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The Mahabharata - R. K. Narayan 2016-02-12

The Mahabharata tells a story of such violence and tragedy that many people in India refuse to keep the full text in their homes, fearing that if they do, they will invite a disastrous fate upon their house. Covering everything from creation to destruction, this ancient poem remains an indelible part of Hindu culture and a landmark in ancient literature. Centuries of listeners and readers have been drawn to The Mahabharata, which began as disparate oral ballads and grew into a sprawling epic. The modern version is famously long, and at more than 1.8 million words—seven times the combined lengths of the Iliad and Odyssey—it can be incredibly daunting. Contemporary readers have a much more accessible entry point to this important work, thanks to R. K. Narayan's masterful translation and abridgement of the poem. Now with a new foreword by Wendy Doniger, as well as a concise character and place guide and a family tree, The Mahabharata is ready for a new generation of readers. As Wendy Doniger explains in the foreword, "Narayan tells the stories so well because they're all his stories." He grew up hearing them, internalizing their mythology, which gave him an innate ability to choose the right passages and their best translations. In this elegant translation, Narayan ably distills a tale that is both traditional and constantly changing. He draws from both scholarly analysis and creative interpretation and vividly fuses the spiritual with the secular. Through this balance he has produced a translation that is not only clear, but graceful, one that stands as its own story as much as an adaptation of a larger work.

**Reluctant Guru** - R. K. Narayan 1974

*Malgudi Days* - R. K. Narayan 2006-08-29

Four gems, with new introductions, mark acclaimed Indian writer R. K. Narayan's centennial. Introducing this collection of stories, R. K. Narayan describes how in India "the writer has only to look out of the window to pick up a character and thereby a story." Composed of powerful, magical portraits of all kinds of people, and comprising stories written over almost forty years, Malgudi Days presents Narayan's imaginary city in full color, revealing the essence of India and of human experience. This edition includes an introduction by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jhumpa Lahiri. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 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.

*The Very Best of R.K. Narayan* - R. K. Narayan 2013

Over a career spanning seven decades, R.K. Narayan, easily one of the most influential and important writers of India, populated the fictional town of Malgudi with a host of unforgettable characters: Swami and his gang of friends, the Talkative Man, Raju the guide and Sampath the printer, among many others. These characters have carved out a place for themselves in popular imagination and live on, still fresh and endlessly entertaining, many decades after they first appeared. Timeless Malgudi brings together a selection of the best and the most enduring of R.K. Narayan's fiction and nonfiction. The Guide examines, with wit and irony, how a man becomes a godman. The story 'A Horse and Two Goats' describes an attempt at crosscultural communication which goes haywire, with hilarious consequences. The excerpt from My

Days, Narayan's autobiography, paints a poignant picture of the author's childhood while the 'Misguided Guide' is a cynical, sharply written chronicle of the making of the film Guide, based on his novel. Also included in this volume are excerpts from the travelogue My Dateless Diary and a brilliant retelling of the Tamil epic Silappadikaram.

**Coolie** - Mulk Raj Anand 1994

Munoo, a young boy forced to leave his hill village to fend for himself and discover the world. His journey takes him far from home to towns and cities, to Bombooy and Simla, sweating as servant, factory-worker and rickshaw driver. It is a fight for survival that illuminates, with raw immediacy, the grim fate of the masses in pre-Partition India.

THEMATIC CONCERNS IN THE NOVELS OF R. K. NARAYAN - Dr. Nawkhare Nitin Ramchandra  
2021-05-06

The book is basically a thematic study of R.K. Narayan's novels and a reference to his short stories has been made only in passing. The major themes that emerge from Narayan's novels are love and marriage or man-woman relationship, family relationships, under-scoring the father-son relationship, socio-cultural and political scene of the country during the last fifty years and the Hindu ethos highlighting renunciations as an ideal of the Hindu way of life. For the first time the major themes of Narayan's novels have been clearly worked out and the identity of Malgudi has been convincingly established by the author.

