

# J.A. Konrath

## Quotes

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Book, Two, Bronte, Reader, Sides, Locks, Ambitious, Alive, Study, Sorry,  
Enough*

If you can quit, quit. If you can't quit, stop complaining - this is what you chose.

~J.A. Konrath

There's a word for a writer who never gives up: published.

~J.A. Konrath

Some people are born with a fire inside them. The will to succeed. It isn't a learned behavior. It's just some unknown biological factor that makes them try harder.

~J.A. Konrath

All you need to know about plotting is twofold. 1. Give your characters goals. 2. Don't let them reach those goals.

~J.A. Konrath

If you can't be smart or funny, be brief.

~J.A. Konrath

Every tomorrow has two handles we can take hold of it with the handle of anxiety or the handle of faith If you can quit, quit. If you can't quit, stop complaining - this is what you chose.

~J.A. Konrath

Fate is a future you didn't try hard enough to change.

~J.A. Konrath

Sorry to hear about your Dad." He shrugged. "He was seventy, and we always told him fast food would kill him." "Heart attack?" "He was hit by a Pizza Express truck.

~J.A. Konrath

You can't be both happy and ambitious.

~J.A. Konrath

Never having something is different than having something and losing it.

~J.A. Konrath

Before you make the key, study the lock.

~J.A. Konrath

Writers are essential. Readers are essential. Publishers are not.

~J.A. Konrath

Write the best book you possibly can, then dedicate yourself to getting people to read it.

~J.A. Konrath

As writers, we can do whatever we want to. We're only limited by our imaginations. What an amazing, incredible time to be alive. How lucky we all are.

~J.A. Konrath

Of course, Jack Kilborn is better than both of us combined and mixed with a side helping of the Bronte sisters.

~J.A. Konrath

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