

Sarah Dessen

Quotes

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Want, Hurt, Giving, Long, Life, Firsts, Forever, Perfect, Believe*

There comes a time when the world gets quiet and the only thing left is your own heart. So you'd better learn the sound of it. Otherwise you'll never understand what it's saying.

~Sarah Dessen

Your actions is like a raindrop; it falls into the pond making ripples and then its over.

~Sarah Dessen

Don't think or judge, just listen.

~Sarah Dessen

It's a lot easier to be lost than found. It's the reason we're always searching and rarely discovered--so many locks not enough keys.

~Sarah Dessen

Looking at the pond, all I could think was that it is an incredible thing, how a whole world can rise from what seems like nothing at all.

~Sarah Dessen

If you didn't love him, this never would have happened. But you did. And accepting that love and everything that followed it is part of letting it go.

~Sarah Dessen

You should never be surprised when someone treats you with respect, you should expect it.

~Sarah Dessen

Sometimes a question can hurt more than an answer.

~Sarah Dessen

Being brave and self-confident doesn't necessarily start inside...It starts with the rest of the world, and it leads back to you.

~Sarah Dessen

There is never a time or place for true love. It happens accidentally, in a heartbeat, in a single flashing, throbbing moment.

~Sarah Dessen

Music is the great uniter. An incredible force. Something that people who differ on everything and anything else can have in common.

~Sarah Dessen

Let's just start and see what happens.

~Sarah Dessen

When I pictured myself, it was always like just an outline in a colouring book, with the inside not yet completed.

~Sarah Dessen

Anyone can hide. Facing up to things, working through them, that's what makes you strong.

~Sarah Dessen

In the end, though, maybe it's not how you reach a place that matters. Just that you get there at all.

~Sarah Dessen

Mayonnaise is a lot like men, it can make everything much better, adding flavor and ease to your life. Or, it can just be sticky and gross and make you nauseous"- "Keeping the Moon

~Sarah Dessen

Everything, in the end, comes down to timing. One second, one minute, one hour could make all the difference.

~Sarah Dessen

Accepting all the good and bad about someone. It's a great thing to aspire to. The hard part is actually doing it.

~Sarah Dessen

Holding people away from you, and denying yourself love, that doesn't make you strong. If anything, it makes you weaker. Because you're doing it out of fear.

~Sarah Dessen

Wake up, Caitlin, Mr. Lensing had said. But what he didn't understand was that this dreamland was preferable, walking through this life half-sleeping, everything at arm's length or farther away.

~Sarah Dessen

She was just a shell of her former self, functioning and talking but hardly alive.

~Sarah Dessen

The choices you make now, the people you surround yourself with, they all have the potential to affect your life, even who you are, forever.

~Sarah Dessen

You're not a sucker. You're just nice. You give people the benefit of the doubt.

~Sarah Dessen

Once, I was easy. Now, I was choosy. See? Big difference.

~Sarah Dessen

It's the things you fight for and struggle with before earning that have the greatest worth.

~Sarah Dessen

Whenever something great happens, you're always kind of poised for

the universe to correct itself.

~Sarah Dessen

I like flaws. I think they make things interesting.

~Sarah Dessen

The worst thing you can do if you miss or need someone is let them know it.

~Sarah Dessen

I had no illusions about love anymore. It came, it went, it left casualties or it didn't. People weren't meant to be together forever, regardless of what the songs say.

~Sarah Dessen

I am coming to terms with the fact that loving someone requires a leap of faith, and that a soft landing is never guaranteed.

~Sarah Dessen

Relationships don't always make sense. Especially from the outside

~Sarah Dessen

No relationship is perfect, ever. There are always some ways you have to bend, to compromise, to give something up in order to gain something greater.

~Sarah Dessen

Love is needing someone. Love is putting up with someone's bad qualities because they somehow complete you.

~Sarah Dessen

"It's gonna be okay," I said. It was the first time in a long time that I believed it. "It will."

~Sarah Dessen

This is exactly what i wanted, as commitments had never really been my thing. And it wasn't like it was hard, either. The only trick was never giving more than you were willing to lose.

~Sarah Dessen

Sometimes, we just have to be happy with what people can offer us. Even if it's not what we want, at least it's something.

~Sarah Dessen

You know, when it works, love is pretty amazing. It's not overrated. There's a reason for all those songs.

~Sarah Dessen

This Lullaby is only a few words, a simple run of chords, quiet here in this spare room, but you can hear it, hear it, wherever you may go, even if I let you down, this lullaby plays on.

~Sarah Dessen

Grief can be a burden, but also an anchor. You get used to the weight, how it holds you in place.

~Sarah Dessen

It wasn't about being happy or unhappy. I just didn't want to be me anymore.

~Sarah Dessen

Sometimes really, really bad things happen to people, and there is no explanation and no reason whatsoever.

~Sarah Dessen

Wherever you will go, I will let you down, But this lullaby goes on.

~Sarah Dessen

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~Sarah Dessen

for once, you believed in yourself. you believed you were beautiful and so did the rest of the world.

~Sarah Dessen

Friends are honest with each other. Even if the truth hurts. -Maggie

~Sarah Dessen

You get what you give, but also what you're willing to take.

~Sarah Dessen

You can't always get the perfect moment. Sometimes, you just have to do the best you can under the circumstances.

~Sarah Dessen

Too many locks, not enough keys.

~Sarah Dessen

Life is an awful, ugly place to not have a best friend.

~Sarah Dessen

Look, the point is there's no way to be a hundred percent sure about anyone or anything. So you're left with a choice. Either hope for the best or just expect the worst.

~Sarah Dessen

The truth about forever is that it is happening right now.

