

Scott Westerfeld

Quotes

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The world needed more fireworks- especially now that there was going to be a shortage of beautiful, useless things.

~Scott Westerfeld

What you do, the way you think, makes you beautiful.

~Scott Westerfeld

My name is tally youngblood and my mind is very ugly

~Scott Westerfeld

I'm Tally Youngblood. Make me pretty." -Tally Youngblood

~Scott Westerfeld

Tally smiled. At least she was causing trouble to the end. "I'm Tally Youngblood," she said. "make me pretty.

~Scott Westerfeld

Shay sometimes talked in a mysterious way, like she was quoting the lyrics of some band no one else listened to.

~Scott Westerfeld

However stupid the choice seemed, Shay had made it with her eyes open, and had respected Tally's choice to stay.

~Scott Westerfeld

I don't want to hurt you but I will if I have too - Tally Youngblood

~Scott Westerfeld

The human heart is a strange vessel. Love and hatred can exist side by side.

~Scott Westerfeld

A rousing tale of techno-geek rebellion, as necessary and dangerous as file sharing, free speech, and bottled water on a plane.

~Scott Westerfeld

Nature didn't need an operation to be beautiful. It just was.

~Scott Westerfeld

The lie took form as she spoke, pulling on as many strands of truth as it could reach.

~Scott Westerfeld

The flowers were so beautiful, so delicate and unthreatening, but they choked everything around them.

~Scott Westerfeld

You see, freedom has a way of destroying things.

~Scott Westerfeld

Let others wage war. You, lucky Austria, shall marry.

~Scott Westerfeld

Gravity was something you could beat; all it took was hydrogen, hot air, or even a bit of rope. But being a girl was a miserable, never-ending struggle.

~Scott Westerfeld

I go where the lizards tell me.

~Scott Westerfeld

It's amazing how quickly nature consumes human places after we turn our backs on them. Life is a hungry thing.

~Scott Westerfeld

Most men's awareness doesn't extend past their dinner plates.

~Scott Westerfeld

Good books make you ask questions. Bad readers want everything answered.

~Scott Westerfeld

I guess sometimes you have to lie to find the truth.

~Scott Westerfeld

"I kissed him once," she whispered. "Well done. What did he do?"
"Um..." Deryn sighed. "He woke up."

~Scott Westerfeld

Maybe this was how you stayed sane in wartime: a handful of noble deeds amid the chaos.

~Scott Westerfeld

Maybe that was the price of loving someone: You lost your grasp of where they ended and you began.

~Scott Westerfeld

When she awoke, the world was on fire.

~Scott Westerfeld

High school wasn't a trial by fire or some ordeal that had to be survived. It was all a big joke. You just had to provide the laugh track.

~Scott Westerfeld

Perhaps the logical conclusion of everyone looking the same is everyone thinking the same.

~Scott Westerfeld

In a world of extreme beauty, anyone normal is ugly.

~Scott Westerfeld

I can't imagine anything worse than being required to have fun.

~Scott Westerfeld

A little drama wins more friends than boring.

~Scott Westerfeld

The early summer sky was the color of cat vomit.

~Scott Westerfeld

Fuzzy Tally is no more.

~Scott Westerfeld

you dont see me, now you do, but only if i want you to

~Scott Westerfeld

Sometimes you can't choose what you love.

~Scott Westerfeld

Never give us what we really want. Cut the dream into pieces and scatter them like ashes. Dole out the empty promises. Package our aspirations and sell them to us, cheaply made enough to fall apart.

~Scott Westerfeld

We don't always get to choose what we love.

~Scott Westerfeld

Junkies might be easy to knock down, but they're never fragile. They have souls like old leather shoes studded with steel, and they're about as much good as friends.

~Scott Westerfeld

It didn't matter what you looked like. It was how you carried yourself, how you saw yourself.

~Scott Westerfeld

Everyone in the world was programmed by the place they were born, hemmed in by their beliefs, but you had to at least try to grow your own brain.

~Scott Westerfeld

It's not the traveling that takes courage Tally. I've done much longer trips on my own. It's leaving home.

~Scott Westerfeld

Sooner or later usually means too late

~Scott Westerfeld

That's how things were out here in the wild, she was learning. Dangerous or beautiful. Or both.

~Scott Westerfeld

Wow," came a familiar voice, "Hypochondriac killed the cat." -Dess

~Scott Westerfeld

You young things are too easily persuaded by the touch of lips.

~Scott Westerfeld

Where did you get that idea for a nose? - Frizz Mizuno

~Scott Westerfeld

Apparently textbooks were an endangered species here in Bixby, Oklahoma.

~Scott Westerfeld

It's just programming" "No. It's because I love him

~Scott Westerfeld

She carried a knife inside of herself now, one that was always cutting her. She could feel it every time she swallowed, every time her

thoughts strayed from the splendor of the wild.

~Scott Westerfeld

Okay... That's still blind-making.

~Scott Westerfeld

Cure for writer's block: blow something up(in the story)

~Scott Westerfeld

He makes me feel like that. Like flying.

~Scott Westerfeld

It's just been a long week, that's all." "It's monday night, Jess." "My point exactly.

~Scott Westerfeld

I expect that you must receive top marks at school, young lady." Madeleine smiled as she stirred her tea. "There are always rewards for those who state the obvious frequently and with conviction.

