

# Robert Smith

## Quotes

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I do a job I really, really love and I kind of have fun with. People think you can't be grown up unless you're moaning about your job.

~Robert Smith

I'd rather spend my time looking at the sky than listening to Whitney Houston.

~Robert Smith

When we started I wasn't the singer. I was the drunk rhythm guitarist who wrote all these weird songs.

~Robert Smith

Refusing to grow up is like refusing to accept your limitations. That's why I don't think we'll ever grow up.

~Robert Smith

It's really easy to slide into a depression fueled by the pointlessness of existence.

~Robert Smith

I lose myself in music because I can't be bothered explaining what I feel to anyone else around me.

~Robert Smith

I've discovered special makeup by a company called M.A.C. You could wear it on the surface of the sun and it wouldn't move.

~Robert Smith

I've always spent more time with a smile on my face than not, but the thing is, I don't write about it.

~Robert Smith

I had no desire to be famous; I just wanted to make the greatest music ever made. I didn't want anyone to know who I was.

~Robert Smith

It's a perfect day for letting go.

~Robert Smith

In some cases, I quite like irritating people who need to be irritated.

~Robert Smith

B is for Breasts Of which ladies have two; Once prized for the function,  
Now for the view.

~Robert Smith

You can't drink on an eight hour flight, pass out, and then go onstage...  
well you can, but then you're Spandau Ballet.

~Robert Smith

I've never regretted not having children. My mindset in that regard has  
been constant. I objected to being born, and I refuse to impose life on  
someone else.

~Robert Smith

I think, at heart, unless you discover faith in something else, something  
other, it's very hard to shake the thing that you're adrift alone.

~Robert Smith

You don't really know a song until you play it live.

~Robert Smith

I'd like to record somewhere really different. Rent a really big house  
and get a mobile in and set up in the dining room. Maybe New England;  
it'd be nice in September or October.

~Robert Smith

I am very self-conscious a lot of the time.

~Robert Smith

If you feel alienated from people around you, it's because no one tries to understand you.

~Robert Smith

I'm not a morose person; it's just that my best songs reflect on the sadder aspects of life.

~Robert Smith

True repentance has a double aspect. It looks upon things past with a weeping eye, and upon the future with a watchful eye.

~Robert Smith

Living, it's awful for me.

~Robert Smith

I never liked Queen. I can honestly say I hated Queen and everything that they did.

~Robert Smith

Perhaps not as badly applied and not as obvious, but for thousands of years, people have worn makeup on stage.

~Robert Smith

Nobody notices me. Nobody thinks I'm me. But then I look less like me than most of the people coming to our concerts.

~Robert Smith

I could write songs as bad as Wham's if I really felt the urge to, but what's the point?

~Robert Smith

I think that if you become a parent, you stop being a child, and your

position in relation to your parents changes.

~Robert Smith

A lot of journalists give me a hard time about how I look, but I've never met a journalist I'd rather look like.

~Robert Smith

The further I get from the things that I care about, the less I care about how much further away I get.

~Robert Smith

Everything I do has the tinge of the finite, of my own demise. At some point you either accept death or you just keep pushing it back as you get older and older. I've accepted it.

~Robert Smith

I became an adult in an extreme way. I was recently sorting some old photographs and I found another.

~Robert Smith

See the ridiculous in everything.

~Robert Smith

I still frequent my parents' house. I go there to escape, back to the bedroom that I grew up in. Just to sit there and feel small.

~Robert Smith

I don't care where the Cure is placed in the pantheon of rock. I don't care if we're perceived as relevant. We're never worried how we fit in. I don't even want to fit in.

~Robert Smith

I don't dislike my peers because they're still around and remind me of what I'm doing. I never liked them anyway. I never liked U2, the things

they've done over the years.

~Robert Smith

I think the rock'n'roll myth of living on the edge is a pile of crap.

~Robert Smith

In all relationships, there are always aching holes and that's where the impossible wishes come into it.

