

500 proverbs from all over the world

1. A book is like a garden carried in the pocket. Arab Proverb
2. A bird in the hand is worth two in a bush. English Proverb
3. A broken hand works, but not a broken heart. Persian Proverb
4. A cat has nine lives. Proverb of Unknown Origin
5. A closed mouth catches no flies. Italian Proverb
6. A country can be judged by the quality of its proverbs. German Proverb
7. A courtyard common to all will be swept by none. Proverb, Chinese
8. A dog is wiser than a woman; it does not bark at its master. Russian Proverb
9. A drink precedes a story. Irish Proverb
10. A drowning man is not troubled by rain. Persian Proverb
11. A fool sees not the same tree that a wise man sees. William Blake "Proverbs of Hell" (1790)
12. A forest is in an acorn. Proverb of Unknown Origin
13. A friend in need is a friend indeed English Proverb
14. A friend's eye is a good mirror. Irish Proverb
15. A good denial, the best point in law. Irish Proverb
16. A good husband is healthy and absent. Japanese Proverb
17. A hard beginning maketh a good ending. John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
18. A healthy man is a successful man. French Proverb
19. A hedge between keeps friendship green. French Proverb
20. A hen is heavy when carried far. Irish Proverb
21. A hound's food is in its legs. Irish Proverb
22. A house without a dog or a cat is the house of a scoundrel. Portuguese Proverb
23. A hungry man is an angry man. English Proverb
24. A lie travels round the world while truth is putting her boots on. French Proverb
25. A little too late, is much too late. German Proverb
26. A loan though old is not gift. Hungarian Proverb
27. A lock is better than suspicion. Irish Proverb
28. A man does not seek his luck, luck seeks its man. Turkish Proverb
29. A man is not honest simply because he never had a chance to steal. Yiddish Proverb
30. A man may well bring a horse to the water, but he cannot make him drink. John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
31. A man should live if only to satisfy his curiosity. Yiddish Proverb
32. A monkey never thinks her babies ugly. Haitian Proverb
33. A new broom sweeps clean, but the old brush knows all the corners. Irish Proverb
34. A penny for your thoughts. John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
35. A penny saved is a penny gained. Scottish Proverb
36. A poor beauty finds more lovers than husbands. English Proverb
37. A prudent man does not make the goat his gardener. Hungarian Proverb

38. A rumor goes in one ear and out many mouths. Chinese proverb
39. A silent mouth is melodious. Irish Proverb
40. A single Russian hair outweighs half a Pole. Traditional Russian Saying
41. A society grows great when old men plant trees whose shade they know they shall never sit in. Greek Proverb
42. A soft answer turneth away wrath; but grievous words stir up anger. Bible - Proverbs 15:1.
43. A son is a son till he gets him a wife, but a daughter's a daughter the rest of your life. Proverb of Unknown Origin
44. A spoon does not know the taste of soup, nor a learned fool the taste of wisdom. Welsh Proverb
45. A table is not blessed if it has fed no scholars. Yiddish Proverb
46. A teacher is better than two books. German Proverb
47. A thief believes everybody steals. Proverb of Unknown Origin
48. A thorn defends the rose, harming only those who would steal the blossom. Chinese proverb
49. A throne is only a bench covered with velvet. French Proverb
50. A trade not properly learned is an enemy. Irish Proverb
51. A tree falls the way it leans. Bulgarian Proverb
52. A wise man makes his own decisions; an ignorant man follows the public opinion. Chinese Proverb
53. A woman has the form of an angel, the heart of a serpent, and the mind of an ass. German Proverb
54. A worthy woman is far more precious than jewels, strength and dignity are her clothing. Bible - Proverbs 31
55. Advice when most needed is least heeded. English Proverb
56. After shaking hands with a Greek, count your fingers. Albanian Saying
57. Age is honorable and youth is noble. Irish Proverb
58. All is well that ends well. John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
59. All things grow with time, except grief. Yiddish Proverb
60. An angry man is not fit to pray. Yiddish Proverb
61. An apple a day keeps the doctor away. Proverb of Unknown Origin
62. An ass in Germany is a professor in Rome. Traditional German Saying
63. An enemy will agree, but a friend will argue. Russian Proverb
64. An Englishman will burn his bed to catch a flea. Turkish Proverb
65. An ox remains an ox, even if driven to Vienna. Hungarian Proverb
66. And old rat is a brave rat. French Proverb
67. Anger can be an expensive luxury. Italian Proverb
68. Anger is as a stone cast into a wasps nest. Malabar Proverb
69. Anger without power is folly. German Proverb
70. Appetite comes with eating. French Proverb
71. As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly. Bible - Proverbs 26:11
72. As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. Bible - Proverbs 23:7
73. As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country. Bible - Proverbs 25:25.
74. As mad as a March hare. Proverb of Unknown Origin
75. As proud as a peacock. Proverb of Unknown Origin
76. As sluttish and slatternly as an Irishwoman bred in France. Traditional Irish Saying
77. As the best wine makes the sharpest vinegar, the truest lover may turn into the worst enemy. Proverb of Unknown Origin

