**Depeche Mode Lyric Phrases**

1. Plans made in the nursery
   1. Can change the course of history
      1. “Shouldn’t Have Done That”
2. Belief is the way
   1. The way of the innocent
   2. And when I say innocent
   3. I should say naive
      1. “Lie to Me”
3. I don't want to start
   1. Any blasphemous rumours
   2. But I think that God's
   3. Got a sick sense of humour
      1. “Blasphemous Rumours”
4. Things must change
   1. We must rearrange them
   2. Or we'll have to estrange them
   3. All that I'm saying
   4. A game's not worth playing
   5. Over and over again
      1. “The Sun and the Rainfall”
5. You wear guilt
   1. Like shackles on your feet
   2. Like a halo in reverse
      1. “Halo”
6. Soap won’t wash away your shame
   1. “Shame”
7. I've read more than a hundred books
   1. Seeing love mentioned many thousand times
   2. But despite all the places I've looked
   3. It's still no clearer
   4. I'm still no nearer
   5. The meaning of love
      1. “The Meaning of Love”
8. You can't change the world
   1. But you can change the facts
   2. And when you change the facts
   3. You change points of view
   4. If you change points of view
   5. You may change a vote
   6. And when you change a vote
   7. You may change the world
      1. “New Dress”
9. Pain and misery always hit the spot
   1. Knowing you can't lose what you haven't got
      1. “Lilian”
10. Strangelove
    1. Strange highs and strange lows
    2. Strangelove
    3. That's how my love goes
       1. “Strangelove”
11. Words like violence
    1. Break the silence
    2. Come crashing in
    3. Into my little world
       1. “Enjoy the Silence”
12. Pain is ready, pain is waiting
    1. Primed to do it's educating
       1. “Dream On”
13. So we're different colours
    1. And we're different creeds
    2. And different people have different needs
    3. It's obvious you hate me
    4. Though I've done nothing wrong
    5. I've never even met you so what could I have done
    6. I can't understand
    7. What makes a man
    8. Hate another man
    9. Help me understand
    10. Help me understand
    11. Now you're punching
    12. And you're kicking
    13. And you're shouting at me
    14. I'm relying on your common decency
    15. So far it hasn't surfaced
    16. But I'm sure it exists
    17. It just takes a while to travel
    18. From your head to your fists
        1. “People are People”
14. Hide what you have to hide
    1. And tell what you have to tell
    2. You'll see your problems multiplied
    3. If you continually decide
    4. To faithfully pursue
    5. The policy of truth
       1. “Policy of Truth”
15. To the soul's desires
    1. The body listens
    2. What the flesh requires
    3. Keeps the heart imprisoned
       1. “When the Body Speaks”
16. The narrowest path
    1. Is always the holiest
    2. “Judas”
17. Words are very unnecessary
    1. They can only do harm
       1. “Enjoy the Silence”

Source: <http://www.notable-quotes.com/d/depeche_mode.html>

**Wild Depeche Mode Stories All Fans Should Know -BBC**

1. **Martin used to annoy Fletch by swapping his glasses with their producer's**
   1. In 1984, Martin Gore told Smash Hits
   2. that Andy Fletcher's glasses
   3. were almost identical to those of their then-producer Daniel Miller,
   4. leading to a trusted gag:
   5. "We swap them so when Fletcher puts them on he can't see a thing
   6. “He gets angrier every time."
2. **Their accountant reckoned they'd last three years tops**
   1. By 1984, Depeche Mode ere already four years into their career
   2. No one was more surprised that they were still a band,
   3. And becoming big news,
   4. Than the accountant assigned to look after their affairs
   5. In 2009, Fletch told The National:
   6. “We were a boy band, basically
   7. “We were kids
   8. “When we first started,
   9. “our accountant did a tax plan
   10. “for us to last three years,
   11. “and we’ve outlasted that by 10 times now
   12. “He was only going by what happens to most groups”
3. **Fans in the US used to throw shoes at them**
   1. Depeche Mode famously travelled
   2. to their first Top of the Pops performance in 1981 on the train,
   3. carrying their synths.
   4. But intense fandom hit quick
   5. By 1982, Fletch was telling New Sounds New Styles that,
   6. "Even when you make a lot of mistakes
   7. “and think you've been terrible,
   8. “they [the fans] don't seem to care.
   9. “They don't come up and say,
   10. “'Great gig,' anymore either.
   11. “The music aspect has gone...
   12. “All they want to do is watch you.
   13. “We've become an event."
   14. Soon after, fans began chucking things at them
   15. - including shoes for a period of time.
   16. "Yes, there was a phase,"
   17. Dave told The Guardian in 2015.
   18. "I don't know what that was all about.
   19. “I remember one particular gig in the early '90s with Jane's Addiction,
   20. “where Perry Farrell caught a shoe smack in his face."
4. **The German music press continually made up stories about them**
   1. The 10th Depeche Mode single People Are People
   2. was used as the theme
   3. to West German TV's coverage of the 1984 Olympics
   4. and it broke the band into the country
   5. giving them their first No.1 anywhere in the world.
   6. They became staples of German-language pop magazine Bravo,
   7. whose readers just couldn't get enough of their English idols.
   8. With limited access to the band,
   9. it's said that Bravo
   10. and its TV offshoot would simply make up stories about them.
   11. "It's no good refusing to talk to them,"
   12. said Fletch to an NME journalist
   13. who interviewed the band in West Germany in 1984,
   14. "they'll just go ahead and make it up anyway.
   15. “The last time we refused an interview with them,
   16. “they made up a story about Dave having to be carried off-stage
   17. “at the end of every performance,
   18. “taken to a separate dressing room
   19. “and kept supplied with constant fluids.
   20. “The time before that,
   21. “they said we hated everyone under 20,
   22. “which made us very popular with their readership."
5. **Martin still pulls rank on Dave**
   1. For 15 years,
   2. Dave has been contributing songs to Depeche Mode albums,
   3. But Martin’s still the songwriting boss

## A military plane crashing into a hillside nearly killed Alan Wilder

1. Dave used to take naps in a coffin before performing
2. Their label once re-named the band “Tea and Biscuits”
3. Sold well over 100 million records
4. Formed in Basildon, Essex in 1980
5. The band formed as teenagers:
   1. Dave Gahan was 18
   2. Martin Gore and Andy Fletcher were 19

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