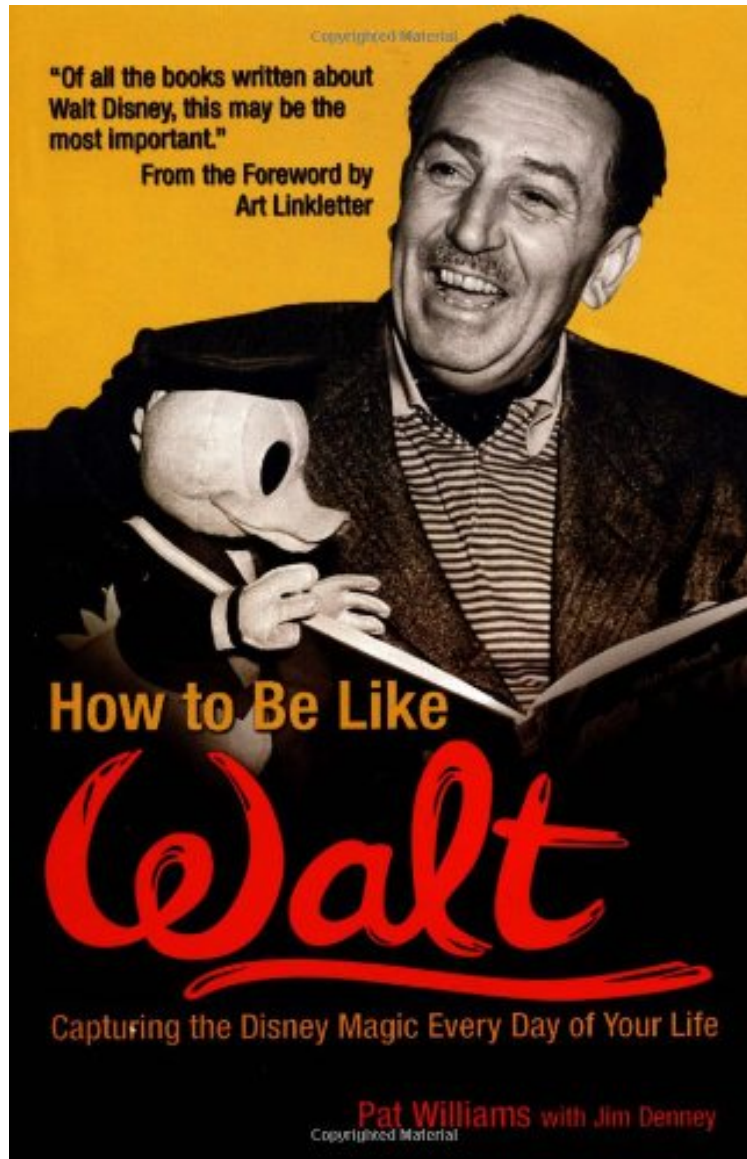


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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Lots of very good lessons here. By RJ Smith I read this some time ago. Just to get a better idea about the man behind the magic. Needless to say, it has lots of life lessons that if applied, would help people to live a higher valued life. Walt Disney demanded a lot from himself, and those around him. I understand that. You don't want to surround yourself with people who are going to bring you down or undermine your efforts. You need people to support you and those you can support. Morals do matter. Rules matter. Striving to do better and self improvement matters. Learning and growing. That's what life is suppose to be about. To come from the humble, abusive background that Walt Disney did and to achieve such heights can not happen to all of us, let alone a select few. But we should all try to work towards our personal best. This is a great book to help outline guidelines to accomplish achieving your greater good and be proud of yourself for doing so. At least, knowing you gave it your best shot.

