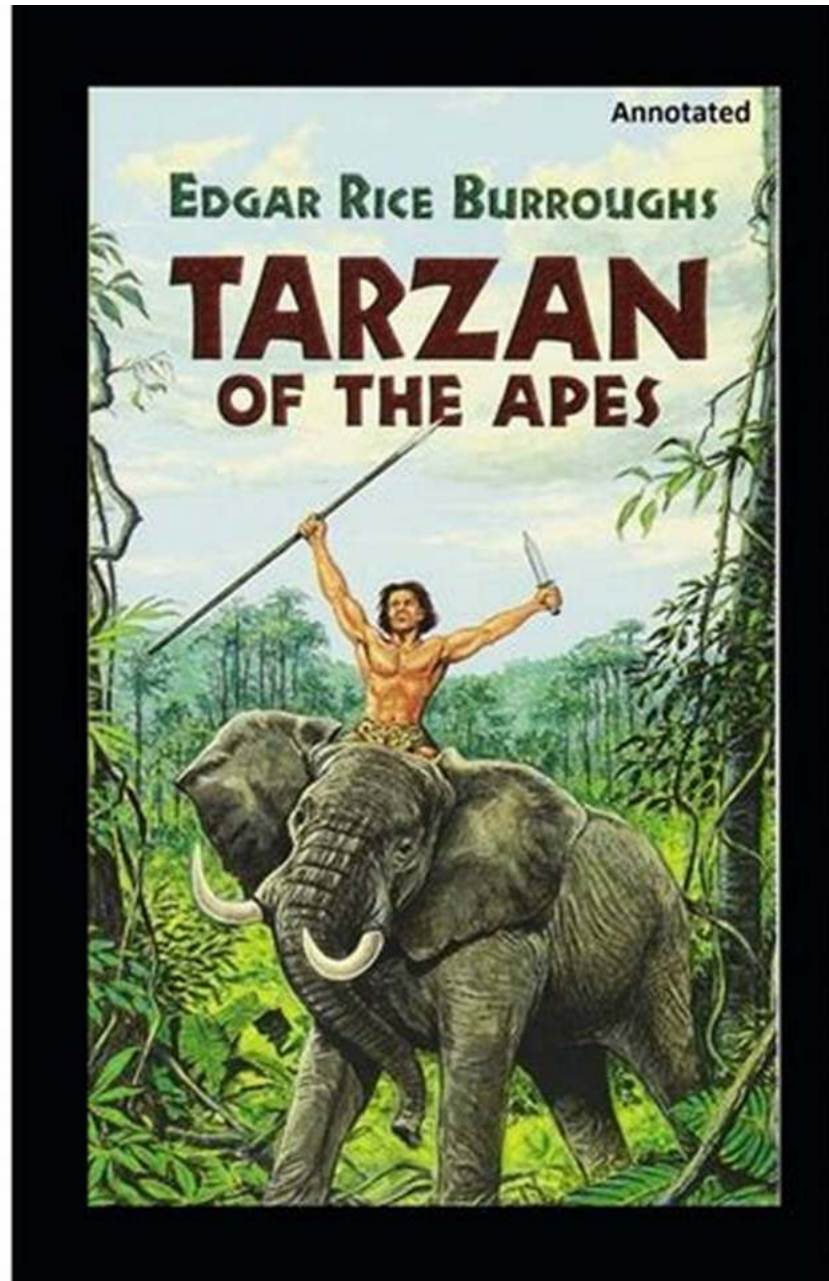


Tarzan of the Apes Annotated: Uncovering the Fascinating World of the Jungle Hero



The Extraordinary Life of Tarzan

From the very beginning, Tarzan's life is portrayed as a thrilling and exotic tale.

Born to a wealthy English couple who are marooned on the West Coast of Africa,

Tarzan is orphaned at a young age when his parents tragically die. Left to fend for himself, he is taken in and raised by a tribe of apes who become his surrogate family. The annotations in this edition shed light on Tarzan's character development, providing insights into his psychological and emotional journey as he tries to find his place in the world.

Annotated Edition: Delving into the Details

In this annotated edition, readers can expect to find a wealth of information that adds depth to the story. The annotations cover a wide range of topics, including the historical context of the novel, the inspiration behind the characters, and the scientific accuracy of Tarzan's jungle environment. This edition also includes detailed maps of the African jungle, allowing readers to visualize Tarzan's world in greater detail.



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by Alfred Russel Wallace (Kindle Edition)

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Historical Context: A Glimpse into the Past

The annotations provide a fascinating glimpse into the historical context of Tarzan of the Apes. Readers discover how Burroughs' novel was influenced by the

prevailing attitudes and beliefs of the early 20th century. The annotations also explore the impact of colonialism and imperialism on the story, shedding light on the representation of Africans and their culture. By understanding the historical backdrop, readers can gain a deeper appreciation of the social and cultural significance of Tarzan's adventures.

The Inspirations Behind the Characters

This annotated edition reveals the real-life inspirations behind the characters in Tarzan of the Apes. Burroughs drew from various sources, including explorers, scientists, and mythological figures, to create his unforgettable characters. The annotations provide biographical information on these inspirations, giving readers a glimpse into the minds of the individuals who influenced the creation of Tarzan and his companions.

