

## *The Bedsitting Room*

### **A009.01 First edition, 1970**

**Author:** Spike Milligan and John Antrobus

**Dedication:** None

**Publication Details:** Margaret and Jack Hobbs, Walton-on-Thames, (12 Nov. 1970) (Amazon UK)

**Format:** Hardcover with dust jacket

**Design:** Peter Windett

**Identifier:** ISBN 10: 0851380123 ISBN 13: 978-0851380124 BNB: GB7111873

**Physical Description:** includes cast photographs, pp 73, 220cm x 140 x 12 mm, 236g

**Publication price:** £1.25

The Bedsitting Room is a set in post-nuclear England; the premise is that as a result of a nuclear war a man is changed into a bedsitting room.

The play was first staged at The Marlowe theatre in Canterbury in 1962 and then at London's Mermaid theatre in 1963. From there it moved to the Duke of York's theatre in the West End. The play ran until 1964 and then after a regional tour returned to London's West End again in 1967. It was made into a film in 1969.

Written in collaboration with John Antrobus this Spike's first and only book of a play, it was first published in 1970.



### **A009.02 Tandem paperback edition, 1972**

**Publication Details:** Universal-Tandem Co. Ltd., London, New e.edition (23 Aug 1972) (Amazon UK) Tandem Books (1972) (isbndb.com)

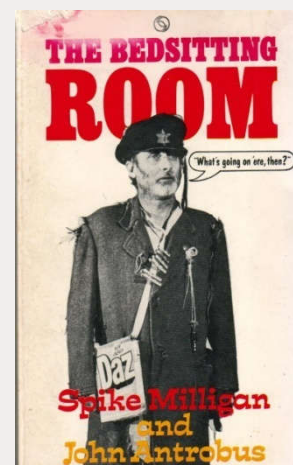
**Format:** Mass Market paperback

**Cover Design:** not credited

**Identifier:** ISBN 10: 0426068599 ISBN 13: 978-0426068594 BNB: GB7223660

**Physical Description:** 96 pp, 180 x 110 x 7 mm, 66g

**Publication price:** 25p



### A009.03 Tandem paperback edition, 1974

**Publication Details:** Universal Tandem Publishing Co. Ltd., London, 2nd Pntg edition, 1974 (isbndb.com)

**Format:**Mass Market paperback

**Cover Design:** not known

**Identifier:** ISBN 10: 0426135067 ISBN 13: 978-0426135067

**Physical Description:** 96 pp, 180 x 110 x 7 mm, 60g

The 1974 edition almost certainly has the same cover as the original 1973 paperback. Tandem gave it a new ISBN.

### A009.04 Tandem paperback edition, 1977

**Publication Details:** A Tandem Book published by Tandem Publishing Ltd., London, New impression edition (8 Dec 1977) (Amazon UK) (isbndb.com)

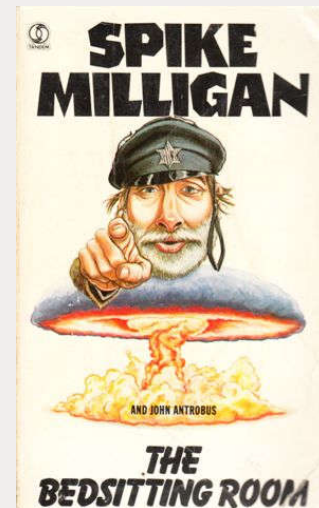
**Format:**Mass Market paperback

**Cover Design:** Cover illustration by Campbell/Bouttell

**Identifier:** ISBN-10 0426158008 ISBN-13 978-0426158004

**Physical Description:** 96 pages, 178 x 110 x 8 mm, 61 g.

**Publication Price:** 30p



### A009.05 W.H.Allen paperback edition, 1979

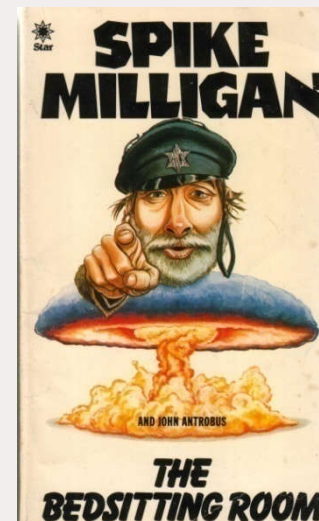
**Publication Details:** A Star Book published by the paperback Division of W.H. Allen Co. Ltd., London, New Ed edition (October 1979) (Amazon UK) (isbndb.com)

**Format:** Mass Market paperback

**Cover Design:** Cover illustration by Campbell/Bouttell

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