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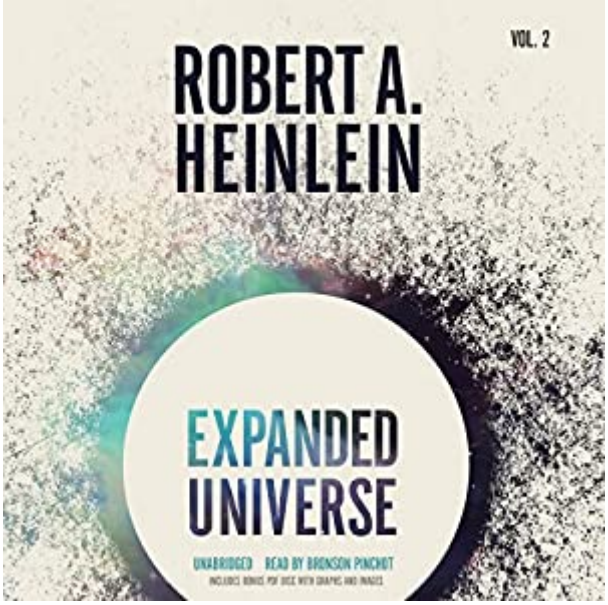

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Synopsis

For the millions of Heinlein fans around the world comes a guided tour through the thoughts and insights of "one of the most influential writers in American literature" (New York Times Book Review). Robert A. Heinlein has been hailed as one of the most forward-thinking science fiction writers of all time, and Expanded Universe (presented in two volumes) offers the perfect collection of his works to provide listeners with true insights into his uniquely creative mind. Heinlein personally selected each story or essay for inclusion in this collection, which is ordered chronologically, with volume two picking up with "Nothing Ever Happens on the Moon". This remarkable collection highlights the development of Heinlein's writing style and his philosophy on life throughout his career. More importantly, this collection is as close to an autobiography as anything Heinlein wrote during his life. Heinlein was an extremely private person who never wrote much about himself. In this exclusive collection, he offers forewords to most of his stories and essays (and an occasional afterword), giving listeners a rare glimpse into the inner mind of the master. Expanded Universe, Vol. 2 is a must-have for any Heinlein enthusiast and any fan of science fiction.

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Customer Reviews

OK it is tough to give a Heinlein book less than 5 starts. and I may be sent toe Hades because of it. But fellow readers, I have my reasons.The few stories in the collection are good RAH works. and worth a read or re-read/My objection and the reason for the lowered rating is that there are very few stories in this volume. Mostly it is a collection of very dated essays written by the master during he

depth of the Cold War. The fact is these are so dated that they add very little to the volume.I just wish there had been some more short stories in this book and fewer of the extraneous essays.

As with all of Heinlein's stories, they are starting to get dated, but you know what, they are all still wonderfully written. They are a walk back in time when we were awed by the concept of a man climbing into a rocket and actually flying to the moon. Heinlein got us excited and kept us up late on school nights reading about the adventures, and miss-adventures of really average human beings as they traveled through the Universe.

I'm a 100% Heinlien fan and the book is all him. I was disappointed that I had to by 2 kindle editions to get the original, whole book.

Only a couple short stories here. A lot of prose about his trips around the world, concentrating a lot on Russia. A lot of his views of the real world and its politics. Heinlein was far more involved in the world than I ever dreamed of. He and his wife helped shape some policies that are still in effect. The world took a huge loss with his death but his influence will live on as long as people read his books and believe in his idealism.BTW, if you're after a book that ties his stories together or even a book with several short stories in it, this really isn't it.

I have always enjoyed the stories collected in this series, so I bought the electronic version when I saw it on sale. I have not tried to read the electronic version yet, so I don't know how well the 'transcription' or 'conversion' went.

An old favorite, although rereading it decades later some of the politics grate on me. Still love his fiction and his workmanlike approach to writing.

I bought this one because I am a big Heinlen fan. The book is more about his personal comments on several stories than actual stories themselves. He starts each story by telling you what he was thinking at the time and what he was about to tell you. He then has the story. He finishes by telling you what he told you. There was too much commentary and not enough story for my tastes.

Minimal fiction. Mostly Heinlein' s opinions about politics and the state of the country from his mostly conservative perspective. Also from a 1970s perspective.

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