

Listening & Reading

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36	<i>conspicuous</i>
37	<i>excessive</i>
38	<i>maintaining</i>
39	<i>addressing</i>
40	<i>alleviating</i>

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1	established												
2	appointed												
3	demand												
4	converse												
5	appreciate												
6	esteemed												
7	membership												
8	cover												
9	refresh refreshments												
10	available												
11	quiet												
12	tidy												
13	break												
14	shine												
15	hanging												
16	dashes												
17	take												
18	surely												
19	essence												
20	queers												
31	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	
32	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	
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The science fiction writer, Frederic Brown, is credited to write the shortest story in the world in 1948, which he called "Knock". The story was this: "The last man on Earth sat alone in a room. There was a knock on the door." The story paved the way to a new fashion of writing very short stories. The book that we will be reviewing today, "The World's Shortest Stories of ~~Life~~ and Death", ^{Love} by Steve Moss is a compilation of such stories published by Steve Moss.

It is important to note that all of the stories in the book were written for an annual competition in the "New Times" magazine. The name of the contest is "55 Fiction"; to qualify for "55 Fiction", a story must have a setting, one or more characters, some conflict and a resolution and consist of fifty-five or fewer words. Needless to say, it takes a lot of talent ^{not only} to meet all of the ~~st~~ criteria, but to make such a story ^{so} memorable. The authors, however, (Steve Moss merely published their work) stand up to the task; the stories are quite captivating and leave a lasting impression on the reader.

While the title may ~~let~~ lead ~~the~~ one to believe all of the stories ^{in the book} are about love and death, that is not the case here. Instead, the book covers a wide range of moral issues. For example, "Gratitude" by Andrew E. Hunt tells us that we should be grateful for all the small things we have instead of being

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upset about not having something, while "The Search" by Robert Tompkins addresses the unpleasant fact that people prefer lies over truth. Some stories tell us about social problems; for example, "Higher Education" by Ron Bass describes what ^{will} ~~would~~ happen if the government keeps cutting budgets ^{will} for colleges. The wide spectrum of issues covered in the book makes it an interesting read; it also helps raise awareness of various problems in the world.

So, if you ~~are~~ would like to be amazed by the writers' talent while becoming smarter, you should definitely read this book. You will not be disappointed!

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