78. As the big hound is, so will the pup be.
Irish Proverb
79. As we live, so we learn.
Yiddish Proverb
80. Be neither intimate nor distant with the clergy.
Irish Proverb
81. Beggars shouldn't be choosers.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
82. Better give a penny than lend twenty.
Italian Proverb
83. Better late than never.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
84. Better no doctor at all than three.
Polish Proverb
85. Better the devil you know than the devil you don't know.
English Proverb
86. Better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.
Chinese Proverb
87. Better wear out shoes than sheets.
Scottish Proverb
88. Between the devil and the deep blue sea.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
89. Beware of a silent dog and still water.
German Proverb
90. Black as hell, strong as death, sweet as love. (About coffee.)
Turkish proverb
91. Blood is thicker than water.
English Proverb (17th Century)

92. Both your friend and your enemy think you will never die.

Irish Proverb

93. Butter would not melt in her mouth.

John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)

94. Call on God, but row away from the rocks.

Indian Proverb

95. Children are poor men's riches.

English Proverb

96. Children should be seen and not heard.

Proverb of Unknown Origin

97. Children suck the mother when they are young and the father when they are old.

English Proverb.

98. Choose neither a woman nor linen by candlelight.

Italian Proverb

99. Climb mountains to see lowlands.

Chinese Proverb

100. Clogs to clogs in three generations.

English Proverb

101. Clouds gather before a storm.

Proverb of Unknown Origin

102. Commit a sin twice and it will not seem a crime.

Jewish Saying

103. Curiosity killed the cat.

Proverb of Unknown Origin

104. Darkness reigns at the foot of the lighthouse.

Japanese Proverb

105. Deal with the faults of others as gently as with your own.

Chinese Proverb

106. Death always comes too early or too late
English Proverb
107. Death closes all doors.
English Proverb
108. Death pays all debts.
English Proverb
109. Did hogs feed here or did Lithuanians have a feast here?
Traditional Polish Saying
110. Do not be born good or handsome, but be born lucky.
Russian Proverb
111. Do not blame God for having created the tiger, but thank him for not having given it wings.
Indian Proverb
112. Do not look where you fell, but where you slipped.
African proverb
113. Do not rejoice at my grief, for when mine is old, yours will be new.
Spanish Proverb
114. Do not speak of secrets in a field that is full of little hills.
Hebrew Proverb
115. Do not talk Arabic in the house of a Moor.
Oriental Proverb
116. Do not use a hatchet to remove a fly from your friend's forehead.
Chinese Proverb
117. Don't imitate the fly before you have wings.
French Proverb
118. Don't look a gift horse in the mouth.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
119. Eat well, drink in moderation, and sleep sound, in these three good health abound.
Latin Proverb

120. Epigrams succeed where epics fail.
Persian Proverb
121. Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.
Bible - Proverbs 17:28
122. Even a small thorn causes festering.
Irish Proverb
123. Every ass loves to hear himself bray.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
124. Every cloud has a silver lining.
English Proverb
125. Every dog hath its day.
English Proverb
126. Every garden may have some weeds.
English Proverb
127. Everyone is kneaded out of the same dough but not baked in the same oven.
Yiddish proverb
128. Everyone loves justice in the affairs of another.
Italian Proverb
129. Everyone pushes a falling fence.
Chinese Proverb
130. Evil enters like a needle and spreads like an oak tree.
Ethiopian Proverb
131. Evil is sooner believed than good.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
132. Experience is a comb which nature gives to men when they are bald.
Eastern Proverb
133. Fame is a magnifying glass.
English Proverb

