

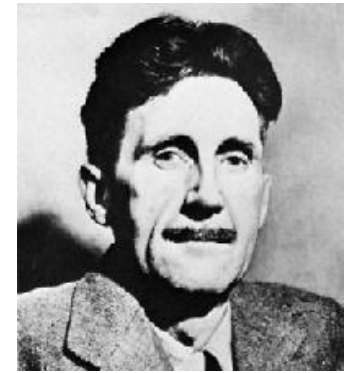
A Biography of George Orwell



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Real Name—Eric Arthur Blair



- Lived 1903-1950
- Born in India
- Moved to England as a small child
- His childhood dream: "From a very early age, perhaps the age of five or six, I knew that when I grew up I should be a writer."
- His pen name: George "sounds solidly English" and Orwell is the name of "a river in Suffolk, England"



Orwell's Education

Attended expensive preparatory schools in England

Grew up "lower-upper-middle class"

"Felt inferior to upper class boys at school"



Life After School

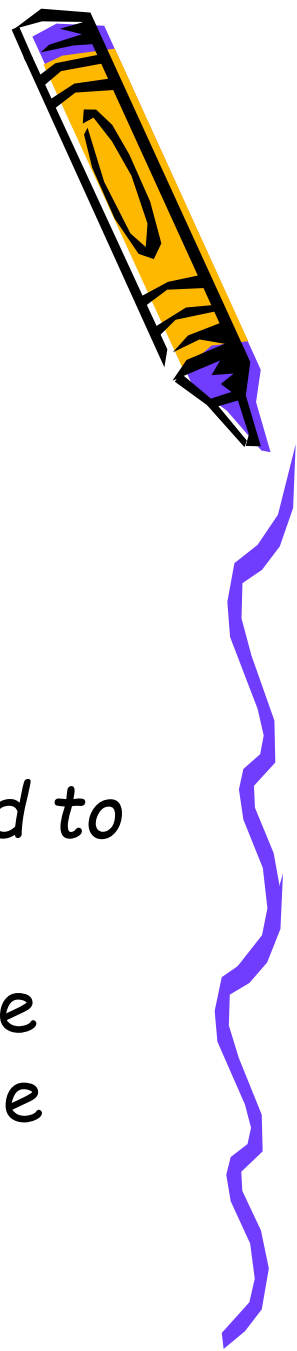


- Served in Burma with the Indian Imperial Police
- Quit because he hated the racism
- "I hate violence and don't believe in politics; the only major remedy remaining is education."

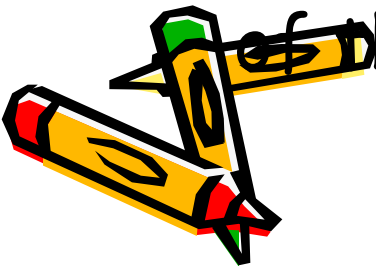


"Men can only be happy when they do not assume that the object of life is happiness."

Career Path

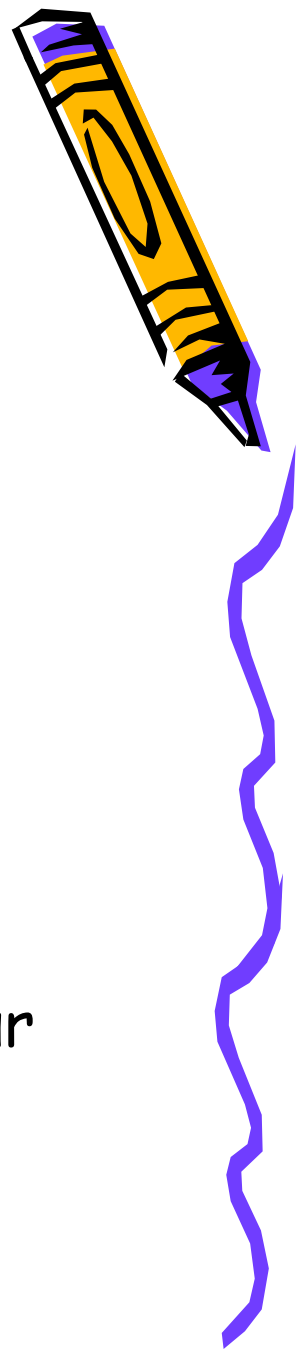


- Chose to live in poverty
- Worked as a dishwasher
- Wrote *Down and Out in Paris and London*
- Exposed harsh working conditions of the poor
- Investigated England's coal-mining industry
- Wrote *The Road to Wigan Pier*
- Exposed terrible conditions of the miners



Effects of These Jobs

- Grew to hate a "class system"
- Became a socialist
 - Socialism
 - All goods in a country are shared with others
 - No one has more than others
 - For example, "You have two cows. The government takes one and gives it to your neighbor."



