APPENDIX 1 | QUOTATIONS

Women like silent men. They think they're listening. Marcel Achard 1899-1974 French playwight and screenwriter

Politics, as a practice, has always been the systematic organization of hatreds.

Henry Adams 1850-1906 American farmer, public official and politician: The Education of Henry Adams (1907)

More than any other time in history, mankind faces a crossroads. One path leads to despair and utter hopelessness, the other to total extinction. Let us pray we have the wisdom to choose correctly.

My wife was an immature woman... I would be home in the bathroom, taking a bath, and she would walk in whenever she felt like it and sink my boats.

Woody Allen 1935- American screenwriter, film director, actor, comedian, writer, musician and playwright

Woman is the salvation or the destruction of the family. She carries its destiny in the folds of her mantle.

Henri-Frédéric Amiel 1821-81 Swiss philosopher, poet and critic

If you can't annoy somebody with what you write, I think there's little point in writing.

Sir Kingsley Amis 1922-95 English novelist, poet and critic: Radio Times 1 May 1971

The sadness of the women's movement is that they don't allow the necessity of love. See, I don't personally trust any revolution where love is not allowed.

in California Living 14 May 1975

We allow our ignorance to prevail upon us and make us think we can survive alone, alone in patches, alone in groups, alone in races, alone even in genders.

If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude. Don't complain.

Maya Angelou 1928- American authoress and poet

Resolved, that the women of this nation in 1876, have greater cause for discontent, rebellion and revolution than the men of 1776.

Susan B Anthony 1820-1906 American civil rights leader

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A man's looks are measured by the depth of his pockets. **Elizabeth Aston** *Mr Darey's Daughters* (2003)

My vigor, vitality, and cheek repel me. I am the kind of woman I would run from.

Nancy Astor 1879-1964 first woman to sit in the British House of Commons as a Member of Parliament

Evil is unspectacular and always human, And shares our bed and eats at our own table. **WH Auden** 1907-1973 Anglo-American poet

A woman should never be trusted with money.

The Watsons (unfinished novel started in 1803)

Where so many hours have been spent in convincing myself that I am right, is there not some reason to fear I may be wrong?

Jane Austen 1775-1817 British novelist

I mean, damn it all, one minute you're having a perfectly good time and the next, you suddenly see them there like – some old sports jacket or something – literally beginning to come apart at the seams.

of women

Alan Ayckbourn 1939- English dramatist: Absurd Person Singular (1971)

Going to war without France is like going deer hunting without an accordion. You just leave a lot of useless, noisy baggage behind.

Jed Babbin a born diplomat, former United States Deputy Under Secretary of Defence, author, political commentator, contributing editor to *The American Spectator* and talk radio bost

No man has ever yet discovered the way to give friendly advice to any woman, not even to his own wife.

Petite misères de la vie conjugale (1846)

Equality may perhaps be a right, but no power on earth can ever turn it into a fact.

[Author's note: true, but try telling that to Harriet Harman...]

No man should marry before he has studied anatomy and dissected the body of a woman.

Honoré de Balzac 1799-1850 French novelist and playwright

I can win an argument on any topic, against any opponent. People know this, and steer clear of me at parties. Often, as a sign of their great respect, they don't even invite me.

Dave Barry 1947- American author and columnist

The way to fight a woman is with your hat. Grab it and run. John Barrymore 1882-1942 American actor

It is not necessary to understand things in order to argue about them. **Pierre-Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais** 1732-99 French dramatist

It is not in giving life but in risking life that man is raised above the animal; that is why superiority has been accorded in humanity not to the sex that brings forth but to that which kills.

Simone de Beauvoir 1908-86 French philosopher and social theorist: *The Second Sex* (1950)

A great deal of intelligence can be invested in ignorance when the need for illusion is deep.

There is only one way to defeat the enemy, and that is to write as well as one can. The best argument is an undeniably good book.

Saul Bellow 1915-2005 American novelist

One of the few lessons I have learnt in life is that there is invariably something odd about women who wear ankle socks.

