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London Irish Dublin English: A Wannabe Irish Man Seeks His Destiny



Synopsis

Dublin is a wonderful place to live and work. Experience this through the eyes of Donal, a wannabe Irish man. He loved the place so much that he moved here, from London, in the middle of the recession hit 1980s. You are transposed to a bar stool, a cafe seat or the office water cooler, observing a host of idiosyncratic characters at close quarters. Working for an IT multinational company, he's trying to sell computers to Dubliners. That's not easy. If he doesn't close a big deal with his customer, the bank, by the end of the year he'll be on the boat back home. You'll meet Harry, the sales director, who should have been born two hundred years ago. Then there's Nicky, the sultry marketing manager. Proceed with caution here. Try not to bump into Mannix, the sales manager. He's rather clumsy and shy. Mairead is the smouldering Sales Prevention Officer. Be sure to stay on the right side of her. She could make things difficult for you. Try to avoid negotiating with Len, the bank's procurement chief. It's not a pleasant experience. If you fancy a night out in Dublin then take Terry with you. He's the IT Director. He likes to be entertained. Be careful not to be mesmerized by Samantha, the bank's beautiful Finance Director. She's really cool. Will Donal achieve his longed for Irishness? Will he close that sale? How will Nicky harness her sultriness for the greater good of society? Will Mannix overcome his inter-personal ineptitude? Will Mairead finally reveal the inner passionate woman? Will Terry get rid of Len? Will Harry get it together with Samantha? If humour be the food of life - read on!

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Customer Reviews

I really enjoyed this read on holiday recently. The Saturday evening visitation of certain Dublin hostelries has a real Joycean eye for detail. It brought back many memories of my work and social life during the early 90s in Dublin. Well done Danny.

The first half of the book is more of a sales and marketing how to then a story and a good one if I had been looking for a book in sales. By the time it got to the story line I just didn't care anymore but after investing enough time to read half a book I read a little more with hope that I would find a story somewhere in there. I gave up before finishing the book, Mr. Doyle does have talent and I appreciated his writing ability. If he didn't I would never have gotten past the first half.

The difficulties of settling back in Dublin have being well documented in the past, the author brings humour and light to a potential life changing triumph or disaster. A very entertaining read.

A fantastic read from start to finish! Very nostalgic and enjoyable. Would highly recommend this book to all... Especially those with Irish/English connections!

"London Irish Dublin English" by Daniel M Doyle is the story of a Londoner named Donal, who moves to Ireland in the 1980's and tries to fit in friends and work colleagues. The characters come alive on the pages and you feel like you are a fly on the wall watching everything unfold. The story makes you laugh and cry and laugh again. For a short story it did drag at times but well worth the read. The joys and sorrows of an emigrant trying to fit in are amply and honestly covered. Even those who are not of Irish descent can identify with the people in the stories and will enjoy the book.

A great read if you are familiar with the vast similarities and differences between Irish and English people. You will be taken on a very interesting journey across Dublin with the leading character as he navigates traditional social networks of early hours of the morning type. The book is very well written as the characters drift in and out of the story lines with ease and intertwine beautifully. You

may even sympathise with the leading character as he has moments where the end of the working day does not enable him to switch off.

Without repeating what others have written, it documents his first year - cash strapped and wondering if he's done the right thing. He was a salesman transferred from the London office of a big corporation and has to deal with the culture shock. If anyone had told me that someone could write an interesting and even amusing story about a sales and tendering process I would have accused them of early dementia. D M Doyle has managed it with aplomb.

A wry, humorous tale, told with a style that belies the relative inexperience of the author. I was very impressed. Well done!

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