**My Dateless Diary** - R. K. Narayan 2000-10-14

An unusual and witty travel book about the United States of America. At the age of fifty, when most people have settled for the safety of routine, R. K. Narayan left India for the first time to travel through America. In this account of his journey, the writer's pen unerringly captures the clamour and energy of New York City, the friendliness of the West Coast, the wealth and insularity of the Mid-West, the magnificence of the Grand Canyon... Threading their way through the narrative are a host of delightful characters—from celebrities like Greta Garbo, Aldous Huxley, Martha Graham, Cartier Bresson, Milton Singer, Edward G. Robinson and Ravi Shankar to the anonymous business tycoon on the train who dismissed the writer when he discovered Narayan had nothing to do with India's steel industry. As a bonus, there are wry snapshots of those small but essential aspects of American life—muggers, fast food restaurants, instant gurus, subway commuters, TV advertisements, and American football. An entrancing and compelling travelogue about an endlessly fascinating land.

**Gods of Howl Mountain** - Taylor Brown 2018-03-20

Bootlegger Rory Docherty has returned home to the fabled mountain of his childhood - a misty wilderness that holds its secrets close and keeps the outside world at gunpoint. Slowed by a wooden leg and haunted by memories of the Korean War, Rory runs bootleg whiskey for a powerful mountain clan in a retro-fitted '40 Ford coupe. Between deliveries to roadhouses, brothels, and private clients, he lives with his formidable grandmother, evades federal agents, and stokes the wrath of a rival runner.

**Cultural Politics in Modern India** - Makarand R. Paranjape 2016-01-22

India's global proximities derive in good measure from its struggle against British imperialism. In its efforts to become a nation, India turned modern in its own unusual way. At the heart of this metamorphosis was a "colourful cosmopolitanism," the unique manner in which India made the world its neighbourhood. The most creative thinkers and leaders of that period reimagined diverse horizons. They collaborated not only in

widespread anti-colonial struggles but also in articulating the vision of alter-globalization, universalism, and cosmopolitanism. This book, in revealing this dimension, offers new and original interpretations of figures such as Kant, Tagore, Heidegger, Gandhi, Aurobindo, Gebser, Kosambi, Narayan, Ezekiel, and Spivak. It also analyses cultural and aesthetic phenomena, from the rasa theory to Bollywood cinema, explaining how Indian ideas, texts, and cultural expressions interacted with a wider world and contributed to the making of modern India.

The Emerald Route - R. K. Narayan 1999

‘The Term Occurred To Me When We Started Out On A Tour Of Karnataka, From Mysore, Through Hunsur And Hassan, And Returning To Mysore Nearly One Week Later, Having Continuously Journeyed Up And Down The Ghats, The Konkan Coast And Coorg, And Never Seeing A Dry Patch Anywhere. Green Of Several Shades We Saw, Mountainsides Lightly Coated With Verdure And Fern, The Dark Foliage Of Trees Rising Hundreds Of Feet From The Valley, Light Green, Dark Green, Pale Green, Evergreen, And Every Kind Of Green Shade, Were Offered For Our Delectation All Through Our Circular Tour Of Approximately A Thousand Kilometres.’ The Emerald Route Is R.K. Narayan’s Account Of His Travels Across His Homeland Of Karnataka, From Belur And Halebid To Gulbarga And Hampi, From The Hilly Prospects Of Mangalore To The Gold Mines Of Kolar, From The Legendary Battlefield Of Seringapanam—Home Of Tippu Sultan—to The Rock Formations Of Bellary—Supposed To Be Gigantic Pellets Thrown By Bhima At Bakasura. As He Makes His Way Through The Shopping Complexes Of Bangalore And The Elephant Khedda At Karapur, Samples The Local Delicacies Like Nanjangud Bananas And Avaraikalu Beans And Enjoys The Sunsets And Mallige (Jasmine) At Mysore, The Master Storyteller Tells Us About The History And Mythology That Make Karnataka The Fascinating State It Is. Published In Paperback For The First Time, This Previously Unavailable Volume From India’s Greatest Living Writer Will Be A Delight To Every Fan Of R.K. Narayan. &nbsp;

