

Chapter 1 : D. H. Lawrence - Wikipedia

D. H. Lawrence is perhaps best known for his novels, many of which are sexually frank and were controversial when initially published, but he also wrote a great many short stories, the sum total of which I would rate 5-stars.

His father was a collier, who worked a twelve-hour day from the age of seven. Yet from this unlikely background, Lawrence went on to become one of the best-known writers in the English language. The texts that have generally been regarded as his greatest achievements are the novels *Sons and Lovers*, *The Rainbow*, and *Women in Love*, which all draw on his upbringing in the English Midlands. Nonetheless, Lawrence has scarcely been without detractors. Nonetheless, Lawrence has continued to be a subject of considerable academic and popular interest, and the reading list of primary and secondary texts can appear daunting.

General Overviews Such is the amount of writing both by and about Lawrence that it can be difficult for the reader to know where exactly to begin. Little Brown, revolves around a writer who simply finds it impossible to begin his project about Lawrence because he is overwhelmed by the material. Poplawski provides excellent plot summaries of the prose fiction as well as suggested critical readings; it also includes an admirably concise biography by the leading Lawrence scholar John Worthen. Those who are bewildered about why Lawrence has been such a well-known yet controversial writer should look at the critical essays in Draper, showing how Lawrence was viewed during his own life and shortly afterward. Fernihough is excellent for describing and developing a number of key debates at the start of the second century of Lawrence criticism. A comparison of Fernihough with Poplawski reveals the differing priorities of Lawrence scholars: *The Complete Critical Guide to D. H. Lawrence*. Viking,] , Barbara Hardy on Lawrence and women , and F. Leavis on the *Rainbow*. Also includes obituaries and retrospectives from to Ellis, David, and Ornella de Zordo, eds. *The Modern Critical Response*, " The Cambridge Companion to D. H. Lawrence. Cambridge University Press, Begins by discussing individual texts, then situates Lawrence in the context of broader issues and trends, for example, psychoanalysis. *The Rage of D. H. Lawrence*. Burgess also wrote the book *Flame into Being: The Life and Work of D. H. Lawrence*. Devotes considerably more attention to the prose fiction than works such as poems and plays which, in contrast to the prose fictions, have no plot summaries. Manchester University Press, Users without a subscription are not able to see the full content on this page. Please subscribe or login. How to Subscribe Oxford Bibliographies Online is available by subscription and perpetual access to institutions. For more information or to contact an Oxford Sales Representative click here.

Chapter 2 : The Collected Short Stories of D H Lawrence by D H Lawrence -

David Herbert Richards Lawrence was an English writer of the 20th century, whose prolific and diverse output included novels, short stories, poems, plays, essays, travel books, paintings, translations, literary criticism and personal letters. His collected works represent an extended reflection upon the dehumanizing effects of modernity and.

