

## Milligan's Meaning of Life

### A089.01 First edition, 2011

**Author:** Spike Milligan

**Editor:** Norma Farnes

**Publication Details:** Viking An imprint of Penguin Books (21 September 2011)

**Dedication:** *This book is dedicated to Bill Kenwright, a piece of gold in show business\**  
*\*Borrowed from Spike*

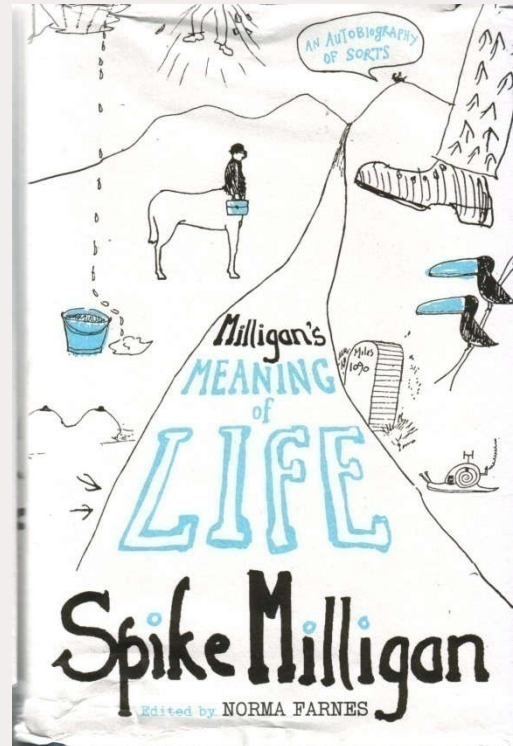
**Format:** Hardcover with dust jacket

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0670920762 ISBN-13: 978-0670920761 BNB: GBB172070

**Physical Description:** 316 pages 240 x 160 x 30 mm. 585 g.

**Publication price:** £20.00



This book marks a return to the publisher Penguin and a green Penguin at that. Spike would have approved?

It does seem to be Farnes attempt at something Alaexander Games did in *The Essential Milligan*, which is to match his writings to the various stages in his life.

A French edition was found although I have not found anybody who stocks it. French Amazon records it as a paperback, TPB possibly Trade paperback?

Four editions all with the same release date is also strange. Penguin do list up coming book releases on their website but it sometimes does not necessarily release books on that date. The fact that I cannot find a French language book for sale suggests they did not actually publish this edition.

### A089.02 Paperback edition - 2011

**Publication Details:** Viking Press Inc (6 Oct 2011) (Amazon UK)

**Format:** Trade Paperback

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

Cover Design:

**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0670920770 ISBN-13: 978-0670920778

**Physical Description:** 320 pages, 232 x 152 x 28 mm, 462 g.

**Publication price:** £8.99

### **A089.03 eBook edition 2011**

**Publication Details:** Viking (6 October 2011) (Penguin Books, 2015)

**Format:** eBook edition

**File Size:** 1511 KB

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

Cover Design:

**Identifier:** ISBN-13: 978-0670920785

**Physical Description:** 352 pp

**Publication price:** £5.50

### **A089.04 French paperback edition - 2011**

**Publication Details:** Viking (4 April 2013) (Amazon UK)

**Format:** Paperback

**Language:** French

**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0670921521 ISBN-13: 978-0670921522

Physical Description:

### **A089.05 Paperback edition - 2012**

**Publication Details:** Penguin Books Ltd. (07 Jun 2012)

**Format:** Mass market paperback

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

Cover Design:

**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0241955955 ISBN-13: 978-0241955956

**Physical Description:** 320 pages, 198 x 129 x 21 mm, 244g.

There is a doubt that this edition exists. The ISBN put into Amazon gets to the English language kindle version now (with another ISBN) which suggests this ISBN was once allotted to this book.

It could be that there was a proposed French edition and the ISBN allocated on that basis.

This is a smaller format paperback, the cover is similar to the earlier trade paperback edition.