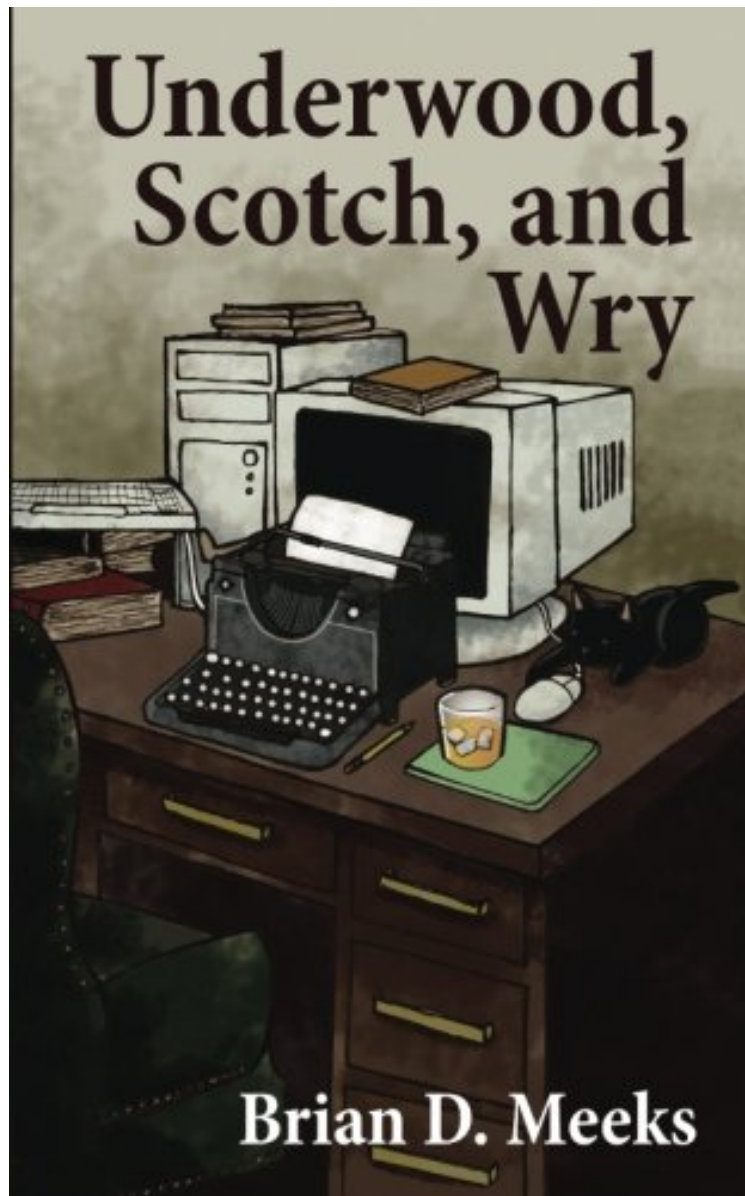


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Mr. Brian D. Meeks : Underwood, Scotch, and Wry before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Underwood, Scotch, and Wry:

32 of 32 people found the following review helpful. 8 STARS!By Mary EllenEight Stars for Underwood, Scotch and Wry!If I awarded any more stars, Mr. Meeks might get a case of performance anxietyand cease writing, and that