I The road was heavy with mud. It was labour to move along it. The old, wide way, forsaken and grown over with grass, used not to be so bad. The farm traffic from Coney Grey must have cut it up. The young man crossed carefully again to the strip of grass on the other side. It was a dreary, out-of-doors track, saved only by low fragments of fence and occasional bushes from the desolation of the large spaces of arable and of grassland on either side, where only the unopposed wind and the great clouds mattered, where even the little grasses bent to one another indifferent of any traveller. The abandoned road used to seem clean and firm. Cyril Mersham stopped to look round and to bring back old winters to the scene, over the ribbed red land and the purple wood. The surface of the field seemed suddenly to lift and break. Something had startled the peewits, and the fallow flickered over with pink gleams of birds white-breasting the sunset. Then the plovers turned, and were gone in the dusk behind. Darkness was issuing out of the earth, and clinging to the trunks of the elms which rose like weird statues, lessening down the wayside. Mersham laboured forwards, the earth sucking and smacking at his feet. In front the Coney Grey farm was piled in shadow on the road. He came near to it, and saw the turnips heaped in a fabulous heap up the side of the barn, a buttress that rose almost to the eaves, and stretched out towards the cart-ruts in the road. Also, the pale breasts of the turnips got the sunset, and they were innumerable orange glimmers piled in the dusk. The two labourers who were pulping at the foot of the mound stood shadow-like to watch as he passed, breathing the sharp scent of turnips. It was all very wonderful and glamorous here, in the old places that had seemed so ordinary. Three-quarters of the scarlet sun was settling among the branches of the elm in front, right ahead where he would come soon. But when he arrived at the brow where the hill swooped downwards, where the broad road ended suddenly, the sun had vanished from the space before him, and the evening star was white where the night urged up against the retreating, rose-coloured billow of day. Mersham passed through the stile and sat upon the remnant of the thorn tree on the brink of the valley. All the wide space before him was full of a mist of rose, nearly to his feet. The large ponds were hidden, the farms, the fields, the far-off coal-mine, under the rosy outpouring of twilight. Between him and the spaces of Leicestershire and the hills of Derbyshire, between him and all the South Country which he had fled, was the splendid rose-red strand of sunset, and the white star keeping guard. Here, on the lee-shore of day, was the only purple showing of the woods and the great hedge below him; and the roof of the farm below him, with a film of smoke rising up. Unreal, like a dream which wastes a sleep with unrest, was the South and its hurrying to and fro. Here, on the farther shore of the sunset, with the flushed tide at his feet, and the large star flashing with strange laughter, did he himself naked walk with lifted arms into the quiet flood of life. What was it he wanted, sought in the slowly-lapsing tide of days? Two years he had been in the large city in the south. There always his soul had moved among the faces that swayed on the thousand currents in that node of tides, hovering and wheeling and flying low over the faces of the multitude like a sea-gull over the waters, stopping now and again, and taking a fragment of life--a look, a contour, a movement--to feed upon. Of many people, his friends, he had asked that they would kindle again the smouldering embers of their experience; he had blown the low fires gently with his breath, and had leaned his face towards their glow, and had breathed in the words that rose like fumes from the revived embers, till he was sick with the strong drug of sufferings and ecstasies and sensations, and the dreams that ensued. But most folk had choked out the fires of their fiercer experience with rubble of sentimentality and stupid fear, and rarely could he feel the hot destruction of Life fighting out its way. Surely, surely somebody could give him enough of the philtre of life to stop the craving which tortured him hither and thither, enough to satisfy for a while, to intoxicate him till he could laugh the crystalline laughter of the star, and bathe in the retreating flood of twilight like a naked boy in the surf, clasping the waves and beating them and answering their wild clawings with laughter sometimes, and sometimes gasps of pain. He rose and stretched himself. The mist was lying in the valley like a flock of folded

