

# A Child of the Jago

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Published in 1896, *A Child of the Jago* is a gritty and realistic portrayal of life in the slums of London's East End during the late 19th century. The novel is set in an area known as the Old Jago (based on a real-life slum called the Old Nichol) and vividly describes the poverty, crime and squalor that characterised the impoverished neighbourhood.

The story revolves around Dicky Perrott, a young boy growing up in the Jago, and his struggle for survival in a world of gangs, violence and despair.

*A Child of the Jago* is considered a significant work of social realism, depicting the harshness of urban poverty and offering a stark critique of the societal structures that perpetuate it.



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