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A frivolous, wealthy family's garden party continues uninterrupted by the death of a working-class neighbor.

This volume offers new interpretations of Katherine Mansfield's work by bringing together recent biographical and critical-theoretical approaches to her life and art in the context of Continental Europe. It features chapters on Mansfield's reception in several European countries together with her own translations of other European writers.

'Although Bertha Young was thirty she still had moments like this when she wanted to run instead of walk, to take dancing steps on and off the pavement, to bowl a hoop, to throw something up in the air and catch it again, or to stand still and laugh at - nothing - at nothing, simply.' Katherine Mansfield's perceptive and resonant writing helped to define the modern short story, observing apparently trivial incidents to create quietly devastating revelations of inner lives. In these three tales, aglow with light and colour, Mansfield describes an exultant epiphany, fading memories and the unspoken, half-understood emotions that make up everyday existence. This book includes *Bliss*, *The Daughters of the Late Colonel* and *The Doll's House*.

Sounding Modernism Rhythm and Sonic Mediation in Modern Literature and Film
Edinburgh University Press

The letters in this volume cover the eighteen months Katherine Mansfield spent in England, France, and Switzerland from May 1920 to the end of 1921. It is the period of her finest stories, and when her life took its most decisive turn. There is a subtle but unmistakable change in her

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expectations, a new 'spiritual' insistence that is both elusive and resolute. From her Chekopian acceptance that 'they are cutting down the cherry trees' she derives a tough existential directness: 'the little boat enters the dark, fearful gulf...Nobody listens. The shadowy figure rows on. One ought to sit still and uncover one's eyes.' There is a determined push - not always successful - towards a necessary honesty, as much as to artistic achievement; while those qualities of her earlier correspondence remain undiminished - the precision and directness, the intelligence and wit, the dark incisiveness as much as sheer fun. Above all, perhaps, these letters comprise a record of very considerable courage, against increasingly adverse odds, as they approach the final years of her life.

A richly imagined novel that tells the story behind *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, the book that inspired the iconic film, through the eyes of author L. Frank Baum's intrepid wife, Maud--from the family's hardscrabble days in South Dakota to the Hollywood film set where she first meets Judy Garland. Maud Gage Baum, widow of the author of the book *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, met Judy Garland, the young actress playing the role of Dorothy on the set of *The Wizard of Oz* in 1939. At the time, Maud was seventy-eight and Judy was sixteen. In spite of their age difference, Maud immediately connected to Judy--especially when Maud heard her sing "Over the Rainbow," a song whose yearning brought to mind the tough years in South Dakota when Maud and her husband struggled to make a living--until Frank Baum's book became a national sensation. This wonderfully evocative two-stranded story recreates Maud's youth as the rebellious daughter of a leading suffragette, and the prairie years of Maud and Frank's early days when they lived among the people--especially young Dorothy--who would inspire Frank's masterpiece. Woven into this past story is one set in 1939, describing the high-pressured days

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on The Wizard of Oz film set where Judy is being badgered by the director, producer, and her ambitious stage mother to lose weight, bind her breasts, and laugh, cry, and act terrified on command. As Maud had promised to protect the original Dorothy back in Aberdeen, she now takes on the job of protecting young Judy.

Fiercely dependent on her identity as a lady's maid, a woman relates her experiences and ambitions, and the paths that her vocation has taken her down in this dramatic monologue. HarperPerennial Classics brings great works of literature to life in digital format, upholding the highest standards in ebook production and celebrating reading in all its forms. Look for more titles in the HarperPerennial Classics collection to build your digital library.

"A Piece of Steak" was a short story written by Jack London which first appeared in the Saturday Evening Post in November 1909. It took him about half a month to write it and earned him five hundred dollars.