sheep; Orion had strode into the sky, and the Twins were playing towards the West. He shivered, stumbled down the path, and crossed the orchard, passing among the dark trees as if among people he knew. II He came into the yard. It was exceedingly, painfully muddy. He felt a disgust of his own feet, which were cold, and numbed, and heavy. The window of the house was uncurtained, and shone like a yellow moon, with only a large leaf or two of ivy, and a cord of honeysuckle hanging across it. There seemed a throng of figures moving about the fire. Another light gleamed mysteriously among the out-buildings. He heard a voice in the cow-shed, and the impatient movement of a cow, and the rhythm of milk in the bucket. He hesitated in the darkness of the porch; then he entered without knocking. A girl was opposite him, coming out of the dairy doorway with a loaf of bread. She started, and they stood a moment looking at each other across the room. They advanced to each other; he took her hand, plunged overhead, as it were, for a moment in her great brown eyes. Then he let her go, and looked aside, saying some words of greeting. He had not kissed her; he realised that when he heard her voice: What was it in her bowed, submissive pose, in the dark, small head with its black hair twining and hiding her face, that made him wince and shrink and close over his soul that had been open like a foolhardy flower to the night? Perhaps it was her very submission, which trammelled him, throwing the responsibility of her wholly on him, making him shrink from the burden of her. Her brothers were home from the pit. They were two well-built lads of twenty and twenty-one. The coal-dust over their faces was like a mask, making them inscrutable, hiding any glow of greeting, making them strangers. He could only see their eyes wake with a sudden smile, which sank almost immediately, and they turned aside. The mother was kneeling at a big brown stew-jar in front of the open oven. She did not rise, but gave him her hand, saying: She continued with the spoon in the jar. His disappointment rose as water suddenly heaves up the side of a ship. A sense of dreariness revived, a feeling, too, of the cold wet mud that he had struggled through. These were the people who, a few months before, would look up in one fine broad glow of welcome whenever he entered the door, even if he came daily. Three years before, their lives would draw together into one flame, and whole evenings long would flare with magnificent mirth, and with play. Now, when he came back to them after a long absence, they withdrew, turned aside. He sat down on the sofa under the window, deeply chagrined. His heart closed tight like a fir-cone, which had been open and full of naked seeds when he came to them. They asked him questions of the South. They were starved for news, they said, in that God-forsaken hole. He smiled, and talked, plucking for them the leaves from off his tree: He smiled, rather bitterly, as he slowly reeled off his news, almost mechanically. Yet he knew--and that was the irony of it--that they did not want his "records"; they wanted the timorous buds of his hopes, and the unknown fruits of his experience, full of the taste of tears and what sunshine of gladness had gone to their ripening. But they asked for his "news", and, because of some subtle perversity, he gave them what they begged, not what they wanted, not what he desired most sincerely to give them. Gradually he exhausted his store of talk, that he had thought was limitless. Muriel moved about all the time, laying the table and listening, only looking now and again across the barren garden of his talk into his windows. But he hardened his heart and turned his head from her. The boys had stripped to their waists, and had knelt on the hearth-rug and washed themselves in a large tin bowl, the mother sponging and drying their backs. Now they stood wiping themselves, the firelight bright and rosy on their fine torsos, their heavy arms swelling and sinking with life. They seemed to cherish the firelight on their bodies. Benjamin, the younger, leaned his breast to the warmth, and threw back his head, showing his teeth in a voluptuous little smile. Mersham watched them, as he had watched the peewits and the sunset. Then they sat down to their dinners, and the room was dim with the steam of food. Presently the father and the eldest brother were in from the cow-sheds, and all assembled at table. Then there grew an acute, fine feeling of discord. Mersham, particularly sensitive, reacted. He became extremely attentive to the others at table, and to his own manner of eating. He used English that was exquisitely accurate, pronounced with the Southern accent, very different from the heavily-sounded speech of the home folk. His nicety contrasted the more with their rough, country habit. They became shy and awkward, fumbling for something to say. The boys ate their dinners hastily, shovelling up the mass as a man shovels gravel. The eldest son clambered roughly with a great hand at the plate of bread-and-butter. Mersham tried to shut his eyes. He kept up all the time a brilliant tea-talk that they failed to appreciate in that atmosphere. It was evident to him; without forming the idea, he felt how

irrevocably he was removing them from him, though he had loved them. The irony of the situation appealed to him, and added brightness and subtlety to his wit. Muriel, who had studied him so thoroughly, confusedly understood. She hung her head over her plate, and ate little. Now and again she would look up at him, toying all the time with her knife--though it was a family for ugly hands--and would address him some barren question. He always answered the question, but he invariably disregarded her look of earnestness, lapped in his unbreakable armour of light irony. He acknowledged, however, her power in the flicker of irritation that accompanied his reply. She quickly hid her face again.

