

# THE EXTRA POINT

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## # 1549 Quotations Can Sometimes Lead to Chaos

The world is a chaotic place, and seems to be falling into greater chaos with each passing day. How do we make sense of it all? How do we move forward when so many in our society seem to be going the other way? I'm Jerry Roberts and we now prepare to take on the scourge of chaos, next on The Extra Point.

The term is chaos, and let's see what some notable folks had to say about it.

1. *"Out of chaos, find simplicity."*  
— Albert Einstein, math guy

When Einstein said, "Out of chaos, find simplicity," he was expressing his scientific and philosophical approach. Einstein believed in the power of simplifying complex issues to uncover fundamental principles and the underlying order to things. We need to do the same thing in our teams. Break things down and get to the basics, making sure that you're not losing people along the way.

2. *"Chaos was the law of nature; order was the dream of man."*

— Henry Adams, historian

3. *"Chaos is the law of nature, and order is the dream of man."*

— John Updike, writer

4. *"Chaos is the beginning of all great things."*

— Orson Welles, actor and director

5. *"Chaos is found in greatest abundance wherever order is being sought. It always defeats order, because it is better organized."*

— Terry Pratchett, author and satirist

6. *"Chaos is what happens when the truth is too difficult to comprehend."*

— Unknown

When people can't (or won't) reason their way through lies and deception to get to truth, chaos is pretty much all that's left to them. *"Embrace chaos and uncertainty as the catalysts for business breakthroughs."*

— Jay Samit, digital media innovator

7. *"Creativity often emerges from the chaos of ideas colliding and connecting."*

— Linda Naiman, author

It's the nature of brainstorming. Ideas flying around, trying to find a reason to hook up to other ideas.. I love the phrase, "ideas colliding and connecting."

8. *"The greatest leaders are those who can navigate through chaos with clarity and purpose."*

— Unknown

The last four are meaningful for every worker, regardless of your position. If your career is something you care about, these thoughts will make a difference for you.

9. *"Chaos is an opportunity to disrupt the status quo and create new possibilities."*

- Unknown

10. *"In a rapidly changing business environment, adaptability is the key to survival amidst chaos."*

— Unknown

11. *"In the midst of chaos, there is also opportunity."*

— Sun Tzu, author and warrior

12. *"A successful career is built not by avoiding chaos, but by mastering it."*

— Unknown

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