Innovative, startlingly perceptive and aglow with colour, these fifteen stories were written towards the end of Katherine Mansfield's tragically short life. Many are set in the author's native New Zealand, others in England and the French Riviera. All are revelations of the unspoken, half-understood emotions that make up everyday experience - from the blackly comic 'The Daughters of the Late Colonel', and the short, sharp sketch 'Miss Brill', in which a lonely woman's precarious sense of self is brutally destroyed, to the vivid impressionistic evocation of family life in 'At the Bay'. 'All that I write,' Mansfield said, 'all that I am - is on the borders of the sea. It is a kind of playing.' Fenella Crane struggles to keep up with her father and grandmother as they stride

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toward the Picton boat. Her neatly-rolled luggage is strapped to her back and she clutches her grandmother's umbrella closely to her. Her father looks tired and sad, she thinks, and as the second whistle blows, he removes his hat and takes his mother in his arms. Fenella wants to know how long she is going to stay with her grandparents on the South Island, and when her father presses a shilling on her, just in case, she has her answer: forever. HarperPerennial Classics brings great works of literature to life in digital format, upholding the highest standards in ebook production and celebrating reading in all its forms. Look for more titles in the HarperPerennial Classics collection to build your digital library.

"The other ladies consider her 'very, very fast. Her lack of vanity, her slang, the way she treated men as though she was one of them, and the fact that she didn't care twopence about her house and called the servant Gladys 'Glad-eyes', was disgraceful." Like her friend Virginia Woolf's 'Mrs. Dalloway' (1925), 'At the Bay' (1922) by Katherine Mansfield covers a single day from different points of view. In this beautifully written short story filled with rich characters and vivid imagery, we visit or revisit the Burnell family in a story about nothing and everything. Katherine Mansfield (1888-1923) was short story writer and poet from New Zealand, who settled in England at the age of 19. Virginia Woolf and D.H. Lawrence were among her literary friends and admirers. She died of tuberculosis at the age of 34.

'And again, as always, he had the feeling he was holding something that never was

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quite his - his. Something too delicate, too precious, that would fly away once he let go.' Three sharp and powerful short stories from Katherine Mansfield, one of the genre's all-time masters. Introducing Little Black Classics: 80 books for Penguin's 80th birthday. Little Black Classics celebrate the huge range and diversity of Penguin Classics, with books from around the world and across many centuries. They take us from a balloon ride over Victorian London to a garden of blossom in Japan, from Tierra del Fuego to 16th-century California and the Russian steppe. Here are stories lyrical and savage; poems epic and intimate; essays satirical and inspirational; and ideas that have shaped the lives of millions. Katherine Mansfield (1888-1923). Mansfield's works available in Penguin Classics are *The Collected Stories of Katherine Mansfield* and *The Garden Party and Other Stories*.

Addresses postfeminist media culture's emphasis on socioeconomic privilege William's heart aches. The pleasure he finds in his work is only a temporary distraction from the pain of being separated from his family, especially his wife. Every Saturday he takes the train down to the new house, full of new servants and Isabel's Bohemian friends. It's true that they needed a larger house. And he doesn't really begrudge her the servants. But the extraordinary thing is that he'd never guessed she was so unhappy. HarperPerennial Classics brings great works of literature to life in digital format, upholding the highest standards in ebook production and celebrating reading in all its forms. Look for more titles in the HarperPerennial Classics collection to build your

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This volume brings together a range of essays by eminent and emergent scholars working at the intersection of modern literary, cinema and sound studies. The individual studies ask what specific sonorous qualities are capable of being registered by different modern media, and how sonic transpositions and transferences across media affect the ways in which human subjects attend to modern soundscapes. Script, groove, electrical current, magnetic imprint, phonographic vibration: as the contributors show, sound traverses these and other material platforms to become an insistent ground-note of modern aesthetics, one not yet adequately integrated into critical accounts of the period. This collection also provides a commanding and wide-ranging investigation of the conditions under which modernists tapped technically into the rhythms, echoes and sonic architectures of their worlds.

Contains all the short stories written during the last year of Katherine Mansfield's life at Montana, with a new and lengthy publisher's note.

