

Rainer Maria Rilke, in a letter from 1910, "Nothing is possible for me anymore, not even dying."

Damien Hirst's sculpture "The Physical Impossibility of Death in the Mind of Someone Living" (1991)

The impossibility of dying: the knowledge that we die but we do not know what it means to die.

You don't die when you are alive, so you cannot possibly know what it means to die.

You cannot live death. Death cannot be experienced.

You cannot know death.

Also: death is eternal and we cannot grasp the meaning of eternal.

Death lies outside both ontology and phenomenology.

The inevitability of dying: all life dies. If you're alive, you will die.

Death is the fundamental property of life, otherwise life wouldn't be called life, wouldn't be called anything.

The value of dying.

Is death bad? It is not bad for the rest of the world, that needs you dead.

Is death bad for you personally? If we didn't have to die, would we want to be alive forever?

Would we commit suicide out of boredom? Then death is inevitable even in a non-biological sense, and we should be grateful that something else makes us die.

"There is but one truly serious philosophical problem, and that is suicide" (Albert Camus)

A fundamental property of death is its unpredictability: you know your birthday but not your deathday.

The Hugh Everett many-worlds interpretation

Quantum suicide is a thought experiment in quantum mechanics (popularized by Max Tegmark in 1998)

The Schrödinger's cat thought experiment, from the cat's point of view

"Everett firmly believed that his many-worlds theory guaranteed him immortality: his consciousness, he argued, is bound at each branching to follow whatever path does not lead to death" (Eugene Shikhovtsev's biography of Everett)