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only when hearts are
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I came into the habit of reading because of Non-fiction books. The amazing feel that this genre gives can never be experienced through a Fiction book. Let it be Amish Tripathi's trilogy, Chetan Bhagat's 5 books or any other bestseller fiction. The effect that a Non-fiction book makes on us is indescribable. And what should I say regarding the experience of reading "Wings of Fire" by APJ ABDUL KALAM.

Actually, THE APJ ABDUL KALAM. He is the most favorite President of Indians. He is the one whom Indians wanted as the President again in the recent voting but the legend backed off. He is the only one who is referred as "Public's President".

His excellence and extra-ordinariness in the field of science and rocketry is still unbeaten and appreciated. For many years to come, Abdul Kalam sir will always be remembered as the person who motivated India to stop under-estimating themselves and gave them an opportunity to fly. "Wings of Fire" is an autobiography of APJ Abdul Kalam that he has written with Arun Tiwari, his colleague who compelled him to write it. Arun Tiwari always got inspired by the presence of Mr.

Kalam, hence said that he wants to write all the major incidents in the life of Kalam. And Kalam sir agreed. Result: "Wings of Fire". It does not have every minute incident in the life of Kalam sir but only the ones that are related in converting this Rameswaram village's boy into the man behind the successes of many missiles and rockets.

Contradicting the myths, this book is not related to anything regarding

Kalam sir being the PRESIDENT of India. This is not even mentioned in the <https://assignbuster.com/minds-are-opened-only-when-hearts-are-opened-essay/>

book that Kalam sir ended being President of India. It is all about how he persisted in his field and got intrigued that he earned Padma Vibhushan for being the most influential and effective person in the field of Rocketry. I don't think that my recommendation is necessary.

You already know how BIG Mr. Kalam is. The book is just of 180 pages. That is itself a very witty thing that Mr. Kalam has done. Otherwise, any person of his stature wants to give every minute details about his/her life and end up writing an autobiography of 500-1000 pages.

The first chapter is nice to read as it gives a little scenario related to caste differences in society. Even 2nd chapter gives some scenarios related to another social issue. 89th page is the most motivating and the best page of the book. The way Kalam sir has described the work that he did in Rocketry field in organizations, I got a sudden urge to be in his team and witness the whole scenario of how a rocket is imagined, made and launched. And then how the success of it is being celebrated.

The sacrifice that Kalam sir's family did for sending him for further education inspires us to be a CLASS as he is; as we find our family similar to his. Mr. Sarabhai is the kind of boss that everyone of us pray for. The death of close ones at the time of landmarks in Mr. Kalam's life really made me feel bad about the man.

The story that is unfolded in the latter half is no less than any great fiction. After learning about Kalam sir's passion and experiments in science, I started feeling bad about hating the subject. SLV-3's success is amazingly

described. How Mr. Kalam got a special recognition for the mission for which
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everyone in the team was equally responsible is described in the real human emotions.

The book is written as if every character is Mr. Kalam except the protagonist who is THE KALAM himself. He has kept such a low profile while writing the book that you'll be amazed to learn that the person does not have a pinch of arrogance in his parlance. This is the HOLY BOOK for the Science students. Agni's launch is so filmy and interesting to read pre-climax. The media's comment that are mentioned made me know that media was shit even then.

Book is ended in an epic way. The last sentence of the book is itself inspiring and says so much. Now, I have TURNING POINT- The sequel to WINGS OF FIRE. I am so very excited about finishing it as soon as possible and getting INSPIRED * 2. And, you think that I am going to rate this book? Itni aukaat thode hi hai bhai log. Go, get this book.

PLEASE!!! Buy Wings of Fire: An Autobiography from Flipkart. com Thanks.

WINGS OF FIRE is the narration of a journey Abdul Kalam took as a small village child overcoming all the odds and hurdles and became the first citizen of India. The book contains antidotes from life of Abdul Kalam. Especially the incident from the childhood when Abdul Kalam was invited to have lunch with his Hindu school teacher and transformation in behaviour of the teacher's orthodox wife towards the little Kalam is very moving. Similarly in an incident when defence minister arranged helicopter for scientist Kalam to attend his niece's marriage at a village in Tamil nadu is very touching.

It also inspires the reader of the book to excel in their own field to get

recognition. The book also reveals the Abdul kalam's as a leader and his <https://assignbuster.com/minds-are-opened-only-when-hearts-are-opened-essay/>

capability of working as a team member which otherwise would not have been known. The narration is simple and technical terms and their meanings are explained for understanding of common reader. The book besides autobiography is a chronologue of development of India's space mission.

His description of the people, who shaped his life, interweaving religion and education, is a charming part of the book that almost nobody would miss reading. The part which I didn't like in the story is that when he was in primary school, in class he was sitting on the first bench beside the son of a Pandit waiting for his teacher to arrive. As soon as the teacher arrived he made him stand and told him to go and sit on the last bench just because he was a Muslim. What was his fault? That he was a Muslim sitting with the son of a pandit.

This shows that in India there is still no end to discrimination. Our country has improved so much but the truth lies here that today also there is a small child being discriminated because of his/her religion. I will recommend this book to be read by each and every Indian . As this book not just tells you how to face the difficult times of your life with a smile but also inspires you to In this book he tells us the story of a Muslim boy, who had big dreams about his future and what inspired him to become an eminent scientist. The narration is simple, direct and shows ow a boy with humble background from a remote corner of India could dream of aeronautics, rocket science and missiles.

In this book he touches so many things like his family and the cordial relationship between Hindus and Muslims. become such a person whom the

world aspires to be. I have learnt a lot from this book and this book inspires me to become the one whom the world will aspire to be. 'Wings of fire' is worthy of reading by every Indian who can read! *** ** This is a contest entry.

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