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### Review

“A loving documentary and brutal fable, a mix of compassion and stoicism [that] sums up the experience of the Holocaust with as much power and as little pretension as any other work I can think of.”

–*The New Republic*

“A quiet triumph, moving and simple—impossible to describe accurately, and impossible to achieve in any medium but comics.”

–*The Washington Post*

“Spiegelman has turned the exuberant fantasy of comics inside out by giving us the most incredible fantasy in comics’ history: something that actually occurred.... The central relationship is not that of cat and mouse, but that of Art and Vladek. *Maus* is terrifying not for its brutality, but for its tenderness and guilt.”

–*The New Yorker*

“All too infrequently, a book comes along that’s as daring as it is acclaimed. Art Spiegelman’s *Maus* is just such a book.”

–*Esquire*

“An epic story told in tiny pictures.”

–*The New York Times*

“A remarkable work, awesome in its conception and execution... at one and the same time a novel, a documentary, a memoir, and a comic book. Brilliant, just brilliant.”

–Jules Feffer

### From the Back Cover

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### About the Author

Art Spiegelman is a contributing editor and artist for *The New Yorker*, and a co-founder / editor of *Raw*, the acclaimed magazine of avant-garde comics and graphics. His drawings and prints have been exhibited in museums and galleries here and abroad. Honors he has received for *Maus* include the Pulitzer Prize, a Guggenheim fellowship, and nominations for the National Book Critics Circle Award. He lives in New York City with his wife, Françoise Mouly, and their two children, Nadja and Dashiell.

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