

Personality
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RUSKIN BOND

- He is Ruskin Bond.
- He was born on 19 May 1934 in Kasauli, Himachal Pradesh.
- He was an Indian author.
- He has authored more than 500 short stories, essays, and novels which includes 69 books for children.
- Most of his works are influenced by life in the hill stations at the foothills of the Himalayas, where he spent his childhood.
- His first novel, *The Room on the Roof*, was written when he was 16 and published when he was 21 in 1956, and it received the John Llewellyn Rhys Prize in 1957.
- His first children's book, *Angry River*, was published in 1972.
- His stories have been adapted into a Doordarshan TV series *Ek Tha Rusty* and films were made based on his novels like *A Flight of Pigeons, Susanna's Seven Husband*
- The movie based on his popular novel for children, *The Blue Umbrella* won the National Film Award for Best Children's Film.
- He was awarded the Padma Shri in 1999 and Padma Bhushan in 2014.