

# All My Sons

Arthur Miller

## Suggested Discussion Quotes

### QUOTES TO DISCUSS

Use the following quotes from the play to discuss how you interpret them, what you think is their meaning, or how they relate to the main themes of the play (you will find a list of themes in the Reading Guide PDF file).

[The pages referenced are the ones in the PDF that I sent you with the play.]

1. "Being dishonest with her. That kind of thing always pays off, and now it's paying off" (p. 10).
2. "I ignore what I gotta ignore" (p. 11).
3. "Everything that happened seems to be coming back" (p. 14).
4. "Believe with me, Joe. I can't stand all alone" (p. 17).
5. "Because certain things have to be, and certain things can never be. Like the sun has to rise, it has to be. That's why there's God. Otherwise anything could happen" (p. 22).
6. "Kid, walkin' down the street that day I was guilty as hell. Except I wasn't, and there was a court paper in my pocket to prove I wasn't. . . Result? Fourteen months later I had one of the best shops in the state again, a respected man again; bigger than ever" (p. 24).
7. "Everything was being destroyed, see, but it seemed to me that one new thing was made. A kind of. . . responsibility" (p. 29).

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**Another suggested exercise is for you to choose a quote or a moment in the play that you find relevant and share it with your colleagues, explaining what you think is its significance and in what ways it is relevant.**

