

Jodi Picoult

Quotes

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Way, Mean, Fall, Writing, Looks, Hurt, World, Pain, Different, Sometimes*

Everytime I look at a zebra, I can't figure out whether it's black with white stripes or white with black stripes, and that frustrates me.

~Jodi Picoult

Love is not a because, it's a no matter what.

~Jodi Picoult

The human capacity for burden is like bamboo- far more flexible than you'd ever believe at first glance.

~Jodi Picoult

There are two ways to be happy: improve your reality, or lower your expectations.

~Jodi Picoult

There's always going to be bad stuff out there. But here's the amazing thing -- light trumps darkness, every time. You stick a candle into the dark, but you can't stick the dark into the light.

~Jodi Picoult

I can give or take elephants; I never can find the cheetah-but the zebras captivate me. They'd be one of the few things that would fit if we were lucky enough to live in a world that's black or white.

~Jodi Picoult

You can't look back - you just have to put the past behind you, and find something better in your future.

~Jodi Picoult

Until this moment, I had not realized that someone could break your heart twice, along the very same fault lines.

~Jodi Picoult

The wolves knew when it was time to stop looking for what they'd lost,

to focus instead on what was yet to come.

~Jodi Picoult

If you have a sister and she dies, do you stop saying you have one? Or are you always a sister, even when the other half of the equation is gone?

~Jodi Picoult

â€ŽPick ten strangers and stick them in a room, and ask them which of us they feel sorrier for - you or me - and we all know who they'll choose.

~Jodi Picoult

When you love someone, you say their name different. Like it's safe inside your mouth.

~Jodi Picoult

don't say it. don't tell me that nobody's going to stare at me, because they will. don't tell me it doesn't matter, because it does. and don't tell me i look fine because that's a lie.

~Jodi Picoult

so i do what i do best. i move in the opposite direction.

~Jodi Picoult

Words are like eggs dropped from great heights; you can no more call them back than ignore the mess they leave when they fall.

~Jodi Picoult

People are always afraid of the unknown - and banding together against the Thing That Is Different From Us is a time-honoured tradition for rallying the masses.

~Jodi Picoult

I always hated when my scars started to fade, because as long as I could still see them, I knew why I was hurting.

~Jodi Picoult

Once you had put the pieces back together, even though you may look intact, you were never quite the same as you'd been before the fall.

~Jodi Picoult

words are like nets - we hope they'll cover what we mean, but we know they can't possibly hold that much joy, or grief, or wonder.

~Jodi Picoult

Maybe you had to leave in order to really miss a place; maybe you had to travel to figure out how beloved your starting point was.

~Jodi Picoult

This is what I like about photographs. They're proof that once, even if just for a heartbeat, everything was perfect.

~Jodi Picoult

Beliefs are the roads we take to our dreams. Believe you can do something-or believe you can't-and you'll be right everytime.

~Jodi Picoult

Researching 'Lone Wolf,' I was amazed at how thoughtful and intelligent these animals are. There has never been a documented attack against a human by a wolf that wasn't provoked by the human.

~Jodi Picoult

Just because you didn't speak the facts out loud didn't erase their existence. Silence was just a quieter way to lie.

~Jodi Picoult

A duck walks into a bar and the bartender asks, what'll it be? The duck

doesn't answer because it's a duck.

~Jodi Picoult

Someone once told me that when you give birth to a daughter, you've just met the person whose hand you'll be holding the day you die.

~Jodi Picoult

When you are attracted to people, it's because of the details. Their kindness. Their eyes. The fact that they can get you to laugh when you need it the most.

~Jodi Picoult

I think that ordinary people who are placed in extraordinary circumstances find themselves pushed beyond their limits, and learn new truths about themselves.

~Jodi Picoult

A photo says, you were happy, and I wanted to catch that. A photo says, you were so important to me that I put down everything else to come watch.

~Jodi Picoult

Life can change in an instant; don't be so worried about the future that you forget to celebrate what you have right now.

~Jodi Picoult

I believe that having something to hope for - even if it's just a better tomorrow- is the most powerful drug on this planet.

~Jodi Picoult

Like a missing tooth, sometimes an absence is more noticeable than a presence.

~Jodi Picoult

My mother... she is beautiful, softened at the edges and tempered with a spine of steel. I want to grow old and be like her.

~Jodi Picoult

They say that there are moments that open up your life like a walnut cracked, that change your point of view so that you never look at things the same way again.

~Jodi Picoult

You might not write well every day, but you can always edit a bad page. You can't edit a blank page.

~Jodi Picoult

You'd think someone who'd been to medical school would be able to hear through a stethoscope that somebody was empty inside.

~Jodi Picoult

To say there had been a loss was ludicrous; one lost a shoe or a set of keys. You did not suffer the death of a child and say there was a loss. There was a catastrophe. A devastation. A hell.

~Jodi Picoult

And, after all, what is a lie? 'Tis but the truth in masquerade.

~Jodi Picoult

It takes two people to make a lie work: the person who tells it, and the one who believes it.

~Jodi Picoult

If words had flavors, hers would be bitter almonds and coffee grounds.

~Jodi Picoult

For better or for worse, music is the language of memory. It is also the language of love.

~Jodi Picoult

You can touch everything and be connected to nothing.

~Jodi Picoult

The Inuit say that the stars are holes in heaven. And every time we see the people we loved shining through, we know they're happy.

~Jodi Picoult

the letters are mixed up. U and I should be together.

~Jodi Picoult

Seeing her sitting there unresponsive makes me realize that silence has a sound.

~Jodi Picoult

All I know is that I carried you for nine months. I fed you, I clothed you, I paid for your college education. Friending me on Facebook seems like a small thing to ask in return.

