

About Gen Y

Contemplations on Today's Young Adults and What Motivates Them

What really distinguishes this generation in all countries from earlier generations is its determination to act, its joy in action, the assurance of being able to change things by one's own efforts.

—*Hannah Arendt*

Motivation is the art of getting people to do what you want them to do because they want to do it.

—*Dwight David Eisenhower*

Millennials are making life choices based a broader definition of success and one that is more attuned to experiences than material goods.

—*Stephen Hahn-Griffiths (Gen Y)*

Money was never a big motivation for me, except as a way to keep score. The real excitement is playing the game.

—*Donald Trump*

Every generation laughs at the old fashions, but follows religiously the new.

—*Henry David Thoreau*

We need to encourage members of this next generation to become all that they can become, not try to force them to become what we want them to become.

You and I can't even begin to dream the dreams this next generation is going to dream, or answer the questions that will be put to them.

—*Barbara Coloroso*

Dream as if you'll live forever, live as if you'll die today.

—*James Dean*

People often say that motivation doesn't last. Well, neither does bathing—that's why we recommend it daily.

—*Zig Ziglar*

You can motivate by fear. And you can motivate by reward. But both of these methods are only temporary. The only lasting thing is self-motivation.

—*Homer Rice*

Only as high as I reach can I grow, only as far as I seek can I go, only as deep as I look can I see, only as much as I dream can I be.

—*Karen Ravn*

I would much rather have regrets about not doing what people said, than regretting not doing what my heart led me to and wondering what life had been like if I'd just been myself.

—*Brittany Renee (Gen Y)*

Motivation is what gets you started. Habit is what keeps you going.
—*Jim Rohn*

Be miserable. Or motivate yourself.
Whatever has to be done, it's always your choice.
—*Wayne Dyer*

Each age, it is found, must write its own books; or rather,
each generation for the next succeeding.
—*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Motivation is everything. You can do the work of two people, but you can't be two people.
Instead, you have to inspire the next guy down the line and get him to inspire his people.
—*Lee Iacocca*

A revolution does not last more than fifteen years, the period which
coincides with the flourishing of a generation.
—*José Ortega Y Gasset*

Progress is the injustice each generation commits with regard to its predecessors.
—*E.M. Cioran*

At the top of our bucket list are travel and travel-related activities. Beyond travel,
I expect that Millennials will become active lifetime learners, with interests that
go well beyond their work or primary field.
—*Andreana Drencheva (Gen Y)*

People who are unable to motivate themselves must be content with mediocrity,
no matter how impressive their other talents.
—*Andrew Carnegie*

The whole idea of motivation is a trap. Forget motivation. Just do it. Exercise,
lose weight, test your blood sugar, or whatever. Do it without motivation. And then,
guess what? After you start doing the thing, that's when the motivation comes
and makes it easy for you to keep on doing it.
—*John C. Maxwell*

Whether or not you have children yourself, you are a parent to the next generation.
If we can only stop thinking of children as individual property and think of them as
the next generation, then we can realize we all have a role to play.
—*Charlotte Davis Kasl*

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