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THE ROOM ON THE ROOF Ruskin Bond 2016-01-20 A CLASSIC COMING-OF-AGE STORY WHICH HAS HELD GENERATIONS OF READERS SPELLBOUND Rusty, a sixteen-year-old Anglo-Indian boy, is orphaned, and has to live with his English guardian in the claustrophobic European part in Dehra Dun. Unhappy with the strict ways of his guardian, Rusty runs away from home to live with his Indian friends. Plunging for the first time into the dream-bright world of the bazaar, Hindu festivals and other aspects of Indian life, Rusty is enchanted . . . and is lost forever to the prim proprieties of the European community. This special edition marks the 60th anniversary of this award-winning book, written when the author was just seventeen. Poignant, heart-warming and an absolute classic, this book is forever a joy to read.

Rusty Runs Away Ruskin Bond 2014-10-10 In the five years of his life that this book traces, Rusty's story is taken forward to his adolescent years. His world is turned topsy-turvy as many upheavals besiege him. After his father and grandmother pass away in quick succession, the twelve-year-old is left in the care of a guardian, Mr Harrison, in Dehra. But after a mysterious incident involving his stepfather and the gardener, he is sent away to boarding school. Restlessness compels him to run away from school, with an ambition to travel the world. But the plan fails, and he is soon back in Dehra, with his strict guardian. Rusty is now seventeen. He rebels and leaves home again, this time for good. Adventurous and thought-provoking, *Rusty Runs Away* is a book that children and young adults everywhere will enjoy.

A Season of Ghosts Ruskin Bond 2016-11-21 A superb storyteller who keeps his readers in thrall—Statesman It is said that if the smell of the Himalayas creeps into a man's blood, he will return to the hills again and again. Master storyteller Ruskin Bond shows how this love may persist to death and beyond. The agents of the supernatural may be gentle like the fairy folk in 'On Fairy Hill', or malevolent like the well-dressed diners of 'The Prize'; humorous like the very proper witch, Miss Bellows, in 'The Black Cat', or tragic like the haunting Gulabi in 'Wilson's Bridge'. Bond aficionados will meet familiar faces in other stories and be thrilled by the gripping mystery, 'Who Killed the Rani?' This exciting collection, animated by the brooding presence of the Himalayas, establishes Bond as a connoisseur of the mysterious and macabre.

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

Rusty the Boy from the Hills Ruskin Bond 2014-10-10 Rusty is a quiet, imaginative and sensitive boy who lives with his grandparents in pre-Independence Dehra Dun. Though he is not the adventurous himself, the strangest and most extraordinary things keep happening around him. The house in Dehra is full of strange creatures. Rusty has to deal with everything from his grandfather's pet python to the ever-inventive Uncle Ken. Visiting his father in wartime Java, Rusty narrowly escapes enemy bombardment, and survives a plane crash in the Arabian Sea. Back in India, he spends his time encountering a ghost in the garden and recreating his grandmother's youthful days from an old photograph. Then, something totally unexpected happens and Rusty is forced to leave Dehra, his future uncertain ... This volume of Rusty stories, the first in a series, traces Rusty's development from early childhood to his early teens and is a riveting read for younger and older children alike.

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?

Panther's Moon and Other Stories Ruskin Bond 2015-06-01 Ten unforgettable tales of fascinating human encounters with animals and birds—of a man-eater that terrorizes an entire village; the strange and wonderful trust that develops between a fierce leopard and a boy; revengeful monkeys who never forgive a woman who grows dahlias; a crow who genuinely thinks human beings are stupid; and many others— that create a world in which men and wild creatures struggle to survive despite each other: a world where, in the end, one is not quite sure which side one is on. Panther's Moon and Other Stories is another marvellous collection of stories from India's most-loved author that will once again amuse, enchant, and delight readers of all ages.

The Room on the Roof 2012

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*.

Maharani Ruskin Bond 2017-04-18 H.H. is the spoilt, selfish, beautiful widow of the Maharaja of Mastipur. She lives with her dogs and her caretaker, Hans, in an enormous old house in Mussoorie, taking lovers and discarding them, drinking too much and fending off her reckless sons who are waiting hungrily for their inheritance. The seasons come and go, hotels burn down, cinemas shut shop and people leave the hill station never to return, but H.H. remains constant and indomitable. Observing her antics, often with disapproval, is her old friend Ruskin, who can never quite cut himself off from her. Melancholic, wry and full of charm, *Maharani* is a delightful novella about love, death and friendship.

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.

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.

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.

