



UNDERSTANDING QUOTES FROM POWERFUL WOMEN



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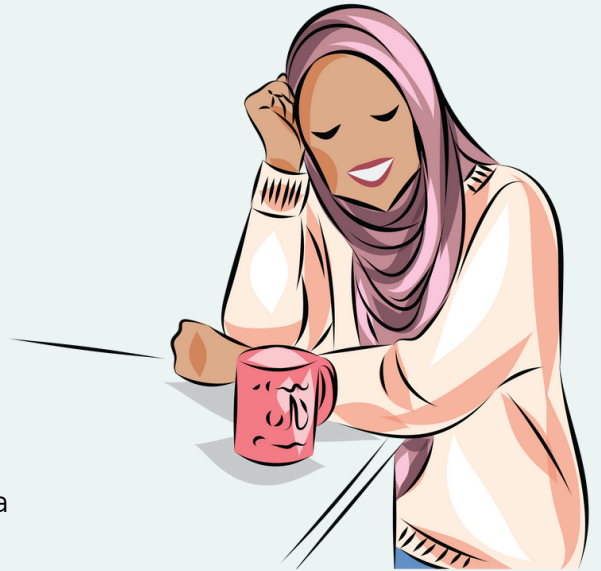
**Congratulations on taking the first step to reduce
overwhelm confusion and stress in your English
learning journey.**

Learning English should be simple and an enjoyable process and not something that causes you to worry.

Do you know what creates confusion and stress? It's over complicating the process of learning English.

There's a lot going on online. There are many videos, courses and websites trying to help you learn English that you end up feeling overwhelmed and frustrated.

And although you're learning so much, you don't see a difference in your English.



Doing it all is not the answer, my friend.
Imagine how it would feel if you could simplify things and focus on one thing at a time.

Simplifying will allow you to play around with the language. It will give you freedom that allows you to make the language your own.

What does making the language yours mean?

It means being able to joke around, understanding motivational quotes, reading self-development books, or anything else you want.

Let's start with quotes. You're here because you love quotes. Wouldn't it be amazing if you could understand quotes and be able to use them?

Well, I picked four of my favourites. I want you to read them, then try to understand them as much as you can without looking at the meaning of the words. This is called guessing meaning from context. Once you're done, scroll down to check your answers.

Once you understand them, share your favourite one with me inside our Blackboard English Private Community.



Read and guess the idea the person is trying to communicate.

“People will selectively use “tradition” to justify anything.”

CHIMAMANDA NGOZI ADICHIE

"A woman with a voice is, by definition, a strong woman."

MELINDA GATES

"Words have power. TV has power. My pen has power."

SHONDA RHIMES

I raise up my voice – not so that I can shout, but so that

those without a voice can be heard. [...] We cannot all

succeed when half of us are held back.

MALALA YOUSAFZAI

*intentionally choosing one
thing/person and not others*

/sɪˈlektɪvli/

show or prove to be right

/'dʒʌstɪfaɪ/

“People will selectively use “tradition” to justify anything.”

/trəˈdɪʃ(ə)n/

a belief, principle, or way of acting that people in
a particular society or group have continued to
follow for a long time

- Cambridge dictionary

CHIMAMANDA NGOZI ADICHIE

a statement of the exact
meaning of a word,
especially in a dictionary.

/dɛfɪ'niʃ(ə)n/

"A woman with a voice is, by definition, a strong woman."

/vɔɪs/

when someone expresses and feels about
an opinion on a particular topic

MELINDA GATES

"Words have power. TV has power. My pen has power."

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/'paʊə/

the ability to influence people
or give them strong feelings

SHONDA RHIMES

*to cause something to increase or
become bigger, better, higher, etc.*

/reɪz ʌp/

I raise up my voice—not so that I can shout, but so that
those without a voice can be heard. We cannot all
succeed when half of us are held back.

/hɛld bæk/

*to prevent someone or something
from making progress*

MALALA YOUSAFZAI

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