

Who said it?

Answers

1. Florence Nightingale
2. The Little Prince
3. *The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster, with illustrations by Jules Feiffer
4. Sherlock Holmes, from *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes* by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
5. Professor Moriarty, Sherlock Holmes's arch-enemy, from "The Adventure of the Naval Treaty" in *The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes*
6. *The Singular Travels, Campaigns and Adventures of Baron Munchausen*
7. Usually attributed to Benjamin Disraeli, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom (1868, 1874–1880). The saying was later quoted by Mark Twain.
8. Will Rogers (but I am sure he meant it in a good way)
9. Robert Ludlum in *The Parsifal Mosaic*
10. *Herzog* by Saul Bellow
11. Milk and tea. Fisher describes a hypothetical lady who claims she can discriminate whether the milk was added to the tea or the tea was added to the milk. He designs an experiment and describes the appropriate statistical analysis to test her claim.
12. "Statistics are like a bikini. What they reveal is suggestive, but what they conceal is vital."
13. Sir Josiah Stamp (1880–1941), economist, statistician and banker
14. "Guardian of the Royal Virtue"
15. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., The Path of the Law 10, *Harvard Law Review* (1897), 457–469.
16. George Steinbrenner (1930–2010), owner of the New York Yankees from 1973 to 2010. Al Rosen, President of the Yankees, lost a coin toss to determine whether a playoff game would be held in Boston or New York. He told Steinbrenner, "George, we lost the toss. We're going to Boston." Steinbrenner said: "What!? What the hell did you call?" Rosen said, "Tails." That set Steinbrenner off. "Everybody knows it's always heads!" Rosen got a long lecture about heads and the odds and what a moron he was. (*New York Times Magazine*, 26 December 2010.)
17. R. A. Fisher to the Indian Statistical Congress (c.1938)
18. Kendall and Stuart ascribe the story to K. A. C. Manderville. However, this is a hoax. They invented both the quotation and the short story. In fact, an anagram of Maurice G. Kendall is Lamia Gurdleneck.
19. William Sydney Porter (1862–1910), a.k.a. O. Henry
20. Effie Trinket in *The Hunger Games*
21. Hilaire Belloc (1870–1953)
22. W. H. Auden (1907–1973)
23. Hal Varian, the chief economist at Google