

## What Maisie Knew

By Henry James

Unabridged

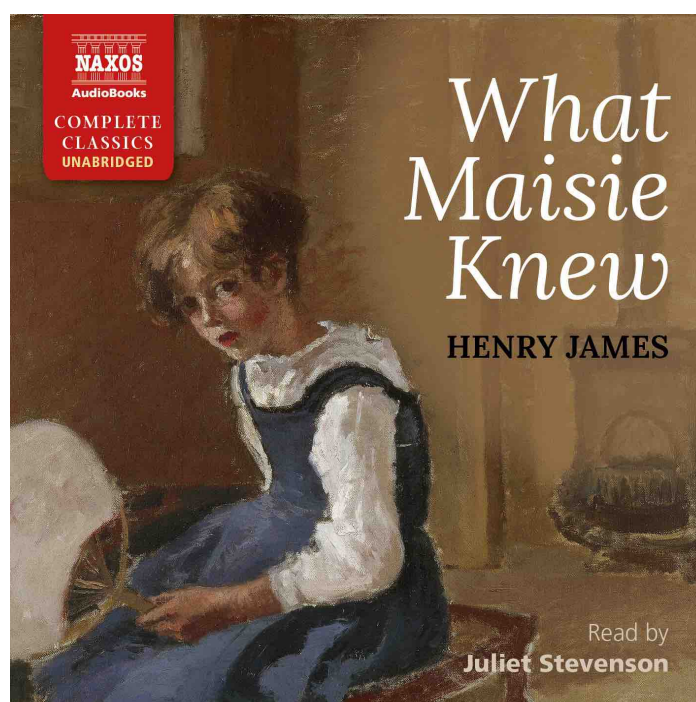
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### DESCRIPTION

Following a violent and messy divorce, young Maisie Farange floats back and forth between her parents, Beale and Ida, who use her as a weapon to torment each other in their on-going, internecine war. Eventually the parents remarry, and it becomes clear that the new spouses care more for Maisie than her own parents. Beale and Ida soon embark on a series of extramarital affairs, leaving Maisie in the care of the new step-parents, who begin their own affair with each other. *What Maisie Knew* is a remarkable tour de force from James's late-middle period, and an insightful look at the psyche of a child who is thrust into the adult world of drama and failed relationships.

### SALES AND MARKETING POINTS

- Juliet Stevenson is an outstanding narrator. She is consistently showered with critical acclaim for her thoughtful, intelligent readings.
- A film version starring Steve Coogan, Julianne Moore and Alexander Skarsgård was released in 2012.
- One of the most popular and accessible Henry James novels, along with *The Turn of the Screw* and *The Aspern Papers*. These shorter novels are the perfect introduction to James's wider output.



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