

A. A. Gill

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Breakfast is everything. The beginning, the first thing. It is the mouthful that is the commitment to a new day, a continuing life.

~A. A. Gill

The interesting adults are always the school failures, the weird ones, the losers, the malcontents, this isn't wishful thinking. It's the rule.

~A. A. Gill

You either get the point of Africa or you don't. What draws me back year after year is that it's like seeing the world with the lid off.

~A. A. Gill

The truth and the facts aren't necessarily the same thing. Telling the truth is the object of all art; facts are what the unimaginative have instead of ideas.

~A. A. Gill

A lobster bisque ought to be the crowning glory of the potager. And this one was excellent. Silky as a gigolo's compliment and fishy as a chancellor's promise.

~A. A. Gill

The reason that chefs become chefs is that they're not allowed into rooms with windows.

~A. A. Gill

Science fiction is never about the future, in the same way history is rarely about the past: they're both parable formats for examining or commenting on the present.

~A. A. Gill

Facts are what pedantic, dull people have instead of opinions.

~A. A. Gill

My father was a film-maker. He always said he wanted to go like Humphrey Jennings, the legendary director who stepped backwards over a cliff while framing a better shot.

~A. A. Gill

I don't know how long a child will remain utterly static in front of the television, but my guess is that it could be well into their thirties.

~A. A. Gill

We like to see death as an unfair conspiracy, and what we want is a magic practitioner, a combination of Dr Watson and Sherlock Holmes.

~A. A. Gill

America didn't bypass or escape civilization. It did something far more profound, far cleverer: it simply changed what civilization could be.

~A. A. Gill

I still secretly believe that afternoons are the time for the test card and you shouldn't watch television when the sun is out.

~A. A. Gill

Nobody ever forgets their first night in the bush. It's among the precious, meagre handful of life firsts that remain indelible.

~A. A. Gill

Americans think the only funny Brits are John Cleese, Benny Hill and whoever makes our toothpaste. They're not laughing with us, they are laughing at us.

~A. A. Gill

He (Jeremy Clarkson) is the last man standing on the beach commanding the glaciers' melt waters to go back

~A. A. Gill

Television gives us the gift to see ourselves as we'd like to be seen.

~A. A. Gill

Sport is how poor kids from poor countries pass through the eye of the needle to riches and recognition.

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