

Adam Johnson

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Orphans are the only ones who get to choose their fathers, and they love them twice as much.

~Adam Johnson

The next day, she was silent. For breakfast, she murdered an onion and served it raw.

~Adam Johnson

. . . nobody every taught you loyalty . . .

~Adam Johnson

I am a champion standing over the shadow of my former self.

~Adam Johnson

Today, tomorrow," she said. "A day is nothing. A day is just a match you strike after the ten thousand matches before it have gone out.

~Adam Johnson

A good story feels both surprising and inevitable, fresh and familiar.

~Adam Johnson

All the lessons you need to learn in life, he said, will be taught to you by your enemy.

~Adam Johnson

I know it really sounds cheesy, but I did feel a duty to try to tell the stories of people who couldn't speak for themselves.

~Adam Johnson

[I]n communism, you'd threaten a dog into compliance, while in capitalism, obedience is obtained through bribes.

~Adam Johnson

Use your imagination only on the future, never on the present or the

past.

~Adam Johnson

But people do things to survive, and then after they survive, they can't live with what they've done.

~Adam Johnson

Imagine a world in which no writer has written a literary novel in sixty years. Imagine a place where not a single person has read a book that is truly about the character at its center.

~Adam Johnson

Like putting a name to my problems would solve anything

~Adam Johnson

What good's a captive without her captor?

~Adam Johnson

The urge to create a fictional narrative is a mysterious one, and when an idea comes, the writer's sense of what a story wants to be is only vaguely visible through the penumbra of inspiration.

~Adam Johnson

The darkness inside your head is something your imagination fills with stories that have nothing to do with the real darkness around you.

~Adam Johnson

In my experience, ghosts are made up only of the living, people you know are out there but are forever out of range

~Adam Johnson

The death of dictator Kim Jong-Il has cast all eyes on North Korea, a country without literature or freedom or truth.

~Adam Johnson

I thought that, with so much current attention focused on the topic of North Korea, I might share what I think are three books which cast a rare light on the elusive realm of North Korea.

~Adam Johnson

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