

Several ways to use this lesson:

1. print the first page and post the quotes for students to consider
2. have students choose a quote they like and write about it
3. allow students to use the essay prompt (second page) to write about the quote of their choice
4. distribute the pages, each with a quote and the essay prompts, randomly throughout the class
5. assign a quote every day to the whole class

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