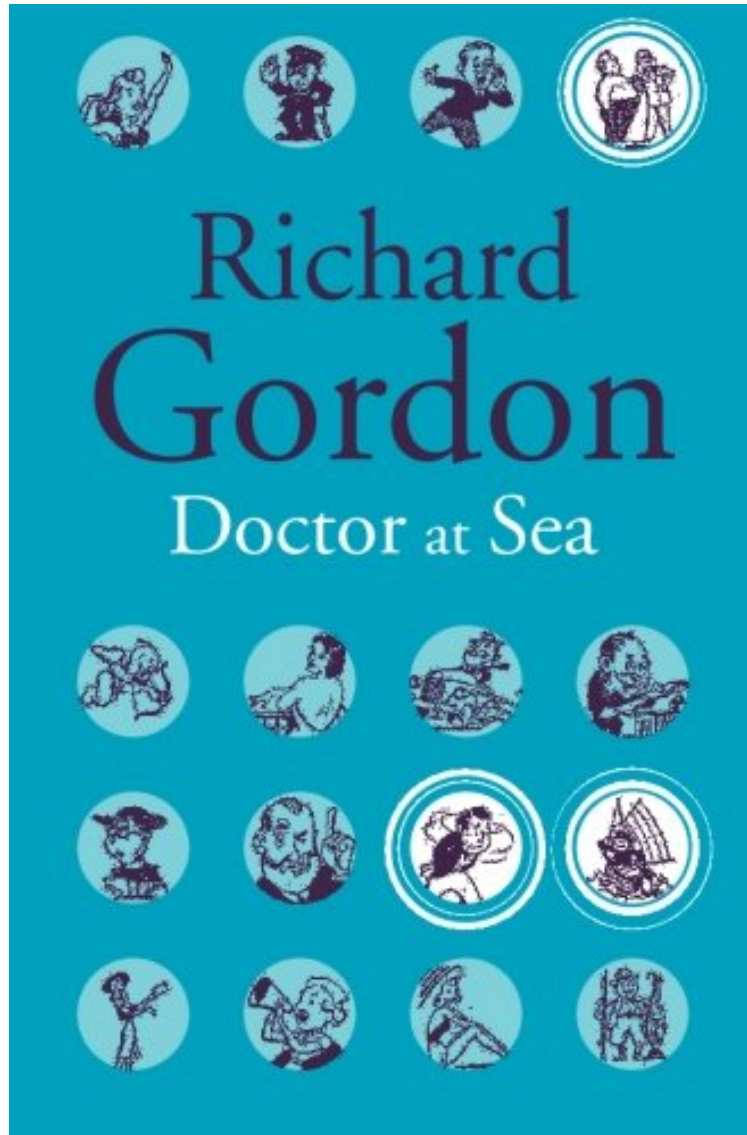


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Richard Gordon : Doctor At Sea before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Doctor At Sea:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Just a nice storyBy Paul RooneyThe second installment in the "Doctor" series. Our hero signs on as ships surgeon in the merchant marine and travels to South America on a tramp steamer.I enjoyed this more than the first book. This was interesting in how a tramp steamer functioned in pre-containerization days. The characters that make up a crew are equally fascinating.Again no belly laughs but very

amusing and interesting. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Laughter is the best medicine
By SBwMD
This series of doctor stories was recommended to me by English friends and life is a bit sweeter because of it. You don't have to be in the medical field to enjoy them although if you are, there will be times you are both laughing and nodding your head in professional agreement. At times it is as though PG Wodehouse got himself a medical degree, endured a long residency and then decided to write about it. Funny stuff.
1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A good re-read
By M. Stewart
I first read this book at age 12 - loved it then, loved it just much the second time. Very funny even though we Americans probably miss some of the English jokes. This book is one of Gordon's "Doctor" series, all of which are hilarious and well worth purchasing. Highly recommended.

Richard Gordon's life was moving rapidly towards middle-aged lethargy – or so he felt. Employed as an assistant in general practice – the medical equivalent of a poor curate – and having been 'persuaded' that marriage is as much an obligation for a young doctor as celibacy for a priest, Richard sees the rest of his life stretching before him. Losing his nerve, and desperately in need of an antidote, he instead signs on with the Fathom Steamboat Company. What follows is a hilarious tale of nautical diseases and assorted misadventures at sea. Yet he also becomes embroiled in a mystery – what is in the Captain's stomach remedy? And more to the point, what on earth happened to the previous doctor?

'Sheer unadulterated fun' (Star)
About the Author
Richard Gordon is best-known for his hilarious 'Doctor' books and the long-running television series they inspired. Born in 1921, he qualified as a doctor and went on to work as an anaesthetist at the famous St Bartholomew's Hospital, before a spell as a ship's surgeon and then as assistant editor of the British Medical Journal. In 1952, before leaving medical practice in 1952 to take up writing full time and embarking upon the 'Doctor' series. Many of these are based on these experiences in the medical profession and are all told with the rye wit and candid humour that have become his hallmark. They have proved enduringly successful and have been adapted into both film and TV. His 'Great Medical Mysteries' and 'Great Medical Discoveries' concern the stranger aspects of the medical profession, whilst 'The Private Life' series takes a deeper look at individual figures within their specific medical and historical setting. Clearly an incredibly versatile writer, he will, however, always be best known for his comic tone coupled with remarkable powers of observation inherent in the hilarious 'Doctor' series. 'Mr Gordon is in his way the P G Wodehouse of the general hospitals' - The Daily Telegraph. 'I wish some more solemn novelists had half Mr Gordon's professional skills' - Julian Symonds, Sunday Times