

Reviews | The Unscraped Barrel

- **Promises an inspired reading experience:**

“For intellectual stimulation, many a literate reader oftentimes seeks recourse to a compilation of quotes which succinct in verbiage are pregnant with deep thought and concept. Author Srinivasa Raghavan, a Leadership training expert and Management Consultant, dips into his barrel and unfathoms a plethora of meaningful quotes, some of which throw ample light on the Art and Science of Leadership. A compact package of a wide range of 135 quotes, THE UNSCRAPED BARREL promises an inspired reading experience.”

➔ **V Kalidas**, Author of Through the Kaleidoscope and Former VP (Advt), The Hindu, Chennai

- **Brilliant set of quotes on Life & Leadership:**

“Heartiest Congratulations. A brilliant set of quotes both on Life & Leadership which I thoroughly enjoyed and in fact, gave me a lot of inputs on way ahead. Thank you for sharing with us and in fact in my own setup, would be sharing these with my team for not only understanding the same, but even implementing both in personal & professional life. Look forward for many more.”

➔ **H Gopal Shastri**, Managing Director, Gessmann Controllers India, Bengaluru

- **The Quotes on Life & Leadership are very impacting:**

“The quotes provide inspiration and encouragement when faced with the various challenges thrown at us as a leader and in day to day life. It is a loaded barrel and the ammunition in the form of quotes serve well in helping to develop a positive frame of mind. This book is for owning and finds a special place in my library.”

➔ **Raghu Venkataraman**, Former President, Autoliv India, Bengaluru

- **A source for quotes on Life & Leadership:**

“A good read for young aspiring workforce.”

➔ **R Vasudevan**, Consultant – Operations & Profitability Improvement, Pune (Former MD)

- **Life lessons in an easy read:**

“It is easy to infer that these remarkable quotes by the author have come from his personal life experiences, because they are not run-of-the-mill motivational texts that we come across often. If you want your brain cells stimulated before the start of a day or when you are looking for a spark to propel you further in your work, I definitely recommend you to read this book.”

➔ **Srinivasan Chandrasekaran**, Product Director, Kavi Global, Illinois, USA

- **Making an Impact:**

“I really appreciate your thoughts which you have articulated so sensitively in your latest book THE UNSCRAPED BARREL. Heartiest Compliments on the singular achievement.”

➔ **Col. Gaurav Bhatia**, State Lead – Immunization, Clinton Health Access Initiative, Lucknow

- **Great Quotes to help you reflect:**

“It is full of quotations that are easy to read, yet have profound meaning on deeper thought. Some quotes may catch your attention now and some when you re-read. An excellent way to use these is to reflect on your life and the situations you face.”

➔ **Pushendra Singh**, Executive Coach & Management Consultant, Pune (Former MD)

- **The quotes are soul-stirring indeed:**

“I am an avid reader, yet I seldom give reviews. This one book deserves a five-star for sure! The Unscraped Barrel has managed to surpass my high expectations. Many quotes are derived from life experiences that I could relate to. If you want to refer to some impactful quotes, this book is your guide. Go for it!”

➔ **Bargavi Ganesan**, Senior Engineering Leader – Data & Content, Electronic Arts, Phoenix, USA

- **Amazing and powerful thoughts:**

“It is really amazing and each thought is very powerful. During hard times, such thoughts help us to boost confidence, come out of negativity and overcome the challenges of life.”

➔ **Dr Vinod Malkar**, Professor & Head – MBA Program, Sanjivani Group, Kopergaon

▪ **Spurs Quality Reflections:**

“Inquisitiveness buoyed upon reading the title of this book: ‘The Unscraped Barrel’ and delighted to record that the positive energy and radiation thereof, sustained right through all the pages scripted by R Srinivasa Raghavan.

All the 135 Soul-Stirring Quotes clustered in 2 sections viz. Life and Leadership, generated deep musings allowing me to relish the past, pause in the present and step up eagerness for the future.

Seemingly simple, every Quote stimulated thoughts, which enabled me to reinforce as well as question traits and skills acquired and fine-tune practice of core values. What I also liked is the brevity with which the author has conveyed expansive meanings!

While there were numerous Quotes which gained my extra attention, there were a few which stood out like: ‘Never nourish mediocrity to famish excellence’, ‘If life is paining, it means that you are gaining’, ‘Plagiarism is a temporary surplus to fame and a permanent deficit to reputation’, ‘A versatile person is always liberated from getting typecasted’, ‘The crux of Leadership is not in the chair, but in CARE’, ‘If perennial success makes you more humble, you are travelling in the path of true Leadership.’

What is very evident about the Author is that he is quite seasoned and versatile, going by the marvellous traits with which he has made this offering, to the world! Hats off!

In the understanding that I could draw and introspect, I am extremely certain that the Quotes would not only add value to Life and Leadership, but also urge readers to give themselves a wake-up call to leverage and reset life’s virtues and thereby make a difference, to those whom they can influence and transform. I would go one step further and recommend this book to readers, hailing from all walks of life and professions. There is much value in store, for everyone!”

➔ **Udayakumar Gopalakrishnan**, CEO, Core Mind, Chennai

Leadership Coach and Author of 3 Books: [a] ‘What It Takes To Be A Leader With Passion’, [b] ‘Pause with Questions and Scout for Answers’ & [c] ‘Stay on the Road to Mastery’

- **Golden thought nuggets:**

“The book has some brilliant ideas that can provide some useful perspective of life. Raghavan has distilled his experience in the form of quotes. Can be quickly read in a go.”

➔ **Rajesh Srinivasan**, Marketing Strategist, Chennai

Keynote Speaker and Author of 2 Books: [a] ‘Marketing Success Formula’ & [b] ‘Growth Nuggets: Bites of Marketing Wisdom for the Smart Entrepreneur’

- **Excellent Compendium of several useful & practical thoughts:**

“I am glad to go through the book written by my newly discovered young friend Shri. R. Srinivasa Raghavan. He has packed into this excellent compendium several useful & practical thoughts, which can guide young minds to pursue the right paths in their lives. The young author has my blessings and good wishes for bringing forth many more useful & valuable books.”

➔ **Dr HV Hande**, Former Health Minister of State, Tamilnadu, Chennai