

## The Mansion By William Faulkner

William Cuthbert Falkner was born on September 25, 1897 in New Albany, Mississippi, the first of four sons of Murry Cuthbert Falkner (1870 - 1932) and Maud Butler (1871 - 1960). His family was upper middle-class, but "not quite of the old feudal cotton aristocracy". After Maud rejected Murry's plan to become a rancher in Texas, the family moved to Oxford, Mississippi in 1902, where Faulkner's father later became the business manager of the University of Mississippi. Besides short periods elsewhere, Faulkner lived in Oxford for the rest of his life. His family, particularly his mother Maud, his maternal grandmother Lelia Butler, and Caroline "Callie" Barr (the African American nanny who raised him from infancy) influenced the development of Faulkner's artistic imagination. Both his mother and his grandmother were avid readers as well as painters and photographers, educating him in visual language. While Murry enjoyed the outdoors and encouraged his sons to hunt, track, and fish, Maud valued education and took pleasure in reading and going to church. She taught her sons to read before she sent them to public school and she also exposed them to literary classics such as the works of Charles Dickens and the Grimms' Fairy Tales. Faulkner was influenced by stories of his great-grandfather and namesake William Clark Falkner. Falkner spent his boyhood listening to stories which were told to him by his elders including stories which were about the Civil War, slavery, the Ku Klux Klan, and

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the Falkner family. Falkner's grandfather also told him about the exploits of William's great-grandfather and namesake, William Clark Falkner, a successful businessman, writer, and Confederate hero. Telling stories about "Old Colonel", as his family called him, had already become something of a family pastime when Faulkner was a boy. According to one of Falkner's biographers, by the time William was born, his great-grandfather had "long since been enshrined as a household deity." Young William was greatly influenced by the history of his family and the region in which he lived. Mississippi marked his sense of humor, his sense of the tragic position of "black and white" Americans, his characterization of Southern characters, and his timeless themes, including fiercely intelligent people who are dwelling behind the façades of good ol' boys and simpletons. As a schoolchild, Faulkner had success early on. He excelled in the first grade, skipped the second, and did well through the third and fourth grades. However, beginning somewhere in the fourth and fifth grades of his schooling, Faulkner became a much quieter and more withdrawn child. He occasionally played hooky and became somewhat indifferent with regard to his schoolwork. Instead, he took an interest in studying the history of Mississippi on his own time, beginning in the seventh grade. The decline of his performance in school continued, and Falkner wound up repeating the eleventh and twelfth grades, never graduating from high school

This special epub edition includes all three of William Faulkner ' s Snopes novels: The

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Hamlet, The Town and The Mansion, which follow the lives of the larger-than-life fictional Snopes family of Mississippi. The novels The Hamlet and The Town document the town of Jefferson and its environs as members of the Snopes family, headed by Flem Snopes, manipulate themselves into prominence within the community. In the trilogy 's concluding novel, The Mansion, Flem 's Machiavellian worldview puts him at risk when the consequences of his life finally begin to catch up to him. Written during and after the Second World War, the Snopes novels explore themes about post-war life and economy, class struggles, and racial tensions in the American South. The Hamlet was loosely adapted into the film The Long, Hot Summer featuring Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward. HarperPerennial Classics brings great works of literature to life in digital form, upholding the highest standards in ebook production and celebrating reading in all its forms. Look for more titles in the HarperPerennial Classics collection to build your digital library.

Selected by the Modern Library as one of the 100 best novels of all time From the Modern Library 's new set of beautifully repackaged hardcover classics by William Faulkner—also available are Snopes, As I Lay Dying, The Sound and the Fury, Absalom, Absalom!, and Selected Short Stories One of William Faulkner 's most admired and accessible novels, Light in August reveals the great American author at the height of his powers. Lena Grove 's resolute search for the father of her unborn child begets a rich, poignant, and ultimately hopeful story of perseverance in the face of mortality. It

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also acquaints us with several of Faulkner ' s most unforgettable characters, including the Reverend Gail Hightower, plagued by visions of Confederate horsemen, and Joe Christmas, a ragged, itinerant soul obsessed with his mixed-race ancestry. Powerfully entwining these characters ' stories, Light in August brings to life Faulkner ' s imaginary South, one of literature ' s great invented landscapes, in all of its unerringly fascinating glory. Along with a new Foreword by C. E. Morgan, this edition reproduces the corrected text of Light in August as established in 1985 by Faulkner expert Noel Polk.

