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## **Neil Pasricha**

Author of The Book of Awesome, 1000 Awesome Things, and The Book of (Even More) Awesome

Sometimes the simplest things in life can bring us the most happiness. The cold side of the pillow, finding money in your coat pocket, and snow days are only a few of the things Neil Pasricha thinks are awesome. He wants to share all of them with the world.

nooo Awesome Things and The Book of Awesome point out universal feelgood signposts that help us stay afloat in troubling times. Pasricha's uplifting lists serve not as fluffy distractions or placating gimmicks, but as reminders of why "life really is awesome after all" (The Guardian) and how we can enjoy it to its fullest by focusing on the things that fill us with joy. As a speaker, Pasricha brims with passion and charisma and tells audiences how focusing on awesome has helped him through tough times and can help change your perspective on life.

## And the following presentations:

- OLA President's Award for Exceptional Achievement: Jim Brett, University of Guelph
- OLA's Les Fowlie Intellectual Freedom Award: Margaret Ann Wilkinson, University of Western Ontario







## The sound of rain from inside a tent... AWESOME!?

- Neil Pasricha

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