Chapter 3 : Editions of The Collected Short Stories by D.H. Lawrence

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See Article History Alternative Title: David Herbert Lawrence D. Lawrence, in full David Herbert Lawrence, born September 11, , Eastwood, Nottinghamshire , Englandâ€”died March 2, , Vence, France , English author of novels, short stories, poems, plays, essays, travel books, and letters. His novels *Sons and Lovers* , *The Rainbow* , and *Women in Love* made him one of the most influential English writers of the 20th century. Youth and early career Lawrence was the fourth child of a north Midlands coal miner who had worked from the age of 10, was a dialect speaker, a drinker, and virtually illiterate. Lawrence won a scholarship to Nottingham High School â€” and left at 16 to earn a living as clerk in a factory, but he had to give up work after a first attack of pneumonia. While convalescing, he began visiting the Higgs Farm nearby and began an intense friendship â€”10 with Jessie Chambers. He became a pupil-teacher in Eastwood in and performed brilliantly in the national examination. Encouraged by Jessie, he began to write in ; his first story was published in a local newspaper in He kept on returning to Eastwood in imagination long after he had left it in fact. In Lawrence went to teach in Croydon, a London suburb. Hueffer recognized his genius, the *Review* began to publish his work, and Lawrence was able to meet such rising young writers as Ezra Pound. His second novel, *The Trespasser* , gained the interest of the influential editor Edward Garnett , who secured the third novel, *Sons and Lovers*, for his own firm, Duckworth. In the crucial year of â€”12 Lawrence had another attack of pneumonia. He broke his engagement to Louie and decided to give up teaching and live by writing, preferably abroad. *Sons and Lovers* carries this process to the point of quasi-autobiography. The central character, Paul Morel, is naturally identified as Lawrence; the miner-father who drinks and the powerful mother who resists him are clearly modeled on his parents; and the painful devotion of Miriam Leivers resembles that of Jessie Chambers. In the novel, the mother turns to her elder son William for emotional fulfillment in place of his father. This section of the original manuscript was much reduced by Garnett before publication. He then, in reaction, has a passionate affair with a married woman, Clara Dawes, in what is the only purely imaginary part of the novel. Though Clara wants more from him, Paul can manage sexual passion only when it is split off from commitment; their affair ends after Paul and Dawes have a murderous fight, and Clara returns to her husband. Paul, for all his intelligence, cannot fully grasp his own unconscious motivations, but Lawrence silently conveys them in the pattern of the plot. At this time he was engaged in two related projects. The other, more important project was an ambitious novel of provincial life that Lawrence rewrote and revised until it split into two major novels: *The Rainbow*, which was immediately suppressed in Britain as obscene; and *Women in Love*, which was not published until They were expelled from the county in on suspicion of signaling to German submarines and spent the rest of the war in London and Derbyshire. Though threatened with military conscription, Lawrence wrote some of his finest work during the war. It was also a period of personal crisis. Lawrence and Frieda fought often; Frieda had always felt free to have lovers. Following a visit to Cambridge , where he met Bertrand Russell , Maynard Keynes, and other members of the Cambridge secret society known as the Apostles, Lawrence began to question his own sexual orientation. This internal conflict, which was resolved a few years later, is evident in the abandoned first chapter of *Women in Love*. In *The Rainbow*, the first of the novels of this period, Lawrence extends the scope of *Sons and Lovers* by following the Brangwen family who live near Eastwood over three generations, so that social and spiritual change are woven into the chronicle. The Brangwens begin as farmers so attached to the land and the seasons as to represent a premodern unconsciousness, and succeeding generations in the novel evolve toward modern consciousness , self-consciousness, and even alienation. These two initially have a stormy relationship but subside into conventional domesticity anchored by work, home, and children. There was an element of war hysteria in the legal suppression of the book in , but the specific ground was a homoerotic episode between Ursula and a female teacher. Lawrence was marked as a subversive writer. *Women in Love* takes up the story, but across the gap of changed consciousness created by World War I. The women of the title are Ursula,