Lone Fox Dancing Ruskin Bond 2017-06-02 Over sixty years, for numerous readers--of all ages; in big cities, small towns and little hamlets--Ruskin Bond has been the best kind of companion. He has entertained, charmed and occasionally spooked us with his books and stories, and opened our eyes to the beauty of the everyday and the natural world. He has made us smile when our spirits are low, and steadied us when we've stumbled. Now, in this brilliantly readable autobiography--his book of books--one of India's greatest writers shows us the roots of everything he has written. He begins with a dream and a gentle haunting, before taking us to an idyllic childhood in Jamnagar by the Arabian Sea--where he composed his first poem--and New Delhi in the early 1940s--where he found material for his first short story. It was a brief period of happiness that ended with his parents' separation and the untimely death of his beloved father. A search for companionship and security, undercut by a fierce independence and a tendency for risk-taking, would inform every choice he made for the rest of his life. With effortless intimacy and candour, Bond recalls his boarding school days in Shimla and winter holidays in Dehradun, when he tried to come to terms with a sense of abandonment, made friends, discovered great books and found his true calling. Determined to be a writer, he spent four difficult years in England, from 1951 to

1955, and he writes poignantly of his loneliness there, even as he kept his promise to himself and produced a book--the classic novel of adolescence, *The Room on the Roof*. It was born of his longing for 'the atmosphere that was India'--the home he would return to even before the novel was published, taking a gamble that would prove to be the best decision he made. In the final, glorious section of the autobiography, he writes about losing his restlessness and settling down in the hills of Mussoorie, surrounded by generous trees, mist and sunshine, birdsong, elusive big cats, new friends and eccentrics--and a family that grew around him and made him its own. Full of anecdote, warmth and gentle wit; often deeply moving and always with a magnificent sense of time and place--and containing over fifty photographs, some of them never seen before--*Lone Fox Dancing* is a book of understated, enduring magic, like Ruskin Bond himself.

The Room of Many Colours Ruskin Bond 2014-09-12 For over five decades, Ruskin Bond 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.

Rain in the Mountains Ruskin Bond 2016-07-27 *Rain in the Mountains* brings together some of Ruskin Bond's most beautiful works from his years spent in the foothills of the Himalayas in the town of Mussoorie. Through vivid images and lucid writing, Bond evokes the everyday sights and sounds, and captures the essence of mountain life. The musings on his natural habitat, in both prose and poetry, offer a view of that simple and affable world. Some of his writings featured in the book are 'Once Upon a Mountain Time', 'Sounds I Like to Hear', 'How Far Is the River' and 'After the Monsoon'. *Rain in the Mountains* will transport the reader into the quiet world of the mountains, lit with an eternal charm.

A Little Book of India Ruskin Bond 2022-01-24 As India completes 75 years of independence, we bring to you a slice of our beloved country in the words of our favourite author, Ruskin Bond. Drawing on his own memories and impressions of this unique land, he pays homage to the country that has been his home for 84 years. Bond talks fondly about the diverse elements that make up this beautiful land--its rivers and forests, literature and culture, sights, sounds and colours. *A Little Book of India* is an amalgamation of the physical and spiritual attributes of our homeland, and takes you on a journey filled with nostalgia and devotion.

The Thing in the Upper Room Arthur Morrison 2014-05-12 Arthur George Morrison (1 November 1863 - 4 December 1945) was an English writer and journalist known for his realistic novels and stories about working-class life in London's East End, and for his detective stories, featuring the detective Martin Hewitt. This is one of those stories

Room On The Roof Vagrants In T Ruskin Bond 1993 Two classic novels of adolescence by one of India's finest writers. In *The Room on the Roof*, Rusty, a sixteen-year-old Anglo-Indian boy, decides he has had enough of the tiny, diminishing European community and his tyrannical guardian, and runs away. To his delight, Rusty finds that life on the open road is packed with excitement and high adventure.... In *Vagrants in the Valley*, which picks up from where the first book ends, Rusty is joined in his travels by Kishen, another runaway. As they venture further into the unknown, they discover new friends and participate in more escapades but also begin to understand the complexities of growing up and the boundaries that

circumscribe even the freest spirits... Sharply observed, witty and wise, haunted on every page by the sights, smells and sounds of India, this evocation of youth, innocence and friendship will be read for a long time to come with deep, lasting pleasure.

Stumbling Through Life Ruskin Bond 2018-06-20 It was hardly the time for homespun philosophy, as a pretty young thing was trying to take a selfie of the two of us, so all I could say was: 'Signing books for young readers. It would make any writer happy.' 'But I'm not a writer, ' he said, 'I'm a psychiatrist.'

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.

