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Though my books are written from a historical perspective, I have goon so far back that I am in the realm of prehistorical speculation rather than simple historical fact to weave my stories around.

~Jean M. Auel

You learn to write by writing, and by reading and thinking about how writers have created their characters and invented their stories. If you are not a reader, don't even think about being a writer.

~Jean M. Auel

Life sometimes gets in the way of writing.

~Jean M. Auel

She lifted the drooping muzzle with both hands...It was a special embrace saved for special occasions.

~Jean M. Auel

Life is neither static nor unchanging. With no individuality, there can be no change, no adaptation and, in an inherently changing world, any species unable to adapt is also doomed.

~Jean M. Auel

I think of my books as mainstream and that's were most people who read them look for them in book stores.

~Jean M. Auel

Of the two, I would think of my work as closer to Science Fiction than Fantasy.

~Jean M. Auel

I have heard Science Fiction and Fantasy referred to as the fiction of ideas, and I like that definition, but it's the mainstream public that chooses my books for the most part.

~Jean M. Auel

From the beginning, when I first got an idea for a story and wondered if I could write it, it has always been the story that has driven me.

~Jean M. Auel

I don't write for publishers, certainly not for critics, and not for readers, But I am delighted that so many people have found my books enjoyable and want to continue to read them.

~Jean M. Auel

No, my publisher has always done the marketing.

~Jean M. Auel

It took some time to gather the research and develop it into the storyline, and to finally finish an origin myth poem that I had been working on for twenty years.

~Jean M. Auel

I started writing to please myself, a story I would like to read, and that is still true.

~Jean M. Auel

I had tears coming out of my eyes. And it was the characters that got me there.

~Jean M. Auel

I have been a reader of Science Fiction and Fantasy for a long time, since I was 11 or 12 I think, so I understand it and I'm not at all surprised that readers of the genre might enjoy my books.

~Jean M. Auel

I can't tell you any more than any other writer can tell you why they write, and I don't know what my influences are.

~Jean M. Auel

The idea led me into the research, which continues to give me more ideas for the story.

~Jean M. Auel

I really fell in love with Africa.

~Jean M. Auel

There was a time when the young of many clans joined together to make new clans.

~Jean M. Auel

They stared at each other, wanting each other, drawn to each other, but their silent shout of love went unheard in the roar of misunderstanding, and the clatter of culturally ingrained beliefs.

~Jean M. Auel

You weren't being punished. You were waiting for me.

~Jean M. Auel

Art was as much in the activity as in the results. Works of art were not just the finished product, but the thought, the action, the process that created them.

~Jean M. Auel

I'm just writing a story that I want to read.

~Jean M. Auel

Each book has been different and has been challenging in its own way to write.

~Jean M. Auel

I probably read 100 times more than I write, but that way when I move my characters through it, I know.

~Jean M. Auel

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