

Final Conclusion

The Road is a tragic post apocalyptic novel that visualizes how the future will look like as humans continue to act the way they are. No food, no natural resources, and no friendship or love exists in the novel, which hints towards an uncivilized society in the future.

Although it is very tragic and is written with a different unusual style, it still reflects heavily on the future of humans on Earth.

Author's Note
The Road is a post-apocalyptic novel by Cormac McCarthy. It is set in a dystopian society where the world has been destroyed by a catastrophic event. The novel follows the journey of a father and his son as they travel across a desolate landscape in search of a better life.

Thanks for listening,
hope you enjoyed :)

About the Author: Cormac McCarthy

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- Cormac McCarthy was born in Sicily Island, U.S. on July 20th, 1933.
- As he grew up, McCarthy and his family moved to live in different cities in the U.S. He later attended the University of Tennessee and then joined the U.S. Air Force in 1953.
- After he left the Air Force, McCarthy started his career as a writer, while he worked as an auto mechanic in Chicago.
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- By writing the book, McCarthy wanted to visualize his own thoughts and predictions on how the future will look like, if humans continue to act the way they are.
- The book was published in September 2006.
- The genre of the book mainly falls around the post apocalyptic fiction and dystopianism.



Author Context
Cormac McCarthy was born in Sicily Island, Louisiana, in 1933. He grew up in a family of writers and spent much of his childhood in various parts of the United States. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1953 to 1956 before becoming a writer.

Symbols

A Book CAN
The book is a symbol of the human condition, showing the struggle between the desire for survival and the need for connection. The book is a story that is not just about the past, but about the future.

All the Road Not Taken
The Road Not Taken is a poem by Robert Frost that describes a traveler who comes to a fork in the road and must choose which path to take. The poem is often used to describe the choices we make in life and the consequences of those choices.

Movie Trailer

Here's the trailer of the movie adaptation

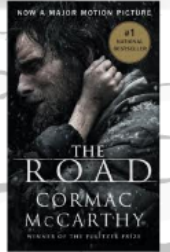


Movie Adaptation

On November 25th 2009, a movie adaptation of the book was released. The movie starred Viggo Mortensen as the man, Chiwetel Ejiofor as the wife, and Kodi Smit-McCraw as the old man.



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- Very few people have survived the apocalypse and are continuously suffering from the very cold freezing weather, the cannibalism existing, and the natural dangers.
- Throughout the book, the father and his son go through their journey heading South, hoping to find a warmer safer place to live in, while fighting the dangers of humans and their actions.



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After being shot by an armed man, the father and his son are left alone to survive the journey to the south.

The film stars Brad Pitt with his son, played by Kodi Smit-McCraw, who will take the role of the father and his son on the journey.

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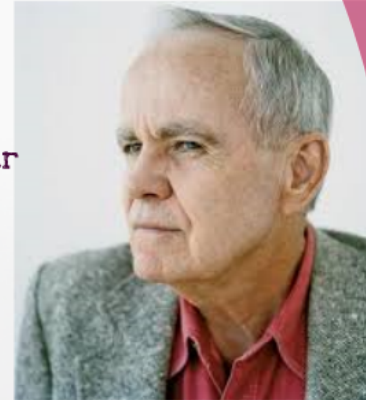
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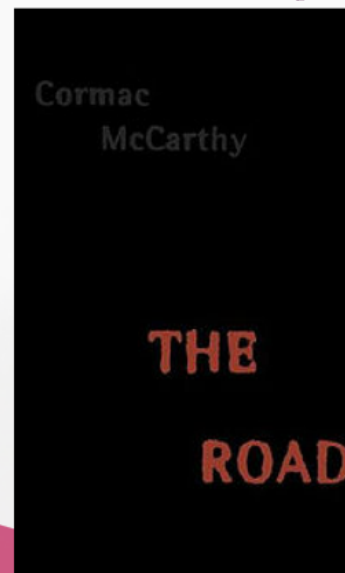
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Characters

