



101+ MOUNTAIN QUOTES TO INSPIRE YOU

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Whether you're someone who admires the towering beauty of mountains from afar or up close, there's no denying how fascinating they are. From the unpredictable wilderness to the unmerciful weather, there's so many ways that conquering mountains can help shape you as a person. So if you love the outdoors, check out this ultimate list of mountain quotes, designed to inspire the adventurer in you and help you overcome the mountains you face in life, literally and metaphorically.

101+ Mountain Quotes

1. "The best view comes after the hardest climb." – **Unknown**
2. "The mountains are calling and I must go." – **John Muir**
3. "It's not the mountain we conquer, but ourselves." – **Unknown**
4. "Hike more. Worry Less." – **Unknown**
5. "Go where you feel most alive." – **Unknown**
6. "Nothing lives long, Only the earth and mountains." – **Dee Brown**
7. "How wild it was to let it be." – **Cheryl Strayed**
8. "Life is better in hiking boots." – **Unknown**
9. "Coffee, Mountains, Adventure" – **Unknown**
10. "All good things are wild and free." – **Unknown**
11. "Go wild, for a while" – **Unknown**
12. "Going to the mountains is like going home" – **John Muir**
13. "If you think you've peaked, find a new mountain." – **Unknown**
14. "When preparing to climb a mountain, pack a light heart." – **Dan**

May

15. "A little more altitude, a little less attitude" – **Unknown**
16. "Each fresh peak ascended teaches something." – **Sir Martin**

Conway

17. "When everything feels like an uphill struggle, think of the view from the top" – **Unknown**
18. "Every mountain top is within reach if you just keep climbing." – **Barry Finlay**

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19. "Climb the mountain so you can see the world, not so the world can see you." – **David McCullough Jr.**
20. "You are not in the mountains. The mountains are in you." – **John**

Muir

21. "Getting to the top is optional. Getting down is mandatory." – **Ed Viesturs**
22. "When life gives you mountains put on your boots and hike." – **Unknown**

23. “Life’s a bit like mountaineering – never look down.” – **Edmund Hillary**
24. “The climb speaks to our character, but the view, I think, to our souls.” – **Lori Lansens**
25. “The top of one mountain is always the bottom of another.” – **Marianne Williamson**
26. “If you need me, you can find me in the mountains” – **Unknown**
27. “There’s no time to be bored in world as beautiful as this” – **Unknown**
28. “Mountains are earth’s undecaying monuments.” – **Nathaniel Hawthorne**
29. “The most dangerous thing you can do in life is play it safe.” – **Casey Neistat**
30. “The summit is what drives us, but the climb itself is what matters.” – **Conrad Anker**
31. “Everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you’re climbing it.” – **Andy Rooney**
32. “Climb the mountain not to plant your flag, but to embrace the challenge, enjoy the air and behold the view. Climb it so you can see the world, not so the world can see you.” — **David McCullough Jr.**
33. “Stop staring at mountains. Climb them instead, yes, it’s a harder process but it will lead you to a better view.” – **Unknown**
34. “Climbing is my art; I get so much joy and gratification from it.” – **Jimmy Chin**
35. “Somewhere between the bottom of the climb and the summit is the answer to the mystery why we climb.” –**Greg Child**
36. “He who climbs upon the highest mountains laughs at all tragedies, real or imaginary.” — **Friedrich Nietzsche**
37. “The higher you climb on the mountain, the harder the wind blows.” – **Sam Cummings**
38. “You keep putting one foot in front of the other, and then one day you look back and you’ve climbed a mountain.” – **Tom Hiddleston**