picking up her life, still at home, and doubtful of her role as teacher and her social and intellectual status; and her sister Gudrun, who is also a teacher but an artist and a free spirit as well. They are modern women, educated, free from stereotyped assumptions about their role, and sexually autonomous. Though unsure of what to do with their lives, they are unwilling to settle for an ordinary marriage as a solution to the problem. Birkin and Gerald themselves are deeply if inarticulately attached to each other. The novel follows the growth of the two relationships: The other Gudrun and Gerald tips over into dominance and dependence, violence and death. The account is characterized by the extreme consciousness of the protagonists: The Gerald-Gudrun relationship shows his male dominance to be a shell overlying a crippling inner emptiness and lack of self-awareness, which eventually inspire revulsion in Gudrun. The final conflict between them is played out in the high bareness of an Alpine ski resort; after a brutal assault on Gudrun, Gerald wanders off into the snow and dies. Birkin, grieving, leaves with Ursula for a new life in the warm symbolic south, in Italy. None of his novels ends happily: Noon published in its entirety only in All three novels are in two parts: All three novels also end with an open future; in Mr. Since Lawrence had been working on Studies in Classic American Literature , which grew out of his sense that the American West was an uncorrupted natural home. His other nonfiction works at this time include Movements in European History and two treatises on his psychological theories, Psychoanalysis and the Unconscious and Fantasia of the Unconscious Lawrence wrote Kangaroo in six weeks while visiting Australia in This novel is a serious summary of his own position at the time. The main character and his wife move to Australia after World War I and face in the new country a range of political action: He cannot embrace either political movement, however, and an autobiographical chapter on his experiences in England during World War I reveals that the persecution he endured for his antiwar sentiments killed his desire to participate actively in society. In the end he leaves Australia for America. Finally reaching Taos , New Mexico , where he settled for a time, Lawrence visited Mexico in and and embarked on the ambitious novel The Plumed Serpent The Lawrence-representative in the story, a European woman, in the end marries one of the leader-gods but remains half-repelled by his violence and irrationality. After pursuing this theme to its logical conclusion in The Plumed Serpent, however, Lawrence abandoned it, and he was reduced to his old ideal of a community where he could begin a new life with a few like-minded people. Taos was the most suitable place he had found, but he was now beginning to die; a bout of illness in produced bronchial hemorrhage, and tuberculosis was diagnosed. The London verdict allowing publication capped a trial at which the book was defended by many eminent English writers. In the novel Lawrence returns for the last time to Eastwood and portrays the tender sexual love, across barriers of class and marriage, of two damaged moderns. Lawrence had always seen the need to relate sexuality to feeling, and his fiction had always extended the borders of the permissible and had been censored in detail. The dying Lawrence moved to the south of France , where in he wrote Apocalypse published , a commentary on the biblical Book of Revelation that is his final religious statement. He was buried in Vence, and his ashes were removed to Taos in But by a remarkable triumph of development, he evolved a highly spontaneous mode of free verse that allowed him to express an unrivaled mixture of observation and symbolism. His poetry can be of great biographical interest, as in Look! We Have Come Through! But his most original contribution is Birds, Beasts and Flowers , in which he creates an unprecedented poetry of nature, based on his experiences of the Mediterranean scene and the American Southwest. In his Last Poems he contemplates death. In their variety of tone, vivacity, and range of interest, they convey a full and splendid picture of himself, his relation to his correspondents, and the exhilarations, depressions, and prophetic broodings of his wandering life. His early plays, The Widowing of Mrs. Holroyd and The Daughter-in-Law performed , have proved effective on stage and television. Lawrence was first recognized as a working-class novelist showing the reality of English provincial family life and as the author-subject of a classic case history of the Oedipus complex. From the beginning readers have been won over by the poetic vividness of his writing and his efforts to describe subjective states of emotion, sensation, and intuition. His great novels remain difficult because their realism is underlain by obsessive personal metaphors , by elements of mythology, and above all by his attempt to express in words what is normally wordless because it exists below consciousness. His characters are continually experiencing transformations driven by unconscious processes

rather than by conscious intent, thought, or ideas. Although it lacks the inventiveness of his more radical Modernist contemporaries, his workâ€”with its depictions of the preoccupations that led a generation of writers and readers to break away from Victorian social, sexual, and cultural normsâ€”provides crucial insight into the social and cultural history of Anglo-American Modernism. Lawrence was ultimately a religious writer who did not so much reject Christianity as try to create a new religious and moral basis for modern life by continual resurrections and transformations of the self. These changes are never limited to the social self, nor are they ever fully under the eye of consciousness.

Chapter 4 : D. H. Lawrence - British and Irish Literature - Oxford Bibliographies

A Short Story Collection of 15 Titles The stories vary from dark to thriller to www.nxgvision.com is a bonus story Smooth Soft Legs which is the first chapter in my novel The Legs Collector The book will be available in Ted.

