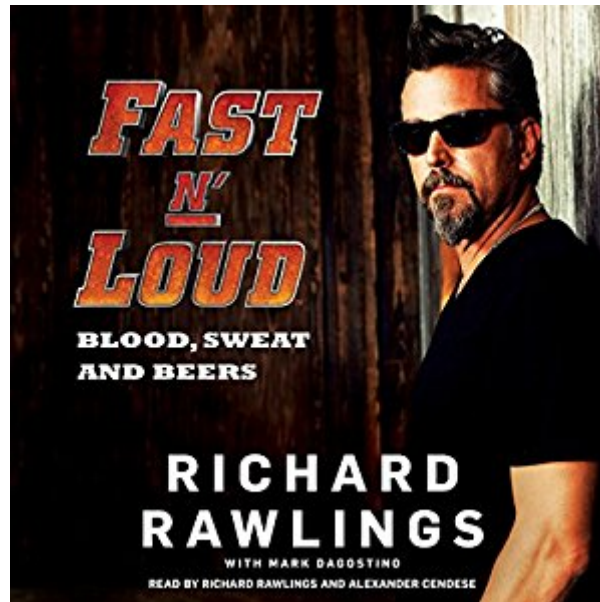




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Fast N' Loud: Blood, Sweat And Beers



Synopsis

The breakout star of Discovery's hit automotive restoration show *Fast N' Loud* takes listeners on an entertaining ride through his wild life and behind the scenes of his hit show in this memoir and automotive handbook, revving with outrageous details and jaw-dropping stories and injected with the quick-witted, foul-mouthed charm viewers love. "If we're gonna have fun, it better have a motor!" In *Fast N' Loud*, Richard Rawlings pushes into high gear, sharing the story of his rise to success, his show, and the automotive know-how that has made him famous. He begins with his own story - how he went from flat broke to a seat at the table with some of history's most iconic car guys. His road to the top is full of dangerous twists and hilarious turns, with a few precipitous cliffs in between, including getting shot defending his beloved 1965 Mustang fastback from carjackers, blowing out of town Fear-and-Loathing style, and picking up chicks and vagrants along the way. Rawlings then takes listeners behind the scenes of *Fast N' Loud* the series, sharing details on everything from the toughest car to restore to the easiest, his favorite restorations, travel and war anecdotes, and the best and worst cars to make it to the small screen. He finishes with a handy guide for classic and antique car enthusiasts that includes insider tricks of the trade. Want to know how to find a Model-T in mint condition? Need a carburetor for your '73 Ford Mustang? Want to meet other '60s Porsche owners? The answers are all here.

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Customer Reviews

This book was a fun read. I didn't expect a business book, or a deep tail of the human condition. But

what I did get was a pretty interesting understanding on where Richard Rawlings came from and how approaches business. It's open, honest, and overall it leaves you feeling like you would have a beer with him. He never tries to pass himself off as something he is not, and gives credit where credit is due. I really do recommend this book. By the way, there is some business sense in the book as well.

As a huge fan of the show Fast and Loud, I have always liked Richard Rawlings. His personality is so big, as is his motivation and drive. My favorite part was about his early life before his TV show. I think the beginning of the book was better than the end. It was excellent to read about how he became successful over the years and the story of his relationship with his wife. It was truly a story of a self made man, who is charming, motivated and who had a little luck. The last part of the book he's giving advice on how to flip cars, and he kind of came off as bragging about how great he is. I wish he could have been a little more humble. He has an excellent success story, but he ended up sounded a little more self absorbed than I had expected. I did enjoy the peek into his early life/career, and learning more about Aaron. But, the book could have wrapped up before he started trying to train the amateur car flipper to be like him.

I'm a Richard Rawlings & GMG fan, so of course I loved this book. Only thing I wish is that it had a bit more of his own humor in it. But if you're a RRR, GMG or FastNLoud fan, you'll love it.

As a fan of the show, I had an idea of how the book would read. Richard is who he is, either on television, or on paper. But he also had some great stories to tell, and his will to succeed shines through. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book and it was easy and quick to read.

If you've watched the show you'll find this book interesting. It's written in the simple, straightforward style of Rawlings' on TV. An inspiring story. Rawlings is clearly a special person and seems to have achieved that often elusive quality of being true to yourself. He's different and compelling.

Great story. Super audio tape. Loved the introduction by Richard himself and even though Andrew Cendese read it quite well, after hearing Richard's voice, my husband and I wanted to hear Richard read it. Especially when he said, "Boom!" We are diehard "Gas Monkey Garage" watchers and knew Richard's story, but hearing it in basically his words, it was so much better and if it was in his voice--"Boom!" Great comments on all of his coworkers which told us some things we did not know.

His favorite episodes were ours also and we have watched every one of the ones he mentioned, so that made them even more enjoyable. His tips on where to look for cars beyond Ebay and Craig's list were very good also.

A decent, very quick read. Good to know Rawlings wasn't born on third and thinks he's hit a triple. Dude came from nothing, essentially. He built his business by dint of perseverance and hard work. Respect!

My 13 year old son hates to read. He wanted this book and I bought it because GOOD GOD HE WANTS TO READ. He said its the best book he ever read, that he was intrigued by the story and the author's struggle. It does have some curse words in it but hey he is reading! Sometimes you gotta look the other way.

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