

LESSONS OF MORALITY

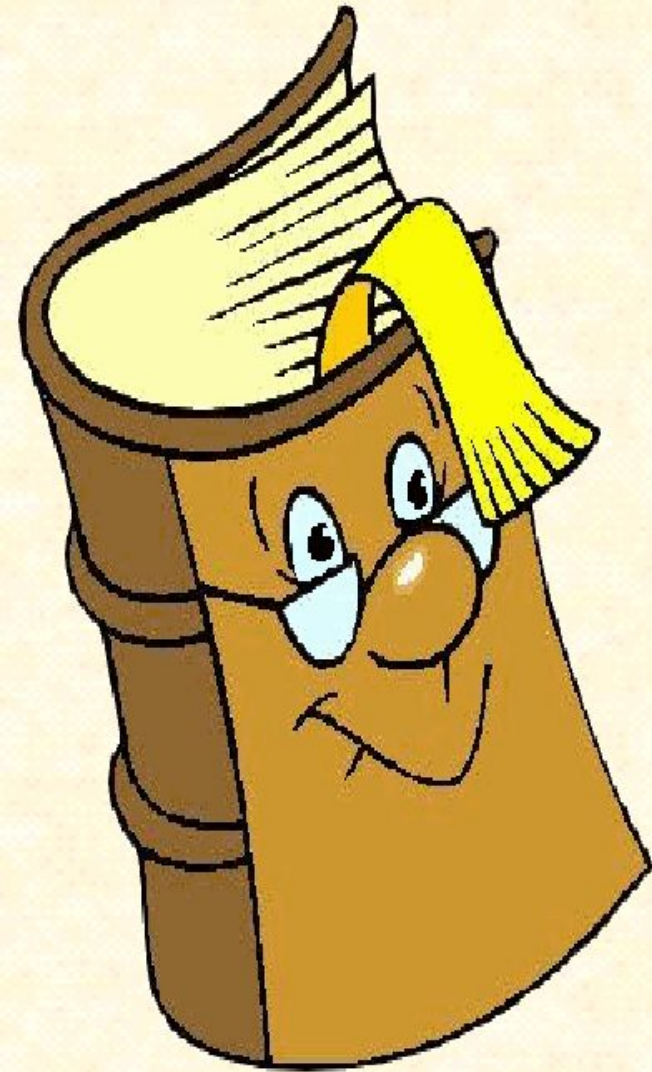
BY F. BURNETT'S BOOK

"LITTLE LORD FAUNTLEROY"

*"Nothing in the world is so strong as a
kind heart."*

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We are from the 6-th B form. We are very friendly. We always help each other in difficult times. We are all friends.





This is our team. We enjoy reading books.



Hello! My name is Rozaliya. My surname is Agzamova. I live with my parents. My family is not very large. We have four men in our family: my mother, my father, my little brother and me.



My father`s name is Rishat. He is 34. He is a welder.



My mother`s name is Elvira. She is 34. She is a policewoman.



My brother`s name is Rinat. He is 5.





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I enjoy making videos. I study English. I am a very creative person. I am enthusiastic about needlework.



Vlada and me.

My best friend is Vlada. She is 12. She is fond of drawing. She studies English.



I have a cat. My cat's name is Nyusha.

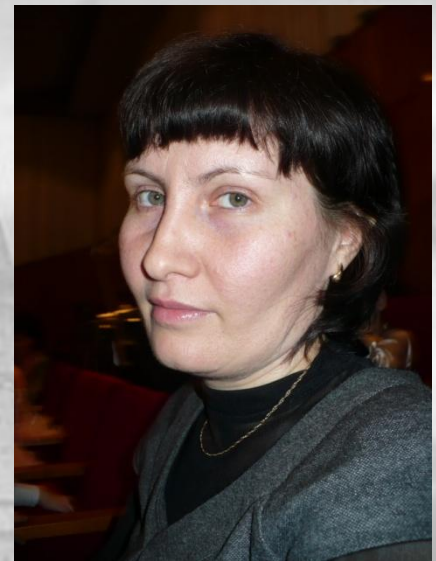


And I have some goldfish.



My name is Elvira. My surname is Iksanova.

