

ENGLISH PROMPT SHEET

Wisdom and Damn Good Advice

- "When I knew nothing, I thought I could do anything." Robert Duvall
- "I never asked for anything except a purple light saber." Samuel L. Jackson
- "I'm sorry, I can't tell you everything I've learned. I have to be careful." Yoko Ono
- "I just think it's wrong not to pursue the possibility of anything." Yoko Ono
- "Reality is this moment." Robert De Niro
- "Those who say don't know. Those who know don't say." Robert De Niro
- "Sometimes working fast is better than waiting, waiting, waiting to get it right." Robert Duvall
- "When I was a kid nobody told me I was good-looking. I wish they had. I would've had a better time." Robert Redford
- "Sometimes your gut doesn't work." Robert Redford
- "Humor. Skill. Wit. Sex appeal. That order." Robert Redford
- "People don't remember who the critics were." Robert Redford
- "I desperately need the love of complete strangers. That's why I overtip." Aaron Sorkin
- "I kind of worship at the altar of intention and obstacle." Aaron Sorkin
- "All being finished means you haven't started yet." Aaron Sorkin
- "Running from something and running to something are the same thing." Mary-Louise Parker
- "Testosterone levels are highest in the morning." Ruth Westheimer
- "Anything great can be used as a weapon." Ted Danson
- "Chances are, if you're using a payphone, things are going well."
- "The best ice breakers are costumes and fake mustaches."
- "The can allow a certain amount of rat parts in a hot dog." Danny DeVito
- "I never completely suspend my disbelief in art." Ricky Gervais
- "There's a reason there's a reason." James L. Brooks
- "Acceptance is going to a restaurant where the salad's not great but the steak is fine."
Albert Brooks
- "If you haven't got a hernia yet, you ain't pulling your share." George Steinbrenner
- "It was easy. They sank my boat." JFK
- "We're really in nut country now." JFK
- "Kids will ask the right questions at the right time. Kelsey Grammer
- "The hardest part of stopping is stopping."
- "Sports teach [sic] you how to be quick. Injuries teach you how to slow down." Yao Ming
- "My father used to always carry his swim suit in his briefcase." Sigourney Weaver
- "If I couldn't do it my way, I'd best stop at home." Jerry Lee Lewis
- "I don't try to please when I play. I try to cure." Ornette Coleman
- "I wasn't so interested in being paid. I wanted to be heard. That's why I'm broke."
Ornette Coleman

POCKET MUSE

Write about...

- The last piece of _____ and the two people who want it
- A household item that becomes the source of a family war
- A man walks into a bar. But it isn't a bar
- What's the most you ever paid for something you didn't want
- Recount the history of a toy you once loved
- Retell the parable of the prodigal son from the point of unappreciated older sister
- A friendship that failed you
- A friendship that you failed
- Confinement: physical or mental, welcome or unwelcome, imaginary or real
- One who can't resist applause
- The one who got away and regretted it
- Last time you jumped to the wrong conclusion
- A human system whose key person has just checked out
- The one thing you never mentioned about that trip
- Someone who misinterprets a compliment
- Finally giving in
- Write in the voice of someone talking absurdly fast. Why the big hurry?
- A fragile connection
- A collection that pleases one but enrages another
- Working hard towards a morally ambiguous goal
- Something useless and beautiful
- About a pet with a job
- How did your parents meet?
- The first day of last job/ the last day of first job
- What if you finally did what you've always wanted to do
- Different spin on a cliché (eg. Mild, Mild West)
- The elephant in the room
- An outsider at a convention of fanatics (Trekkies, NRA, Barbie collectors...)
- Guessing game gone wrong
- Last time you entered a church
- The day before the disaster
- Find a photograph and title. Now tell the story.
- Journey with uncertain destination
- Write sympathetically about someone who creeps you out
- Someone who accidentally destroys something irreplaceable
- The first one to quit
- Delivery gone astray
- What got left behind on purpose/what got left behind by accident
- A beautiful evening ruined by a bad joke
- First guy in line
- Discovering an unexpected vice in someone you thought you knew well
- Painting beneath the painting