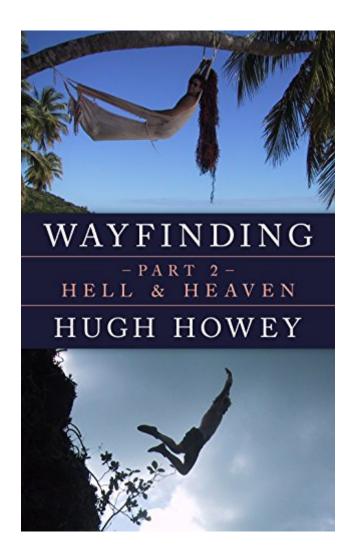


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Synopsis

In part one of this series, we looked at a series of experiments that called into question the concept of free will. Here, we confront that idea more directly, and the exploration reveals a path whereby we might gain more control over our lives. At the same time, the adventure with Billy continues as the boat breaks down and Douglas and I find ourselves marooned on a strange island in the middle of nowhere.

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In Part 2 of Wayfinding, Hugh Howey delves deeper into the concept of free will. Using analogies to the laboratory rats and Thor Heyerdahl's raft Kon Tiki that were introduced in Part 1, the author states that our real journey begins when we realize that we can deviate from our paths when we decide to take command of our lives. Imagine the place we want to go, and have the courage to set off. The author writes that there is overwhelming evidence that there is no such thing as free will, but that we feel an equally overwhelming desire to believe in free will. And that brings up the concept of a paradox, where we hold two mutually incompatible ideas. Can a paradox act as a signpost

pointing us toward greater understanding? According to the author, the answer is yes. Our wills may not be free, but they can be bent, and it all begins with the paradox of free will. The last section of the book continues Howey's voyage across the Caribbean Sea. At the end of Part 1, he was in grave danger, with a bad storm battering the boat and the boat's motor failing. Obviously he survived, but the story has a most unlikely end to it.

Maybe because it's 3am and I needed something to calm my anxiety, reading this has helped. Your description of the island is a beautiful analog for life. There is good and bad in every situation but it's our ability to realize our environment that allows us to choose our response.

As always Hugh provides a thought provoking fun ride. I generally don't enjoy self help type books...so I was skeptical. What's this author, no matter how much I enjoy his fiction, going to tell me about life? Turns out a lot, somehow making it feel like him and I are having a fun discussion...maybe on an island somewhere...

Worthwhile art will provoke conversation with your inner muse as will good writing. Hugh Howey's adventure cajoles you into your own inner adventure. How can you not like that? Thoughtful and provoking. I really like his work.

More repetitive and didn't have me convinced with his free will theory. Left out a lot that could have been included in a discussion on free will and had a narrow idea of it in the long run. The story of his travels was great though

Deep thoughts

Beautiful book. If I had free will I'd give this book a 6 star rating, but I am unfortunately constrained by a 5 star system. Paradox rocks?!

Able to read this in less than an hour. Also was under a \$1 to buy. Enjoy reading these short installments about sailing and his insights on life. Thanks again Hugh.

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