134. Feather by feather the goose can be plucked.
French Proverb
135. Fine feathers make fine birds.
English Proverb
136. Flattery makes friends and truth makes enemies.
Spanish Proverb
137. Fortune is a woman; if you neglect her today do not expect to regain her tomorrow.
French Proverb
138. Fortune is blind, but not invisible.
French Proverb
139. Friends are like fiddle strings, they must not be screwed too tight.
English Proverb
140. Friends are lost by calling often and calling seldom.
French Proverb
141. Friendship is a furrow in the sand.
Tongan Proverb
142. Give a man a fish, and he'll eat for a day. Teach him how to fish and he'll eat forever.
Chinese Proverb
143. Give neither counsel nor salt till you are asked for it.
Italian Proverb
144. Give the devil his due.
English Proverb
145. Glutton: one who digs his grave with his teeth.
French Proverb
146. God could not be everywhere and therefore he made mothers.
Jewish Proverb
147. God gives the nuts, but he doesn't crack them.
German proverb

148. God heals, and the physician takes the fee.
French Proverb
149. God help the rich man, let the poor man beg!
Old English Proverb
150. God help the rich, the poor can look after themselves.
Old English Proverb
151. Going to law is losing a cow for the sake of a cat.
Chinese Proverb
152. Good advice is often annoying, bad advice never.
French Proverb
153. Good as drink is, it ends in thirst.
Irish Proverb
154. Good luck beats early rising.
Irish Proverb
155. Gray hairs are death's blossoms.
English Proverb
156. Half a loaf is better than none.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
157. Haste makes waste.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
158. Have a horse of your own and then you may borrow another's.
Welsh Proverb
159. He is not wise that is not wise for himself.
English Proverb
160. He lied like an eyewitness.
Russian Insult
161. He makes his home where the living is best.
Latin Proverb

162. He that can't endure the bad will not live to see the good.
Jewish Proverb
163. He that is born to be hanged shall never be drowned.
French Proverb (14th century)
164. He that is rich will not be called a fool.
Spanish Proverb
165. He that lives on hope will die fasting.
North American Proverb
166. He that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent.
Bible - Proverbs 28:20.
167. He that marries for money will earn it.
American Proverb
168. He that plants thorns must never expect to gather roses.
English Proverb
169. He that seeks trouble never misses.
English Proverb (17th century)
170. He that spareth his rod hateth his son.
Bible - Proverbs 24
171. He that winna be ruled by the rudder maun be ruled by the rock.
Scottish Proverb
172. He who asks is a fool for five minutes, but he who does not ask remains a fool forever.
Chinese proverb
173. He who cannot agree with his enemies is controlled by them.
Chinese proverb
174. He who comes with a story to you brings two away from you
Irish Proverb
175. He who could foresee affairs three days in advance would be rich for thousands of years.
Chinese Proverb

176. He who does not know one thing knows another.

Kenyan Proverb

177. He who gets a name for early rising can stay in bed until midday.

Irish Proverb

178. He who has health, has hope; and he who has hope, has everything.

Arabian Proverb

179. He who has once burnt his mouth always blows his soup.

German Proverb

180. He who holds the ladder is as bad as the thief.

German Proverb

181. He who knows nothing, doubts nothing.

Spanish Proverb

182. He who leaps high must take a long run.

Danish Proverb

183. He who rides a tiger is afraid to dismount.

Chinese Proverb

184. He who serves two masters has to lie to one.

Portuguese Proverb

185. He who sups with the devil has need of a long spoon.

English Proverb

186. He who would climb the ladder must begin at the bottom.

English Proverb

187. He who would eat in Spain must bring his kitchen along.

Traditional German Saying

188. He whose face gives no light, shall never become a star.

William Blake "Proverbs of Hell" (1790)

189. Heaven lent you a soul Earth will lend a grave.

Chinese Proverb

190. Honesty is the best policy.
English Proverb
191. How many will listen to the truth when you tell them?
Yiddish Proverb
192. Hygiene is two thirds of health.
Lebanese Proverb
193. If a man be great, even his dog will wear a proud look.
Japanese Proverb
194. If a man deceives me once, shame on him; if he deceives me twice, shame on me.
Italian Proverb
195. If all pulled in one direction, the world would keel over.
Yiddish Proverb
196. If God lived on earth, people would break his windows.
Jewish Proverb
197. If rich people could hire other people to die for them, the poor could make a wonderful living.
Yiddish Proverb
198. If the patient dies, the doctor has killed him, but if he gets well, the saints have saved him.
Italian Proverb
199. If two men ride a horse, one must ride behind.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
200. If you are planning for a year, sow rice; if you are planning for a decade, plant trees; if you are planning for a lifetime, educate people.
Chinese Proverb
201. If you believe everything you read, better not read.
Japanese proverb
202. If you bow at all bow low.
Chinese Proverb

