## At Swim-Two-Birds FLANN O'BRIEN



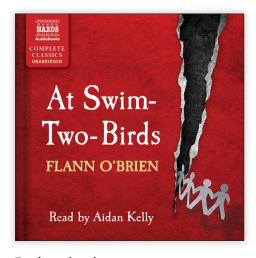
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More preoccupied with drinking, sleeping and writing, an unnamed student neglects his studies and invents three separate openings for a novel. The first introduces the Pooka MacPhellimey, 'a member of the devil class', the second involves Mr John Furriskey, a character belonging to another of the student's creations (writer Dermot Trellis), while the final opening features legendary Irish heroes Finn Mac Cool and Mad King Sweeny. Soon, Trellis's creations rebel against him, doing as they like while he sleeps, and the characters from each story begin wandering in and out of each other's tales. Published in 1939, *At Swim-Two-Birds* is a madcap exploration of Irish literature and mythology, and the unending possibilities of fiction.



An award-winning narrator, **Aidan Kelly** appears regularly in theatre and television, most notably at the Abbey Theatre, Ireland's National Theatre. Other recent work includes the musical *Once* in the West End, *Salom*é and *Treasure Island* at the National Theatre, UK, and the title role of Macbeth at the RSC. Recent TV includes *No Offence* for Channel 4, *Warrior* for HBO and *Killing Eve* for BBC.



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1	At Swim-Two-Birds	10:54	What is wrong with Cryan and most people	9:51
2	Extract from my typescript descriptive of	9:06	Extract from Book referred to: 1.	11:23
3	Weapon-quivering hand or twig-crackling	9:42	I knew you were of the Pooka class	10:50
4	The conclusion of your syllogism, I said lightly	8:57	That is a fine saying and a noble sentiment	8:48
5	Nature of explanation offered: It was stated	11:11	Allow me to explain, said the Pooka	9:52
6	Perceiving then that the statement had	11:36	What about all these strikes? asked the Good Fairy.	12:09
7	What are they going to all do? asked Brinsley	10:41	With these words there came the rending scream	10:22
8	Further extract from my Manuscript wherein	10:26	The company continued to travel	10:24
9	It was in the New Year, in February, I think	10:48	If things are done in the right way, said my uncle	10:58
10	When I attended these meetings	10:58	Tell me, said the Pooka putting his hand	10:03
11	One day Tracy sent for me and gave me my	8:37	31 After a moderately lengthy interval	9:46
12	Well the upshot was that he gave us three	9:00	Biographical reminiscence, part the eighth:	9:02
13	I recall that these discoveries caused me	9:58	Oh, that's a shame for you, said Mrs Furriskey	11:48
14	Now when Sweeny heard the clack	9:56	Music is a wonderful thing when you come to think	9:43
15	For seven years, to relate precisely	9:29	Memorandum of the respective diacritical traits	9:52
16	On the morning of the second day thereafter	13:11	A cleric, attaining the ledge of the window	10:12
17	Quick march again, said Lamont.	11:50	I admit, gentlemen, he said at last	10:07
18	The story, said learned Shanahan	10:12	Good morning to you, Sir, said the Pooka	10:06
19	At length Sweeny penetrated to the place	11:46	It was an early-morning street	10:40
20	Moderation in all things, he said	8:53	Enough of that, my man, says the Pooka	10:21

Mr Paul Shanahan, he said slowly	9:25	Here a question from the direction of the counter	10:35
To say that salt in solution, Lamont objected	9:07	Antony Lamont, boomed the Pooka, take the stand.	11:58
The three men regarded the Pooka in silence	8:56	1bidem, further extract therefrom	10:47
The Pooka stood up in his prie-dieu	10:21	48 You are forgetting something? said Mr Corcoran.	8:36

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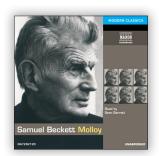
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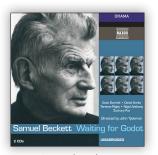
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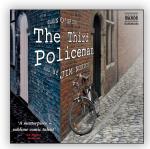
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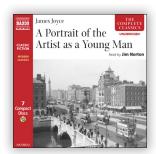
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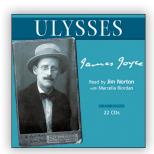
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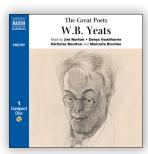


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