My family consists of 4 persons: my mother, my father, my little brother and me. My family is friendly.



My little brother is smart. His name is Danil. He is 5 years old.

My mother's name is Irina. She is a nurse in a children's polyclinic.

My father's name is Radik. He is an engineer.





I enjoy listening to music. I am enthusiastic about handwork. I like photography. I go in for dancing. This is my favourite hobby.



My friends are kind and smart



My name is Barbara Mamchur. I am 12 years old. I live in the town of Neftekamsk, which is located in the North-West of the Republic of Bashkortostan.



Our family is not large :my mother, my father and me. I love my parents very much. They are my best friends.



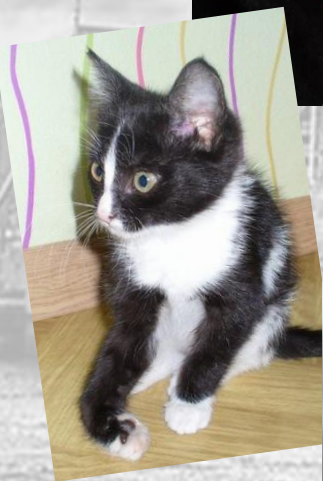
My dad Konstantin Viktorovich works as an engineer of computer technology in one of the companies providing telecommunication services.

My mother's name is Marina Nikolaevna. She works as a teacher in the Aviation and Technical University.

Every summer, together with my parents and their friends, I travel around the rivers of Bashkortostan. I enjoy boating along the river on a catamaran and contemplate the beauty of my native land. In the evening we make a fire, sing songs to the guitar and share travel stories.

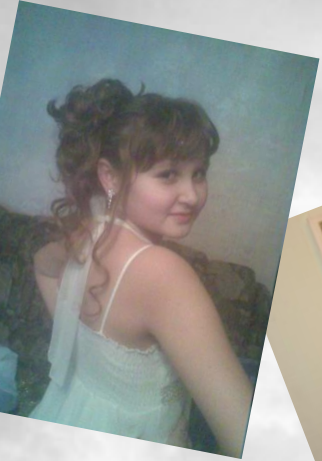


I have got another occupation besides school. I have done swimming for 6 years. I took part in many competitions. I have got medals, diplomas and cups.



There are a few pets living together with us. I have four of them: my dog Dahlia of Newfoundland breed, my old cat called Sidor, my young cat Drying by name and my Guinea pig named Dusya. Together with my parents I take care of our pets and they answer me with their love.

I am Dasha Zakirova.



I have a dog. Her name is Dana. I love my dog. She is kind, funny and brave.

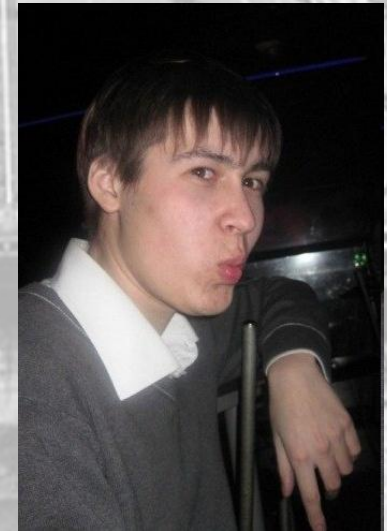
I love my family. My mom's name is Ludmila. She is a receiving clerk.



My dad's name is Oleg. He is a businessman.



My brother's name is Dima. He is a student.



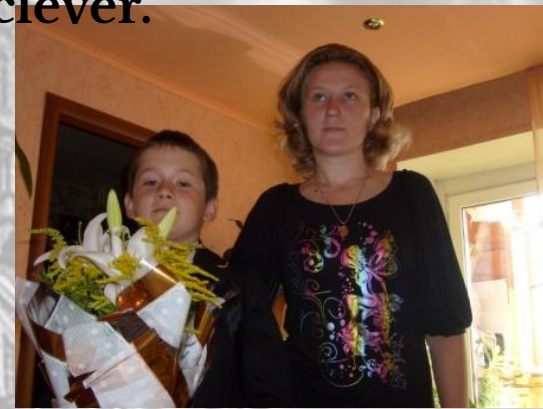


SINGING IS MY PASSION





My name is Valera. My surname is Gorbov. I am 12 years old. I have got a father and a mother. My mother's name is Natasha. She is 35 years old. She is kind and clever.



