

10 Provocative Quotes on Education from Ray Bradbury

1) "The problem in our country isn't with books being banned, but with people no longer reading... You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture. Just get people to stop reading them."

2) "If you can't read and write you can't think. Your thoughts are dispersed if you don't know how to read and write."

3) "I know you've heard it a thousand times before. But it's true – hard work pays off. If you want to be good, you have to practice, practice, practice."

4) "Video games are a waste of time for men with nothing else to do. Real brains don't do that. On occasion? Sure. As relaxation? Great. But not full time— And a lot of people are doing that. And while they're doing that, I'll go ahead and write another novel."

5) "If you don't want a man unhappy politically, don't give him two sides to a question to worry him; give him one. Better yet, give him none."

6) "But you can't make people listen. They have to come round

in their own time, wondering what happened and why the world blew up around them.”

7) “Listen, you can’t turn really bright people into robots. You can turn dumb people into robots, but that’s true in every society and system.”

8) “Libraries raised me. I don’t believe in colleges and universities. I believe in libraries because most students don’t have any money. When I graduated from high school, it was during the Depression and we had no money. I couldn’t go to college, so I went to the library three days a week for 10 years.”

9) “I just can’t imagine being in a world and not being fascinated with what ideas are doing to us.”

10) “You can’t learn to write in college. It’s a very bad place for writers because the teachers always think they know more than you do – and they don’t. They have prejudices.”

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