~Scott Westerfeld

You're splitting?" "No sh*it, Sherlock.

~Scott Westerfeld

She smiled, turning toward Alek. "You don't know what a friend you have in Dylan.

~Scott Westerfeld

The Rusty Ruins were the remains of an old city, a hulking reminder of back when there'd been way too many people, and everyone was incredibly stupid. And ugly.

~Scott Westerfeld

Not everything made you stronger. It was possible to survive, yet still be

crippled for your trouble. Sometimes it was okay to run away, to skip the test, to chicken out. Or at least to get some help.

~Scott Westerfeld

Alek said, "Do you think I'm being a fool?" "I think you're trying to do something good. But doing good is rarely easy, and no weapon has ever stopped a war.

~Scott Westerfeld

You'd think that in a fight, NOT MOVING would be a bad habit!

~Scott Westerfeld

When the term "machine gun" enters common parlance, the word "machine" becomes much more sinister.

~Scott Westerfeld

Two weeks of killer sunburn is worth a lifetime of being gorgeous

~Scott Westerfeld

That was the whole point of being special: You existed to make sure everyone else behaved, but that didn't mean YOU had to.

~Scott Westerfeld

A rat called Possible New Strain was sitting under a spaghetti strainer held down with a pile of journalism textbooks, saying rude things in rat-speak.

~Scott Westerfeld

Irony is always the best weapon against fascism.

~Scott Westerfeld

You can't blame a match for a house made of straw, Alek.

~Scott Westerfeld

As one does a bear riding a bicycle. One sees it so rarely. (Spoken by Volger, on Deryn)

~Scott Westerfeld

I love my virginity to the apocalypse.

~Scott Westerfeld

He and I have this... personality conflict. Namely, I think he should get a new one.

~Scott Westerfeld

Let me get this stright, Aya-Chan. You want me, a person who can't lie, to lie about the fact that I can't lie?" -Frizz mizuno

~Scott Westerfeld

No matter how far from the war we run, it always catches up with us.

~Scott Westerfeld

It's just the way things are." she shrugged. "It's no one's fault." "Or everyone's.

~Scott Westerfeld

This is the power of the Goliath, that no one on earth, Clanker or Darwinist, can escape. So we all must learn to share the globe, or perish together!

~Scott Westerfeld

I'm not the one going for a biology degree. I'm just a philosophy major who eats people.

~Scott Westerfeld

Perhaps Clankers and Darwinists would always be at war, if only in their hearts.

~Scott Westerfeld

Luckily for writers - and unluckily for history - every scientific idea creates human conflict.

~Scott Westerfeld

Left alone, human beings are a plague. They multiply relentlessly, consuming every resource, destroying everything they touch.

~Scott Westerfeld

Reality had no gears, and you never knew what surprises would come spinning out of its chaos.

~Scott Westerfeld

Making ourselves feel ugly is not fun." "We are ugly.

~Scott Westerfeld

Plot idea: 97% of the world's scientists contrive an environmental crisis, but are exposed by a plucky band of billionaires & oil companies.

~Scott Westerfeld

there was a beautiful princess with a prince kissing her lips only the prince was totally ugly

~Scott Westerfeld

the parties are no fun until everyone gets drunk

~Scott Westerfeld

Frighteningly Beautiful, Dangerously Strong, Breathtakingly Fast. Face it Tally-wa you're special.

~Scott Westerfeld

With everything so perfect, reality seemed somehow fragile, as if the slightest interruption could imperil her pretty future... all of it felt as tenuous as a soap bubble, shivering and empty.

~Scott Westerfeld

Maybe they didn't want you to realize that every civilization has its weakness. There's always one thing we depend on. And if someone takes it away all that's left is some story in a history class.

~Scott Westerfeld

That Shay was in possession of hand grenades was a comforting thought showed what kind of night this had become.

~Scott Westerfeld

you just took on five million years of evolution again

~Scott Westerfeld

We're not freaks, Tally. We're normal. We may not be gorgeous, but at least we're not hyped-up Barbie dolls.

~Scott Westerfeld

Listen, you bubblehead-up-until-five-minutes-ago.

~Scott Westerfeld

You fiddle lucker!' she cried.

~Scott Westerfeld

And the worst thing was, there were no mirrors out there in the wild, so the princess was left wondering whether she in fact was still beautiful... or if the fall had changed the story completely.

~Scott Westerfeld

And you know, these things don't last forever.' I know, Mandy. Nothing does.' That's the spirit.

~Scott Westerfeld

And over all those sleepy weeks, the dream always ended the same way, with the dragon coming for the princess saying the same words every time.... "Face it, Tally-wa, you're Special.

~Scott Westerfeld

Sometimes it felt like her life was a series of falls from ever-greater heights.

~Scott Westerfeld

I spilled more times than a glass of milk on a roller coaster.

~Scott Westerfeld

Sometimes, the hardest thing was doing nothing.

~Scott Westerfeld

Their reasons don't mean anything unless I have a choice.

~Scott Westerfeld

We needed to become world-famous soon, while there was still that kind of world to be famous in.

~Scott Westerfeld

Dude, I just watched you climb up a f*cking building!-Lace

~Scott Westerfeld

What happens when perfection isn't good enough?

~Scott Westerfeld

That was one problem with dramatic exits: Sometimes they wound up making you look like a bubblehead.

~Scott Westerfeld

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