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**Raymond M. Smullyan : King Arthur in Search of His Dog and Other Curious Puzzles (Dover Books on Mathematics)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised King Arthur in Search of His Dog and Other Curious Puzzles (Dover Books on Mathematics):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Bob KennedyI would recommend all of Smullyan5 of 7 people found the following review helpful. An old dog shows us some more tricksBy Midwestern guySince my first encounter with the artful playful logic problems published by Raymond Smullyan I have been a fan. This book is consistent with the rest of his work; engaging, enjoyable and excellent.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great fun for a younger audienceBy StarfinderI'm happy to have one last book by the master but a little wistful that it's not another masterpiece. At his best Smullyan mixes twisty logic puzzles with puzzles that illuminate the work of Godel, Cantor, etc. this is not at that level.I can't totally fault the writeup, which did say that some chapters target younger readers. But it also implied that there was something for everyone. Not so much. The puzzles that don't overtly target kids are reruns for me.That said, it's great that kids discover the magic of logic and logic puzzles and I can't imagine a better docent than Raymond Smullyan, with his unmatched whimsy and endearingly corny sense of humor. While it's critical to master algebra, it's just as valuable to be able to solve problems with creative reasoning, in a back of the envelope way. That's not often taught and it's wonderfully done here.I would strongly recommend this book as a treat for families to share.

Puzzle-lovers of all ages will gobble up this smorgasbord of riddles, mysteries, and logic problems. The fanciful four-part collection begins with arithmetic puzzles for younger readers and advances to logic problems related to crime detection. Part three features logic and arithmetic puzzles involving King Arthur and his Dogs of the Round Table. This compilation of original conundrums concludes with Merlin's elaborate plan for a grand search to locate the king's missing dog.The author of more than twenty books, mathematician Raymond Smullyan is also a magician and musician with decades of experience in keeping audiences entertained. Many of his stories are rooted in classic puzzles, but his innovative approaches offer even the most mathematically knowledgeable readers novel ways of thinking about traditional logic problems. Fifteen chapters abound in riddles and other playful devices, and the creative solutions are as much fun as the puzzles!

About the AuthorRaymond Smullyan received his PhD from Princeton University and taught at Dartmouth, Princeton, Indiana University, and New York's Lehman College. Best known for his mathematical and creative logic puzzles and games, he was also a concert pianist and a magician. He wrote over a dozen books of logic puzzles and texts on mathematical logic.