

# Delia Ephron Quotes

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I have one rule I live by: Only do what you can do. That means you're never looking outside for what's popular; you're always looking inside for what's true.

~Delia Ephron

New Yorkers are born all over the country, and then they come to New York City and it hits them: Oh, that's who I am.

~Delia Ephron

In Los Angeles, by the time you're 35, you're older than most of the buildings.

~Delia Ephron

Someone will always tell you what you want to hear.

~Delia Ephron

in the family I grew up in, being called boring was like being called an ax murderer.

~Delia Ephron

There is something fantastic about getting divorced. Everyone should do it to experience the extraordinary sense of freedom after being in marriage jail.

~Delia Ephron

Children are a house's enemy. They don't mean to be - they just can't help it. It's their enthusiasm, their energy, their naturally destructive tendencies.

~Delia Ephron

writing is how I understand everything that happens. Writing is the only way I know to move on.

~Delia Ephron

One cannot overstate the potential for hysteria on a movie set. Everyone always acts as if making the movie is as important as eradicating malaria.

~Delia Ephron

On the subject of spinach: divide into little piles. Rearrange again into new piles. After five or six maneuvers, sit back and say you are full.

~Delia Ephron

As complicated as joint custody is, it allows the delicious contradiction of having children and maintaining the intimacy of life-before-kids.

~Delia Ephron

I'm planning to give up worrying. I want to, but I'm worried I won't be able to.

~Delia Ephron

If you are a stepparent, rush right out and get yourself a dog. Because it's very nice to have someone in the house that loves you.

~Delia Ephron

One quarter of what you buy will turn out to be mistakes.

~Delia Ephron

Your basic extended family today includes your ex-husband or -wife, your ex's new mate, your new mate, possibly your new mate's ex and any new mate that your new mate's ex has acquired.

~Delia Ephron

As for superpower: I wish I could eat a million pastries and not gain weight. I wish I were Pastry Woman.

~Delia Ephron

For me, having it all - if one wants to define it at all - is the magical time

when what you want and what you have match up.

~Delia Ephron

Preparing for the worst is an activity I have taken up since I turned thirty-five, and the worst actually began to happen.

~Delia Ephron

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