

I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land By Connie Willis **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** The cover drew me in and three things convinced me to read this book:1) Connie Willis wrote the doomsday book and it was seriously one of the best books I have ever read ;2) It is a Subterranean Press book and they do great work; and3) The story takes place in a bookstore. **Fantasy I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** The books seem to be shelved with no organization.

## **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser**

Those of us readers who cling to our beloved physical copies of childhood favourites and wish we could visit the lost Library in Alexandria will highly enjoy this story of Connie Willis. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** This be the last read in me April BookBum Club Challenge! Much thanks to the BookBum Club for giving me the incentive to finally read this wonderful “short and sweet” book (168 pgs). **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** These pieces include her Hugo Award winning novels Doomsday Book and To Say Nothing of the Dog and the short story Fire Watch found in the short story collection of the same name. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landxn fyre** Her protagonists are typically beset by single minded people pursuing illogical agendas such as attempting to organize a bell ringing session in the middle of a deadly epidemic (Doomsday Book) or frustrating efforts to analyze near death experiences by putting words in the mouths of interviewees (Passage). **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land for sale** {site\_link} Jim is in New York City at Christmastime shopping a book based on his blog—Gone for Good—premised on the fact that “being nostalgic for things that have disappeared is ridiculous. **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land rover** After Jim bombs a contentious interview with a radio host who defends the sacred technology of the printed tangible book he gets caught in a rainstorm only to find himself with no place to take refuge other than a quaint old-fashioned bookshop. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book series** But it’s only after Jim leaves that he understands the true nature of Ozymandias and how tragic it is that some things may be gone forever... From beloved multiple-award-winning New York Times best-selling author Connie Willis comes I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land a novella about the irreplaceable magic of books. **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique landslide** A modern day fable about a modern day man a tech committed blogger so sold on the out with the old in with the new thing that his digitally addled brain can’t compute the importance of actual physical book preservation. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** The idea of a blog based on the argument that losing obsolescent things/processes/products is a Good Thing (in the old-fashioned Martha Stewart sense) stirs my Old Testamentness and makes me long for someone to bash into the dust with the Absolute Rightness of my refutations. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book pdf free** ) Connie Willis has written two books I've liked this one and Inside Job; I think she's got some good story ideas but was turned off by her too-frequently arch storytelling voice. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land ebook download** )So understand this about my four-star rating of this tale: It is like a narwhal real but so freaky to see in actual factual reality that it could spawn myths of unicorn-mermaid hybrids. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** Science Fiction Fantasy Hard to rate as a story as it’s really a plea to consider what happens when books are lost and ruined by fire or floods or are not digitized but your library thinks they are and de-acquisitions books and they can no longer be found. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land ebook** In an era where the e-book is a popular form Fantasy A mildly entertaining novella for book lovers but it is a little thin on ideas in keeping with its thinness of size. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** -- but I was also quite viscerally offended by her assertion that librarians randomly cull library books without any thought to their rarity or intrinsic value beyond current popularity. **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** Does Willis hate libraries or something? \*\* I received a Review Copy of this book via NetGalley \*\* Science Fiction Fantasy



