

Chapter 1 : The Man Who Rode Ampersand by Ferdinand Mount

The Man Who Rode Ampersand has 7 ratings and 1 review. David said: My good friend PB is an avid fan of Ferdinand Mount. Obviously, I don't share her enth.

You can help by adding to it. November Contemporary[edit] Initially, the critical assessment of *The Man Who Laughs* was mediocre, with some critics disliking the morbidity of the subject matter and others complaining that the Germanic looking sets did not evoke 17th-century England. In his history of film, *The Film Till Now*, he called *The Man Who Laughs* a "travesty of cinematic methods", [37] and declared that in directing it, Leni "became slack, drivelling, slovenly, and lost all sense of decoration, cinema, and artistry". Critic Roger Ebert gave the film 4 out of 4 stars, declaring it "One of the final treasures of German silent Expressionism. Although Bill Finger , Bob Kane , and Jerry Robinson disagree as their respective roles in the creation of the Joker, they agree that his exaggerated smile was inspired by a photograph of Veidt from the film. *The Man Who Laughs* in homage to the film. *Sardonicus* , also featuring a character with a horrifying grin, as "The Man Who Laughs Castle, William []. *Memoirs of a B-Movie Mogul*. Dixon, Wheeler Winston *A History of Horror*. Josephson, Matthew []. *A Realistic Biography of the Great Romantic*. Long, Harry H In Soister, John T. Mank, Gregory William []. *Bela Lugosi and Boris Karloff: Richards, Rashna Wadia Cinephilia and Classical Hollywood*. *The Phantom of the Opera*. *The Film Till Now: A Survey of the Cinema*. *Conrad Veidt on Screen: A Comprehensive Illustrated Filmography*. *Strange Humors of Cinema*. Wayne State University Press. *Art Directors in Cinema: A Worldwide Biographical Dictionary*.

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In his later years, as he watches old friends fall into disrepute or die young, he dines out on his fading reputation as the jockey who rode the prize-winning horse, Ampersand, while his long-suffering son watches him weasel out of gambling debts and taxes.

Stylistically, the writing is very fragmented and sparse from the beginning, which reflects the barren and bleak landscape through which the man and boy are traveling. McCarthy also chooses to use no quotation marks in dialogue and for some contractions, he leaves out the apostrophes. Because this is a post-apocalyptic story, the exemption of these punctuation elements might serve as a way for McCarthy to indicate that in this new world, remnants of the old world "like electricity, running water, and humanity" no longer exist, or they exist in very limited amounts. While the boy sleeps, the man reflects upon one of his dreams of a creature with dead eyes. Bad dreams, on the other hand, are reassuring because they demonstrate that the man and boy are still persevering in the world they inhabit. He keeps a pistol with him at all times, unless he goes inside a house. Then he gives the pistol to the boy. The pistol, though, only has two bullets. The man, too, is all the boy has. They have a grocery cart with them, filled with their belongings and supplies for their journey. They are running low on food, and the man is fighting a bad cough, one that sprays blood on the gray snow. They come upon towns and cities that are mere shells of what they once were. Remnants of the old world often "like houses, billboards, and hotels" clash with the reality of the new world, reminding the man of the life he once lived. The man remembers an evening spent on the lake with his uncle. And he remembers his wife "who left him and the boy, presumably to kill herself and escape this horrible new world. In one grocery store, the man finds a pop machine that has a single Coca-Cola in it. He retrieves it for the boy and lets him drink it. The man likes to offer whatever he can to his son to make his world a bit more pleasant and to give him glimpses into the world that existed before him. The man and boy come upon the house where the man grew up. The boy is scared of this house, as he is of many of the houses. The man has decided, too, that should roadagents find them, that he will kill the boy so that they cannot torture him, but he often wonders to himself if he would be able to do it if the time should ever come. They come upon a waterfall and the man and boy swim together, the man teaching the boy how to float. Throughout the novel there are moments like this one at the waterfall, scenes that prove the bond between fathers and sons still exist in this new world. It exists, in many ways, just as it did before. The boy is very concerned with making sure they are "carrying the fire," assuring himself that he and his father are the good guys as opposed to the bad guys who eat dogs and other people. The man tells the boy stories of justice and courage from the old world in the hopes that such stories will keep the fire alive in the boy. The man hopes for a future that might again also harbor courage, justice, and humanity. As they walk, they keep track of their location on a worn and tattered map that they must piece together like a puzzle each time they use it. The boy cries for the man, showing his kind heart and his compassionate nature in a world where very little humanity exists. The man has flashbacks about leaving his billfold behind earlier in the journey, after his wife left him and the boy. He recalls that he also left behind his only picture of his wife, and ponders whether he could have convinced her to stay alive with them. A truck full of roadagents comes upon the man and the boy, who hide in the woods. The truck breaks down and one of the bad men finds them in the woods. Now the pistol has only one bullet left, and the man knows that this bullet is for his son should the time come. His father assures him that they are. The man views his son as a holy object, something sacred. The boy is a source of light for the man and the man believes that if there is any proof of God, the boy is it. The man and boy are cold and starving, as they are for most of the novel. As they travel, they are on a constant lookout for food, clothing, shoes, supplies, and roadagents. In one town, the boy thinks he sees a dog and a little boy and tries to chase after them. He worries about the other little boy for the rest of the novel. By the time they come upon a once grand house, the boy and man are starving. There are suspicious items in the house, such as piles of blankets and clothes and shoes and a bell attached to a string, but the man these. He finds a door in the floor of a pantry, and breaks the lock. The boy becomes frightened and repeatedly asks if they can leave. In the basement, the man and boy find naked people who are being kept alive for others