203. If you do not sow in the spring you will not reap in the autumn.
Irish Proverb
204. If you love him, don't lend him.
Polish Proverb
205. If you take big paces you leave big spaces.
Burmese Proverb
206. If you want to be criticized, marry.
Irish Proverb
207. If you wish to die young, make your physician your heir.
Romanian Proverb
208. If you wish to know the mind of a man, listen to his words.
Chinese Proverb
209. In a calm sea every man is a pilot.
Spanish Proverb
210. In America half an hour is forty minutes.
German Proverb
211. In baiting a mousetrap with cheese, always leave room for the mouse.
Greek Proverb
212. In love, there is always one who kisses and one who offers the cheek.
French Proverb
213. Instinct is stronger than upbringing.
Irish Proverb
214. It is a bad hen that does not scratch herself.
Irish Proverb
215. It is a bold mouse that nestles in the cat's ear.
English Proverb
216. It is a long road that has no turning.
Irish Proverb

217. It is an equal failing to trust everybody, and to trust nobody.
English Proverb (18th century)
218. It is an ill wind that blows nobody any good.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
219. It is better to be a male for one day than a female for ten.
Kurdish Proverb
220. It is better to be born a beggar than a fool.
Spanish Proverb
221. It is better to conceal one's knowledge than to reveal one's ignorance.
Spanish Proverb
222. It is better to exist unknown to the law.
Irish Proverb
223. It is better to sit down than to stand, it is better to lie down than to sit, but death is the best of all. (About laziness)
Indian Proverb
224. It is hard to pay for bread that has been eaten.
Danish Proverb
225. It is not a secret if it is known by three people.
Irish Proverb
226. It is not enough to run, one must start in time.
French Proverb
227. It is not fish until it is on the bank.
Irish Proverb
228. It is not the horse that draws the cart, but the oats.
Russian proverb
229. It is sweet to drink but bitter to pay for.
Irish Proverb
230. It is the good horse that draws its own cart.
Irish Proverb

231. It is the quiet pigs that eat the meal.
Irish Proverb
232. It takes time to build castles. Rome was not built in a day.
Irish Proverb
233. It's an ill wind that blows no good.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
234. It's not a matter of upper and lower class but of being up a while and down a while.
Irish Proverb
235. Keep a green tree in your heart and perhaps a singing bird will come.
Chinese Proverb
236. Keep a thing for seven years and you'll find a use for it.
Irish Proverb
237. Kill not the goose that lays the golden eggs.
English Proverb
238. Lack of resource has hanged many a person.
Irish Proverb
239. Last ship, best ship.
English Proverb
240. Laws control the lesser man. Right conduct controls the greater one.
Chinese Proverb
241. Lend your money and lose your friend.
English Proverb
242. Let sleeping dogs lie.
English Proverb
243. Let your heart guide your head in evil matters.
Spanish Proverb
244. Life is a bridge. Cross over it, but build no house on it.
Indian Proverb

245. Life without a friend is death without a witness.
Spanish Proverb
246. Like a fish out of water.
Latin Saying
247. Like a lame mans legs that hang limp is a proverb in the mouth of a fool.
Bible - Proverbs 26:7
248. Listen to the sound of the river and you will get a trout.
Irish Proverb
249. Little pitchers have big ears.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
250. Live with wolves, and you learn to howl.
Spanish Proverb
251. Look before you leap.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
252. Look down if you would know how high you stand.
Yiddish Proverb
253. Love enters a man through his eyes, woman through her ears.
Polish Proverb
254. Love makes the time pass. Time makes love pass.
French Proverb
255. Love me, love my dog.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
256. Love your neighbors, but don't pull down the fence.
Chinese proverb
257. Love, pain, and money cannot be kept secret; they soon betray themselves.
Spanish Proverb
258. Luck has a slender anchorage.
English Proverb