William Faulkner Manuscripts

The Portable Faulkner

The Way it was

The Saddest Words: William Faulkner's Civil War

Sanctuary

The Hamlet

*With contributions by: Greg Barnhisel, John N. Duvall, Kristin Fujie, Sarah E. Gardner, Jaime Harker, Kristi Rowan Humphreys, Robert Jackson, Mary A. Knighton, Jennifer Nolan, Carl Rollyson, Tim A. Ryan, Jay Satterfield, Erin A. Smith, and Yung-Hsing Wu William Faulkner's first ventures into print culture began far from the world of highbrow New York publishing houses such as Boni & Liveright or Random House and little magazines such as the Double-Dealer.*

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*With that diverse publishing history in mind, this collection explores Faulkner's multifaceted engagements, as writer and reader, with the United States and international print cultures of his era, along with how these cultures have mediated his relationship with various twentieth- and twenty-first-century audiences. These essays address the place of Faulkner and his writings in the creation, design, publishing, marketing, reception, and collecting of books, in the culture of twentieth-century magazines, journals, newspapers, and other periodicals (from pulp to avant-garde), in the history of modern readers and readerships, and in the construction and cultural politics of literary authorship. Several contributors focus on Faulkner's sensational 1931 novel Sanctuary to illustrate the author's multifaceted relationship to the print ecology of his time, tracing the novel's path from the wellsprings of Faulkner's artistic vision to the novel's reception among reviewers, tastemakers, intellectuals, and other readers of the early 1930s. Other essayists discuss Faulkner's early notices, the Saturday Review of Literature, Saturday Evening Post, men's magazines of the 1950s, and Cold War modernism.*

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*A collection of short stories focuses on the people of rural Mississippi*

*William Faulkner: Novels 1957-1962 (LOA #112)*

*Snopes*

*A Novel*

*A Reminiscence*

*The Novels of William Faulkner*

*Faulkner, Writer of Disability*

**Here, published in a single volume as he always hoped they would be, are the three novels that comprise William Faulkner's famous Snopes trilogy, a saga that stands as perhaps the greatest feat of this celebrated author's incomparable imagination. The Hamlet, the first book of the series chronicling the advent and rise of the grasping Snopes family in mythical Yoknapatawpha County, is a work that Cleanth Brooks called "one of the richest novels in the Faulkner canon." It recounts how the wily, cunning Flem Snopes dominates the rural community of Frenchman's Bend—and claims the voluptuous Eula Varner as his bride. The**

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Today, debates about globalization raise both hopes and fears. But what about during William Faulkner's time? Was he aware of worldwide cultural, historical, and economic developments? Just how interested was Faulkner in the global scheme of things? The contributors to Global Faulkner suggest that a global context is helpful for recognizing the broader international meanings of Faulkner's celebrated regional landscape. Several scholars address how the flow of capital from the time of slavery through the Cold War period in his fiction links Faulkner's South with the larger world. Other authors explore the literary similarities that connect Faulkner's South to Latin America, Africa, Spain, Japan, and the Caribbean. In essays by scholars

from around the world, Faulkner emerges in trans-Atlantic and trans-Pacific contexts, in a pan-Caribbean world, and in the space of the Middle Passage and the African Atlantic. The Nobel laureate's fiction is linked to that of such writers as Gabriel García Márquez, Wole Soyinka, Miguel de Cervantes, and Kenji Nakagami.

