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Miss" "Read : Peaceful Retirement (Windsor Selections S) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Peaceful Retirement (Windsor Selections S):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Life after retirementBy Diane ThompsonFairacre's beloved headmistress Miss Read has retired and is looking forward to days of peaceful solitude and to the luxury of being able to do whatever she wants whenever she wants. Instead she finds demands on her time from concerned who are determined that she find something to do. She must also cope with the attentions of two men who are interested in her. What will she do with her retirement years? This is another delightful novel from Miss Read. I recommend it highly. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. BeautifulBy Sonia Beautiful wrap-up of Miss Read's teacher's road to retirement - as always, wonderfully written. Wish I could thank the author. Sonia 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Liked it --By M. Brogdon I liked it a lot better than the one just before it. But, it ended before I was ready for it to.

Far from peaceful, Miss Read's first year of retirement is filled with homespun adventures, as this charming book brings the Fairacre series of novels to a close. Having bid farewell to her pupils at Fairacre School, Miss Read finds herself as busy and in demand as ever, on holiday in Florence, helping with church and school affairs, and offering a kindly ear to her often eccentric neighbors. Soon she is counseling Henry Mawne on his thorny marriage, gently resisting her own perennial suitor, John Jenkins, and, finally, discovering her talent for writing. Once again, Miss

Read's affection for the minutiae of village life, her love of nature, and her good humor make her excellent company. Miss Read's many fans will have more to look forward to: the author will continue to add to her Thrush Green series of novels.

"An occasional visit to Fairacre offers a restful change from the frenetic pace of the contemporary world." (Publishers Weekly) About the Author Miss Read is the pseudonym of Mrs. Dora Saint, a former schoolteacher beloved for her novels of English rural life, especially those set in the fictional villages of Thrush Green and Fairacre. The first of these, *Village School*, was published in 1955, and Miss Read continued to write until her retirement in 1996. In the 1998, she was awarded an MBE, or Member of the Order of the British Empire, for her services to literature. She lives in Berkshire. From AudioFile Miss Read's books are like comfort food for the soul. The stories are wholesome, familiar and untroubling. In this story Miss Read leaves her job as schoolmistress of Fairacre School and settles down to retired life. She receives advice, volunteer work, writing assignments and the opportunity to be a marriage counselor. Sian Phillips, the distinguished actress, reads the story in a thoroughly professional, cultured manner. Hers is a solid, determined Miss Read and not a frail old lady who simply rests and roams about her gardens. For those seeking to return in spirit to a simpler place, this story about retirement in a Cotswold village is just the thing. D.L.G. (c) AudioFile 2000, Portland, Maine-- Copyright © AudioFile, Portland, Maine