In this short story by Katherine Mansfield, an unidentified narrator is left in charge of Mrs. Raddick's children while their mother keeps her friend, Mrs. MacEwen, company at the casino. At twelve, Hennie is delighted with everything the world has to offer—an English bulldog, a cup of chocolate, a pineapple cream—while his

sister is bored. Touching and funny, “The Young Girl” depicts youth’s bewilderment with the world of grown-ups and impatience to get there. HarperPerennial Classics brings great works of literature to life in digital format, upholding the highest standards in ebook production and celebrating reading in all its forms. Look for more titles in the HarperPerennial Classics collection to build your digital library.

The streets are bustling with people—musicians, children, psychics, and salesmen—because a bank holiday means that everyone is out of the house, enjoying the day. In “Bank Holiday” author Katherine Mansfield examines the sights, sounds, and feelings of people out on a holiday in the summertime. HarperPerennial Classics brings great works of literature to life in digital format, upholding the highest standards in ebook production and celebrating reading in all its forms. Look for more titles in the HarperPerennial Classics collection to build your digital library.

Kathleen Mansfield Beauchamp Murry was a prominent modernist writer of short fiction who was born and brought up in colonial New Zealand and wrote under the pen name of Katherine Mansfield. Mansfield left for Great Britain in 1908 where she encountered Modernist writers such as D.H. Lawrence and Virginia Woolf with whom she became close friends. Her stories often focus on moments

of disruption and frequently open rather abruptly.

In line with the recent surge of critical interest in early psychology, the contributors read Mansfield's work alongside figures like William James and Henri Bergson, opening up new perspectives on affect in her work. While these essays trace strands within the intellectual milieu in which Mansfield came of age, others explore the intricate interplay between Mansfield's fiction and Freudian theory, seeing her work as emblematic of the uncanny doubling of modernist literature and psychoanalysis.

Laughter, Literature, Violence, 1840-1930 investigates the strange, complex, even paradoxical relationship between laughter, on the one hand, and violence, war, horror, death, on the other. It does so in relation to philosophy, politics, and key nineteenth- and twentieth-century literary texts, by Edgar Allan Poe, Edmund Gosse, Wyndham Lewis and Katherine Mansfield – texts which explore the far reaches of Schadenfreude, and so-called 'superiority theories' of laughter, pushing these theories to breaking point. In these literary texts, the violent superiority often ascribed to laughter is seen as radically unstable, co-existing with its opposite: an anarchic sense of equality. Laughter, humour and comedy are slippery, duplicitous, ambivalent, self-contradictory hybrids, fusing apparently discordant elements. Now and then, though, literary and philosophical texts also

dream of a different kind of laughter, one which reaches beyond its alloys – a transcendent, ‘perfect’ laughter which exists only in and for itself.

The formidable River Cottage team turns their attention to all matters aquatic in this definitive guide to freshwater fish, saltwater fish, and shellfish. Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall and Nick Fisher examine the ecological and moral issues of fishing, teach individual skills such as catching and descaling, and offer a comprehensive (and fascinating) species reference section. They also demystify the cooking of fish with 135 recipes for preparing fish and shellfish in diverse ways, from pickling to frying to smoking. This ambitious reference-cookbook appeals to both intellect and appetite by focusing on the pleasures of catching, cooking, and eating fish while grounding those actions in a philosophy and practice of sustainability. The authors help us understand the human impact on the seafood population, while their infectious enthusiasm for all manner of fish and shellfish—from the mighty salmon to the humble mackerel to the unsung cockle—inspires us to explore different and unfamiliar species. Fish is superlative food, but it’s also a precious resource. The River Cottage Fish Book delivers a complete education alongside a wealth of recipes, and is the most opinionated and passionate fish book around.

Miss Meadows, a singing teacher, bustles into school one day in bad temper. Upon encountering her colleagues and young students, she is cold, bitter, and reproachful. But what could have brought out this sudden irritation and resentment in Miss Meadows?

