Under The Eye Of The Clock: A Memoir

A Memoir by
Christopher Nolan

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Christopher Nolan’s injuries at birth left him severely disabled and handicapped; he was entirely paralyzed and unable to communicate, but he had so much to say and was burning to express his innermost thoughts and ideas and share them with the world. Nolan’s autobiography told in the third person through a narrator named Joseph Meehan is an astonishingly lyrical and inspired work, filled with powerful description and touching moments of triumph, sadness, anger, and above all disarming wit. Nolan’s story has a touching and breathtaking intensity, whether recounting his battle with local authorities to attend an ordinary school, going on a "normal" vacation, or his ultimate triumph of finally being able to share the insight and whimsy of his inner world. Filled with linguistic puzzles, this bestseller in Britain and the United States and Whitbread Prize winner features a unique voice that comes from a deep place many will never understand, but that is enrapturing nevertheless.

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A master piece!! I have a daughter who became handicapped when she was 15 y and I could relate with the writer when he says that people looked at him differently or talked to him as a third person as he couldn’t understand. And is exactly what they do to her. He is also have an awesome sense of humor!!

I found this book tedious to read. I kept thinking I would "get into" it and it would be better but it seemed to just continue to be incomprehensible at times with a fleeting storyline that was almost
interesting.

required reading for my graduate class. A little redundant and author tried too hard to use fancy words but the backstory of him is touching

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