

Golden Rules

Measuring Life by a Different Standard

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Houston's weather is often maligned. Last summer, we experienced record droughts; recently we were tormented by flooding rains; and summer is always hot. Of course, every locale has its seasonal challenges, and the reality is that Houston does have nine months of temperate climate, and winters so moderate, that it makes any outdoor activity possible in all twelve months. But things are always more pleasant when we wear a smile when faced with life's vagaries that cannot be controlled.

- "Don't knock the weather. If it didn't change once in a while, nine out of ten people couldn't start a conversation." Kim Hubbard
- "It reminded me of what Dad said after slow car trip from Albany when snow hit. "It's New York, people -- it's winter; we get snow. If you aren't prepared to deal with it, move to Miami." Kelley Armstrong
- There is something horribly depressing about watching the weather report. Now life can be planned like the perfect summer picnic drained of spontaneity." Galt Niederhoffer
- "It's so dry, the trees are bribing the dogs." Charles Martin
- The trouble with weather forecasting is that it's right too often for us to ignore it and wrong too often for us to rely on it. Patrick Young
- No matter how rich you become, how famous or powerful, when you die the size of your funeral will still pretty much depend on the weather. Michael Pritchard
- To be interested in the changing seasons is a happier state of mind than to be hopelessly in love with spring. George Santayana
- Spring shows what God can do with a drab and dirty world. Virgil A. Kraft
- Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces up, snow is exhilarating; there is no such thing as bad weather, only different kinds of good weather. John Ruskin
- Isn't it interesting that the same people who laugh at science fiction listen to weather forecasts and economists? Kelvin Throop III
- It was so cold the politicians had their hands in their own pockets. author unknown
- Australia is so cool that it's hard to even know where to start describing it. The beaches are beautiful; so is the weather. Not too crowded. Great food, great music, really nice people. It must be a lot like Los Angeles was many years ago. – Mary-Kate Olsen (This would have been funny if she didn't actually mean it!)





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