

### 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.

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Thanks for listening,  
hope you enjoyed :)

### About the Author: Cormac McCarthy

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- Cormac McCarthy was born in Flintridge, California, 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.
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- The genre of the book mainly falls around the post-apocalyptic fiction and dystopianism.



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### Movie Trailer

Here's the trailer of the movie adaptation



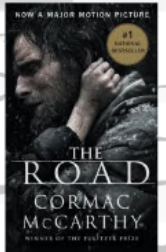
### Movie Adaptation

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.

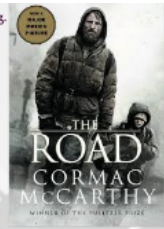


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Very few people have survived the apocalypse and are continuously suffering from the very cold freezing weather, the cannibalism existing, and the natural dangers.  
Throughout the book, the father and his son go through their journey heading South,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



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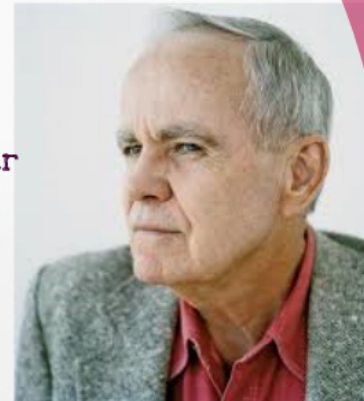
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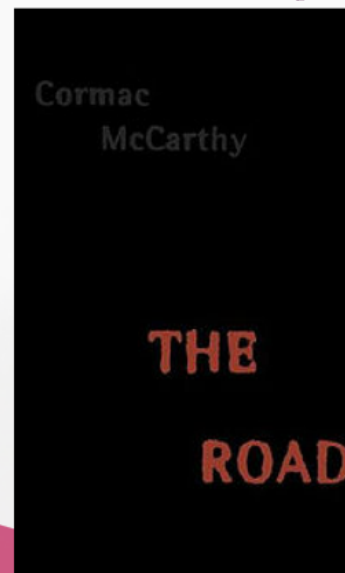
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### Characters

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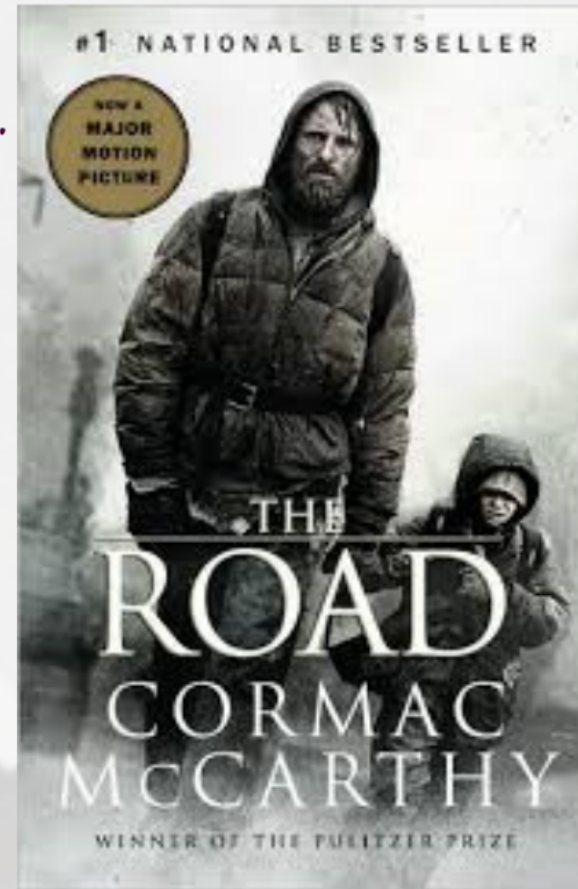
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# The Road: Plot Overview

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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.
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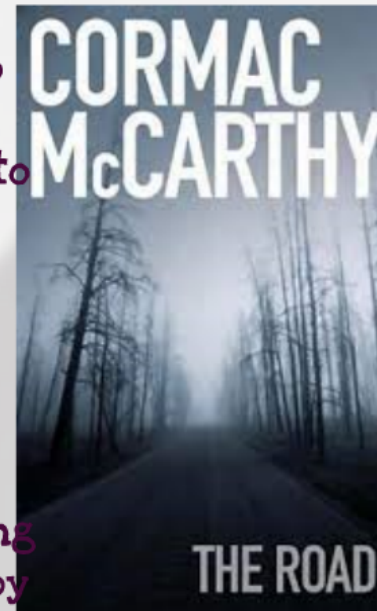
## The Road Plot: Continued

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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.

