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The Creatures That Time Forgot • novella by Ray Bradbury (variant of Frost and Fire) - First published in Planet Stories (August 1946.)

- Placed there by a past rocket ship that crashed, the people of the storied land are within sight of another rocket ship on a distant mountain plateau. The plot follows Sim, the protagonist of this story, and his apparently short life on a planet where people are cursed by radiation to live only eight days.

Frost and Fire Details

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Kierra says

I will always love Ray Brabury's books.

They are never boring, never the same, they never have long descriptions or silly dialogues.

It's simply a beautiful story.

Mohammad says

Ray Bradbury's short story "Frost and Fire" is a great read and the first step in my process of re-discovering my favorite childhood author "Ray Bradbury" who helped opened my mind to the world of possibilities. This story had the same bouquet, the same flavor and taste that I fondly remember has a hallmark of Bradbury's style of storytelling. Ray Bradbury was so much more than a mere Author of Sci-Fi stories. He was a master Story-teller and practised his craft of entertaining his audience while pushing the edge in a way that only a true master can.

A classic story of fear , despair and hope, where hope wins out , or so we hope...

Jane says

Bradbury wrote an excellent short story. It's an intriguing tale, in which people mature rapidly and live only 8 days, due to radiation and extreme weather conditions. The protagonist is a brave and hopeful young man who embarks on a means to improve quality of life for all. I dare not give any more away.

Jeff says

Ray Bradbury's short story "Frost and Fire" is one of my all-time favorites - one that I first read as a young adult and really stimulated my imagination. I recently listened to an old audio performance of this story, but nothing beats the written version in my view!

jon bell says

Classic from the master. Second time reading this

Ray Bradbury had such a wide range of subjects and styles of writing. This simple short story was one I had enjoyed in high school, but as I grew older I see far more depth to the story and the characters in it.

Roya says

Loved it, except for the ending. Was it supposed to convey hope? Optimism? Too rushed, poorly handled - unlike the rest of the story.

Sezgi says

Ate? ve Buz bir distopya diyebiliriz san?r?m ya da orta halli bir bilim-kurgu filmi. ?nan?lmaz ak?c? ve dikkat çekici bir konusu var. ?nsanlar?n bencilliklerini bir kenara b?rakmas?n?n zorlu?unu bir kez daha görüyoruz. Sevdi?im bir hikâye oldu.

Telans says

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Almina says

Ate? ve buz kurgusu o kadar güzel bir hikayeydi ki okurken sürekli, filmi olsa da izlesek, dedim. Verilen her bir ayr?nt? zihnimde canland?rd???m dünyaya ayr? bir katman ekledi ve sonuçta hayal etti?im insan tipi inan?lmaz bir varl?kt?. Yeri geldi ?a??rd?m yeri geldi korktum bu gerçekten de mümkün olabilir mi, diye. Ancak tüylerimi diken diken eden k?s?m, kitab?n içindeki göl isimli hikayenin son sahnesiydi. Bo?ulan k?z?n y?llar sonra bulunmas? ve kumdan kaleyi tamamlamak üzere adam?n gitmesi beni çok etkiledi. Her bir hikayesi ayr? bir tat, ayr? bir duygu veren ate? ve buz mutlaka okunmas? gereken bir kitap.

Kandice says

Bradbury's books always feel like I am reading a dream. His voice is very calm even when something hectic or exciting is happening.

This is the story of a species stranded on a planet not their own. Because of the severe climate and radiation their life span has been reduced to 8 days in some areas and 11 days in others. In the spirit of evolution they have "adapted". In that handful of days they grow, mature, breed, age and die. This is accepted by most. Not Sim.

Sim is our hero and he is hellbent on finding a way to expand those 8 days. First for himself. Later for those who come after him. He is an unselfish hero and eventually succeeds.

This is short, which is fitting, but I think it could have been 300 pages and Bradbury would have told the story in an engrossing way. Some short stories are obviously MEANT to be so. Others...you wish were not. This is one where I wish it was not.

Rick says

An outstanding short story about life on a planet where lifespans last only 8-11 days, due to the harsh extremes in temperatures and climate. It details the life of Sim as he seeks a chance at a longer and better life.

Laurence says

Good idea, just not fully explored. Think this idea seed may have been more fully grown elsewhere.

Vitalii Shukach says

Good short story focused on human life's shortness and meaninglessness.

Bette says

Sim is born with eight days to live, it is the lifespan of his people. This is his story.

Totally unexpected find short story. Whatever I say will be a spoiler. I recommend you spend an hour and enjoy this tale.

Celil Celil says

3.5/5
