If you were looking for a place to sit and stare into the abyss for a while, always look for guys in berets smoking French cigarettes. They were like road signs: "Existential crisis, next right." Steve in Christopher Moore's Blood Sucking Fiends NY: Simon & Schuster, 1995. p. 85 "It is the lot of the common man to be hoodwinked and deceived," said Jim. 'Believe me, I speak from long experience." Jim Pooley in Robert Rankin's The Brentford Chainstore Massacre London: Corgi, 1998, p. 32 "You can dress me up and take me out, or you can take me home and tie me up." Gemini - dinner conversation 1/9/1999 "When the Devil finished Johnny said, 'well you're pretty good old son, but sit down in that chair right there and let me show you how it's done.'" Fire on the Mountain - Run boys run - The devil's in the house of the rising sun - chicken in the bread pan - pickin' outdoors -Charlie Daniels - Devil went down to Georgia "If you can't be good... be good at it." Neal McCoy (Troy Seals, Blue Miller) If you can't be good album 1997 Irving Music Inc, Baby Dumplin Music My daddy used to tell me not to chew on somethin that was eatin you. John Grady Cole in Cormac McCarthy's All The Pretty Horses NY: Vintage, 1992. p. 291

Peau qui se péle va ciel. (skin that peels goes to heaven) French Surrealistic Proverb One of the soundest rules I try to remember when making forecasts in the field of economics is that whatever is to happen is happening already. Sylvia Porter I've had to buy back damn near everything I own From a little man whose name is Saul And has a lot of money to loan I drive a beat up '67 Chevrolet/With a torn up seat That pokes a brand new hole in back near every day I got a letter from the folks over at Bell Just to let me know for my next phone call I could walk outside and yell Dwight Yoakam I Got You © Coal Dust West Music, 1988 The story, besides saying one thing after another, adds something because of its connection with a voice. E. M. Forster Aspects of the Novel Orlando, FL: HBJ, 1927, 1955

A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother. The Bible A soft answer turneth away wrath. The Bible Wealth and children are the adornment of life. The Koran If silence be good for the wise, how much better for fools. The Talmud You can educate a fool, but you cannot make him think. The Talmud A quotation at the right moment is like bread to the famished. The Talmud God could not be everywhere, so therefore he made mothers. The Talmud Karmic astrology is too often the refuge of those who cannot bear to have their ideas tested in practice. Robert Hand in Horoscope Symbols Whitford Press, 1981: p. 90 "If you set something free and it comes back then it's broken." Debby Newberry story by Tom Jankiewicz Grosse Point Blank Hollywood Picture, 1996 "It's been so long I forgot who gets tied up." Martin Blank, story by Tom Jankiewicz Grosse Point Blank Hollywood Picture, 1996 ".... Dharma Bums refusing to the general demand that they consume production and therefore have to work for the privilege of consuming...."

> Japhy Ryder Jack Kerouac The Dharma Bums NY: Viking, 1958, 1971, p.97

"In a scene where nobody with any ambition is really what he appears to be, there's not too much risk in acting like a kinghell freak." Hunter S. Thompson Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas NY: Random House, 1971. Vintage, p. 190 "OED?" "It's Latin, it means 'so there, you bastard'." Morgan in Robert Rankin's Nostradamus Ate My Hamster Doubleday: London, 1996, p. 26 I finally broke free from my anxiety about not being able to meditate when I heard mythologist Joseph Campbell say that underlining sentences in books was his meditation. Ralph Blum The Book of Runes St. Martin, NY: 1982 p. 40 Astrology is a science in itself and contains an illuminating body of knowledge. It taught me many things, and I am greatly indebted to it. Geophysical evidence reveals the power of the stars and the planets in relation to the terrestrial. In turn, astrology reinforces this power to some extent. This is why astrology is like a life-giving elixir to mankind. Albert Einstein COSMIC RELIGION, WITH OTHER OPINION AND APHORISMS (Covici-Friede, New York; 1931) How surely glidest thou [Holy Spring] from March to May, And changest, breathing it, the sullen wind ... Alfred Lord Tennyson

The Progress of Spring

It should do good to heart and head/When your soul is in my soul's stead;/And I will friend you if I may,/In the dark and cloudy day. Terence Housman, A.E. Terence this is stupid stuff Hacker Ethic: Access to computers--and anything else which might teach you something about the way the world work-should be unlimited and total. Always yield to the Hands-On Imperative! Stephen Levy "Hackers. NY: Dell, 1984. p. 40-41" By manipulating a world inside a computer, people realized that they were capable of making things happen by their own creativity. Once you had that power, you could do anything. Steven Levy Hackers. NY: Dell, 1984. p337 Yet malice never was his aim;/He lashed the vice but spared the name." Verse on the Death of Dr. Swift [1731] line 459 In giving advice I advise you, be short. Horace

Reality was not to be trusted.

Joe R. Lansdale The Drive In 2



"I ask, why choose madness? So as not to die, I say. Love is the answer. All of our senses are loves. We love life, but fear what it does to us. So? Why not give madness a try?" Crumley Ray Bradbury A Graveyard for Lunatics NY: Knopf, 1990. p. 248

Jumper cables? You want jumper cables? Sure I got jumper cables. I can hook you up to Grand Coulee Dam, buddy. Or wire you into Almighty God. Or whatever powers there be. Amen! Robet Fulghum All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten NY: Villard Books, 1989

You watch the white line and try to lean with it... howling through a turn to the right, then to the left and down the long hill to Pacifica... letting off now, watching for cops, but only until the next dark stretch, and another few seconds on the edge... The Edge...

Hunter S. Thompson <u>Hell's Angels: A Strange and Terrible Saga</u> page 345 Random House, 1966

There is no honest way to explain it because only people who really know where it is are the ones who have gone over. The others — the living — are those who pushed their control as far as they felt they could handle it, and then pulled back, or slowed down, or did whatever they had to when it came time to choose between Now and Later.

Hunter S. Thompson <u>Hell's Angels: A Strange and Terrible Saga</u> page 345 Random House, 1966

"Made you so you'd do anything to have it. Rob and lie, murder your lovers, take up astrology and reading cozy mysteries." Joe R. Lansdale <u>Mucho Mojo</u> NY: Mystery Press, 1994. P.47