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The greatest gift you can give anyone is your undivided attention.

~Will Schwalbe

If I'd waited until I was well rested to read, I never would have read anything.

~Will Schwalbe

We all have a lot more to read than we can read and a lot more to do than we can do.

~Will Schwalbe

Reading isn't the opposite of doing, it's the opposite of dying.

~Will Schwalbe

You don't have to have one emotion at a time.

~Will Schwalbe

We're all in the end-of-our-life book club, whether we acknowledge it or not; each book we read may well be the last, each conversation the final one.

~Will Schwalbe

You can truly miss characters. Not like you miss people, but you can still miss them.

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I was learning that when you're with someone who is dying, you may need to celebrate the past, live the present, and mourn the future all at the same time.

~Will Schwalbe

That's one of the things books do. They help us talk. But they also give us something we all can talk about when we don't want to talk about ourselves.

~Will Schwalbe

In an idealized world, we would all be able to do what our English teachers told us to do, which is to write beautiful prose where enthusiasm is conveyed by word choice and grammar.

~Will Schwalbe

Evil almost always starts with small cruelties.

~Will Schwalbe

It's not hard to read about death abstractly. I do find it tough when a character I love dies, of course. You can truly miss characters. Not like you miss people, but you can still miss them.

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