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## Popular proverbs and wisdoms database

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All are not saints that go to church

All good things come to an end

All's fish that comes to the net

All roads lead to rome

All truth is not always to be told

Be slow to promise but quick to perform

Better go to bed supperless than to rise in debt

Better say nothing than not to the purpose

Better starve free than to be a fat slave

Better to ask the way than to go astray

Better to know things than to be ignorant

Better to seek learning than to seek gold

Between two stools you fall to the ground

The borrower is the servant to the lender

Burn not your house to fright the mouse away

The camel going to seek horns lost his ears

Cleanliness is next to godliness

Curses like chickens come home to roost

Custom reconciles us to everything

Customs are hard to break

Cut your coat according to your cloth

A discontented man knows not where to sit easy

**A donkey asked to a wedding either to carry water or bring wood**

**Despair gives courage to a coward**

**Destroy the seed of evil or it will grow up to your ruin**

**Distance lends enchantment to the view**

**Do all you can to be good and you will be so**

**Don't cross a bridge till you come to it**

**Don't cut off your nose to spite your face**

**Do not listen to one to judge two**

**Don't speak to the man at the wheel**

**Don't teach your grandmother to suck eggs**

**Dogs wag their tails no so much in love to you as to your bread**

**Dress a stick and it does not appear to be a stick**

**The devil finds work for idle hands to do**

**The dog returns to his vomit**

**Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy wealthy and wise**

**Every ass likes to hear himself bray**

**Every difficulty slurred over will be a ghost to disturb your repose later on**

**Every man is best known to himself**

**Everyone is held to be innocent until he is proved guilty**

**Everyone to his taste**

**Everything comes to him who waits**

**Evil be to him who evil thinks**

**Face to face the truth comes out**

**A faithful friend is hard to find remember man and keep in mind**

**The first step to virtue is to abstain from vice**

**A fool's tongue is long enough to cut his own throat**

**Fools rush in where angels fear to tread**

**A friend to everybody is a friend to nobody**

**From the sublime to the ridiculous is but a step**

**Give the bow to its maker**

**Go not for every grief to the physician for every quarrel to the lawyer nor for every thirst to the pot**

**Go not to the extreme in your love and hate**

**God never expects you to do more than you can**

**God tempers the wind to the shorn lamb**

**Good to begin well better to end well**

**Goodness is not tied to greatness**

**He does not believe who does not live according to his belief**

**He is unworthy to live who lives only for himself**

**He that brings up his son to nothing breeds a thief**

**He that defends an injury is next to him that commits it**

**He that fights and runs away may live to fight another day**

**He that has nothing need fear to lose nothing**

**He that hath wife and children hath given hostages to fortune**

**He that is ill to himself will be good to nobody**

**He that protects an ill-doer may live to repent it**

**He that stumbles twice over one stone deserves to break his shins**

**He who forgets to thank man will not thank god**

**He who rides a tiger is afraid to dismount**

**He who seeks to do good is like the one who did it**

**He whose father is judge goes safe to his trial**

**He will never have a good thing cheap that is afraid to ask the price**

**Hitch your wagon to a star**

**Hypocrisy is a homage that vice pays to virtue**

**I taught you to swim and now you'd drown me**

**I would like to fly but i have no wings**

**If all days were feasts to feast would be tedious**

**If fools went not to market bad wares would not be sold**

**If the lad go to the well against his will either the can will break or the water will spell**

**If we are bound to forgive an enemy we are not bound to trust him**

**If you wish to be obeyed do not ask the impossible**

**In the world who knows not to swim goes to the bottom**

**Injury is to be measured by malice**

**Insult gives birth to insult**

**It is a fraud to borrow what we are not able to repay**

**It is a great point of wisdom to find out one's own folly**

**It is as well to know which way the wind blows**

**It is best to be on the safe side**

**It is better to be safe than sorry**

**It is better to give than to take**

**It is better to wear out than to rust out**

**It is easier to pull down