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Nishant Bhagat says

What a pleasant lovely little book. It is very rare for a smile to be plastered on my face while even reading a funny book. But Mr Bond has made me smile and laugh out loud at times.

The simplicity of the language, the brilliant use of minimal but effective words seems to come so easily to this author. What a gifted person!

Now that I am smitten with him, time to read more of Mr Bond...just to be stirred and not shaken!

Ramiz Qudsi says

If it is Ruskin, it becomes my favorite! :)

Since I started reading books no single author has affected my mood as many times as RB has. I would be a bit down, slightly morose, feeling bad about something, wanting to be alone and so wold pick up a book. If it is Ruskin I am reading, ere long I would be smiling, mood would have swung taken a U-Turn and I would be happy.

Can't thank him enough for all the stories he has written. :)

Dhruv Bhandula says

A wonderful, sweet collection of essays and anecdotes. Really loved the one where Mr. Bond talks about his monkey girl-friend. Few other anecdotes such as the one with Mr. Ken are amazing and really fun. Overall a really refreshing book.

Mahendra says

it is exiting book and very popular tooo

Jason says

A collection of humorous experiences and poems from the nature-lover from Dehradun.. Enjoyed reading this book a lot. Love his style of writing.

Arush Ul islam says

A beautiful book in which Ruskin Bond shared his humorous experiences.
It's a marvellous book!

Shefali says

Funny for sure

The book lives up to the title. My first Ruskin Bond book and must say, wasn't disappointed. He sure is gifted with his way with words

Tam_the_med_bookie says

This book didn't impress me much.

Maybe I picked it up at a wrong time or something.

But still I can pick up the subtle humour anywhere in his writings. But not with this particular one.

Not his strong suit I guess.

I struggled a lot to finished up this one.

Juhi says

This is my second book by Ruskin Bond. This book is basically a collection of stories from daily happenings of Ruskin Bond.

A detailed description of when he wakes up, what he does after he wakes up, his afternoon routine, his evening walks, in short about his daily routine in general.

He shares his experience by transitioning from the Dehra of his childhood versus Dehra now.

He talks about what he loved while growing up. There are so many characters that made an impact on his life. His little experiences which he remembers precisely even after so many years are kind of funny to read. Ruskins story of his pet and his adventures with uncle ken are presented as short stories in the book and light hearted to read.

There is nothing much you can find in the book. No story or biography or anything just little life experiences. Its just nothing about nothing!

2.5 stars out of 5!

Mani says

Although purportedly an attempt to compile the funniest of Bond's short stories, this collection was not much different from his other work - which is funny and inspiring anyway. So if you're looking for a lighthearted read to brighten up your day, you could do worse than pick up this title.

Pradeep Nair says

Like most of Ruskin Bond's books, this one stands out for the simplicity of language and narration. Little stories and anecdotes, from everyday life, that is bereft of trappings of modernity's perceived necessities. There are no great plots and subplots. But Bond shows us that an author doesn't need those to tell captivating stories. The string of stories also draw our attention to the funny world around us, which if looked at closely is soothing, humorous, invigorating and even educational. Hats off to Bond for bringing out the lighter side of everyday life.

beautywithbooks says

If it's a Ruskin Bond book, I will go ahead and buy it confidently without any doubt of getting disappointed. His short stories and easy reads and very enjoyable. I myself being a nature lover, love the way he describes the nature in his stories. The tall trees, the passing clouds, the flowers and buds, his long trek to see the sweet peas, I love imagining them.

An extract from one of his stories: 'An elderly reader once remarked, "How do you manage to write so much about nothing?" to which I could only reply: "Well, it's better than writing nothing about everything!"' He has his very unique ability to make a complete story out a very ordinary situation and humor to it. This book consists of many stories which will make your mood light.

The read on Tutu, the mischievous monkey, Uncle Ken, and the seven-year-old witty Gautam, aunt Ruby were hilarious. For eg: 'A few days before the wedding I found Tutu in the kitchen, helping Grandmother prepare the wedding cake. Tutu often helped with the cooking and, when Grandmother wasn't looking, added herbs, spices, and other interesting items to the pots - so that occasionally we found a chilli in the custard or an onion in the jelly or a strawberry floating in the chicken soup.'

His books are always a good read for readers of all ages and gives a feeling of satisfaction.

Diwakar Grandhi says

This was a light-hearted and a quick read. If I have to compare the writing style to something, I would certainly use a river to compare it to. Just like a river flows on in a natural way, Ruskin Bond's thoughts are also free flowing. There is no set pattern over here. The story encompasses his experiences all throughout his life but not in any particular order. One chapter discusses his experience as a child, the next chapter discusses something which occurred when he was old, the next chapter discusses something from his youth and so on.

Dayita Gupta says

This is an amusing book, you should take it for a trip and just smile while reading the book. It is an easy book with some short collection from Bond's life. This book will give you an idea how small petty incidents in life can become big.

Shantanu says

There's a simplicity in his writing and a rhythm that I've seldom found in books today. May be I liked it more so for that reason. After all, I've been reading a lot of stuff that isn't exactly easy on the mind. But this book was different. The easy pace of the book brings to mind happier times when the world around me wasn't so complicated. I yearn for that simplicity again. I'm not sufficiently qualified to critique his writing as yet, but I can definitely say that I liked it. I'd willingly recommend it to anybody that asks.
