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Being male is a matter of birth. Being a man is a matter of age. But being a Gentleman is a matter of choice.

~Vin Diesel

It wasn't until I went to college and I got my first motorcycle that I understood the thrill of speed.

~Vin Diesel

Find your confidence, lead with love... the rest will follow.

~Vin Diesel

They say the open road helps you think. About where you've been and where you're going.

~Vin Diesel

Video games are one step before a whole other virtual universe.

~Vin Diesel

I live my life a quarter mile at a time. Nothing else matters: not the mortgage, not the store, not my team and all their bullshit. For those ten seconds or less, I'm free.

~Vin Diesel

I shaved my head about 15 years ago and the first time I shaved it, I started running my hand through my hair and it was very therapeutic.

~Vin Diesel

When people believe in you, you can do miraculous things.

~Vin Diesel

Show me how you drive and I'll show you who you are.

~Vin Diesel

IT don't matter if you win by an inch or a milewinning is winning!!

~Vin Diesel

The most important thing in life will always be family. The people right here, right now.

~Vin Diesel

With age, you get to a place where you don't want to knock people out. You just want to give people a hug.

~Vin Diesel

It's insecurity that is always chasing you and standing in the way of your dreams.

~Vin Diesel

Choosing the car you drive is like choosing your wardrobe, maybe even more important.

~Vin Diesel

We've come a long way, from where we've been. I'll tell you all about it when I see you again.

~Vin Diesel

We all deal with being unfairly judged.

~Vin Diesel

When you go to the movies with your whole family, it's a different experience. For some reason, it's something that you're all doing together and you take away something special in that.

~Vin Diesel

A person in my position has to restrain himself.

~Vin Diesel

I think there's something we all relate to about...wanting to get to our

most primal self.

~Vin Diesel

Well, love motivates me in everything I do.

~Vin Diesel

Vin Diesel had to hire a babysitter.

~Vin Diesel

Nothing comes easy when I'm in character, because everything I do in character, I take seriously.

~Vin Diesel

You break her heart, I'll break your neck.

~Vin Diesel

If you had asked me back in grade school what I wanted to be when I grew up, I would have said my first choice was an actor, but if I couldn't be that, I'd want to be a superhero.

~Vin Diesel

I could care less about being an action actor like Stallone or Schwarzenegger.

~Vin Diesel

I have dangerous bones in my body.

~Vin Diesel

If Clark Gable had a Facebook page, there would have been a Gone with the Wind 2.

~Vin Diesel

The thing that stood out above and beyond all the experiences was this relationship with the nine-month-old baby. On weekends, I'd be thinking

about going back to set on Monday just to see the baby.

~Vin Diesel

A transvestite spends her entire life trying to look as feminine as possible and I have clearly spent mine celebrating my masculinity.

~Vin Diesel

I'm not really afraid of the dark, except if I'm walking. The thing that scares me the most is the possibility of walking into a wall and busting my lip.

~Vin Diesel

If you believe in the project, you have to support it.

~Vin Diesel

Film is my hobby, so I will work well through the night to develop films, whatever film I'm doing or dream projects I have.

~Vin Diesel

I don't think a lot of actors talk about it, but there's usually a process where you essentially purge yourself of the character that you played prior to the movie.

~Vin Diesel

You live these three months in this reality, in this dark reality, you don't want to do those films every year because they're taxing. I started smoking a lot of cigarettes.

~Vin Diesel

I do practice martial arts, more as a recreational thing, but a lot of my friends have been heavyweight champions the in mixed martial arts world.

You make movies for the people. If critics happen to like them too, well, that's a home run.

~Vin Diesel

I'm an actor. I can do whatever I want. As an actor, not everything has to be the most obvious choice. And sometimes, the best thing you can do is to defy expectations.

~Vin Diesel

I always want another actor to shine in my scene because it makes the film stronger. I would encourage people to scene steal, because filmmaking is a collaborative effort.

~Vin Diesel

If you take my performance or my understanding of the role and my appreciation for story and then dress it in CGI, that I guess becomes an action film.

~Vin Diesel

My mom used to say that I became a fighter and a scrapper and a tough guy to protect who I am at my core.

~Vin Diesel

If you think about my filmography, I have never done a movie that a kid could go see, except for Iron Giant, and I'm not even on the screen.

~Vin Diesel

I grew up with all kinds of people.

~Vin Diesel

It would be flattering to call it a modern Dirty Harry, but I think this film deals more with the loss of his wife than the traditional revenge vigilante films.

I'm a boy who appreciates a good body, regardless of the make.

~Vin Diesel

I am definitely a person of color.

~Vin Diesel

I love women more than anything.

~Vin Diesel

My mother gave me this book called Feature Films at Used Car Prices by a guy named Rick Schmidt. I gotta credit the guy, cuz he gave me the most practical advice. It empowers you.

