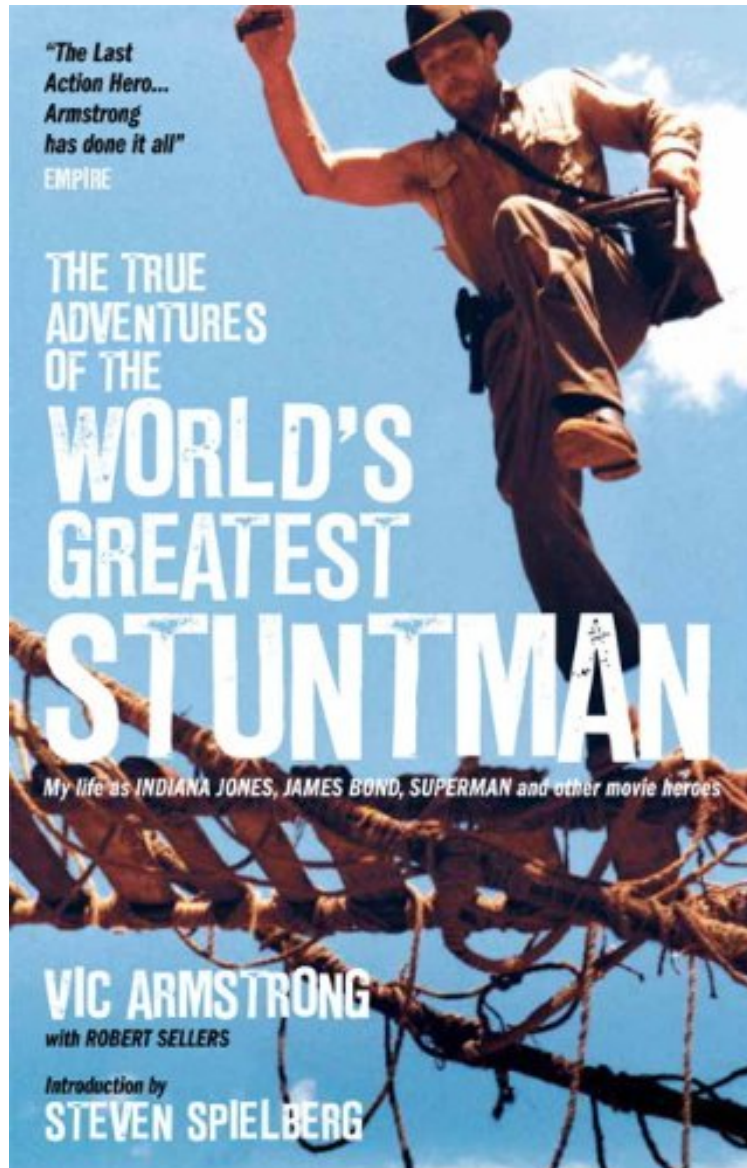


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. "No sh!t, no sh!t, there I was," as the SCA says... By Denise Paolucci Deeply entertaining series of anecdotes about a deeply entertaining life. Armstrong is exactly the kind of dude you want to sit down and have a beer with just to listen to all his stories, and the ghostwriter managed to capture the feeling of doing exactly that. This isn't a technical manual for how they do movie stunts (although there is some of that in places as Armstrong describes various setups he's particularly proud of) -- it's a string of "no sh!t, no sh!t, there I was" stories that will leave you appreciating the men and women who work behind the scenes (and occasionally in front of the camera) to make movies look good and action stars look invincible.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Damn good read, needs an editor though By Madmax I think what I liked about the book is that it almost read like a diary. This is both a weakness and a strength. A strength is that it feels like there is a constant narrative going on with one event leading into the other, where you can measurably follow his career path. The weakness being is that this book could have been tightened up a bit to help with the pacing and flow. This is not necessarily bad because it felt like one of those instances where you are listening to someone tell a tale. I would be very interested if this title is ever revised to add more background stories, particularly the shenanigans of the stuntmen. Yes we are told that this happened, but we were never given too many details in some cases. I am going to assume this is to protect the innocent :). That and I would be interested in more Raiders stories, but hey, that's just me. On a personal note, Vic, if I ever get the chance to meet you, I would love to shake your hand and get your autograph because I never realized how many of the movies you worked on were a part of my childhood, and for that, I thank you sir.

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