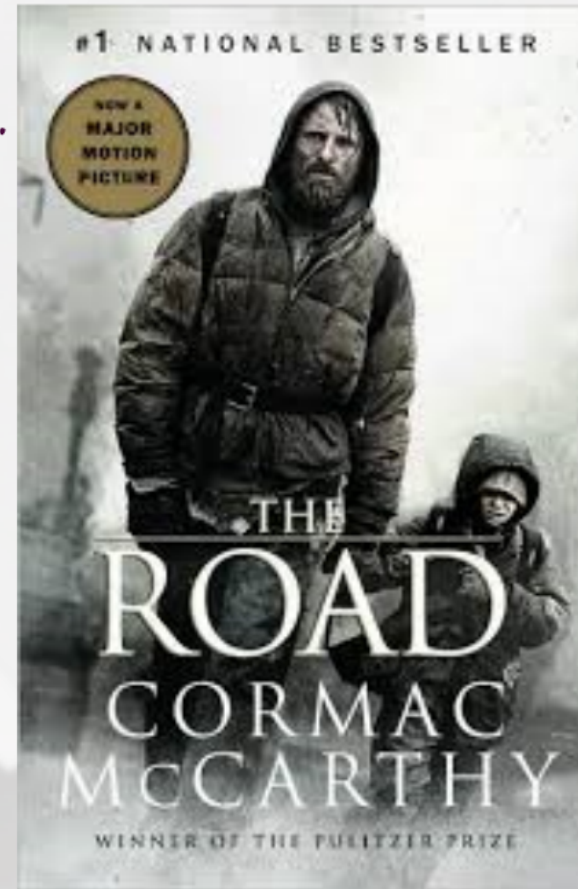
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The Father is the main protagonist of the novel. After his wife's death and the destruction caused by an apocalypse, he decides that it is his goal to protect his son as much as possible. At the end of the novel, he dies.

The Road: Plot Overview

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- The main plot of the book revolves around the story of a father and his young son who are travelling on a road hoping to find a better chance of living.
- The society in which the father and the son live in has been destroyed and damaged by an unknown apocalypse that has occurred previously.
- Very few people have survived the apocalypse and are continuously suffering from the very cold freezing weather, the cannibalism existing, and the natural dangers.
- Throughout the book, the father and his son go through their journey heading South, hoping to find a warmer safer place to live in, while fighting the dangers of humans and their actions.



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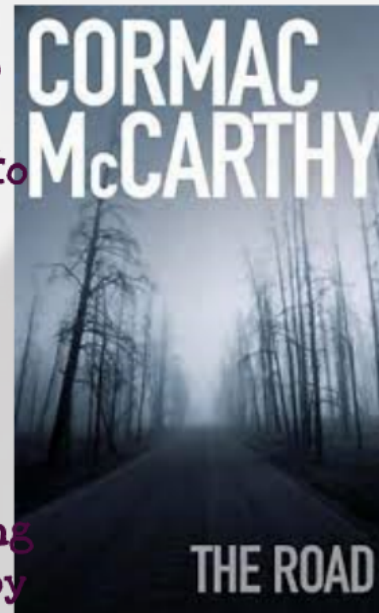
The Road Plot: Continued

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Throughout their journey, the father and the son meet several characters, including people who are facing the same sufferings and others who can do anything to gain a chance of survival, including killing and eating people.

After being shot by an arrow and exposed to diseases and infections, the father dies, leaving his son to continue the journey by himself.

The boy then meets a man with his two children who convinces him that he will take care of him without hurting him while continuing the journey.



Characters

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- **The father**

The father is the main protagonist of the novel. After his wife's death and the destruction caused by an apocalypse, he decided that his only goal is to protect his son no matter what. At the end, he sacrifices his life for his son to live.

- **The Son**

The son is the second main character of the book. He, along with the father, travel hoping for a better chance of survival. Characterized by being kind, hopeful, and brave, the son is forced to continue the journey alone when his father dies.

- **The Wife**

The man's wife, who is dead in the novel, only appears through the man's dreams. The father dreams of his wife before her death and the good memories they had before the apocalypse.



Charatcers: Continued

- Ely:

Ely is a very old man whom the father and the son meet on the road. He talks to the father about humanity and how it destroyed Earth and nature.

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Themes of the Novel

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Love:

Love is the only connection that keeps the father and his son together, especially in a world that cares about nothing but its own survival

Good vs. Evil:

The good is represented through the father and his son while the evil is present through the cannibals, murderers and the rest of the people in the novel.

Reality and the Future

The author's setting of the novel visualizes his thoughts on how the future will look like.