Puffin Classics: Vagrants in the Valley Ruskin Bond 2016-08-16 An evergreen classic about friendship and growing up, by a master storyteller This book catches up with our favourite Rusty as he plunges not just into the cold pools of Dehra but into an exciting new life, dipping his toes into adulthood. Winding his way back to the city with Kishen, Rusty discovers that his beloved room is no longer his! Undaunted, however, and in his trademark style, he forges new homes and new friendships as he embarks on a journey of self-discovery that spans the beautiful hillsides of India. By turns thrilling and nostalgic, this heart-warming sequel is Rusty is at his best as he navigates the tightrope between dreams and reality, all the time maintaining a glorious sense of hope. Striking, evocative, witty and wise-this is an ode to youth and all its complexities, amidst the colours, sights and smells of Bond's India.

The Rupa Book of Wicked Stories Ruskin Bond 2005 In this book Ruskin Bond skilfully and creatively compiles a set of short stories, all of which have a strand of wickedness of some kind running through them. Sometimes the protagonists are wicked; sometimes the author is. But rather than being convention

Prankenstein Ruskin Bond 2017-12-10 Watch out as mischiefs and mischief-makers of all shapes and sizes come tumbling out in this hilarious collection of stories. Is your school a hotspot for jokes? Do your family members regularly fall victim to pranks? Do ghosts and spooks get you into trouble? Find every kind of funny, crazy, impossible mischief in this book. Here you will find the girl who turned into a sloth just for her mother, the horse who went to the library and ate up some classics, the substitute teacher who saw dead people, the play where everything that could go wrong did go wrong, and many more amazing tales of pranks and troublemaking! Selected by Ruskin Bond and Jerry Pinto, these stories have been written by some of the best children's writers of the country, including Sukumar Ray, R.K. Narayan, Ranjit Lal, Subhadra Sen Gupta, Paro Anand, Bulbul Sharma and many more. As an added bonus, watch out for brand new stories by Ruskin Bond and Jerry Pinto, too. Prankenstein is a delicious treasure trove of trouble and will have every mischief-maker plotting that perfect prank!

A Gathering of Friends Ruskin Bond 2019 His tales of India are fresh yet age-old; the scents, sights and languor of the Indian scene have rarely been captured with such ease and authority?'-National Herald 'Ruskin Bond has a magnificently simple and immensely moving style, compassion and a love and reverence for life'-Indian

Express 'A writer of great gifts.'- New Statesman One of the country's foremost writers.'- Sunday Chronicle 'The country's best-loved English-language storyteller...seldom disappoints his readers... If you want the...pleasures of a good story, you can't go wrong with Bond.'- Live Mint One of India's best-loved storytellers.'- The Hindu The twenty-one stories in the book are the greatest pieces of fiction written by Ruskin Bond. Chosen by the author himself, from a body of work built over fifty years (starting with his award-winning first novel, *The Room on the Roof*, and ending with *Tales of Fosterganj*) this collection includes well-known masterpieces like 'The Night Train at Deoli', 'The Woman on Platform No 8', 'Rusty Plays Holi' (from *The Room on the Roof*), 'Angry River', 'The Blue Umbrella', 'The Eyes Have It', 'Most Beautiful', 'Panther's Moon', as well as newer stories like 'An Evening at the Savoy with H.H.' (from *Maharani*) and 'Dinner with Foster' (from *Tales of Fosterganj*). Taken together, the stories in *A Gathering of Friends* show why Ruskin Bond has long been regarded as one of the pillars of Indian literature. This is a book that will delight his legions of fans as well as those lucky few who are new to his fiction.

Of Marriageable Age Sharon Maas 2014-03-14 p.p1 {margin: 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px; font: 13.0px Helvetica} p.p2 {margin: 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px; font: 13.0px Helvetica; min-height: 16.0px} 'It's a wonderful panoramic story and conveys such vivid pictures of the countries it portrays. I was immediately transported and completely captivated. A terrific writer.' Barbara Erskine 'A vast canvas of memorable characters across a kaleidoscope of cultures... her epic story feels like an authentic reflection of a world full of sadness, joy and surprise.' The Observer A spellbinding story of forbidden love. Three continents, three decades, three very disparate lives: Savitri, intuitive and charismatic, grows up among the servants of a pre-war English household in Madras. But the traditional customs of her Brahmin family clash against English upper-class prejudice, threatening her love for the privileged son of the house. Nataraj, raised as the son of an idealistic doctor in rural South India, finds life in London heady, with girls and grass easily available... until he is summoned back home to face raw reality. Saroj, her fire hidden by outward reserve, comes of age in Guyana, South America. When her strict, orthodox Hindu father goes one step too far she finally rebels against him... and even against her gentle, apparently docile Ma. But Ma harbours a deep secret... one that binds these three so disparate lives and hurtles them towards a truth that could destroy their world. Praise for *Of Marriageable Age*: 'A big book, big themes, an exotic background and characters that will live with you forever.' Katie Fforde 'Beautifully and cleverly written. A wondrous, spellbinding story which grips you from the first to the last page... I can't recall when I last enjoyed a book so much.' Lesley Pearse 'From the first page I was hooked with this enchanting book... unputdownable.' Audrey Howard

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.