~Sarah Dessen

call it chicken salad

~Sarah Dessen

It was just one of those things," I said, "You know, that just happen.

You don't think or plan. You just do it.

~Sarah Dessen

I think I'm way too much of a control freak to co-author anything with anyone. I have a hard enough time writing with myself! I admire people that can do it, but it's not for me.

~Sarah Dessen

All I'd ever wanted was to forget. but even when I thought I had, pieces had kept emerging, like bits of wood floating up to the surface that only hint at the shipwreck below.

~Sarah Dessen

I really just love to read, period, whether it be books or magazines or the back of the cereal box. It's the one thing I can always count on to calm me down, take me away and inspire me, all at once.

~Sarah Dessen

Sure, there was no guarantee any of these things would actually happen as he envisioned. But maybe that wasn't the point. It was the planning that counted, whether it ever came to fruition or not.

~Sarah Dessen

Believe in yourself up here and it will make you stronger than you could ever imagine.

~Sarah Dessen

It was amazing how you could get so far from where you'd planned, and yet find it was exactly where you needed to be.

~Sarah Dessen

Family isn't something that's supposed to be static, or set. People marry in, divorce out. They're born, they die. It's always evolving, turning into something else.

~Sarah Dessen

There has to be a middle. Without it, nothing can ever truly be whole. Because it is not just the space between, but also what holds everything together.

~Sarah Dessen

Now I felt like I was drifting, sucked down by an undertow, and too far out to swim back to the shore.

~Sarah Dessen

It's okay to accept things from people. It doesn't make you weak or helpless.

~Sarah Dessen

one word could change the whole world

~Sarah Dessen

And no relationship is perfect, ever. There are always some ways you have to bend, to compromise, to give something up in order to gain something greater.

~Sarah Dessen

There comes a time in every life when the world gets quiet and the only thing left is your heart.

~Sarah Dessen

You can't just plan a moment when things get back on track, just as you can't plan the moment you lose your way in the first place.

~Sarah Dessen

Leaving was easy. It was everything else that was so damned hard.

~Sarah Dessen

Nah," I said. "But if it does, just tell him I said to get back on the bike."
"What?" "He'll understand.

~Sarah Dessen

I didnt pay atteniton to times or distance, instead focusing on how it felt just to be in motion, knowing it wasn't about the finish line but how I got there that mattered.

~Sarah Dessen

funny how a beautiful song could tell such a sad story

~Sarah Dessen

The fate of your heart is your choice and no one else gets a vote

~Sarah Dessen

Fall in love with someone who truly deserves your heart. Not with someone who plays with it.

~Sarah Dessen

Everyone has their weak spot. The one thing that, despite your best efforts, will always bring you to your knees, regardless of how strong you are otherwise.

~Sarah Dessen

But you don't have to give everyone the benefit of the doubt.â€•
â€œYou don't have to assume the worst about everyone, either. The world isn't always out to get you.

~Sarah Dessen

Silence is so freaking loud

~Sarah Dessen

But that was the problem with having the answers. It was only after you gave them that you realized they sometimes weren't what people

wanted to hear.

~Sarah Dessen

And to know me, as you have discovered, is to love me.

~Sarah Dessen

Grieving doesn't make you imperfect. It makes you human.

~Sarah Dessen

Life is full of screwups. You're supposed to fail sometimes. It's a required part of the human existence.

~Sarah Dessen

My dad is a retired Shakespeare professor, my mother a retired classicist. Suffice to say I grew up in a house full of books, where reading was encouraged if not required.

~Sarah Dessen

Because this is what happens when you try to run from the past. It just doesn't catch up, it overtakes â€” blotting out the future.

~Sarah Dessen

Some things don't last forever, but some things do.

~Sarah Dessen

Don't give me no rotten tomato, 'cause all I ever wanted was your sweet potato.

~Sarah Dessen

Total commitment. You know, the idea of discovering something that, for all intents and purposes, goes against your abilities, and yet still deciding to do it anyway. That takes guts, you know?

~Sarah Dessen

I knew that it wouldn't last. It was just a moment, a perfect moment, as time stood still and fleetingly everything fell back into its proper place.

~Sarah Dessen

Love can make up for a lot.

~Sarah Dessen

'I don't get it,' Caroline said, bemused. 'She's the only one with wings. Why is that?'

~Sarah Dessen

But there was only one truth about forever that really mattered, and that was this: it was happening.

~Sarah Dessen

He's getting dumped. And he doesn't even know it yet. He's probably eating a cheeseburger or flossing or picking up his dry cleaning, and he has no idea. No inkling.

~Sarah Dessen

Sometimes it seems safer to hold it all in, where the only person who can judge is yourself.

~Sarah Dessen

People don't change. If anything, you get more set in your ways as you get older, not less

~Sarah Dessen

True friendship is a promise you keep forever.

~Sarah Dessen

Nothing like being scolded by a hippie.

~Sarah Dessen

I mean, it's not surprising, really. Once you love something, you always love it in some way. You have to. It's, like, part of you for good.

~Sarah Dessen

Because if you were the problem, chances were you could also be the solution. The only way to find out was to take another shot.

~Sarah Dessen

You need demarcation." "Demarcation?" I asked. "It means a clear separation between two things," he told me. "A solid end before a clean beginning. No murky borders. Clarity.

~Sarah Dessen

It sounded stupid, but of course everything does when you're just getting the bare bones facts, only the basics.

~Sarah Dessen

I can say I made a lot of mistakes, but I don't regret things. Because at least I didn't spend a life standing outside, wondering what living would be like.

~Sarah Dessen

I realized how truly hard it was, really, to see someone you love change right before your eyes. Not only is it scary, it throws your balance off as well.

~Sarah Dessen

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