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We are, at almost every point of our day, immersed in cultural diversity: faces, clothes, smells, attitudes, values, traditions, behaviours, beliefs, rituals.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

Sometimes it's easy to lose faith in people. And sometimes one act of kindness is all it takes to give you hope again.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

When it comes to the hijab - why to wear it, whether to wear it, how to wear it - there is theology and then there is practice, and there is huge diversity in both.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

# Belief means nothing without actions

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

What's the good of being true to your religion on the outside, if you don't change what's on the inside, were it really counts?

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

In a multicultural, diverse society there are countless ways in which people negotiate the everyday lived experience and reality of diversity.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

But persistent name calling? that prolongs hurt. It stretches out. Each nasty word stretches the rubber band further away until finally, one day, it snaps back at you with maximum impact

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

True friends are those who love you not in spite of your faults and imperfections, but because of them.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

When you exist in the centre of a debate, as a topic, a hypothesis - otherised and stigmatised - you become the prop in a proposition.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

The easiest way for readers to connect with characters and feel sympathy is to make the character entertaining, sympathetic and likeable.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

Everything is relative. If you want to understand a problem you look at its cause. You don't look at its manifestation.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

We have to choices in this world; we either try to survive or to give up.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

It is time Australian Muslims stop being treated as negotiable citizens in their own country. It is time people stop 'tolerating' us, presuming some right to decide if we have a place in our own home.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

If I like a book, I tend to read the author's entire collection. But I choose mainly through personal recommendations, general word of mouth and book reviews.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

Spirituality is deeply personal. Yet, society has to face the fact that certain faiths celebrate spirituality through an overt expression of inner convictions.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

Yeah, don't you take a break?" "I don't have time for breaks." "That's the whole point of a break. When you've got no time, you need a break.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

I've been writing stories since I was a kid. I love writing stories.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

You should take notes whenever you hear interesting or original language.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

Parents. Honestly. Sometimes they really do think the world revolves around them.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

I want to be with one person in my life. I want to know that the guy I spend the rest of my life with is the first person I share something so intimate and exciting with.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

That's when this warm feeling buzzes through you and you smile to yourself, knowing God's watching you, knowing that He knows you're trying to be strong to please Him.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

I do most of my reading on the train ride to and from work. But I always have a book in my handbag so that I can read at any time, anywhere.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

I've always loved writing, and the impulse for me is storytelling. I don't sit down and think: 'What political message can I sell?' I love the creativity of it.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

Yes, Simone, he is mentally unstable for being attracted to you. call the men in white suits.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

I wasn't rebellious. Other friends had far stricter parents and where there wasn't a relationship of respect and communication, they were usually the opposite; kids go to the other extreme.

~Randa Abdel-Fattah

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