

John Wooden Quotes

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John Wooden is the only person in history to be enshrined in the Basketball Hall of Fame twice, once as a player for Purdue, and the other for his performance as coach of the UCLA Bruins. Coach Wooden won ten National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) championships, and in his 27 years as head of the Bruins, they never had a losing season. Their record of 88 consecutive winning games remains one of the greatest sports achievements of all time. His words continue to motivate and inspire champions, as well as inspire championship teams. Here are some of the most famous John Wooden Quotes: "A coach is someone who can give correction without causing resentment."

"Ability is a poor man's wealth."

"Adversity is the state in which man mostly easily becomes acquainted with himself, being especially free of admirers then."

"Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are."

"Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do."

"Don't measure yourself by what you have accomplished, but by what you should have accomplished with your ability."

"Failure is not fatal, but failure to change might be."

"I'd rather have a lot of talent and a little experience than a lot of experience and a little talent."

"If you don't have time to do it right, when will you have time to do it over?"

"If you're not making mistakes, then you're not doing anything. I'm positive that a doer makes mistakes."

"It isn't what you do, but how you do it."

"It's the little details that are vital. Little things make big things happen."

"It's what you learn after you know it all that counts."

"Never mistake activity for achievement."

"Success comes from knowing that you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming."

"Success is never final, failure is never fatal. It's courage that counts."

"Talent is God given. Be humble. Fame is man-given. Be grateful. Conceit is self-given. Be careful."

"The main ingredient of stardom is the rest of the team."

"Things turn out best for the people who make the best of the way things turn out."

"What you are as a person is far more important than what you are as a basketball player."

"Winning takes talent, to repeat takes character."