# John Ratzenberger Quotes

Stars, People, War, Cheer, School, Humor, Kids, Different, Crush, Real, Long, Running, Couple, Years, Thinking, Hollywood, Actors, Children, Writing, Mother A farce, or slapstick humor, does well universally.

~John Ratzenberger

Find people who share your values, and you'll conquer the world together.

~John Ratzenberger

But from what I can see all around me today, that America is fading fast, if it's not already gone.

~John Ratzenberger

When I go to the garage to pick up my clubs, I clean the spider webs off.

~John Ratzenberger

After all, at end of the day, when you're breathing your last, it's not your producer, director, or cast mates by your bedside; it's your children. Keep that in mind.

~John Ratzenberger

Diabetes affects my family. One of my kids is affected by it.

~John Ratzenberger

Calvin: I'm a genius, but I'm a misunderstood genius. Hobbes: What's misunderstood about you? Calvin: Nobody thinks I'm a genius. Corfu? It's just a poor man's Pensacola.

~John Ratzenberger

Sure, the comedians who swear or use scatological humor can get laughs, but they're uncomfortable laughs.

~John Ratzenberger

I have been raising money for the past 14 years for diabetes research. ~John Ratzenberger In L.A., though, people get off busses calling themselves actors, so many are really not professionals.

~John Ratzenberger

So many actors have sheer guts, will, and determination; they just need some preparation.

~John Ratzenberger

I always played a soldier, sailor, or policemen.

~John Ratzenberger

Hollywood has lost touch with their audience a long time ago.

~John Ratzenberger

There are times over different projects when I've asked the writers why people are swearing for no good reason. I tell them that it would be funnier if there weren't these swear words.

~John Ratzenberger

I come from Bridgeport, Connecticut and have friends I grew up with there.

~John Ratzenberger

I'm concerned about the insidious influence of the media's bad messages that undermine the lessons parents try to instill in their sons and daughters.

~John Ratzenberger

Before 1972, no actors got residuals. They just got paid. No residuals. ~John Ratzenberger

It appalls me that the people who decide what Americans will be watching on the tube have never been to the United States. Not the real United States. ~John Ratzenberger

On my visits back home, if they saw that I was getting a big head, they'd let me know right away.

~John Ratzenberger

From what I can see, too many kids don't learn pride in their country anymore.

~John Ratzenberger

I speak to women's groups, Chambers of Commerce, manufacturing organizations. Just did the Mike Huckabee Show. I do about two speaking engagements a month. I still enjoy travelling.

~John Ratzenberger

[At Conventions] they give me all the photos to sign. Star Wars, Superman. And Hammy the Pig is right up there. ~John Ratzenberger

I don't know that I ever did see Star Wars as any different. I was certainly proud that I did it.

~John Ratzenberger

Really, improv is all about creating for what's around you, in the moment, so it fits in a way that you can't see the seams. It's like a great jazz combo. I still do it.

~John Ratzenberger

I mean, Cheers [from the Star Wars] was just a job while we were doing it. All of us were really only hustling to pay the rent, weren't we. ~John Ratzenberger

My uniform [in Star Wars] was cool. Not much else I can think of at the moment. You know, you don't know the enormity of these kinds of films

### until well after you're done.

~John Ratzenberger

I never went to drama school, so that was more like I was getting away with it.

~John Ratzenberger

I'm still really into set design and construction when I do films. I notice that stuff.

~John Ratzenberger

I look at the calendar. If it's a nice place, I go, like I did in London when it came to choosing to do a film. I always choose the best locations. New Orleans. That's fun. I'm available. Let's go.

~John Ratzenberger

Maybe, I got a sense when [Star Wars] came out, and there were always these lines around the block. We didn't understand the popularity of Cheers until maybe five years into the series.

~John Ratzenberger

### You've got to write for your audience.

~John Ratzenberger

### You'll be tested every single day.

~John Ratzenberger

## So many people aren't ready for Hollywood - professionally or practically.

~John Ratzenberger

### I'd never been to acting school, so I never thought I'd get this far.

~John Ratzenberger

I've turned down projects based on raunchiness before.

~John Ratzenberger

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