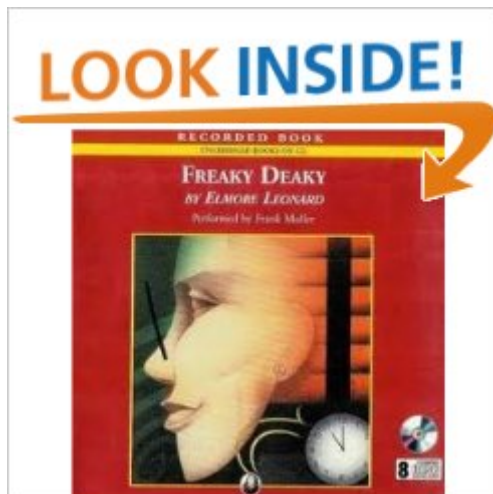


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Customer Reviews

One of Leonard's best.

Elmore Leonard is always a great read- Freaky Deaky was pure joy.

Read them all. Then he died. Pity.

Interesting characters and witty dialogue. The action moves at a good pace and it's well written. I'm a big Elmore Leonard fan and this one didn't disappoint.

I thought I'd enjoy this a lot more than I did. Actually it was pretty dull to read: an effort rather than a joy.

If you're looking for something to read in one sitting, this is it. Going on a trip? Long flight? This one is perfect. Going on a romantic getaway with that special someone? Forget it! They'll be jealous 'cause all your time will be spent on this book. If you like Leonard, you'll love this one. If you liked the movies "Get Shorty" or "Out of Sight" and want to start reading some Leonard, here's a great place to start.

Elmore Leonard says Freaky Deaky is his best book but it isn't; his best book is VALDEZ IS COMING, a wonderful read. Freaky Deaky reminds me of W.E.B. Griffin's formula superhero yarns. My copy is going to Saint Pia Zadora Thrift Shop.

I've read just about all of Elmore Leonard's thrillers up to "Maximum Bob"; I've missed many of the recent ones, not for any particular reason, just haven't picked them up. His early works -- "52 Pick-Up," "Unknown Man #89," and "City Primeval," among others -- display a very gritty, street smart view of tough guys. Starting around the time of "Get Shorty," he seemed to lose some of the grit, replacing it with sharp humor, while retaining the street smart view. It was as if he were writing with a slight tinge of Carl Hiaasen. "Freaky Deaky" straddles those two eras. It's got the humor but also the grittiness. The plot revolves around four characters, two "good guys" and two "bad guys." (Actually, a bad guy and a bad woman.) The two good guys are police detectives formerly on the bomb squad, and the others are 60s radicals who never grew up. As in any Leonard novel, the two pairs are in a collision course toward each other, with a slam-bang climax. The dialogue crackles (Leonard has a terrific ear for dialogue), and the characters are sharply drawn.

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