Alan Bennett 1934- English actor and playwright: The Old Country (1978)

You can't be fuelled by bitterness. It can eat you up, but it cannot drive you.

Benazir Bhutto 1953-2007 Pakistani stateswoman, Prime Minister 1988-90 and 1993-96: *Daughter of Destiny* (1989)

Bride, n. A woman with a fine prospect of happiness behind her.

Cabbage: A familiar kitchen-garden vegetable about as large and wise as a man's head.

Convent, n. A place of retirement for woman who wish for leisure to meditate upon the vice of idleness.

Female, n. One of the opposing, or unfair, sex.

Maiden, n. A young person of the unfair sex addicted to clewless conduct and views that madden to crime. The genus has a wide geographical distribution, being found wherever sought and deplored wherever found. The maiden is not altogether unpleasing to the eye, nor (without her piano and her views) insupportable to the ear, though in respect to comeliness distinctly inferior to the rainbow, and, with regard to the part of her that is audible, beaten out of the field by the canary – which, also, is more portable.

Weaknesses, n.pl. Certain primal powers of Tyrant Woman wherewith she holds dominion over the male of her species, binding him to the service of her will and paralyzing his rebellious energies.

Witch, n. (1) Any ugly and repulsive old woman, in a wicked league with the devil. (2) A beautiful and attractive young woman, in wickedness a league beyond the devil.

Ambrose Bierce 1842-1913 American writer and satirist: The Devil's Dictionary (1911)

Silence is one of the great arts of conversation, as allowed by Cicero himself, who says, 'there is not only an art, but an eloquence in it.' A well bred woman may easily and effectually promote the most useful and elegant conversation without speaking a word. The modes of speech are scarcely more variable than the modes of silence.

Tom Blair

Women have no wilderness in them, They are provident instead, Content in the tight hot cell of their hearts To eat dusty bread. Louise Bogan 1897-1970 American poet: 'Women' (1923)

Humor is by far the most significant activity of the human brain. **Edward De Bono** 1933- physician, author, inventor and consultant

All I can say about Gary Cooper is he's hung like a horse and can go all night.

Clara Bow 1905-65 American actress, flapper and sex symbol

Sex is like pizza. Even when it's bad it's good.

Mel Brooks 1926- American film director, screenwriter, composer, lyricist, comedian, actor and producer

My lesbianism is an act of Christian charity. All those women out there praying for a man, and I'm giving them my share.

Rita Mae Brown 1944- American writer

Across much of Britain's public discourse, a reliance on reason has been replaced with a reliance on the emotional appeal of an argument. Parallel to the once-trusted world of empiricism and deductive reasoning, an often overwhelmingly powerful emotional landscape has been created, rewarding people with feelings of virtue for some beliefs, punishing with feelings of guilt for others. It is a belief system that echoes religion in providing ready, emotionally satisfying answers for a world too complex to understand fully, and providing a gratifying sense of righteousness absent in our otherwise secular society.

Anthony Browne 1967- British journalist, think tank director, Policy Director for Economic Development for Boris Johnson, the Mayor of London: *The Retreat of Reason* (2006)

The so-called conservative, uncomfortably disdainful of controversy, seldom has the energy to fight his battles, while the radical, so often a member of the minority, exerts disproportionate influence because of his dedication to his cause.

God and Man at Yale (1951)

Conservatism is the tacit acknowledgement that all that is finally important in human experience is behind us; that the crucial explorations have been undertaken, and that it is given to man to know what are the great truths that emerged from them.

Liberalism cannot sustain our civilization on the little it has to offer. It is sustaining the majority of our intellectuals, but that proves easier than holding together the world.

A marked characteristic of the liberal-in-a-debate-with-a-conservative is the tacit premise that debate is ridiculous because there is nothing whatever to debate about. Arguments based on fact are especially to be avoided.