My dad is called Yury. He is 35 years old. He is kind and strong.



I love swimming. I began swimming When I was 9 years old. I am interested in Information Technology. I study different computer programmes .



And I love animals because they are cute and kind.



Our preference for reading



**I prefer modern
prose.**

I like fantasy.



I enjoy fairy-tales.

**I read modern
fantastic books.**



I read fantasy.



The purpose of our work is the spiritual and moral education of the rising generation, through the involvement of young people in reading of the classic literature by stimulating their creativity and education activities.



The *tasks* of our work are

- ❖ to promote reading classical literature as a way to develop a modern personality;
- ❖ to promote initiatives and creative potential of children;
- ❖ to create conditions for the development of spiritual and moral culture for children and youth, learning life values, forming adequate attitude toward the world and society..

Actuality of the problem is that a book plays a huge role in the individual's formation. It is the literature for children which nourishes the child's mind and imagination. It opens new worlds, characters and moral values to him as a powerful tool for spiritual development of the individual.



(1849 – 1924)

“Little Lord Fauntleroy” is a children’s fiction book. The main subjects of the book are family relations, altruism and conduct of life. The author of this one is Frances Eliza Hodgson Burnett.

Frances was born in Manchester, Lancashire, England. She was the third of five children in their family. Her father died in 1852. Frances was cared for by her grandmother while her mother took over running the family business.



Her grandmother had a beautiful garden where she taught Frances to read using a floral alphabet. From her grandmother, who bought her books, Frances learned to love reading, in particular her first book *The Flower Book* which had coloured illustrations and poems.



Frances showed her literary abilities very early. She wrote her stories in notebooks for kitchen expenses. Frances enjoyed telling stories to her friends and cousins when she studied at school. Her teacher Sarah Hatfield later recalled: "Frances passionately loved reading. Her talent of narrator appeared early. Schoolchildren stood around her and listened spellbound a story. As a rule, the composed story had unusual adventures for their entertainment.



(1849 – 1924)

When Frances was sixteen years old she moved to America. Her mother died in 1870. Frances began writing to make money for the family. She published stories in magazines from the age of 19. In 1872 she married Swan Burnett. He was a medical doctor.

Their two sons were born when they lived in Paris for two years. There she began to write novels. Mrs. Burnett was the mother of two wonderful sons, Lionel and Vivian. Vivian with a trusting kind smile turned into the main character of her most famous book "Little Lord Fauntleroy."



*Франсис Бернетт с сыновьями
Леоном (12 лет) и Вивианом (14 лет)*

Vivian grew up as a common child and could not get any high titles. He was incredibly nice and behave himself with inimitable dignity that his mother suddenly wanted to see him in the walls of an old English castle. Vivian died in 1937 during the shipwreck. It was a worthy death. He didn't spare his life and rescued two women and two men.



«Маленький лорд». Вивиан Бернетт

Frances lived both in Great Britain and America.

The English and American novelist and playwright Frances Hodgson Burnett died in America in 1924.

There is the monument to Burnett's characters in Central Park in New York.

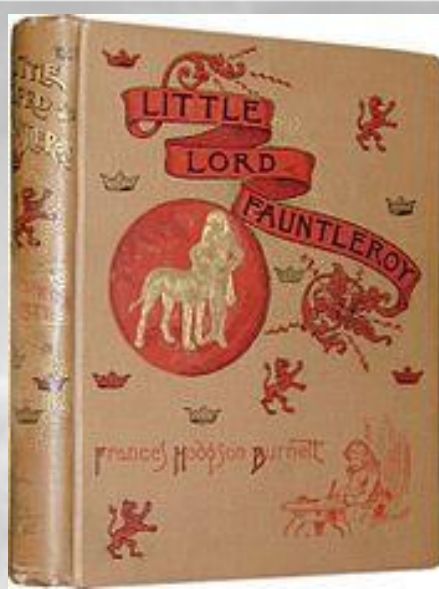
The statue depicts her two famous *Secret Garden* characters, Mary and Dickon.

