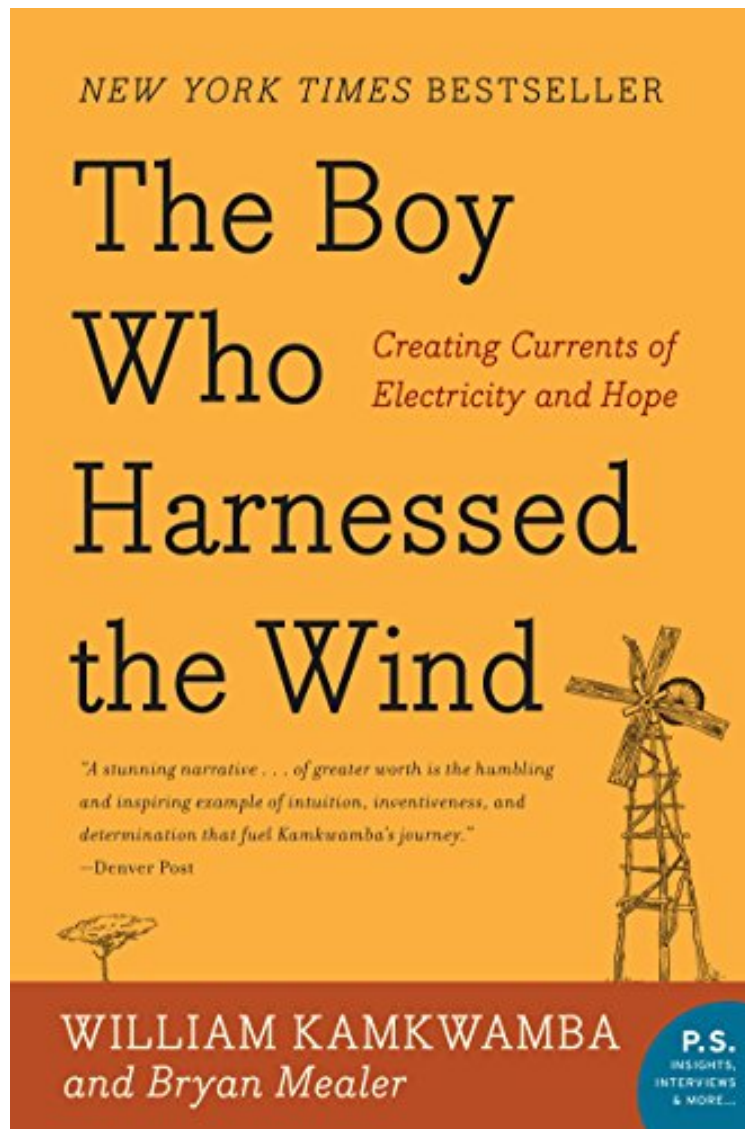


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Bravo!: A Beautifully Written, Moving, Inspirational Account of Growing Up in Malawi, Famine, and Practical IngenuityVon

Donald Mitchell "The wind goes toward the south, And turns around to the north; The wind whirls about continually, And comes again on its circuit." -- Ecclesiastes 1:6 (NKJV) Do yourself a favor and be sure to read this book. I am sure it will be the most inspirational book you'll pick up in 2010. You'll redefine what "impossible" means into something not so very daunting after finishing *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*, and that's a very fine thing to occur. If only we get to work, we all have greater resources to overcome what seems "impossible" than we dare hope for and realize. People who grew up in Africa have a world view that's far different than those who grew up in North America or Europe. Poor farmers often live on the knife-edge of starvation, fearful of what evil influences may be unloosed on them. As a result, an African often sees choices differently and more starkly. *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* captures those cultural differences astonishingly well. I intend to recommend this book to those who want to understand how to be of more help to people in East Africa. There's also a hidden hero here, whoever decided to put a library of American technical books into Malawi for people there to use. William Kamkwamba will be a warm-blooded hero you'll love to cheer for. He's Tom Sawyer, Huckleberry Finn, and Tom Swift all rolled into one, but with a physics book in his hand to provide directions rather than just his natural intelligence and wit. I commend Bryan Mealer for so beautifully capturing the sweetness of William's soul while also expressing the reality of his environment. Even the descriptions of how to make power with a windmill are terrific. I learned a lot about power generation and transmission. Who knew it's all so complicated? I must admit to being biased towards windmills and their makers. I used them as a metaphor in one of my books for the optimal strategy. If this book had already been written, I would have based that metaphor on William's windmill. You'll also enjoy the rags-to-riches ending as publicity about William's windmill allows him to receive the kind of recognition and support that permit him now to pursue bigger dreams while gaining a more thorough education. It will be fun to watch him in future years.

4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. I feel like I understand a bit more Von Tim BI found this book because friends are working with windmills and related technologies, and we have been approached by some organisations interested in applying their work in various places including Africa. I was pleasantly surprised that this book was not about windmills, but about life between magic and technology, between poverty and education, between inquisitiveness and survival. I feel like I have learnt more about Africa and my attitude than anything else. I have ordered another copy to send to some friends in Papua New Guinea, I hope they enjoy it at least half as much as I did.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. great story that takes you in a strange african rural world Von Intuition I really enjoyed reading every page of this book, especially because it's based on a true story. It's about this young boy growing up in a deserted rural area in Malawi, Africa. His family is very poor, although it doesn't even belong to the poor social class. It's very touching to read about his personal life and his struggle to get some kind of education. And it's just amazing how one young intelligent boy succeeds to actually build a machine that produces power. Just amazing. I can very much recommend it.

Kurzbeschreibung *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* is the immensely engaging and inspiring true account of an enterprising African teenager who constructed a windmill from scraps to create electricity for his entire community. William Kamkwamba shares the remarkable story of his youth in Malawi, Africa, a nation crippled by intense poverty, famine, and the AIDS plague, and how, with tenacity and imagination, he built a better life for himself, his family, and his village. The poignant and uplifting story of Kamkwamba's inspiration and personal triumph, co-written with Bryan Mealer, *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* has already won ringing praise from former Vice President and Nobel Laureate Al Gore as well as Paolo Coelho, internationally bestselling author of *The Alchemist*.

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