Up from Liberalism 2nd ed. (1968)

I'd rather entrust the government of the United States to the first 400 people listed in the Boston telephone directory than to the faculty of Harvard University.

I would like to take you seriously but to do so would affront your intelligence.

William F Buckley Ir 1925-2008 American conservative author and commentator

A pretty woman is a welcome guest. **Lord Byron** 1788-1824 British poet

What is a rebel? A man who says no.

Albert Camus 1913-1960 French author, journalist, and philosopher: *The Rebel* (1951)

Life's difficult enough without Meryl Streep movies.

Truman Capote 1924-84 American writer

Abstract art is a product of the untalented, sold by the unprincipled to the utterly bewildered.

Al Capp 1909-1979 American cartoonist and humorist

We have given away far too many freedoms in order to be free. Now it's time to take some back.

John Le Carré 1931- British author

Behind every successful man is a woman rolling her eyes. Jim Carrey 1962- Canadian-American actor, comedian and writer: *Bruce Almighty* (2003)

I visited Karl Marx's tomb in Highgate Cemetery in London last week. It was a communist plot.

Paul Carrington 1950- British martial arts expert, security man, thrice married (to Yugoslavian, Italian and Ugandan women), thrice divorced, single, eternal optimist, singersongwriter, socialist, the chauffeur in the author's travelogue *Two Men in a Car* and one of eight guitarists – Thunderin' Paul Carrington – whose life stories are related in the author's *Guitar Gods in Beds. (Bedfordshire: a heavenly county).*

Difficulties are meant to rouse, not discourage. The human spirit is to grow strong by conflict.

William Ellery Channing 1780-1842 Unitarian preacher

In all legends men have thought of women as sublime separately but horrible in a herd.

GK Chesterton 1874-1936 English writer: 'What's Wrong With the World' (1910)

To be conservative at 20 is heartless and to be a liberal at 60 is plain idiocy.

You can always trust the Americans. In the end they will do the right thing, after they have eliminated all the other possibilities.

The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of blessings. The inherent virtue of socialism is the equal sharing of misery.

Sir Winston Churchill 1874-1965 British Conservative politician, Prime Minister 1940-45, 1951-55, soldier and painter

When you have no basis of argument, abuse the plaintiff.

Cicero 106BC - 43BC Roman orator and statesman

Oh, to be seventy again!

on seeing a pretty girl on his eightieth birthday

Georges Clemenceau 1841-1929 French statesman, physician, journalist, Prime Minister of France 1906-09, 1917-20

Sensible and responsible women do not want to vote. The relative positions to be assumed by man and woman in the working out of our civilization were assigned long ago by a higher intelligence than ours.

Grover Cleveland 1837-1908 President of the United States (1885-9, 1893-7)

A female acquaintance of The Princess [Author's note: The Princess is Vernon Coleman's wife Donna Antoinette, 26 years his junior, often referred to in his books as 'the totally adorable Welsh Princess'] came to lunch today. She believes in equality and the liberation of women and is a huge fan of Harriet Harman which I personally believe probably makes her certifiable. She complained bitterly that her new boyfriend always leaves the toilet seat up. She asked why men do this. I told her that men are equally upset by the fact that many women leave the toilet seat down. She tried to comment on this but failed to find anything to say and managed only to give an excellent impression of a goldfish singing in a church choir.

Vernon Coleman 1946- English author and former general practitioner: Diary of a Disgruntled Man (2011)

The most happy marriage I can imagine to myself would be the union of a deaf man to a blind woman.

Samuel Taylor Coleridge 1772-1834 English poet, literary critic and philosopher

Being a woman is a terribly difficult task since it consists principally in dealing with men.

Joseph Conrad 1857-1924 Polish-born English novelist

Apparently bears are attracted to women in their menstrual cycles. A 1,000lb grizzly against a 120lb woman with cramps. I say fair fight. Simon Cotter Canadian comedian

I've sometimes thought of marrying, and then I've thought again.

