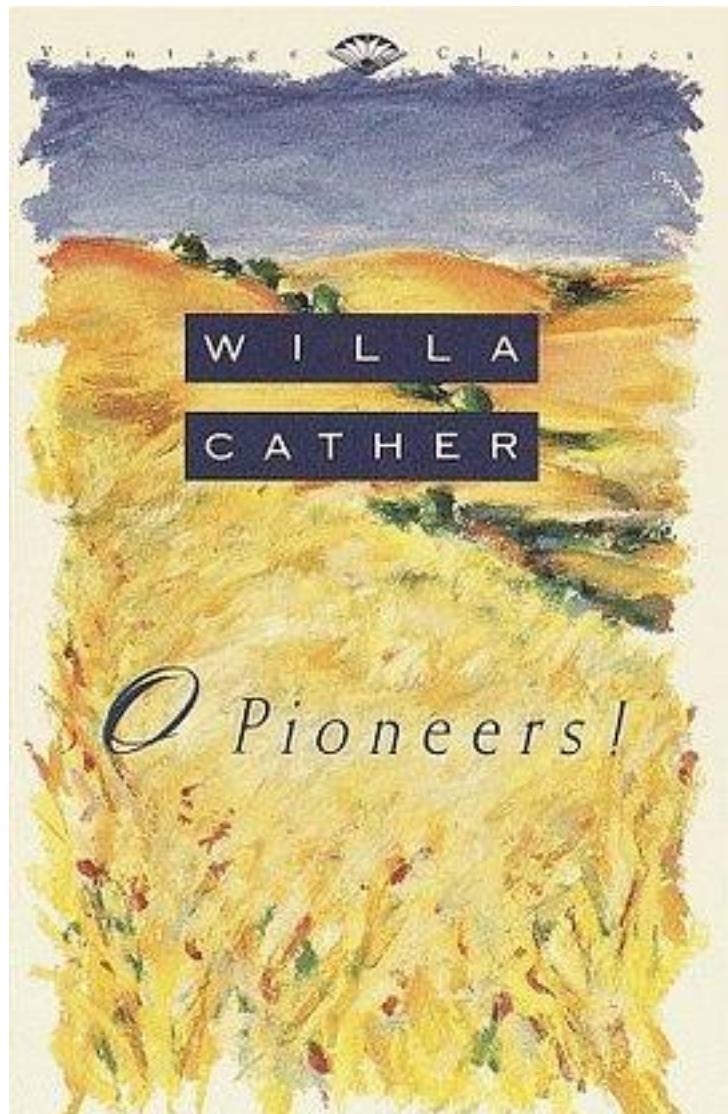


# O Pioneers!



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'For the first time, perhaps, since that land emerged from the waters of geologic ages, a human face was set toward it with love and yearning. It seemed beautiful to her, rich and strong and glorious.' Willa Cather's second novel, *O Pioneers!* (1913) tells the story of Alexandra Bergson and her determination to save her immigrant family's Nebraska farm. Clear-headed and fiercely independent, Alexandra's passionate faith in the prairie makes her a wealthy landowner. By placing a strong, self-reliant woman at the centre of her tale, Cather gives the quintessentially American novel of the soil a radical cast. Yet, although influenced by the democratic utopianism of Walt Whitman and the serene regionalism of Sarah Orne Jewett, *O Pioneers!* is more than merely an elegy for the lost glories of America's pioneer past. In its rage for order and efficiency, the novel testifies to the cultural politics of the Progressive Era, the period of massive social and economic transformations that helped to modernize the United States in the years between the Civil War and World War. ABOUT THE SERIES: For over 100 years Oxford World's Classics has made available the widest range of literature from around the globe. Each affordable volume reflects Oxford's commitment to scholarship, providing the most accurate text plus a wealth of other valuable features, including expert introductions by leading authorities, helpful notes to clarify the text, up-to-date bibliographies for further study, and much more.

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评论

印象中最喜欢的外语小说

故事讲述的是美国西扩过程中的一些去挑战荒地的pioneers。主人公是一女子Alexandra，任劳任怨，机智且有责任感。作者一方面在书中表现了对这些开荒者的尊重与崇拜，另一方面也受到与她同一时代著名思想家作家爱莫生梭罗的超验主义思想的影响，表现了对自然及wildness的崇尚。这算是一个作者思想上的对立矛盾吧，因为开荒者们的目的是改造自然，征服荒野。书中人物性格描写得比较丰满，值得一看。

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书评

At the bottom of his heart Frank knew well enough that if he could once give up his grudge, his wife would come back to him. but he could never in the world do that. The grudge was fundamental. Perhaps he could not have given it up if he had tried. Perhaps ...

首先，当代读者应该明白这应该是一本以“父老乡亲”为阅读对象的小说，所以这就决定了它情感上务必是通俗甚至有些煽情，在设计上也很简单纯粹。小说以半介入的程度描摹了一群准美国移民的生活图景和他们居住生态的变迁，但是拓荒的经过似乎只是一带而过，拓荒是怎样的筚路蓝缕也只...

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