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# What is Freedom?

Defend, challenge, or qualify the following quotes on freedom. Be sure you write an argumentatitve paragraph for each quote. Your paragraphs should all include a topic sentence/ claim, evidence, and commentary.

Example paragraph:

The idea that “imagination is more important than knowledge” sounds nice, but isn’t true. For example, you can have an expansive imagination, but do nothing with it. A person sitting on their couch imagining stories and ideas is pointless if there is no action taken in response to those imaginings. It is through knowledge of the world and the understanding of how things work where ideas come to fruition. For example, your imagination can produce dazzling stories, but without the knowledge of how to present those ideas on paper via writing, or how to produce a film to convey those concepts–you have nothing. In short, imagination is a great thing, but it needs to be used in tandem with knowledge in order to produce anything tangible and valuable.

Quote #1: "We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it."

William Faulkner

Quote #2: "Everything that is really great and inspiring is created by the individual who can labor in freedom."

Albert Einstein

Quote #3:  "I think this society suffers so much from too much freedom, too many rights that allow people to be irresponsible."

Boyd Rice

Quote #4: "Freedom (n.): To ask nothing. To expect nothing. To depend on nothing."

Ayn Rand

Quote #5: "For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others."

Nelson Mandela

Quote #6: "None are more hopelessly enslaved than those who falsely believe they are free."

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe