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Owls in the Family Ruskin Bond 2018-07 'I had placed one [owl] on a branch of the mango tree, and was stooping to pick up the other, when I received quite a heavy blow on the back of my head. A second or two later, the mother owl swooped down at Grandfather, but he was agile enough to duck out of its way.' This is a collection of Ruskin Bond's 'small town' stories. Meet Ranji's wonderful bat which is his lucky charm, along with wacky parrots, ostriches, owls and a number of idiosyncratic characters in other stories. Hold your breath as Romi cycles through a raging forest fire and follow the Boy Scouts on delightful adventures. Lose yourself in timeless romantic classics 'The Eyes Have It' and 'Time Stops at Shamli' and savour the bittersweetness of 'The Blue Umbrella'. Owls in the Family will take you on a journey through childhood and youth-through romance and thrill, leaving you enchanted with Bond's beautiful world.

Tiger in the Tunnel Ruskin Bond 2019-01-29 For decades now, Ruskin Bond has been charming us with his captivating stories about life in the hills. For this collection, India's favourite storyteller has rummaged through his archives and fished out a compilation of some of the pithiest short stories written on the Indian wildlife. From tigers, elephants, mongooses and leopards to jackals, panthers, snakes and cats-Bond covers them all, humble and mighty, in this collection. Bringing together the finest writing by authors such as Rudyard Kipling, C.A. Kincaid, John Eyton, Hugh Allen, among others, this collection will enchant the Bond aficionado and initiate alike

A Flight of Pigeons Ruskin Bond 2002 Set in Shahjahanpur during the revolt of 1857. A flight of pigeons is riskin Bond's classic novella about the twists of fate, history and the human heart. When Ruth Labadoor's father is killed in a attack by sepoys, her family seeks refuge with their trusted companion, Lala Ranjimal, from where they hope to escape to bareilly. Based on true events, the book is a haunting story, rich in detail and drama. Filmed as Junoon.

The Book of Nature Ruskin Bond 2016-07-27 For over six decades, Ruskin Bond has celebrated the wonder and beauty of nature as few other contemporary writers have, or indeed can. The Book of Nature brings together the best of his writing on the natural world, not just in the Himalayan foothills, but also in the cities and small towns that he has lived in or travelled through. In these pages, you will find leopards padding down the lanes of Mussoorie after dark, the first shower of the monsoon that brings with it a tumult of new life, the chorus of insects at twilight, ancient banyan trees and the short-lived cosmos flower, among other fascinating beings. This volume proves, yet again, that for the serenity and lyricism of his prose and his sharp yet sympathetic eye, Ruskin Bond has few equals.

Wind on Haunted Hill Ruskin Bond 2018-10-15 'Who . . . whoo . . . whooo, cried the wind as it swept down from the Himalayan snows.' The wild wind pushes open windows, chokes chimneys and blows away clothes as it huffs and puffs over the village by Haunted Hill, where Usha, Suresh and Binya live. It's even more mighty the day Usha is on her way back from the bazaar. A deep rumble echoes down the slope and a sudden flash of lightning lights up the valley as fat drops come raining down. In search of shelter, Usha rushes into the ruins on Haunted Hill, grim and creepy against the dark sky. Inside, the tin roof groans, strange shadows are thrown against the walls and little Usha shivers with fear. For she isn't alone. A gritty, hair-raising story about friendship, courage and survival, this stunning edition will introduce another lot of young readers to the magic of Ruskin Bond's craft.

Ruskin Bond's Book of Verse Ruskin Bond 2016-07-27 This leaf, so complete in itself, is only part of a tree. And this tree, so complete in itself, is only part of the mountain. And the mountain runs down to the sea. And the sea, so complete in itself, Rests like a raindrop On the hand of God. Ruskin Bond's Book of Verse brings together the poetry of one of India's best-loved writers. This charming collector's edition is a treasury of poems on love and nature, travel, humour and childhood, and will be a lasting source of delight to readers.

The Rupa Book of Ruskin Bond's Himalayan Tales Ruskin Bond 2003 This is Ruskin Bond's own collection of short stories, essays and poems. The theme for the collection is of course the hills. Whether it is nature, people, places or even animals, Ruskin Bond is keenly observant of all forms of life and activity in the hi

Rusty Goes To London Ruskin Bond 2014-11-21 In his early twenties now, Rusty finally leaves Dehra and books a passage to England, dreaming of writing and selling his novel abroad. First in Jersey, and then in London, he works as a clerk by day and writes in the evenings. Eventually, the novel is finished and Rusty even finds a publisher. But this, he discovers, does not mean that his book will see the light of day soon. But London has many adventures in store for Rusty. Strolling down Baker Street, he runs into Sherlock Holmes, is accosted by Rudyard Kipling and has an escapade in the Chinese quarter! After three years abroad, however, Rusty realizes that he wants to make India his permanent home. Returning to Dehra, he renews some acquaintances and makes a few new ones, and settles into his role as full-time author. Full of interesting stories and memorable characters, Rusty Goes to London will delight all of Ruskin Bond's fans.

Classic Ruskin Bond Ruskin Bond 2010-09-13 A collection of Ruskin Bond's six novels evoking nostalgia for time gone by This collection of six novels sparkles with the quiet charm and humanity that are the hallmarks of Ruskin Bond's writing. Evoking nostalgia for a time gone by, these poignant chronicles of life in India's hills and small towns describe the hopes and passions that capture young minds and hearts, highlighting the uneasy reconciliation of dreams and destiny. The six novels included in the collection are: The Room on the Roof, Vagrants in the Valley, Delhi is Not Far, A Flight of Pigeons, The Sensualist, A Handful of Nuts.

The Kashmiri Storyteller Ruskin Bond 2011-07-09 As darkness falls outside, and the chill sets in; Javed Khan pulls at his hookah and begins his stories... When Kamal and his friends gather at Javed Khan's Kashmiri shop at Landour bazaar; he enthralls them with his stories—of princes and kings; fairies and magical animals; supermen and cunning traders. Come; sit around the fire with Kamal; Shashi; Anil; Madhu and Vijay while they listen to Javed Khan's stories of the monkey bride; the man who got swallowed by a mosquito; the bent-up double beggar who angered a ghost; and many other tales from Kashmir and beyond. In this brilliantly illustrated collection; Ruskin Bond brings alive unforgettable folktales from the misty hills of Kashmir that will delight and enchant his followers both young and old

A Flight of Pigeons Ruskin Bond 2007 When Ruth's father, a clerk in the British magistrate's office, is killed in an attack by sepoys, her family seeks refuge with their trusted companion, Lala Ramjimal. Based on true events, this story is rich in details and drama. It is told with simplicity and humanity.

The Life and Works of Ruskin Bond Meena Khorana 2003 Examines the life and works of Ruskin Bond, one of India's most prolific writers in English for all age groups.

A Face in the Dark and Other Hauntings Ruskin Bond 2009-08-06 Ruskin bond once famously remarked that while he does not believe in ghosts, he sees them all the time - in the woods, in a bar, in a crowd outside a cinema. Not surprising, then, that in his stories ghosts, jinns, witches - and the occasional monster - ae as real as the people he writes about. He makes the supernatural appear entirely natural, and therefore harder to ignore. This collection brings together all of Ruskin Bond's tales of the paranormal written over five decades. It opens with perhaps his best-known story, the unforgettable, 'A face in the dark', set in a pine forest outside Simla, and ends with the shockingly macabre 'Night of the Millennium', where the scene of the action is an abandoned cemetery. In between are tales featuring monkeys and a pack of dogs come back from the dead, an elderly lady who is a witch after dark, a schoolboy riding his bicycle up and down the country road where he was killed, and Kipling's ghost in London's Victoria and Albert Museum. comprising twenty-eight classic stories that range from the chilling to the whimsical for the supernatural has its funny side too, a face in the dark and other hauntings is the perfect collection to have by your bedside when the moon is up.

Rusty and the Magic Mountain Ruskin Bond 2015-11-27 The squirrel family must move to a new house, but Nonu's not happy Little Nonu Squirrel, playful and daring, has just moved into his new house with Papa Squirrel and Mummy Squirrel. As he starts exploring his new neighbourhood, he realizes there are many exciting adventures in store. He learns to skate with his newly-found friend Nicole, enjoys being fed tasty nut cakes by her Grandma, eats juicy mangoes with the Mango Gang and indulges in some crazy shenanigans with Cousin Danny. But life's not all mangoes and skateboards. Voracious Goonda cat is on the hunt—will Nonu become his next meal?

Funny Side Up Ruskin Bond 2006 I have lived to see Bombay become Mumbai, Calcutta become Kolkata, and Madras become Chennai. Times change, names change, and if Bond becomes Bonda I won't object.' With these lines, begins another brilliant collection of essays, stories and poems by writer par excellence, Ruskin Bond. With an ability to look at ordinary situations with unique wit and acuity, Ruskin Bond invites us into his home, his countryside, his life. Peopled with monkeys, wild boars, an aunt with a phobia of flowers, an eccentric cousin who thinks he is the great cricket player Ranji, the wise seven-year-old Gautam, this collection is an absorbing read for readers of all ages.

The Room of Many Colours Ruskin Bond 2014-09-12 For over five decades, Ruskin ond has written charming tales that have mesmerized readers of all ages. This collection brings together his finest stories for children in one volume. Published previously as A Treasury of Stories for Children, this attractive rejacketed edition includes two new stories, 'The Big Race' and 'Remember This Day'. Filled with a rich cast of characters and superb illustrations, The Room of Many Colours: A Treasury of Stories for Children is the definitive book for all Ruskin Bond fans and truly a collector's Item.

DUST ON THE MOUNTAIN Ruskin Bond 2016-02-24 Bisnu finds how dangerous and lonely life can be for a boy who has to leave his home to earn money for his family. As he sets to work on the limestone quarries with the choking dust enveloping the beautiful mountain air, he longs for home more than ever.

Susanna's Seven Husbands Ruskin Bond 2011-02-09 Since his childhood; Arun has secretly been in love with Susanna; his dangerously alluring neighbour; who becomes his friend despite the wide difference in their ages. But Susanna has a weakness for falling in love with the wrong men. Over the years; Arun watches as Susanna becomes notorious as the merry widow who flits from one marriage to another; leaving behind a trail of dead husbands. It is only a matter of time before he too begins to wonder if there is any truth to the slanderous gossip surrounding the woman he is in love with. In this gripping new novella of love and death; Bond revisits his previously published short story of the same name; included here in an appendix. This edition also features the screenplay Saat Khoon Maaf; based on this novella and written by award-winning film-maker Vishal Bhardwaj and Matthew Robbins.

OUR TREES STILL GROW IN DEHRA Ruskin Bond 2011-01-03 Fourteen engaging stories from one of India's master story-tellers Semi-autobiographical in nature, these stories span the period from the author's childhood to the present. We are introduced, in a series of beautifully imagined and crafted cameos, to the author's family, friends, and various other people who left a lasting impression on him. In other stories we revisit Bond's beloved Garhwal hills and the small towns and villages that he has returned to time and again in his fiction. Together with his well-known novella, A Flight of Pigeons (which was made into the film Junoon), which also appears in this collection, these stories once again bring Ruskin Bond's India vividly to life.

The Sensualist Ruskin Bond 2017-05-15 The Sensualist is the story of a man enslaved by his libido and spiralling towards self-destruction. Gripping, erotic, even brutal, the book explores the demons that its protagonist must grapple with before he is able to come to terms with himself. In this fascinating account of the pleasures and perils that attend a young man's coming of age, Ruskin Bond displays his felicity in exploring the dark aspects of the human psyche. Bold and powerful, The Sensualist is a compelling read.

Words from My Window Ruskin Bond 2019-07-29 I need a window to look at the world without; for only then can I look at the world within. A room without a window is rather like a prison cell, and the soul is inclined to shrivel up in a confined space. ... Car horns, children calling to each other as they return from school, a boy selling candyfloss, several crows chasing a hawk! Never a dull moment. And the magic mountain looks on, absorbing everything.

Ruskin Bond's Book of Humour Ruskin Bond 2008 Features playful tigers, ghosts, elephants, and crows, as well as old favorites like Uncle Ken, and Miss Bun. The author's slightly eccentric grandfather and Bond himself ease in and out of these pages.

Words from the Hills Ruskin Bond 2017-08

Unhurried Tales Ruskin Bond 2017-12 Unhurried Tales: My Favourite Novellas brings together, for the very first time, Ruskin Bond's favourite (and finest) novellas. The stories in this book include Time Stops at Shamli (written in 1956 and published for the first time in 1987); The Blue Umbrella, which has been a bestseller for the last forty years; Angry River, which was a longer work when it was first written; Bus Stop, Piplanagar; Night of the Leopard; The Last Tiger and Tales of Fosterganj, his latest novella, which was published in 2013. These stories speak of a world that has long vanished, but it is a world that has lost none of its power to enchant. Whether we are accompanying Sita on her perilous journey down the angry river or Bisnu as he gets the better of a dangerous leopard, whether we delight in Binya's joy at owning her blue umbrella or are saddened by the fate of the last tiger, whether we laugh uproariously at the antics of the eccentric guests at the 'hotel' in Shamli, get involved in the adventures of the boys in Piplanagar or plunge into the various goings-on in the 'backwater' of Fosterganj, we are always entertained, always charmed. All the stories unwind in an unhurried way, even those that are filled with death-defying thrills and spills, and it is this quality that enables us to sink into them and experience to its fullest the magic of the fiction that Ruskin Bond has spun out of the hills and small towns of India for over sixty years.

The Adventures of Rusty Ruskin Bond 2017-11-28 Rusty, the boy whose stories have charmed and entertained children for years, brings together his best adventures in one volume! From the time he was a boy living with his grandparents in Dehra, surrounded by an assortment of odd animals, people and relatives, to when he gets sent away to school, then makes his way to London and becomes a writer, Rusty's had more adventures than we can count. This omnibus edition contains his best, funniest, most exciting escapades. In these pages, there's Toto, the monkey that travelled in a bag on a train; an encounter with a leopard; life as a young writer in faraway London; and the return home to roots that were always loved and never forgotten. An evergreen classic of children's writing in India, The Adventures of Rusty will be enjoyed like never before.

The Lamp Is Lit Ruskin Bond 2017-08-29 Autobiographical sketches and stories from India's best-loved writer in English. For over four decades now, by way of innumerable short stories, essays, poems and novels, Ruskin Bond has championed simplicity and quietude in life and in art. This collection of essays and episodes from his journals is, in his own words, "a celebration of my survival as a freelance'. The author's early forays into the literary magazines of the 1950s and '60s are described in the first part of the book, along with some examples of his work at the time. The sections that follow contain extracts from an unpublished travel journal he kept during the '60s, episodes from the highways on which he was a frequent traveller, and vignettes of life in Mussoorie, past and present. With understated humour and compassion, Ruskin Bond records the charming eccentricities of friends and acquaintances (a former princess cheerfully obsessed with death and disaster); the silent miracles of nature ("New moon in a purple sky"); life's little joys (the smell of onions frying) and its fleeting regrets. Nostalgic and heart-warming, full of wisdom and charm, The Lamp is Lit provides a fascinating glimpse into the life of "our very own resident Wordsworth in prose.

Escape from Java and other Tales of Danger Ruskin Bond 2015-02-06 Join intrepid heroes and dauntless heroines in their quest for survival against earthquakes, fire, floods and bombs! Live life on the edge with five stories of danger and adventure. Flee with Romi as he rides his cycle straight into the river to get away from a fearsome forest fire; listen in to Ruth's hair-raising story of escape from rioting sepoys during the uprising of 1857; read about the author's miraculous flight from Java as Japanese planes bombard the city; witness the havoc wreaked by the deadliest earthquake ever in Rakesh's town, Shillong; and watch Sita combat a fatal flood. Written in Ruskin Bond's inimitable style, with doses of humour and excitement, these extraordinary stories are simply unputdownable.

The Room on the Roof Ruskin Bond 2017-08-03 The Room on the Roof is a timeless coming-of-age novel that will resonate with a whole new generation of readers. Written by renowned author Ruskin Bond when he was just seventeen, it is the story of Rusty, a teenage Anglo-Indian boy who is orphaned and has to live with his English guardian in the stifling European quarter of Dehra Dun. Unhappy with the strict ways of his guardian, Rusty runs away from home to live with his Indian friends into the dream-bright world of the bazaar, Hindu festivals and all manner of Indian life. Rusty is enthralled, and is lost forever to the prim proprieties of the claustrophobic European community.

The Tunnel Ruskin Bond 2021-10-18 The steam engine shot out of the tunnel, snorting and puffing like a green, black and gold dragon, a beautiful monster out of Ranji's dreams . . . Fascinated by the midday train, Ranji would find himself waiting near the tunnel to catch a glimpse of the engine come roaring out of it. But the tunnel has more surprises for him. From a jungle full of lush green trees come a timeless tale of unexpected friendship, curiosity, duty and wildlife. Peppered with delightful illustrations, Ruskin Bond brings to his readers another heart-warming story packaged as a charming chapter book-a perfect introduction for beginners to the world of India's favourite writer!

A Handful of Nuts Ruskin Bond 2009

Locating the Anglo-Indian Self in Ruskin Bond Debashis Bandyopadhayay 2011-01-01 Ruskin Bond's life - and, for that matter, his semi-autobiographical works - are allegories of the colonial aftermath. His is an odd but exemplary attempt at absorption as a member of the Anglo-Indian ethnic minority, a community whose role in the shaping of the postcolonial Indian psyche has yet to be systematically analysed. This study explores the dialogue between the biographical and authorial selves of Ruskin Bond, whose subjectivity is informed by the fantasies of space and time. Bond's experiences of socio-political discrimination underwrite his repressed concerns. He seeks to allay his anxieties through an attempt to signify defiance of the functional agencies of those parameters, which ironically become more active as he attempts a symptomatic mastery of their inductive agencies. Nevertheless, for a nostalgic writer the unconscious - which is shaped by the impressions of the experiences of negotiation between double inheritances - exerts a problematic yet discerning influence on Bond's literary self. This study offers a chronological reading of Bond's texts, seeking to bring out the constant presence of this repressed anxiety and the psychological compulsion to dramatize the Self-Other dynamics as a symptomatic method to acquire a conviction of the self.

Scenes from a Writers Life Ruskin Bond 2017-08-29 The making of a writer Ruskin Bond's first full-fledged autobiographical book covers his -formative years,' till the age of twenty-one. The world of Anglo-India, with all its conflicting pulls, comes alive as he tells his story. His earliest memoirs are bitter-sweet, and relate to Jamnager where he lives till he is six. The happy hours spent in exploring the Ram Vilas Palace grounds and playing with his younger sister Ellen and the palace children are overshadowed by the acrimonious relation between his parents. Their estrangement while he is still a child leaves him with a life-long sense of insecurity. His unhappiness is exacerbated by the untimely death of his father " his emotional anchor when the author is just ten. Forced to stay with his mother and his stepfather, both of whom are absorbed in their own worlds, he tries to fend off his loneliness through books and the company of a few friends. Left for the most part to himself, the gentle dreamer realizes very early as -a pimply adolescent' his calling as a writer. His first book, The Room on the Roof, materializes in England, the land of his forefathers, where he is sent to make a career for himself. Despite the unexpected success of his novel, which wins a major British literary prize, the author's yearning for India is too powerful to let him remain abroad for long. He returns and begins a writing career which has spanned four decades, and earned him a place in the pantheon of great Indian writers.

