

Sylvia Ashton-Warner

Quotes

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Love has the quality of informing almost everything - even one's work.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

I see the mind of the five-year-old as a volcano with two vents: destructiveness and creativeness.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

Children have two visions, the inner and the outer. Of the two the inner vision is brighter.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

Not just part of us becomes a teacher. It engages the whole self - the woman or man, wife or husband, mother or father, the lover, scholar or artist in you as well as the teacher earning money.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

There is only one answer to destructiveness and that is creativity.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

Education, fundamentally, is the increase of the percentage of the conscious in relation to the unconscious. It must be a developing idea.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

We already have so much pressure towards sameness through radio, film and comic outside the school, that we can't afford to do a thing inside that is not toward individual development.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

It is not so much the content of what one says as the way in which one says it. However important the thing you say, what's the good of it if not heard or, being heard, not felt?

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

To feel as well as hear what someone says requires whole attention.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

The truth is that I am enslaved... in one vast love affair with 70 children.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

There's no such thing beneath the heavens as conditions favorable to art. Art must crash through or perish.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

I am my own Universe, I my own Professor.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

Self-forgetfulness in creativity can lead to self-transcendence.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

I've got to relearn what I was supposed to have learned.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

As the blackness of the night recedes so does the nadir of yesterday.
The child I am forgets so quickly.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

I am inclined to think that eating is a private thing and should be done alone, like other bodily functions.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

When love turns away, now, I don't follow it. I sit and suffer, unprotesting, until I feel the tread of another step.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

It's just as possible to live to the full in a narrow corner as it is in bigness.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

... of the two kinds of order, the conscious and the unconscious order, only one is real. It's the order in the deep hidden places.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

I flung my tongue round like a cat-o'-nine-tails so that my pleasant peaceful infant room became little less than a German concentration camp as I took out on the children what life should have got.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

Being always overavid, I demand from those I love a love equal to mine, which, being balanced people, they cannot supply.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

What can be heavier than wealth than freedom?

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

I never forgive attacks on my work.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

Inspiration is the richest nation I know, the most powerful on earth. Sexual energy Freud calls it; the capital of desire I call it; it pays for both mental and physical expenditure.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

When I teach people, I marry them.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

A comforting acquaintance, hope, a contagious thing like spring, inebriating like lager.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

What a desire! ... to live in peace with that word: Myself.

~Sylvia Ashton-Warner

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