

Alan Garner Quotes

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She wants to be flowers, but you make her owls. You must not complain, then, if she goes hunting.

~Alan Garner

I loathe crowds. I especially don't like cities. A city involves biomass. And biomass gets to me.

~Alan Garner

I'm not supposed to be within two hundred feet of a school or a Chuck E. Cheese.

~Alan Garner

I wish Monkeys could Skype. Maybe one day.

~Alan Garner

It's where I keep all my things. Get a lot of compliments on this. Plus it's not a purse, it's called a satchel. Indiana Jones wears one.

~Alan Garner

I love research so much that I do an enormous amount; it helps put off the moment of starting to write the story.

~Alan Garner

Everything I have ever written has been in the same chair, in the same room.

~Alan Garner

I learnt that I must never finish a book with nothing else to do.

~Alan Garner

Hitting the gym to release stress is not nearly as effective as hitting the people that cause the stress to begin with.

~Alan Garner

Possessive parents rarely live long enough to see the fruits of their selfishness.

~Alan Garner

If you are going to write, nothing will stop you, and if you are not going to write, nothing will make you.

~Alan Garner

My great-grandfather was a self-taught man, and his library was extraordinary. I read the lot.

~Alan Garner

My background is deep and set in deep time, and in a narrow space, oral traditions going back a long, long time, which I inherited by osmosis.

~Alan Garner

I've learned never to try and force words to come.

~Alan Garner

My attitude is that if anybody of any age wants to read a book, let them, but I do think that no child would want to read Boneland.

~Alan Garner

... I had never given much credence to the phenomenon of "writer's block". I was more inclined to think of it as "writer's impatience", and to follow Arthur Koestler's dictum: "Soak; and wait.

~Alan Garner

When a monkey nibbles on a weenis, it's funny in any language.

~Alan Garner

I'll buy metaphor, but simile's a cop-out used by scaredycats who won't commit to anything. Simile's for cowards.

~Alan Garner

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