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Customer Reviews

I've always loved Nesbit's books, and this collection has nearly everything. As you read "Harding's Luck" you'll notice it is missing "The House of Arden," which is a companion story, however both stand on their own, so it's not too rough on the reader. The rest of my favorites are here, with all the magical adventures children could have... time travel, visiting exotic countries, having magic wishes fulfilled, meeting mysterious creatures... and two incongruous additions: the "Incomplete Amorist," a romance novel more risque than Jane Austen, but no Lady Chatterly, and "Beautiful Stories from Shakespeare," a 2-5 page version of many of Shakespeare's plays, which was a fun way to remember all those good stories. I haven't yet finished "In Homespun," but they are short stories and ghost stories written in a northern vernacular, I am not sure if she's taken them from actual old

wives tales, or invented them herself. The table of contents is linked to the first page of each book, but you'll have to use "Go to" the beginning of the book, as it doesn't automatically take you to the TOC. It's relatively free of typos, much better than some other freebies.

I'm a big E. Nesbit fan and love her work, but the formatting for this Kindle edition sucks! There's no table of contents so if you lose your place - or want to go back and reread something - the only way to get there is to scroll through the books, and with 16 books that's potentially a LOT of scrolling. Badly done.

With some of E. Nesbit's books, I hear my father reading them to me. Some, I read now for the first time. I think my youngest granddaughters have reached the age where they'd enjoy them. I have just dipped so far, but will plunge in when I have finished Lindsey Davis' *Opera Omnia*. I have reached *The Accusers* ... so I'll check back presently on this one.

Interesting & imaginative tales that take place in early 20th century England. I read some of these as a child and having now read them again (along with her stories new to me) I feel that sense of wonder that as an adult I infrequently experience. Nesbit is great at giving the children in her books an authentic voice; she understands a child's world and helps you to see their experiences from a child's point of view too!

Nesbit's wry jabs at her corny contemporaries and her exposure of the foibles of human nature will tickle adult readers while children will be held captive by the turns of fantastic imagination.

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