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A new memoir from the *Daily Show* host and #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Born a Crime* chronicling his rocky young adulthood, his adventures on the road, and his rise to global stardom.

As in his bestselling memoir *Born a Crime*, the story once again begins with Trevor trapped in a taxi, desperate to escape as the vehicle careens along carrying him to certain doom. This time he's no longer nine but nineteen, and he's no longer a passenger in the taxi—he owns it. With all the same astute and comical observations Noah brought to his bestselling memoir, *Born a Crime*, this new work follows his journey into adulthood—and international stardom—in a newly born nation. South Africa and Noah grew up together—both struggling with the responsibilities of their newfound independence, and both living in the long shadow of a towering parental figure.

Noah's story unfolds in three acts: The first covers his stumbling, early twentysomething attempts to make a way in the world through a series of wildly dangerous odd jobs (collecting rent from the mob, joining a gun-toting taxi cabal) and even odder schemes (devoting hours a day to call-in sweepstakes, one of which would change his life). The second traces the arc of his career from the first, accidental open mic night to the zenith of South Africa stardom—with detours into playing a gangster on a South African soap opera and early comedy gigs on public buses. In the third act he finally leaves his South African nest and sees the world, from London to Latin American and eventually, to America, South Africa's inverted doppelganger on matters of race, where a meeting with Jon Stewart changes his life.

By turns hilarious, dramatic, and deeply affecting, this is the story of a remarkably intelligent, observant, trouble-making and risk-taking young man discovering his own talent and place in the world—and a country struggling to do the same.

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Sana says

THE BLURB !!! Especially '*...the story once again begins with Trevor trapped in a taxi, desperate to escape as the vehicle careens along carrying him to certain doom. This time he's no longer nine but nineteen, and he's no longer a passenger in the taxi—he owns it.*' AKA I ALREADY LOVE EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS

Ara says

I'm just going to go ahead and give this five stars now. I mean why slow the inevitable ?

Aamina says

CAN WE HAVE A TITLE PLEASE.

Ellen Gail says

Trevor Noah is writing another memoir and I would probably sacrifice a kidney for it right now.

Not my own kidney, but someone else's. Someone mean.

Trevor Noah can have Hitler's antiquated kidney.