259. Mad as a march hare.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
260. Make hay while the sun shines.
English Proverb
261. Mankind fears an evil man but heaven does not.
Chinese Proverb
262. Many a friend was lost through a joke, but none was ever gained so.
Czech Proverb
263. Many hands make light work.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
264. May as well be hanged for a sheep as a lamb.
English Proverb
265. May the curse of Mary Malone and her nine blind illegitimate children chase you so far
over the hills of Damnation that the Lord himself can't find you with a telescope.
Traditional Irish Curse
266. May the grass grow at your door and the fox build his nest on your hearthstone.
May the light fade from your eyes, so you never see what you love.
May your own blood rise against you, and the sweetest drink you take be the bitterest
cup of sorrow.
May you die without benefit of clergy;
May there be none to shed a tear at your grave, and may the hearthstone of hell be your
best bed forever.
Traditional Wexford Curse
267. May you have a bright future - as the chimney sweep said to his son.
Irish Proverb
268. May you wander over the face of the earth forever, never sleep twice in the same bed,
never drink water twice from the same well, and never cross the same river twice in a
year.
Traditional Gypsy Curse
269. May your every wish be granted.
Ancient Chinese Curse

270. May your left ear wither and fall into your right pocket.
Traditional Arab Curse
271. Men count up the faults of those who keep them waiting.
French Proverb
272. Mere words do not feed the friars.
Irish Proverb
273. More grows in the garden than the gardener knows he has sown.
Spanish Proverb
274. More things belong to marriage than four bare legs in a bed.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
275. Nature breaks through the eyes of the cat.
Irish Proverb
276. Necessity is the mother of invention.
Irish Proverb
277. Necessity knows no law.
Irish Proverb
278. Necessity never made a good bargain.
North American Proverb
279. Need teaches a plan.
Irish Proverb
280. Never cut what can be untied.
Portuguese Proverb
281. Never love with all your heart, it only ends in breaking.
English Proverb
282. Never marry for money. Yell borrow it cheaper.
Scottish Proverb
283. Never put off till tomorrow what may be done today.
English Proverb

284. Night is the mother of council.
Latin Proverb
285. No man limps because another is hurt.
Danish Proverb
286. No man ought to look a given horse in the mouth.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
287. No rose without a thorn, or a love without a rival.
Turkish Proverb
288. No time like the present.
English Proverb
289. Not the cry, but the flight of the wild duck, leads the flock to fly and follow.
Chinese Proverb
290. Not wine...men intoxicate themselves; Not vice...men entice themselves.
Chinese Proverb
291. Nothing dries sooner than tears.
Latin Proverb
292. Nothing is as burdensome as a secret.
French Proverb
293. Nothing is impossible to a willing heart.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
294. One beggar at the door is enough.
French Proverb

295. One cannot shoe a running horse.
Dutch Proverb
296. One father is more than a hundred schoolmasters.
English Proverb (17th century)
297. One flower will not make a garland.
French Proverb
298. One generation plants the trees; another gets the shade.
Chinese Proverb
299. One good turn deserves another.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
300. One joy scatters a hundred griefs.
Chinese Proverb
301. One of these day is none of these days.
English Proverb
302. One should go invited to a friend in good fortune, and uninvited in misfortune.
Swedish Proverb
303. One swallow maketh not a summer.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
304. One woman never praises another.
Estonian Proverb
305. Only the wearer knows where the shoe pinches
English Proverb

306. Out of the frying pan into the fire.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
307. Patience is bitter but its fruit is sweet.
French Proverb
308. Patience is poultice for all wounds.
Irish Proverb
309. Patience is the best medicine.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
310. People live in each others shelter.
Irish Proverb
311. Pigs might fly, but they are most unlikely birds.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
312. Politics is a rotten egg; if broken, it stinks.
Russian proverb
313. Poor men seek meat for their stomach, rich men stomach for their meat.
English Proverb
314. Power lasts ten years; influence not more than a hundred.
Korean Proverb
315. Practice makes perfect.
English Proverb
316. Praise the young and they will blossom
Irish Proverb