39. “Highest of heights, I climb this mountain and feel one with the rock and grit and solitude echoing back at me.” –**Bradley Chicho**
40. “The experienced mountain climber is not intimidated by a mountain – he is inspired by it.” – **William Arthur Ward**
41. “Our task, regarding creativity, is to help children climb their own mountains, as high as possible. No one can do more.” – **Loris Malaguzzi**
42. “Always be thankful for the little things... even the smallest mountains can hide the most breathtaking views!” – **Nyki Mack**
43. “Over every mountain, there is a path, although it may not be seen from the valley.” – **Theodore Roethke**
44. “Although I deeply love oceans, deserts, and other wild landscapes, it is only mountains that beckon me with that sort of painful magnetic pull to walk deeper and deeper into their beauty.” – **Victoria Erikson**
45. “Mountains know secrets we need to learn. That it might take time, it might be hard, but if you just hold on long enough, you will find the strength to rise up.” – **Tyler Knott**
46. “Nature is one of the most underutilized treasures in life. It has the power to unburden hearts and reconnect to that inner place of peace.” – **Janice Anderson**
47. “It isn’t the mountains ahead that wear you out; it’s the pebble in your shoe.” – **Muhammad Ali**
48. “I like the mountains because they make me feel small. They help me sort out what’s important in life.”— **Mark Obmascik**
49. “In the presence of eternity, the mountains are as transient as the clouds.”– **Robert Green Ingersoll**
50. “May your trails be crooked, winding, lonesome, dangerous, leading to the most amazing view. May your mountains rise into and above the clouds.” – **Edward Abbey**
51. “If you cannot understand that there is something in man which responds to the challenge of this mountain and goes out to meet it,

- that the struggle is the struggle of life itself upward and forever upward, then you won't see why we go." – **Edmund Hillary**
52. "And into the mountains I go to lose my mind and find my soul" – **John Muir**
53. "Mountains are the beginning and the end of all natural scenery." – **John Ruskin**
54. "Wherever we go in the mountains, we find more than we seek" – **John Muir**
55. "Only mountains can feel the frozen warmth of the sun through snow's gentle caress on their peaks." – **Munia Khan**
56. "I love to sit on a mountain top and gaze. I don't think of anything but the people I care about and the view." – **Julian Lennon**
57. "Life sucks a lot less when you add mountain air, a campfire and some peace and quiet." – **Brooke Hampton**
58. "What a glorious greeting the sun gives the mountains" – **John Muir**
59. "The mountains whisper for me to wander; my soul hikes to the call." – **Angie Weiland-Crosby**
60. "You're off to Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, so... get on your way!" – **Dr. Seuss**
61. "I slow down when hiking. The rhythm of nature is more leisurely. The sun comes up, it moves across the sky, and you begin to synchronize to that rhythm." – **John Mackey**
62. "I'm always looking for a new challenge. There are a lot of mountains to climb out there. When I run out of mountains, I'll build a new one." – **Sylvester Stallone**
63. "May your dreams be larger than mountains and may you have the courage to scale their summits." – **Harley King**
64. "There are two kinds of climbers: those who climb because their heart sings when they're in the mountains, and all the rest." – **Alex Lowe**

65. “Earth and sky, woods and fields, lakes and rivers, the mountain and the sea, are excellent schoolmasters, and teach some of us more than what we could learn from books.” – **John Lubbock**
66. “When faced with a large project, remember you move a mountain one stone at a time.” – **Catherine Pulsifer**
67. “The farthest mountain is the one you think you can never reach and it may even be just by the side of you!” – **Mehmet Murat ildan**
68. “Mountains are only a problem when they are bigger than you. You should develop yourself so much that you become bigger than the mountains you face.” – **Idowu Koyenikan**
69. “When the sun is shining I can do anything; no mountain is too high, no trouble too difficult to overcome.” – **Wilma Rudolph**
70. “Our peace shall stand as firm as rocky mountains.” – **William Shakespeare**
71. “I learn something every time I go into the mountains.” – **Michael Kennedy**
72. “You cannot stay on the summit forever; you have to come down again. So why bother in the first place? Just this: What is above knows what is below, but what is below does not know what is above. One climbs, one sees. One descends, one sees no longer, but one has seen.” – **Rene Daumal**
73. “Never measure the height of a mountain until you reach the top. Then you will see how low it was.” – **Dag Hammarskjold**
74. “The way up to the top of the mountain is always longer than you think. Don’t fool yourself, the moment will arrive when what seemed so near is still very far.” — **Paulo Coelho**
75. “The choices we make lead up to actual experiences. It is one thing to decide to climb a mountain. It is quite another to be on top of it.” – **Herbert A. Simon**
76. “When you stand at the bottom of the mountain and look up at the mountaintop, the path looks hard and stony, and the top is obscured by clouds. But when you reach the top and you look down, you

realize that there are a thousand paths that could have brought you to that place.” – **Roz Savage**

