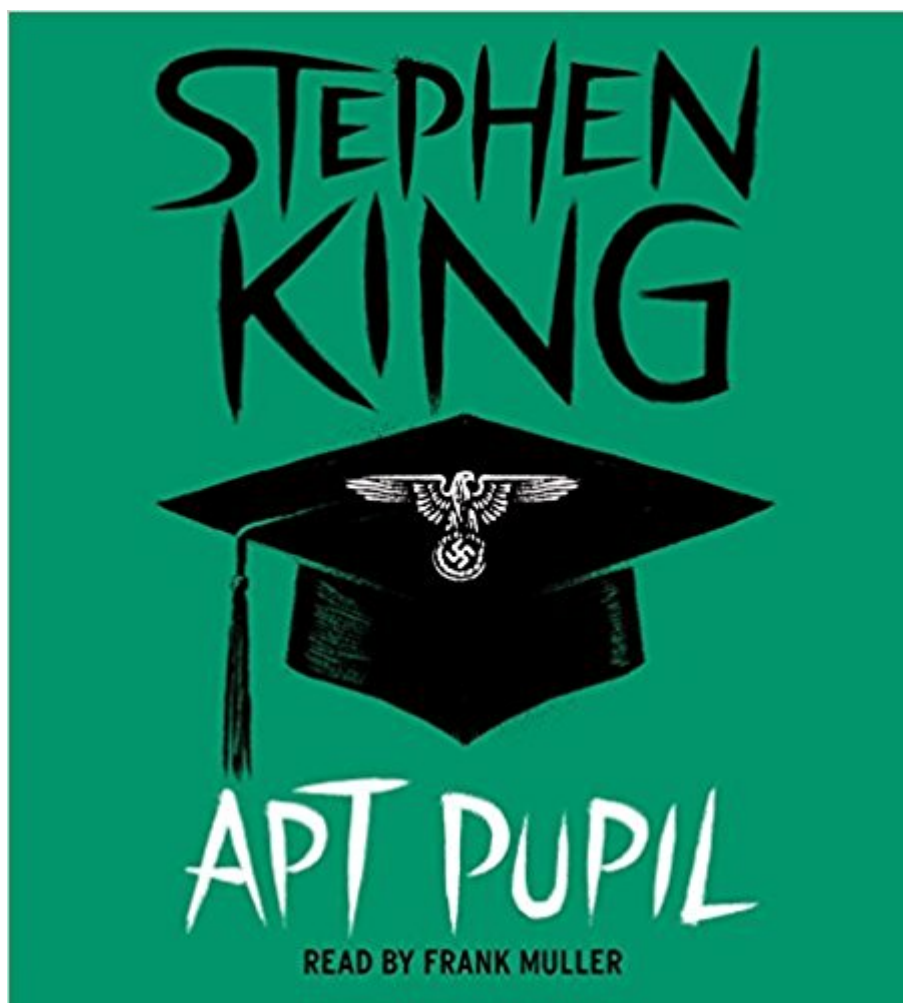


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Apt Pupil



Synopsis

Stephen King's short story "Apt Pupil" is from the collection *Different Seasons* and is now an Encore stand-alone CD for the first time. The inspiration for the film of the same name starring Ian McKellen about top high school student Todd Bowden and his obsession with the dark and deadly past of an older man in town.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

It doesn't get any better than Frank Muller reading vintage Stephen King! In *Apt Pupil*, this master of suspense treats his readers to a sinister plot in which a 13-year-old boy, Todd Bowden, becomes completely absorbed by the life and true stories of a former Nazi, Kurt Dussander. When Todd uncovers the identity of a war criminal hiding out in his town, he blackmails Kurt into telling, and reliving, all of the concentration camp horrors so Todd can almost feel what it was like to have been there. The more involved the two become, the deeper and harder it is for Todd to remain the "apt pupil" that he once was. And, of course, the author's (*Bag of Bones*, *Audio Reviews*, LJ 12/98) plots always have twists. This audiobook is pure, unadulterated Stephen King; it's "must-have audio" at its best. Highly recommended. AKristin M. Jacobi, Eastern Connecticut State Univ., Willimantic
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This novela is a very powerfull novela about obsession. It shows you what can happen to someone who gets to involved with trying to make a german remember the terrible crimes he committed in the concentration camps. The audiobook is read byFrank Muller. The way he reads this novel, really places the listener into the book. Once I started the novela, I could not stop it.

Mr. King finesses you down an abyss into the sick and twisted past and present of an aged Nazi war criminal living quietly on "Main Street U.S.A." One day a precocious boy knocks on his door and reveals that he is aware of the old man's real identity. An unwholesome obsession with Nazi atrocities and a prolonged association with the old man corrupt some latent depravity in the boy. The boy's conventional life runs parallel and in contrast to the clandestine relationship with the old man, which makes the story more chilling and realistic. Very well done but grisly, gruesome, disturbing and explicit -- definitely not light reading material!

It was excellent

Great

This was a great story, so good I listened to it twice.

Have read.

Wife loves it!

This review is concerned primarily with the quality of the narration. My audiobook is narrated by Frank Muller. Mister Muller's narration is very professional. It is a true theatrical performance. That is what the "five star" rating is for. I truly appreciate professional excellence.I found the story itself, at times, almost excruciating. As a father, and now grandfather, I would most strongly advise any parent to carefully review this story in its entirety before even considering having a youth read it. I did find it quite gripping. A real "page turner". The story itself is well written, but the subject matter was at times disturbing, at other times disgusting, and sickening.

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