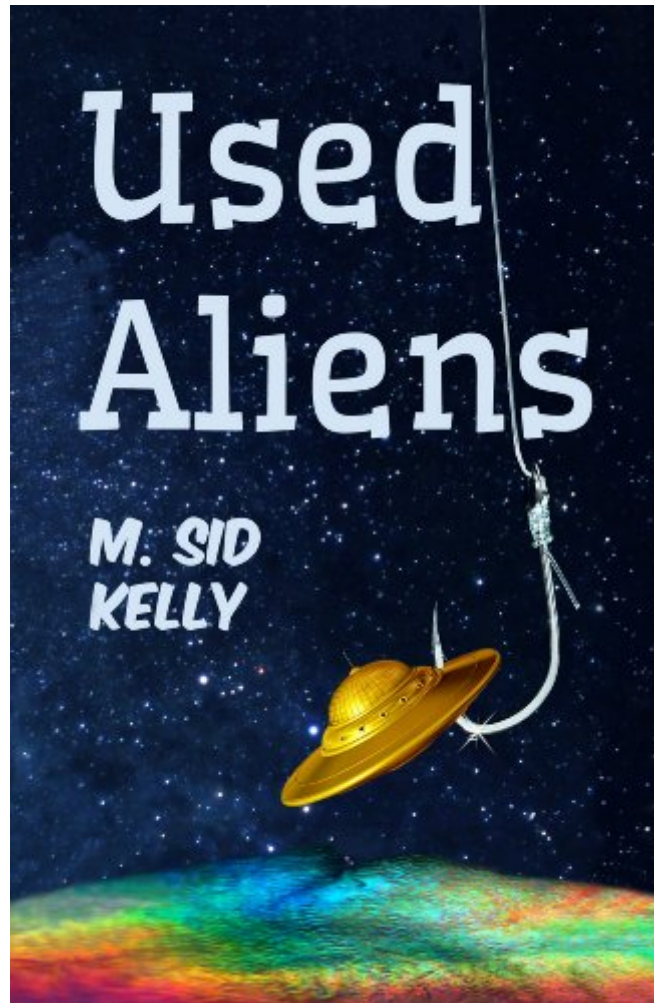


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Customer Reviews

The story begins with Jimmy Fresneaux. He wants to be the star of a fishing show. Unfortunately, he's not very good at catching fish. This matters not at all to the aliens that abduct him. They just need to gather a few specimens and conduct some tests as part of their evaluation of Earth for entry in the Galactic Pool. They're supposed to throw him back when they're done, but a mishap leaves Jimmy and two of the aliens (along with their sunken flying saucer) on Earth. That's part of the story. The rest has to do with why Earth is being evaluated. It's kind of political. This is humorous science

fiction romp with a fair amount of cultural satire. The human characters are funny in a buffoonish sort of way. Jimmy is believable as a mentally uncomplicated Cajun wannabe. Mike and Greg, two fossil hunting hobbyists, are a bit less believable. They are portrayed as having some serious scientific interests and knowledge but seem to be forcing themselves to sound more stupid and juvenile than they are, mainly by saying "man" and "dude" a lot. I don't think they needed to be written this way. Jimmy is fine as a lone clown. Three stooges are not necessary. Mike and Greg might work better as supporting characters if they were written as nerdy straight men. I loved the aliens. They are imaginative, and the 'good' ones are quite likeable. Dluhosh (an evolved squid), Dee (a hug-loving bear person), and Trukk-9 (a highly ethical filmmaker with a large number of eyes) are especially endearing. The 'bad' aliens are more dim and incompetent than they are evil. I liked that. They're much easier to laugh at. The story is written in third person with a shifting point of view. The prose is casual, complete with split infinitives and colloquialisms.

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