

Gary Paulsen Quotes

*Book, Thinking, War, Reading, Writing, Running, Dark, Stories, Problem,
Animal, Light, People, Hurt, Dog, Song, Every Night, Back And Forth, Games,
Matter, Sleep*

I owe everything I am and everything I will ever be to books.

~Gary Paulsen

If books could have more, give more, be more, show more, they would still need readers who bring to them sound and smell and light and all the rest that can't be in books. The book needs you.

~Gary Paulsen

Patience, he thought. So much of this was patience - waiting, and thinking and doing things right. So much of all this, so much of all living was patience and thinking.

~Gary Paulsen

We make a mistake in thinking we own pets - the animals open their lives up and make us a part of them.

~Gary Paulsen

Do what you can as you can. Trouble, problems, will come no matter what you do , and you must respond as they come.

~Gary Paulsen

A book is a friend. You can never have too many.

~Gary Paulsen

I tried to contain myself... but I escaped!

~Gary Paulsen

Read like a wolf eats and write every day. Every. Single. Day.

~Gary Paulsen

Books make me feel safe. Books make me feel normal.

~Gary Paulsen

Things seemed to go back and forth between reality and

imagination--except that it was all reality.

~Gary Paulsen

The essence of war is insanity. Destruction, death, women widowed, children orphaned, lands plundered, property destroyed, lives decimated - it's all bad.

~Gary Paulsen

Personal inspection at zero altitude. The stories come from my life - if not my own experiences, then about topics and subjects that interest me.

~Gary Paulsen

School didn't work for me. I hated it.

~Gary Paulsen

Adults are locked into car payments and divorces and work. They haven't got time to think fresh.

~Gary Paulsen

I read like a wolf eats. I read myself to sleep every night.

~Gary Paulsen

And the last thought he had that morning as he closed his eyes was: I hope the tornado hit the moose.

~Gary Paulsen

The person who reads can bail, but the person who doesn't fails.

~Gary Paulsen

He had to keep thinking of them because if he forgot them and did not think of them they might forget about him. And he had to keep hoping.

~Gary Paulsen

When he sat alone in the darkness and cried and was done, all done with it, nothing had changed. His leg still hurt, it was still dark, he was still alone and the self-pity had accomplished nothing.

~Gary Paulsen

That's all it took to solve problems - just sense.

~Gary Paulsen

Stories are like a river that flows - you dip a bucket in it

~Gary Paulsen

Running with dogs is like dancing with winter

~Gary Paulsen

This beginning motion, this first time when a sail truly filled and the boat took life and knifed across the lake under perfect control, this was so beautiful it stopped my breath.

~Gary Paulsen

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