

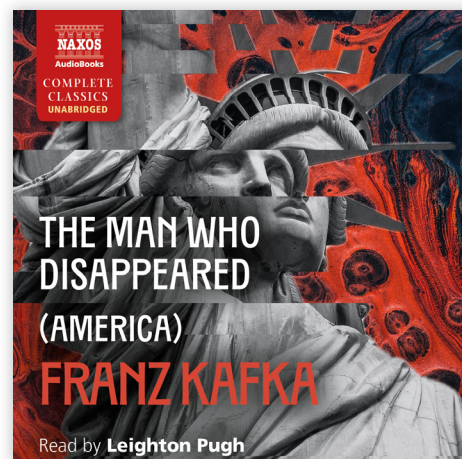
# THE MAN WHO DISAPPEARED (AMERICA) FRANZ KAFKA

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The first of Kafka's three great novels, *The Man Who Disappeared (America)* follows the picaresque adventures of Karl Rossman, who is banished to America following a family scandal. Upon his arrival, Karl immediately happens upon his uncle, and from there follows a pattern of wandering, adoption and expulsion as Karl marches inexorably on towards the interior of the continent. With its blitheness and comical moments, *The Man Who Disappeared* is perhaps the most charming of Kafka's works. It fits perfectly into Kafka's trinity of novels as alienation and unjust persecution pervade the work, and Karl appears to plunge towards a catastrophe as grim as those in *The Trial* or *The Castle*.



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