The most famous Burnett's novels are "A Little Princess" (1905), "The Secret Garden" (1911), "The Lost Prince" (1915).

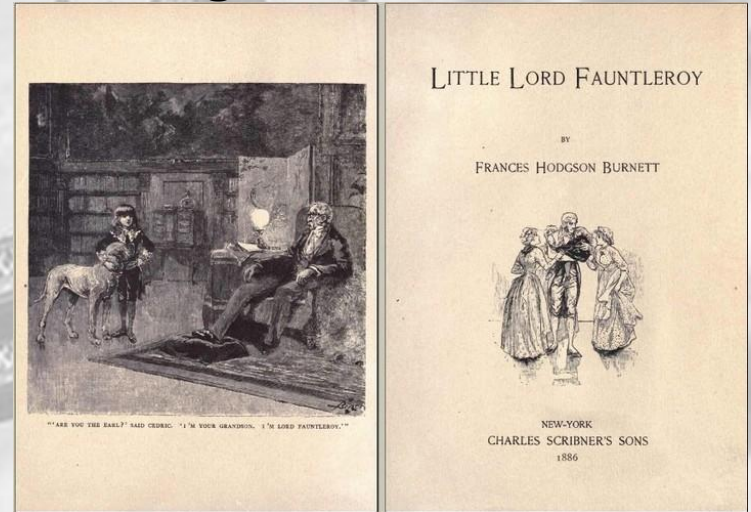
But her book "Little Lord Fauntleroy" made Frances well known all over the world. It received good reviews and became a best-seller in the United States and England. The book was translated into 12 languages.



First it appeared in parts in St. Nicholas's magazine. In 1886 it was published as a book by the Scribner's sons publishing house.



The first edition of the book



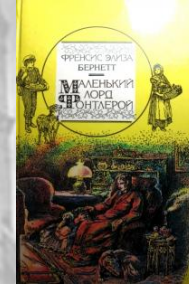
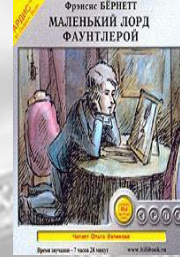
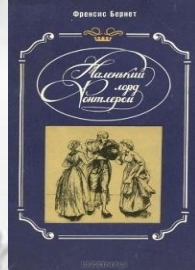
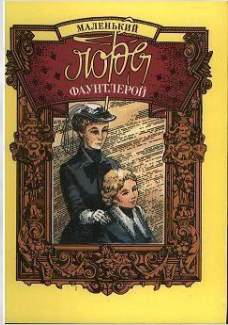
43,000 copies were sold during the first year after the publication. It has been sold over a million copies only in English for the period since its publication.

In Russia, "*Little Lord Fauntleroy*" became known in two years after the publication in the United States.

At the beginning of the century there were some other novels of F. Burnett in Russia. They were quickly sold out and had a success.

It was time when the topic between England and America evoked great interest on both sides of the ocean.

But for the Russian readers Burnett remained the creator of "Little Lord Fauntleroy" till 1918. The novel had not republished for seventy-three years. In 1992 "Little Lord" returned to Russia. It had 20 editions in Russia.



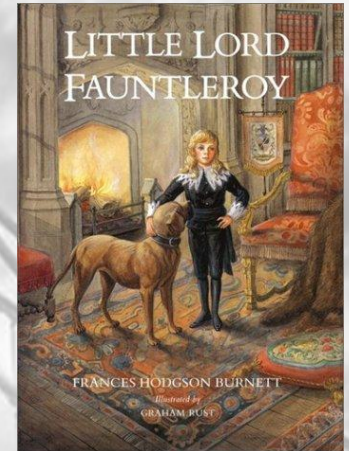
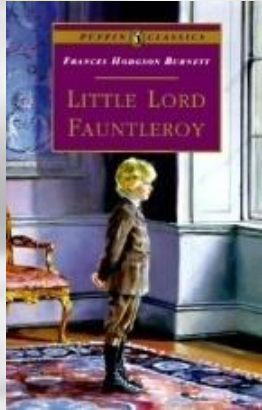
This book is good to read for young children, so that they grow up obedient and kind. It may be also interesting to read this book for adults. A soul becomes lighter from it.

