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**Falling in Love Again** Oct 12 2022 Once I saw her, leaning over the balcony railing. I stopped the taxi and waved to her. She waved back, smiling like the sun breaking through clouds.

Suffused with warmth and passion, the stories in *Falling in Love Again* showcase the myriad variations of romantic love—fleeting, intimate, joyous, heartbreaking. Featuring classic stories by Ruskin Bond, such as 'The Eyes Have It' and 'The Girl from Copenhagen', this stirring collection captures the range of feelings that are indubitably part of the infinite spectrum of love.

**The Kashmiri Storyteller** Sep 18 2020 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 entralls 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 Handful of Nuts** Jan 03 2022 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*

**At School with Ruskin Bond** May 07 2022 • In this unique collection of stories, Ruskin Bond recalls his school days in a boarding school with humour and affection. He remembers the honour of being a Boy Scout, the pleasure of belonging to a secret club, the discovery of his passion for reading, and much more. • Beautifully illustrated by a leading Indian children's illustrator. • Ages 13 to 16 years.

**A Little Book of Friendship** Feb 16 2023 'There is no greater desert or wilderness than to be without true friends.' In this beautiful collection, Ruskin Bond puts together his favourite sayings on friends and friendship. From his own observations, recorded over the years in his diaries, to famous sayings by celebrated writers, poets and philosophers, this is a delightful compilation of thoughts on love, friendship and family. Told with the heartwarming simplicity that characterizes Ruskin Bond, this book, much like a good friend, is one you can turn to at any time, for comfort and company.

**Roads to Mussoorie** Jul 17 2020 Ruskin Bond emerges again, with a delightful set of sketches set in and on the way to his beloved Mussoorie. With an endearing affection and nostalgia for his home of over forty years, Mr Bond describes his journeys to and from Mussoorie over the years, and then delves into the daily scandals surrounding his life and friends in the (not so) sleepy hill town. The pieces in this collection are characterised by an incorrigible sense of humour and an

eye for ordinary-and most often unnoticed-details that are so essential to the geographic, social and cultural fabric of a place. Accompanied by beautiful illustrations, *Roads to Mussoorie* is a memorable evocation of a writer's surroundings and the role they have played in his work and life.

*When I Was a Boy* Nov 20 2020 A beautifully written account of the childhood of one of India's favourite writers 'I am now over eighty years old. A very grand age, when I am allowed to sit back and listen to birds, examine the shapes of mountain ranges, and let my mind wander. These days I find my thoughts going back to my childhood all the time...We become like little children when we are old!' In this beautiful, heartfelt and often humorous mini-autobiography, beloved storyteller Ruskin Bond relives the days of his childhood and teenage. He writes of carefree days in the port city of Jamnagar where little boy Ruskin read books upside down, wandered into rambling empty palaces, went for rides on lurching boats and in swooping, looping aeroplanes, and listened to tall tales told by a loving ayah and a colourful cook. He also describes his schooldays in Shimla--being dressed up as Humpty Dumpty for his very first stage performance, making friends, planning pranks and discovering a secret tunnel. He remembers his days in Delhi, where he lived with his father for one magical year when they explored monuments and cinema halls and became each other's closest companions. And he recalls his time in Dehra when he developed his love of reading and writing, cycled far and wide and loafed in the bazaar with new-found friends, and finally set out on the path of becoming a writer. Funny and imaginative, nostalgic and tender, this timeless book--embellished with lovely colour illustrations--is a record of a very special childhood.

Looking for the Rainbow Jun 20 2023 'When we are small we need someone to hold our hand in the dark.' At age eight, Ruskin escapes his jail-like boarding school in the hills and goes to live with his father in Delhi. His time in the capital is filled with books, visits to the cinema, music, and walks and conversations with his father—a dream life for a curious and wildly imaginative boy, which turns tragic all too soon. For years, Ruskin Bond has regaled and mesmerized readers with his tales. In *Looking for the Rainbow*, Bond travels to his past, recalling his favourite adventures (and misadventures) with extraordinary charm, sprinklings of wit, a pinch of poignance and not a trace of bitterness. What you're holding, dear reader, is a classic in the making.