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This book reappraises the philosophical value of short fiction by Virginia Woolf, Katherine Mansfield and Elizabeth Bowen, examining the stories through the lens of specific everyday objects. Looking at Woolf and armchairs, Mansfield and snack food, and Bowen and fashion accessories, it probes the aesthetic resonance between these stories form and contents and also considers the modes of thinking they might promote. Conceiving of their short fiction as intrinsically radical and experimental even within a wider context of modernist innovation, this book shows how these important women writers brought quotidian objects to riotous life, in such a way that tasked readers with reevaluating their everyday existence. Overall, *Modernist Short Fiction and Things* argues that short fiction epitomises modernist aesthetics, functioning as a resonant source for investigation and complementing and expanding our understanding of modernist epistemology. ' It offers a suggestive analysis of the ways in which three modernist writers mobilise the thing-like quality of the short story form for an exploration of the uncanniness of the object world. The close readings of Woolf, Mansfield and Bowen are inventive, thoughtful and perceptive. - Clare Hanson, Emeritus Professor of English, University of Southampton, UK.

Ten stories from the 'brilliant' Katherine Mansfield set in New Zealand. As Vincent O'Sullivan states, those encountering Mansfield's stories for the first time have invariably found they 'were alive, they were witty, they were moving, they covered new ground'. But with about 70 stories to choose from and a vast array of themes and approaches, where do you start, and how do you begin to understand and best appreciate her writing and achievements? This series features selections of her best stories, grouped by subject and introduced by Mansfield scholar Vincent O'Sullivan, who is also a writer of fiction in his own right. Each volume offers a

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different way to view Mansfield's work. This selection includes her most-loved stories about the New Zealand of her childhood. As O'Sullivan explains, his choices cover 'everything of importance that happened to her, that she observed and experienced, between childhood in Wellington's wooden houses, to her deciding in Switzerland in July 1922, that her final paragraph about a singing bird was the place for her to stop'. Other titles in the MANSFIELD SELECTIONS series: In Bavaria: ISBN 978-1-77553-498-3 Marriage & Families: ISBN 978-1-77553-501-0 Sex & Lies: ISBN 978-1-77553-499-0 Women Alone: ISBN 978-1-77553-502-7

In a German Pension captures the youthful views of esteemed writer, Katherine Mansfield, who jumpstarted her illustrious career with a series of remarkable short stories. It showcases her growth and scope as a formidable nineteenth century writer. A captivating collection of short stories centering the cynical and superficial parts of human nature. In one instance, an expectant father frets over his surroundings, while his wife gives birth. Another tale highlights a society woman's obsession with fashion and perception, while another woman is fixated on her husband's stomach. Each story presents a satirical view of German people and culture from the early 1900s. In a German Pension was a commercial success that quickly ran through multiple editions. It was an impressive starting point to an acclaimed career, filled with masterful modernist tales. This collection is a testament to Mansfield's unique voice and storytelling ability. With an eye-catching new cover, and professionally typeset manuscript, this edition of In a German Pension is both modern and readable.

The groundbreaking essays gathered in this volume argue that global paradigms of world literature, often referencing the major metropolitan centers of cultural and literary production,

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do not always accommodate voices from the margins and writing within minority genres such as the short story. Katherine Mansfield is a supreme example of a writer who is positioned between a number of different borders and boundaries: between modernism and postcolonialism; between the short story and other genres (like the novella or poetry, or nonfiction, such as letters, diaries, reviews, and translations); between Europe and New Zealand. In pointing to the global production and dissemination of short stories, and in particular the growing reception of Mansfield's work worldwide since her death in 1923, the volume shows how literary modernism can be read in a myriad of ways in terms of the contemporary category of new world literature.