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The Collected Works of William Faulkner

William Faulkner. The Mansion

The Unvanquished

The Hamlet, The Town, and The Mansion

William Faulkner's The Mansion to be Published November 13



## **Snopes Trilogy**

*Reminiscences of people and events in the years from 1920-1925, in the literary world of the United States and Europe. A detailed account of the publishing of the literary magazine "Broom."*

*This is the second volume of Faulkner's trilogy about the Snopes family, his symbol for the grasping, destructive element in the post-bellum South. Like its predecessor *The Hamlet*, and its successor *The Mansion*, *The Town* is completely self-contained, but it gains resonance from being read with the other two. The story of Flem Snopes' ruthless struggle to take over the town of Jefferson, Mississippi, the book is rich in typically Faulknerian episodes of humor and of profundity.*

*From the emerging field of disability studies, Taylor Hagood offers the first book-length consideration of impairment in William Faulkner's life and writing. Blending biography, textual analysis, and theory in an experimental style, Hagood explores in both form and content the constructs of normality and their power. Hagood brings to light little-known and rarely discussed ways in which Faulkner's personal and familial background were marked by disability and discusses the ways the writer incorporates disability into his fiction. He reevaluates Faulkner's so-called "idiots"-Benjy Compson, Ike*

*Snopes, and others-as characters whose narratives both satisfy and shock the reader. Hagood also examines the roles that impairment and abnormality play in texts such as the stories "The Leg" and "The Kingdom of God" and the novels A Fable and Flags in the Dust. Highly original readings result, including new understandings of: the centrality of the visually impaired Pap in Sanctuary; the disability-centric social order based on interdependence in Pylon; and the disabled speech of Linda Snopes Kohl in The Mansion. Hagood argues that Faulkner's poetics are deeply invested in disability, both in promoting a disability-inclusive fictional world and in exposing and subverting the devaluation of disabled bodies and minds. Hagood draws on firsthand knowledge of his native of Ripley, Mississippi, the ancestral home of the Faulkners, to offer readers otherwise inaccessible contextual information. Moreover, by framing each section of his study within a different kind of discourse-newspaper style, biography, email, and advertisement-he uses the very structure of the book to underscore the questions of normalcy prevalent in disability studies. This rich and unconventional study offers insight into a Faulkner haunted by experiences of disablement and compelled to narrate them in his own writing.*

*Faulkner and His Snopes Family Reach the End of Their Trilogy*

*William Faulkner Manuscripts: v. 1-4. The Mansion*

*William Faulkner Collection 1957-1962*

*Surviving*

*The Town / The Mansion / The Reivers Hardcover Book*

*William Faulkner's Snopes Family*

**The Hamlet, the first novel of Faulkner's Snopes trilogy, is both an ironic take on classical tragedy and a mordant commentary on the grand pretensions of the antebellum South and the depths of its decay in the aftermath of war and Reconstruction. It tells of the advent and the rise of the Snopes family in Frenchman's Bend, a small town built on the ruins of a once-stately plantation. Flem Snopes -- wily, energetic, a man of shady origins -- quickly comes to dominate the town and its people with his cunning and guile.**

**The Mansion**Vintage

**Not a fragment, not quite a finished work, Father Abraham is the brilliant beginning of a novel which William Faulkner tried repeatedly to write, for a period of almost a decade and a half, during the earlier part of his career—the novel about the Snopes family which he finally completed and published as The Hamlet in 1940. Father Abraham, then, marks the inception of a work that altogether spans nearly the whole of Faulkner's career as a writer of fiction, a work that includes some of his best writing**

**and which, as it evolved, had profound effects upon much of the rest of it. After Father Abraham, no matter what other novels and stories he turned to, Faulkner's Snopeses would be a vital part of what he called the "lumber room" of his imagination, and the completion of their saga would be one his major ambitions—or obligations—as an artist.**

**Stories, Essays, Interviews**

**The Corrected Text**

**Requiem For A Nun**

**The Reivers**

**The Town**

Gavin Stevens, the wise and forbearing student of crime and the folk ways of Yoknapatawpha County, Mississippi, plays the major role in these six stories of violence. In each, Stevens' sharp insights and ingenious detection uncover the underlying motives.