**Guide, The (Modern Classics)** - R.K. Narayan 2010-12

‘The best of R.K. Narayan’s enchanting novels’—The New Yorker Raju, a corrupt tourist guide, together with his lover, the dancer Rosie, leads a prosperous life before he is thrown into prison. After release he rests on the steps of an abandoned temple when a peasant passing by mistakes him for a holy man. Slowly, almost reluctantly, he begins to play the part, acting as a spiritual guide to the village community. Raju’s holiness is put to the test when a drought strikes the village, and he is asked to fast for twelve days to summon the rains. Set in Narayan’s fictional town, Malgudi, The Guide is the greatest of his comedies of self-deception. ‘A brilliant accomplishment ... Narayan is the compassionate man who can write of human life as comedy’—The New York Times Book Review ‘Narayan is such a natural writer, so true to his experience and emotions’—V.S. Naipaul

**Waiting for the Mahatma** - R. K. Narayan 2012-07-25

In the novels of R. K. Narayan (1906-2001), the forefather of modern Indian fiction, human-scale hopes and epiphanies express the promise of a nation as it awakens to its place in the world. In *Waiting for the Mahatma*, a young drifter meets the most beautiful girl he has ever seen—an adherent of Mahatma Gandhi—and commits himself to Gandhi’s Quit India campaign, a decision that will test the integrity of his ideals against the strength of his passions. This novel, written after India’s independence, is a masterpiece of social comedy, rich in local color and abounding in affectionate humor and generosity of spirit.

**A Brighter Sun** - Samuel Selvon 2021-03-25

There have been many great and enduring works of literature by Caribbean authors over the last century. The Caribbean Contemporary Classics collection celebrates these deep and vibrant stories, overflowing with life and acute observations about society. ‘Tiger thought, To my wife, I man when I sleep with she. To bap (father), I man if I drink rum. But to me, I no man yet.’ Trinidad is in the turbulent throes of the Second World War, but the war feels quite far away to Tiger - young and inexperienced, he sets out to prove his manhood and independence. With his child-bride Urmilla, shy, bewildered and anxious, with two hundred dollars in cash and a milking cow, he sets out into the wilderness of adulthood. There is no map or directions for him to follow, he must learn for himself and find his own way. Suitable for readers aged 15 and above.

*Memories of Malgudi* - R. K. Narayan 2002

*Memories Of Malgudi Brings Together Five Unforgettable Novels From The Narayan Corpus. The Dark Room, The First Novel In This Collection, Is The Story Of The Marital Discord Between Savitri, A Traditional Hindu Wife, And Ramani, Her Husband. The English Teacher Is About Another Young Couple: Krishna And His Wife, Susila. Their World Is Full Of Love And Laughter, But When Susila Passes Away, Krishna Must Deal With The Tragic Blow And Find A Reason To Go On Living. In The World Of Nagaraj, Narayan S Final Novel, Nagaraj S Life Of Small Comforts Is Rudely Interrupted By The Arrival Of His Nephew Tim, And He Struggles To Fend Off The Turbulence Which Threatens To Disrupt His World Forever. Sriram, The Hero Of Waiting For The Mahatma, Is In Love With The Enchanting Bharati, But Her Primary Loyalty Is To Gandhiji And His Ideals. Sriram Becomes A Follower Of The Mahatma Himself, But Finds Himself Adapting The Great Man S Ideas To Suit His Own Petty Ends. And In The Guide, Narayan S Award-Winning Novel, Raju The Guide Takes A Roller-Coaster Ride Through Life He Falls In Love With The Beautiful Dancer Rosie, Seduces Her Away From Her Husband, Transforms Her Into A Celebrity But Then Falls Out With Her. Finally, Through A Series Of Ironic Events, He Becomes A Well-Respected Holy Man. The Last In Penguin India S Series Of Collectors Editions Of R.K. Narayan S Novels, Memories Of Malgudi Showcases The Best Of The Master Storyteller S Oeuvre.*

A Writer's Nightmare - R. K. Narayan 1988

Essays discuss weddings, mathematics, coffee, umbrellas, teachers, newspapers, architecture, the caste system, and India