~Jodi Picoult

She's not classically beautiful, but somehow that only makes her more interesting.

~Jodi Picoult

And I remembered something else that makes us human: faith, the only weapon in our arsenal to battle doubt.

~Jodi Picoult

Things that look impossible suddenly seem a lot better, once you get God on board.

~Jodi Picoult

Lies were only as strong as the suckers that believed them.

~Jodi Picoult

I don't think anyone who falls in love has a choice. You're just pulled to that person like true north, whether it's good for you or bound to break your heart.

~Jodi Picoult

That's the paradox of loss: How can something that's gone weigh us down so much?

~Jodi Picoult

Everyone has a story; everyone hides his past as a means of self-preservation. Some just do it better, and more thoroughly, than others.

~Jodi Picoult

Happiness is what you choose to remember.

~Jodi Picoult

You know what the difference is between a dream and a goal?... A plan.

~Jodi Picoult

Things that break - be they bones, hearts, or promises - can be put back together but will never really be whole.

~Jodi Picoult

One person's trauma is another's loss of innocence.

~Jodi Picoult

The more you get past pain, the more it goes from coal to diamond.

~Jodi Picoult

When I was little I bragged about my firefighting father: my father would

go to heaven, because if he went to hell he would put out all the fires.

~Jodi Picoult

All writers start with a layer of truth, don't they? If not, their stories would be nothing but spools of cotton candy, a fleeting taste wrapped around nothing but air.

~Jodi Picoult

If you gave someone your heart and they died, did they take it with them? Did you spend the rest of forever with a hole inside you that couldn't be filled?

~Jodi Picoult

Some lessons can't be taught, they simply have to be learned.

~Jodi Picoult

Life sometimes gets so bogged down in the details, you forget you are living it.

~Jodi Picoult

Sometimes to get what you want the most, you have to do what you want the least.

~Jodi Picoult

Superheroes were born in the minds of people desperate to be rescued.

~Jodi Picoult

Although you hadn't asked why, it had less to do with you not noticing than with you not wanting to hear the answer.

~Jodi Picoult

My first job was as an assistant in the local library. Self fulfilling prophecy?

~Jodi Picoult

It seems to me that no matter what religion you subscribe to, acts of kindness are the stepping-stones to making the world a better place--because we become better people in it.

~Jodi Picoult

Where you come from does matter -- but not nearly as much as where you are headed.

~Jodi Picoult

People ask all the time how I'm doing, but the truth is, they don't really want to know.

~Jodi Picoult

But there is a different between mending someone who's broken and finding someone who makes you complete.

~Jodi Picoult

The jury is supposed to be twelve peers, but technically that would mean every single person on the jury should have Asperger's syndrome, because then they'd really understand me.

~Jodi Picoult

never trust a man who wears a pinkie ring. . . the only jewelry a guy should wear is a wedding band or a super bowl ring

~Jodi Picoult

How could you go about choosing something that would hold the half of your heart you had to bury?

~Jodi Picoult

There's that unwritten schism that literary writers get all the awards and commercials writers get all the success.

~Jodi Picoult

We all know that a sky with clouds in it is much more interesting than one that doesn't have any.

~Jodi Picoult

I always wondered why God was supposed to be a father," she whispers. Fathers always want you to measure up to something. Mothers are the ones who love you unconditionally, don't you think?

~Jodi Picoult

When you're different, sometimes you don't see the millions of people who accept you for what you are. All you notice is the person who doesn't.

~Jodi Picoult

We Pisces, we're a special breed.

~Jodi Picoult

true love is feloniousâ€¦ You take someone's breath awayâ€¦ You rob them of the ability to utter a single wordâ€¦ You steal a heart.

~Jodi Picoult

Bleeding heart, he'd called her. Well. He should know. He'd been the first to rip it to pieces.

~Jodi Picoult

I think once you sign on to be a mother, that's the only shift they offer.

~Jodi Picoult

There is no one truth. There's only what happened, based on how you perceive it.

~Jodi Picoult

The act of reading is a partnership. The author builds a house, but the reader makes it a home.

~Jodi Picoult

Don't pay back in kind, pay back in kindness. If someone does wrong by you, do right by them.

~Jodi Picoult

When you want something bad, you'll tell yourself a thousand lies.

~Jodi Picoult

We make messes of our lives, but every now and then, we manage to do something that's exactly right. The challenge is figuring out which is which.

~Jodi Picoult

Extraordinary things are always hiding in places people never think to look.

~Jodi Picoult

Sometimes we find ourselves walking through life blindfolded, and we try to deny that we're the ones who securely tied the knot.

~Jodi Picoult

In the English language there are orphans and widows, but there is no word for the parents who loses a child.

~Jodi Picoult

The world just feels different for those of us who come alive after dark. It's more fragile and unreal, a replica of the one everyone else inhabits.

~Jodi Picoult

All any of us wanted, really, was to know that we counted. That someone else's life would not have been as rich without us here.

~Jodi Picoult

Part of growing up was learning not to be quite that honest - learning when it was better to lie, rather than to hurt someone with the truth.

~Jodi Picoult

Religion isn't in your DNA. you don't believe just because your parents believe.

~Jodi Picoult

I wonder if the conversations you've never had with someone count, if you've been over them a thousand times in your mind.

~Jodi Picoult

I wonder if, as you get older, you stop missing people so fiercely. Maybe growing up is just focusing on what you've got, instead of what you don't.

~Jodi Picoult

I think there are crossroads in our lives when we make grand, sweeping decisions without even realizing it.

~Jodi Picoult

The best place to cry is on a mother's arms.

~Jodi Picoult

Is Fate getting what you deserve, or deserving what you get?

~Jodi Picoult

Scars are just a treasure map for pain you've buried too deep to remember.

~Jodi Picoult

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