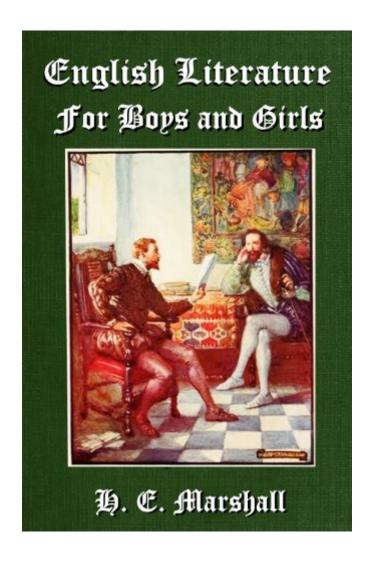


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# English Literature For Boys And Girls (Illustrated)





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English Literature for Boys and Girls is a five-star book; it is one of the best books I have found for introducing English Literature to children from the age of 9 or 10 through middle school. However, this large print edition is poorly edited. What a shame. The book deserves better.H. E. Marshall's vocabulary and sentence structure are complex, and reading this book will stretch the younger student's reading comprehension, but he or she will also be enticed into a love of English literature. This book provides the background a student should have before beginning to study the Great Books written in English. From ancient Irish legends to Chaucer to Alexander Pope to Alfred Lord Tennyson, all the greatest works of English literature are introduced here. In most chapters the text includes both the story of a particular work of literature and excerpts from the actual work itself, including some in archaic English. This gives rise to great discussions on the transformation of the English language over time. I own a copy of the text as originally published, and I purchased this large print edition to help my 9yo students to read the text without eye strain. However, this large print edition published by BiblioBazaar is in dire need of an editor. Many whole lines from the original are skipped in this edition, leaving the students scratching their heads in wonder at the already challenging-to-comprehend readings. Sometimes a footnote will be inserted in the text with the next paragraph printed as part of the footnote extending to the bottom of the next page, skipping the entire paragraph in the primary text. This seems to be a quick-published edition that was never edited properly. The shoddy editing is a shame since this book deserves to be in the hands of every young English-speaking student. I cannot recommend this book highly enough, but I strongly suggest purchasing a different edition. There is no excuse for the gross errors in this large-print edition.

Wonderful, gentle introduction to British literature with lots of historical and biographical nuggets. Unfortunately no table of contents, but it is chronological so it is not hard to find what you are looking for.

I absolutely love this book!! The stories are wonderful and very well written!

Great introduction to the Literature of the British Isles for anyone of any age. Very well done!

I read my grandfather's 11 plus exam and realised I couldn't have answered many of its questions when I was 15. Nowadays, this book would be read by adults to help them educate their children but really an intelligent 10 or 12 year old should be able to cope with this. As they probably aren't, I recommend this for any parent wishing to give their child a solid foundation in English Lit. She was brilliant. Homeschooling!!!

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