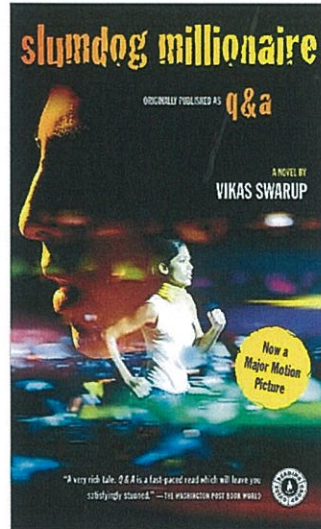


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REVIEW

Slumdog Millionaire is a novel by Vikas Swarup. The abridged version is written by John Escott.

This book is talking about Ram Mohammad Thomas. An orphan street-kid turned waiter, Ram has never had any formal education and yet he's just won one billion rupees after correctly answering 12 questions in an Indian quiz show.

But how does he know the answers? *Slumdog Millionaire* takes us through the major events of Ram's life: being discovered in a bin by a priest; living as a servant under an Australian family; how he fooled a professional hit man; and how he found love. Each chapter explains how Ram is able to answer the questions.

Written at an intermediate level, and also providing Points for Understanding, a glossary and exercises at the end of the book, it helps us to understand the story.

This is truly a fantastic yarn, with well-constructed characters who make you empathize with them.