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~David Lodge

Life, after all, should go forwards, not backwards.

~David Lodge

Every decoding is another encoding.

~David Lodge

Information is the religion of the modern world.

~David Lodge

Morris read through the letter. Was it a shade too fulsome? No, that was another law of academic life: it is impossible to be excessive in flattery of one's peers.

~David Lodge

I'm a bit of a deconstructionist myself. It's kind of exciting - the last intellectual thrill left. Like sawing through the branch you're sitting on. ~David Lodge

It's the only thing that keeps me going these days, travelling. Changes of scene, changes of faces

~David Lodge

To read is to surrender oneself to an endless displacement of curiosity and desire from one sentence to another

~David Lodge

I respect a man who can recognize a quotation. It's a dying art.

~David Lodge

I never did like working out - it bears the same relationship to real sport

as masturbation does to real sex

~David Lodge

Perhaps that's what we're all looking for - desire undiluted by habit. ~David Lodge

It was Adam Appleby's misfortune that at the moment of awakening from sleep his consciousness was immediately flooded with everything he least wanted to think about

~David Lodge

Jogging, I believe they call it. It seems to be an epidemic psychological illness afflicting Americans these days. A form of masochism, like the flagellantes in the Middle Ages.

~David Lodge

Walt Whitman, he who laid end to end words never seen in each other's company before outside of a dictionary.

~David Lodge

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