**New Insights Into the Novels of R.K. Narayan** - M. K. Bhatnagar 2002

R.K. Narayan S Career As A Novelist And Short Story Writer Spans Almost Eight Decades From Swami And Friends (1935) To Grandmother S Tale (1992) Until His Death On 13 May 2001 At The Ripe Age Of 95. His Distinctive Sense Of Humour, His Trade Mark Irony, His Bemused, Knowing, Overseeing Perspective, His Rootedness In Religion And Family Values And His Inescapable Capturing Of The Essence Of Indian Sensibility All Have Been Looked At From A Refreshingly New Perspective, Hitherto Only Partly Touched Or Left Unexplored And Unattempted. New Insights Into The Guide, The Maneater Of Malgudi, A Tiger For Malgudi, Waiting For The Mahatma, The Dark Room Exploit Freshly-Forged Tools Of Critical Analysis Comparative, Structural, New Historical , Feminist, Bakhtinian, Post-Colonial And Socio-Cultural And Ethical.A Welcome Addition To The Extant Critical Scholarship On R.K. Narayan S Oeuvre.A Lucid Discussion Of New Dimensions In Literary Theory Through Well-Argued, Illustrative Analysis Of Popular Texts.A Scholarly Elucidation Of The Sociology Of Hinduism As Reflected In Popular Fiction.An Indispensable Source-Book For Students, Researchers, Teachers, Scholars In Inter-Related Fields Like Literary Criticism, Theory Of Literature, Indian Philosophy, Customs And Thought-Patterns, Besides Social Anthropology And Sociology.

**My Days** - R. K. Narayan 2013-07-30

"I am inclined to call this the last chapter, but how can an autobiography have a final chapter? At best, it can only be a penultimate one; nor can it be given a rounded-off conclusion, as is possible in a work of fiction." So begins the last chapter of *My Days*, the only memoir from R. K. Narayan, hailed as "India's most notable novelist and short-story writer" by the New York Times Book Review. In his usual winning, humorous style, R. K. Narayan shares his life story, beginning in his grandmother's garden in Madras with his ferocious pet peacock. As a young boy with no interest in school, he trains grasshoppers, scouts, and generally takes part in life's excitements. Against the advice of all, especially his commanding headmaster father, the dreaming Narayan takes to writing fiction, and one of his pieces is accepted by *Punch* magazine (his "first prestige publication"). Soon his life includes bumbling British diplomats, curious movie moguls, evasive Indian officials, eccentric journalists, and "the blind urge" to fall in love. R. K. Narayan's larger-than-life perception of the human comedy is at once acute and forgiving, and always true to it.

Critical Response to R.K. Narayan - Amar Nath Prasad 2003

Rasipuram Krishnaswamy Narayan, 1906-2001, Indo-English novelist; contributed articles.

**R. K. Narayan** - John Thieme 2013-07-19

R.K. Narayan’s reputation as one of the founding figures of Indian writing in English is re-examined in this comprehensive study of his fiction, which offers detailed readings of all his novels. Arguing against views that have seen Narayan as a chronicler of “authentic” Indianness, John Thieme locates his fiction in terms

of its specific South Indian contexts and cultural geography and its non-Indian intertexts. The study also considers the effect that Narayan's writing for overseas publication had on novels such as *Swami and Friends*, *The Guide* and *The Man-Eater of Malgudi*. Narayan's imaginary small town of Malgudi has often been seen as a metonym for India. Thieme draws on recent thinking about the ways in which place and space are constructed to demonstrate that Malgudi is always a fractured and transitional site, an interface between older conceptions of Indianness and contemporary views that stress the ubiquitousness and inescapability of change in the face of modernity. The study also shows that Malgudi is seen from varying angles of vision and with shifting emphases at different points in Narayan's career. As well as offering fresh insights into the influences that went into the making of Narayan's fiction, this is the most wide-ranging and authoritative guide to his novels to have appeared to date. It provides a unique account of his development as a writer.

**Critical Essays on R.K. Narayan's The Guide** - Krishna Sen 2004

The essays in this book have been divided into two sections. The first section examines one of Narayan's major works, *The Guide*. The essays here discuss the genesis of the novel, narrative structure, use of language, humour and irony in the novel, the characters, and also the post-colonial quality of *The Guide*. The second section situates *The Guide* within the larger context of Narayan's life and works, Narayan as a novelist, themes and characters in his novels, Narayan's Malgudi, and Narayan as an Indian English writer. These essays will be essential reading for students who study *The Guide*, and also Narayan's works as a whole.

