

Charles Dickens

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

Read by **Anton Lesser**

When young Philip Pirrip – Pip – meets the terrifying convict, Magwitch, on the eerie Kent marshes in what must surely be one of literature's most memorable scenes, the stage is set for a story of suspense, deception, comedy and devotion. Through a panoply of unforgettable characters, from eccentric Miss Havisham and steadfast Joe Gargery, to beautiful, cold Estella and villainous Compeyson, Dickens brings to life a story of high hopes and huge disappointments.

Written towards the end of his life, this work is often considered to be the finest of Dickens's many novels.



Anton Lesser is one of Britain's leading classical actors. He has played many of the principal Shakespearean roles for the Royal Shakespeare Company including Petruchio, Romeo and Richard III. His career has also encompassed contemporary drama, notably *The Birthday Party* by Harold Pinter. Appearances in major TV drama productions include *The Oresteia*, *The Cherry Orchard*, *Troilus and Cressida* and *The Mill on the Floss*. He also reads Milton's *Paradise Lost*, Homer's *The Odyssey* and *A Tales of Two Cities* for Naxos AudioBooks.

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