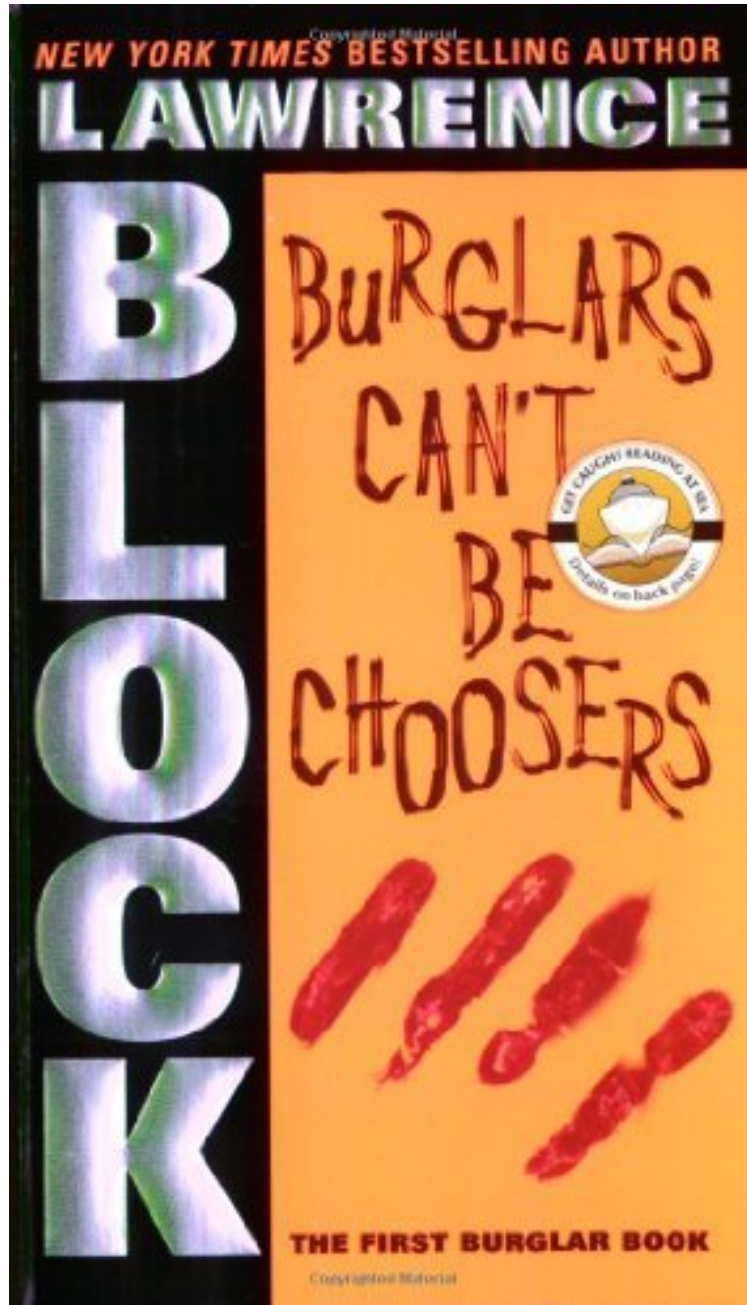


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Von Lawrence Block : Burglars Can't Be Choosers (Bernie Rhodenbarr Series) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Burglars Can't Be Choosers (Bernie Rhodenbarr Series):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Satirical Look at Cops and RobbersVon Donald MitchellLawrence Block is one of our most talented mystery authors. In the Bernie Rhodenbarr series he explores out an ordinary, but intelligent, "honest" person might go about pursuing a life of crime as a fastidious and talented burglar who isn't proud of what he does, doesn't like to hang out with criminals, and really gets a big thrill out of breaking and entering . . . and removing valuables. As you can see, there's a sitcom set-up to provide lots of humor. But the humor works well in part because Mr. Block is able to put the reader in the Bernie's shoes while he breaks, enters and steals . . . and arranges to evade the long arm of the law. To balance the "honest" burglar is an array of "dishonest" and equally easy-money-loving cops. As a result, you're in a funny moral never-never land while your stomach tightens and your arm muscles twitch as tension builds. To make matters even more topsy-turvy, Bernie at some point in every story turns into an investigator who must figure out "who-dun-it" for some crime that he personally didn't do. It's almost like one of those "mystery at home" games where the victim comes back as the police investigator, playing two roles. Very nice!So much for explaining the concept of the series. Burglars Can't Be Choosers is the first book in the series. I strongly suggest that you begin the series by reading this one. Each story in the series adds information and characters in a way that will reduce your pleasure of the others if read out of order. Although, I originally read them out of order and liked them well enough. I'm rereading them now in order, and like it much better this way.As Stephen King likes to point out, a great way to start a book is to put a character in an unusual situation and then let things happen from there. Burglars Can't Be Choosers certainly follows that route in a successful manner with what reads and feels like a very realistic burglary experience.The characterizations, plot development, and dialogue are wonderful in the book. The only flaw from my perspective relates to the solution to the mystery. I thought it wasn't nearly interesting enough while it was being finally unraveled. As a result, the book is at its best in the beginning and middle, and weakens towards the end. Otherwise, I would have awarded five stars.It would be a mistake to leave even a mystery "page turner" without thinking through the moral implications of the book. How many times do "honest" people self-justify what they do because it's easy money and they can pull it off? Certainly, the current rash of corporate fraud seems to suggest that it's pretty common. Maybe part of the appeal of this book and the series is that Mr. Block is exposing our own foibles to ourselves a little as we walk in Bernie's shoes.Do what's right, not what's irresistible.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Altmodische kleine GeschichteVon Fuchs JoanSie ist ja auch schon 30 Jahre alt, und das merkt man wirklich, denn da gibt es noch keine Handys und der Preis vieler Gegenstnde ist erstaunlich tief, mit 10\$ kommt man weit. Ich habe mich sehr amsiert ber die teilweise sehr witzige Sprache, auf der anderen Seite konnte ich mir dann doch nicht das "typisch Mnnerfantasie" verkneifen. Es strt aber nicht. Wirklich ein guter Tipp, ganz amasant.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Lawrence Blocks Burglar-SerieVon W. E. Jonas'Burglars can't be Choosers': Block's Burglar-Lektre ist spannend und einfach genial, und das ber viele Jahre und immer wieder neu! Der Erzhrler/Held ist kein Vorbild, die Moral bleibt aber stets gewahrt-

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