

Kristin Hannah

Quotes

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I am such a Pacific Northwest girl.

~Kristin Hannah

Finding your passion isn't just about careers and money. It's about finding your authentic self. The one you've buried beneath other people's needs.

~Kristin Hannah

Maybe time didn't heal wounds exactly, but it gave you a kind of armor, or a new perspective. A way to remember with a smile instead of a sob.

~Kristin Hannah

And no one drank just one shot of tequila.

~Kristin Hannah

And maybe that was how it was supposed to be...Joy and sadness were part of the package; the trick, perhaps, was to let yourself feel all of it, but to hold on to the joy just a little more tightly.

~Kristin Hannah

A daughter without her mother is a woman broken. It is a loss that turns to arthritis and settles deep into her bones.

~Kristin Hannah

Memories are who we are. In the end, that's all the luggage you take with you. Love and Memories are what last.

~Kristin Hannah

That was what a best friend did: hold up a mirror and show you your heart.

~Kristin Hannah

What I know now about life is this: your mother is a part of everything

you do and everything you are.

~Kristin Hannah

From the first time we met, we knew everything that mattered about each other, didn't we? We just knew. I guess that's what best friends are: parts of each other.

~Kristin Hannah

He is a man, and he is afraid. This is not a good combination.

~Kristin Hannah

Books + friendship = book club

~Kristin Hannah

In the sea of grief, there were islands of grace, moments in time when one could remember what was left rather than all that had been lost.

~Kristin Hannah

I might screw up, I might embarrass you, I might yell at you, but I will never, ever stop loving you. You're my first born. The first time I held you... I fell in love so hard it cracked my bones.

~Kristin Hannah

Whenever I write about motherhood - and I write about it a lot - I am drawing on my experiences as a mother and also my experiences as a daughter.

~Kristin Hannah

I know about forgiving people and loving them anyway, even after they hurt you.

~Kristin Hannah

It isn't about being at the same school or the same town or even the same room. It's about being together. Love is a choice you make.

~Kristin Hannah

To those who are here, those who are gone, and those who are lost.

~Kristin Hannah

At one point, she'd wanted to hurl the whole breakfast at the wall. And then she'd remember why it was that men had temper tantrums and women didn't: cleanup.

~Kristin Hannah

If I have learned anything in this long life of mine, it is this: in love we find out who we want to be; in war we find out who we are.

~Kristin Hannah

Thoughts - even fears - were airy things, formless until you made them solid with your voice and once given that weight, they could crush you.

~Kristin Hannah

Promises were a lot like impressions. The second one didn't count for much.

~Kristin Hannah

Sitting around and waiting for your muse is not the best choice.

~Kristin Hannah

Then he left her there, standing alone, surrounded by word ghosts; things she could have said.

~Kristin Hannah

It's not intentions that matter. It's actions. We are what we do and say, not what we intend to.

~Kristin Hannah

Some stories don't have happy endings. Even love stories. Maybe

especially love stories.

~Kristin Hannah

Nobody's strong enough to be a parent. We just do it, blindly, going forward on faith and love and hope. That's all it is...Being afraid...and going on.

~Kristin Hannah

Lately he'd been seen going out less and less, becoming that strangest of animals in a small town: a loner.

~Kristin Hannah

It occurred to her suddenly, sharply, that she wanted to be in love... She wanted not to feel so damned alone in the world.

~Kristin Hannah

I'm an insomniac lately. It's one of the many prizes you find in the Cracker Jack box of a crumbling [relationship].

~Kristin Hannah

If she wasn't careful, she'd slide without a ripple into the gently flowing stream of her old life, pulled back under the current without a wimper of protest. Another housewife lost in the flow.

~Kristin Hannah

I didn't know how...deep love ran, how it was in your blood, not your heart, and how that same blood pumped through your veins your whole life.

~Kristin Hannah

What good did it do to light the world on fire if she had to watch the glow alone?

