

Thomas Hardy Wessex Tales

Read by **Neville Jason**

Wessex Tales, a collection of short stories including *The Three Strangers*, *The Withered Arm* and *The Distracted Preacher*, deal with a number of timeless themes seen so often in Hardy's work, including marriage, class, revenge and disappointed love. Many of the tales have a supernatural tinge, and all are set around Hardy's much loved homeland.



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