SIR WILLIAM GOLDING

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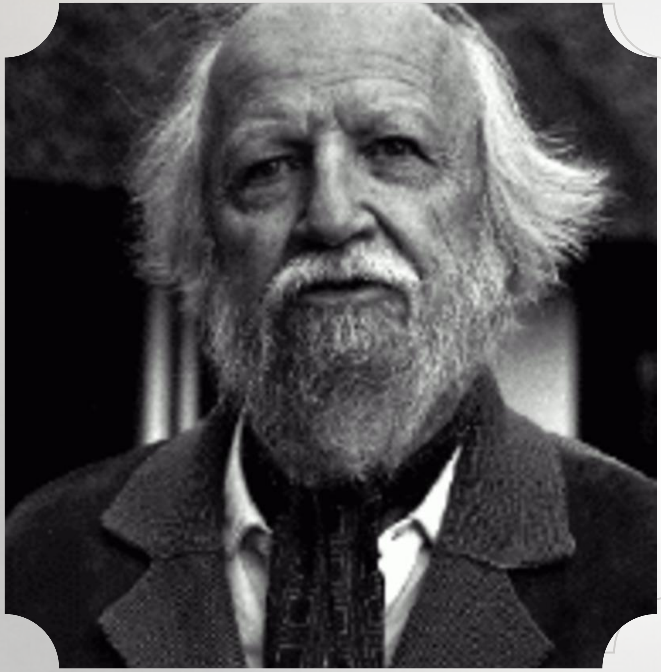
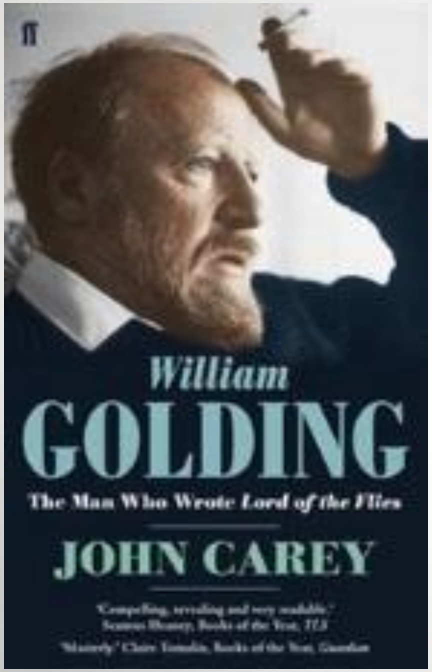


Sir William Gerald Golding CBE (19 September 1911 – 19 June 1993) was an English novelist, poet, playwright and Nobel Prize in Literature laureate, best known for his novel Lord of the Flies.


William
GOLDING
The Man Who Wrote Lord of the Flies
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EARLY LIFE

William Golding was born in his grandmother's house, 47 Mountwise, St Columb Minor, Cornwall and he spent many childhood holidays there. He grew up at his family home in Marlborough, Wiltshire, where his father (Alec Golding) was a science master at Marlborough Grammar School (1905 to retirement).

- Golding was awarded both CBE and later elevated to a Knight Bachelor. In 2008, The Times ranked Golding third on their list of "The 50 greatest British writers since 1945".

