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I'd have described myself as a Tolkien reader before this, but now I'd describe myself as a Tolkien geek.

~Richard Armitage

I feel like my imagination was crafted by Tolkien. He seemed to tap into that childhood intrigue of secret doors and hidden worlds.

~Richard Armitage

I have an accountant, obviously, because I'm self employed, and I use an independent financial adviser. I trust my accountant because we have worked together for a long time now.

~Richard Armitage

I can't bear shopping. I can choose clothes for my characters, but not for myself. I've got no dress sense. Or I've lost it.

~Richard Armitage

I never like to go out of character when filming starts. I fear that if I do, I might not be able to pick it up again.

~Richard Armitage

Do people really think that about my nose? I spent my whole life hating it, so its amusing that people like it!

~Richard Armitage

I have a bit of pride, which is always my downfall.

~Richard Armitage

Unfortunately, my love life is nil. I'm working too much - but I would like to settle down at some point.

~Richard Armitage

I think if I had come out of drama school and been an instant Hollywood superstar, I would be taking long, leisurely holidays.

~Richard Armitage

I'm not interested in building wealth, which is kind of naive and probably frowned on, living in America. It's something that people don't necessarily understand, but if I die poor, I die poor.

~Richard Armitage

Whatever I lack in talent I have in stamina.

~Richard Armitage

I love being grungy and dirty.

~Richard Armitage

The problem with me is I read everything, but it's only the bad stuff that stays with me. It's weird, you only need to be told something once and it stays with you.

~Richard Armitage

I think most conflicts do end with negotiated settlements; some don't, but most do.

~Richard Armitage

Ive never been that cute kid that was forgiven for being naughty.

~Richard Armitage

Since real spies are so good, you never really know what actual spying is. But I do think spying is a lot more dangerous than we are led to believe.

~Richard Armitage

It fills me with dismay sometimes when you look at the scripts that do come to you that are primarily focused on violence. There are so many other things to play around with.

~Richard Armitage

I know what Twitter is; I don't use it. I don't use Facebook, so luckily, it does zero to my ego.

~Richard Armitage

I'm probably more of a new man. I'm not particularly alpha. 'Nourish and nurture' are my watchwords as opposed to 'search and destroy'.

~Richard Armitage

What could be better in al-Qaeda's mind than to have India and Pakistan going at each other? What more to further their aims?

~Richard Armitage

I think understanding or comprehension is probably the strongest emotion that you feel, or at least some kind of empathy.

~Richard Armitage

U.S. assistance provides the Jordanian government needed flexibility to pursue policies that are of critical importance to U.S. national security and to foreign policy objectives in the Middle East.

~Richard Armitage

North Korea is not an insane nation. It is not a crazy nation.

~Richard Armitage

You have to remove your human sentiment when it comes to greed and the accumulation of wealth.

~Richard Armitage

Sometimes I hate the job that I do as an actor. I feel like I'm just of no importance in the world, but sometimes you get a real thrill out of the diversity of the work.

~Richard Armitage

Once you don't smile on film, they say, 'Let's have that bloke who

#### doesn't smile.'

~Richard Armitage

I think insanity is the hardest thing to play.

~Richard Armitage

I'd say that, to be a good deal maker, you have to have three basic characteristics - timing, timing, and timing.

~Richard Armitage

I think, as a general matter, clearly, the United States globally supports the development of democracy and the democratic yearnings of all people.

~Richard Armitage

Iran has interest in seeing that the Shia population of Iraq basically adhere to a line that comes from Iran.

~Richard Armitage

I come from very conservative parents, and we weren't particularly wealthy, but we were comfortable.

~Richard Armitage

The bad guys have all the fun!

~Richard Armitage

I'm the only honest person in Washington.

~Richard Armitage

A terrorist is one who kills innocents for the pursuit of a political aim.

~Richard Armitage

The development of weapons of mass destruction and the missiles to carry them would be a very destabilizing effect, should Iran be able to

#### accomplish that.

~Richard Armitage

I think what Osama bin Laden does is to take the fact that some peoples lack hope and lack opportunity, and twist it to his own ends.

~Richard Armitage

I value my ability to keep state secrets.

~Richard Armitage

You can spend a bit of yourself when you give yourself to a character. At the end of a job, you have to remind yourself who and what you are.

~Richard Armitage

Diplomacy is much more than just talking to your friends... You've got to talk to people who aren't our friends, and even people you dislike.

~Richard Armitage

Adults will not necessarily laugh at the same thing as their children.

~Richard Armitage

Secretary Clinton has dramatically changed the face of U.S. foreign policy globally for the good. But I wish she had been unleashed more by the White House.

~Richard Armitage

I don't know if, at the end of the day, how brave Saddam Hussein would be if he were stripped of his bodyguards and everything else.

~Richard Armitage

I must say I've rarely been described as 'diplomat.

~Richard Armitage

Let's face it, the Obama administration was handed a pretty poor deal

from the previous administration.

~Richard Armitage

Trying to please everyone can be very hard, but, like Shrek or The Simpsons, Robin Hood manages to entertain adults and children at the same time, but in different ways.

~Richard Armitage

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