When writing the book Frances Burnett took her personal life as a basis, which is very interesting for us, readers. Frances's father died when she was a child and her mother stayed with her children alone, without money for living. Her family living in England, soon moved to America. Frances Burnett's life is somewhat similar to the plot of her book "Little Lord Fauntleroy". The boys called their mother "Dearest" - Cedric Errol borrowed this form of treatment, as well as the number of episodes of their biographies.



Fauntleroy's suit became very fashionable. It strongly influenced on the official suit of the middle class children. Before the World War II, many boys from middle class families were dressed in velvet suits and pants to his knees. The World War II sent that clothes to the attic.

A great advantage of the book is that the author could tell us about many serious things in such interesting and simple way. F. Burnett cannot treat to his characters objectively and impartially. They are her children.

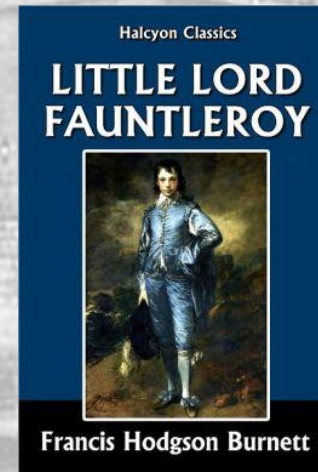
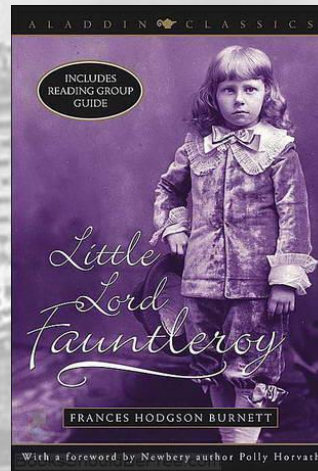
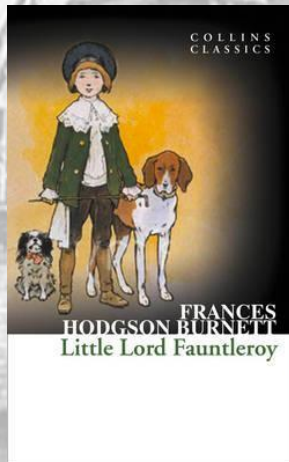
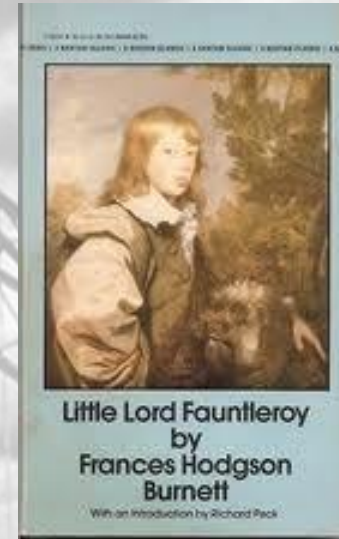
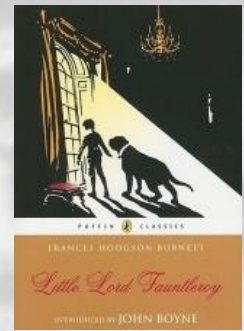


It seems everyone can read this book at any age. It will carry adults away by its storyline and deep psychological meaning. And this book will attract children by the main character who is a little boy. True love, kindness and ability to see good in everything can melt the most callous heart of stone.



This is a tender and light story about a boy whose heart is open to love, a boy who lives in each of us. Books such as "Little Lord Fauntleroy" help remember how everyone should behave himself in a human society.

This story is about a little boy, who lived with his mother in New York. Once he learned that he was the sole heir of the wealthy, powerful and strong English Earl of Dorincourt.





Cedric is one of the main characters of F. Burnett's novel "Little Lord Fauntleroy". All the actions take place around him.

The boy lived in a poor American family. His father died and he stayed with his mother. The first impression of Cedric is that he has got golden curls.

Illustration is made by Dima Sultanov

Cedric is a seven-year-old boy with angelic appearance and delightful nature. His little heart creates enormous kind deeds. We applaud Cedric!

