***"I am not an angel, and I will not be one till I die: I will be myself."*** – (Jane Eyre, Chapter 24)

Explanation:

Jane clearly declares that she will not live in hypocrisy. She will live as she truly is. This is a symbol of honesty and self-identity.

1. Quote: ***"I would always rather be happy than dignified."*** – (Jane Eyre, Chapter 34)

Explanation:

In this quote, Jane says that happiness is the true purpose of life. If one gains only social respect but lacks love and peace, then it is meaningless.

1. Quote: ***"Life appears to me too short to be spent in nursing animosity or registering wrongs."*** – (Helen Burns, Chapter 6)

Explanation:

Helen Burns teaches Jane forgiveness and patience. This quote symbolizes Christian values and inner peace.

1. Quote: ***"Conventionality is not morality. Self-righteousness is not religion."*** – (Jane Eyre, Preface)

Explanation:

Here, Jane criticizes the hypocrisy and superficiality of society. She shows that true morality comes from inner honesty, not just from following rules

1. Quote: ***"I ask you to pass through life at my side—to be my second self, and best earthly companion."*** – (Mr. Rochester, Chapter 23)

Explanation:

Rochester's proposal reveals the depth of love. He wants Jane as an equal partner. It is a symbol of equality and true love.

1. Quote: ***"Prejudices, it is well known, are most difficult to eradicate from the heart whose soil has never been loosened or fertilized by education."*** – (Narrator/Jane, Chapter 29)

Explanation:

This quote is powerful in showing the importance of education. It suggests that ignorance gives birth to prejudice, and education sets people free.

1. Quote: ***"I care for myself. The more solitary, the more friendless, the more unsustained I am, the more I will respect myself."*** – (Jane Eyre, Chapter 27)

Explanation:

When Jane leaves Rochester's house, she says this. It is a declaration of self-respect, courage, and independence.

