

Common sense talk



"The real problem we face today is not a crisis of capitalism. It is a crisis of globalization. The new world coming into being is not going to go away. We will not return to a system dominated by a handful of countries around the North Atlantic."

Fareed Zakaria

"Some experts advocate strict emissions limits. Others favor voluntary targets. Still others debate the pros and cons of cap-and-trade carbon markets versus taxes and national conservation regulation. In truth, there is no one solution to climate change. We need all of the above. The important thing is to act, and to act now."

Ban Ki-Moon

"I know the price of success: dedication, hard work, and an unrelenting devotion to the things you want to see happen."

Frank Lloyd Wright

"A lot of people think demand for electricity is inelastic. It's not. Our customers are cutting back and they're not paying their bills, either. Probably 25% of our customers are past due."

Lewis Hay

"What's surprising to me is the length of this recession we've had in IT. It must be a sign that IT is a matured function, that people are focusing on managing it better."

Victor Janulaitis

"Wall Street indices predicted nine out of the last five recessions!"

Paul A. Samuelson

"An important scientific innovation rarely makes its way by gradually winning over and converting its opponents. What does happen is that its opponents gradually die out, and that the growing generation is familiarized with the ideas from the beginning."

Max Planck

"Publishers are notoriously slothful about numbers, unless they're attached to dollar signs—unlike journalists, quarterbacks, and felony criminal defendants who tend to be keenly aware of numbers at all times."

Hunter S. Thompson

"There is no comparing the brutality and cynicism of today's pop culture with that of forty years ago: from *High Noon* to *Robocop* is a long descent."

Charles Krauthammer

"Learning is what most adults will do for a living in the 21st century."

Sydney J. Perelman