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The Complete Works Of Mark Twain



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Customer Reviews

I'm not sure why that one person had a problem finding the Jumping Frog story in a previous review. Everything is here, literally everything. All you need to do to find it all on your Kindle is hit Menu, then "Go to..." and then scroll down to the table of contents button. There's a ton here, so you need to page over to the right to find more stories, which is where "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County" appears. There's no reason anyone should have rated this a "one star." I'm flabbergasted at all the stories that appear here, and I had no idea Twain was as prolific as he was. Very impressed with this collection, and I recommend it to all!!

For the previous version (white cover, b&w picture of Mark Twain) (purchased and returned for 99 cents): I was so excited to get all of one of my favorite authors' works for under a buck. But there is

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Mark Twain's 2 volume autobiography was worth the wait. This is not a "and then I did this" chronological biography, but was written/dictated to whatever moved Twain each day. As such, the stories are rolling remembrances of snippets of the great writer's life. They read as if he were there conversing with the reader, with his side of the conversation swinging in and out of the past and present, first perhaps describing a (then) current affair, then launching into a relevant, or not, tale from the past. He reminds the reader on occasion that his biography allows him to say what he honestly thinks because he has already stipulated that it not be published until he and the people he discusses are surely gone from this earth. He assumes none of them will harbor hurt feelings at that point. Wish that all who are compelled to write autobiographies would practice the same discipline.

I just downloaded the book to my Kindle, and the Celebrated Jumping Frog story is there. It is a little hard to navigate to, but if you go to the contents of the short stories, click on the Celebrated Jumping Frog, and then hit previous page you will be at the title. All in all this is a great buy.

It's The Prince and the Pauper - That's ALL. The link links to the Kindle version only, which may actually be complete. When one 275 page volume arrives in the mail, you KNOW you have not received The Complete Works, unless it is on microfiche, and this isn't. No indication that this may be one of xx volumes.

Love the wit of MT. It's same lot to read still haven't gotten through a third of it, but like to switch to reading it after more dry materials. He has a great view of the world and his stories are like reading a great historian of the times....

Prior to reading this book, I had a limited knowledge of Twain. He is one of the best writers I have ever read. His wit and veiled sarcasm made me smile. He is a smart ass who everyone can like his non-fiction stories are just as good and for some better than his fiction. I loved everything I read. I felt his personality so strongly as time it was as if he was seated across the table from me. That is a rare quality. highly recommended.

Returned it for false advertising: I bought it to get a copy of 1601 not in some other Twain/Clemens books I have. Prince and the Pauper is the only book between the covers... Bill Logan

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