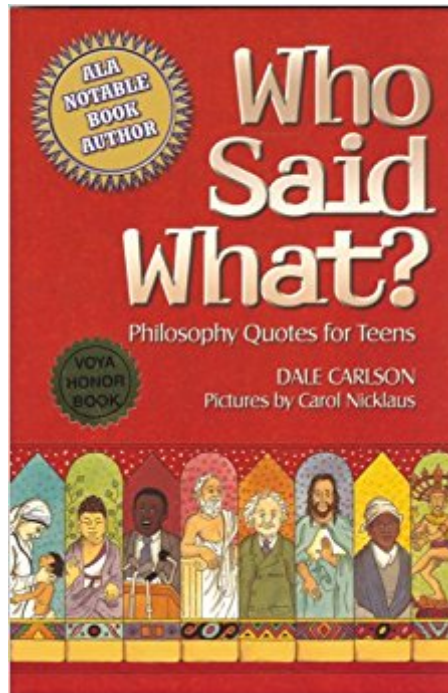


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Dale Carlson, author of over 70 books, translated into 11 languages, has earned 3 ALA Notable Book Awards, the Christopher Award, YALSA Quick Picks, VOYA Honor Book, 2 NY Library Best Books for Teens, ForeWord Bronze Book of the Year. Jr.Lit Guild, International BOMC.

I picked this up at the library on a whim and found the following problems with this book: 1. This is NOT an introduction to different philosophers and their philosophies, as the cover and blurbs would have you believe. Rather, this book is an introduction into the author's personal philosophical tendencies. It's more of a "how to improve your life and be happy" book than an introduction to philosophy. 2. Quotes are taken WAY out of context. Sometimes it is difficult to see how certain quotes even apply to the topical subject headings they are placed under. Often it seems as though the author is trying to make these quotes mean what she believes they should mean, not what the original philosopher meant. 3. The author's reverence for Jiddu Krishnamurti is utterly transparent. I would be willing to wager that 1/3 of the quotes (or at least 1/3 of the page space) are his. He essentially gets the first and last word in this book. I don't have a problem if the author likes this man's philosophy, but don't try to disguise an introduction to one philosopher's beliefs as a general

work on philosophy.⁴ While quotes from people with vastly opposing philosophies ARE used, they are presented so as to seem like they all agree with one another. Everything is filtered through the author's personal beliefs.⁵ The bold-text blurbs from the author before every quote are just annoying. Does she think these words of wisdom can't speak for themselves? She comes across sounding like a aging hippie trying desperately to make herself relatable to the sensibilities of teenagers. I could go on, but hopefully you get the idea. This book misrepresents itself, is one-sided, and generally a waste of time. I would recommend anybody interested in the philosophers covered in this book to go and read those philosophical works for themselves rather than get a watered-down and out-of-context dose filtered through the beliefs of a Krishnamurti disciple.

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