317. Pride goeth before destruction, and an naughty spirit before a fall.

Bible - Proverbs 16:18

318. Procrastination is the thief of time.

Proverb of Unknown Origin

319. Public before private and country before family.

Chinese Proverb

320. Put silk on a goat, and its still a goat.

Irish Proverb

321. Quiet people are well able to look after themselves.

Irish Proverb

322. Rags to riches to rags.

Lancastrian Proverb

323. Rain beats a leopards skin, but it does not wash off the spots.

Ashanti Proverb

324. Rats desert a sinking ship.

French Proverb

325. Riches run after the rich, and poverty runs after the poor.

French Proverb

326. Roasted pigeons will not fly into ones mouth.

Dutch Proverb

327. Rome was not built in a day.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
328. Sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander.
English Proverb
329. Seek counsel of him who makes you weep, and not of him who makes you laugh.
Arabic Proverb
330. Set a beggar on horseback, and he ll out ride the Devil.
German Proverb
331. Set a thief to catch a thief.
English Proverb
332. Silence was never written down.
Italian Proverb
333. Since we cannot get what we like, let us like what we can get.
Spanish Proverb
334. Sit a beggar at your table and he will soon put his feet on it.
Russian Proverb
335. Six hours sleep for a man, seven for a woman and eight for a fool.
English Proverb
336. Small children give you headache; big children heartache.
Russian Proverb
337. Some people are masters of money, and some its slaves.
Russian Proverb

338. Sometimes I go about pitying myself, and all the time
I am being carried on great wings across the sky.
Ojibway Saying
339. Sorrow for a husband is like a pain in the elbow, sharp and short.
English Proverb
340. Speak not of my debts unless you mean to pay them.
English Proverb (17th century)
341. Speak the truth, but leave immediately after.
Slovenian Proverb
342. Stars are not seen by sunshine.
Spanish Proverb
343. Stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant.
Bible - Proverbs 9:17.
344. Sweet is the wine but sour is the payment.
Irish Proverb
345. Take heed of enemies reconciled, and of meat twice boiled.
English Proverb.
346. Take thy thoughts to bed with thee, for the morning is wiser than the evening.
Russian Proverb
347. Talk of the devil and he is sure to appear.
English Proverb

348. Tell me who you live with and I will tell you who you are.

Spanish Proverb

349. Tell the truth and shame the devil.

Proverb of Unknown Origin

350. The beginning of wisdom is to call things by their right names.

Chinese Proverb

351. The best advice is found on the pillow.

Danish Proverb

352. The best thing about a man is his dog.

French Proverb

353. The big thieves hang the little ones.

Czech proverb

354. The church is near but the road is icy; the bar is far away but I'll walk carefully.

Russian proverb

355. The comforter's head never aches.

Italian Proverb

356. The darkest hour is that before the dawn.

English Proverb

357. The day will come when the cow will have use for her tail.

Irish Proverb

358. The devil looks after his own.

Proverb of Unknown Origin

359. The devil seduced Eve in Italian. Eve mislead Adam in Bohemian. The Lord scolded them both in German. Then the angel drove them from paradise in Hungarian.
Traditional Polish Saying
360. The fat is in the fire.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
361. The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials.
Chinese Proverb
362. The girl who cant dance says the band cant play.
Yiddish Proverb
363. The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
364. The great thieves lead away the little thieves.
French Proverb
365. The green new broom sweepeth clean.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
366. The hole is more honorable than the patch.
Irish Proverb
367. The hours of folly are measured by the clock, but of wisdom no clock can measure.
William Blake "Proverbs of Hell" (1790)
368. The innkeeper loves the drunkard, but not for a son-in-law.
Yiddish Proverb

369. The jay bird dont rob his own nest.
West Indies Proverb
370. The light heart lives long.
Irish Proverb
371. The man who does not love a horse cannot love a woman.
Spanish Proverb
372. The man who strikes first admits that his ideas have given out.
Chinese Proverb
373. The man with the boots does not mind where he places his foot.
Irish Proverb
374. The mills of God grind slowly but they grind finely.
Irish Proverb
375. The moon is made of a green cheese.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
376. The more the merrier.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
377. The morning is wiser than the evening.
Russian Proverb
378. The nail that sticks up will be hammered down.
Japanese Proverb
379. The night rinses what the day has soaped.
Swiss Proverb

380. The only good thing that comes from the east is the sun.
Traditional Portuguese Saying

381. The palest ink is better than the best memory.
Chinese proverb

382. The pine stays green in winter...Wisdom in hardship.
Chinese Proverb

383. The raggy colt often made a powerful horse.
Irish Proverb

384. The reverse side also has a reverse side.
Japanese proverb

385. The right man comes at the right time.
Italian Proverb

386. The road to a friend's house is never long.
Danish proverb

387. The Russian knows the way, yet he asks for directions.
Traditional German Saying

388. The sea has an enormous thirst and an insatiable appetite.
French Proverb

389. The silent dog is the first to bite.
German Proverb

390. The smallest thing outlives the human being.

Irish Proverb

391. The Spaniard is a bad servant but a worse master.

Traditional English Saying

392. The sun will set without thy assistance.

Hebrew Proverb

393. The surest way to remain poor is to be an honest man.

French Proverb

394. The tallest blade of grass is the first to be cut by the scythe.

Russian proverb

395. The tide tarrieth for no man.

John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)

396. The tongue is more to be feared than the sword.

Japanese Proverb

397. The tongue like a sharp knife...Kills without drawing blood.

Chinese Proverb

The truth is not always what we want to hear.