than to build**

**It is easy to be wise after the event**

**It is easy to bear the misfortunes of others**

**It is hard to please all parties**

**It is ill manners to laugh without cause**

**It is never too late to mend**

**It is too late to lock the stable when the horse has been stolen**

**It is useless to flog a dead horse**

**It takes all sorts to make a world**

**It takes three generations to make a gentleman**

**It takes two to make a quarrel**

**Keep aloof from quarrels be neither a witness nor a party to them**

**Knowledge is a treasure but practice is the key to it**

**Learn to live and live to learn**

**Let the cobbler stick to his last**

**Light not a candle to the sun**

**Like will to like**

**A lion may come to be beholden to a mouse**

**Live not to eat but eat to live**

**Make not a fool of yourself to make others merry**

**A man will never change his mind if he has no mind to change**

**Many kiss the hand they wish to cut off**

**Medicines are not meat to live by**

**Men are not to be measured in inches**

**Merit belongs to the beginner should even the successor do better**

**The misfortunes of some bring benefits to others**

**The more women look in their glass the less they look to their house**

**Never lay sorrow to your heart when others lay it to their heels**

**Never too late to learn**

**No man is a hero to his valet**

**No man ought to be judge in his own cause**

**The noblest vengeance is to forgive**

**A nod is as good as a wink to a blind horse**

**Not good is it to harp on the frayed string**

**Nothing is easy to the unwilling**

**Nothing is impossible to a willing heart**

**Nothing is to be got without pains**

**One is never too old to learn**

**One mad action is not enough to prove a man mad**

**One must draw back in order to leap better**

**The only way to keep a secret is to say nothing**

**Patience is a key to relief**

**The pitcher goes so often to the well that it is broken at last**

**Pouring oil on the fire is not the way to quench it**

**Promises are like pie-crust made to be broken**

**The remedy for injuries is not to remember them**

**The road to hell is paved with good intentions**

**Seek learning form the cradle to the grave**

**Set a beggar on a horseback and he'll ride to the devil**

**Set a thief to catch a thief**

**Silence is the best answer to the stupid**

**Stretch your legs according to your coverlet**

**Submitting to one wrong brings on another**

**Take not a musket to kill a butterfly**

**Talk of the devil and he is sure to appear**

**There are two sides to every question**

**There is a time to speak and a time to be silent**

**There is no royal road to learning**

**Through hardship to the stars**

**Through obedience learn to command**

**Throw out a sprat to catch a mackerel**

**Thy secret is thy prisoner if thou let it go thou art a prisoner to it**

**To a grateful man give money when he asks**

**To blind men don't talk about colours**

**To deceive a deceiver is no deceit**

**To deceive oneself is very easy**

**To err is human**

**To err is to learn**

**To every malady a remedy save ignorance**

**To fall into sin is human to remain in sin is devilish**

**To frighten a bird is not the way to catch it**

**Tomorrow isn't too long to wait**

**The tongue ever turns to the aching tooth**

**Venture a small fish to catch a great one**

**The way to a man's heart is through his stomach**

**The way to babylon will never bring you to jerusalem**

**Wealth is an enemy to health**

**Whatever comes from the heart goes to the heart**

**When ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise**

**When the tree is fallen every one runs to it with his axe**

**Who chatters to you will chatter of you**

**Who keeps company with the wolf will learn to howl**

**Wisdom is to the soul as health is to the body**

**A word is enough to the wise**

**The world is a ladder for some to go up and some down**

**You are not the first to be fooled by mirage**

**You can lead a horse to the water but you cannot make him drink**

**You may lead a horse to the water but you cannot make him drink**

**You must cut your coat according to your cloth**

**Adventures are to the adventurous**

**All good things must come to an end**

**All things come to those who wait**

**Good americans when they die go to paris**

**Be what you would seem to be**

**Set a beggar on horseback and he will ride to the devil**

**It is better to be born lucky than rich**

**Better to die on your feet than live on your knees**

**Better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all**

**Better to light one candle than to curse the darkness**

**Better to live one day as a tiger