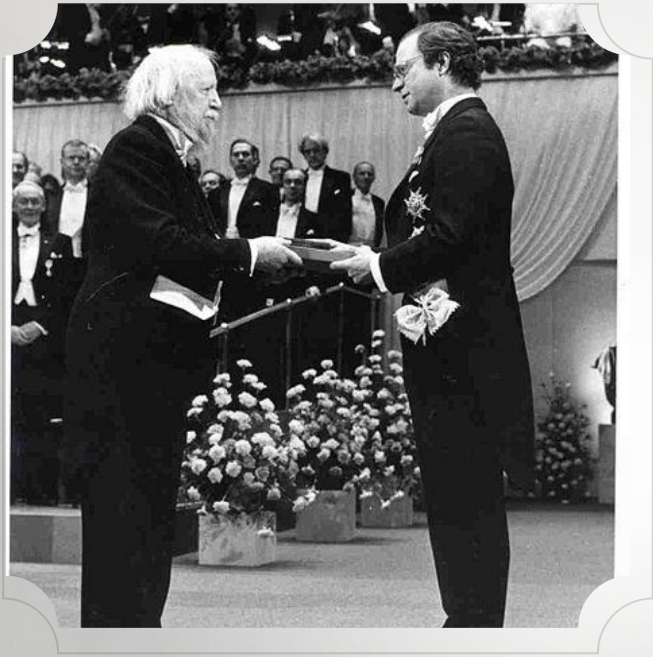
Alec Golding was a socialist with a strong commitment to scientific rationalism, and the young Golding and his elder brother Joseph attended the school where his father taught. His mother, Mildred (Curnroe), kept house at 29, The Green, Marlborough, and supported the moderate campaigners for female suffrage. In 1930 Golding went to Oxford University as an undergraduate at Brasenose College, where he read Natural Sciences for two years before transferring to English Literature

Golding married Ann Brookfield, an analytic chemist,(p161) on 30 September 1939 and they had two children, Judith and David

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY

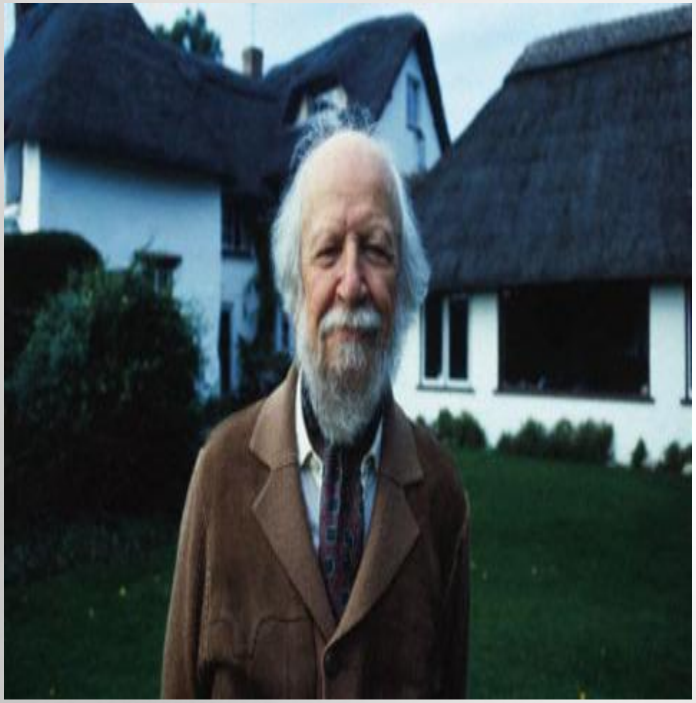
IN 1970, GOLDING WAS A CANDIDATE FOR THE CHANCELLORSHIP OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KENT AT CANTERBURY, BUT LOST TO THE POLITICIAN AND LEADER OF THE LIBERAL PARTY JO GRIMOND. GOLDING WON THE JAMES TAIT BLACK MEMORIAL PRIZE IN 1979, AND THE BOOKER PRIZE IN 1980. IN 1983 HE WAS AWARDED THE NOBEL PRIZE FOR LITERATURE, A CHOICE WHICH WAS, ACCORDING TO THE OXFORD DICTIONARY OF NATIONAL BIOGRAPHY, "AN UNEXPECTED AND EVEN CONTENTIOUS CHOICE, WITH MOST ENGLISH CRITICS AND ACADEMICS FAVOURING GRAHAM GREENE OR ANTHONY BURGESS". IN 1988 GOLDING WAS APPOINTED AS A KNIGHT BACHELOR.

Golding took his B.A. degree with Second Class Honours in the summer of 1934, and later that year his first book, Poems, was published in London by Macmillan & Co, through the help of his Oxford friend, the anthroposophist Adam Bittleston.