Yiddish Proverb

398. The turtle lays thousands of eggs without anyone knowing, but when the hen lays an egg, the whole country is informed.

Malay Proverb

399. The wearer best knows where the shoe pinches.

Irish Proverb

400. The well fed does not understand the lean.
Irish Proverb
401. The whisper of a pretty girl can be heard further than the roar of a lion.
Arabian Proverb
402. The wise adapt themselves to circumstances, as water molds itself to the pitcher.
Chinese Proverb
403. The wise man sits on the hole in his carpet.
Persian Proverb
404. The wolf loses his teeth, but not his inclinations.
Spanish Proverb
405. The work praises the man.
Irish Proverb
406. The world is a rose: smell it and pass it on to your friends.
Persian Proverb
407. The world would not make a racehorse of a donkey
Irish Proverb
408. There are many paths to the top of the mountain, but the view is always the same.
Chinese Proverb
409. There are more old drunkards than old doctors.
French Proverb
410. There are only two types of Chinese -- those who give bribes and those who take them.
Russian Proverb

411. There are two great pleasures in gambling: that of winning and that of losing.
French Proverb.
412. There is but one good mother-in-law and she is dead.
English Proverb
413. There is honor even among thieves.
English Proverb
414. There is hope from the sea, but none from the grave.
Irish Proverb
415. There is no fireside like your own fireside
Irish Proverb
416. There is no luck except where there is discipline.
Irish Proverb
417. There is no need like the lack of a friend.
Irish Proverb
418. There is no strength without unity.
Irish Proverb
419. There is plenty of sound in an empty barrel.
Russian Proverb
420. There's many a slip twixt the cup and the lip.
Greek Proverb

421. They who love most are least valued.
English Proverb
422. Think in the morning. Act in the noon. Eat in the evening. Sleep in the night.
William Blake "Proverbs of Hell" (1790)
423. Think with the wise but walk with the vulgar.
German Proverb
424. Thirst is the end of drinking and sorrow is the end of drunkenness.
Irish Proverb
425. Though a tree grow ever so high, the falling leaves return to the ground.
Malay Proverb
426. Three diseases without shame: Love, itch and thirst.
Irish Proverb
427. Three Spaniards, four opinions.
Spanish Proverb
428. Time is a great story teller.
Irish Proverb
429. Time trieth truth.
English Proverb
430. To be rich is not everything, but it certainly helps.
Yiddish Proverb
431. To deny all, is to confess all.
Spanish Proverb

432. To leave is to die a little.

French Proverb

433. To lend is to buy a quarrel.

Indian Proverb

434. To talk without thinking is to shoot without aiming.

English Proverb (18th century)

435. To teach is to learn.

Japanese Proverb

436. To the ass, or the sow, their own offspring appears the fairest in creation.

Latin Proverb

437. To whom you tell your secrets, to him you resign your liberty.

Spanish Proverb

438. Today is the first day of the rest of your life.

North American Saying

439. Tomorrow is a new day.

English Proverb

440. Tomorrow is often the busiest day of the week.

Spanish Proverb

441. Tomorrow never comes.

Proverb of Unknown Origin

442. Trouble rides a fast horse.
Italian Proverb
443. True nobility is in being superior to your previous self.
Hindustani Proverb
444. Trust in Allah, but tie your camel.
Old Muslim Proverb
445. Truth and oil always come to the surface.
Spanish Proverb
446. Truth has a handsome countenance but torn garments.
German Proverb
447. Truth is the safest lie.
Jewish Proverb
448. Truth stands the test of time; lies are soon exposed.
Bible - Proverbs 12:19
449. Truth will be out.
Latin Proverb
450. Two heads are better than one.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
451. Two shorten the road.
Irish Proverb
452. Two thirds of the work is the semblance.
Irish Proverb

