

Joan Jett Quotes

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Different, Fun, Years, Who I Am, Rock And Roll, Believe, Guitar, Littles, Kids*

My guitar is not a thing. It is an extension of myself. It is who I am.

~Joan Jett

You got nothing to lose. You don't lose when you lose fake friends.

~Joan Jett

Don't let anyone tell you that you can't do something. Make your own victories. Make your own mistakes.

~Joan Jett

Girls have got balls. They're just a little higher up, that's all.

~Joan Jett

Other people will call me a rebel, but I just feel like I'm living my life and doing what I want to do. Sometimes people call that rebellion, especially when you're a woman.

~Joan Jett

I think I was born strong-willed. That's not the kind of thing you can learn. The advantage is, you stick to what you believe in and rarely get pushed out of what you want to do.

~Joan Jett

You want to have butterflies in your stomach, because if you don't, if you walk out onstage complacent, that's not a good thing.

~Joan Jett

I figured out it was a social thing, what women were allowed to do. At a very young age, I decided I was not going to follow women's rules.

~Joan Jett

Success isn't one straight line - it's a ladder, and there's always another rung above you to reach out for. Like anything else, there are ups and downs.

~Joan Jett

I don't give a damn about my reputation. You're living in the past, it's a new generation.

~Joan Jett

Life is strong and fragile. It's a paradox... It's both things, like quantum physics: It's a particle and a wave at the same time. It all exists all together.

~Joan Jett

A girl can do what she wants to do / And that's what I'm gonna do.

~Joan Jett

In pop music, you say, 'You can do what you want to me.' Rock 'n' roll says, 'I'm gonna do what I want to you.'

~Joan Jett

If you really believe in yourself, you cannot listen to other people.

~Joan Jett

I think there's nothing better than seeing a three-chord straight up rock 'n' roll band in your face with sweaty music and three minute good songs.

~Joan Jett

The only good thing you ever said was goodbye.

~Joan Jett

I don't know if I get recognized necessarily, though I do get looked at a lot - but I don't know if it's because of who I am, or if people just think I look weird.

~Joan Jett

Being the first is kind of dirty, and it's great

~Joan Jett

You follow any family around, you're going to see elation, you're going to see disharmony.

~Joan Jett

Women are still second-class citizens.

~Joan Jett

God, I always just think of myself as a jeans and T-shirt kind of person.

~Joan Jett

If you are gonna live your life, just try to not be crazy, have fun but have some focus and some purpose and try to know what that is. If you don't know now, try to figure it out.

~Joan Jett

I'm having fun opening up. Sort of struggling to get the audience into it. It's good. It makes you fight. Not fight like antagonistic. But fight for what you believe.

~Joan Jett

I'm really happy doing what I'm doing. I'm not looking to do anything else. I love what I do. I love music. I love playing. I love touring.

~Joan Jett

Women play cellos and violins in symphony orchestras. They're playing Beethoven and Bach. What do you mean they can't play rock and roll?

~Joan Jett

People like to tear you down. People are always going to take shots. You've just got to go for it.

~Joan Jett

Partly, I like a bad reputation. But I also want a reputation of being a good person.

~Joan Jett

I don't really care if you think I'm strange--I ain't gonna change!

~Joan Jett

I love rock and roll, so put another dime in the juke box, baby.

~Joan Jett

The media says that equality for women has arrived, but if you look around, you still don't see girls playing guitars and having success with it.

~Joan Jett

Can't break free from the things that you do. I wanna walk, but I run back to you, that's why I hate myself for loving you.

~Joan Jett

Egotistical people are not pretty. We all know that, I'm sure everybody knows an egotistical person someplace.

~Joan Jett

For me the challenge isn't to be different but to be consistent.

~Joan Jett

I don't wait till stage to use my sexuality. My zipper's down right now. I mean, I use it all the time.

~Joan Jett

Girls see these defined roles they're supposed to follow in life, but when I was a young child, my parents told me I could be anything.

~Joan Jett

People don't want to see women doing things they don't think women should do.

~Joan Jett

If you're secure in yourself, and even if you're not secure in yourself, you don't need to bully.

~Joan Jett

Nobody knows what anticipation is anymore. Everything is so immediate.

~Joan Jett

I do not knowingly kill any living thing - including insects or rodents - and I thank my food for sustaining me.

~Joan Jett

I hope one day people don't look at women like they're out of their minds when they want to pick up an instrument and play. And I think we're getting a lot closer to that.

~Joan Jett

People are very sincere in their praise, and you can't take it lightly.

~Joan Jett

Obviously, some people are thick, and they're not gonna see what they don't want to see.

~Joan Jett

Well, I'll tell you, I don't know how aware teenagers are of me. I think it really depends on the teenager and how well-versed in music they are and what kind of music they like.

~Joan Jett

Vegan With A Vengeance is on my kitchen shelf. This fun and creative

book is delicious for people like me, who don't eat pets.

~Joan Jett

A girl playing rock and roll, it's saying I own my sexuality and I'm going to tell you what I'm going to do. And I think people just find that threatening.

~Joan Jett

Before I settled on music, I wanted to be an archaeologist, an astronaut, all sorts of really diverse things.

~Joan Jett

I grew up in a world that told girls they couldn't play rock 'n' roll.

~Joan Jett

A lot of the touring stuff has become a drag. Traveling itself is a drag. Anyone who's been to an airport knows that.

~Joan Jett

I had a blast doing the Warped Tour, but it's good to be home, for sure.

