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Thank You for Smoking



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Description

Nick Naylor likes his job. In the neo-puritanical nineties, it's a challenge to defend the rights of smokers and a privilege to promote their liberty. Sure, it hurts a little when you're compared to Nazi war criminals, but Nick says he's just doing what it takes to pay the mortgage and put his son through Washington's elite private school St. Euthanasius. He can handle the pressure from the antismoking zealots, but he is less certain about his new boss, BR, who questions whether Nick is worth \$150,000 a year to fight a losing war. Under pressure to produce results, Nick goes on a PR offensive. But his heightened notoriety makes him a target for someone who wants to prove just how hazardous smoking can be. If Nick isn't careful, he's going to be stubbed out.

Insightful reviews

Kiana Cook: This is a very dry, witty book that brilliantly spoofs the tobacco industry and sales corporations. Buckley's characters brilliantly use words to twist meaning and manipulate others, and the conversations are a delight to read. Like my other favorite satire novels, this book takes on a real issue and stretches it to comedic extremes. The situation in *Thank You For Smoking* is so ludicrous that I was laughing the entire time. While it's not overly thought-provoking or lofty, this book is more than just fluff. It's a quick, quirky read that will last a couple of days and make you laugh, but also make you think, as well...like all the best satire should. 3.5 stars.

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Karena sudah nonton dan suka banget filmnya, maka waktu lihat novel ini terpajang di stand buku baru Gramedia langsung saja disambar. Meskipun begitu, ternyata nggak sempat terus bacanya, kalah sama buku-buku yang terbit belakangan (terutama manga yang terbit saban minggu). Setelah berbulan-bulan baru deh buku ini berhasil disingkirkan dari to-read list.

OK, jelas ada perbedaan antara film dan TV meskipun benang merahnya sama. Kalau di film Nick Naylor (Aaron Eckhart) dikhianati Heather, wartawan yang dikencaninya, di novel dia dikhianati Jeanette, rekan kerja yang juga dikencaninya (tokoh penting ini sama sekali tak muncul di film) dan bosnya. Namun perbedaan itu sah-sah saja, dan khusus untuk TYFS, kunilai film dan buku sebanding, khususnya dari segi humor satirnya yang menggelitik.

P.S. Mengutip buku: rokok sangat berguna untuk mengurangi populasi manusia yang sudah berlebihan di bumi ini.

Natalie: Funny little biting political satire on the nonsense that goes on in Washington (and

Hollywood, to a lesser extent); the money that changes hands, the souls that are sold, the amoral deals that are made, the shrieking hysterical harpies on each side of a divisive issue (smoking, in this case) that are convinced they just want what's best for the American public.

Jeana: Very shrewd permanent book. I picked this up whilst I used to be making plans for our journey to DC, even if I did not end it until eventually after. The author, Chris Buckley, is sort of witty.

Ardhendu: An unique political satire. An obvious lust for energy and wannabe-alpha male sentiment, both contrived or natural, comes throughout throughout the writing. 3 stars for the humor.

Mohnish: 4.5* This is political satire at its best. This ebook jogged my memory lots of George Carlin & Invoice Hicks. Following is a profane thingy I wrote. Learn at your individual risk. Pass judgement on me all you want. I am gross & wicked, so that is the way it comes out. A ciggies rant: I envy that fucking Cuban Cigar. He is grubby, stout, unattractive, yet that fucker will get to last. He will get circumcised prior to he is even lit into this world, prior to an prosperous ruffian of a human takes the 1st drag. Ha, his lifestyles ain't perfect, yet at the least he nonetheless will get to last. I have a lifestyles span of 3-7 minutes, and that too luckily, if it's not that I am steadily dragged by way of a moron human, whereas he will get to final until eventually eternity. Fuck life, its unfairty, & its brevity. The single shot I have, to get out of this ephemeral imbroglio, is to get into a type of movies, I do know that is just for the handsome ciggs yet at least, the burnt me can function in a single of these ashtrays. Within the previous few micro-seconds of my existence, I shall develop into immortal. I'm nonetheless grateful though...to our outdated bearded-deep-voiced cigg god, not to have encounter the depraved gassed people. Depraved is a euphemism here, they're the devils of our personal pseudo Ciggy-Iggy pop hell. Considering bout them, worry gushes via my narrow sophisticated stick-ye figure, those neo butt-chug-erring bohemians, cig global Nazis, preferring asshole melanoma over the lung one, make me tobacco boiling sick. I feel in unprejudiced dwelling too, but additionally extra importantly unfilthy living. And there were a time in my life, whilst I used to be obdurate, while I used to be devoted, to the reason for getting my fellow cigarettes out in their bigotry. I presumed humor used to be the key, no longer discourses & alterations. Whilst cigarettes laugh, that is while their guards are down, inhibitions & priggishness forgotten, a brand new thought implanted of their minds, as they laughed on themselves. I have grew to become cynic now, I have now not the time to make big adjustments to the best way cigarettes think. It was once self-importance that had caused me to get different ciggs to alter because it acceptable me. I have discovered my mistake, I should still simply have a very good time, in those couple of minutes I am getting to exist. Get my butt kissed via a voluptuous-crimson lipped beauty, her moderate hot tongue could contact my clear out tip, soothe me, making all my agony worthwhile. As for humans: I'll look pernicious to some, ostentatious to others. Yet I've got no stakes on your video games humans, I simply do not supply a fuck. No thank you, for smoking me.

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