

# Jean Kerr Quotes

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A lawyer is never entirely comfortable with a friendly divorce, anymore than a good mortician wants to finish his job and then have the patient sit up on the table.

~Jean Kerr

I'm tired of all this nonsense about beauty being skin deep. That's deep enough. What do you want, an adorable pancreas?

~Jean Kerr

Being divorced is like being hit by a Mack truck. If you live through it, you start looking very carefully to the right and to the left.

~Jean Kerr

The real menace in dealing with a five-year-old is that in no time at all you begin to sound like a five-year-old.

~Jean Kerr

If you can keep your head when all about you are losing theirs, it's just possible you haven't grasped the situation.

~Jean Kerr

I was always the last woman on the last down elevator as the store was closing.

~Jean Kerr

Marrying a man is like buying something you've been admiring for a long time in a shop window. You may love it when you get it home, but it doesn't always go with everything else in the house.

~Jean Kerr

Do you know how helpless you feel if you have a full cup of coffee in your hand and you start to sneeze?

~Jean Kerr

I feel about airplanes the way I feel about diets. It seems to me that they are wonderful things for other people to go on.

~Jean Kerr

Some enterprising youth should go from door to door on Christmas morning peddling batteries.

~Jean Kerr

When the grandmothers of today hear the word 'Chippendales,' they don't necessarily think of chairs.

~Jean Kerr

The average, healthy, well-adjusted adult gets up at seven-thirty in the morning feeling just plain terrible.

~Jean Kerr

The only reason that they say, 'Women and children first' is to test the strength of the lifeboats.

~Jean Kerr

You don't seem to realize that a poor person who is unhappy is in a better position than a rich person who is unhappy. Because the poor person has hope. He thinks money would help.

~Jean Kerr

Even though a number of people have tried, no one has yet found a way to drink for a living.

~Jean Kerr

Women speak because they wish to speak, whereas a man speaks only when driven to speak by something outside himself like, for instance, he can't find any clean socks.

~Jean Kerr

Man is the only animal that learns by being hypocritical. He pretends to be polite and then, eventually, he becomes polite.

~Jean Kerr

Now the thing about having a baby - and I can't be the first person to have noticed this - is that thereafter you have it.

~Jean Kerr

I think success has no rules, but you can learn a great deal from failure.

~Jean Kerr

An actor can remember his briefest notice well into senescence and long after he has forgotten his phone number and where he lives.

~Jean Kerr

Movie actors are just ordinary, mixed-up people - with agents.

~Jean Kerr

One of the most difficult things to contend with in a hospital is that assumption on the part of the staff that because you have lost your gall bladder you have also lost your mind.

~Jean Kerr

It takes at least one to make a marriage.

~Jean Kerr

Being on a ship is something like being pregnant. You can sit there and do absolutely nothing but stare at the water and have the nicest sense that you are accomplishing something.

~Jean Kerr

I thought we talked things out!' 'Yes, and you listened very carefully to every word you had to say.

~Jean Kerr

I know what I wish Ralph Nader would investigate next. Marriage. It's not safe, it's not safe at all.

~Jean Kerr

Dearer to me than the evening star  
A Packard car  
A Hershey bar  
Or a bride in her rich adorning  
Dearer than any of these by far  
Is to lie in bed  
in the morning

~Jean Kerr

You can't sleep until noon with the proper elan unless you have some legitimate reason for staying up until three (parties don't count).

~Jean Kerr

I have noticed that in plays where the characters on stage laugh a great deal, the people out front laugh very little.

~Jean Kerr

Some people have such a talent for making the best of a bad situation that they go around creating bad situations so they can make the best of them.

~Jean Kerr

I make mistakes; I'll be the second to admit it.

~Jean Kerr

I'm not so sure it's so civilized to be civilized all the time.

~Jean Kerr

To me having a party is something like having a baby. The fact that you got through the last one alive is not somehow sufficiently reassuring now.

~Jean Kerr

Don't be silly. I'm a mature, intelligent woman. Of course I'm afraid of my mother.

~Jean Kerr

Children are different - mentally, physically, spiritually, quantitatively, qualitatively; and furthermore, they're all a little bit nuts.

~Jean Kerr

I will read anything rather than work.

~Jean Kerr

I once truly believed that if I had to stand in line for twenty minutes to have a package gift-wrapped it actually gave the recipient more pleasure.

~Jean Kerr

If you can keep your head when all about are losing theirs, it's just possible that you haven't grasped the situation.

~Jean Kerr

There is this to be said about having money. You get rejected by a higher class of people.

~Jean Kerr

Years ago when a man began to notice that if he stood up on the subway he was immediately replaced by two people, he figured he was getting too fat.

~Jean Kerr

I don't grasp things this early in the day. I mean, I hear voices, all right, but I can't pick out the verbs.

~Jean Kerr

I don't want to see the uncut version of anything.

~Jean Kerr

While in some quarters it is felt that the critic is just a necessary evil, most serious-minded, decent, talented theater people agree that the critic is an unnecessary evil.

~Jean Kerr

People only call you 'my dear' when they are irritated with you.

~Jean Kerr

Oh, wouldn't it be wonderful if some manufacturer would make a toy as tough, as staunch, as hard to crack open as the carton it comes in!

~Jean Kerr

Real men don't do pickup lines just to sweep off every girls' feet. They do and trust their own instincts knowing what the girls' wants and needs. Vying to win their hearts.

~Jean Kerr

I know all about improvisation and the free-form that mirrors the chaos of our time, but I do like to feel that the playwright has done some work before I got there.

~Jean Kerr

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