~Joan Jett

Obviously, the music and lyrics are in me, but if I let myself get in my own way, I do. I empty out and let it come, and then the music spirits take over.

~Joan Jett

There's nothing wrong with being single and not getting married and being, you know, just an old single lady. Who cares?

~Joan Jett

My parents taught me I could be anything in the world I wanted to be.

~Joan Jett

Rock 'n' roll music is what gets me off.

~Joan Jett

You know, I have a really tough time finding new bands.

~Joan Jett

Def Leppard is obviously a different band that we are, but the music work well tighter. And the audiences seem work well together too. We are opening, but we're having a good time.

~Joan Jett

So now 20 years later people want us to get together so they can take shots at all these old babes trying to get back some youth. I mean come on; I've been there. I know what the press would do.

~Joan Jett

Aggressive, tough and defiant may describe me, but that leaves the impression I'm mean and I'm not. People expect me to have fangs.

~Joan Jett

Pop music is not a threatening style of music.

~Joan Jett

When I came back to it, we amicably separated from Warner Bros. I just picked up where I left off, trying to write the rest of this record. It took awhile to get out.

~Joan Jett

I think what I'm going to do is get more balance in my life to still be able to go out and play the hard rock 'n' roll and do what I like to do in music

~Joan Jett

I love to engage with people who come to see us.

~Joan Jett

Fetish is a straight-up sex song.

~Joan Jett

I want to be singing to everybody, and I want everybody to think that I'm singing to them. Guys, girls and everyone in between.

~Joan Jett

I wouldn't say no to other kinds of musical opportunities. I guess that it just depends on what it was or what it required me to do, and if I felt that it compromised my own soul.

~Joan Jett

I'm not necessarily intimidated by really jocky guys. I can talk football with them, you know what I mean?

~Joan Jett

I like to hang out with my friends. I love music. I like to go to the movies. I like to eat. I like to cook.

~Joan Jett

The Runaways' audience was 90 percent male. That was kind of depressing...Why don't women-our own gender-come out and support us?

~Joan Jett

The better your base is, and the more you know from experience, the better off you'll be when you try and make the big move.

~Joan Jett

Being onstage is everything that's good about life.

~Joan Jett

I think I look better in darker clothes. And maybe the fact that I wear black so much makes me more aware of putting people at ease.

~Joan Jett

I left my family, and I left my brother and sister, and I went and lived my dream. I saw everybody, but is it ever enough?

~Joan Jett

Cutting meat out of your diet is the best thing you can do for animals and your own health.

~Joan Jett

I've done some acting and a lot of different things, but mostly it's the music.

~Joan Jett

I don't like to say where I'll be in 10 years.

~Joan Jett

Happiness doesn't necessarily lie in material things. You just have to put yourself in a position to be happy. If you can do what you love for a living, that's a good start.

~Joan Jett

It's hard to have a dialogue when you're name-calling.

~Joan Jett

I've been able to do a lot of things a lot of people haven't, that other people would dream of. I've been able to live out my fantasies, and dreams! So, I'm real lucky.

~Joan Jett

I leave for the show at least an hour ahead, and I do some vocal warm-ups, and that's pretty much it.

~Joan Jett

I'd like to just be a little bit more open to making mistakes and not worrying about it so much.

~Joan Jett

I consider that success for anything, whether it's being a musician or a writer. As long as you can support yourself, you're successful. People need to change their idea of what success is.

~Joan Jett

I plan to stay in music. I plan to keep making records.

~Joan Jett

It's easier to sit there and say you don't like feminists because they don't have a sense of humor.

~Joan Jett

My job is intense. It's very physical.

~Joan Jett

One of the mistakes I made was believing that the rock 'n' roll genre as a genre was much more free than the whole pop or R&B scene.

~Joan Jett

We were really grown up for our age and it was an incredible special band.

~Joan Jett

I love sports. I love animals. I love kids. I want to save the world. So how do I combine all those things? I don't know

~Joan Jett

I've always got something to say.

~Joan Jett

I have a tough time judging myself.

~Joan Jett

When you're singing songs about love and sex, you want everyone to think you're singing to them. Whether you're a boy, a girl, a woman, a man - whatever you're into, I can be that.

~Joan Jett

I love school. I was a great student.

~Joan Jett

I fiercely protect my privacy. I just don't think it's everyone's business to know every little detail about my life. That's just the way I've handled myself.

~Joan Jett

Only because The Runaways were my baby and there's no reason to get it back together except to totally have fun. If that's not the goal, then I don't want to do it.

~Joan Jett

A lot of people ask me why I don't expand and explore other musical areas, but I like the plain three- and four-chord rock-and-roll that I call the the semi-blues.

~Joan Jett

Why there aren't people out there willing to have fun playing rock 'n' roll. I just don't get it.

~Joan Jett

I was in drama, wanted to be an actor.

~Joan Jett

I'm not a list person.

~Joan Jett

I know that sounds cliché, but mostly from my own experiences and things I see around me. We're all human beings, and a lot of the things I write about are pretty universal things.

~Joan Jett

I bought one of those Learn How to Play Guitar Chords By Yourself and it shows you the diagram where to put your hands and I took that in my room, sat with my singles and learned how to play guitar.

~Joan Jett

A lot of the songs I've recorded are songs I write.

~Joan Jett

Anyone who wants to know who I am can just read my lyrics - I've always written about who I am.

~Joan Jett

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