to eat. The man and boy flee just as the roadagents return. But they survive the night and go undiscovered. They continue their journey, exhausted and still starving. The man leaves the boy to sleep while he explores, and he finds an old apple orchard with some dried out apples. The man fills some jars with water, gathers the dried apples, and takes them back to the boy. The man also found a dried drink mix, grape flavored, which he gives the boy. The boy enjoys the drink and their spirits are lifted for a moment. The man and boy move on, but the perceptive boy asks his father about the people they found in the basement. They are the good guys. They press on, enduring more cold, rain, and hunger. They come upon another house, and the man feels something strange under his feet as he walks from the house to the shed. He digs and finds a plywood door in the ground. The boy is terrified and begs his father not to open it. What they discover is a bunker, full of supplies and canned food, cots to sleep on, water, and a chemical toilet. It is a brief sanctuary from the world above. This is hard for the man to accept. The man and boy stay in the bunker for days, eating and sleeping. The boy wishes he could thank the people who left these things. The man whittles fake bullets from a tree branch and puts them in the pistol with the one true bullet. He wants the gun to appear loaded should they encounter others on the road. They go into town to find a new cart and return to their bunker to load up with supplies. They plan to leave the next day, but the following morning they wake up and see rain, so they eat and sleep some more to restore their strength. Then, they set out on the road again, still heading south. They come upon another traveler on the road, an old man who tells them his name is Ely, which is not true. The boy persuades his father to let Ely eat dinner with them that night. Later that night, the man and Ely talk about the old world, about death, God, and the future – particularly, about what it would be like to be the last human on the planet. The next day as they prepare to part ways, the boy gives Ely some food to take with him. His father reluctantly gives away their supplies. As Ely moved on, the boy is upset because he knows that Ely is going to die. As they continue moving south, the man and boy run into other towns and landscapes that act as skeletons of the old world, both literally and metaphorically. They see bones of creatures and humans alike, as well as empty houses, barns, and vehicles. They find a train in the woods, and the man shows the boy how to play conductor. The boy asks his father about the sea. The man says it used to be. The man has a fever, which causes the two to camp in the woods for over four days. When they set out again, the man is even weaker than before. They come upon numerous burned bodies and melted roads that have reset in warped shapes. There are people following them: The man and boy hide and let the group pass. Later, the man and boy come upon their camp and discover the baby skewered over a fire. Their arrival at the coast is anti-climactic. The water looks gray and the boy is disappointed. From the shore, the man and boy see a boat in the water. The man swam to the boat and explores it, finding supplies, including some food, a first-aid kit, and a flare gun. He and the boy make their camp close to the beach, plundering the ship each day to see what else they can find. The man believes the boy will die and he is terrified and enraged. The boy, though, recovers. The man and boy decide to leave their camp on the beach, and they pare down their food stores so that the cart is more manageable. They hike up and down the shore, and when they return to their camp they see that all of their belongings have been stolen. They take off after the thief and find him. The man makes the thief take off all of his clothes, leaving him there for dead, which is what the man tells the boy the thief did to them. He says they should be helping people. They walk through another barren town, and the man gets shot in the leg by an arrow.

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