

POCKET DIARY BOOK CLUB

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

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Happy Friendship Day!

Let me just begin by saying that Bharath was wearing a white shirt, blue jeans, a kada in hand, shaped beard and well-behaving hair. He looked ready to enter into a bank and deposit whatever money he had in his pocket.

56 dollars.

Aaj ka bhav 83.98

= 4703.11 Rupees

If he took an auto then he would be left with 4603 Rupees. He went on foot. It gave him time to fantasize the conversation with bank people.

It goes like this:

1. Bharath: My Financial Career by Stephen Leacock from 50 Greatest Short Stories

“When I go into a bank, I get rattled”- *Story of Everyone, from aam aadmi to khaas aadmi (Come After Lunch)*

“... I will have my fifties in fifty-dollar bills.

And, the six? he asked

In ‘sixes’

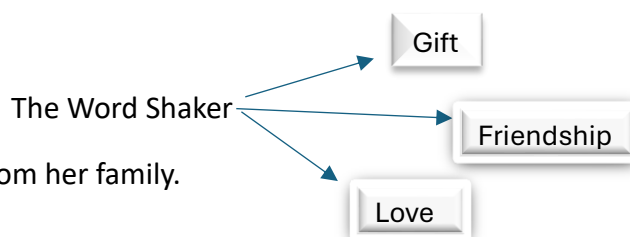
I keep money in cash in my trousers pocket and my savings in silver dollars in a sock ...”

This book was gifted to him by Samir Ji, a post Gajner retreat dinner and gift session.

2. Anagha: The Book Thief <3

“The only survivor of war is death”

Anagha: ‘Liesel has been uprooted from her family.
She is living with her foster parents.
The book is basically a... attempt to navigate ...’



CHAPTER: WAY OF THE WORDS

Max I am here.....Max

“They hugged, They Cried” <3

Death says, “I am haunted by humans” because how can someone be so beautiful’,
explained Anagha

BOOK RECC: [The Grave Digger's Handbook](#) the first book she stole was from a graveyard and is a must read for all.

3. Rajarshi Modi – Samsara

‘2 passage mere dhyān me aaye/hai: 1 adventure hai friends ka aur rakshas ke sath fight hoti hai’, as he revisited this book in the edition (I imagined a cross between a basilisk and a dragon) ‘aur dusra lead character ka ghumne wala passage hai, mai vo padhna chahunga, vo chota hai,’ pause and smiles, and he begins

Himalayas - Fantasy World - Celibacy

Desi Harry Potter? There are no letters from the school, the kids/adults are kidnapped & moved to the secret location.

Main hero: Aman

Pyaar dosti hai. Ye Rahul bola.

We are just friends Aman!

Hold On, Papa Kaha hai?

Papa Kaun Hai?

PAPAPAPAPAPAPAPAPPA

20 Danas for 3 Matkas

4. Mahak - 2001: Space Odyssey

“... You are a tall 5” Ft Guy C’mon ...”

Moon to Jupiter listening to Space Oddity

Space oddity- Raining diamonds= losing its rings... friends? wonders Gautam.

“... Appendix is not useless ...”

Mind would eventually free itself from matter

Ironically first ever known human made weapon was made from the human- The BONE

Then lots of discussion over Bone and the infamous Bone Marrow



Brownie Break

Brownie todo friendship jodo – my tag line

Why does the brownie taste so good?

“Because the secret ingredient is friendship”- Bharath

“And Bone Marrow too”- Smit

5. Aneree - Harry Potter and The Prisoner of Azkaban

“... Where is Sirius?

‘Where is he?’ and Black points to Ron

‘What has this got to do with Scabbers? He is just a rat.’ ...”

Everyone’s a gangster till the बोलती टोपी sends you to Naagshakti.

माया मेहनतकश	नागेश नागशक्ति
चंद्रिका चीलघाट	गौरव गरुड़द्वार

6. Meghna - White Fang

“... A man got his rights... but you are not a man, you are a beast ...”