**THE ROOM ON THE ROOF** Aug 22 2023 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.

**School Times** Apr 25 2021 Who would you like to meet—the adventurous 'four feathers' from the prep-school in Shimla or the Eurasian schoolboy and his funny grandmother who detests the dirty manners of the English? There are more options: would you like to catch up with the father who became a school boy and attended school again or the small girl who lived on hope that her father would return home from war one day?

Secrets May 27 2021 This brilliant collection of stories richly evokes the Dehradun of old, but all is not as it seems in this sleepy town: behind the tranquil facade, Dehra is home to a cast of colourful characters. The dashing young army captain in 'At Green's Hotel' might be the perfect

gentleman—or a murderer. And in ‘The Skeleton in the Cupboard’, an old scandal is revived, leading to wholly unexpected results. By turns charming and poignant, witty and exhilarating, *Secrets* is vintage Bond.

**Great Stories for Children** Jun 27 2021 *Great Stories for Children* is a collection of some of Ruskin Bond's most delightful children's stories. It stars Toto, the monkey, who takes a fancy to the narrator's aunt, much to her dismay, a python besotted by his own appearance, a mischievous ghost who enjoys stirring up the house when things get dull, three young children stranded in a storm on the Haunted Hill and Ruskin Bond himself, who happens to make the acquaintance of a ghost at a resort late one night.

*Rusty Comes Home* Jan 23 2021 *Rusty Comes Home* chronicles Rusty's exploits after his return from London, as he explores Delhi, Dehra and the small, dusty town of Shahganj before settling down in Mussoorie, making his living as a writer, revelling in his beloved hills. This collection contains some captivating stories about Rusty's friends and fleeting acquaintances, about human nature and the supernatural. He meets a motley bunch of people including Suresh, a disabled child with whom Rusty strikes up a close bond, Uncle Bill, who makes it his habit to poison people with arsenic, and the incredible Jimmy, a jinn who can extend his arms at will to infinite lengths. Full of charming and idiosyncratic characters, these stories of love, loss and adventure will appeal to readers of all ages.

*Tales from My Heart* Dec 14 2022

**Rusty Goes to London** May 19 2023

Delhi is Not Far Feb 04 2022 *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* Jul 09 2022 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.

The Laughing Skull Apr 06 2022 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.

**The India I Love** Mar 17 2023

The Blue Umbrella Jun 08 2022 In exchange for her lucky leopard's claw pendant, Binya acquires a beautiful blue umbrella that makes her the envy of everyone in her village, especially Ram Bharosa, the shop-keeper. Ruskin Bond's short and humorous novella, set in the picturesque hills of Garhwal, perfectly captures life in a village, where both heroism and redemption can be found.

A Little Book of Happiness Aug 30 2021 Why be happy and how, and why not to worry if you think you are not. Why it is easy to be happy, and how you can miss happiness even if it stands before you. How a bird can fill you with joy and how a stranger's smile can soothe you. Why happiness may not even be the word for what we really need. India's beloved sage and writer brings together his own pithy observations and those by artists and thinkers he admires in this beautiful little anthology. A Little Book of Happiness is a miscellany for all seasons, one to cherish and to share."

*The Night Train at Deoli* Apr 13 2020 An enchanting collection of stories from the heartland of India Ruskin Bond's simple characters, living amidst the lush forests of the Himalayan foothills, are remarkable for their quiet heroism, courage and grace, and age-old values of honesty and fidelity. Residents of nondescript villages and towns, they lead lives that are touched by natural beauty as well as suffering—the loss of a loved parent, unfulfilled dreams, natural calamities, ghostly visitations, a respected teacher turned crooked, strangers who make a nuisance of themselves—which only reinforces their abiding faith in God, family and neighbour. Told in Bond's distinctive style, these stories are a magnificent evocation of an India that may be fast disappearing.

**Rain in the Mountains** Aug 10 2022 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 Love of Long Ago** Mar 05 2022 There are many stages of love—the first encounter, stolen glances, secret kisses, longing, and sometimes, heartbreak. Featuring classics like 'Time Stops at Shamli', 'Who Kissed Me in the Dark?' and 'The Girl on the Train', the heartwarming collection of stories in A Love of Long Ago captures the range of feelings that are indubitably part of the infinite spectrum of love.