Certain women should be struck regularly, like gongs. *Private Lives* (1930)

If you'd been any prettier it would have been 'Florence of Arabia'. to Peter O'Toole on Laurence of Arabia (1962)

Quotations

I can take any amount of criticism, so long as it is unqualified praise. quoted in Laurence J Peter, *Quotations for Our Time* (1977)

My dear boy, forget about the motivation. Just say the lines and don't trip over the furniture.

advice to a theatre actor

For God's sake, go and tell that young man to take the Rockingham tea service out of his tights.

to choreographer about male dancer with unsightly bulge

The food was so abominable that I used to cross myself before taking a mouthful... I used to say, 'Ian, it tastes like armpits.'
of Ian Fleming's hospitality

She couldn't get a laugh if she pulled a kipper out of her cunt. of an actress unable to elicit comedy from his lines

I don't see why not; everyone else has.

passing a Leicester Square movie poster which proclaimed 'Michael Redgrave and Dirk Bogarde in *The Sea Shall Not Have Them*'

Doesn't everyone?

when asked why he drank champagne for breakfast

I was delighted to see that you thought I was as good as I thought I was. Sir Noël Coward 1899-1973 English entertainer and writer

The strongest possible piece of advice I would give any young woman is: Don't screw around, and don't smoke.

Edwina Currie 1946- British Conservative politician, novelist and broadcaster: Observer (1988)

The first man to compare the cheeks of a young woman to a rose was obviously a poet; the first to repeat it was possibly an idiot.

Salvador Dali 1904-1989 Spanish surrealist painter: Dialogues with Marcel Duchamp (1987)

Happiness is always a by-product. It is probably a matter of temperament, and for anything I know it may be glandular. But it is not something that can be demanded from life, and if you are not happy you had better stop worrying about it and see what treasures you can pluck from your own brand of unhappiness.

Many a promising career has been wrecked by marrying the wrong sort of woman. The right sort of woman can distinguish between Creative Lassitude and plain shiftlessness.

Robertson Davies 1913-95 Canadian novelist, playwright, critic, journalist and academic

There comes a time in every woman's life when the only thing that helps is a glass of champagne.

Bette Davis 1908-89 American actress of film, television and theatre

The first and great commandment is: Don't let them scare you. Elmer Davis 1890-1958 American journalist and author

I have long since come to believe that people never mean half of what they say, and that it is best to disregard their talk and judge only their actions.

Dorothy Day 1897-1980 American journalist and social activist

A good psychic would pick up the phone before it rang. My psychic once said to me, 'God Bless you.' I said, 'I didn't sneeze.' She looked deep into my eyes and said, 'You will, eventually.' And damn it if she wasn't right. Two days later I sneezed.

Ellen DeGeneres 1958- American stand-up comedienne, television hostess and actress

The feminist movement seems to have beaten the manners out of men, but I didn't see them put up a lot of resistance.

Clarissa Theresa Philomena Aileen Mary Josephine Agnes Elsie Trilby Louise Esmerelda Dickson Wright 1947- English celebrity chef. Trained as a lawyer, she became the youngest woman ever to be called to the Bar: *Mail on Sunday*, 24 September 2000

Girls bored me – they still do. I love Mickey Mouse more than any woman I've ever known.

Walt Disney 1901-66 American film producer, director, screenwriter, voice actor, animator, entrepreneur, entertainer and philanthropist

Man is tormented by no greater anxiety than to find someone quickly to whom he can hand over that great gift of freedom with which the illfated creature is born.

Fyodor Dostoevsky 1821-81 Russian novelist and essayist: The Brothers Karamazov (1880)

Would you mind if I flew the Atlantic?

Amelia Earhart 1898-1937 American aviatrix to her husband George Putnam; George P Putnam *Soaring Wings* (1939)

There is no expedient to which a man will not go to avoid the labour of thinking.

Thomas A Edison 1847-1931 American inventor, scientist and businessman

Every man who is not a monster, mathematician or a mad philosopher, is the slave of some woman or other.

