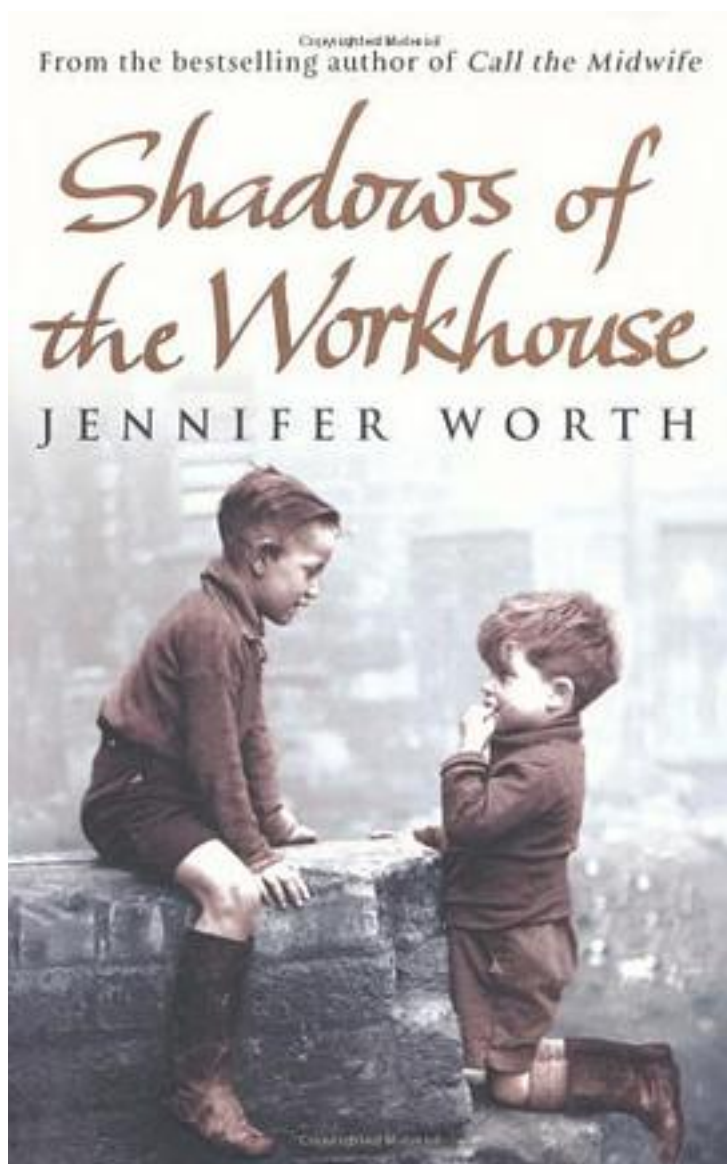


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In this follow up to CALL THE MIDWIFE, Jennifer Worth, a midwife working in the docklands area of East London in the 1950s tells more stories about the people she encountered. There's Jane, who cleaned and generally helped out at Nonnatus House - she was taken to the workhouse as a baby and was allegedly the illegitimate daughter of an aristocrat. Peggy and Frank's parents both died within 6 months of each other and the children were left destitute. At the time, there was no other option for them but the workhouse. The Reverend Thornton-Appleby-Thorton, a missionary in Africa, visits the Nonnatus nuns and Sister Julianne acts as matchmaker. And Sister Monica Joan, the eccentric ninety-year-old nun, is accused of shoplifting some small items from the local market. She is let off with a warning, but then Jennifer finds stolen jewels from Hatton Garden in the nun's room. These stories give a fascinating insight into the lives of the poor in 1950s London, of the shadow of the workhouse that always hung over their lives but also of the resilience and spirit that enabled ordinary people to overcome their difficulties.

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比起Call the Midwife里更多的温馨有爱，这本看的全是心酸。

我倒是觉得有趣程度、悲惨程度都比第一本厚实。Jenny kissed me when we met,
Jumping from the chair she sat in;Time, you theft, who love to get.Sweets into your list,
put that in: Say I'm weary, say I'm sad, Say that health and wealth have missed me, Say
I'm growing old, but add, Jenny kissed me.

We’ ve taken so much for granted.

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