

## Worksheet 1: Statements about Courage

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| <p>For heroes have the whole earth for their tomb; and in lands far from their own, where the column with its epitaph declares it, there is enshrined in every breast a record unwritten with no tablet to preserve it, except that of the heart.</p> <p>—Thucydides, “Pericles’ Funeral Oration” from <i>The History of the Peloponnesian War</i></p>  | <p>These [heroes] take as your model and, judging happiness to be the fruit of freedom and freedom of valor, never decline the dangers of war.</p> <p>—Thucydides, “Pericles’ Funeral Oration” from <i>The History of the Peloponnesian War</i></p> |
| <p>To courage it belongs to be undismayed by fears of death and confident in alarms and brave in face of dangers, and to prefer a fine death to base security, and to be a cause of victory. It also belongs to courage to labor and endure and play a manly part. Courage is accompanied by confidence and bravery and daring, and also by perseverance and endurance.</p> <p>—Aristotle, <i>Virtues and Vices</i></p> | <p>The man who lives in fear will never be free.</p> <p>—Horace</p>   |
| <p>Sometimes even to live is an act of courage.</p> <p>—Lucius Annaeus Seneca, <i>Letters to Lucilius</i></p>   | <p>Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear —not absence of fear. Except a creature be part coward it is not a compliment to say it is brave.</p> <p>—Mark Twain, <i>Pudd'nhead Wilson's Calendar</i>, 1894</p>                               |

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| <p>Courage is the most important of all virtues, because without it we can't practice any other virtue with consistency.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—Maya Angelou</p>   | <p>Courage is the greatest of all the virtues. Because if you haven't courage, you may not have an opportunity to use any of the others.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—Samuel Johnson</p>  |
| <p>The courage of life is often a less dramatic spectacle than the courage of a final moment, but it is no less a magnificent mixture of triumph and tragedy. A man does what he must—in spite of personal consequences, in spite of obstacles and dangers and pressures—and that is the basis of all morality.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—John F. Kennedy</p> | <p>To see the right and not to do it is cowardice.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—Confucius</p>   |
| <p>Courage is the father of success</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—Nigerian proverb</p>  | <p>I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—Nelson Mandela</p>  |
| <p>Heroism consists in hanging on one minute longer.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">—Norwegian proverb</p>  | <p>Though much is taken, much abides; and though<br/>         We are not now that strength which in old days<br/>         Moved earth and heaven, that which we are,<br/>         we are;<br/>         One equal temper of heroic hearts,<br/>         Made weak by time and fate, but strong in will<br/>         To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">— Alfred Lord Tennyson, “Ulysses”</p> |

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It is not in the still calm of life, or the repose of a pacific station, that great characters are formed. . . . Great necessities call out great virtues. When a mind is raised, and animated by scenes that engage the heart, then those qualities which would otherwise lay dormant, wake into life and form the character of the hero and the statesman.

— Abigail Adams

“Being terrified but going ahead and doing what must be done—that's courage. The one who feels no fear is a fool, and the one who lets fear rule him is a coward.”

— Piers Anthony, *Castle Roogna*