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Quotes about Gambling

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I have to confess that I had gambled on my soul and lost it with heroic insouciance and lightness of touch. The soul is so impalpable, so often useless, and sometimes such a nuisance, that I felt no more emotion on losing it than if, on a stroll, I had mislaid my visiting card.

- Baudelaire, Charles

The gambling known as business looks with severe disfavor on the business known as gambling.

- Bierce, Ambrose

The urge to gamble is so universal and its practice so pleasurable that I assume it must be evil.

- Broun, Heywood

I have a notion that gamblers are as happy as most people, being always excited; women, wine, fame, the table, even ambition, sate now and then, but every turn of the card and cast of the dice keeps the gambler alive -- besides one can game ten times longer than one can do any thing else.

- Byron, Lord

No wife can endure a gambling husband; unless he is a steady winner.

- Dewar, Thomas Robert

The world is the house of the strong. I shall not know until the end what I have lost or won in this place, in this vast gambling den where I have spent more than sixty years, dicebox in hand, shaking the dice.

- Diderot, Denis

I can't believe that God plays dice with the universe.

- Einstein, Albert

Of all mechanics, of all servile handycrafts-men, a gamester is the vilest. But yet, as many of the quality are of the profession, he is admitted amongst the politest company.

- Gay, John

Whenever you see a gaming table be sure to know fortune is not there. Rather she is always in the company of industry.

- Goldsmith, Oliver

The only man who makes money following the races is one who does it with a broom and shovel.

- Hubbard, Elbert

Sir, I do not call a gamester a dishonest man; but I call him an unsociable man, an unprofitable man. Gaming is a mode of transferring property without producing any intermediate good.

- Johnson, Samuel

If you play bridge badly you make your partner suffer, but if you play poker badly you make everybody happy.

- Laurie Jr., Joe

The losses as well as the prizes must be drawn from the cheating lottery of life.

- Le Sage

I've been on such a losing streak that if I had been around I would have taken General Custer and given points.

- Lewis, Joe E.

One of the worst things that can happen to you in life is to win a bet on a horse at an early age.

- Mcgoorty, Danny

Rule: Never perform card tricks for the people you play poker with.

- Proverb

Smith and Wesson or a Colt always beat four aces.

- Proverb, American

Nobody has ever bet enough on a winning horse.

- Proverb, American

The best throw of the dice is to throw them away.

- Proverb, English

Gambling is the son of avarice and the father of despair.

- Proverb, French

There are two great pleasures in gambling: that of winning and that of losing.

- Proverb, French

He was a degenerate gambler. That is, a man who gambled simply to gamble and must lose. As a hero who goes to war must die. Show me a gambler and I'll show you a loser, show me a hero and I'll show you a corpse.

- Puzo, Mario

Don't gamble; take all your savings and buy some good stock and hold it till it goes up. If it don't go up, don't buy it.

- Rogers, Will

Never bet on baseball.

- Rose, Pete

I came to the conclusion long ago that all life is six to five against.

- Runyon, Damon

The race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, but that is the way to bet.

- Runyon, Damon

You cannot get anything out of nature or from God by gambling; only out of your neighbor.

- Ruskin, John

Nothing is sacred to a gamester.

- Saurin, Bernard Joseph

Gambling promises the poor what property performs for the rich, something for nothing.

- Shaw, George Bernard

The dice of Zeus always fall luckily.

- Sophocles

Someone once asked me why women don't gamble as much as men do, and I gave the common-sensical reply that we don't have as much money. That was a true but incomplete answer. In fact, women's total instinct for gambling is satisfied by marriage.

- Steinem, Gloria

It is the child of avarice, the brother of iniquity, and the father of mischief.

- Washington, George

One should always play fair when one has the winning cards.

- Wilde, Oscar



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