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I have two roommates, so it's a challenge to keep the house the way I like.

~Evangeline Lilly

If Americans could choose, would they choose to work on the infrastructure for cancer-causing oil power or would they choose to work on the infrastructure for health-reviving wind power?

~Evangeline Lilly

It's not your circumstances that make or break your day. It's your attitude!

~Evangeline Lilly

I just like short hair on women; I think its cool.

~Evangeline Lilly

I'm very picky when it comes to men. I come across a man who I'm really attracted to about once every five years.

~Evangeline Lilly

I'm surrounded by people who care about me and love me. I have a great job. I have wonderful roommates who take care of me. I have a family who adores me.

~Evangeline Lilly

Acting is something I appreciate, and I think it's been an amazing experience. But I'm not passionate about acting the way you probably should be to call yourself an actor.

~Evangeline Lilly

There is a little bit of evil in all of us, and it's very easy to draw that out.

~Evangeline Lilly

I cried myself to sleep wishing I was ugly because men leered and

#### disrespected me.

~Evangeline Lilly

I'm a very stubborn woman and I'm from a very stubborn family of headstrong women. I have sisters, so the women rule the coop in my house.

~Evangeline Lilly

When I got the job on 'Lost,' I was a broke university student living in the crappiest part of town, with a duct-taped back window on a broken-down car. I existed on peanut butter and tea.

~Evangeline Lilly

I love my home. It's the only thing I really spend money on. I don't really spend a lot of money on anything else. No fancy cars. No designer clothes.

~Evangeline Lilly

My family didn't have a lot of money, and I'm grateful for that. Money is the longest route to happiness.

~Evangeline Lilly

I love being outside - that's where I'm the happiest.

~Evangeline Lilly

I always wear something slightly masculine.

~Evangeline Lilly

When I was young I was soft spoken and a little bit timid and passive. My dream then was to be a ballerina or a figure skater - something very delicate.

~Evangeline Lilly

As a filmmaker, you have to understand the essence of the book and

tell the story you want to see on the screen, and hopefully please yourself - because you cant possibly please everyone.

~Evangeline Lilly

As I grew older, I developed a very innate passion for art. I was actually pretty good at it.

~Evangeline Lilly

I like fantasy. I like worlds where sometimes you need the special effects to make it come alive, but it's not so fun acting it.

~Evangeline Lilly

In your 20s you can be pretty, but you don't accomplish real beauty until you find wisdom and depth.

~Evangeline Lilly

Every woman is after a kind of classy image.

~Evangeline Lilly

Writing is my number one passion. I've written two novels. I've written a screenplay. I also write short stories and poetry.

~Evangeline Lilly

Every night I bring home flowers and burn candles. And I have a real sense that home is what starts everything inside of you.

~Evangeline Lilly

I am so glad that I get to maintain a relatively down-to-earth lifestyle.

~Evangeline Lilly

I love the creative end of acting. But I hate fame.

~Evangeline Lilly

If your home is peaceful, then you're going to go out in your day

#### peacefully.

~Evangeline Lilly

I think doing a female Elf in the Woodland realm was a bit safer, because we haven't met one of those yet.

~Evangeline Lilly

I was a good student, I was good at soccer, I was vice president of the student council, I was a pretty girl.

~Evangeline Lilly

I've had boyfriends complain, "Wait, you don't want to see me?" No, I don't. I just want to hang out by myself. So screw off.

~Evangeline Lilly

My bedroom is my sanctuary. It's the only place in the house that has a beautiful lush shag rug, which is my favorite.

~Evangeline Lilly

My valentine is always my dad.

~Evangeline Lilly

I started to do everything I could to succeed, but found that the more successful I became, the less people liked me.

~Evangeline Lilly

My heart is in helping people and in the less materialistic side of things, but there's the side of me that's more polished.

~Evangeline Lilly

I just don't think that a lot of the time the messages we send kids prepare them for real life.

I definitely come down on the spiritual side. I think very few things in life happen by chance.

~Evangeline Lilly

Money is the longest route to happiness.

~Evangeline Lilly

A month and a half after my first audition, I won the role on Lost.

~Evangeline Lilly

I consider acting a day job - it's not my dream; it's not my be-all, end-all.

~Evangeline Lilly

As an actress, and as a person, I really admire Diane Keaton. She's feisty, strong, beautiful and talented, and intelligent.

~Evangeline Lilly

That is the greatest source of my anxiety on this film [The Hobbit], is that I'm going to be lynched.

~Evangeline Lilly

I was a die-hard fan of these books [The Hobbit] before the films ever came out. And when I say die-hard, I wasn't the person who could speak Elvish, but I really loved them.

~Evangeline Lilly

If you watch a film from beginning to end, with no women in it, it's really difficult.

~Evangeline Lilly

One of the great pleasures of working in Middle Earth is you get to be another being.

I am who I am and I am what I am. And it's beautiful. And it's okay even if it doesn't look like the sexiest Victoria Secret model. It also boils down to my interactions with people.