~Vin Diesel

My gut feeling about sequels is that they should be premeditated: You should try to write a trilogy first or at least sketch out a trilogy if you have any faith in your film.

~Vin Diesel

I haven't had that many weird encounters with fans, thank God.

~Vin Diesel

The whole year I was in LA I got into telemarketing and learned how to make money. Five years later that skill helped me make my first film.

~Vin Diesel

I'm a New Yorker. I always have issues with trust - you adopt it from being a New Yorker.

~Vin Diesel

I'm going to do my best to channel the character on a spiritual level.

~Vin Diesel

I would love to do more science fiction. I always envisioned the Riddick

franchise as a continuing mythology, so I always imagined that there would be many other films to follow.

~Vin Diesel

The only way anyone knows which girl I'm with is if a one-night stand goes on 'Howard Stern.'

~Vin Diesel

When I got on the set of 'Saving Private Ryan,' I discovered, to my amazement, that Steven Spielberg is a gamer.

~Vin Diesel

Career diversification ain't a bad thing.

~Vin Diesel

The films that I do are deep, introspective, brooding roles that you're in this heavy headspace all the time.

~Vin Diesel

It's like you have a child and you think, 'Everything that I've done up until this point is insignificant in comparison to being a father.' It's a beautiful, beautiful thing.

~Vin Diesel

When I first did 'The Fast and the Furious', I didn't want there to be a sequel on the first one. I thought, 'Why would you rush to do a sequel - just because your first film is successful?'

~Vin Diesel

Deal-making goes on with any job.

~Vin Diesel

You get a timeless cool card in New York.

My mother is the most supportive mother in the world, she's magical.

~Vin Diesel

The idea of exploring character relations and their development over a decade has to be appealing for any actor who cherishes his craft.

~Vin Diesel

I was the oldest of the children in my family. I had to do a lot of diaper-changing and lunch-making. I was taking my little sister to ballet, picking up my brother, sort of being a super-nanny.

~Vin Diesel

I was a bouncer for ten years in New York City.

~Vin Diesel

I'm a perfectionist. I'm very critical, especially artistically.

~Vin Diesel

I used to feel guilty about owning a console.

~Vin Diesel

When I was a child actor, I had the fear that I was going to be cast as the tree.

~Vin Diesel

I grew up the son of an acting teacher but I've never been really good at articulating what that process is. It was always a bit more internal.

~Vin Diesel

Hollywood is more concerned about its male actors being in shape than its female actors.

~Vin Diesel

Of course, I don't act in an extreme fashion in my day to day life. I don't

think any of us live do. I think we all have that reserve somewhere and we pull upon it when we need it.

~Vin Diesel

I've directed independent film.

~Vin Diesel

I love thinking about the film, the project and committing myself as much as possible.

~Vin Diesel

I envision the future sunny and with love, harmony and oneness. I think Hollywood is changing.

~Vin Diesel

I've turned down twentysomething million dollars for movies.

~Vin Diesel

It's really bizarre because no one knows this, but elephants have killed more animal trainers than any other animal.

~Vin Diesel

When I'm writing, I'm locking myself in a room. I'm the worst critic in the world. I write something and then I beat myself up. I'm like "Vin, you're retarded, that makes no sense."

~Vin Diesel

Most of my confidence came from being with ladies, because I certainly wasn't getting any acting jobs.

~Vin Diesel

I've been auditioning since I was 7 years old.

I started acting when I was seven-years-old. By the time I was 17 I would say: "If I'm not a star by the time I'm 18, I'll get out of the business."

~Vin Diesel

I grew up in an artists community in New York, in a building that was government-subsidised for artists. No one made any money, but they made art for the sake of art.

~Vin Diesel

Unfortunately, in Hollywood, there are those directors that have some contempt for actors. We've all experienced that, in one way or another.

~Vin Diesel

I believe in paying special attention to every project that you do and supporting the projects you do.

~Vin Diesel

I can't go white, Indian, Asian, Latin. For me, in my existence, if I'm anything, I'm inclusive of everyone, and we are just one, and I hope that global harmony is in all of us.

~Vin Diesel

That's what I love. I love thinking about the film, the project and committing myself as much as possible.

~Vin Diesel

I'm not disciplined enough to be a writer consistently. I write when I have to.

~Vin Diesel

I enjoy playing a quintessential antihero. There's something therapeutic about playing such characters. I know it sounds corny but I feel like I learn about myself when I play that characters.

~Vin Diesel

I'm a fantasy guy. So I brought the fantasy element to the Riddick, David Twohy brought the sci-fi, and it came together. You see that in every aspect of the film.

~Vin Diesel

If it's an amazing role, I'll do anything.

~Vin Diesel

Rated R movies are few and far between, nowadays. We're all seeing less and less rated R movies, and less and less of them are being made.

~Vin Diesel

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