

FDR QUOTES

1. "Throughout the nation men and women, forgotten in the political philosophy of the Government, look to us here for guidance and for more equitable opportunity to share in the distribution of national wealth... I pledge myself to a new deal for the American people. This is more than a political campaign. It is a call to arms."
2. "The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much it is whether we provide enough for those who have little."
3. "True individual freedom cannot exist without economic security and independence. People who are hungry and out of a job are the stuff of which dictatorships are made."
4. "Here is my principle: Taxes shall be levied according to ability to pay. That is the only American principle."
5. "It is common sense to take a method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another. But above all, try something."
6. "In our personal ambitions we are individualists. But in our seeking for economic and political progress as a nation, we all go up or else all go down as one people."
7. "The liberty of a democracy is not safe if the people tolerated the growth of private power to a point where it becomes stronger than the democratic state itself. That in its essence is fascism: ownership of government by an individual, by a group, or any controlling private power."

HOOVER QUOTES

1. "It is just as important that business keep out of government as that government keep out of business."

2. "Economic depression cannot be cured by legislative action or executive pronouncement. Economic wounds must be healed by the action of the cells of the economic body - the producers and consumers themselves."

3. "Competition is not only the basis of protection to the consumer, but is the incentive to progress."

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5. "Prosperity cannot be restored by raids upon the public Treasury."

6. "With impressive proof on all sides of magnificent progress, no one can rightly deny the fundamental correctness of our economic system."

7. The budget should be balanced not by more taxes, but by reduction of follies.

8. "We are now speeding down the road of wasteful spending and debt, and unless we can escape we will be smashed in inflation."

9. "Freedom requires that government keep the channels of competition and opportunity open, prevent monopolies, economic abuse and domination."

10. "We in America today are nearer to the final triumph over poverty than ever before."

11. "Unemployment in the sense of distress is widely disappearing . . . We in America today are nearer to the final triumph over poverty than ever before in the history of any land. The poorhouse is vanishing from among us. We have not yet reached the goal, but given a change to go forward with the policies of the last eight years, and we shall soon with the help of God be in sight of the day when poverty will be banished from this nation. There is no guarantee against poverty equal to a job for every man. That is the primary purpose of the economic policies we advocate"

12. "Prosperity is no idle expression. It is a job for every worker; it is the safety and safeguard of every business and every home. A continuation of the policies of the Republican party is fundamentally necessary to the future advancement of this progress and to the further building up of this prosperity."

13. "Any lack of confidence in the economic future or the basic strength of business in the United States is foolish."