

The One and Only Ivan Quotes

“Growing up gorilla is just like any other kind of growing up. You make mistakes. You play. You learn. You do it all over again.”

“Humans speak too much. They chatter like chimps, crowding the world with their noise even when they have nothing to say.”

“It’s never too late to be what you might have been.”

“Homework, I have discovered, involves a sharp pencil, and thick books, and long sighs.”

“Humans waste words. They toss them like banana peels and leave them to rot. Everyone knows the peels are the best part.”

“Memories are precious... they help tell us who we are.”

“I always tell the truth, though I sometimes confuse the facts.”

“I like colorful tales with black beginnings and stormy middles and cloudless blue beginnings.”

“A good zoo is how humans make amends.”

“I’ve never asked for a promise before, because promises are forever, and forever is an unusually long time.”

“They think I am too old to cause trouble. Old age is a powerful disguise.”

“With enough time, you can get used to almost anything.”