

Sue Townsend Quotes

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Will you lie to me and promise to read them? Books need to be read. The pages need to be turned.

~Sue Townsend

Yes, I hate it when people call me a 'national treasure'. It takes away your bite and makes you feel like a harmless old golden Labrador.

~Sue Townsend

Love is the only thing that keeps me sane.

~Sue Townsend

Most social problems could be helped or prevented if people had more money and practical advice.

~Sue Townsend

I married two weeks after my 18th birthday, far too young, and by the time I was 23 I was a single mother of three small children, Sean, Daniel and Victoria, living in a prefab house.

~Sue Townsend

I don't know why women are so mad about flowers. Personally, they leave me cold. I prefer trees.

~Sue Townsend

Every time I start a new piece of work, I spend a long while under the duvet thinking I can't do it.

~Sue Townsend

There's only one thing more boring than listening to other people's dreams, and that's listening to their problems.

~Sue Townsend

I am from the working class. I am now what I was then. No amount of balsamic vinegar and Prada handbags could make me forget what it

was like to be poor.

~Sue Townsend

8.45 a.m. My mother is in the hospital grounds smoking a cigarette. She is looking old and haggard. All the debauchery is catching up with her.

~Sue Townsend

I'm spectacularly disorganised. I wrote my latest book in seven different notebooks scattered throughout my house.

~Sue Townsend

I think we take it for granted that if you are with your husband after 30 years, then he is the love of your life.

~Sue Townsend

The monarchy is finished. It was finished a while ago, but they're still making the corpses dance.

~Sue Townsend

Sometimes I rant, in a comical way, about how the gods give with one hand and take with the other.

~Sue Townsend

It's no surprise to me that intellectuals commit suicide, go mad or die from drink. We feel things more than other people. We know the world is rotten and that chins are ruined by spots.

~Sue Townsend

My skin is dead good. I think it must be a combination of being in love and Lucozade.

~Sue Townsend

I'd love a day devoid of responsibilities. I've often thought about going

to a hotel just to have a day away from everything.

~Sue Townsend

She liked people. Me, I can take them or leave them, but mostly leave them.

~Sue Townsend

Adrian Mole's father was so angry that so many people got divorced nowadays. HE had been unhappily married for 30 years, why should everybody else get away?

~Sue Townsend

I have decided to keep a full journal, in the hope that my life will perhaps seem more interesting when it is written down.

~Sue Townsend

I never imagined when I began writing in the early 1960s I'd become professional and my life would be transformed.

~Sue Townsend

Barry Kent's father looks like a big ape and has got more hair on the back of his hands than my father has got on his entire head.

~Sue Townsend

I think it's essential for comic writers to have a hate figure, a despot, a regime to react against, and I think Thatcher was perfect for me, I loathed everything she stood for.

~Sue Townsend

I asked Mr. Vann which O levels you need to write situation comedy for television. Mr. Vann said that you don't need qualifications at all, you just need to be a moron.

~Sue Townsend

I have decided to be a poet. My father said there isn't a suitable career structure for poets and no pensions and other boring things, but I am quite decided.

~Sue Townsend

Yes - I am usually overweight. I have had to be interested in diet because of being diabetic for 30 years and having kidney failure.

~Sue Townsend

I am surrounded by counselors. My sister is a counselor. My daughter is training to be a counselor. A lot of my friends are counselors.

~Sue Townsend

I took my sight and mobility for granted.

~Sue Townsend

I am the world's worst diabetic.

~Sue Townsend

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