

"I've got a woman's ability to stick to a job and get on with it when everyone else walks off and leaves it."

"It pays to know the enemy – not least because at some time you may have the opportunity to turn him into a friend."

"I don't mind how much my ministers talk, as long as they do what I say."



"Defeat? I do not recognise the meaning of the word."



"I always cheer up immensely if an attack is particularly wounding because I think, well, if they attack one personally, it means they have not a single political argument left."

"To those waiting with bated breath for that favourite media catchphrase, the U-turn, I have only one thing to say. You turn if you want to. The lady's not for turning."



"Any woman who understands the problems of running a home will be nearer to understanding the problems of running a country."

"If you want something said, ask a man; if you want something done, ask a woman."

"You may have to fight a battle more than once to win it."

"I am extraordinarily patient, provided I get my own way in the end."

"To wear your heart on your sleeve isn't a very good plan; you should wear it inside, where it functions best."

"Disciplining yourself to do what you know is right and important, although difficult, is the high road to pride, self-esteem, and personal satisfaction."



"Being powerful is like being a lady. If you have to tell people you are, you aren't."