Scientific Accuracy: Examining the Jungle's Wonders

The annotations in this edition delve into the scientific accuracy of Tarzan's jungle environment. While Burroughs took artistic liberties to create an exciting adventure, he also incorporated scientific knowledge into his descriptions. The annotations highlight the scientific accuracy of specific aspects, such as the behaviors and characteristics of the apes, the flora and fauna of the jungle, and the geography of the African continent. This scientific lens adds a new dimension to the reading experience and allows readers to appreciate the meticulous research behind the story.

Tarzan of the Apes Annotated offers readers an exceptional journey into the heart of the African jungle. By exploring the annotations that accompany this edition, readers can gain a deeper understanding of the historical context, the inspirations behind the characters, and the scientific accuracy of the story. Whether you are a longtime fan of Tarzan or a newcomer to this classic tale, the annotated edition

provides a fresh and insightful perspective that will enrich your reading experience.



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- Historical context of the book
- Literary critique

Tarzan of the Apes is a novel written by Edgar Rice Burroughs, the first in a series of books about the title character Tarzan. It was first published in the pulp magazine All-Story Magazine in October, 1912; the first book edition was published in 1914. So popular was the character that Burroughs continued the series into the 1940s with two dozen sequels.

The novel tells the story of John Clayton, born in the western coastal jungles of equatorial Africa to a marooned couple from England, John and Alice (Rutherford)

Clayton, Lord and Lady Greystoke. Adopted as an infant by the she-ape Kala after his parents died (his father is killed by the savage king ape Kerchak), Clayton is named "Tarzan" ("White Skin" in the ape language) and raised in ignorance of his human heritage.

Feeling alienated from his peers due to their physical differences, he discovers his true parents' cabin, where he first learns of others like himself in their books, with which he eventually teaches himself to read.

On his return from one visit to the cabin, he is attacked by a huge gorilla which he manages to kill with his father's knife, although he is terribly wounded in the struggle. As he grows up, Tarzan becomes a skilled hunter, gradually arousing the jealousy of Kerchak, the ape leader.

Later, a tribe of black Africans settles in the area, and Kala is killed by one of its hunters. Avenging himself on the killer, Tarzan begins an antagonistic relationship with the tribe, raiding its village for weapons and practicing cruel pranks on them. They, in turn, regard him as an evil spirit and attempt to placate him.

The twelve short stories Burroughs wrote later and collected as *Jungle Tales of Tarzan* occur in the period immediately following the arrival of the natives, the killing of Kala, and Tarzan's vengeance.

Finally Tarzan has amassed so much credit among the apes of the tribe that the envious Kerchak at last attacks him. In the ensuing battle Tarzan kills Kerchak and takes his place as "king" of the apes.

Subsequently, a new party of whites is marooned on the coast, including Jane Porter, the first white woman Tarzan has ever seen. Tarzan's cousin, William Cecil Clayton, unwitting usurper of the ape man's ancestral English estate, is also

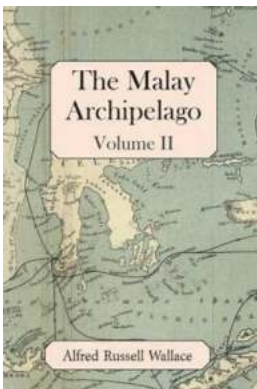
among the party. Tarzan spies on the newcomers, aids them, and saves Jane from the perils of the jungle. Absent when they are rescued, he is introduced further into the mysteries of civilization by French Naval Officer Paul D'Arnot, whom he saves from the natives. D'Arnot teaches Tarzan French and how to behave among white men, as well as serving as his guide to the nearest colonial outposts.

Ultimately, Tarzan travels to Jane's native Baltimore, Maryland only to find that she is now in the woods of Wisconsin. Tarzan finally meets Jane in Wisconsin where they renew their acquaintance and he learns the bitter news that she has become engaged to William Clayton. Meanwhile, clues from his parents' cabin have enabled D'Arnot to prove Tarzan's true identity. Instead of claiming his inheritance, Tarzan chooses rather to conceal and renounce his heritage for the sake of Jane's happiness.



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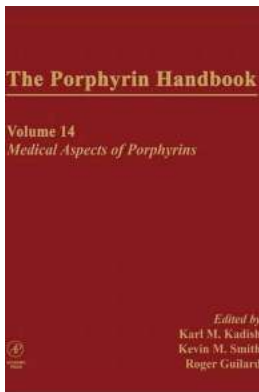
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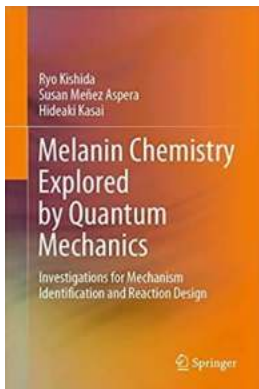
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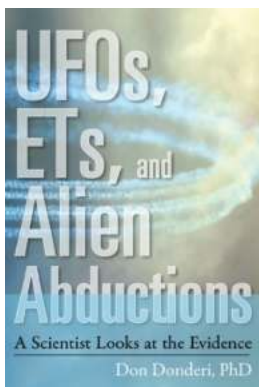
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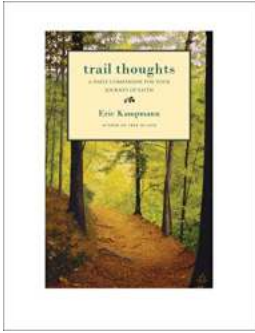
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