would be a tragedy indeed IMHO. Former famous author Arthur Byrne hasn't written in years. Instead he has a comfy job as an English Lit professor, and a habit of getting lit at the local pub, Edgar's Pit. The President of the University and the Dean of Liberal Arts want him out. The only way to do that is by setting him up to fail - - he is assigned to teach a class on Social Media. Sounds like a simple class to teach. Except that Arthur wouldn't know a megabyte if it bit him. A gig means the musicians have been booked. Facebook? Isn't that what you look through at the Police Station to identify a mugger? Can Arthur's Teaching Assistants teach him about modern technology? Will he be able to hold onto his job? Will he ever write again? I really enjoyed reading this story about the wry Professor and his fresh young TAs and students. I think this book will be enjoyed by luddites and techies, young and old, men and women. Thank you, Brian D. Meeks for writing this wonderful book and giving me an ARC! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Politics at a university level can stink. By Shalanna Collins. The first three-quarters of this book was hilarious AND fairly realistic in the way it portrays university politics. My father and a couple of his good friends whom I knew well as a child taught at UT/Dallas, SMU, UT/Austin, OSU (in the fifties when it was Oklahoma AM), and USM (when it was Mississippi Southern), so I could laugh at the way the professor protagonist handled things. He could do an erudite lecture on a dime and could handle learning something completely new. Four stars for realism. However . . . *spoiler alert* this book was ABOUT social media and how this prof learned to use it for his benefit and teach things about it to his students. So the road trip to NYC about 3/4 of the way through was not needed. How much more on-theme would it have been to do the interaction with those two people by email or chat room or whatever? This would have shown even MORE how the social media could help someone. I didn't get anything out of the road trip, really. He could have sneaked out to his friend's house, taking his cat, and could have done that by social media. Then we would have reinforced the theme. I approved of the ending, mostly, although I kind of hated *spoiler* him "getting together" with the TA. He should have been the noble one. This experience (in the book) of realizing he cared about the job and the students after all should have proven his redemption, and he should have held off on any romantic encounters--these could come later, when the TA is no longer being rated or graded by him. It would have made me happier for him to be more noble and more of a role model. Anyway, though, the way he talked was witty and reminded me so much of my father, whom I still miss (he died when I was 15 and still a stupid little teenybopper, and I never got to talk higher math with him, alas), and of the profs who were his good friends and my other role models. Made me wish I could go back to college and make some sort of contribution. All I can do is write my books and attempt to entertain and inform/educate readers as well as this book did (and further could have/should have, IMHO.) Recommended for those who like a college milieu and are not offended by a few sorta-off-color remarks. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. you may want to reconsider this fine book). All in all this was a hoot. By BAS98. This was my first meeting with Brian D Meeks, but it won't be my last. In this novel, Arthur is a former writer, a part time drunk, and a full time professor. When the school decides to get rid of him by making him teach a class on social media, which he knows less than nothing about, he rises the occasion, and with the help of some new friends, defeats the forces of mediocrity and hypocrisy (fair warning, if you discussions of middle aged professorial libertines bothers you, you may want to reconsider this fine book). All in all this was a hoot. I laughed out loud, learned a couple of things about twitter, and blogging, and when I arrived at the end, I was sorry to say goodbye to Harry, Wen, and all the other characters we met. The book skewers much of recent campus pc and codes of behavior discussions, it is also somewhat under written, the second half ends too quickly and neatly. But it's a very good time.

Whats in a Cats Name? In a book with a snarky anti-hero who teaches literature to the great unwashed youth of the day, there are bound to be a few literary references. You'll catch most of them but why did Arthur name the cat Maltese and why does he think its clever? Arthur Byrne is a protagonist you'll root for despite your best efforts not to. His love of drink, age inappropriate women, and disdain for authority, are the top three reasons the president of the university wants him gone. Arthur's decades long writers block is the only reason he stays. He's got nowhere to go. Wen Hu is an enthusiastic teaching assistant that doesn't get most of Arthur's jokes. She's there to help, doesn't mind being called Lou, and isn't afraid of him or his snark. The Story Underwood, Scotch, and Wry is a humorous look at social media through the eyes of a Luddite college professor. Watch as Arthur and the dean engage in an angst filled battle to end (or save) his job. This humorous fiction will keep you turning the pages. If you like social media, blogging, and mockery, you'll enjoy my first satire novel Underwood, Scotch, and Wry. And you just may be the first person who gets the Maltese reference. (Note: If you do, just email me and I'll send back another of my novels [your choice]) Praise for USW: Absolutely fabulous wit and dialogue. M.W. Thoroughly enjoyed this book. Being a former "non-computer nerd" there was much to make me laugh! I may even try Twitter now! Debbie J. W. With a salute to social media, the author presents a loveable scoundrel who entertains one page after page. Nicely done. H. R.