

The book was found

# Why Not?: Fifteen Reasons To Live



WHY NOT?

*Fifteen Reasons to Live*

RAY ROBERTSON



*Essays*



## Synopsis

Featured on The Hour with George Stroumboulopoulos. SHORTLISTED FOR THE \$60,000 HILARY WESTON WRITERS' TRUST PRIZE FOR NONFICTION Longlisted for the \$25,000 Charles Taylor Prize for Literary Non-Fiction. "Clear-eyed ... Robertson is no stranger to confronting unsavoury truths." #151; Steven Beattie, *That Shakespearean Rag* "Many of us sense that the world has too many moving parts and can become utterly defeated. Ray Robertson found a 'road back' in this splendid and intriguing book." #151; Jim Harrison Shortly after completing his sixth novel, Ray Robertson suffered a depression of suicidal intensity. Soon after his recover, he decided to try and answer two of the biggest questions we can ask. What makes humans happy? And what makes a life worth living? His answers aren't what you might expect from a mental illness memoir #151; but they're exactly what you'd expect from Ray Robertson. With the vitality of Nick Hornby and a brashness all his own, Robertson runs his hands over life, death, intoxication, and art. Unashamedly working-class and unabashedly literary, *Why Not?* is a rolling, rocking, anti-Sisyphean odyssey. Ray Robertson is the celebrated author of eight books and six novels, including *What Happened Later*, about Jack Kerouac's last years. He lives and writes in Toronto, Ontario.

## Book Information

File Size: 446 KB

Print Length: 202 pages

Publisher: Biblioasis (October 18, 2011)

Publication Date: October 18, 2011

Language: English

ASIN: B005OCJC8A

Text-to-Speech: Enabled

X-Ray: Not Enabled

Word Wise: Enabled

Lending: Not Enabled

Enhanced Typesetting: Enabled

Best Sellers Rank: #1,422,463 Paid in Kindle Store (See Top 100 Paid in Kindle Store) #159

in Books > Literature & Fiction > History & Criticism > Regional & Cultural > Canadian #2728

in Books > Health, Fitness & Dieting > Mental Health > Depression #3454 in Kindle Store >

Kindle eBooks > Biographies & Memoirs > Arts & Literature > Authors

## Customer Reviews

When I read the other review, (as I am the second), I was skeptical about the enjoyment I might gain from reading this book. Was I ever wrong! Or better put; was she ever wrong. The best advice I give before reading this is quite simple--do not read if you cannot understand advanced word, thought, or communicative processes. I not only found the book entertaining, but thought provoking, serious, deep, sincere, funny, personal, self-aware, and enjoyable to the very last word. The perfect blend of his own intelligent selection of words, combined with quotes from the masters give incredible insight to many of the mysteries of life and the human experience within it. If you prefer fluff--skip this one. On the other hand, if you are looking for an entertaining, thought provoking, inside view of the intelligent mind within all of us--read Why Not?: Fifteen Reasons to Live. You will not be disappointed. Mike Ritchie

I only made it a quarter of the way through this book because I couldn't sleep. Once the sun came up, I packed it up for a return. I'm not even going to try to actually review the content, because it's so questionable. I mean, really, what can you say about somebody who basically wrote a book about nothing using only their thesaurus as a roadmap? Just. Don't. Bother.

A very few interesting thoughts interspersed with a lot of drivel make this a bit of a slog to get through. His overuse of quotes from much more eloquent authors is annoying and is a reminder that the author of this book really has very little to say.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Why Not?: Fifteen Reasons to Live Drop 14 Pounds in 3 Weeks (2nd Edition): Lose Weight, Feel Great, and Live Healthy: Effective Tips to Burn Fat, Get Stronger, and Boost Energy (Live Lean, Live Healthy, Live Happy) IS THIS WHY AFRICA IS? (Why Africa is poor, Why Africa is not developing, What Africa needs, What Africa needs to develop): Africa, Africa, Africa, Africa Africa, Africa, Ebola, Ebola, Ebola, Ebola Why Wait? 24 Reasons for Abstinence (PowerPoint presentation) 101 Reasons Why He Won't Commit To You: The Secret Fears, Doubts, And Insecurities That Prevent Most Men From Getting Married "I hate my parents!": The real and unreal reasons why youth is angry Mile Markers:Ã Â The 26.2 Most Important Reasons Why Women Run Juice Up Your Life - Juicing Made Easy Guide And Tips, Live Healthy, Live Better, Live Longer! (Juicing Guide, Juicing Recipes) Live Your Life, Not Your Diagnosis: How to Manage Stress and Live Well with Multiple Sclerosis What Your Doctor May Not Tell You About(TM) IBS: Eliminate Your

Symptoms and Live a Pain-free, Drug-free Life (What Your Doctor May Not Tell You About...(Paperback)) Why Do Christians Shoot Their Wounded?: Helping (Not Hurting) Those with Emotional Difficulties (Not Hurting Those With Emotional Difficulties) Why Can't My Child Behave?: Why Can't She Cope? Why Can't He Learn? The Feingold Diet updated for today's busy families Fifteen Minutes Outside: 365 Ways to Get Out of the House and Connect with Your Kids No More Aching Back: Dr. Root's Fifteen-Minute-A-Day Program for a Healthy Back The Fight for Fifteen: The Right Wage for a Working America The Little Book Of Solitaire: More Than Fifteen Versions Of The Classic Card Game Complete Deck Of Cards Attached Fifteen Young Men: Australia's Untold Football Tragedy Fifteen Songs and Airs for Soprano or Tenor from the Operas and the Odes: English Language Edition (Kalmus Edition) The Fifteen Decisive Battles of the World: From Marathon to Waterloo (Illustrated) Fifteen One-Act Plays

[Dmca](#)