He's so good, bright, selfless, smiling, thoughtful, charming and extremely adult boy, distributing friendship and positive to others.

Most of all he captivates us by the fact that he is able to make friends easily with everyone. It happens most likely because of his trustfulness and good heart. He is kind for all people and wants everyone to be comfortable.



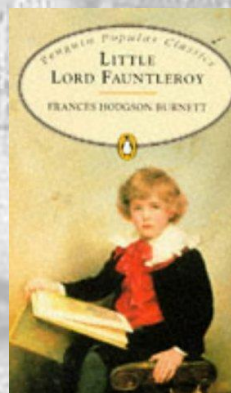
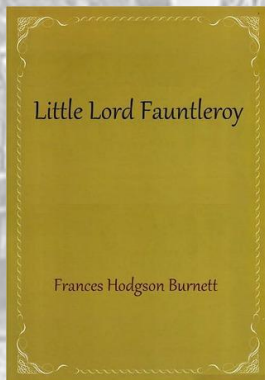
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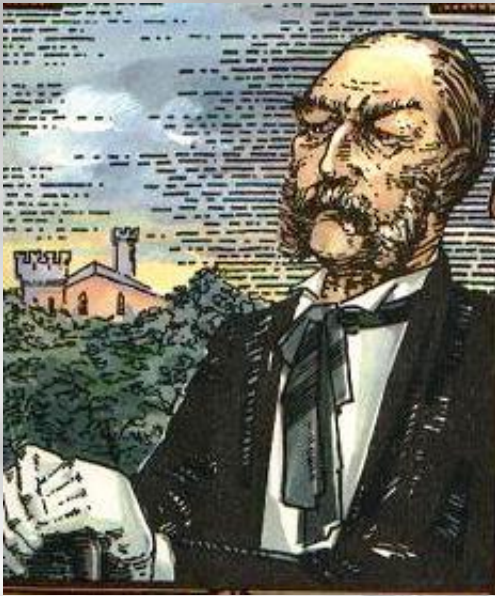


Cedric has two best friends: Mr. Hobbs and Dick. Mr. Hobbs is a grocer. He is interested in politics and the world. He does not like the English Earls.

Mr. Hobbs and Dick love Cedric for his kindness, for his attention to them and for his understanding. Cedric helps out his friends when he becomes lord Fauntleroy. And they also help him to get his tittle.

Illustration is made by Diana Timofeyeva





The old Earl is an English Aristocrat with stale and stingy nature. He used to live in his world of secular receptions, fine dining and much more that is not available to other people. He had never loved before he met his grandson. The Earl had become very much attached to Cedric.

Finally he became kinder. He began to pay attention to other people. At first he didn't like and didn't even want to meet his son's wife only because Mrs. Errol was American, and he was an Englishman. Eventually he came to Cedric's mother for advice. Soon he made friends with her.



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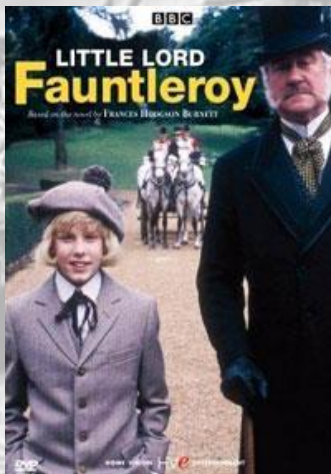


Mrs. Errol is a beautiful woman. She is very sweet, beautiful, wise and young.

Before meeting with Cedric's father, she was a wealthy old woman's companion. As soon as Captain Cedric Errol saw her, he fell in love with her kind and sweet heart. After her husband died, Mrs. Errol turned pale and thin, the dimples disappeared from her sweet face, and her eyes got big and sad. Her young face was sad.