77. “I’ve realized that at the top of the mountain, there’s another mountain.” – **Andrew Garfield**
78. “The cliché is that life is a mountain. You go up, reach the top and then go down.” – **Jeanne Moreau**
79. “Those who travel to mountain-tops are half in love with themselves, and half in love with oblivion.” – **Robert Macfarlane**
80. “Only when you drink from the river of silence shall you indeed sing. And when you have reached the mountain top, then you shall begin to climb. And when the earth shall claim your limbs, then shall you truly dance.” – **Khalil Gibran**
81. “The only Zen you can find on the tops of mountains is the Zen you bring up there.” – **Robert M. Pirsig**
82. “I am convinced that the jealous, the angry, the bitter and the egotistical are the first to race to the top of mountains. A confident person enjoys the journey, the people they meet along the way and sees life not as a competition.” – **Shannon L. Alder**
83. “Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far they can go.” – **T.S. Eliot**
84. “It is better to master one mountain than a thousand foothills.” – **William Arthur Ward**
85. “Mountains are created to be conquered; adversities are designed to be defeated; problems are sent to be solved.” – **William Arthur Ward**
86. “If you are faced with a mountain, you have several options. You can climb it and cross to the other side. You can go around it. You can dig under it. You can fly over it. You can blow it up. You can ignore it and pretend it’s not there. You can turn around and go back the way you came. Or you can stay on the mountain and make it your home.” — **Vera Nazarian**
87. “Every man should pull a boat over a mountain once in his life.” – **Werner Herzog**

88. “Your faith can move mountains and your doubt can create them.”
– **Swami Vivekananda**
89. “The mountains were his masters. They rimmed in life. They were the cup of reality, beyond growth, beyond struggle and death. They were his absolute unity in the midst of eternal change.” — **Thomas Wolfe**
90. “Human life is far more important than just getting to the top of a mountain.” – **Edmund Hillary**
91. “Everybody wants to reach the peak, but there is no growth on the top of a mountain. It is in the valley that we slog through the lush grass and rich soil, learning and becoming what enables us to summit life’s next peak.” –**Andy Andrews**
92. “Accidents on big mountains happen when people’s ambitions cloud their good judgment. Good climbing is about climbing with heart and with instinct, not ambition and pride.” – **Bear Grylls**
93. “No matter how tall the mountain is, it cannot block the sun.” –
Chinese Proverb
94. “Great things are done when men and mountains meet.” – **William Blake**
95. “If adventure has a final and all-embracing motive, it is surely this: we go out because it is our nature to go out, to climb mountains, and to paddle rivers, to fly to the planets and plunge into the depths of the oceans... When man ceases to do these things, he is no longer man.” – **Wilfrid Noyce**
96. “So this was what a mountain was like, the same as a person: the more you know, the less you fear.” – **Wu Ming-Yi**
97. “You need mountains, long staircases don’t make good hikers.” –
Amit Kalantri
98. “Mountains have a way of dealing with overconfidence.” –
Hermann Buhl
99. “There is no such sense of solitude as that which we experience upon the silent and vast elevations of great mountains. Lifted high above the level of human sounds and habitations, among the wild

expanses and colossal features of Nature, we are thrilled in our loneliness with a strange fear and elation – an ascent above the reach of life’s expectations or companionship, and the tremblings of a wild and undefined misgivings.” – **J. Sheridan Le Fanu**

100. “Without mountains, we might find ourselves relieved that we can avoid the pain of the ascent, but we will forever miss the thrill of the summit. And in such a terribly scandalous trade-off, it is the absence of pain that becomes the thief of life.” – **Craig D. Lounsbrough**

101. “Chasing angels or fleeing demons, go to the mountains”– **Jeffrey Rasley**

102. “Purposes, plans, and achievements of men may all disappear like a yon cloud upon the mountain’s summit; but, like the mountain itself, the things which are of God shall stand fast for ever and ever.” – **Charles Spurgeon**

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