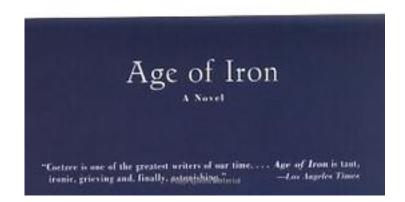
Age of Iron



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Booker Prize-winning author of Waiting for the Hachacians and Disgrace



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An old woman is dying of cancer in Cape Town. A classics professor, Mrs Curren has always been opposed to the brutality of apartheid, but has lived insulated from its true horrors. Now she is suddenly forced to come to terms with the iron-hearted rage that the system has wrought. In an extended letter addressed to her daughter, who has long since fled to America, Mrs Curren recounts the strange events of her dying days. She witnesses the burning of a nearby black township; discovers the bullet-riddled body of her servant's son, and a teenage black activist hiding in her house, who is killed by security forces. And through it all, her only companion is a homeless man, an alcoholic who appears on her doorstep. J M Coetzee was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 2003.

作者介绍:

J.M.库切: 1940年生于南非开普敦,荷兰裔移民后代。成长于南非种族隔离政策逐渐成形并盛行的年代。1960年他离开南非赴伦敦,从事电脑软件设计。1965年到美国攻读文学博士,毕业后在纽约州立大学做教授。1971年回到南非,在开普敦大学英文系任教。2002年移居澳大利亚。小说《等待野蛮人》(1980)一出版,即摘取费柏纪念奖、布莱克纪念奖,为库切赢得了国际声誉。《迈克尔·K的生活和时代》(1983)出版当年就赢得英语文学界最高荣誉——英国布克奖。《耻》1999年再度获布克奖,使库切成为唯一的一位两次获该奖项的作家。1994年出版的《彼得堡的大师》获得爱尔兰时报国际小说奖。《男孩》(1997)和《青春》(2002)是自传体小说,披露他生活中不为人所知的一面。其他重要作品还有《幽暗之地》(1974)、《内陆深处》(1977)、《福》(1986)、《伊丽莎白·科斯特洛:八堂课》(2003)、《慢人》(2005)等。库切的每一部作品风格完全不同,意义多元。他是英语文学中获奖最多的作家之一,除了以上提到的奖项,还获得过法国费米那奖、美国普利策奖、2000年英联邦作家奖等。2003年库切荣膺诺贝尔文学奖。

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| 语言功底过硬的作家 |
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| of |
| iron |
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| 评论 |
| Life is as cold as iron, no matter at which age we are. Is it true that we want love itself when we seek for love? But for warmth actually? Life is too short to answer such a question, especially during an age full of killing and despair. |
| 种族歧视真是在任何时代无力解决又必须面对的难题 |
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课本

| 相比之下,对这本书的感触并不深刻。因为是assignment,当时囫囵吞枣得读了,也 没有重读的意愿了 |
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| Poetics, sentimentality, rationality, bitterness intertwined, and proportionally unfolded. Amused and enthralled by the combination. |
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书评

古希腊诗人赫西俄德在他的《工作与时日》中将人类世纪划分为五个部分,铁器时代是最后也是最坏的一个部分。这是一个持续烦恼与悲伤的时代,没有爱,没有责任感,没有友谊,没有礼仪,更没有信仰、真理与正义。罪恶四处蔓延,强权即公理。人类妄图统治一切,已经为神所摈弃。 库...

[&]quot;人注定会爱上身边最亲近的人。人注定会爱上触手可及的东西,如同对狗的宠爱。"——《铁器时代》

今天一天读完库切的第六本小说《铁器时代》,1990年美国首版,浙江文艺今年1月出版,译者还是文敏。库切的众多小说译者里我觉得还是文敏最好,当然理论、书评部分是黄灿然的天...

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