*The Man-eater of Malgudi* - R. K. Narayan 1993-05-01

This is the story of Nataraj, who earns his living as a printer in the little world of Malgudi, an imaginary town in South India. Nataraj and his close friends, a poet and a journalist, find their congenial days disturbed when Vasu, a powerful taxidermist, moves in with his stuffed hyenas and pythons, and brings his dancing-women up the printer's private stairs. When Vasu, in search of larger game, threatens the life of a temple elephant that Nataraj has befriended, complications ensue that are both laughable and tragic.

*Indian Writings in English* - Manmohan Krishna Bhatnagar 1996

Indian Literature in English incorporates Indian themes and experience in a framework that is a blend of Indian and Western aesthetics. This often confronts creative writers with a series of difficult choices. Involved in an intractable tight rope walking, how the literatures respond to the exacting requirement of making their experience fit an a priori mould is sought to be examined in the present volume of this anthology. Aiming to capture in all its complex nuances the distinctive identity of Indian English literature as Darshan and as a formal artistic construct against the background of the particular problems confronting the creative writers, the collection includes critiques of the foremost as well as the latest works of a number of writers Tagore, Sri Aurobindo, Jayant Mahapatra, Mulk Raj Anand, R.K. Narayan, Bhabani Bhattacharya, Manohar Malgonkar, Kamala Markandaya, Ruth Praver Jhabwala, Anita Desai, Arun Joshi, Namita Gokhale, Malayatoor Ramakrishnan and Makarand Paranjape. Affording fresh perspectives on popular works, facilitating a through revision of clichéd readings, and incisive studies of recent works, the present volume steers Indian English critical practice to a new direction.

**Swami and Friends** - R. K. Narayan 2012-07-25

R. K. Narayan (1906–2001) witnessed nearly a century of change in his native India and captured it in fiction of uncommon warmth and vibrancy. *Swami and Friends* introduces us to Narayan's beloved fictional town of Malgudi, where ten-year-old Swaminathan's excitement about his country's initial stirrings for independence competes with his ardor for cricket and all other things British. Written during British rule, this novel brings colonial India into intimate focus through the narrative gifts of this master of literary realism.

**R.K. Narayan's India** - Bhagwat S. Goyal 1993

Contributed articles on the novels of R.K. Narayan, b. 1906, with special reference to the *Financial Expert* and the *Guide*.

*The English Teacher* - R. K. Narayan 2012-07-25

R. K. Narayan (1906–2001) witnessed nearly a century of change in his native India and captured it in fiction of uncommon warmth and vibrancy. The title character in *The English Teacher*, Narayan's most

autobiographical novel, searches for meaning when the death of his young wife deprives him of his greatest source of happiness. This pioneering novel, luminous in its detail and refreshingly free of artifice, is a gift to twentieth-century literature.

**A Story-teller's World** - R. K. Narayan 1989

The Essential R.K. Narayan. Forty Essays, Travel Pieces, Character Sketches And Short Stories From India S Greatest Living Novelist, The Majority Collected Here For The First Time. The Three Sections Of The Book- The Fiction-Writer , Short Essays And Malgudi Sketches And Stories -Provide A Rare Glimpse Into R.K. Narayan S Beginnings As A Writer And His Evolution Into A World-Renowned Novelist. More Importantly, Each Essay And Story Is In Itself A Triumph Of Narayan S Genius As A Close And Perceptive Observer Of The Small And Ordinary Things Of Life. Finally, Taken Together, The Pieces In This Collection (On Crowds, Films, Restaurants, Clothes, Cats, The English Language And School-Children Among Others) Give The Reader Fresh Insights Into The Distinctive Aspects Of The Indian South Which Finally Achieved Immortality In The Fictional World Of Malgudi. With An Introduction By Syd Harrex

**The Vendor of Sweets** - R. K. Narayan 1983

While the colourful sweetmeats are frying in the kitchen, Jagan immerses himself in his copy of the *Bhagavad Gita*. A widower of firm Gandhian principles, Jagan nonetheless harbours a warm and embarrassed affection for his wastrel son Mali. Yet even Jagan's patience begins to fray when Mali descends on the sleepy city of Malgudi full of modern notions, with a new half-American wife and a grand plan for selling novel-writing machines. From different generations and different cultures, father and son are forced to confront each other, and are taken by surprise . . .