~Kristin Hannah

Popularity means people think they know you.

~Kristin Hannah

Of course you can fall in love. You just have to let yourself. They don't call it falling for nothing. -Kate

~Kristin Hannah

This is the problem with forever friends. They know too much.

~Kristin Hannah

You couldn't give up you for them. But what if you wanted them more than you wanted a singular powerful you?

~Kristin Hannah

Do you love him?" How would I know?" You'd know.

~Kristin Hannah

It was true; always had been. Friendships were like marriages in that way. Routines and patterns were poured early and hardened like cement.

~Kristin Hannah

She waited for you in a thousand different ways.

~Kristin Hannah

Sometimes holding on was all you could do.

~Kristin Hannah

You look great," he said. It made her smile, even if it was a lie. "I'm as big as a house." He laughed. "I like houses. In fact, I'm thinking about architecture as a career.

~Kristin Hannah

Caro: "Bite me." Ruby: "I gave that up in kindergarten.

~Kristin Hannah

Stacey: "I'm surprised you haven't thrown me out." Comfort: "At your current weight, I'd need some sort of catapult."

~Kristin Hannah

Goddamn, sometimes it hurt to be free.

~Kristin Hannah

When you're a mom, you learn about fear. You're always afraid. Always. About everything from cupboard doors to kidnappers to weather.

~Kristin Hannah

She is like a child picking at a scab, unable to stop herself even though she knows it will hurt.

~Kristin Hannah

The measure of a society is its compassion.

~Kristin Hannah

I can be a little OCD when it comes to my writing.

~Kristin Hannah

We women. as glue for the family. lead lives that are important and conflicted. What we women choose to give up for our families is important and valid.

~Kristin Hannah

The hallmark of my books is the relationships that define women's lives.

~Kristin Hannah

Jude remembered this pain. Every woman had felt some version of it:

the end of first love. It was when you learned, for good and always, that love could be impermanent.

~Kristin Hannah

We can't live other people's lives for them. Even if we love them.

~Kristin Hannah

Sometimes you simply made the wrong choice and you had to live with it. You could only change the future.

~Kristin Hannah

...both had learned that everything could change in an instant, and that the heartfelt vows of people in love were fragile words that, once shattered, could cut so deeply you'd bleed forever.

~Kristin Hannah

Their friendship was more important than any relationship. Guys would come and go; girlfriends were forever.

~Kristin Hannah

Marriages go through hard times. Sometimes you have to get in there and fight for your love. That's the only way for it to get better.

~Kristin Hannah

Nothing was easier to shatter than the fragile shield of an idealist.

~Kristin Hannah

It's a promise ring,â€• he said solemnly. â€œThe lady at the store said it's what you give the girl you love. It means I want to marry you someday.

~Kristin Hannah

Nina knew the power of black and white images. Sometimes a thing was its truest self when the colors were stripped away.

~Kristin Hannah

I always thought it was what I wanted: to be loved and admired. Now I think perhaps I'd like to be known.

~Kristin Hannah

When you get . . . to the end, you see that love and family are all there is. Nothing else matters.

~Kristin Hannah

I guess no one stays friends for more than thirty years without broken hearts along the way.

~Kristin Hannah

Liam learned that it was possible to appear to move forward when you were really standing still.

~Kristin Hannah

Real friends. The kind that don't purposely hurt your feelings or stop liking you for no reason.

~Kristin Hannah

Sometimes being a good friend means saying nothing.

~Kristin Hannah

One thing I can tell you for sure is this: we only regret what we don't do in life.

~Kristin Hannah

It's not a date. I bought my own drink and I didn't shave my legs.

~Kristin Hannah

The at-home mother's life: it was a race with no finish line.

~Kristin Hannah

She used to tell me that she couldn't feel the sunlight anymore, not even when she was standing in it, not even when it was hot on her cheeks

~Kristin Hannah

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