

The Rear-View Mirror :
The Journey, a Taxi Driver and a Book

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The Rear-View Mirror is an inspiring, turnaround story; a saga of introspection and renewal written by Vineet Bhatt and published by Partridge India in January 2015.

Philip Young is a well educated, well read professional in his late thirties and works in a consulting firm in New York. He is sent to Kolkata, India, much against his will to head the Indian operations of his firm. Philip is very proud of his antecedents. He becomes swollen headed by the worshipful attention he excites in India because of his privilege of birth, his white skin and blue eyes. A reserved person by nature, he is unsettled by the many inconveniences he faces in India. To make matters worse, under his two years of leadership the firm's fortunes nose dive and the board of directors contemplate shutting down some of the business lines under him. Concerned about the impact this will have on his career and the stigma that he will have to carry the rest of his life, Philip finds himself grappling with crisis and several conflicts within.

One day Philip is called to meet his managing director, Denzel Marshall, at Bhubaneswar and because no train or flight tickets are available Philip takes to travel by road. Feroze, the youthful taxi driver and a book are Philip's companion through the journey. In his late twenties and not so educated, Feroze, is talkative, friendly, and lively. He is very sensitive to the ills in the society and strives to correct them at every given opportunity.....

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