

# The Great Poets

# Rudyard Kipling

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Rudyard Kipling (1865–1936) was a hugely popular poet and writer who many felt typified the late Victorian age and its self-confident Empire. But, as this collection shows, there was far more to him than patriotism.

Ranging from the tenderness of *Mandalay* ('Where the dawn comes up like thunder...') to the satire of *The Betrothed* ('A woman is only a woman, but a good cigar is a smoke'), from the vigour and compassion of *Boots* to the warmth and humanity of *If*, these poems show the depth and variety of Kipling's poetry, in readings that bring it vividly to life.

Includes **If • Gunga Din • Danny Deever • The Betrothed**

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