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**Nikolay Gogol : The Inspector General: A Comedy** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Inspector General: A Comedy:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A Bit More Than Just a Funny SatireBy Bella Maria DelorusBrilliant, I enjoyed this play,a good read with plenty of humour. For me what was interesting however is not so much the plays main subject of the satire of petty officials but the other side to the play, the deeper characterization of the supposed Government Inspector the Governor and his wife. The play to me is about the hopes and dreams of petty

officials who given half a chance wax eloquent about how big and important they or they dream that they are they fool others but they fool themselves, one of the tragedies of life really. Look at the hotel manager in Thorogoods Hotel Le Big Knob to get the gist of what I am saying here. Gogols play is easy to read, enjoyable and would be a romp on the stage and strangely the people in it are flawed but very likeable.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent satireBy Timothy A. HardyGogol does an excellent job of showing the depths of corruption in 19th century Russia. The characters all see the corruption in others but not themselves.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Russian Classic - relevant for today and anytime in the future.By A. L. JermaineThis is such a famous Russian work that it needs few words from me. Don't buy the movie version starring Danny Kaye - you will be let down.

The Inspector General, also known as The Government Inspector, is a satirical play by the Russian and Ukrainian dramatist and novelist Nikolai Gogol originally published in 1836. The play is a comedy of errors, satirizing human greed, stupidity, and the extensive political corruption of Imperial Russia.

About the AuthorNikolai Gogol was a Russian novelist and playwright born in what is now considered part of the modern Ukraine. By the time he was 15, Gogol worked as an amateur writer for both Russian and Ukrainian scripts, and then turned his attention and talent to prose. His short-story collections were immediately successful and his first novel, The Government Inspector, was well-received. Gogol went on to publish numerous acclaimed works, including Dead Souls, The Portrait, Marriage, and a revision of Taras Bulba. He died in 1852 while working on the second part of Dead Souls.