R.K. Narayan and His Social Perspective - S. R. Ramteke 1998

R.K. Narayan And His Social Perspective Deals With The Caste-Ridden Hindu Society Which Narayan Presents In His Novels. His Characters Are Fatalists With Explicit Faith In The Invisible. The Book Presents Their Half-Hearted Attempts At Self-Assertion. However, Their So-Called Sentimentalism Does Not Bear Fruit And They Fall Back To Their Former Position Accepting Defeat In Life. The Book Brings Out Vividly Narayan S Attitude To Life, His Firm Grip Of Hindu Ethos Of Which He Is The Product, And His Failure To Come Out Of It, Though The West Wind Has Blown Much Of Its Dust. However Detached He Sounds Himself To The Readers, His True Spirit Finds Vivid Expression In The Book. At Any Rate R.K. Narayan Is A Thoroughly Indian Novelist Par Excellence, And The Aspect Is Hardly To Be Overlooked.

**The Financial Expert** - R. K. Narayan 2012-07-25

In the novels of R. K. Narayan (1906-2001), the forefather of modern Indian fiction, human-scale hopes and epiphanies express the promise of a nation as it awakens to its place in the world. In *The Financial Expert*, a man of many hopes but few resources spends his time under a banyan tree dispensing financial advice to those willing to pay for his knowledge. As charming as it is compassionate, this novel provides an indelible portrait of India in the twentieth century.

The Writerly Life - R. K. Narayan 2001

When R.K. Narayan Passed Away Last Year At The Age Of Ninety-Four, Tributes Poured In From Fans And Admirers, Celebrating The Art Of This Master Storyteller Who Has Often Been Described As India'S Greatest English Language Writer. Narayan Is Better Known For His Novels Set In The Fictional South Indian Town Of Malgudi, But His Essays Are As Delightful And Enchanting As Any Of His Novels. This Collection Begins With The Short Essays Which Narayan Wrote As A Weekly Contribution To The Hindu, The Subjects Of Which Are As Diverse As Umbrellas, Weddings, Monkeys, South Indian Coffee, Films, The Black Market, Old Age, The Caste System, Gardening And Vayudoot. The Later, Longer Essays Dwell On The Cultural Ambiguities That Persist In Our Nation: Narayan S Description Of The Linguistic Confusion Between The North And The South With The Advent Of National Television Is Reminiscent Of The Misunderstood Messages In His Famous Story 'A Horse And Two Goats'. The Highlight Of This Section Is A Scathingly Funny Essay On The Making Of The Film *The Guide*, A Project That Distorted Narayan S Narrative Beyond Recognition. In A Separate Section On The World Of The Writer, Narayan Describes The Predicament Of Writing In English In India, An Art Which He Pioneered, And The Pitfalls Of Being Considered For The Nobel Prize In Literature Which He Never Got. This Volume Also Includes The Complete Text Of My Dateless Diary, Narayan S Jottings About His Travels In America When He Was In The

Process Of Writing The Guide. As He Journeys Across The Vast Continent On A Diet Of Rice And Yoghurt And Without The Aid Of An Alarm Clock, Narayan Recounts A Myriad Memorable Moments, From His Encounter With The Mysterious Greta Garbo To The Evening Gathering Where He Is Hailed As One Of The Three Greatest Living Authors In The World. Taken Together, These Writings Provide A Fascinating Glimpse Into The Private World Of One Of The Most Gifted Writers Of Our Time, And Reveal The Ways In Which Narayan Was Able To Convert The Small And Ordinary Things Of Everyday Life Into Memorable Literary Anecdotes.

**A Study Guide for R. K. Narayan's "Forty-Five a Month"** - Gale, Cengage Learning

*Feminism in Indian Writing in English* - Amar Nath Prasad 2006

**Baumgartner's Bombay** - Anita Desai 2000

Desai's classic novel of the Holocaust era is the story of the profound emotional wounds of war and its exiles. The book follows Hugo Baumgartner as he leaves behind Nazi Germany and his Jewish heritage for Calcutta, only to be imprisoned as a hostile alien and then released to Bombay at war's end.