453. Unless you enter the tigers den you cannot take the cubs.
Japanese Proverb
454. Visit your aunt, but not every day of the year.
Spanish Proverb
455. Walk straight, my son - as the old crab said to the young crab.
Irish Proverb
456. Want a thing long enough and you dont
Chinese Proverb
457. War is deaths feast.
George Herbert "Outlandish Proverbs"
458. Water for oxen, wine for kings.
Spanish Proverb
459. Well never know the worth of water till the well go dry.
Scottish Proverb
460. Went in one ear and out the other.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
461. What belongs to everybody belongs to nobody.
Spanish Proverb
462. What breaks in a moment may take years to mend.
Swedish proverb

463. What one knows it is sometimes useful to forget.
Latin Proverb
464. What you can not avoid, welcome.
Chinese Proverb
465. When a father helps a son, both smile; but when a son must help his father, both cry.
Jewish Proverb
466. When a twig grows hard it is difficult to twist it. Every beginning is weak.
Irish Proverb
467. When fire is applied to a stone it cracks.
Irish Proverb
468. When fortune knocks upon the door open it widely.
Spanish Proverb
469. When ill luck falls asleep, let none wake her.
Italian Proverb
470. When its time has arrived, the prey becomes the hunter.
Persian Proverb
471. When one dog barks another will join it.
Latin Proverb
472. When spider webs unite, they can tie up a lion.
Ethiopian proverb
473. When the apple is ripe it will fall.
Irish Proverb

474. When the drop (drink) is inside, the sense is outside.
Irish Proverb
475. When the iron is hot, strike.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
476. When the liquor was gone the fun was gone.
Irish Proverb
477. When the mouse laughs at the cat, there is a hole nearby.
Nigerian Proverb
478. When the sun shineth, make hay.
John Heywood "The Proverbs of John Heywood" (1546)
479. When the sword of rebellion is drawn, the sheath should be thrown away.
English Proverb
480. When there is no enemy within, the enemies outside cannot hurt you.
African Proverb
481. When there is order in the nation, there will be peace in the world.
Chinese Proverb
482. When we sing everybody hears us, when we sigh nobody hears us.
Russian Proverb
483. When you live next to the cemetery you cannot weep for everyone.
Russian Proverb

484. When you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced. Live your life so that when you die, the world cries and you rejoice.
Indian proverb
485. When your enemy falls, don't rejoice -- but don't pick him up either.
Yiddish Proverb
486. Where no counsel is, the people fall; but in the multitude of counselors there is safety.
Bible - Proverbs 11:14.
487. Where the tongue slips, it speaks the truth.
Irish Proverb
488. Where there is love there is pain.
Spanish Proverb
489. Where there is no vision, the people perish.
Bible - Proverbs 29:18
490. Where there's music there can be love.
French Proverb
491. While the cats away, the mice can play.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
492. Who begins too much accomplishes little.
German proverb
493. Who knows most speaks least.
Spanish Proverb
494. Who lies with dogs shall rise up with fleas.
Latin Proverb
495. Wine divulges truth.
Irish Proverb
496. Witches and harlots come out at night.
English Proverb
497. With foxes we must play the fox.
Proverb of Unknown Origin
498. With money you are a dragon; with no money, a worm.
Chinese Proverb
499. Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die. Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell.
Bible - Proverbs 23:13-14.
500. Without justice, courage is weak.
North American Proverb
501. Wonder is the beginning of wisdom.
Greek proverb
502. Yesterday is but a dream, tomorrow is but a vision. But today well lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness, and every tomorrow a vision of hope. Look well, therefore, to This Day.
Sanskrit Prover

503. You cannot make a silk purse out of a sow's ear.
Irish Proverb
504. You cannot reason with a hungry belly; it has no ears.
Greek Proverb
505. You cannot unscramble eggs.
North American Proverb
506. You can't hatch chickens from fried eggs.
Dutch Proverb
507. You have to kiss a lot of toads before you find a handsome prince.
North American Proverb
508. You must live with a person to know a person. If you want to know me come and live with me.
Irish Proverb
509. Young men may die, old men must.
English Proverb
510. Young wood makes a hot fire.
Greek Proverb
511. Your health comes first; you can always hang yourself later.
Yiddish Proverb
512. Your neighbors' apples are the sweetest.
Yiddish Proverb
513. Youth does not mind where it sets its foot.
Irish Proverb
514. Youth sheds many a skin. The steed (horse) does not retain its speed forever.
Irish Proverb
515. You've got to do your own growing, no matter how tall your grandfather was.
Irish Proverb