Introduction

This book is intended as a rich collection of short stories for students of English literature, especially prepared for the course "Oral Reproduction of Stories". It is also recommended for any general readers who might find the subject interesting.

The "questions for discussion" at the end of every story in the book, lay stress on themes as well as literary elements in the selected short stories. They are intended to open a wider scope to the readers' mind, re-directing their attention to deeper aspects of the narratives.

The authors hope the readers would find this collection helpful, finally they would like to take this opportunity to thank all who have contributed in any way to preparing this book.

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