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## Review of Paul Davies' Book: Cosmic Jackpot: Why Our Universe Is Just Right for Life

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### Abstract

As I agree with Davies remarkable conclusions, despite our disagreements, his book is very worth reading in my most critical opinion. Remember, our felt tension returns value to science. You can find this book at Amazon: [Cosmic Jackpot: Why Our Universe Is Just Right for Life](#).

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Xiv, 315 p. : 24 cm. Physicist Paul Davies shows how recent scientific discoveries point to a perplexing fact: many basic features of the physical universe--from the speed of light to the most humble carbon atom--seem tailor-made to produce life. A radical new theory says it's because our universe is just one of an infinite number of universes, each one slightly different. Our universe is bio-friendly by accident; we just happened to win the cosmic jackpot. While this multiverse theory is compelling, it has bizarre implications, from infinite copies of each of us to Matrix-like simulated universes Cosmic Jackpot, also published under the title The Goldilocks Enigma: Why is the Universe Just Right for Life?, is a 2007 non-fiction book by physicist and cosmologist Paul Davies, describing the idea of a fine-tuned universe. In Cosmic Jackpot, Davies argues that certain universal fundamental physical constants are precisely adjusted to make life in the Universe possible: that we have, in a sense, won a "cosmic jackpot," and that conditions are "just right" for life, as in The Story of the Three Articles > Astronomy > Cosmogony > Cosmic Jackpot: Why Our Universe Is Just Right for Life. Cosmic Jackpot: Why Our Universe Is Just Right for Life. Posted on May 10, 2007. Book Description. People have long gazed in wonder at the universe and asked, Why are we here? Until recently, the answer has been the province of priests and philosophers, but now scientists are starting to weigh in with ideas that are both surprising and deeply controversial. Paul Davies certainly feels these questions not only need answering, but that both must be answered together. The self-consciousness of the universe for him, is not the anthropocentric trivia that it has historically been relegated to by cosmologists and physicists.