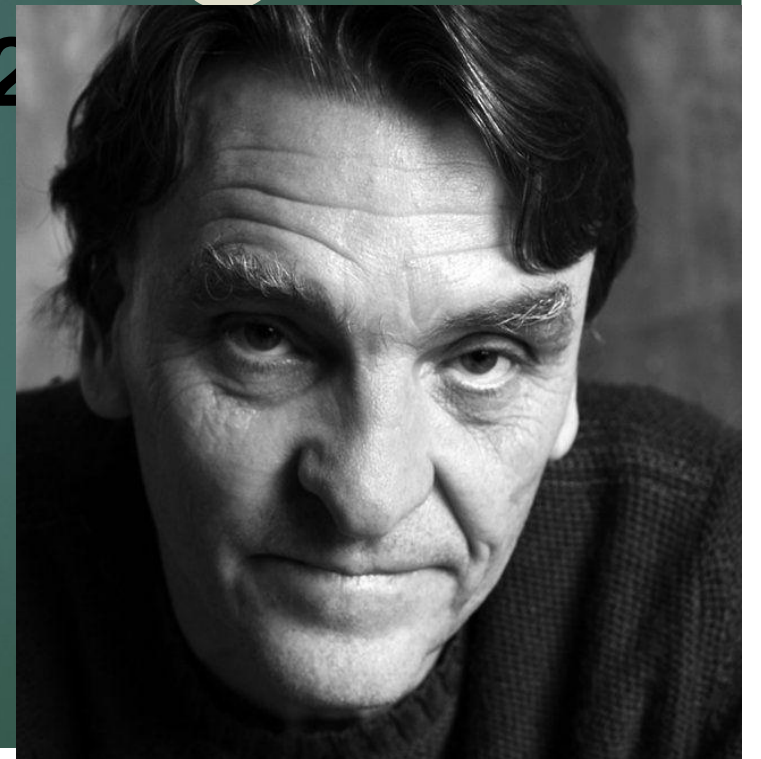


Billy Elliot by Melvin Burgess

CHAPTERS 1-2



Introduction

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The main characters

Billy Elliot - the the main character

Mother (Billy*s)

Father(Billy*s)

Jackie Elliot (brother Billy)

Grandma

Debbie (a girl at Billy's school)

Key Words

| Word | Translation |
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| a poor coal miner | Бідний шахтер |
| ballet dancer | Артист балету |
| the picket line fighting for the coal mines not to be closed | Лінія пікету, що бореться за те щоб вугільні шахти не були закриті |
| worry about the future | Турбуватися за майбутнє |
| he is different from other boys. | Він відрізняється від інших хлопчиків |
| dancing round the boxing ring instead of fighting | Танцював навколо рингу ,замість того, щоб боротися |

Plot

Chapter 1:

Billy, whose mother has died, stays at home taking care of his grandma, Nan, while his father and brother are on strike on the picket line fighting for the coal mines not to be closed.

PLOT

Chapter 2:

Billy's father, Jackie, worries about his country and about the future and particularly about his son, Billy, because he is different from other boys. When Jackie sees Billy dancing round the boxing ring instead of fighting, he gets very angry

Questions

Who are Jackie and Tony?

Where does Billy go on Saturday morning?

Who is Debbie?

Exercise 1

- ▶ **Complete the sentences with words from the box.**

different famous kitchen letter money pub

- a) Billy **shouts** at his father and runs out of the house.
- ▶ b) Mr Wilkinson often goes to the
- ▶ c) Mrs Wilkinson doesn't want for the ballet lessons.
- ▶ d) Gene Kelly was a dancer like Fred Astaire.
- ▶ e) Billy's mam wrote a to Billy before she died
- ▶ f) Tony and Jackie have ideas about the strike.

Excercise 2

► Match the word with translation

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