

# Lisa Gardner Quotes

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I loved ghost stories, creaky staircases, stormy nights. If it guaranteed nightmares I read it by flashlight, after midnight.

~Lisa Gardner

You try as a parent. You love beyond reason. You fight beyond endurance. You hope beyond despair. You never think, until the very last moment, that it still might not be enough.

~Lisa Gardner

What I learned is that it's arrogant to be certain of anything. The world is a complex place and only idiots or assholes think they know it all.

~Lisa Gardner

If you choose to do something, do it with your utmost. And remember, expect nothing and life will be velvet.

~Lisa Gardner

The only time you're calm, you're centered, you're at peace, is when someone's trying to kill you. And that's just plain twisted.

~Lisa Gardner

I think one of the appeals of suspense is to safely explore our innermost fears.

~Lisa Gardner

Life may not be perfect, at least it offered moments that were perfect enough.

~Lisa Gardner

Expect nothing and life will be velvet.

~Lisa Gardner

I like to believe my suspense novels marry the strong characters from my romance writing past, with the twisty, clever plots of my mystery

writing present.

~Lisa Gardner

Before I became a suspense novelist, I wrote romantic suspense as Alicia Scott.

~Lisa Gardner

My secret vice is Sudoku puzzles. Can't stop playing them. My parents are accountants. I blame them entirely.

~Lisa Gardner

It wasn't that strangers couldn't hurt you. It was simply that the people you loved could do it so much better.

~Lisa Gardner

Women cry. Men laugh. Whiners moan. Men laugh. Wimps complain. Men laugh.

~Lisa Gardner

Youth is no excuse for sloppiness.

~Lisa Gardner

Men should spend less time with guns and more time in childbirth.

~Lisa Gardner

Post-apocalyptic novels tell you that in the future there is some great war. I would tell you that most cops say that it's going on right now.

~Lisa Gardner

Mental illness is a disease and organic mental illness of young kids is becoming more and more of a disease... we do need to talk about it.

~Lisa Gardner

I have a huge author crush on Stephen King. Have never met him.

Would probably embarrass myself. But it would be worth it.

~Lisa Gardner

When you're on book tours, you definitely need chocolate. At all times.

~Lisa Gardner

God was in the details.

~Lisa Gardner

Mothers hold close, fathers let go. Maybe that's the way of the world.

~Lisa Gardner

Who do you love? It's a question anyone should be able to answer. A question that defines a life, creates a future, guides most minutes of one's days. Simple, elegant encompassing. Who do you love?

~Lisa Gardner

Once, I was my mother's daughter. Now I am my daughter's mother.

~Lisa Gardner

You can be the hunter, or you can be the hunted.

~Lisa Gardner

I'm not the most detailed writer. I have a tendency to be more action-oriented vs. descriptive.

~Lisa Gardner

It is difficult to get men to pick up a female author. Women will read men, but men won't read women.

~Lisa Gardner

Whomever speaks first gives up some power.

~Lisa Gardner

My mother would like me to start all interviews by stating that she and my father are perfectly normal. They are proud of me, and as perplexed as anyone by my novels.

~Lisa Gardner

You know what the difference between a cardiac surgeon and God is? God doesn't think he's a cardiac surgeon.

~Lisa Gardner

We're all in this together - when one writer succeeds, all writers succeed. I love discovering new authors. I think we need to take care of each other and talk about craft and nurture talent.

~Lisa Gardner

I still like the relationship part of any story. You don't want your character to figure everything out and then at the end of the day, go home and eat soup from a can by herself.

~Lisa Gardner

Everyone should say what they wanted. It saved time.

~Lisa Gardner

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