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~Evangeline Lilly
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I'm always changing things around. I have to change it all the time. I'm rearranging furniture and taking down paintings and putting up new ones, and buying new pieces of art.

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~Evangeline Lilly
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I didn't grow up in a home that glorified Hollywood. We didn't watch TV. We didn't have a lot of magazines around.

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~Evangeline Lilly
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I cried myself to sleep wishing I was ugly because men leered and disrespected me, because they assumed things about my mental capacity or my physical willingness based on the way I look.

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~Evangeline Lilly
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If I were to live in Africa, serving the poor, the number-one thing I'd miss wouldn't be running water or electricity - it would be style... being able to get dressed up and feel beautiful.

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~Evangeline Lilly
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I don't want everyone to think of me as just 'that kid who called Jesse Jackson a communist in middle school.' That's why I decided to become a famous actress.

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~Evangeline Lilly
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I made a conscious decision when I was about 17 years old to strive towards mediocrity. I completely abandoned the idea of grandeur and importance, and I wanted to be mediocre.

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~Evangeline Lilly
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I changed jobs like I changed shirts. It was something I just like to do - I like trying my hand at everything.

~Evangeline Lilly

I think one of the things that is easy to have happened in a superhero story is that the female character, whether she be a heroine or not, can often be the wart on the man.

~Evangeline Lilly

I like ambiguity. I think it's so much more interesting to play than an overtly good or an overtly evil person.

~Evangeline Lilly

I like to be around people who make me laugh. It's one of my favorite things on a set. I hate it when people take themselves serious in a film set.

~Evangeline Lilly

I think men don't know what they want, so the idea of not knowing what they're getting makes it a little easier on them.

~Evangeline Lilly

People initially think I'm a snob because I'm intensely private.

~Evangeline Lilly

I can still go grocery shopping and not get mobbed. But when I was in South Africa this summer, I had people asking for autographs, and that scared me.

~Evangeline Lilly

I know I can never work in a comedy because I can't keep a goddamn straight face.

I just really like ants, and I really like science. I was interested and curious about the quantum world and the physics behind how it all works.

~Evangeline Lilly

I have to have nature around me. I love the earth and this insanely beautiful creation that we live in. I just think it's to be marveled at and appreciated. It gives us life.

~Evangeline Lilly

Nature inspires us. Not being able to reach out and touch it, or see it, makes me get really antsy.

~Evangeline Lilly

When I was little, I attended five different elementary schools. My parents are very restless people, which is probably where I get my own nomadic lifestyle from.

~Evangeline Lilly

I'm very sensitive. Emotionally, I bruise very easily. I'm a Leo, and this is very characteristic of our sign.

~Evangeline Lilly

For me there's a need for balance - fulfilling the sensitive side, letting my guard down, holding back the warrior in me. And I have to be vulnerable which is very hard for me to do.

~Evangeline Lilly

When I got old enough to date, I realized that Valentine's Day is just a commercial marketing scam to make men feel bad. So I let my boyfriends off the hook.

~Evangeline Lilly

I've had to find my sanity.

~Evangeline Lilly

I actually write as a passion, as something I actually am more passionate about than acting.

~Evangeline Lilly

The way I've been able to embrace fame is by realizing that celebrity is just a means to send whatever message you want out into the world.

~Evangeline Lilly

There's a massive part of me that can be bold and courageous...very strong and very assertive and independent, almost to a fault sometimes.

~Evangeline Lilly

I eventually want to come back to Canada, to disappear, have nobody know me, and just be a writer and do what I want to do.

~Evangeline Lilly

To impress me, a guy has to be completely unaffected by my presence. If he wants to talk to me, talk to me; if he doesn't, don't.

~Evangeline Lilly

I haven't sat down and memorized the language of Elvish, and anyone who does that is crazy!

~Evangeline Lilly

I just wanted friends. I just wanted people to like me. I just wanted for things to be simple and good. So, for five years I actively sought out mediocrity.

~Evangeline Lilly

I bought almost every single thing that I furnished my house with at the Salvation Army in Hawaii. All second hand. Some of them are kind of

retro, and some of them you'd never know.

~Evangeline Lilly

I adore having people over to my home. My number one reason I love that is because I love to see people at ease with each other.

~Evangeline Lilly

I have these huge, pointed ears. They're like three times the size of Orlando Bloom's ears. And I think he has ear envy, I love my ears.

~Evangeline Lilly

Outside of acting, the person that I admire the most is my mother.

~Evangeline Lilly

I enjoy the idea that even though I'm resting, I'm accomplishing something by reading a book.

~Evangeline Lilly

I think I'm not always what I seem.

~Evangeline Lilly

You can't have a movie with a group of people that are significant players in the story, that push forward the plot, without introducing at least one or two of them.

~Evangeline Lilly

My home is my castle, and I spend a lot of time nurturing it, redecorating - moving this and adjusting that, adding flowers and candles.

~Evangeline Lilly

The world is full of opportunities, and I want to try as many as I possibly can.

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