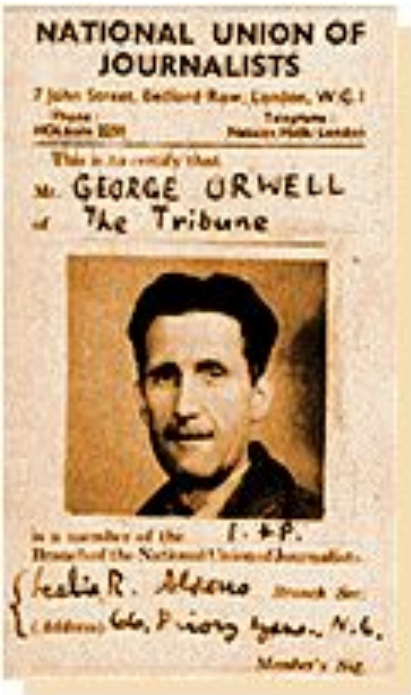
To Make Ends Meet



Writing wasn't paying the bills
Other jobs:

1. Teacher
2. Grocer
3. Bookshop assistant
4. BBC writer

- Fought in Spanish Civil War against communists
- Shot in the throat in battle
- Wrote about this war
- *Homage to Catalonia*



Personal Life

- Married in 1936



- Wife died in 1946



- Diagnosed with tuberculosis in 1938



- Remarried in 1950 (three months before his own death)

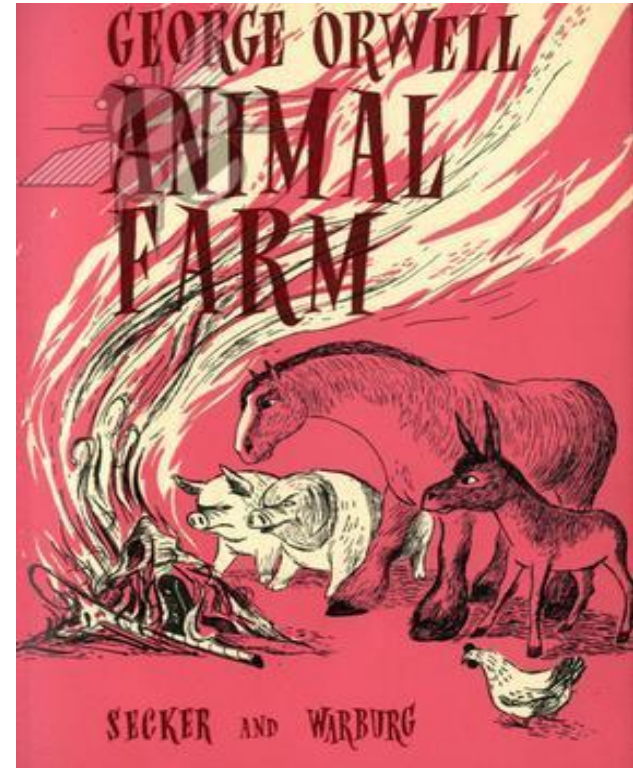


Adopted son in 1944



Most Famous Works

- *Animal Farm*
- Published in 1945
- Wrote it "to expose [Joseph] Stalin's perversion of socialism"
- Fusion of "political and artistic purpose"
- Immediate commercial (\$) success
- Quickly translated into many languages