~Robert Smith

I don't think of death in a romantic way anymore.

~Robert Smith

You know, the Internet's made us more aware of what people think about us.

~Robert Smith

If I put a value on my music, and no one's prepared to pay that, then more fool me, but the idea that the value is created by the consumer is an idiot plan; it can't work.

~Robert Smith

Whenever I'm home, I haven't got any makeup on. But even in the studio, before I do vocals, I put makeup on.

~Robert Smith

No, come to think of it, I don't think the Cure will end, but I can make up an ending if you want me to.

~Robert Smith

My earliest memories are sitting on the beach at Blackpool, and I know that if I went back, it would be horrible. I know what Blackpool's like - it's nothing like I imagined it was as a child.

~Robert Smith

I would be more familiar with Janet Jackson than I was with the Teardrop Explodes or Joy Division, because I didn't want to listen to my competitors for fear of nicking ideas off them.

~Robert Smith

Reading is something I've really missed, not being able to enter people's worlds.

~Robert Smith

I started out in the 'Cure' reflecting things that I thought were important, and it's reached a point where it takes over and becomes the thing that is important.

~Robert Smith

I write with a pen and paper. Never on a laptop.

~Robert Smith

There may be said to be three sorts of lawyers, able, unable, and lamentable.

~Robert Smith

But everyone I know reaches a point where they throw out their arms and go beserk for a while; otherwise you never know what your limits are. I was just trying to find mine.

~Robert Smith

Sometimes I'll get to the end of a song, open my eyes and there's all these faces peering at me. It's quite horrifying.

~Robert Smith

If I book a hotel it's actually very funny. It's very nice to be a genuine Mr Smith.

~Robert Smith

I don't want The Cure to fizzle out doing 45-minute shows of greatest hits. That would be awful for our legacy.

~Robert Smith

I have never liked Morrissey, and I still don't. I think it's hilarious, actually, what things I've heard about him, what he's really like, and his public persona is so different. He's such an actor.

~Robert Smith

Performing doesn't come that naturally to me, even though I've done it for years.

~Robert Smith

It's only people that aren't goths that think the Cure are a goth band.

~Robert Smith

There's no hope of me becoming completely relaxed on stage. If I did, I'd sit down and doze off.

~Robert Smith

Cardinal rule for all hitters with two strikes on them: Never trust the umpire.

~Robert Smith

I hardly ever listen to any of our old stuff now. Once the songs have been recorded and put on to vinyl they become someone else's entertainment, not mine.

~Robert Smith

I honestly don't class myself as a songwriter. I've got 'musician' written on my passport. That's even funnier.

~Robert Smith

It's better to forget than remember me and cry.



~Robert Smith

I'm not going to worry about the Cure slipping down into the second division; it doesn't bother me because I never expected to be in the first division anyway

~Robert Smith

I entirely approve the measures proposed by you in relation to the Marines who are lately captives in Tripoli. Therefore execute them.

~Robert Smith

Each time I play a song it seems more real.

~Robert Smith

My whole life I've played music for my own personal enjoyment and the idea of it becoming a machine or a business is just horrible.

~Robert Smith

I look thuggish when I shave my head and wear big boots. I walk into a newsagent and people think I'm going to jump the counter.

~Robert Smith

I just don't feel comfortable anymore with the kind of attention that I'm getting. It's purely the numbers of people that want a bit of the Cure or want a bit of me.

~Robert Smith

If you acquiesce to one interview, there's always another waiting in the wings. Also if you're interviewed repeatedly, you just start repeating yourself. I don't like to do that.

~Robert Smith

Anyone can rehearse and play constantly any song in the world.

~Robert Smith

If any of our songs ever did make it on the top ten, I'd disband the group immediately.

~Robert Smith

The idea of reinvention has always seemed bizarre to me.

~Robert Smith

When you're on stage, the real world just drops away for that time. It's pretty intense.

~Robert Smith

I wouldn't want to think people doted on us, hung on every word, or wanted to look like us.

~Robert Smith

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