

# Italo Svevo

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Strong, Rage, Confession, Wide, Suffering, Men, Life, Fate, Light, Volcanoes,*

*Clear*

You see things less clearly when you open your eyes too wide.

~Italo Svevo

Whenever I look at a mountain I always expect it to turn into a volcano.

~Italo Svevo

There are three things I always forget. Names, faces and... the third I can't remember.

~Italo Svevo

Health doesn't analyze itself, nor does it look at itself in the mirror. Only we sick people know something about ourselves.

~Italo Svevo

Everyone tends to remember the past with greater fervor as the present gains greater importance.

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To kill someone, even treacherously is more manly than to wound a friend by betraying his confidence.

~Italo Svevo

It is comfortable to live in the belief that you are great, though your greatness is latent.

~Italo Svevo

Misunderstanding women is a clear sign of scant virility.

~Italo Svevo

Tears throw a veil over our faults and allow us to accuse fate without fear or contradiction.

~Italo Svevo

Everyone remembers his past with greater vividness as the present

becomes more important. Dying men in their last delirium are supposed to see their whole life spread out before them.

~Italo Svevo

Pain and love - the whole of life, in short - cannot be looked on as a disease just because they make us suffer.

~Italo Svevo

A novelist who ranks with Proust , Kafka , Musil and his friend James Joyce as one of the enduring pillars of Modernism.

~Italo Svevo

The great modern novel of the comic-pathetic illusion of freedom is Confessions of Zeno .

~Italo Svevo

The fancies of wine are authentic events.

~Italo Svevo

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