Please help improve this article by adding citations to reliable sources. Unsourced material may be challenged and removed. The house in which he was born, 8a Victoria Street, is now the D. His working-class background and the tensions between his parents provided the raw material for a number of his early works. Lawrence roamed out from an early age in the patches of open, hilly country and remaining fragments of Sherwood Forest in Felley woods to the north of Eastwood, beginning a lifelong appreciation of the natural world, and he often wrote about "the country of my heart" [4] as a setting for much of his fiction. Lawrence Primary School in his honour from until , becoming the first local pupil to win a county council scholarship to Nottingham High School in nearby Nottingham. In the years to Lawrence served as a pupil teacher at the British School, Eastwood. He went on to become a full-time student and received a teaching certificate from University College, Nottingham , in During these early years he was working on his first poems, some short stories, and a draft of a novel, Laetitia, which was eventually to become The White Peacock. At the end of he won a short story competition in the Nottinghamshire Guardian, [8] the first time that he had gained any wider recognition for his literary talents. Early career[edit] In the autumn of the newly qualified Lawrence left his childhood home for London. His career as a professional author now began in earnest, although he taught for another year. The young man was devastated, and he was to describe the next few months as his "sick year". It is clear that Lawrence had an extremely close relationship with his mother, and his grief became a major turning point in his life, just as the death of Mrs. Throughout these months the young author revised Paul Morel, the first draft of what became Sons and Lovers. In addition, a teaching colleague, Helen Corke , gave him access to her intimate diaries about an unhappy love affair, which formed the basis of The Trespasser , his second novel. In November , he came down with a pneumonia again; once he recovered, Lawrence decided to abandon teaching in order to become a full-time writer. In February he broke off an engagement to Louie Burrows, an old friend from his days in Nottingham and Eastwood. Six years older than her new lover, she was married to Ernest Weekley , his former modern languages professor at University College, Nottingham, and had three young children. After this incident, Lawrence left for a small hamlet to the south of Munich , where he was joined by Frieda for their "honeymoon", later memorialised in the series of love poems titled Look! We Have Come Through During Lawrence wrote the first of his so-called "mining plays", The Daughter-in-Law , written in Nottingham dialect. Vintage snapshot print of Lawrence, 29 November , by Lady Ottoline Morrell From Germany they walked southwards across the Alps to Italy, a journey that was recorded in the first of his travel books, a collection of linked essays titled Twilight in Italy and the unfinished novel, Mr Noon. During his stay in Italy, Lawrence completed the final version of Sons and Lovers that, when published in , was acknowledged to be a vivid portrait of the realities of working class provincial life. Lawrence, though, had become so tired of the work that he allowed Edward Garnett to cut about a hundred pages from the text. Lawrence and Frieda returned to Britain in for a short visit, during which they encountered and befriended critic John Middleton Murry and New Zealand-born short story writer Katherine Mansfield. Lawrence was able to meet Welsh tramp poet W. Davies , whose work, much of which was inspired by nature, he greatly admired. Georgian poetry publisher Edward Marsh was able to secure an autograph probably as part of a signed poem , and invited Lawrence and Frieda to meet Davies in London on 28 July, under his supervision. Lawrence was immediately captivated by the poet and later invited Davies to join Frieda and him in Germany. Here he started writing the first draft of a work of fiction that was to be transformed into two of his best-known novels, The Rainbow and Women in Love , in which unconventional female characters take centre stage. Both novels were highly controversial, and both were banned on publication in the UK for obscenity Women in Love only temporarily. Both novels cover grand themes and ideas. The Rainbow follows three generations of a Nottinghamshire farming family from the pre-industrial to the industrial age, focusing particularly on a daughter, Ursula, and her aspiration for a more fulfilling life than