R.K. Narayan - Chhote Lal Khatri 2006

Comprehensive study on the works on Rasipuram Krishnaswamy Narayan, 1906-2001, Indian-English novelist.

*A Town Called Malgudi* - R. K. Narayan 1999

In 1999, R.K. Narayan, The Grand Old Man Of Indian Literature, Turned Ninety-Three. In A Writing Career Spanning Seven Decades, He Has Enthralled And Entertained Generations Of Readers With His Deftly Etched Characters, His Uniquely Stylized Language And His Wry Sense Of Humour. A Storyteller Par Excellence, Narayan S Greatest Achievement Perhaps Lies In Creating And Peopling The Imagined Landscapes Of A Town Called Malgudi, Located Somewhere In South India, Which Has Come Alive In Story After Story In Such A Way That It Has Now Become A Part Of Modern Indian Folklore. This Collection Brings Between Two Covers Some Of The Most Memorable Fiction That Has Emerged From R.K. Narayan S Pen. It Contains The Man-Eater Of Malgudi , Arguably The Greatest Novel Narayan Has Ever Written, Which Tells The Story Of Nataraj, Owner Of A Small Printing Press, And His House Guest Vasu, A Taxidermist, Who Moves Into Nataraj S Attic With A Menagerie Of Dead Animals. There Is Also Talkative Man , A Novella That Starts Off With The Arrival On The Delhi Train Of A Stranger In A Blue Suit Who

Takes Up Residence In The Station Waiting-Room And Refuses To Budge. Also Included Here Are Some Of The Most Popular And Striking Short Stories Narayan Has Written: From The Celebrated A Horse And Two Goats And Salt And Sawdust , The Tale Of A Wife Who Cannot Distinguish Between Salt And Sawdust For Seasoning And Thus Leaves Her Husband With No Option But To Cook Himself, To Gems Like An Astrologer S Day , The Shelter And Under The Banyan Tree , Which Is About A Man Called Nambi Who Has The Uncanny Ability To Mesmerize His Audience With His Stories, But Eventually Lapses Into Silence. Encapsulating The Very Best Of R.K. Narayan S Remarkable Output, This Is A Fitting Tribute To One Of The Greatest Living Writers In The English Language.

The Dark Room - R. K. Narayan 2012-07-25

R. K. Narayan (1906—2001) witnessed nearly a century of change in his native India and captured it in fiction of uncommon warmth and vibrancy. In *The Dark Room*, Narayan's portrait of aggrieved domesticity, the docile and obedient Savitri, like many Malgudi women, is torn between submitting to her husband's humiliations and trying to escape them. Written during British rule, this novel brings colonial India into intimate focus through the narrative gifts of this master of literary realism.

**The Financial Expert** - R. K. Narayan 1973

The World of Malgudi - A. Hariprasanna 1994

The Book Is The First Attempt To Write A Full-Fledged Account Of The World Of Malgudi As Depicted In The Novels Of Narayan. It Takes Up For Detailed Discussion Swami And Friends, The Bachelor Of Arts, The Dark Room. The English Teacher, The Financial Expert, Waiting For The Mahatma. The Guide, The Man-Eater Of Malgudi, The Vendor Of Sweets, A Tiger For Malgudi, The World Of Nagaraj And Grandmother`S Tale.

**Malgudi Landscapes** - R. K. Narayan 1992

The Best Of A Lifetime S Work Novels, Short Stories, Essays, Travel Pieces And Short Non-Fiction Of One Of The World S Finest Writers Comes Together In Malgudi Landscapes. Skilfully Edited And Introduced By S. Krishnan, This Selection Brings Malgudi, The Enchanting Little South Indian Town That R.K. Narayan Created, To Glorious And Colourful Life.

*Modern South Asian Literature in English* - Paul Briens 2003

Looks at the work of fifteen authors who were born in India, Pakistan, or Sri Lanka, and whose work is based at least partly there, including R.K. Narayan, Salman Rushdie, and Arundhati Roy.