

Sebastian Faulks

Quotes

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You put your time where your priority is.

~Sebastian Faulks

Our own choices might not be as good as those that are made for us.

~Sebastian Faulks

The end-of-summer winds make people restless.

~Sebastian Faulks

The function of music is to liberate in the soul those feelings which normally we keep locked up in the heart.

~Sebastian Faulks

Inhale and hold the evening in your lungs.

~Sebastian Faulks

Life can be lived at a remove. You trade in futures, and then you trade in derivatives of futures. Banks make more money trading derivatives than they do trading actual commodities.

~Sebastian Faulks

That's what opium does to suffering: makes it of hypothetical interest only.

~Sebastian Faulks

Oh, the sweetness of giving in, of full surrender.

~Sebastian Faulks

Have you ever been lonely? No, neither have I. Solitary, yes. Alone, certainly. But lonely means minding about being on your own. I've never minded about it.

~Sebastian Faulks

If I could eat only one thing for the rest of my life, it would be rhubarb

fool, which I make with ginger and a hint of elderflower cordial.

~Sebastian Faulks

Gradually the feeling wears off, and I feel swamped again by the inexplicable pettiness of being alive.

~Sebastian Faulks

I know. I was there. I saw the great void in your soul, and you saw mine.

~Sebastian Faulks

We're deaf men working as musicians; we play the music but we can't hear it.

~Sebastian Faulks

One thing about London is that when you step out into the night, it swallows you.

~Sebastian Faulks

I don't find life unbearably grave. I find it almost intolerably frivolous.

~Sebastian Faulks

There you are, sir. There's nothing more than to love and be loved.

~Sebastian Faulks

I'd never chosen to be alone, but that was the way things had turned out, and I'd grown used to it.

~Sebastian Faulks

The best thing is the combined effect of nicotine with alcohol, greater than the sum of the two parts.

~Sebastian Faulks

He wrote one more paragraph for his own sake, to see what he had to

say.

~Sebastian Faulks

I don't think you ever understand your life - not till it's finished and probably not then either. The more I live the less I seem to understand.

~Sebastian Faulks

But I think if any song can touch the heart, then one should value it.

~Sebastian Faulks

It's better to have a malign providence than an indifferent one.

~Sebastian Faulks

If not just the brain but the quirks that made the individual were composed of recycled matter only, it was hard to be sure where the edges of one such being ended and another person began.

~Sebastian Faulks

Something had been buried that was not yet dead.

~Sebastian Faulks

Lonely's like any other organism; competitive and resourceful in the struggle to perpetuate itself.

~Sebastian Faulks

If you have only one life, you cant altogether ignore the question: are you enjoying it?

~Sebastian Faulks

In the 1970s, British food was beginning to get good, whereas in France it was just starting its long, sad decline. My most memorable meals, however, have been in Italy.

~Sebastian Faulks

The nicest characters in A Week in December research are, in fact, Muslims - and their religious devotion is one of the things that defines them.

~Sebastian Faulks

Shakespeare drew a map of the human mind as clearly as Newton mapped the heavens. Why is one considered science and the other for only to be mocked with jokes about pretty girls and Drury Lane?

~Sebastian Faulks

This is how most people live: alive, but not conscious; conscious but not aware; aware, but intermittently.

~Sebastian Faulks

I think closeness to death would be pretty exhilarating in a way, and friendship, yeh, and selflessness, a kind of selflessness, a sense of your own worthlessness, I think, is pretty exhilarating.

~Sebastian Faulks

It's only after the change is fully formed that you can see what's happened.

~Sebastian Faulks

I don't like being rumbled, I like to be invisible.

~Sebastian Faulks

Knowing one was comprised of recycled matter only and that selfhood was a delusion did not take away the aching of the heart.

~Sebastian Faulks

This intimacy is not necessary; no one is compelling me to open my inmost self and lay it naked, undefended, against that of another - merely for the joy of the communion.

~Sebastian Faulks

A bit of the vagueness of music stops you going completely mad, I imagine.

~Sebastian Faulks

The thunder of false modesty was deafening.

~Sebastian Faulks

You can't recall someone whose name has worn away.

~Sebastian Faulks

The thing about opium is that it makes pain or difficulty unimaginable.

~Sebastian Faulks

I never for a moment considered killing myself, because it wouldn't have achieved anything.

~Sebastian Faulks

The past was suddenly rushing in on me in a way I found hard to fight.

~Sebastian Faulks

The thought of all that happiness was hard to bear. What's the point of happiness when all it does is throw the facts of dying into clear relief?

~Sebastian Faulks

I breathed and breathed and did feel some calmness enter in, though it was, as always, shot with a sense of loss. Loss and fear.

~Sebastian Faulks

I am driven by a greater force than I can resist. I believe that force has its own reason and its own morality even if they may never be clear to me while I am alive

~Sebastian Faulks

Why take drugs specifically designed to send you insane?

~Sebastian Faulks

That sense of happiness just out beyond my reach - I'm not sure I'd grasped that exactly, but I'd got something close to it, contentment maybe, or at least a functioning routine with regular rewards.

~Sebastian Faulks

. . . she read with undifferentiated glee . . .

~Sebastian Faulks

I suppose that each of us may have a great moment in our life, a month, a week a year, when we are most fully what we are meant to be

~Sebastian Faulks

My direction? Anywhere. Because one is always nearer by not keeping still.

~Sebastian Faulks

One of the hardest things about being alive is being with other people.

~Sebastian Faulks

The physical shock took away the pain of being.

~Sebastian Faulks

We all operate on different levels of awareness. Half the time I don't know what I'm doing.

~Sebastian Faulks

It was entirely silent and I tried to breathe its peace.

~Sebastian Faulks

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