

Jay Asher Quotes

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The main thing I wanted to say, and thankfully it's what most people say they get out of the book, is simply an acknowledgement that we do affect each other in ways we can't predict.

~Jay Asher

No one knows for certain how much impact they have on the lives of other people. Oftentimes, we have no clue. Yet we push it just the same.

~Jay Asher

You can hear rumors. But you can't know them.

~Jay Asher

You can't stop the future You can't rewind the past The only way to learn the secret ...is to press play.

~Jay Asher

I've always loved brainstorming with other writers, and I consider having my work critiqued a part of that brainstorming.

~Jay Asher

And what about you-the rest of you-did you notice the scars you left behind? No. Probably not. Because most of them can't be seen with the naked eye.

~Jay Asher

And at some point, the struggle becomes too much-too tiring-and you consider letting go. Allowing tragedy... or whatever... to happen.

~Jay Asher

You can't go back to how things were. How you thought they were. All you really have is...now.

~Jay Asher

Did the poet use red to symbolize blood? Anger? Lust? Or is the wheelbarrow simply red because red sounded better than black?

~Jay Asher

Everything...affects everything

~Jay Asher

In the end....everything matters.

~Jay Asher

After all, how often do we get a second chance?

~Jay Asher

If I had a chance with him, I missed it. No, I didn't miss it. I threw it away.

~Jay Asher

I needed a break... from myself.

~Jay Asher

Actually, I love trying to figure out why certain books become hits while others, which may be just as good, have trouble finding an audience.

~Jay Asher

The road to publication is like a churro - long and bumpy, but sweet.

~Jay Asher

I want to collapse. I want to fall on the sidewalk right there and drag myself to the ivy.

~Jay Asher

A lot of you cared, just not enough.

~Jay Asher

I hope you're ready, because I'm about to tell you the story of my life. More specifically, why my life ended. And if you're listening to these tapes, you're one of the reasons why.

~Jay Asher

Because when you're posed, you know someone's watching. You put on your very best smile. You let your sweetest personality shine.

~Jay Asher

When you hold people up for ridicule, you have to take responsibility when other people act on it.

~Jay Asher

But sometimes there's nothing left to do but move on.

~Jay Asher

I take a slow sip of lukewarm coffee, reopen the book, and read the words scribbled in red ink near the top: Everyone needs an olly-olly-oxen-free.

~Jay Asher

I'm listening to someone give up. Someone I knewâ€”someone I liked. I'm listening... but still, I'm too late.

~Jay Asher

Two steps behind her, I say her name. "Skye.

~Jay Asher

Fun drunks make a nice addition to any party. Not looking to fight. Not looking to score. Just looking to get drunk and laugh.

~Jay Asher

Watching those guys pummel each other so no one would suspect them of being weak was too much for me. Their reputations were more

important than their faces.

~Jay Asher

This time, for the first time, I saw the possibilities in giving up. I even found hope in it.

~Jay Asher

It's hard to be disappointed when what you expected turns out to be true.

~Jay Asher

One little ripple started today could create a typhoon fifteen years from now.

~Jay Asher

Here's a tip. If you touch a girl, even as joke, and she pushes you off, leave... her... alone. Don't touch her. Anywhere! Just stop. Your touch does nothing but sicken her.

~Jay Asher

They were like two magnets who couldn't decide whether to attract or repel.

~Jay Asher

And as I stood there in the hallwayâ€•aloneâ€•trying to understand what had just happened and why, I realized the truth: I wasn't worth an explanationâ€•not even a reaction. Not in your eyes.

~Jay Asher

When the right moment appears, the key is to not let it pass.

~Jay Asher

Will I ever get control of my life? Will I always be shoved back and pushed around by those I trust?

~Jay Asher

I want to look back. To look over my shoulder and see the Stop sign with huge reflective letters, pleading with Hannah. Stop!

~Jay Asher

And in high school, people are always watching so there's always a reason to pose.

~Jay Asher

You need to figure out what you want, Josh. If that means you need to swim against the tide to get it, at least you're aiming for something that could make you very happy.

~Jay Asher

How many times had I let myself connect with someone only to have it thrown back in my face?

~Jay Asher

That's why you did it. You wanted your world to collapse around you. You wanted everything to get as dark as possible.

~Jay Asher

I hate not knowing what to believe anymore. I hate not knowing what's real.

~Jay Asher

It may seem that every time someone offers you a hand up, they just let go and you slip further down.

~Jay Asher

I decided to find out how people at school might react if one of the students never came back.

~Jay Asher

I tried getting my dad to buy me a beeper for my birthday, he says, "but he thinks only doctors and drug dealers need them."

~Jay Asher

There are also the people too bizarre to ignore, like Kyle Simpson. Future male stripper.

~Jay Asher

Because it may seem like a small role now, but it matters. In the end, everything matters.

~Jay Asher

Every reader is different. There's no book that's inappropriate for every person, but there are people who cannot handle everything.

~Jay Asher

As a writer, my only responsibility is to tell a compelling story.

~Jay Asher

When you write a book for publication, you're writing it for other people to read.