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. I wrote to the author thanking him and telling him how much I enjoyed, truly enjoyed his book. By Steve William Laible Having met Walt Disney when I was just a lad, I was instinctively drawn to this book. Reading it was so captivating; very well-written. So much so, I wrote to the author thanking him and telling him how much I enjoyed, truly enjoyed his book. I also shared the foreword of my childrens book describing my chance encounter with Walt when I was 5 or 6. Pat responded with a kind note. I encourage every man, woman and child to put this book on their reading list. Its such a warm and inviting journey. It puts you in the mind of Walt whether it is in the room with him or sitting beside him on the train. The narrative is awe inspiring. It is chalked full of lessons, setbacks, and examples. Pat is a terrific scholar of his material. If Walt isn't being studied at universities, he ought to be and this book is worthy of inclusion. Walt was more than a dreamer, he was an implementer of his vision. What a great man. "It's fun to do the impossible." Thanks Walt. Thanks Pat.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. "Informative and Joyful Analysis of Walt Disney" By Stella Carrier "How to Be Like Walt: Capturing the Disney Magic Every Day of Your Life" is a very compelling book by Pat Williams that (as others have noted) is part self-help and part biographical. I find this book to be more on the biographical side, but it is still worthwhile to read. The reader is treated to some of the very important information and wisdom that Walt Disney put to practical use on the way, and how he turned temporary setbacks into hidden blessings. For example, on page 62 Pat mentions how Walt ended up losing the idea of Oswald the Lucky Rabbit to his former boss. From this temporary setback, it is cited how Walt picked himself back up, and eventually used the power of his creativity and imagination to create Mickey Mouse. There are lessons sprinkled throughout the book on how to tap into the ability to translate imagination and creativity to practical use just as Walt did (through his creation of the Walt Disneyland and Walt Disney World theme parks). The following are some of the lessons and information that Pat Williams writes in this interesting biography/self-help guide on Walt Disney:

- 1) Chapter 3 on Imagination Unlimited: This is where the lessons such as unleashing your imagination are shared, and details given on how Walt Disney was even invited to the White House to show his cartoons (this was due to the fact cited that President Franklin D. Roosevelt admired what Walt's concept of what Mickey Mouse represented.)
- 2) Chapter 4 on Animated Leadership: Information is given on how Walt inspired the spirit of creativity and innovation in his Disney employees.
- 3) Chapter 11 on Living for the Next Generation: Details are given on how Walt visualized the Mickey Mouse Club, and had the midas touch in spotting creative talent.
- 4) Chapter 12: A Man of Singular Focus: Facts are given on the origin of the "Mary Poppins" movie that is widely know as a children's classic. The birth and origin of the "EPCOT" center is also discussed.
- 5) Chapter 15: Walt Lives: There is a really heart-touching story of how Walt Disney made time to fullfill a seven year old boy's wish, who was about to pass away (back in 1955). The boy's only wish was to ride Walt Disney's train. Walt Disney personally made time for this little boy, and even ordered his staff to keep what he did anonymous (which fortunately they honored his request, and kept it from the public until after his death).

"How to Be Like Walt Disney" is a very heart-warming biography that gives good information on the lessons that anyone can study from Walt's life regardless of what industry they may be in. In addition, the author made sure to have a delicate balance of biographical and self-help information in this book that highlighted vital details of Walt Disney's legacy. This book is a very uplifting read to have if you wish to read biographies that are informative and inspiring.

An inspiring biography of one of the most influential and beloved figures of the 21st century, based on more than a thousand interviews. "I've read every book that has ever been written about Walt Disney, going back to some that were published in the 1930s. [How to Be Like Walt] is by far the most enjoyable to read of them all!" Tim O'Day, Disney Scholar "How to Be Like Walt is a fitting tribute to Walt's memory and an important contribution to the Disney legacy . . . Now more than ever, we need people with the qualities Walt had: optimism, imagination, creativity, leadership, integrity, courage, boldness, perseverance, commitment to excellence, reverence for the past, hope for tomorrow, and faith in God." Art Linkletter

How to Be Like is a "character biography" series: biographies that also draw out important lessons from the life of their subjects. In this new book-by far the most exhaustive in the series-Pat Williams tackles one of the most influential people in recent history. While many recent biographies of Walt Disney have reveled in the negative, this book takes an honest but positive look at the man behind the myth. For the first time, the book pulls together all the various strands of Disney's life into one straightforward, easy-to-read tale of imagination, perseverance, and optimism. Far from a preachy or oppressive tome, this book scrapes away the minutiae to capture

the true magic of a brilliant maverick.

My grandfather believed so much in what he was doing that he put his name on everything. He had a thirst for life, a strong work ethic, and a willingness to take great risks in order to achieve great things. We could all benefit by studying the lessons of his life. From the Inside Flap "I've read every book that has ever been written about Walt Disney, going back to some that were published in the 1930s. [How to Be Like Walt] is by far the most enjoyable to read of them all!" Tim ODay, Disney Scholar "How to Be Like Walt is a fitting tribute to Walt's memory and an important contribution to the Disney legacy . . . Now more than ever, we need people with the qualities Walt had: optimism, imagination, creativity, leadership, integrity, courage, boldness, perseverance, commitment to excellence, reverence for the past, hope for tomorrow, and faith in God." Art Linkletter About the Author Pat Williams is senior vice president of the Orlando Magic and author of more than 30 successful books, including four books in the How to Be Like series.