



The Death of Ivan Ilyich: (Mockingbird Classics Deluxe Edition)

By Count Leo Nikolayevich Tolstoy

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.The Death of Ivan Ilyich Leo Tolstoy (1828 - 1910) The Death of Ivan Ilyich, first published in 1886, is a novella by Leo Tolstoy, one of the masterpieces of his late fiction, written shortly after his religious conversion of the late 1870s. The novella tells the story of the death of a high-court judge in 19th-century Russia. Interpretation In his article of 1997, psychologist Mark Freeman writes: Tolstoy s book is about many things: the tyranny of bourgeois niceties, the terrible weak spots of the human heart, the primacy and elision of death. But more than anything, I would offer, it is about the consequences of living without meaning, that is, without a true and abiding connection to one s life . Indeed, the mundane portrayal of Ivan s life coupled with the dramatization of his long and grueling battle with death seems to directly reflect Tolstoy s theories about moral living, which he largely derived during his sabbatical from personal and professional duties in 1877. In his lectures on Russian literature, Russian-born novelist...



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