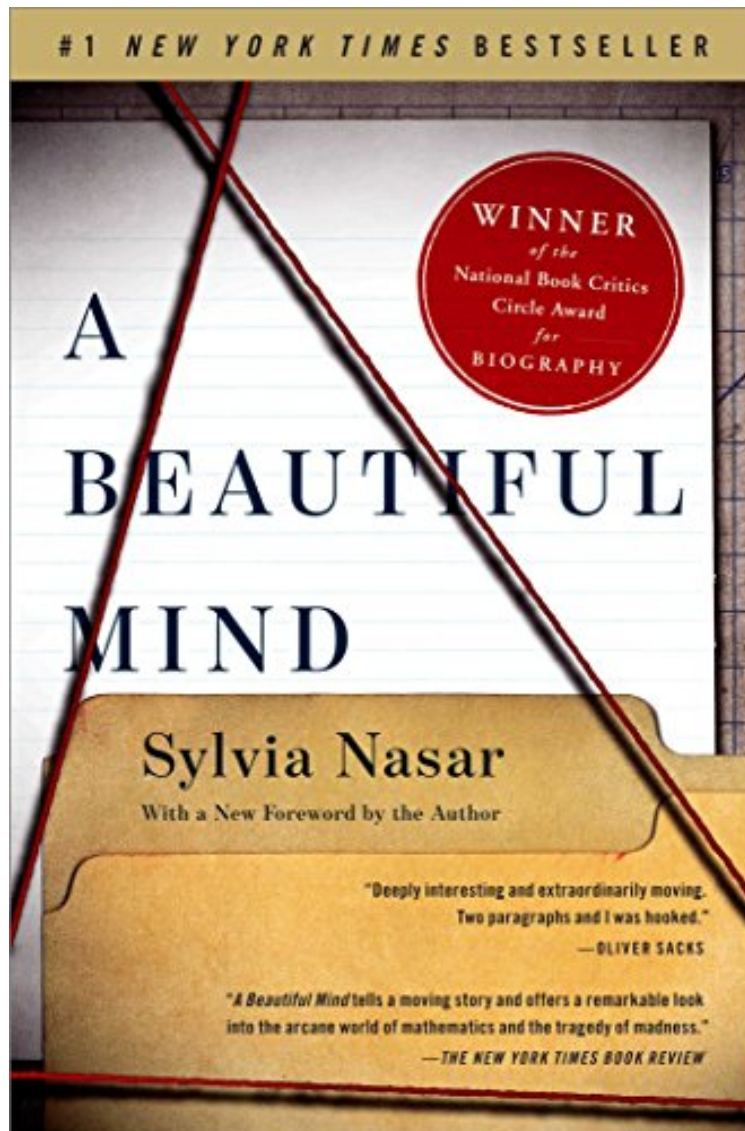


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**Von Sylvia Nasar : A Beautiful Mind (English Edition)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Beautiful Mind (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. zu langatmigVon GretaDas Buch war mir zu langatmig. Seitenlang wurde ber diesen und jenen Menschen, der irgendwann Teil des Lebens von John Nash war eingegangen.4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Beutiful Book About A Singular TragedyVon BucherwurmIn the first few chapters of this book you learn

to dislike John Nash. His arrogance and insensitivity are definitely not endearing traits. When schizophrenia captures his mind your first reaction is to think bad Karma has caught up with him. But as the pages and the years go by you become deeply saddened by this man's loss. It is gratifying that Princeton and its academic staff stood by Nash, and kindly let him wander about the Math department for almost thirty years. His ex wife is an heroic individual who took care of him even though divorced from him. Another tragedy is Nash's mentally ill son who was granted a PhD from Rutgers and who has been unable to do anything with it in the 13 years since. You are, however, overjoyed at John Nash's mental resurrection in the 1990s. A well written book. Scientists reading this book should note that unlike many science biographies this is not a book heavy with mathematical theorems. It's about a life. I have one nitpicky complaint. The author spends a lot of time discussing the symptoms and treatment of schizophrenia. Yet when mental illness strikes other people in the book she uses trite, meaningless terms like "nervous breakdown" and "mental collapse". That's like referring to a physical ailment as "the vapors". Won't we ever bury such stupid terms? 3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Thrashing Mind Von Ein Kunde Interesting book. However, the first word of the title is rather inappropriate. I don't see anything 'Beautiful' about Nash's mind nor his harrowing lifelong experiences. Most of his life was a state of crisis for those who worked with him or loved him. Nash, his family, and friends were, in fact, tragic victims of the power of the human mind when it malfunctions. The book is laid out such that the reader can see how people were able to cope and to grow from such a difficult tragedy. Alicia, his wife/ex-wife is a most fascinating individual. John Nash was a changed man after his recovery, with a much more grounded and rational personality than he ever had when he was at the height of his brilliance. The ending is bittersweet, and rather emotional; the book certainly gets better the more that one reads into it. It certainly gave me a better understanding of grave mental illness and how that can alter one's intellect and destroy one's potential. What makes it more interesting is that the main characters are still alive and the story is not over yet. I wish Dr. Nash the best in his recovery.

Kurzbeschreibung In this powerful and dramatic biography Sylvia Nasar vividly recreates the life of a mathematical genius whose career was cut short by schizophrenia and who, after three decades of devastating mental illness, miraculously recovered and was honored with a Nobel Prize. How could you, a mathematician, believe that extraterrestrials were sending you messages? the visitor from Harvard asked the West Virginian with the movie-star looks and Olympian manner. Because the ideas I had about supernatural beings came to me the same way my mathematical ideas did, came the answer. So I took them seriously. Thus begins the true story of John Nash, the mathematical genius who was a legend by age thirty when he slipped into madness, and who thanks to the selflessness of a beautiful woman and the loyalty of the mathematics community emerged after decades of ghostlike existence to win a Nobel Prize for triggering the game theory revolution. The inspiration for an Academy Award-winning movie, Sylvia Nasar's now-classic biography is a drama about the mystery of the human mind, triumph over adversity, and the healing power of love. de Stories of famously eccentric Princetonians abound--such as that of chemist Hubert Alyea, the model for The Absent-Minded Professor, or Ralph Nader, said to have had his own key to the library as an undergraduate. Or the "Phantom of Fine Hall," a figure many students had seen shuffling around the corridors of the math and physics building wearing purple sneakers and writing numerology treatises on the blackboards. The Phantom was John Nash, one of the most brilliant mathematicians of his generation, who had spiraled into schizophrenia in the 1950s. His most important work had been in game theory, which by the 1980s was underpinning a large part of economics. When the Nobel Prize committee began debating a prize for game theory, Nash's name inevitably came up--only to be dismissed, since the prize clearly could not go to a madman. But in 1994 Nash, in remission from schizophrenia, shared the Nobel Prize in economics for work done some 45 years previously. Economist and journalist Sylvia Nasar has written a biography of Nash that looks at all sides of his life. She gives an intelligent, understandable exposition of his mathematical ideas and a picture of schizophrenia that is evocative but decidedly unromantic. Her story of the machinations behind Nash's Nobel is fascinating and one of very few such accounts available in print (the CIA could learn a thing or two from the Nobel committees). This highly recommended book is indeed "a story about the mystery of the human mind, in three acts: genius, madness, reawakening." --Mary Ellen Curtin Pressestimmen Oliver Sacks "A Beautiful Mind" is a splendid book, deeply interesting and extraordinarily moving, remarkable for its sympathetic insights into both genius and schizophrenia. It is equally gripping as a portrait of the mathematical community at Princeton and of Nash's friends and family, and the perhaps crucial part they played in his psychic survival and eventual emergence.