than a thousand years as a sheep**

**Better to marry than to burn**

**It is better to travel hopefully than to arrive**

**Better to wear out than to rust out**



**Between two stools one falls to the ground**

**Big fleas have little fleas upon their backs to bite them and little fleas have lesser fleas and so ad infinitum**

**Little birds that can sing and won't sing must be made to sing**

**If you're born to be hanged then you'll never be drowned**

**Never send a boy to do a man's job**

**It is good to make a bridge of gold to a flying enemy**

**Do not care was made to care**

**From clogs to clogs is only three generations**

**The cobbler to his last and the gunner to his linstock**

**Common fame is seldom to blame**

**Corporations have neither bodies to be punished nor souls to be damned**

**Do not cross the bridge till you come to it**

**Crosses are ladders that lead to heaven**

**He that will to cupar maun to cupar**

**Do not cut off your nose to spite your face**

**Be the day weary or be the day long at last it ringeth to evensong**

**The dog returns to its vomit**

**Dogs look up to you cats look down on you pigs is equal**

**Eat to live not live to eat**

**To err is human (to forgive divine)**

**Every man to his taste**

**Every man to his trade**

**Evil to him who evil thinks**

**There is an exception to every rule**

**He who fights and runs away may live to fight another day**

**On the first of march the crows begin to search**

**All is fish that comes to the net**

**Give a thing and take a thing to wear the devil's gold ring**

**God makes the back to the burden**

**The gods send nuts to those who have no teeth**

**He is a good dog who goes to church**

**All is grist that comes to the mill**

**You can take a horse to the water but you can not make him drink**

**The husband is always the last to know**

**Where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise**

**To know all is to forgive all**

**A liar ought to have a good memory**

**If you have to live in the river it is best to be friends with the crocodile**

**If you want to live and thrive let the spider run alive**

**He that lives in hope dances to an ill tune**

**There goes more to marriage than four bare legs in a bed**

**Money makes the mare to go**

**If the mountain will not come to mahomet mahomet must go to the mountain**

**It is never too late to learn**

**Never too old to learn**

**A nod's as good as a wink to a blind horse**

**It is best to be off with the old love before you are on with the new**

**One for the mouse one for the crow one to rot one to grow**

**Parsley seed goes nine times to the devil**

**Do not throw pearls to swine**

**The pitcher will go to the well once too often**

**Pity is akin to love**

**He who plants thorns should not expect to gather roses**

**Praise the child and you make love to the mother**

**Promises like pie-crust are made to be broken**

**It is easier to pull down than to build up**

**To the pure all things are pure**

**The race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong**

**It is easier to raise the devil than to lay him**

**Rules are made to be broken**

**Help you to salt help you to sorrow**

**He that would go to sea for pleasure would go to hell for a pastime**

**It's a sin to steal a pin**

**If it sounds too good to be true it probably is**

**Spare well and have to spend**

**Speak not of my debts unless you mean to pay them**

**It is too late to shut the stable-door after the horse has bolted**

**It is easy to find a stick to beat a dog**

**Put a stout heart to a stey brae**

**Everyone stretches his legs according to the length of his coverlet**

**From the sublime to the ridiculous is only a step**

**It is idle to swallow the cow and choke on the tail**

**It takes one to know one**

**Talk of the devil and he is bound to appear**

**Do not teach your grandmother to suck eggs**

**When things are at the worst they begin to mend**

**Three things are not to be trusted a cow's horn a dog's tooth and a horse's hoof**

**The tongue always returns to the sore tooth**

**It takes two to make a bargain**

**It takes two to tango**

**It takes a whole village to bring up a child**

**We must learn to walk before we can run**

**Do not go near the water until you learn how to swim**

**There is more than one way to skin a cat**

**The weakest go to the wall**

**The wish is father to the thought**

**Do not call a wolf to help you against the dogs**

**A word to the wise is enough**

**Work expands so as to fill the time available**

**Young folks think old folks to be fools but old folks know young folks to be fools**

**From shirtsleeves to shirtsleeves in three generations**