that of becoming a housebound wife. Both novels challenged conventional ideas about the arts, politics, economic growth, gender, sexual experience, friendship and marriage and can be seen as far ahead of their time. The frank and relatively straightforward manner in which Lawrence dealt with sexual attraction was ostensibly what got the books banned, perhaps in particular the mention of same-sex attraction " Ursula has an affair with a woman in *The Rainbow* and in *Women in Love* there is an undercurrent of attraction between the two principal male characters. While writing *Women in Love* in Cornwall during 1917, Lawrence developed a strong and possibly romantic relationship with a Cornish farmer named William Henry Hocking. The couple returned to Britain shortly before the outbreak of World War I and were married on 13 July 1917. Eliot, Ezra Pound, and others. *The Egoist*, an important Modernist literary magazine, published some of his work. I think it is great and true. *The Rainbow* was suppressed after an investigation into its alleged obscenity in 1919. During this period he finished writing *Women in Love*. Not published until 1920, it is now widely recognised as an English novel of great dramatic force and intellectual subtlety. This persecution was later described in an autobiographical chapter of his Australian novel *Kangaroo*, published in 1924. He spent some months in early 1918 in the small, rural village of Hermitage near Newbury, Berkshire. He then lived for just under a year mid to early 1919 at Mountain Cottage, Middleton-by-Wirksworth, Derbyshire, where he wrote one of his most poetic short stories, *Wintry Peacock*. Until he was compelled by poverty to shift from address to address and barely survived a severe attack of influenza. Exile[edit] After his experience of the war years, Lawrence began what he termed his "savage pilgrimage", a time of voluntary exile. He escaped from Britain at the earliest practical opportunity, to return only twice for brief visits, and with his wife spent the remainder of his life travelling. Lawrence abandoned Britain in November and headed south, first to the Abruzzo region in central Italy and then onwards to Capri and the Fontana Vecchia in Taormina, Sicily. Many of these places appeared in his writings. In addition, some of his short stories were issued in the collection *England, My England and Other Stories*. During these years he produced a number of poems about the natural world in *Birds, Beasts and Flowers*. Lawrence is widely recognised as one of the finest travel writers in the English language. *Sea and Sardinia*, a book that describes a brief journey undertaken in January 1919, is a recreation of the life of the inhabitants of Sardinia. Other non-fiction books include two responses to Freudian psychoanalysis, *Psychoanalysis and the Unconscious* and *Fantasia of the Unconscious*, and *Movements in European History*, a school textbook that was published under a pseudonym, a reflection of his blighted reputation in Britain. Later life and career[edit] In late February the Lawrences left Europe behind with the intention of migrating to the United States. They sailed in an easterly direction, first to Ceylon and then on to Australia. A short residence in Darlington, Western Australia, which included an encounter with local writer Mollie Skinner, was followed by a brief stop in the small coastal town of Thirroul, New South Wales, during which Lawrence completed *Kangaroo*, a novel about local fringe politics that also revealed a lot about his wartime experiences in Cornwall. The Lawrences finally arrived in the United States in September 1920. Lawrence had several times discussed the idea of setting up a utopian community with several of his friends, having written to his old socialist friend in Eastwood, Willie Hopkin, in 1917, "I want to gather together about twenty souls and sail away from this world of war and squalor and found a little colony where there shall be no money but a sort of communism as far as necessities of life go, and some real decency" a place where one can live simply, apart from this civilisation [with] a few other people who are also at peace and happy and live, and understand and be free" [26] It was with this in mind that they made for the "bohemian" town of Taos, New Mexico, where Mabel Dodge Luhan, a prominent socialite, lived. Here they eventually acquired the acre 0. Editor and book designer Merle Armitage wrote a book about D. Lawrence in New Mexico. *Taos Quartet* in *Three Movements* was originally to appear in *Flair Magazine*, but the magazine folded before its publication. This short work describes the tumultuous relationship of D. Armitage took it upon himself to print 16 hardcover copies of this work for his friends. Richard Pousette-Dart executed the drawings for *Taos Quartet*, published in 1921. These interpretations, with their insights into symbolism, New England Transcendentalism and the puritan sensibility, were a significant factor in the revival of the reputation of Herman Melville during the early 1920s. He also found time to produce some more travel writing, such as the collection of linked excursions that became *Mornings in Mexico*. A brief voyage to England at the end of 1921 was a failure and he soon returned to Taos,

