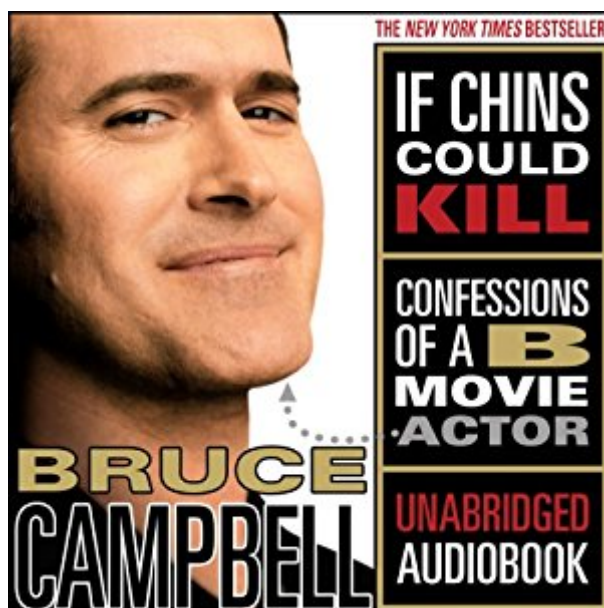


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If Chins Could Kill: Confessions Of A B Movie Actor



Synopsis

Life is full of choices. Right now, yours is whether or not to buy the autobiography of a mid-grade, kind of hammy actor. Am I supposed to know this guy? you think to yourself. No, and that's exactly the point. The truth is that though you might not have a clue who I am, there are countless working stiffs like me out there, grinding away every day at the wheel of fortune. If Chins Could Kill: Confessions of a B Movie Actor is my first book, and I invite you to ride with me through the choppy waters of blue collar Hollywood. Okay, so buy the damned book already!

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Customer Reviews

First of all, the book is a barrel of laughs and a highly entertaining memoir. My beef is not with the book itself but the kindle edition seems to be missing some elements from the physical book and who knows what else. This version is obviously updated since Bruce Campbell mentions Sam Raimi's little film Spider-man 3 that came out in 2007 while this book was first published in 2001 which only left me scratching my head for a few seconds and wondering about time travel and Bruce Campbell's latent psychic abilities until it dawned on my overworked and over tired brain that the kindle edition was in my hands. The only reason I knew some parts were missing was thanks to a YouTube vid that featured the actor reading an excerpt from this book circa 2001 to fans in a bookstore. The excerpt which he read is not featured in this version which was the main reason why I bought this freakin thing in the first place! Mind you the three stars are not meant toward the book but toward this edited kindle version. I also bought his newest book on kindle as well and wonder how much I'm missing out on!!

I've always enjoyed watching Bruce Campbell's tv and film work, so when I learned he had a book out about working in Hollywood, I jumped at the chance to get it. And am I ever glad that I did! Full of personal anecdotes and insider stories, the book takes you behind the scenes of an interesting career in entertainment. A fascinating book!

Though I love the 'Evil Dead' series, I really didn't know a whole lot about Bruce Campbell when I purchased this book. Now I do and I'm so glad. He's funny, charming and pretty much a regular guy, despite the wild adventures he likes to write about. And by the way, what is up with people from Michigan? Anyway ...For those who enjoy reading about "the biz," I highly recommend adding this book to your library. In fact, it's probably one of the best books on Hollywood I've read in a long time--right up there with "What Just Happened?" by Art Linson. Go, Bruce!

"If Chins Could Kill" is a great first book for Bruce Campbell. His early life and his career up to the point of publication are chronicled in a humorous, yet insightful fashion. You feel like you really get to know Bruce during the course of the book. I found his stories and trials and tribulations very interesting. He really is the Hollywood equivalent of a blue collar worker, and goes to great lengths to praise the hard work done behind the scenes by crew and production members. It rings true, not an attempt at being patronizing. I get the impression that Bruce loves what he does, is happy with the level of fame and notoriety that he has achieved, and just wants to work. He appreciates the work of the average joe, and that shows up again and again in the book. Some reviewers have cited how helpful this book would be for people attempting a career in acting or the arts. While that's true, you don't need to have any interest in acting, or even in Bruce Campbell's movies in order to enjoy the book. There was a lot I could relate to, and I'm in a completely unrelated career than him. I think the book works on two levels: If you're a fan of Bruce's movies and work, then you will of course enjoy the anecdotes and behind-the-scenes stories of his movies and other projects, including the Evil Dead films, but not limited to that. Even if you aren't a fan of his movies or are just unfamiliar with them, then there is much to relate to, as far as trying to succeed and persevere in the career field of your choice, where sometimes things go well, and sometimes they don't. Bruce Campbell has stuck with acting through the thick and thin of it, and that's something that we can all draw inspiration from.

I have been a huge Bruce Campbell fan the past five years or so after I watched all three "Evil Dead"

movies. Then I saw "Burn Notice" and I was sold. He is scary talented and is always good for a laugh. So I saw his book, and I just recieved a bunch of cards for my birthday, so I bought it. Then I started to read it. EVERY page is HILARIOUS! Not all actors can write, but Bruce sure as hell can! His childhood stories brought first nostalgia because I related, then tears to my eyes! All in all, a great book that I am very glad I bought. I will continue to read and laugh to it's conclusion. Thank you once again Bruce!!!

An entertaining and informative book, Bruce Campbell holds his personal info close so those seeking the inner workings of the actor/warrior will be disappointed. However, if you seek a well written book with fun and factual information written in the cheeky style of Mr. Campbell then you shall be in heaven. The how to and why of it all was quite fun to read- especially when it comes to everyone's favorite low budget horror film The Evil Dead. I look forward to reading more of his work. I understand he has some fiction out there and I can only imagine the fun of it all if he truly let his artistic cheeky writer self go. To be continued on that front but on this front just go ahead and read the book. No harm will come to you and you just might find yourself grinning. I know I did.

I'm a big BC fan, first saw him on Hercules: The legendary journeys, then started looking for his other projects (Evil Dead, ED2, Bubba HoTep, etc) great book, Highly recommend, if you are a BC fan.. Hail to the King ,Baby

This book surprised me in how funny and well done it is. I'm a huge fan of Bruce since Evil Dead, I didn't think a book on the movie biz would be very interesting but Bruce puts a funny spin on it with great stories. I couldn't put it down. A+

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