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# Character Development Quotes

**Directions:**

Select one Character Development Quote to reinforce throughout the week.

**Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.**

— John Wooden

**No one is perfect... that's why pencils have erasers.**

— Wolfgang Riebe

**Mistakes are proof you are trying.**

— Author unknown

**Be yourself. Everyone else is taken.**

— Oscar Wilde

**Don't struggle alone. Ask for support.**

— Trevor Romain

**Little by little, a little becomes a lot.**

— Tanzanian proverb

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**Do the hardest homework first.**

– Trevor Romain

**Friends are like toothpaste. They always come through in a tight squeeze.**

– Author unknown

**Getting more sleep could help you get better grades.**

– Trevor Romain

**Don't tell me the sky's the limit when there are footprints on the moon.**

– Paul Brandt

**Success doesn't just happen. It's planned for.**

– Author unknown

**Being kind is never wasted.**

– Trevor Romain

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**I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust the sails.**

— Jimmy Dean

**Teamwork divides the effort and multiplies the effect.**

— Amish proverb

**One positive thought in the morning can change your whole day.**

— Author unknown

**The past is like using your rear-view mirror in the car. It's good to glance back and see how far you've come, but if you stare too long, you'll miss what's right in front of you.**

— Author unknown

**Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened.**

— Dr. Seuss

**Fall seven times, stand up eight.**

— Japanese proverb

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**Life has no remote.  
Get up and change it yourself.**

— Mark A. Cooper

**Never waste a minute thinking  
about people you don't like.**

— Amish proverb

**Why fit in when you were born  
to stand out?**

— Dr. Seuss

**Quality means doing it right  
when no one is looking.**

— Henry Ford

**When things aren't adding up  
in your life, start subtracting.**

— Dr. Seuss

**It's not what happens to you,  
but how you react to it  
that matters.**

— Japanese proverb

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**Surround yourself only with people who are going to take you higher.**

— Oprah Winfrey

**Never let the odds keep you from doing what you know in your heart you were meant to do.**

— H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

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

— Dr. Seuss

**There is something you must always remember.  
You are braver than you believe,  
stronger than you seem, smarter than you think.**

— A.A. Milne

**The more that you read,  
the more things you will know.  
The more that you learn,  
the more places you'll go.**

— Dr. Seuss

**Anything is possible.  
Anything can be.**

— Shel Silverstein

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No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.

— Aesop

How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard.

— A.A. Milne

If you have good thoughts, they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely.

— Roald Dahl

Piglet: "How do you spell 'love'?"  
Pooh: "You don't spell it... you feel it."

— A.A. Milne

The time is always right to do what is right.

— Martin Luther King, Jr.

It's no use going back to yesterday, because I was a different person then.

— Lewis Carroll

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**“Sometimes,” said Pooh, “the smallest things take up the most room in your heart.”**

— A.A. Milne

**The true courage is in facing danger when you are afraid.**

— L. Frank Baum

**In every job that must be done, there is an element of fun. You find the fun and snap! The job’s a game.**

— Robert and Richard Sherman

**Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It’s not.**

— Dr. Seuss

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

— J.M. Barrie

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

— Judith Viorst

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**Don't try to comprehend with your mind. Your minds are very limited. Use your intuition.**

— Madeleine L'Engle

**I am not afraid of storms, for I am learning how to sail my ship.**

— Louisa May Alcott

**Grab a chance and you won't be sorry for what might have been.**

— Arthur Ransome

**Whatever you are, be a good one.**

— Abraham Lincoln

**Truth is always the strongest argument.**

— Sophocles

**Day by day, what you choose, what you think and what you do is who you become.**

— Heraclitus

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**Don't underestimate me. I know more than I say, think more than I speak, and notice more than you realize.**

— Author unknown

**A penny saved is a penny earned.**

— Benjamin Franklin

**Don't let anyone drain you of your happiness today. Be drama free. Rise above the petty stuff.**

— Trent Shelton

**You can't build a reputation on what you are going to do.**

— Henry Ford

**Laughter is the shortest distance between two people.**

— Victor Borge

**The expert at anything was once a beginner.**

— Helen Hayes

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**We can all dance when we find music that we love.**

– Giles Andreae

**Be bold. Brave. Courageous.**

– Tim Tebow

**Be the change that you wish to see in the world.**

– Mahatma Gandhi

**If you are always trying to be normal, you will never know how amazing you can be.**

– Maya Angelou

**What you want to ignite in others must first burn in yourself.**

– St. Augustine of Hippo

**To achieve greatness, start where you are, use what you have, do what you can.**

– Arthur Ashe

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**We often struggle to find our purpose, but maybe it's as simple as doing what we love over and over again.**

— J. Iron Word

**Every setback is a setup for a comeback.**

— Joel Osteen

**Play is our brain's favorite way of learning.**

— Dianne Ackerman

**Earn your leadership every day.**

— Michael Jordan

**No kid is unsmart. Every kid's a genius at something. Our job is to find it. And then encourage it.**

— Robin Sharma

**One of the hardest decisions you'll ever face in life is choosing whether to walk away or try harder.**

— Ziad K. Abdelnour

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**When it is obvious the goals cannot be reached, don't adjust the goals. Adjust the action steps.**

— Confucius

**Believe you can and you're halfway there.**

— Teddy Roosevelt

**Focus on where you want to go, not on what you fear.**

— Anthony Robbins

**Don't expect your friend to be a perfect person. But, help your friend to become a perfect person. That is true friendship.**

— Mother Teresa

**You get in life what you have the courage to ask for.**

— Oprah Winfrey

**Leadership is action, not position.**

— Donald H. McGannon