*The Empty House* Jun 15 2020 Strange creatures and supernatural elements abound in this collection of stories. From exploring an empty house with dreadful secrets to the account of an eccentric children's ayah and from vengeful animals carrying a spirit to a bunch of anxious children in a stark landscape—these are some of the most interesting stories about the supernatural. Selected and compiled by Ruskin Bond, this collection includes stories by authors like Rudyard Kipling, Algernon Blackwood, R.L. Stevenson and Alice Perrin, among others.

**The Cherry Tree** Dec 22 2020 Rakesh plants a cherry seedling in his garden and watches it grow. As seasons go by, the small tree survives heavy monsoon showers, a hungry goat that eats most of the leaves and a grass cutter who splits it into two with one sweep. At last, on his ninth birthday, Rakesh is rewarded with a miraculous sight—the first pink blossoms of his precious cherry tree! This beautifully illustrated edition brings alive the magical charm of one of Ruskin Bond's most unforgettable tales.

The Room of Many Colours Aug 18 2020 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.

**Maharani** Jan 15 2023 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.

**DUST ON THE MOUNTAIN** Sep 30 2021 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.

**Angry River** Mar 25 2021

**Panther's Moon and Other Stories** Sep 11 2022 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.

**Tales Of the Open Road** Dec 02 2021 'I have come to believe that the best kind of walk, or journey, is the one in which you have no particular destination when you set out.' Ruskin Bond's travel writing is unlike what is found in most travelogues, because he will take you to the smaller, lesser-known corners of the country, acquaint you with the least-famous locals there, and describe the flora and fauna that others would have missed. And if the place is well known, Ruskin leaves the common tourist spots to find a small alley or shop where he finds colourful characters to engage in conversation. *Tales of the Open Road* is a collection of Ruskin Bond's travel writing over fifty years. Here, you will encounter a tonga ride through the Shivaliks, a hidden waterfall near Rishikesh, walks along the myriad streets of Delhi (one of which used to be the richest in Asia), trips down the Grand Trunk Road, stopovers in little tea stalls in the hills around Mussoorie, and an excursion to the icy source of the Ganga at over ten thousand feet above sea level. Enriched by rare photographs that Ruskin took during his travels, *Tales of the Open Road* is a celebration of small-town and rural India by its most engaging chronicler.

**White Mice** Nov 13 2022 A tale of sweet revenge Ruskin is keen to teach his scatterbrained uncle a lesson. After all, he put him on the wrong train! Armed with gifts from his new friend, the stationmaster—yummy rasgullas and a pair of beautiful white mice—Ruskin devises the perfect payback. Peppered with endearing characters and brought to life by delightful artwork, this is one of Bond's most unforgettable tales.

**Delhi Is Not Far** Feb 21 2021 The residents of Pipalnagar, a dull and dusty small town, hope to one day leave behind their humdrum lives for the thrills of Delhi. Deep Chand, the barber,

dreams of giving the prime minister a haircut; Pitamber wishes to ride an autorickshaw instead of pulling a cycle-rickshaw; and Aziz will be happy with a junk shop in Chandni Chowk. Sharing their dreams of escape is the narrator Arun, a struggling detective-fiction writer. As he waits for inspiration to write a blockbuster, he seeks and discovers love in unusual places—with the young prostitute Kamla, wise beyond her years, and the orphan and epileptic Suraj, surprisingly optimistic despite his difficult circumstances. In *Delhi Is Not Far*, one of his most enduring novels, Ruskin Bond sketches a moving portrait of small-town India with characteristic sympathy and quiet wisdom.

**A Season of Ghosts** Apr 18 2023 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.

**Scenes from a Writer's Life** Nov 01 2021 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.

*A Book of Simple Living* Jul 21 2023

**Getting Granny's Glasses** Oct 20 2020 Mani's Granny is seventy and can barely see through her old, scratched glasses. With only a hundred and fifty rupees in their pocket and a thirst for adventure, Mani and Granny set off to buy a new pair. On the way, they get drenched in rain, run into mules and encounter a terrible landslide. Will Granny ever be able to reach the town and get herself a new pair of glasses? This beautifully illustrated edition brings alive the magical charm of one of Ruskin Bond's most unforgettable tales.

**Landour Days** May 15 2020 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.

Rusty and the Magic Mountain Jul 29 2021 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?

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