Buck is a lucky dog. He has a warm, well-fed and happy life in the safe confines of his wealthy master’s home. But a betrayal by a servant leads him to a new and terrifying life among the gold-diggers in the Alaskan snow.

Facing the savagery of the wild landscape, Buck discovers aspects of his character that he had never imagined before; and in each of the people who own him, whether cruel, foolish or loving, he sees different sides of human nature as well.

A magnificent adventure story beautifully written, *The Call of the Wild* is also a brilliant fable that has resonated profoundly with readers in the hundred years since it first appeared. The original publishers wanted to change the title; but the phrase has now passed into the language as the perfect expression of the ageless appeal of nature in the raw.