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The Hobbit and Philosophy: for When You've Lost Your Dwarves, Your Wizard, and Your Way

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John Wiley and Sons Ltd. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, The Hobbit and Philosophy: for When You've Lost Your Dwarves, Your Wizard, and Your Way, William Irwin, Gregory Bassham, Eric Bronson, A philosophical exploration of J.R.R. Tolkien's beloved classic-just in time for the December 2012 release of Peter Jackson's new film adaptation, The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey J.R.R. Tolkien's The Hobbit is one of the best-loved fantasy books of all time and the enchanting "prequel" to The Lord of the Rings. With the help of some of history's great philosophers, this book ponders a host of deep questions raised in this timeless tale, such as: Are adventures simply "nasty, disturbing, uncomfortable things" that "make you late for dinner," or are they exciting and potentially life-changing events? What duties do friends have to one another? Should mercy be extended even to those who deserve to die? * Gives you new insights into The Hobbit's central characters, including Bilbo Baggins, Gandalf, Gollum, and Thorin and their exploits, from the Shire through Mirkwood to the Lonely Mountain * Explores key questions about The Hobbit's story and themes, including: Was the Arkenstone really Bilbo's to give? How should Smaug's treasure have been distributed?...



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