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W. O. Mitchell's tales of Ma, a child, her twelve-year-old child, Jake, the hired hands, and the citizens of Crocus, Saskatchewan, began to appear in the web pages of Maclean's in 1942. Three hundred and twenty episodes had been produced in all. In 1950, the stories began operating on CBC Radio and continuing until 1956. Interlaced with these gems are Jake's many tall tales, of great fascination to both Child and all who listen in on these episodes. Relax and soak up an easier, gentler world as the city of Crocus comes to life in these brilliantly performed radio has featuring John Drainie as Jake and Billy Mae Richards as a child. Jake's friend and nemesis Aged Man Gatenby; Hear all about Crocus's barber Repeat Golightly (-I state, that's Repeat Golightly as in Do it again Golightly-); This radio classic is as wealthy in disputes since it is in individuals. the -prairie attorney,- George Solway, who sues the Crocus Breeze editor for claiming he looks like Malleable Brown's goat; and the Kid's Ma - who'll not really abide Pete Botrell's cheating the Kid in a horse race. This audiobook features a selection of those first recordings, drawn from the archives of CBC Radio.



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Jake and the Kid This classic story shouldn't to be missed. I liked all the stories; It's among those books that keep one feeling the world is not such a poor place after all, that most people are generally well worth knowing. And it does this kindly and lightly without having to be syrupy or smarmy. Great Stories About Prairie Life This is actually the original assortment of Jake and The Kid from 1961-62.W." The newer book is approximately 50% bigger than the original collection of short stories from 1962." They are stories about their lifestyle on a Saskatchewan farm near Crocus, Saskatchewan, which we can assume is realistic but fictional. The stories touch a whole lot of current and universal issues and themes including the individuals who fought in WWII, school teachers, health care, the courts, obtaining old, etc. His stories are often simple, but very

amusing. As a comment, Mitchell has a new 1989 collection also named following the famous 1950s CBC radio series and the sooner reserve titled "According to Jake and The Kid. The kid's ma is definitely alive, but the father is dead and Jake is normally a surrogate dad of sorts, not to mention he's the "hired hand" on the farm. In his time when Canada got a populace of fifteen to twenty million or so, he sold a little less than one million books and if he had been an American writer he probably could have been the same to John Steinbeck or similar. This is a great collection of 13 short stories, under 200 pages long. They are narrated by Jake and alternately by "a child. Mitchell is an extremely regarded Canadian prairie writer who wrote about existence in Canada. Few possess his talents for composing. He does the majority of the work and manages the planting and harvesting, etc. The stories are occur a time spanning the WWII era up to the early 1950s. We wrote with significant amounts of enthusiasm, humor, and emotion. most of these issues are still at the front of the sociable agenda. It resonates with young and aged and it's really impact is timeless. but, I especially liked the one where the kid got a fresh horse at the auction. Also, Mitchell can create a whole lot of attraction and attraction in his descriptions of the life on the occasionally bleak prairies. They leave the reader laughing or crying or both. O. This new collection has mostly all new stories, however, not 100%, and some of the stories are based on the original stories and have modified and improved plots. This is a wonderful collection. It is highly entertaining and most will like the book. Suggested follow-up reading are his additional two famous books: Jake and the Kid (1989) and Who Provides Seen The Wind (1947), both of training course by Mitchell.

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