

Dervla Murphy

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On my tenth birthday a bicycle and an atlas coincided as presents and a few days later I decided to cycle to India.

~Dervla Murphy

hatred, however apparently justifiable, excusable or inevitable, always damages the hater.

~Dervla Murphy

Buying a bicycle is a momentous event, akin to marriage: you are acquiring a partner.

~Dervla Murphy

Sunnis consider Shias a pack of unwholesome fanatics and Shias consider Sunnis a gang of lukewarm no-goods - there's nothing like religion for spreading brotherly love!

~Dervla Murphy

one of the advantages of cycling is that it automatically prevents a journey from becoming an Expedition.

~Dervla Murphy

... strong bonds are forged in high emotional temperatures.

~Dervla Murphy

poverty denotes a lack of necessities and simplicity a lack of needs.

~Dervla Murphy

The Irish have a flair for wringing from death the last drop of emotion and they do not quite understand those who react otherwise.

~Dervla Murphy

... I know a number of Western children who would benefit greatly if only someone were primitive enough to inhibit the development of their personalities.

~Dervla Murphy

It is far easier to explain to a three-year-old how babies are made than to explain the processes whereby bread or sugar appear on the table.

~Dervla Murphy

Each human spirit is immortal for time cannot destroy

~Dervla Murphy

Is this something else our age does - on the one hand make communication easier than ever before, while on the other hand widening the gulf between those who are 'developed' and those who are not?

~Dervla Murphy

Undoubtedly the Afghans must be, by our standards, the best-looking people in the world. They have everything; height, proportions, carriage, features and complexion.

~Dervla Murphy

apartheid still hangs in the air like a poisonous cloud left over from chemical warfare.

~Dervla Murphy

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