Creativity at Work: Quotes

Those who have changed the universe have never done it by changing officials, but always by inspiring the people.

— Napoleon

Imagination rules the world.

— Napoleon

Beginnings

It all begins when the soul would have its way with you.
— Emerson

Begin at the beginning... and go on till you come to the end: then stop.
— Adventures in Wonderland, Lewis Carroll 1832-1898

You must have chaos within you to give birth to a dancing star.
— Friedrich Nietzsche

A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step
— Lao-tsu c. 604-c.531 BC

Look with favour upon a bold beginning
— Virgil 70-90 BC, Georgics I.L.30

The first beginnings of things cannot be distinguished by the eye.
— Lucretius 99-55 BC *On the nature of Individuality of expression is the begin\nning of all art.\n— Johannes Wolfgang von Goethe (17 Proverbs in Prose)

When the first baby laughed for the first time, the laugh broke into a thousand pieces and skipping about and that was the beginning.

The births of all things are weak and therefore we should have our eyes into beginnings.
— Michel E. Montaigne (1533-1582), *Will, Essays

The great majority of men are bundles:
— Ralph Waldo Emerson (1802-1882)

It is better to begin in the evening than:
— English proverb

We will either find a way, or make one:
— Hannibal

It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.
— Howard Ruff

It is necessary; therefore, it is possible.
— Guiseppe Borghese

In creating, the only hard thing's to be grass-blade's no easier to make than
— James Russell Lowell

If not you, who? If not now, when?
— *The Talmud
**Blink: The Power of Thinking Without Thinking**
by Malcolm Gladwell

**What's the Big Idea?**
Creating and Capitalizing on the Best New Management Thinking
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— Robert J. Sternberg

Thoughts give birth to a creative force that is ne sidereal. Thoughts create a new heaven, a new f source of energy, from which new arts flow. Wl undertakes to create something, he establishes a — Philipus A Paracelsus

"Don’t ask what the world needs. Rather ask – what makes you come a Then go and do it! Because what the world needs is peop who have come alive"
— Howard Thurman

True creativity often starts where lanç — Arthur Koestler (1905 - 1983) Hunç novelist, essayist

"Throwing away ideas too soon is like package of flower seeds and then thrca away because they're not pretty." — Arthur VanGundy, Ph.D. *(Idea Pow*

If you want to build a boat, do not instruct the n stitch the sails, prepare the tools and organize th: them long for setting sail and travel to distant la — Antoine De Saint-Exupéry

What someone is, begins to be revealed when h when he stops showing us what he can do.
— Friedrich Nietzsche

I am an American, Chicago born - Chicago, that go at things as I have taught myself, free-style, : record in my own way: first to knock, first admi
innocent knock, sometimes a not so innocent. But a man's character is his fate, says Heraclitus, and in the end there isn't any way to disguise the nature of the knocks by acoustical work on the door or gloving the knuckles.
— Saul Bellow (First lines of *The Adventures of Augie March*):