

Karl Ove Knausgard

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As your perspective of the world increases not only is the pain it inflicts on you less but also its meaning. Understanding the world requires you to take a certain distance from it.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

I have a longing for fiction - to try to believe in it and to disappear into it.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

For me, personally, it is very important that the days are exactly the same, so I have routines. I do the same thing every day.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

Saying what you believe others want to hear is, of course, a form of lying.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

The strange thing about writing is that it's so easy to write a novel. It is really easy. But it's getting there to the point where it's easy that's hard. The hard part is to get there.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

I think that the best literature has a core that you can't lock to a time or place but that can generate lots of meanings and translations.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

Shame tells you when you've gone too far. Then you try if it's okay to go too far. And it might be so that shame was right. You can never, never know that.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

As a person, I'm polite - I want to please.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

If you are disappearing from yourself, but you're still writing, then there is a kind of activity of thinking going on, which in my world is similar to what's going on in music.

~Karl Ove Knausgard

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