~Jay Asher

Teens in the '90s had the same basic desires as they do now.

~Jay Asher

I miss video games where the jump-kick was the trickiest combo to master.

~Jay Asher

All you really have... is now.

~Jay Asher

That is all that happened. Why did you hear something else?

~Jay Asher

The longer you wait, and this is true, the slower the hands will move.

~Jay Asher

Betrayal. It's one of the worst feelings.

~Jay Asher

Do you remember the last thing you said to me? The last thing you did to me? And what was the last thing I said to you? Because trust me when I said it I knew it was the last thing I'd ever say.

~Jay Asher

Don't give up on me now. I'm sorry. I guess that's an odd thing to say. Because isn't that what I'm doing? Giving up?

~Jay Asher

I was too weak to walk. At least, I thought I was too weak. But in truth, I was too weak to try.

~Jay Asher

Because I've heard so many stories that I don't know which one is the most popular. But I do know which is the least popular. The truth.

~Jay Asher

You don't know what goes on in anyone's life but your own.

~Jay Asher

We didn't get that chance because I was afraid. Afraid I had no chance with you.

~Jay Asher

How in the world was I alone? Because I wanted to be. That's all I can say. It's all that makes sense to me.

~Jay Asher

Everything seemed good, but I knew it had the potential to be awful.

~Jay Asher

I left. When I should have stayed.

~Jay Asher

And everyone knows you can't disprove a rumor.

~Jay Asher

But I need to wake up somehow. Or maybe not. Maybe it's best to get through the day half-asleep. Maybe that's the only way to get through today.

~Jay Asher

It was love because it was worth it.

~Jay Asher

â€ŽBecause if I hadn't been so afraid of everyone else, I might have told Hannah that someone cared. And Hannah might still be alive.

~Jay Asher

How can you call it love when it hurt you so badly?" "It was love because it was worth it.

~Jay Asher

Why would anyone say this stuff about themselves on the Internet? It's crazy!

~Jay Asher

Why does it say she has three hundred and twenty friends?" Josh asks. "Who has that many friends?"

~Jay Asher

It's nothing. A school project. My go-to answer for anything. Staying out late? School project. Need extra money? School project.

~Jay Asher

Josh will begin disappearing into a future where the only place he and I remain friends is on the Internet.

~Jay Asher

I can't. You can't rewrite the past.

~Jay Asher

What the hell happened to Pluto?!

~Jay Asher

I didn't humiliate him by pointing it out because that's not how you treat friends. You don't judge them. You don't humiliate them. I bet he's been judging me all along.

~Jay Asher

and i walked for hours the mist growing thick and whole the thought of disappaering like that, so simply, made me so happy

~Jay Asher

Hannah wasn't my first kiss, but the first kiss that mattered: the first kiss with someone who mattered. (pg 222).

~Jay Asher

I sat. And I thought. And the more I thought, connecting the events in my life, the more my heart collapsed.

~Jay Asher

I'm sorry.â€• Once again, those were the words. And now, anytime someone says I'm sorry, I'm going to think of her.

~Jay Asher

Maybe you didn't know what people thought of you because they themselves didn't know what they thought of you. Maybe you didn't give us enough to go on, Hannah.

~Jay Asher

What you don't understand, you can make mean anything.

~Jay Asher

I waited a second. Should I? No... but I will.

~Jay Asher

Normally when a person has a stellar image another person's waiting in the wings to tear them apart. They're waiting for that one fatal flaw to expose itself.

~Jay Asher

My breathing begins to slow. The tension in my muscles starts to relax. Then, a click in the headphones. A slow breath of air. I open my eyes to bright moonlight. And Hannah, with warmth. Thank you.

~Jay Asher

When you try rescuing someone and discover they can't be reached, why would you ever throw that back in their face?

~Jay Asher

A week went by and nothing. But eventually, as they always will, the rumors reached me. And everyone knows you can't disprove a rumor.

~Jay Asher

Could be my soul mate / two kindred spirits / Maybe we're not / I guess we'll never / know

~Jay Asher

This was not a spur-of-the-moment decision. Do not take me for

granted... again.

~Jay Asher

And here he is again, yet things feel like they'll never be as easy between us as they once were.

~Jay Asher

Rejection always hurts, but having it come from my best friend was the worst.

~Jay Asher

My heart and my trust were in the process of collapsing. And that collapse created a vacuum in my chest.

~Jay Asher

The Golden Rule will always be good advice!

~Jay Asher

Everything about it was false. Right then, in that office, with the realization that no one knew the truth about my life, my thoughts about the world were shaken.

~Jay Asher

I'm going to be mentally ill in fifteen years, and that's why my husband doesn't want to be around me.

~Jay Asher

Those are some strong currents you're swimming against.

~Jay Asher

Because our lies matched. It was a sign.

~Jay Asher

Maybe if I forgot things once in a while, we'd all be a little bit happier.

~Jay Asher

Because what if I got to know you and you turned out to be just like they said? What if you weren't the person I hoped you were? That, more than anything, would have hurt the most.

~Jay Asher

People grow apart, and sometimes, there nothing anyone can do about it.

~Jay Asher

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