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Corporate and political and religious psychopaths ruin economies. They ruin societies.

~Jon Ronson

Friends are the fruitcake of life - some nutty, some soaked in alcohol, some sweet.

~Jon Ronson

I wondered if sometimes the difference between a psychopath in Broadmoor and a psychopath on Wall Street was the luck of being born into a stable, rich family.

~Jon Ronson

In the midst of a burning-hot shaming, calling for patience and context and understanding and empathy can really land you in trouble.

~Jon Ronson

The snowflake never needs to feel responsible for the avalanche.

~Jon Ronson

‎I have panicked unnecessarily in all four corners of the globe.

~Jon Ronson

It's not a good idea to define the boundaries of normality by tearing apart people who are outside of it.

~Jon Ronson

At first, I did stories on people who were maybe just eccentric. Omar was a natural progression from that.

~Jon Ronson

I'm not what you'd call a fearless type of person.

We were creating a world where the smartest way to survive is to be bland.

~Jon Ronson

Well, I had nightmares when I was doing the Klan story all the time. I had a recurring nightmare of basically being exposed as a Jew inside the Klan compound.

~Jon Ronson

I wasn't in any way a kind of soothsayer or not surprised when Sept. 11 happened. I was absolutely shocked.

~Jon Ronson

Twitter wanted to become a more egalitarian justice system, but instead it became a draconian one.

~Jon Ronson

Trying to prove you're not a psychopath is even harder than trying to prove you're not mentally ill,' said Tony.

~Jon Ronson

My worryingly paradoxical thought process could be summarized thus: Thank God I don't believe in the secret rulers of the world. Imagine what the secret rulers of the world might do to me if I did!

~Jon Ronson

You can say anything to David Icke and he will accept it and put it into his ideology.

~Jon Ronson

Ever since I learnt about confirmation bias I've started seeing it everywhere.

The way I portrayed the people is accurate. Because they're human beings and we have a kind of wonderful capacity to be absurd and ridiculous.

~Jon Ronson

We're living in post-nuance online times.

~Jon Ronson

We want to see ourselves as curious and open-minded and smart and understanding things in terms of context and nuance, but when someone tries to do that in the midst of a shaming they're turned on.

~Jon Ronson

Bedlam: an institution with a history so fearsome it gave its name to a synonym for chaos and pandemonium.

~Jon Ronson

Capitalism, perhaps at its most remorseless, is a physical manifestation of psychopathy.

~Jon Ronson

I write funny nonfiction adventure books about crazy, serious worlds.

~Jon Ronson

Trying to solve the mystery is what I enjoy most about writing.

~Jon Ronson

Oh, you know what bloggers are like, they write and write and write. I don't know why, because they're not being paid.

~Jon Ronson

Obviously, I like to write stories that are page-turners. But I always try my very, very hardest to be as factually true as possible.

Sometimes labeling is only useful, like with OCD. Once you're labeled you can be treated. On other occasions labeling leads to tyranny, like with childhood bipolar disorder in the U.S.

~Jon Ronson

Of course there are people who would like to eat breakfast without the screams of toddlers all around them, but those people should get over themselves and stop being stuck up and idiotic.

~Jon Ronson

Discover the time of day when you write best, and write then. For me it's about 7 am to noon. For other people it's overnight. Try not to do anything other than write between those times.

~Jon Ronson

Feeling no remorse must be a blessing when all you have are your memories

~Jon Ronson

But on the extremist side I didn't get any rejections at all. Everyone agreed to talk to me.

~Jon Ronson

Most goat-related military activity is still highly classified.

~Jon Ronson

My paranoia never ends, but I haven't been paranoid about being spied on my shadowy forces for some time now.

~Jon Ronson

The laughing way we make damaged people our playthings, it's so dehumanizing.

Going to Africa. Hope I don't get AIDS. Just kidding. I'm white!

~Jon Ronson

Success is always less funny than failure.

~Jon Ronson

It is an awful lot harder, Tony told me, to convince people you're sane than it is to convince them you're crazy.

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~Jon Ronson

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