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Synopsis
A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman | Conversation Starters There is a man who has lost all hope in life. He has been brought up to do the right thing, but has never been able to show much emotion. After the death of his beloved wife, Ove has no reason to live. That is until an Iranian woman named Parwaneh shows up next door with her clumsy husband and two adorable daughters. Gradually, Ove realizes that as much as he misses his wife, he could contribute something to society and, in turn, gain from other people. A heartwarming and simple story of a man who finds a purpose in life, A Man Called Ove is humorous and heartrending in equal parts. A brief look inside: Every good book contains a world far deeper than the surface. The characters and their world come alive, and the characters and its world still live on. Conversation Starters is peppered with questions designed to bring us beneath the surface and invite us into the world that lives on. These questions can be used to: Create hours of conversation Foster a deeper understanding of the book Promote an atmosphere of discussion for groups Assist in the study of the book, either individually or corporately Explore unseen realms of the book as never seen before

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Cautionary tale: if you don’t want an extremely abbreviated version of the book and a bunch of book discussion questions you could get for free elsewhere, don’t make the same mistake I made. Very misleading product placement - I want my $3.99 back to apply to the actual full edition of the book I intended to order.
Thought this was the novel. It ain’t. Goodbye $4.

The book itself is terrific, one minute engendering sympathy, the next laughter. Ove is Ove. This questionnaire is rather silly, because an attempt to analyze the characters would eliminate the silent acceptance and understanding of them that comes from reading. The author writes so well, no analysis is necessary. They are fictional characters, not real. To equate them with real people is not the correct perception. I do not like this questionnaire, but if I marked it one star, the judges might think that was a reference to the book. To summarize this review: The book ***** The questionnaire.

I loved this book and roared with laughter throughout. My husband thought it was a sad book. In my opinion the author gives the reader permission to laugh at the "tongue in cheek" humor. You decide -- but remember it is fiction!

Interestingly weird! It does make you reflect on your own life and ask yourself if you’re being way too serious about each little thing that happens to you. Things that you cannot control. Also, you ask yourself what you would do if you were dealt some of the hands Ove was dealt. Would it make me angry or would I just get stronger. Definitely thought provoking.

I usually give a book about 25 pages before I know if I am going to enjoy it. This book was a hit from about page 5. It was delightful, and different. Ove is a unique individual who might have a touch of autism. He is anything but welcoming and generous, but has a heart deep down. This book has been so well received a movie has been made.

Loved this story! I even shed some tears. I’ve known people who are set in their ways, unhappy and cantankerous. Some thing about Ove kept me reading and once again I fell in love with a book character.

It was really entertaining. I really laughed at how he judged everyone by the kind of car they drove.

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