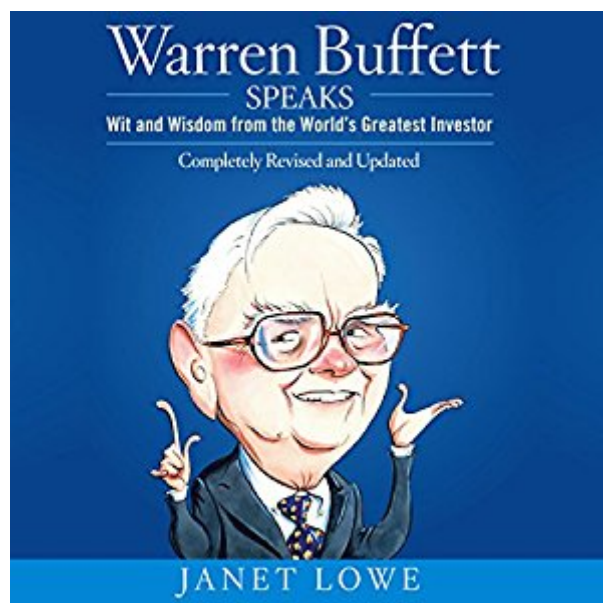


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# Warren Buffett Speaks: Wit And Wisdom From The World's Greatest Investor



## Synopsis

"With enough insider information and a million dollars, you can go broke in a year." "What I am is a realist. I always knew I'd like what I'm doing. Oh, perhaps it would have been nice to be a major-league baseball player, but that's where the realism comes in." "If a graduating MBA were to ask me 'How do I get rich in a hurry?' I would not respond with quotations from Ben Franklin or Horatio Alger, but would instead hold my nose with one hand and point with the other toward Wall Street." "Wall Street is the only place that people ride to work in a Rolls Royce to get advice from those who take the subway." Over the years, as Warren Buffett's influence and affluence have grown, one thing has remained the same - his unpretentious, honest, and optimistic approach toward business and life. Now you can discover life's little secrets of success as revealed by the world's greatest investor. In this wise and winning collection of quotes, writings, and favorite sayings, Warren Buffett speaks on diverse subjects such as investing, the Internet economy, family and friends, running a business, honesty, teaching, paying taxes, and much, much more. It also examines the thinking that prompted the second richest man in the world to give 85 percent of his wealth to the first richest couple (Bill and Melinda Gates) to distribute to charity. Assembled by best-selling author Janet Lowe - and updated to reflect Buffett's life over the past decade - this audiobook includes a wealth of previously unpublished material. This unprecedented peak into the financial genius' wildly profitable philosophy is often surprising, always intriguing, and sparked throughout by Buffett's unique combination of savvy business smarts and wry wit.

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## Customer Reviews

If you are interested in reading about Buffett and his investment approach, this book is useless. This is a very short collection of quotes, most of which you will run into anyway. If interested in Buffett as an investor, one good book is *The Essays of Warren Buffett*. If you want to save money even on this one, without missing out on the content, just download the letters to shareholders Buffett has written over the years and posted on Berkshire Hathaway's website, for free of course.

I'm a big fan of Warren Buffett already, but I have to say this is one of my favorite books of recent years. It's quite an easy read and very well written. Authored by someone who also appears to be a big fan of Warren Buffett. The book is well laid out, with sections on a number of topics. It imparts a variety of Mr. Buffett's business and investing wit & wisdom through quotes and interesting stories relating to both his personal and investing life. Not only may this book help you become a better investor, but it may also help you become a better person as well. Highly recommended, whether you invest in stocks or not.

This is the wit and wisdom of Warren Buffett, the "World's Greatest Investor." Not all of the quotes are from him but are from friends, family, and colleagues. As mentioned in the book, this is more along the lines of Will Rogers. It is not strictly aphorisms on investing. Just seeing Buffett's name sparked my enthusiasm in the book. Thinking this book would have a lot of investing tips, I was disappointed. The first part of the book consists of sayings on life in general. As the book progresses, then some investing thoughts are covered. When they are covered, they are not easily converted into a personal strategy to make a quick profit. This does not mean that it is without merit. The key idea I will take from this book is to invest in companies rather than stock. If your research shows that the company is solid, you should invest in that company. Another idea is to invest as if you were going to leave for 5-10 years and had no way to change the investment. There is a repeat of at least one quote. "You don't need to be a rocket scientist. Investing is not a game where the guy with the 160 IQ beats the guy with 130 IQ." A rather encouraging thought about investing. If you are looking for a guide to investing, then this is not your book. If you were looking for ideas to think about that would help shape long-term goals, then this would be more helpful. I would wait for the book by Warren Buffett.

I'm a big Buffett fan, have been for decades now. Especially one has to respect him lately for expressing himself in ways that don't win a popularity contest. This book does not go deeply into the meaning of Buffett's thoughts. Also, I got the audio version and have not been inspired at all by the

narrator's rendition. It's been difficult for me to hold my attention of this audio version.

This book provides trivial context free quotes from the Master. The context can be provided if you read the full text. (You may find you disagree with it in context.) Anyway, the Berkshire homepage ([WWW.BERKSHIREHATHAWAY.COM](http://WWW.BERKSHIREHATHAWAY.COM)) has a full set of Berkshire letters to shareholders. Read these instead.

She turns a great man into a cartoon character and refeeds us old quotes that she sold us years ago. Janet is a great writer but this is far from her best work. And the sad part of it is that she knows the man and could have given us some good personal insight. If you read the first edition don't bother with the second. And if you read the second don't expect to get much insight into Buffett's investment methods. Can't recommend this book, but I can recommend her books on Graham and Munger, which are both first class reads and worth the price.

A humorous, thinking man's book of business quotes and witticisms. After you have read your copy, you may consider buying more. They make a nice gift! Author, Janet Lowe, knows both Warren Buffett and Charlie Munger well. She has authored several of their authorized books and participates in the annual Berkshire Hathaway shareholder meetings.

I try to read everything on Warren Buffett and this book uncovers some new info that I haven't read. This book uncovers more about Buffett, the person, not just Buffett, the investor, even though the bulk of the book is on the latter. Most people like him because he is smart and he is rich but they don't know that he is also a great guy and a good person. He is a great change from the "Hey, it's only business" attitude as he would rather save a good company and lose some money than just fire everyone and sell it. He believes making money is important but building relationships with good people and good management is even more important since this is rare feat. He is not into material things as he still lives in his first house in his hometown driving the same car. Money to him is just a scoreboard. He has made the largest donation to charity in history and plans to give most of it away as opposed to leaving it as inheritance for his family since he believes that would be foodstamps for the rich. You learn a lot from this book about life, not just investing. My favorite part of the book is on his attitude. He is supremely confident and never has any doubt in anything he do. If you ever compare Berk with S&P 500, you will find they are two different graphs. This is testimony to his stay-true commitment to his investment strategy, a very important quality to have if you do decide to

invest.

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