

THE BOSTONIANS

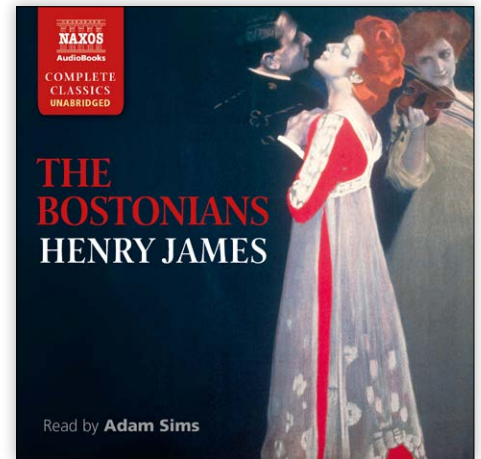
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Taking place in Boston, Massachusetts, a decade after the Civil War, *The Bostonians* tells the story of two cousins who battle for the affections of and control over an enchanting prophetess. While visiting his cousin Olive Chancellor, a fierce feminist deeply involved in the Suffragette movement, Basil Ransom, a Confederate Civil War veteran turned lawyer, attends a speech by the talented young orator Verena Tarrant. Basil quickly falls in love with Verena, although he disagrees with her politics; Olive, however, sees her as the future of the women's rights movement. Will Verena join forces with Olive and fight to further the women's cause, or will she fall for Basil's romantic advances?



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2	Chapter 2	11:01	21	Chapter 13	6:57
3	Chapter 3	11:14	22	Selah Tarrant looked at all this from a higher...	10:26
4	His hostess sat silent a moment...	11:32	23	Chapter 14	6:06
5	Chapter 4	8:46	24	Verena had given great attention to Olive's...	10:34
6	Toward nine o'clock the light of her hissing...	6:52	25	Chapter 15	10:16
7	Chapter 5	11:39	26	Mr Pardon was not the only one she knew...	9:51
8	Chapter 6	8:42	27	Chapter 16	7:50
9	Doctor Prance looked at her across the room...	12:32	28	She decided to draw nearer to the trio...	8:13
10	Chapter 7	8:54	29	Selah had reappeared by this time...	11:54
11	'Who is that charming creature?'	9:01	30	Chapter 17	10:41
12	Chapter 8	6:15	31	About the middle of December Miss Chancellor...	11:16
13	She began incoherently, almost inaudibly...	10:46	32	Chapter 18	9:02
14	Chapter 9	9:26	33	It was settled, therefore, that Mrs Tarrant...	13:02
15	Chapter 10	9:41	34	'Does your scheme of work exclude all...'	6:03
16	So it had come to pass, in her distended...	8:25	35	Chapter 19	7:52
17	Chapter 11	8:21	36	I hardly know, however, what illumination...	11:58
18	Filled with the impression of her hostess's...	11:53	37	Chapter 20	10:44
19	Chapter 12	9:50	38	Nothing happened to dissipate the good omens...	6:53

39	The western windows of Olive's drawing-room...	8:42	67	Chapter 33	10:55
40	And yet their music was not their greatest joy...	11:27	68	'It will be charming in the Park to-day.'	7:39
41	Book Second: Chapter 21	10:30	69	They went up to the Central Park...	10:54
42	I shall not attempt a complete description...	12:32	70	Chapter 34	9:38
43	Chapter 22	11:38	71	Verena saw that he was more serious now...	8:12
44	Within five minutes, however, he had come...	8:38	72	While Basil Ransom spoke – and he had not...	10:53
45	Basil Ransom's emotions were peculiar...	7:51	73	Book Third: Chapter 35	12:23
46	Chapter 23	14:24	74	He saw her bright little eyes engage...	13:31
47	Ransom found himself liking Miss Birdseye...	13:29	75	Chapter 36	7:26
48	Chapter 24	12:57	76	At the sound of his voice Miss Birdseye...	11:54
49	This was a sort of speech it was never safe...	14:35	77	Olive listened till he had done speaking...	9:12
50	Chapter 25	13:14	78	She found her in her room, to which she had fled...	8:32
51	'Now there is one place where perhaps...'	10:38	79	Chapter 37	10:11
52	Chapter 26	7:15	80	Olive flung herself over on the couch...	11:57
53	Whatever the mystic circle might be...	10:44	81	Chapter 38	7:28
54	Chapter 27	7:11	82	If Basil Ransom had the advantage...	7:30
55	Ransom was surprised to hear...	8:49	83	It is to be feared, indeed, that Verena was easily...	9:07
56	Chapter 28	11:21	84	By the time he had made this reflexion...	13:20
57	The historian who has gathered these documents...	9:34	85	Chapter 39	11:20
58	Ransom stood there, smiling at her...	10:03	86	That afternoon Olive Chancellor came out...	11:47
59	Chapter 29	11:29	87	The afternoon waned, bringing with it the slight...	8:09
60	Chapter 30	9:48	88	Chapter 40	11:18
61	At this moment the gong sounded for luncheon...	12:49	89	She faced him once more, this time slowly...	13:43
62	Chapter 31	10:08	90	Chapter 41	11:06
63	Verena read this epistle with much deliberation...	6:25	91	The figure was simply that of a robust policeman...	14:48
64	Chapter 32	8:15	92	Chapter 42	10:45
65	She had hesitated at first, and spoken of...	10:36	93	The combined effort of Mr Filer and Selah Tarrant...	13:08
66	Olive could see that they really wanted Verena...	13:41			

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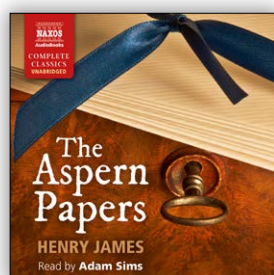
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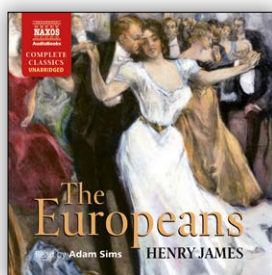
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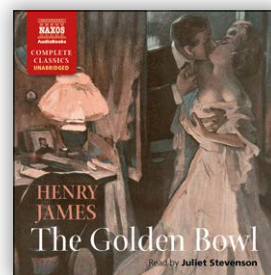
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