"But man is not made for defeat. A man can be destroyed but not defeated"

The Old Man and the Sea, by Ernest Hemingway

"For what sort of freedom is it, you reasoned, if obedience is bought with loaves of bread?"

The Brothers Karamazov, by Fyodor Dostoevsky

"I do know my own mind,' protested Anne. 'The trouble is, my mind changes and then I have to get acquainted with it all over again."

Anne of the Island, by L.M. Montgomery

"For in Calormen, storytelling (whether the stories are true or made up) is a thing you're taught, just as English boys and girls are taught essay writing. The difference is that people want to hear the stories, whereas I never heard anyone who wanted to read the essays."

The Horse and His Boy, by C.S. Lewis

"It is a far, far better thing that I do, than I have ever done; it is a far far better rest that I go to than I have ever known."

A Tale of Two Cities, by Charles Dickens

"How much better it is to weep at joy than to joy at weeping!"

Much Ado About Nothing, by Shakespeare

"Besides, I've been feeling a little blue — just a pale, elusive azure. It isn't serious enough for anything darker."

Anne of the Island, by L.M. Montgomery

"When I became a man I put away childish things, including the fear of childishness and the desire to be very grown up."

On Three Ways of Writing for Children, by C.S. Lewis

"We might think that God wanted simply obedience to a set of rules: whereas He really wants people of a particular sort."

Mere Christianity, by C.S. Lewis

"It's not often someone comes along who is a great friend and a good writer. Charlotte was both."

Charlotte's Web, by EB White

Deep into that darkness peering, long I stood there, wondering, fearing, doubting,
dreaming dreams no mortal ever dared to dream before.'

Edgar Allan Poe: Complete Tales and Poems, by Edgar Allan Poe

"It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man in possession of a good fortune,

must be in want of a wife."

Pride and Prejudice, by Jane Austen

"Two things cannot be in one place. Where you tend a rose, my lad, A thistle cannot grow."

The Secret Garden, by Frances Hodgson Burnett

"I meant what I said and I said what I meant. An elephant's faithful one-hundred percent!"

Horton Hatches the Egg, by Dr. Suess

"Fairy tales are more than true: not because they tell us that dragons exist,
but because they tell us that dragons can be beaten."

Neil Gaiman paraphrasing G.K. Chesterton

"Life appears to me too short to be spent in nursing animosity or registering wrongs."

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brontë

Alice: Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?

The Cheshire Cat: That depends a good deal on where you want to get to.

Alice: I don't much care where.

The Cheshire Cat: Then it doesn't much matter which way you go.

Alice in Wonderland, by Lewis Carroll

"All grown-ups were once children...but only few of them remember it."

The Little Prince, by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

"Finally, from so little sleeping and so much reading, his brain dried up and he went completely out of his mind."

Don Quixote, by Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra

"His house was perfect whether you liked food, or sleep, or work, or story-telling, or singing, or just sitting and thinking best, or a pleasant mixture of them all. Evil things did not come into that valley."

The Hobbit, by J.R.R. Tolkien

"It is a great misfortune to be alone, my friends; and it must be believed that solitude can quickly destroy reason."

The Mysterious Island, by Jules Verne

"It sounds plausible enough tonight, but wait until tomorrow. Wait for the common sense of the morning."

The Time Machine, by HG Wells

"Towards thee I roll, thou all-destroying but unconquering whale; to the last I grapple with thee; from hell's heart I stab at thee; for hate's sake I spit my last breath at thee."

Moby Dick, by Herman Melville

"Nowadays people know the price of everything and the value of nothing."

The Picture Of Dorian Gray, by Oscar Wilde

"'Why did you do all this for me?' he asked. 'I don't deserve it. I've never done anything for you.'

'You have been my friend,' replied Charlotte. 'That in itself is a tremendous thing.'"

Charlotte's Web, by E.B. White

"If you want to build a ship, don't drum up the men to gather wood, divide the work and give orders.

Instead, teach them to yearn for the vast and endless sea."

The Little Prince, by Antoine de Saint-Exupery

"Nothing is so painful to the human mind as a great and sudden change."

Frankenstein, by Mary Shelley

"I know not all that may be coming, but be it what it will, I'll go to it laughing."

Moby Dick, by Herman Melville

"I cannot fix on the hour, or the spot, or the look or the words, which laid the foundation. It is too long ago.

I was in the middle before I knew that I had begun."

Pride and Prejudice, by Jane Austen

"And so we beat on, boats against the current, borne back ceaselessly into the past."

The Great Gatsby, by F. Scott Fitzgerald

"The moment you doubt whether you can fly, you cease forever to be able to do it."

Peter Pan, by J.M. Barrie

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose.

You're on your own. And you know what you know. And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go..."

Oh, The Places You'll Go!, by Dr. Seuss

"I don't understand it any more than you do, but one thing I've learned is that you don't have to understand things for them to be."

A Wrinkle in Time, by Madeleine L'Engle

"There is nothing sweeter in this sad world than the sound of someone you love calling your name."

The Tale of Despereaux, by Kate DiCamillo

"It has been a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day. My mom says some days are like that. Even in Australia."

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day, by Judith Viorst

"Don't adventures ever have an end? I suppose not. Someone else always has to carry on the story."

The Fellowship of the Ring, by J.R.R. Tolkien