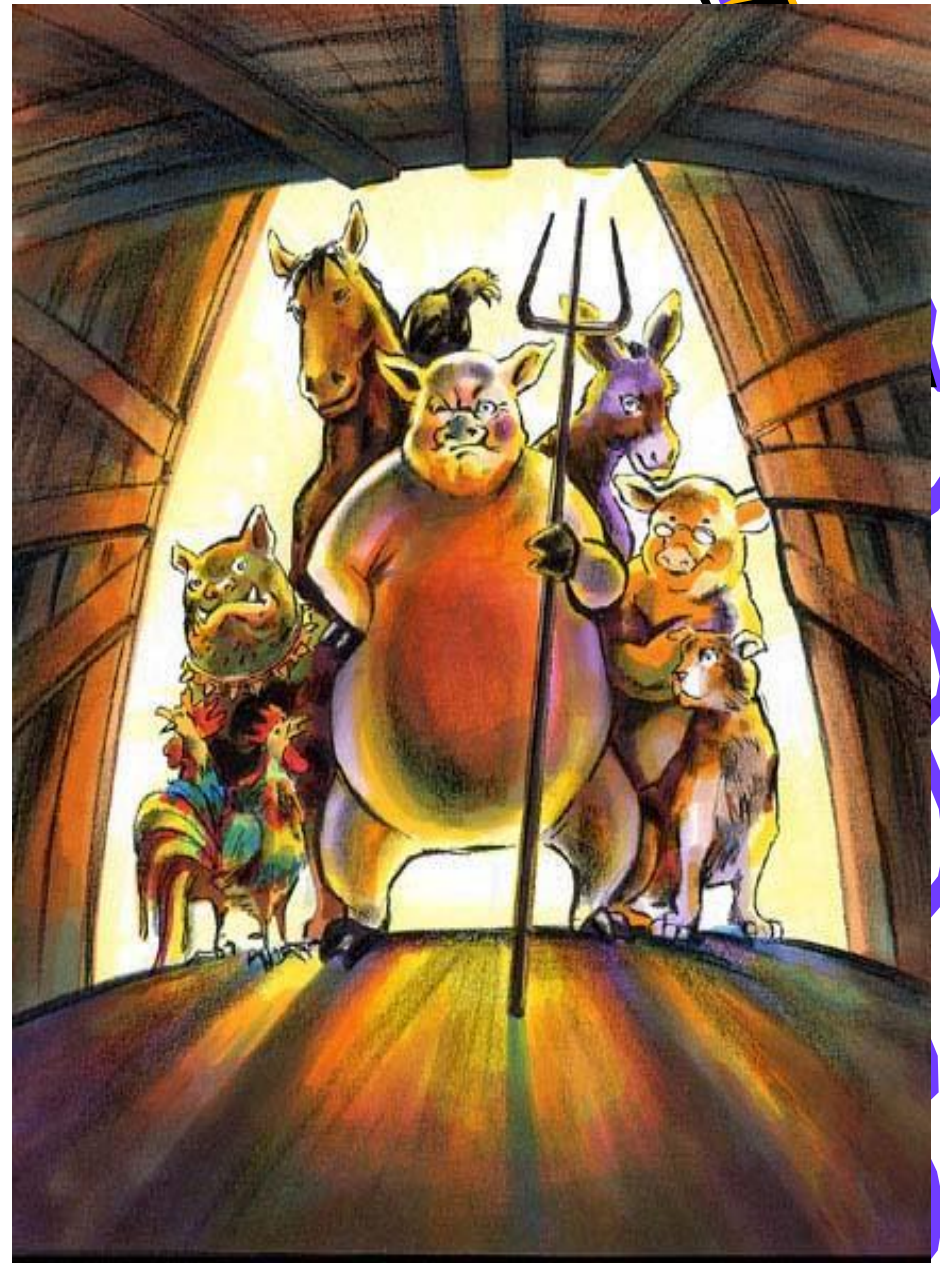


Animal Farm

- **Animal Farm is an allegorical novel by George Orwell, published in England on 17 August 1945. According to Orwell, the book reflects events leading up to the Russian Revolution of 1917 and then on into the Stalin era in the Soviet Union.**



- The novel shows the corruption of the government, rebellions and fight for the «equality» of all people through the animal beings. In this tale, Orwell wanted to open eyes of world`s society. He showed us that a revolution, once it has abandoned honesty, truth and clarity, results in oppression, cruelty and exploitation. The power can and will be abused.



Final Thoughts



- Suffered a tubercular hemorrhage (lung bleed)
- Died in 1950 at age of 46
- "Writing a book is a long, exhausting struggle, like a long bout of some painful illness. One would never undertake such a thing if one were not driven by some demon whom one can neither resist or understand."