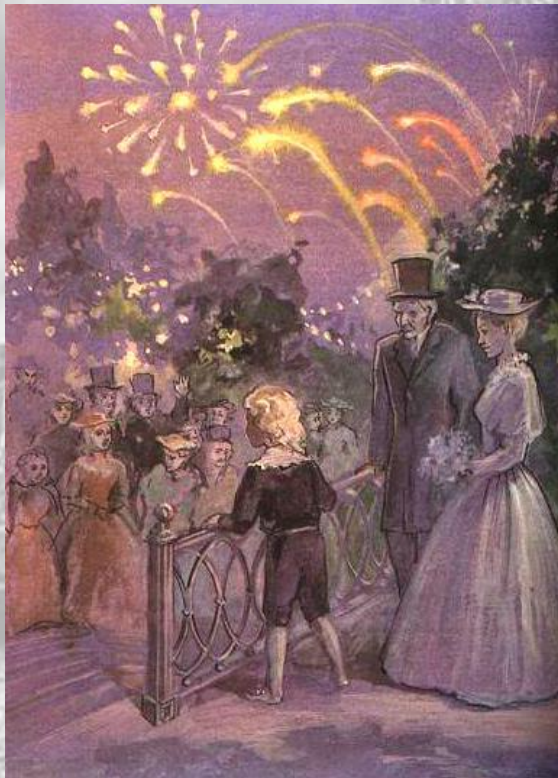
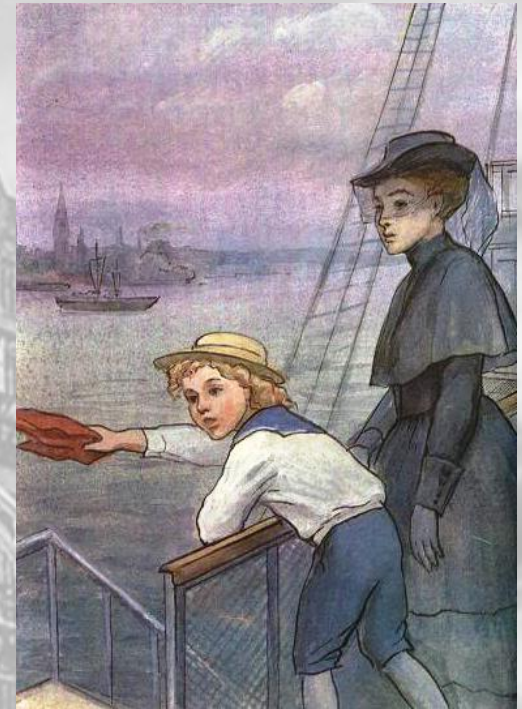
She wore a simple black dress that outlines her slender waist. She was more like a young girl than the seven-year-old boy's mother.

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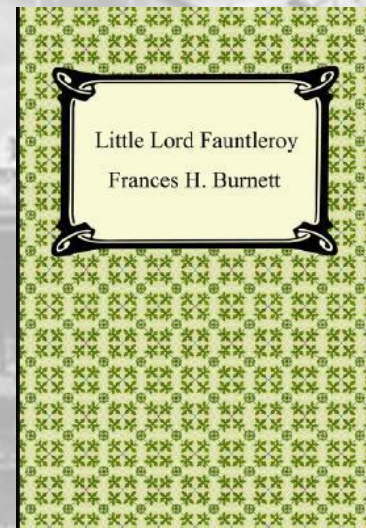


Cédric's mother is an independent woman who alone contains herself, her son and Mary, her assistant.

Mrs. Errol is an amazing mother. She loves Cedric. Indeed, thanks to his parents Cedric has grown up so generous and well mannered. She deserves a lot of respect.



The author treats Mrs. Errol with love. Every reader is filled with her kindness, grace and beauty.