George Eliot 1819-1880 English authoress: Scenes of Clerical Life (1857)

Misunderstood! It is a right fool's word. Is it so bad then to be misunderstood? Pythagoras was misunderstood, and Socrates, and Jesus, and Luther, and Copernicus, and Galileo, and Newton, and every pure and wise spirit that ever took flesh. To be great is to be misunderstood.

Essays (1841)

[Author's note: my uncle Henry is frequently misunderstood, but you wouldn't call him great. Stupid, possibly, but not great.]

There is always a certain meanness in the argument of conservatism, joined with a certain superiority in its fact.

The Conservative (1849)

Ralph Waldo Emerson 1803-82 American essayist, philosopher and poet

Many a man who falls in love with a dimple makes the mistake of marrying the whole girl.

Evan Esar 1899-1995 American humorist: Esar's Comic Dictionary (1943)

When a woman behaves like a man, why can't she behave like a *nice* man? **Dame Edith Evans** 1888-1976 British actress

I've never struck a woman in my life, not even my own mother.

I was in love with a beautiful blonde once. She drove me to drink. 'Tis the one thing I'm indebted to her for.

Never Give a Sucker an Even Break (1941)

It reminds me of an aardvark's ass. of Jeanette Macdonald's face.

Women are like elephants to me: nice to look at, but I wouldn't want to own one.

I believe in clubs for women, but only if every other form of persuasion fails.

WC Fields 1880-1946 American comedian, actor, juggler and writer

Here's how men think. Sex, work – and those are reversible, depending on age – sex, work, food, sports and lastly, begrudgingly, relationships. And here's how women think. Relationships, relationships, relationships, work, sex, shopping, weight, food.

Carrie Fisher 1956- American actress, screenwriter and novelist: Surrender the Pink (1990)

The test of a first-rate intelligence is the ability to hold two opposed ideas in the mind at the same time, and still retain the ability to function. **F Scott Fitzgerald** 1896-1940 American author

History is a voice forever sounding across the centuries the laws of right and wrong. Opinions alter, manners change, creeds rise and fall, but the moral law is written on the tablets of eternity.

James A Forude

Getting married for sex is like buying a 747 for the free peanuts. **Jeff Foxworthy** 1958- American comedian and author

Emotion is a rotten base for politics.

Dick Francis 1920-2010 British horse racing crime writer and retired jockey

Perhaps the history of the errors of mankind, all things considered, is more valuable and interesting than that of their discoveries. Truth is uniform and narrow; it constantly exists, and does not seem to require so much an active energy, as a passive aptitude of the soul in order to encounter it. But error is endlessly diversified; it has no reality, but is the pure and simple creation of the mind that invents it. In this field the soul has room enough to expand herself, to display all her boundless faculties, and all her beautiful and interesting extravagancies and absurdities.

Benjamin Franklin 1706-1790 American author, printer, political theorist, politician, postmaster, scientist, musician, inventor, satirist, civic activist, statesman and diplomat: Report to the King of France on Animal Magnetism (1784)

The awe and dread with which the untutored savage contemplates his mother-in-law are amongst the most familiar facts of anthropology. Sir James Frazer 1854-1941 Scottish classicist, anthropologist: *The Golden Bough* (1922)

Whatever they may be in public life, whatever their relations with men, in their relations with women, all men are rapists, and that's all they are. They rape us with their eyes, their laws, and their codes.

I hate discussions of feminism that end up with who does the dishes,' she said. So do I. But at the end, there are always the damned dishes.

The Women's Room (1977)

Marilyn French 1929- American writer

It is easier to live through someone else than to become complete yourself.

It is better for a woman to compete impersonally in society, as men do, than to compete for dominance in her own home with her husband, compete with her neighbours for empty status, and so smother her son that he cannot compete at all.

Betty Friedan 1921-2006 American writer, activist and feminist

A society that puts equality – in the sense of equality of outcome – ahead of freedom will end up with neither equality nor freedom.