'I was jealous of her writing. The only writing I have ever been jealous of.' Virginia Woolf
Virginia Woolf was not the only writer to admire Mansfield's work: Thomas Hardy, D. H. Lawrence, and Elizabeth Bowen all praised her stories, and her early death at the age of thirty-four cut short one of the finest short-story writers in the English language. This selection covers the full range of Mansfield's fiction, from her early satirical stories to the subtly nuanced comedy of 'The Daughters of the Late Colonel' and the macabre and ominous 'A Married Man's Story'. The stories that pay what Mansfield calls 'a debt of love' to New Zealand are as sharply etched as the European stories, and she recreates her childhood world with mordant insight. Disruption is a constant theme, whether the tone is comic, tragic, nostalgic, or domestic, echoing Mansfield's disrupted life and the fractured expressions of Modernism. This new edition increases the selection from 27 to 33 stories and prints them in the order in which they first appeared, in the definitive texts established by Anthony Alpers.

Essay from the year 2004 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Literature,

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grade: 1, University of Stuttgart, 2 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: Katherine Mansfield's story "Bliss" can be read as a satire on the artist-milieu of her time, combined with the subject of disloyalty. But it also is full of symbols. To understand the complete meaning of the story, we have to interpret these symbols. As Bertha Young, the protagonist, identifies herself with the pear tree, this symbol seems to be very important for our interpretation (especially of the last, mysterious sentence). In my opinion the pear tree stands for two aspects related to Bertha which might help us to get a deeper view on "Bliss": her bisexuality and (far more relevant) her virginity. Why is the pear tree a symbol for Bertha's bisexuality? Botanically a pear tree can be regarded as bisexual by nature because it is self-fertilizing. It has both female and male organs. But I also can verify my thesis according to text: When Bertha shows her garden to Pearl Fulton, this is a crucial moment of the story. Bertha is highly emotional in this scene because she forgets the world and the time around her and her thoughts are described emotively. The pear tree occurs in this scene in a remarkable way for it seems "to touch the rim of the round, silver moon". We have to keep in mind that the pear tree symbolizes Bertha for she explicitly says that (p.123) and her dress resembles to the pear tree. The moon and its silver light are an important symbol, too. Therefore we need to find out its meaning. I suggest to interpret the moon in "Bliss" in a very classical way: The moon is an ancient symbol for the feminine principle in the world (as the sun stands for the masculine; cp. lat. luna, f., sol, m.). The cycle of the female sex hormone (i. e. menstruation) and the cycle of the moon are similar. So we can make a simple connection between the moon and female sexuality. Why is the moon so important in this story? Because Pearl is associated with the moon. She is dressed all in silver, she has "moonbeam fingers" (p.135) and Bertha

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compares her to the moonlight, thinking: "(...) the light of (...) [the] moon, silver as Miss Fulton"(p.129).

"There was not an inch of room for Lottie and Kezia in the buggy. When Pat swung them on top of the luggage they wobbled; the grandmother's lap was full and Linda Burnell could not possibly have held a lump of a child on hers for any distance." The seemingly perfect Burnell family is moving from one house to another, and on the surface, everything appears idyllic. But as the story develops, the tension grows, threatening to explode and expose their true nature. 'Prelude' (1922) is evidence of Katherine Mansfield's short fiction genius, and it was the first short story that Virginia Woolf commissioned for her publishing house. Katherine Mansfield (1888-1923) was short story writer and poet from New Zealand, who settled in England at the age of 19. Virginia Woolf and D.H. Lawrence were among her literary friends and admirers. She died of tuberculosis at the age of 34.

Reproduction of the original: Bliss, and Other Stories by Katherine Mansfield

A young Englishwoman embarks on a journey to the French front lines during the First World War in an effort to meet her lover, the "Little Corporal." Written in a modernist style that combines and explores several narratives and perspectives, "An Indiscreet Journey" is an engaging portrayal of life and relationships during wartime. It is one of the only stories written by Katherine Mansfield that was set during the war, and was purportedly based on a similar experience of Mansfield's while travelling to meet her French lover on the frontlines.

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Provides a comprehensive reference to short fiction from Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Commonwealth, featuring some of the most popular writers and works.

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