



Please Don't Read The Footnotes Please

Funny and irreverent collection of short stories, heavily annotated by footnotes from the eagerly/overly communicative author

AUTHOR Rob Walton

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SUBJECT

JUV038000: JUVENILE FICTION / Short Stories
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YFQ: Children's / Teenage fiction: Humorous stories
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- "This hilarious collection fizzles with surprise and excitement. Rob Walton has created his own unique genre... Clever, funny, and delightful!" – Rachel Piercey, *Tyger, Tyger Magazine*
- Ideal for rebellious young readers aged 9-12
- Inspiration for creative writing - the frequent interjections from the author make writing feel fun and accessible
- Author Rob Walton is a teacher based in Whitley Bay, Tyne and Wear, and is a confident performer at events
- The humour is in a similar absurdist vein to Monty Python, Terry Pratchett and Horrible Histories.

A middle-grade book breaking all the rules, inviting readers to zig-zag across the page between the funny stories and the footnotes.

Traditionally, once a book is published, the author's role is over.* The book belongs to the reader after that, and it's up to you to decide what the stories are about.

Rob Walton is having none of it. He has insisted on popping up throughout this book with further thoughts and facts.** We, the publishers, recommend that you ignore his nonsense and focus exclusively on the stories.

And what stories they are! If you like horses, chocolate and time capsules, or have a passing interest in libraries, supply teachers and Lincolnshire, this is absolutely the book for you. Well done for finding it, and we hope you enjoy it very much. Just remember: don't read the footnotes!

* As far as the text is concerned, anyway. We of course insist on them doing tv appearances, red carpets etc, to promote the book.

** All incredibly true and triple-checked with various sources.

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and jokes
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