

Rumer Godden

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If books were Persian carpets, one would not look only at the outer side. because it is the stitch that makes a carpet wear, gives it its life and bloom.

~Rumer Godden

When you learn to read you will be born again...and you will never be quite so alone again.

~Rumer Godden

To me and my kind life itself is a story and we have to tell it in stories - that is the way it falls.

~Rumer Godden

Drink very good tea out of a thin Wocester cup of colour between apricot and pink.

~Rumer Godden

Wanting is the beginning of getting.

~Rumer Godden

It is an anxious, sometimes a dangerous thing to be a doll. Dolls cannot choose; they can only be chosen; they cannot 'do'; they can only be done by.

~Rumer Godden

I don't know if I believe in God, but I know I believe in the devil. I have met him.

~Rumer Godden

You can be a nuisance to your family. You mustn't be a nuisance to your friends.

~Rumer Godden

In good company your thoughts run, in solitude your thought is still ... In

talk your mind can be stretched, widened, exhilarated to heights, but it cannot be deepened; you have to deepen it yourself.

~Rumer Godden

A garden isn't meant to be useful. It's for joy.

~Rumer Godden

Memory is the only friend of grief.

~Rumer Godden

Most grown people are like icebergs, three-tenths showing, seven-tenths submerged - that is why a collision with one of them is unexpectedly hurtful.

~Rumer Godden

Once you have felt the Indian dust, you will never be free of it.

~Rumer Godden

Of course one never knows in draft if it's going to turn out, even with my age and experience.

~Rumer Godden

if you think you know, you don't ask questions, or if you ask, you don't listen to the answers. Everyone, everything, each thing, is different, so that it isn't safe to know. You - you have to grope.

~Rumer Godden

If you love the wrong people it's still love, isn't it, no matter what kind of love.

~Rumer Godden

A garden isn't meant to be useful. It's for joy. Rumer Godden found in Power of Simple Living by Ellyn Sanna

~Rumer Godden

Every piece of writing starts from what I call a grit a sight or sound, a sentence or happening that does not pass away but quite inexplicably lodges in the mind.

~Rumer Godden

I loved Mr. Darcy far more than any of my own husbands.

~Rumer Godden

To wake for the first time in a new place can be like another birth.

~Rumer Godden

cleverness is a disease.

~Rumer Godden

The stitch of a book is its words.

~Rumer Godden

With everything that happens to you, with everyone you meet who is important to you, you either die a little or are born.

~Rumer Godden

It's only by being obstinate that anything is got, or done.

~Rumer Godden

You must remember garden catalogues are as big liars as house-agents.

~Rumer Godden

For an author nothing is as dead as a book once it is written.

~Rumer Godden

For a dyed-in-the-wool author nothing is as dead as a book once it is written. ... She is rather like a cat whose kittens have grown up.

~Rumer Godden

People don't know the consolations of being unsuccessful ... If I had been successful I should have had no peace or time.

~Rumer Godden

The best would be to have friends who came and went away; but if I had to choose between their never coming or never going away, I think I would choose that they do not come.

~Rumer Godden

Every time a child, any child, is born, it is new - and different; that is the wonder.

~Rumer Godden

in California I began to think that, except on the beaches, no-one had the use of their legs.

~Rumer Godden

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