convinced that his life as an author now lay in the United States. However, in March he suffered a near fatal attack of malaria and tuberculosis while on a third visit to Mexico. Although he eventually recovered, the diagnosis of his condition obliged him to return once again to Europe. He was dangerously ill and the poor health limited his ability to travel for the remainder of his life. The latter book, his last major novel, was initially published in private editions in Florence and Paris and reinforced his notoriety. A story set once more in Nottinghamshire about a cross-class relationship between a Lady and her gamekeeper, it broke new ground in describing their sexual relationship in explicit yet literary language. With artist Earl Brewster, Lawrence visited a number of local archaeological sites in April. During these final years Lawrence renewed a serious interest in oil painting. Official harassment persisted and an exhibition of some of these pictures at the Warren Gallery in London was raided by the police in mid and a number of works were confiscated. Death[edit] Lawrence continued to write despite his failing health. In his last months he wrote numerous poems, reviews and essays, as well as a robust defence of his last novel against those who sought to suppress it. His last significant work was a reflection on the Book of Revelation, Apocalypse. After being discharged from a sanatorium, he died on 2 March [30] at the Villa Robermond in Vence, France, from complications of tuberculosis. Frieda Weekley commissioned an elaborate headstone for his grave bearing a mosaic of his adopted emblem of the phoenix. Rather than a republic, Lawrence called for an absolute dictator and equivalent dictatrix to lord over the lower peoples. Lawrence held seemingly contradictory views on feminism. The evidence of his written works, particularly his earlier novels, indicates a commitment to representing women as strong, independent and complex; as noted above he produced major works in which young, self-directing female characters were central. They will break through everything and go on with their own lives. In these books, Lawrence explores the possibilities for life within an industrial setting. In particular Lawrence is concerned with the nature of relationships that can be had within such a setting. Though often classed as a realist, Lawrence in fact uses his characters to give form to his personal philosophy. His depiction of sexuality, though seen as shocking when his work was first published in the early 20th century, has its roots in this highly personal way of thinking and being. It is, and there is no denying it, towards a greater and greater abstraction from the physical, towards a further and further physical separateness between men and women, and between individual and individual. It only remains for some men and women, individuals, to try to get back their bodies and preserve the flow of warmth, affection and physical unison. Warren Roberts and Harry T. Moore New York

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Davidson English novelist, novella and short-story writer, poet, essayist, critic, translator, and dramatist. One of the most original English writers of the twentieth century, Lawrence has been praised for his short stories that explore human nature through frank discussions of sex, psychology, and religion. In his lifetime he was received as a controversial figure, both because of the explicit sexuality he portrayed in his fiction and his unconventional personal life. Biographical Information Lawrence was born on September 11, 1895, in the colliery town of Eastwood, Nottingham. Lawrence attended local grammar and high schools and later, from 1913 to 1915, studied at Nottingham University College, where he began writing short stories. In 1916, he moved to Croyden, just south of London, to teach school. In 1917, the onset of tuberculosis forced Lawrence to resign from teaching. That same year he published his first novel, *The White Peacock*, which was critically well received. When he was twenty-seven, Lawrence eloped to Germany with Frieda von Richthofen Weekly, the wife of one of his college professors, and the two were married in 1918. Both works are early examples of the psychological fiction that he later developed more fully. During the war, Lawrence and Frieda endured harassment by the English government because of his seemingly antipatriotic views and her German ancestry. The book was judged obscene for its explicit discussion of sexuality and was suppressed in England. These varied locales provided settings for many of the novels and stories Lawrence wrote during the 1920s and also inspired four books of admired travel sketches. In 1921, Lawrence entered a sanatorium in Vence, France, in an attempt to cure the tuberculosis that afflicted him during the later years of his life. He died there on March 2, 1930. His early stories are written in the manner of Robert Louis Stevenson and Rudyard Kipling, whose anecdotes and tales of adventure epitomized the traditional nineteenth-century English short story. Like many artists of the time, Lawrence viewed a cycle of apocalypse and rebirth as a necessary corrective to the apparent depravity of the modern world. In his postwar stories he presents intense personal engagements as essential in giving new life to people and societies on the verge of despair. Sensual love stands as an alternative to the mechanisms of modern warfare and technology, and the closed community that Lawrence valued and portrayed in his earlier writings becomes extended and reshaped to incorporate all of Western culture. To dramatize this concern for regeneration, Lawrence often utilized elements of religious ritual and myth. In these and other late tales, Lawrence moves beyond the strictures of realism and encompasses a broad range of subjects and styles. Through his innovative use of psychological themes and his distinctive application of a heightened realism to quotidian English society, he produced some of the earliest and, some critics believe, finest, modernist prose. Lawrence demonstrated a wide imaginative range in his short fiction that was often lacking in his novels, and to many observers his fresh masterful approach extended the conventions of the short-story genre.

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"You believe in a short life and a merry," said the father. "Needn't be either short or merry. Grief is part of the fire of life--and suffering--they're the root of the flame of joy, as they say.