7. Tanvi - Before the Coffee gets Cold by Toshikazu Kawaguchi

“... Drink your coffee before it gets cold ...”

“... Time is circular. Emotions also act according to Gravity. It is easy to conceal sadness from Strangers ...”

Naturally it should be run by someone who can make chai - Bharath

What was the name of the Coffee shop in the book?

Fifanii...falanii...figucaaaniiii.....

Priya after verifying: Funiculi Funicula

8. Man called Ove - Shivam

Ove is the grumpiest man. Perfect is the enemy of good. Ove can be the enemy of perfect.

Grammatically challenged little monster!

I am not a CLAAAAAAUUUUUN!!!!

It was so endearing to hear Ove warm up to Deewane, Mastane, Parvaneh :P

9. Prince - जिंदगी आइस पाइस

ICE SPICE

"... Puri duniya ke sabse karare ladke the Nanu aur Subhu.

Nawabganj me phir aya Vicky!! ..."

Kukkad Kamal da!!!

"... Hawas Vikas Colony ..."

"... Khanna Master ..."

Crispiest people break the easiest- Gautam

Baat me IJJAT hai!!!!

Nancy ≠ Katrina Kaif

"... THREE Ks that EKTA KAPOOR need: KARARA CHIPS, KARARA BHUTTA, KARARA JAWAB ..."

10. Abhiraj Patel - Why Buildings Fall Down

Why Buildings Stand... No

Tell me Why do they fall?????

BOB the builder....karke dikhayenge

Why do friendships fall? (Ask deep questions B) to people by replacing the Buildings in the title with any other word example: relationship, marriage, We etc.)

Buildings alive when standing just like the human form.

TOWER OF BABEL- Height increases by x, volume by x³



11. Jainal - Harry Potter and The Chamber of Secrets (हैरी पॉटर और रहस्यमयी तहखाना)

This book teaches you how to find loopholes in law.

~~Steal a car.~~ Borrow a car.

This book also knows how to introduce a new character in an adventure, mid-air. Errol, Ghoul, Gnomes. The Misuse of Muggle Artefacts Office¹.

This book also teaches skills worth learning, even if they are a bit slow, know what I mean?

“... ‘Bit rich coming from you,’ said Harry ...”

Irony = Ron is not rich. But they have a free car without petrol expense.

<https://nationalmotormuseum.org.uk/vehicle-collection/ford-anglia-105e-flying-car/>



12. Gautam - No Man is an Island by John Donne (Don Jon)

He recited this piece of poetry from 1624.

Islands do exist, away from war and news of the world, in their own little web of solitude.

But connection made this community possible, a book club does not stand on the tower of books. It thrives with electric charge of love, friendship and communication, books are but a medium for this human connection.

For us, perhaps its true. No Man is an island.

Some comments:

Entire of itself.

Friendship is mutually beneficial.

¹ World's most boring office department.

SMBC - Saturday Morning Breakfast Cereal – ‘I am not a hero, Houlet.’

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= mfus7QCeWU>



13. Smit – बकरपुराण

Pyaar dosti hai... Nahi Udhaar Dosti Haiiii...

Starter Pack of Delhi: Property Dealer BAAP, Jagraata, Dheeli Jeans, Awaragardi aur school na jana

Party Pack - Girls: 47 Dresses, 38 Clutches & Boys: Bhai ek t-shirt dede party me jana hai

14. Shivani - Kafka on the Shore

Chapter: THE BOY NAMED CROW “... **Crow** smirks and looks around. "I imagine you've started by rifling drawers, am I right?" ...”

“... Money isn't like mushrooms in a forest - it doesn't just pop up on its own, you know...”

A 15-year-old is planning to run away - **DUKH, DARD, PEEDA**

“And once the storm is over, you won’t remember how you made it through”²

Chirag brought self-made friendship bands, Mitesh tied them on our wrists.

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² Copyright free ebook: <https://www.btsgetheories.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/kafka-24grammata.com-free-e-book.-pdf-1.pdf>