Way back in either 1992 or 1993 I was at an American Library Association meeting. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book pdf free** Along with the usual business meetings and demonstrations the program listed an event where Science Fiction writers would read from their books and as I found out later not only sign the books but give them away. **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** Antique Land is the story of Jim a blogger who believes all that is shiny and new is good while all that is old and dusty and unpopular is of no worth in our high-tech society. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land fantasy art** Jim flames out in a radio interview where the host derides Jim for believing that such artifacts as the printed book should disappear and despite ebooks and Kindles that printed books form part of our heritage. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark song** Back on the street after the interview Jim ducks out of a rainstorm and into a bookstore not a shiny and new bookstore but one of the classics with books piled everywhere a sleeping cat and no discernible system of organization. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book pdf** Through her characters she underlines the unfortunate truth that libraries are not preservation centers all libraries have finite space and little interest in warehousing books no one seems to want to read. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land kindle book** I still have my signed copy of The Doomsday Book and it's excellence means it is unlikely to go out of print soon but millions of books are under threat of disappearing forever. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book series** Gone for good as Jim would have it Science Fiction Fantasy It showed up in my feed from Richard and I immediately downloaded a copy and immediately read it because I love Connie Willis' writing that much. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book summary** And yes I am full of the irony of the Amazon Kindle system which permits me to buy a text but to only enable me to keep a copy as long as I own a dedicated reader and as long as Amazon is able and willing to keep giving me access to it. **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land for sale** The main character is simultaneously a punching bag for Willis's ideas about books in general and so incredibly stupid that what is immediately obvious to the reader is presented as a huge revelation at the end. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** He's one-dimensional and oblivious and the ideas he represents (digital works in general as well as digitization) are presented so ham-handedly that it makes you wonder how anyone else would ever take him seriously except that apparently people do. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** Ignoring the slightly absurd idea that removing from libraries the books that are never checked out somehow will lead to destroying them for all eternity the lack of refreshing a collection means that library usage will drop because of the (correct) perception that there's nothing new and it's poorly maintained. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landnsea** This short novella is a story of a single episode - a guy (writing a blog about how books might be a tad obsolete but who cares) wanders New York in the rain ends up in a magical place takes too long to realise the place is magic but is taught a valuable lesson. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** A lot and sadly it feels like a rehash of old themes - books being pruned Bellwether style mentions to St Paul's cathedral people not listening when they should or the daily routines overtaking what truly matters.

## **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit**

Fantasy Ahoy there me mateys! I received this fantasy eARC from NetGalley in exchange for an honest review: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land ebook pdf** It actually feels at first like yer reading a true-life account. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** She captures a moment where changing technology and nostalgia collide and makes ye think due to her masterful writing. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book pdf** Thank you Subterranean Press! Check out me other reviews at <https://thecaptainsquartersblog>: **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique landslide Science Fiction.**

### **EPub I Met a Traveller in an Antique land for sale**

Constance Elaine Trimmer Willis is an American science fiction writer, **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land rover** She is one of the most honored science fiction writers of the 1980s and 1990s, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book review** She has won among other awards ten Hugo Awards and six Nebula Awards. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book pdf** Willis most recently won a Hugo Award for All Seated on the Ground (August 2008). **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land ebook pdf** She was the 2011 recipient of the Damon Knight Memorial Grand Master Award from the Science Fiction Writers of America (SFWA). **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land bookworm** She lives in Greeley Colorado with her husband Courtney Willis a professor of physics at the University of Northern Colorado: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land kindle paperwhite** She has written several pieces involving time travel by history students and faculty of the Constance Elaine Trimmer Willis is an American science fiction writer: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book** She is one of the most honored science fiction writers of the 1980s and 1990s. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** She has won among other awards ten Hugo Awards and six Nebula Awards. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** Willis most recently won a Hugo Award for All Seated on the Ground (August 2008): **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landnsea** She was the 2011 recipient of the Damon Knight Memorial Grand Master Award from the Science Fiction Writers of America (SFWA). **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land rover** She lives in Greeley Colorado with her husband Courtney Willis a professor of physics at the University of Northern Colorado, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book series** She has written several pieces involving time travel by history students and faculty of the future University of Oxford. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** " Progress decides for people what they need and what's obsolete, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land kindle paperwhite** Jim wanders intrigued through stacks of tomes he doesn't quite recognize the titles of none with prices. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** Here he discovers a mysteriously pristine seemingly endless wonderland of books—where even he gets nostalgic for his childhood favorite, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landxn fyre** And yes the overwhelmed and busy clerk showing him around says they have a copy, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land ebook3000** I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land Being a book lover means I also love stories about book libraries etc: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book series** so this novella seemed right up that book loving alley of mine: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book series** Plus I wanted to try the author I've heard so much about: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** Lo and behold a rainy day finds him stumbling through the streets of New York City and into one of antiquarian bookstores he believes are right to go extinct, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book review** And of course Ozymandias (Look at my works ye mighty and despair. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land fantasy art** In fact the title is from the same source but mildly altered) Books isn't just any old bookstore it's a veritable depository of treasures...or for us readers it's a moral, **EBook I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** So it's a Christmas Carol style parable the man is shown the error of his ways and his worldview is reformed, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landxn fyre** Not quite as elegant though

