

Review of *The Once and Future King* by T.H. White

“The Once and Future King” is an epic tale of the great Arthurian legend. It documents King Arthur’s heroic adventures, as well as his inevitable downfall. I personally loved watching the growth of Wart, a boy disheartened from his unavoidable role as a squire, to the great and incredible King Arthur, spreading his message of fair rule by means of right, not by the power of brute might. The secret and problematic relationship between Arthur’s best knight, and Arthur’s true love, definitely creates fireworks, resulting in a drama-filled environment keeping any reader wanting more. Plus, the upbringing of Mordred, a truly hateful soul, creates a series of tragic events, ultimately leading to the end of our great hero, Arthur, king of England.

T.H White, the author of the novel, combined an action adventure, love story, and character drama all in one book. White does a fantastic job of creating a great story for the reader’s enjoyment, captivating the reader’s interest for hours at a time. The sense of comic relief and always shifting pace kept the book exciting, covering some segments with vivid detail, and in other instances, flying through the story at remarkable speeds. T.H White tells a magnificent story, and delivers one truly knock-out book.

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