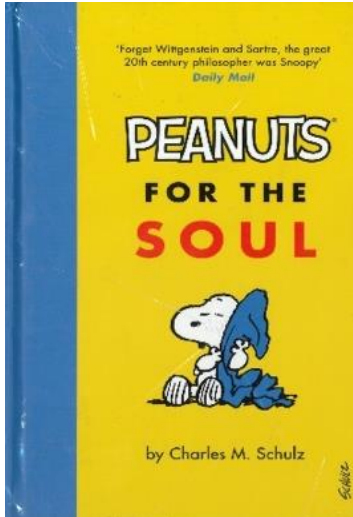


# “PEANUTS FOR THE SOUL”



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## Author

Charles Monroe Schulz was born on November 26, 1922 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. His father was a hair stylist. Charles cherished to studied the comics segment of the daily paper with his father. He started to draw pictures of his favourite cartoon characters at the age of six. At school he was permitted to skip two grades as he was bright, which made him the youngest in his lesson. Amid World War II, Schulz was drafted into the armed force and sent to Europe. After the war, he returned to Minnesota as a gentleman with solid Christian convictions.

In 1950, his new comic strip, which he had wanted to call *Li'l Folks* but it was named Peanuts by the publishing company. The Peanuts cartoons were centred on the simple and touching figures of a boy, Charlie Brown, and his dog, Snoopy and their family and school companions. At its height, Peanuts was published every day in 2,600 papers in 75 nations, in 21 languages. Over nearly 50 years Peanuts was published, Schulz drew about 18,000 strips.

Schulz was diagnosed with cancer in November 1999 and he announced in December 1999 that he would retire in the year 2000, the day after the final *Peanuts* strip. Schulz died on February 12, 2000, one day before his farewell strip was to be in newspapers.

## Summary of the book

In this book, the basic aspects of life are addressed over seven chapters, beginning with Life, Love, Family, Friendship, Back to School, At Play and finally Happiness. The kids (and canines) of Peanuts know a thing or two about how extreme the life can be. But with a philosophical approach to the troubles of growing up - from not being able to communicate with the girl you like, to having an idiot brother who won't take your impeccable advice - they're never short of the little comforts, and the extraordinary intelligence, that can help us get by.

## **Sharing by Ms. Jamil**

**Peanuts of the soul** is an interesting comic. It gives a slightly ironic smile to your face. It also makes you wonder about the true meaning of life. This book is full of quotes and filled with words of comforting wisdom about growing up problems and will take you look back in time with a nostalgic air of fulfillment.

Happy reading!