the moral here is very heavy handed for one thing the writing isn't as imaginative, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** Also someone fact check this thing please before it goes into publication commanding \$40 for a limited print. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** Sleepy as I am fast approaching midnight this glaring error can't be overlooked...The Great Fire of London took place a year later than 1665 as the book has it: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** Is it irony or just negligence to get such an important date wrong while proselytizing the importance of knowledge, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land kindle** I don't think I'm going to invest the time to investigate other dates for such a brief read it seems like a disproportionate investment of time: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book review** This was cute enough and it works as a cautionary tale but then again readers everywhere already knows all this and nonreaders by definition don't get to find out, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book summary** There is a good amount of books out there in similar vein that are really terrific this one was just enjoyable enough and refreshingly brief. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** Science Fiction Fantasy Rating: A solid sincere 4\* of fiveI encountered this tale in a Kindle-sale email and thought I've never heard of this one! Off I go to see: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land pdf editor** and of course I \*have\* read it as I recalled as soon as I ogled the terrible cover. **Fantasy I Met a Traveller in an Antique land rover** I bought it it was a whoppin' 99¢ and even \*I\* can blow a buck to re-experience the story. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** Jim is taught the error of his ways in this brief novella and in a satisfying manner: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land epub download** I would sell your mother dear reader into a life of horrifying cruel servitude to be admitted to Ozymandias's Books, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landnsea** (My own mother is dead therefore unsuited to the purpose of exchanging things of value: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book pdf** (See To Say Nothing of the Dog for the apotheosis of this issue; I was panther-screaming outraged by the thing: **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** Science Fiction there are no prices in any of the books and the store goes on forever, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land kindle store** As Jim enters further into the bookstore and learns more about its function his idea of the disposability of the physical book begins to change, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land Science fictional** Cynical man walks into mysterious book depository where they collect at risk books. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** Nearly the entire story consists of one of the employees explaining things to the man who has snuck into the work area under false pretenses: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land epub download** She claims to be super busy yet she is somehow able to spend all this time with him and does not question his presence: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book review** Man realizes that printed books are wonderful and have value. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** I appreciate Willis' identification of all the different ways in which books can be lost -- fire flood time children etc. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land pdf converter** First off it's called weeding not culling and it is an important part of library function and maintenance and it is never done as blindly as Willis seems to think: **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** No librarian would toss out a rare or scarce book of any kind and certainly not without checking for other available copies, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landxn fyre** I went along and happily sat there while Connie Willis John Barnes Lisa Mason and Gene Wolfe read from their latest books: **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** Among the signed books I walked away with was Willis's excellent Doomsday Book. **PDF I Met a Traveller in an Antique land rover** Reading her new novella I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land last night I was reminded of that reading. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** The thrust of his blog appropriately titled Gone for Good is that "being nostalgic for things that have disappeared is ridiculous, **EBook I Met a Traveller in an Antique landslide** "Jim is in New York City as several publishers have expressed in publishing his blog as a book. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land epub download** As Jim waits out the rain he wanders the store reinforcing his anti-nostalgia views as he browses the shelves. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** Jim will soon meet a woman whose views on the printed book are in precise opposition to his. **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land rover** He will learn of the high mortality rate for