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“A real contribution to the study of Faulkner’s work.” —Edmund Wilson *A Penguin Classic* In prose of biblical grandeur and feverish intensity, William Faulkner reconstructed the history of the American South as a tragic legend of courage and cruelty, gallantry and greed, futile nobility and obscene crimes. He set this legend in a small, minutely realized parallel universe that he called Yoknapatawpha County, Mississippi. No single volume better conveys the scope of Faulkner’s vision than *The Portable Faulkner*. The book includes self-contained episodes from the novels *The Sound and the Fury*, *Light in August*, and *Sanctuary*; the stories “The Bear,” “Spotted Horses,” “A Rose for Emily,” and “Old Man,” among others; a map of Yoknapatawpha County and a chronology of the Compson family created by Faulkner especially for this edition; and the complete text of Faulkner’s 1950 address upon receiving the Nobel Prize in literature. Malcolm Cowley’s critical introduction was praised as “splendid” by Faulkner himself. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,800 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

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Knight's Gambit

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Go Down, Moses

*Three novels include two from the Snopes trilogy, "The Town," and "The Mansion," which portrays the downfall of the rapacious, cruel dynasty, and a lesser-known comic novel "The Reivers," which is set around a Memphis brothel*

*This invaluable volume, which has been republished to commemorate the one-hundredth anniversary of Faulkner's birth, contains some of the greatest short fiction by a writer who defined the course of American literature. Its forty-five stories fall into three categories: those not included in Faulkner's earlier collections; previously unpublished short fiction; and stories that were later expanded into such novels as *The Unvanquished*, *The Hamlet*, and *Go Down, Moses*. With its Introduction and extensive notes by the biographer Joseph Blotner, *Uncollected Stories of William Faulkner* is an essential addition to its author's canon--as well as a book of some of the most haunting, harrowing, and atmospheric short fiction written in the twentieth century.*

*"I believe that man will not merely endure: he will prevail. He is immortal, not because he alone among creatures has an inexhaustible voice, but because he has a soul, a spirit capable of compassion and*

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*sacrifice and endurance.” –William Faulkner, on receiving the Nobel Prize* *Go Down, Moses* is composed of seven interrelated stories, all of them set in Faulkner’s mythic Yoknapatawpha County. From a variety of perspectives, Faulkner examines the complex, changing relationships between blacks and whites, between man and nature, weaving a cohesive novel rich in implication and insight.

*Collected Stories of William Faulkner*

*Light in August*

*The Hamlet, The Town, The Mansion*

*A Novel of the Snopes Family*

*Faulkner Exhibition Opens at University of Virginia ...*

*Absalom, Absalom!*

*A powerful novel examining the nature of evil, informed by the works of T. S. Eliot and Freud, mythology, local lore, and hardboiled detective fiction, Sanctuary is the dark, at times brutal, story of the kidnapping of Mississippi debutante Temple Drake, who introduces her own form of venality into the Memphis underworld where she is being held.*

*The Mansion completes Faulkner’s great trilogy of the Snopes family in the mythical county of Yoknapatawpha, Mississippi, which also includes The Hamlet and The Town. Beginning with the murder of Jack Houston and ending with the murder of Flem Snopes, it traces the downfall of the indomitable post-bellum family who managed to seize control*

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*of the town of Jefferson within a generation.*

*William Faulkner's Requiem for a Nun revisits Sanctuary's Temple Drake, now married to Gowan Stevens and the mother of two young children. On the eve of an execution, Temple is forced to confront her past as she explores how earlier violent events influenced the murder of her infant child by its nurse, Nancy. Beginning with the judgement of Nancy's death sentence, Faulkner's taut narrative focuses on how one's past can impact the future of an entire family. Published in 1950, 19 years after Sanctuary, Requiem for a Nun is unique for Faulkner's use of both prose and play narrative. It was adapted for theater in 1956 by Albert Camus, who also wrote the preface to the French translation of the novel. HarperPerennial Classics brings great works of literature to life in digital format, upholding the highest standards in ebook production and celebrating reading in all its forms. Look for more titles in the HarperPerennial Classics collection to build your digital library.*

