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## BOOK RESUME: INVISIBLE MAN

### BOOK SYNOPSIS

The story of a man who lives underground and reflects on his college years and the time he spent in Harlem. While living in Harlem, he becomes a speaker for The Brotherhood, a civil rights group, hoping to make a difference in race relations.

### REVIEWS AND PRAISE

“A book of the very first order, a superb book.” —Saul Bellow

### AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- Winner of the 1953 National Book Award for Fiction

### MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- [Ralph Ellison: Invisible Man, Celebrated Writer | Black History Documentary | Timeline](#)

### RESPONSE TO CHALLENGES

- [School Board Relents: Invisible Man Is “Vulgar,” but It’s Back on Shelves](#)
- [Alaska Community Unites in Opposition to Book Ban \(2020\)](#)

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