Milton Friedman 1912-2006 American economist and statistician: Free to Choose (1980)

Male and female represent the two sides of the great radical dualism. But in fact they are perpetually passing into one another. Fluid hardens to solid, solid rushes to fluid. There is no wholly masculine man, no purely feminine woman.

Margaret Fuller 1810-50 American journalist, critic, and women's rights advocate: Woman in the Nineteenth Century (1845)

Under capitalism, man exploits man. Under communism, it's just the opposite.

John Kenneth Galbraith 1908-2006 Canadian-American economist

With reasonable men I will reason; with humane men I will plea; but to tyrants I will give no quarter, nor waste arguments where they will certainly be lost.

William Lloyd Garrison 1805-79 American anti-slavery campaigner

I'll not listen to reason... Reason always means what someone else has got to say.

Cranford (1853)

Your wife and I didn't hit it off the only time I ever saw her. I won't say she was silly, but I think one of us was silly, and it wasn't me.

Wives and Daughters (1866)

Elizabeth Gaskell 1810-65 British novelist

Man is the only animal whose desires increase as they are fed; the only animal that is never satisfied.

Henry George 1839-97 American writer, politician and political economist

Against criticism a man can neither protest nor defend himself; he must act in spite of it, and then it will gradually yield to him.

The phrases that men hear or repeat continually, end by becoming convictions and ossify the organs of intelligence.

The intelligent man finds almost everything ridiculous, the sensible man hardly anything.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe 1749-1832 German writer, pictorial artist, biologist, theoretical physicist, and polymath

Commandment Number One of any truly civilised society is this: let people be different.

David Grayson 1870-1946 American journalist and author

So many new ideas are at first strange and horrible, though ultimately valuable, that a very heavy responsibility rests upon those who would prevent their dissemination.

JBS Haldane 1892-1964 British-born Indian geneticist and evolutionary biologist

It is not worth an intelligent man's time to be in the majority. By definition, there are already enough people to do that.

GH Hardy 1877-1947 English mathematician

Loving is misery for women always. I shall never forgive God for making me a woman and dearly am I beginning to pay for the honour of owning a pretty face.

Thomas Hardy 1840-1928 English novelist and poet: Bathsheba Everdene in Far From the Madding Crowd (1874)

Man is the only animal that laughs and weeps, for he is the only animal that is struck with the difference between what things are and what they ought to be.

William Hazlitt 1778-1830 English writer, essayist, critic and philosopher

A fair society is one in which some people fail – and they may fail in something other than precise, demographically representative proportions.

William A Henry III 1950-1994 American cultural critic and author: In Defence of Elitism (1994)

Humans live best when each has his place, when each knows where he belongs in the scheme of things. Destroy the place and destroy the person.

Frank Herbert 1920-1986 American science fiction author: *Dune* (1965)

By means of shrewd lies, unremittingly repeated, it is possible to make people believe that heaven is hell – and hell heaven. The greater the lie, the more readily it will be believed by the great masses.

Adolf Hitler 1889-1945 Austrian-born German politician, leader of the National Socialist Workers party: *Mein Kampf* (1925-6)

Man's mind, once stretched by a new idea, never regains its original dimensions.

When I think of talking, it is of course with a woman. For talking at its best being an inspiration, it wants a corresponding divine quality of receptiveness, and where will you find this but in a woman?

Oliver Wendell Holmes 1809-1894 American physician, professor, lecturer and author

The Blues ain't nothin' but a good woman on your mind. **Mississippi John Hurt** 1893-1966 American country blues singer and guitarist

Single-mindedness is all very well in cows or baboons; in an animal claiming to belong to the same species as Shakespeare it is simply disgraceful.

At least two-thirds of our miseries spring from human stupidity, human malice and those great motivators and justifiers of malice and stupidity: idealism, dogmatism and proselytising zeal on behalf of religious or political ideas.

Most human beings have an almost infinite capacity for taking things for granted.