*Flem Snopes is Dead*

*Faulkner and Print Culture*

*Uncollected Stories of William Faulkner*

*A Trilogy*

*A Critical Interpretation*

*The Collected Works*

**A collection of short stories, journalism pieces, and**



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various writings by the esteemed twentieth-century English novelist Henry Green. *Surviving* presents a miscellany of Henry Green's writing, and is as reflective of his extraordinary and unclassifiable genius for the word as any of his great novels from *Living* to *Loving* to *Nothing*. Readers will find remarkable stories from the 1920s and 1930s; Green's telling of his time in the London Fire Brigade during the Blitz; a short, unpublished play, *Journey out of Spain*; journalism; and the hilarious interview that Terry Southern conducted for *The Paris Review*. Edited by the novelist Matthew Yorke, Green's grandson, *Surviving* also includes a memoir by Green's son, Sebastian Yorke, that is a brilliant portrait of this maverick master.

The son of a Southern colonel becomes involved in the family's struggle to maintain the old order during the Civil War era

How do we read William Faulkner in the twenty-first century? asks Michael Gorra, in this reconsideration of Faulkner's life and legacy. William Faulkner, one of America's most

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iconic writers, is an author who defies easy interpretation. Born in 1897 in Mississippi, Faulkner wrote such classic novels as *Absolom, Absolom!* and *The Sound and The Fury*, creating in Yoknapatawpha county one of the most memorable gallery of characters ever assembled in American literature. Yet, as acclaimed literary critic Michael Gorra explains, Faulkner has sustained justified criticism for his failures of racial nuance—his ventriloquism of black characters and his rendering of race relations in a largely unreconstructed South—demanding that we reevaluate the Nobel laureate's life and legacy in the twenty-first century, as we reexamine the junctures of race and literature in works that once rested firmly in the American canon. Interweaving biography, literary criticism, and rich travelogue, *The Saddest Words* argues that even despite these contradictions—and perhaps because of them—William Faulkner still needs to be read, and even more, remains central to understanding the contradictions inherent in the American experience itself. Evoking Faulkner's biography and his literary characters,

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Gorra illuminates what Faulkner maintained was “the South’s curse and its separate destiny,” a class and racial system built on slavery that was devastated during the Civil War and was reimagined thereafter through the South’s revanchism. Driven by currents of violence, a “Lost Cause” romanticism not only defined Faulkner’s twentieth century but now even our own age. Through Gorra’s critical lens, Faulkner’s mythic Yoknapatawpha County comes alive as his imagined land finds itself entwined in America’s history, the characters wrestling with the ghosts of a past that refuses to stay buried, stuck in an unending cycle between those two saddest words, “was” and “again.” Upending previous critical traditions, *The Saddest Words* returns Faulkner to his sociopolitical context, revealing the civil war within him and proving that “the real war lies not only in the physical combat, but also in the war after the war, the war over its memory and meaning.” Filled with vignettes of Civil War battles and generals, vivid scenes from Gorra’s travels through the South—including Faulkner’s Oxford,

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Mississippi—and commentaries on Faulkner's fiction, *The Saddest Words* is a mesmerizing work of literary thought that recontextualizes Faulkner in light of the most plangent cultural issues facing America today.

Father Abraham

The Mansion

Snopes. volume three

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The Town / The Mansion / The Reivers

*Hailed by reviewers upon its publication more than thirty years ago, The Novels of William Faulkner remains the preeminent interpretation of Faulkner in the formalist critical tradition while it inspires Faulknerians of all methodologies. Part One contains detailed analyses of every novel from Soldiers' Pay to The Reivers, with particular emphasis on elucidation of character, theme, and structural technique. Part Two discusses interrelated patterns and preoccupations in Faulkner's writing generally. Insightful and well-reasoned, Olga W. Vickery's work continues to be of enormous benefit to readers and scholars.*