Collected Short Stories Ruskin Bond 2016-04-18 Ruskin Bond wrote his first short story, 'Untouchable', at the age of sixteen, and has written memorable fiction ever since. He is famous not only for his love of the hills, but for imbuing the countryside with life and vibrancy through moving descriptions. The simple people who inhabit his stories evoke sympathy and laughter in equal measure. This wonderful collection of seventy stories, including classics like 'A Face in Dark', 'The Kitemaker', 'The Tunnel', 'The Room of Many Colours', 'Dust on the Mountain' and 'Times Stops at Shamli', is a must-have for any bookshelf.

The Fictional World of Ruskin Bond Amita Aggarwal 2005 Ruskin Bond, b. 1934, Indo-English litterateur.

The Hidden Pool Ruskin Bond 2015-06-01 Ruskin Bond's first novel for children in a whole new look! Laurie, an English boy in a small hill town in India, strikes up an unlikely friendship with Anil, the son of a local cloth merchant, and Kamal, an orphan who sells buttons and shoelaces but dreams of going to college. One day the three discover a secret pool on the mountainside, and it is there that they plan their greatest escapade yet—a trek to the Pindari Glacier, where no one from their town has gone before. This newly illustrated edition of Bond's magical tale of camaraderie and adventure is sure to win over yet another generation of readers.

When Darkness Falls and Other Stories Ruskin Bond 2016-11-23 A superb storyteller who keeps his readers in thrall'—Statesman In When Darkness Falls, Ruskin Bond emerges yet again as a master storyteller: a deceptively effortless style, an eye for the extraordinary in seemingly humdrum lives, and a deep empathy with his characters—even when they belong to the supernatural realm. We meet the war veteran Markham whose deformation ends in tragedy; Susanna, the merry widow who loved each of her seven husbands to death; and Kundan Singh, the reckless rake whom women find irresistible. There are also fascinating stories from the author's childhood, about the eccentric characters and memorable animals of old Dehradun. Told with Bond's classic wit, these charming stories will enchant and delight in equal measure.

All-Time Favourites for Children Ruskin Bond 2021-05-19 All Time Favourites for Children celebrates Ruskin Bond's writing with stories that are perennially loved and can now be enjoyed in a single collectible volume. Curated and selected by India's most loved writer, this collection brings some of the evocative episodes from Ruskin's life, iconic Rusty, eccentric Uncle Ken, ubiquitous grandmother, and many other charming, endearing characters in a single volume while also introducing us to a smattering of new ones that are sure to be firm favourites with young readers. Heart-warming, funny and spirited, this is a must-have on every bookshelf!
A Town Called Dehra Ruskin Bond 2008 Autobiographical memoirs of Ruskin Bond, Indic author, in Dehradun.

Delhi is Not Far Ruskin Bond 1994 The essential Ruskin Bond Delhi Is Not Far brings together the best of Ruskin Bond's prose and poetry. For over four decades, by way of innumerable novels, essays, short stories, and poems, the author has mapped out and peopled a unique literary landscape. This anthology has selections from all of his major books and also features an unpublished novella, Delhi Is Not Far. 'Bond's sentences are moist with dew and the mountain air, with charm, nostalgia and underplayed humour...(he is) our resident Wordsworth in prose.' --India Today

The Laughing Skull Ruskin Bond 2016 In the middle of the night, I woke to a loud rattling sound. A rat, perhaps? But no. As soon as I opened the cupboard door, out popped the skull-landing near my feet and bouncing away right across the drawing room. Ghosts and spirits, prets and jinns abound in this collection of stories. From the skull that refused to be given away to the spirits of long dead hill-station residents and from the mysterious man you meet on a dark road to the malevolent presence at the bottom of a pond-these are some of Ruskin Bond's best stories about the supernatural. Dive under the covers, leave the lights on and lose yourself in these scary, funny and adventurous tales.