Rusty and the Leopard Ruskin Bond 2014-11-07 A chronicle of Rusty's rebellious, eventful progression into manhood. Rusty, having run away from his guardian's home, is now trying to define his identity as he lives with the Kapoor family, tutoring their son Kishen and occupying the room on the roof. Soon, he becomes close to Kishen and, in the company of Meena Kapoor, begins to come into his own as an individual. Then tragedy strikes—Meena's death evastates Rusty, and he leaves Dehra. Rusty and Kishen take to the open road, and their adventures

accumulate as they tramp through the Doon valley and the Garhwal hills. Full of incident as well as introspection, this is a book older children will thoroughly enjoy.

Little Book of Everything Ruskin Bond 2020 Keep this little book by your bedside, or your desk, or on your kitchen shelf, and turn to it from time to time. It will have something comforting or helpful to say to you.

A Handful of Nuts Ruskin Bond 2009

Landour Days Ruskin Bond 2016-07-27 Ruskin Bond is an inveterate diarist, but over the years the nature of what he wants to record has changed, for 'In the autumn of my life, I grow reflective'. Although Landour itself is a magical world—where every month has its own flower, every walker his own style, and the countryside is filled with a beauty all its own—in his mind Bond ranges further afield. In Landour Days, he ponders on the experience of being a writer, on writers he has known and those that he loves reading, and on critics, handwriting and typewriters. Filled with warmth and gentle humour, Landour Days captures the timeless rhythm of life in the mountains, and the serene wisdom of one of India's best-loved writers.

Notes From A Small Room Ruskin Bond 2017-08-29 'It's the simple things in life that keep us from going crazy;' Ruskin Bond writes in this enchanting collection of essays; a celebration of the uncomplicated pleasures of a life well-lived. In 'A Good Philosophy' we learn of Bond's life philosophy; or the lack of it; and 'In Search of the Perfect Window' we join him in meditating on the qualities of a good window and its importance to a room. Whether contemplating the sound of a tropical downpour; on the fragrance of lime trees in the Himalayas or on a year spent with his cat Suzie; Ruskin Bond transports us to a quieter; more elegant world where time moves at a gentle pace. He invites us to revel in the intricacies of life and to poke fun at its absurdities; with insight; wisdom and wit.

Time Stops at Shamli Ruskin Bond 2016-04-01 This volume 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 includes the classic novella Delhi Is Not Far.

The Room on the Roof Ruskin Bond 1958

Koki's Song Ruskin Bond 2020-05-04 Ruskin Bond had his first short story published when he had just left school. Two years later, his first novel, The Room on the Roof, was accepted by a London publisher. On the ship that brought him home to India he met a twelve-year-old girl called Koki, who shared her chocolates with him, having heard that he did not have money for chocolates. He did not see Koki again, but she turns up in his stories from time to time. She doesn't grow old.

She is twelve-year-old Koki forever. And if you live close to nature, to flowers, trees, birds and mountain streams, you will remain young, like Koki and Somi.

"Over the years, I have written hundreds of stories. And whenever I write a story about children and the creatures of the forest, the years slip away and I am a boy again," says Ruskin Bond.

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.

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.

A Fire in the Night Ruskin Bond 2019-06-20 The residents of Fosterganj are shocked and speculations run rife as the Fairy Glen Palace mysteriously catches fire. Once the Queen of Ranipur, the Rani Ma looks at her people from the balcony—only this time, she is contemplating suicide. An actor-couple is trying to break the monotony of their mundane lives in the big city by taking a break in the hills, but sinister intentions are bubbling right under the surface. This is a collection of thrilling stories by Ruskin Bond, each delving deep into a particular incident that fills the readers with apprehension as it seems to move towards a certain ending, but takes a sudden turn to end with a stunning climax. Hold on tight to your seats, as A Fire in the Night takes you on an electrifying emotional rollercoaster ride.

A Book of Simple Living Ruskin Bond 2015-03-01

The Wonderful Book 2010 When various forest animals discover a mysterious object in the woods, they each use it for a different purpose, until a boy reads stories aloud from it, much to the animals' delight.