



Books That Became Oscar Winners & Nominees



CRITICAL INSIGHTS
All Quiet on the Western Front



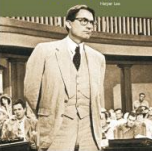
BOOK: AWARDS

- Author, Erich Maria Remarque received most of the backlash for the novel from his own countrymen.
- Fun Fact: This book was banned in Nazi Germany because they believed it portrayed the German military in a bad light.

FILM: OSCARS

- The 1930 film:
- Won 1 Oscar for Best Picture & Best Director (Lewis Milestone)
 - Nominated for another 2 Oscars: Best Writing Achievement, Best Cinematography
- Fun Fact: the book is being made into another movie, coming out in 2014

CRITICAL INSIGHTS
To Kill a Mockingbird



BOOK: AWARDS

1961 Pulitzer Prize Winner in Fiction

- Librarians across the country recently voted this the best novel of the 20th century
- Fun Fact: This book has been translated into more than 40 languages and has sold more than 30 million copies worldwide

FILM: OSCARS

- The 1962 film:
- Won 3 Oscars, including Best Actor in a Leading Role (Gregory Peck)
 - Nominated for another 5 Oscars, including Best Picture and Best Director

CRITICAL INSIGHTS
Jane Eyre



BOOK: AWARDS

- Although it is currently quite well studied in secondary schools, this book was originally met with much ridicule for having "anti-Christian" themes
- In 2003, this book was ranked #10 on BBC's *The Big Read*
- The idea to publish *Wuthering Heights*, by Emily Bronte (Charlotte Bronte's sister) only came after the success of *Jane Eyre*

FILM: OSCARS

- The 1943 film:
- Screenplay was written by Aldous Huxley
 - Orson Welles acted as Mr. Rochester
 - Elizabeth Taylor (in her 3rd film) was Helen Burns
- The 2011 film:
- Was nominated for 1 Oscar, Best Achievement in Costume Design
- Fun Fact: There are approximately 18 film adaptations of this title

CRITICAL INSIGHTS
Cormac McCarthy



AUTHOR: AWARDS

- **Pulitzer Prize Winner for *The Road***
- James Tait Black Memorial Prize Winner for *The Road*
- *Blood Meridian* amounted *Time Magazine's* list of 100 Best English Language Books published between 1923 and 2005
- Named 1 of the 4 major American Novelists of All time by Literary Critic Harold Bloom

FILM ADAPTATIONS

- *All The Pretty Horses* (2000) starring Matt Damon and Penélope Cruz
 - *No Country for Old Men* (2005) won 4 Oscars and was nominated for another 4
 - *The Road* (2009) starring Viggo Mortensen
 - *Child of God* (2013) was directed by James Franco
- Fun Fact: A film adaptation of *Blood Meridian* has been rumoured for years

AUTHOR: AWARDS

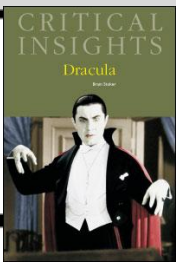
- *A Clockwork Orange* was included on *Time Magazine's* list of 100 best English-Language novels written since 1923
- Named by Modern Library as one of the 100 best English-Language novels of the 20th Century.
- Fun Fact: The original manuscript for *A Clockwork Orange* is located at McMaster University in Ontario, Canada

FILM ADAPTATIONS

- *A Clockwork Orange*, written by Anthony Burgess, was adapted in 1971 and won 4 Oscars, including Best Picture and Best Director (Stanley Kubrick)

CRITICAL INSIGHTS
Dystopia



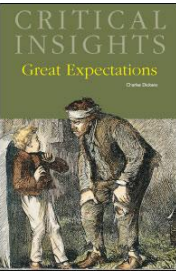


BOOK: AWARDS

- This book is famous for first introducing the character Vampire Count Dracula
- Fun Fact: In the Romanian language, the word *dracul* can mean either "the dragon" or, especially in the present day, "the devil"

FILM ADAPTATIONS

- The 1992 film *Dracula*:
- Won 2 Oscars and was nominated for 1 additional
- Fun Fact: It's estimated more than 200 films have been made that feature Count Dracula, a number second only to Sherlock Holmes

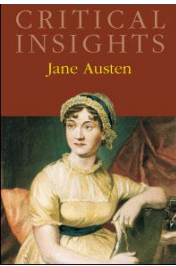


BOOK: AWARDS

- There is no indication that this title, or any other work from Charles Dickens, won any awards
- Fun Fact: *Great Expectations* was originally written in 3 volumes. When originally released in his journal, 1-2 chapters were printed in each issue over a course of 36 weeks.

FILM: OSCARS

- The 1948 film *Great Expectations*:
- Won 2 Oscars and was nominated for another 3, including Best Picture and Best Director
- Fun Fact: There have been 16 films (including made-for-TV) made from this title

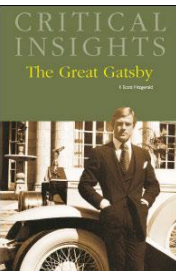


AUHTOR: AWARDS

- During her lifetime, Jane Austen didn't win any awards, but she was asked by the Prince of Wales for a book dedication. During that era, this was the equivalent of a literary award.
- Fun fact: In her lifetime, Jane Austen completed 6 novels but only 4 of them were published before her death.

FILM ADAPTATIONS

- Sense and Sensibility* (1995) won 1 Oscar and was nominated for another 5 Oscars, including Best Picture and Best Actress in a Leading Role
- Emma* (1996) won 1 Oscar and was nominated for 1 additional
- Pride & Prejudice* (2005) was nominated for 4 Oscars, including Best Actress in a Leading Role

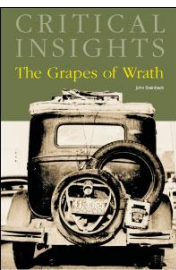


AUHTOR: AWARDS

- Best American Novel- Modern Library, 1998
 - Second Best novel in the English Language- Modern Library, 1998
- Fun Fact: in its first year of print, the novel cost just \$2 and only sold 20,000 copies
- Fun Fact: F. Scott Fitzgerald's second cousin, 3 times removed was Francis Scott Key, who wrote the lyrics to "The Star-Spangled Banner"

FILM ADAPTATIONS

- The 1975 film:
- Won 2 Oscars
- The 2013 film:
- Won 2 Oscars and starred Leonardo DiCaprio and Carey Mulligan
- Fun Fact: Several lines of narrative from the 2013 film are not taken from *The Great Gatsby*, but are instead excerpts of other F. Scott Fitzgerald works, including *My Lost City*.

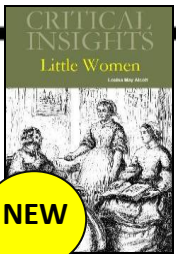


BOOK: AWARDS

- National Book Award Winner
- Pulitzer Prize Winner
- John Steinbeck- Nobel Prize Winner, 1962

FILM: OSCARS

- The 1940 film:
- Won 2 Oscars, including Best Director
 - It was nominated for another 5 Oscars, including Best Picture



BOOK: AWARDS

- Little Women* was originally published in 2 volumes: the first, *Little Women*, was published in 1868, and the second, *Little Wives*, was published in 1869.
- Fun fact: The March sister's live in "Orchard House" which is actually Louisa May Alcott's family house name

FILM: OSCARS

- The 1949 film:
- Won 1 Oscar and was nominated for 1 additional
 - Elizabeth Taylor played Amy March
- The 1994 film:
- Was nominated for 3 Oscars, including Best Actress in a Leading Role (Winona Ryder)

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