books through fires floods earthquakes reader abuse decay and a general lack of interest. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** Connie Willis's novella is both entertaining and an excellent lesson in cultural amnesia. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** It's very sad not quite Last of the Winnebagos sad but heading that way, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book summary** There are a tremendous number of books that no one wants [right now] and I don't expect anyone to try and save everything. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book series** But today I finished a book I haven't read in 47 years and being able to remember enough to hunt up a replacement copy is just a little bit magic: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** It isn't necessary to preserve all the books: just the ones anyone might ever want to take a peak at. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land fantasy book** Not having to store or carry hundreds of books is a boon but it's very strange to spend money on books as ephemeral as leprechaun gold. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land ebook download** Science Fiction Fantasy Generally speaking I love Connie Willis's fiction. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** Strictly from a plotting standpoint there's nothing positive to say about this book: **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** That's because this is little more than a screed against ebooks against digital preservation and against libraries engaging in collection development. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** Willis touched on this idea in Bellwether but while it was charming and fun there here she presents it as akin to book burning. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** Somewhere along the way Willis seems to have decided that libraries and archives should be synonymous which is frankly absurd: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landnsea** Without the weeding part of collection development there's no room for new additions: **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** If anything Willis (and the protagonist) miss the obvious bridge between the two viewpoints presented in this book; digital preservation can keep these books from vanishing forever, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land book pdf free** Why not join forces? But that idea is lost here and the end result is a story that comes across as shrill and unyielding. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land ebook pdf** Willis's authorial voice ultimately feels as inflexible as that of her main character, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landxn fyre** Despite a short page count it took me three months to finish this book because halfway through I put it down with a feeling of profound distaste. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landzoo** And the sad thing is as someone who's in the process of giving away a lot of books I know what an agonizing decision each departure is, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land epub free** I am in many ways the target audience as there's that perpetual fear of if I give this away I will never ever be able to read it ever again, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landxn fyre** It will take however someone with a defter and more reasoned touch to write that story in a way that will resonate with me: **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** Science Fiction Fantasy I received an ARC courtesy of NetGalley and the publisher in exchange for an honest review, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** I feel like this was a bit of a waste of Connie Willis's talent and had all of its weaknesses and only a little of its strength, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landnsea** There is some material to like here - the place is written with love and the stories of forgotten and lost books give this a nostalgic atmosphere. **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landport** Unfortunately the story has little beyond the place and its ambience and the books themselves, **Fantasy I Met a Traveller in an Antique land cruiser** The character is somewhat insufferable - the story is of course about him learning his lesson but I'm not convinced he needed to require that lesson quite so badly: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique Land epub file** And the didacticism is fairly obvious and the ending - less than convincing or satisfactory: **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landmark credit** I think the allusions to Connie Willis's other novels were quite pleasant though: **Book I Met a Traveller in an Antique landslide** Overall however if I had bought it I don't think I would have been satisfied, **I Met a Traveller in an Antique landnsea** I love Connie Willis but she did this theme better in other places and this short story feels kind of like a filler dead-end. So here are me honest musings . . .I loved this quick paced novella by Connie Willis. Then the protagonist enters Ozymandias Books. It is no ordinary bookstore. Day four - challenge complete! Arrrrr! So lastly . . .wordp. She also has one daughter Cordelia. Willis is known for her

accessible prose and likable characters. She also has one daughter Cordelia. Willis is known for her accessible prose and likable characters. Willis tends to the comedy of manners style of writing. It's that simple. Of course not everyone agrees. Ozymandias Books is not just any store. And 60 minutes later the verdict is...ok. Thanks Netgalley. If Jim existed in real life and his blog. Gone For Good. was a real blog I'd be all over it. Otherwise well bye Mama. There is a supernatural twist. That is pretty much it. Okay. I mean seriously. After reading that I was an instant fan. Willis weaves some impressive statistics into her tale. It's not a didactic approach it's wistful and sad. Now I have to go back and see what Richard thought. But this is one of those big big exceptions. The last of the three is in many ways the worst. This ultimately comes across as embarrassing at best. The cover sure is nice though. 2.5 stars. Science Fiction Fantasy It is very Connie Willis. Science Fiction Fantasy.