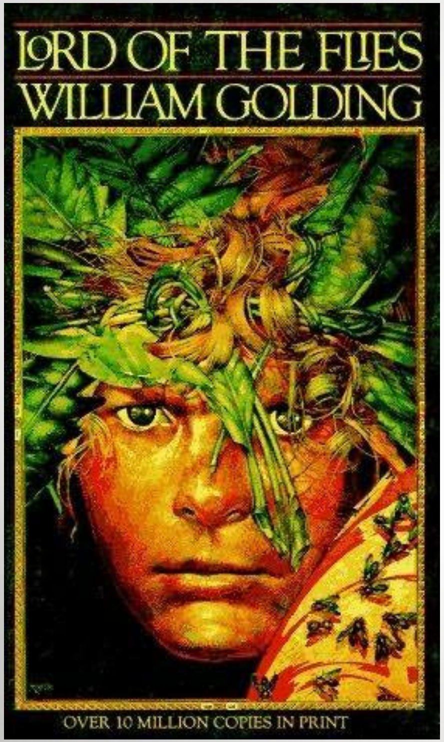


NOBEL PRIZE

In 1983, William Golding was awarded the Nobel prize in literature «for the novels, which clearly realistic narrative of art in conjunction with the variety and versatility of the myth help to comprehend the conditions of human existence in the modern world»

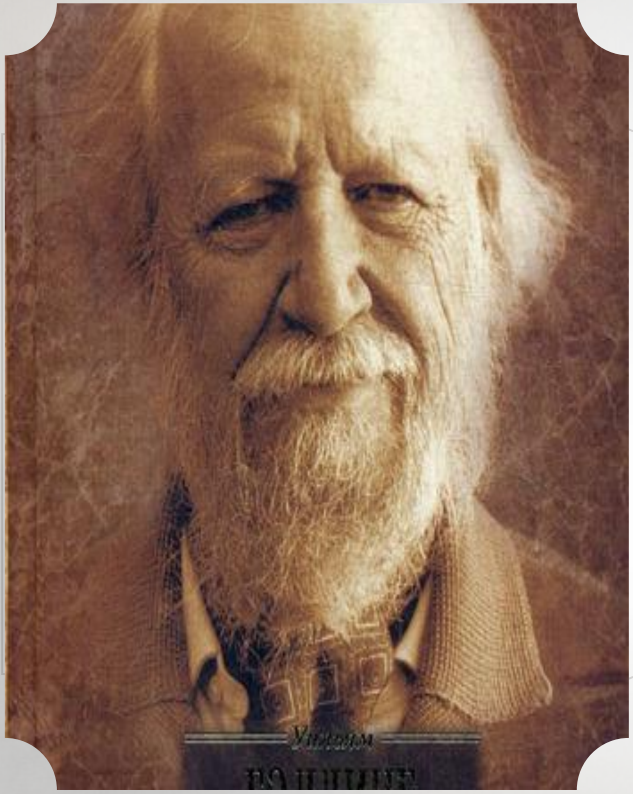


The ONDB asserts that "At the end of the twentieth century, Golding's reputation was at its highest in continental Europe, particularly in Belgium, Holland, Germany, and France"


LORD OF THE FLIES
WILLIAM GOLDING
OVER 10 MILLION COPIES IN PRINT

In 1988, Golding has received from the Queen Elizabeth II knighted title. For the four years prior to this writer published a novel, «the Paper losers» (The Paper Men), in the Anglo-American press which caused fierce debate. It was followed by «Close proximity» (Close Quarters, 1987) and «Fire down below» (Fire Down Below, 1989).

In 1991, the writer, who had recently celebrated his eightieth birthday, independently combined the three novels of the cycle, which was published under one cover under the heading «On the edge of the world: the trilogy».



THE LAST YEARS OF LIFE

William Golding suddenly died of a massive heart attack at his home in Перранауортоле 19 June 1993. He was buried in the Church cemetery in Бауэрчоке, and the panikhida served in солсберийском Cathedral under the spire, which inspired the writer in one of his most famous works