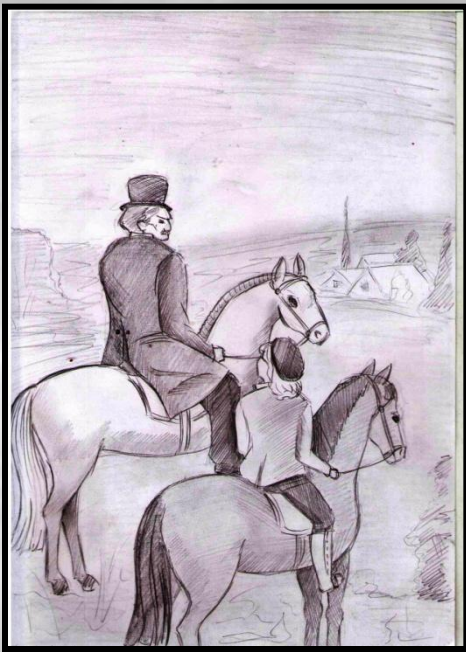


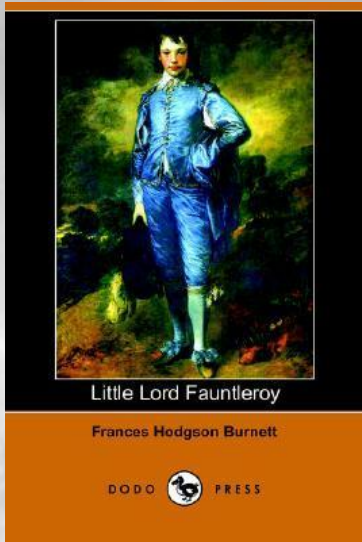
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Either Cedric or the irritable and unpleasant old Earl begin a new life full of unexpected twists and severe tests in the old conservative England. But kindness and love are capable of miracles.

The boy who is separated from his mother; a stern old man, an aristocrat, gradually softens under the influence of a good children's heart – these topics have won our hearts.

The author's common speech and conversational style give us opportunity for easy reading. We have impressed by relaxed ease of language, liveliness of dialogues and ability to describe a person or place in a few words.

We have learned from the book that whatever you have in origin, rank or position, you must always be a kind, compassionate, empathetic and sensitive person. We liked this book. It is written clearly enough. This book has absorbed all the kindest and best things all over the world: love, friendship, compassion and charity. The book is an example of morality for the reader.



The book is interesting for us. We like this story. But we were disappointed that there was no sequel of the novel, where we could learn about the fate of the main character.

Will the boy become spoiled living in such luxury? Will Cedric keep his sensitivity to others? What is his fate? And what other adventures will happen to him?

Read and get your small, but such a valuable life lesson from a wise beyond his years boy.

What can he teach? Having read this book you see and feel!



After reading and revealing the problem of the novel, we have conducted a research project through a comparison of lexical and phraseological units in the material of Frances Burnett and its translation, made by Nina Demurova to investigate the structural and semantic features of the field "morality."



The semantic structure of the field "morality" consists of the following parts:

- ❖ *core field* is represented by the word "morality";
- ❖ *centre of the field* is composed of units having meaning, common with the core: "attitude to people," "external quality", "inner qualities of a person," "a way to survive," "tolerance," "family values," "behavior";
- ❖ *periphery* is occupied with specific words, they define the spiritual qualities of a moral man: sensitivity, kindness, dignity, education, action, intelligence, attractiveness, the courage, the superiority of the spiritual over the material, generosity, empathy, sincerity;
- ❖ *peripheral units* (moral values) have contextual meaning, because the field is based on a specific text of the work.

The study of semantics and structure of the field "morality", as well as cultural identity helped to define the moral universal as universal, as in Russian and English, "morality» is an important human value.

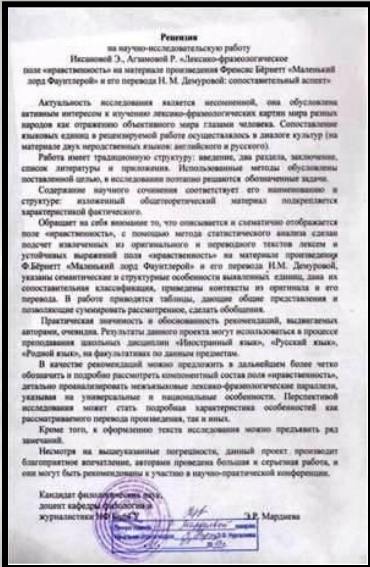
Our research has allowed us to increase our vocabulary in English significantly. It contributed the development of the ability to give the most accurate description of a person, both positive and negative. It also developed the ability for better understanding authentic English texts.

We presented our research at the Annual Scientific and Practical Conference of our school. Then we were winners at our Town Conference.



At Our School Conference





At Our Annual Town Conference of Science





**We have also made ads of
the book for our School TV.
Our students make films
and cartoons as well.**



**Thank you for your
attention**