Aldous Huxley 1894-1963 English writer, humanist and pacifist

Any doctrine that will not bear investigation is not a fit tenant for the mind of an honest man.

Robert Ingersoll 1833-99 American Civil War veteran, political leader and orator during the Golden Age of Freethought

What courage can withstand the ever-enduring and all-besetting terrors of a woman's tongue?

Rip Van Winkle (1819)

A woman's whole life is a history of the affections. **Washington Irving** 1783-1859 American author, essayist, biographer and historian

Men and women. Women and men. It will never work.

Erica Jong 1942- American authoress and teacher

Jesus was a bachelor and never lived with a woman. Surely living with a woman is one of the most difficult things a man has to do, and he never did it.

James Joyce 1882-1941 Irish novelist and poet

I once complained to my father that I didn't seem to be able to do things the same way other people did. Dad's advice? 'Margo, don't be a sheep. People hate sheep. They eat sheep.'

The only thing worse than a man you can't control is a man you can. Margo Kaufman American writer

When I was a kid I used to pray every night for a new bike. Then I realised that the Lord doesn't work that way, so I stole one and asked him to forgive me.

Peter Kay 1973- British comedian, comedy writer, producer, director and actor

Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it.

Helen Keller 1880-1968 American deaf blind author, political activist and lecturer

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

Martin Luther King Jr 1929-1968 American clergyman and political activist: Strength to Love (1963)

Every woman knows all about everything.

Rudyard Kipling 1865-1936 English poet, short-story writer, and novelist: The Eye of Allah (1926)

Givers have to set limits because takers rarely do. Irma Kurtz 1935- American-born British journalist and author

There's a great woman behind every idiot. John Lennon 1940-1980 English musician and singer-songwriter

Why can't a woman be more like a man? Men are so honest, so thoroughly square;

Eternally noble, historically fair.

Alan Jay Lerner 1918-86 American songwriter: 'A Hymn to Him' My Fair Lady (1956)

Somewhere on this globe, every ten seconds, there is a woman giving birth to a child. She must be found and stopped.

Sam Levenson 1911-1980 American humorist, writer, teacher, television host and journalist

Children need love and discipline. They need mothers and fathers. A welfare check is not a husband. The state is not a father.

Rush Limbaugh 1951- American radio host and conservative political commentator: See, I Told You So (1993)

New opinions are always suspected, and usually opposed, without any other reason but because they are not already common.

An Essay concerning Human Understanding (1690)

Earthly minds, like mud walls, resist the strongest batteries; and though, perhaps, sometimes the force of a clear argument may make some impression, yet they nevertheless stand firm, keep out the enemy, truth, that would captivate or disturb them.

John Locke 1632-1704 English philosopher

I define comfort as self-acceptance. When we finally learn that self-care begins and ends with ourselves, we no longer demand sustenance and happiness from others.

Jennifer Louden

Poor is the man whose pleasures depend on the permission of another. **Madonna** 1958- American singer-songwriter, actress and entrepreneur

There is no greater importance in all the world like knowing you are right and that the wave of the world is wrong, yet the wave crashes upon you. **Norman Mailer** 1923-2007 American novelist, journalist, essayist, poet, playwright, screenwriter and film director: *Armies Of The Night* (1968)

The human race progresses because and when the strongest human powers and the highest human faculties lead it . . . if all the ruling classes of today could be disposed of in a single massacre, and nobody left but those who at present call themselves the workers, these workers would be as helpless as a flock of shepherdless sheep.

William Hurrell Mallock 1849-1923 English author: Aristocracy and Evolution (1892)

I seek constantly to improve my manners and graces, for they are the sugar to which all are attracted.

Og Mandino 1923-1996 American author

The sign of an intelligent people is their ability to control emotions by the application of reason.

Marya Mannes 1904-90 American authoress and critic

There is one thing I would break up over, and that is if she caught me with another woman. I won't stand for that.

Steve Martin 1945- American actor, comedian, writer, playwright, producer, musician and composer