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# BOOK RESUME: STRANGER IN A STRANGE LAND

## BOOK SYNOPSIS

The complete, uncut version of Robert A. Heinlein’s all-time masterpiece, the brilliant novel that grew from a cult favorite to a bestseller to a science fiction classic.

Raised by Martians on Mars, Valentine Michael Smith is a human who has never seen another member of his species. Sent to Earth, he is a stranger who must learn what it is to be a man. But his own beliefs and his powers far exceed the limits of humankind, and as he teaches them about grokking and water-sharing, he also inspires a transformation that will alter Earth’s inhabitants forever . . .

## REVIEWS AND PRAISE

“One of the grand masters of science fiction.” —*Wall Street Journal*

“A brilliant mind-bender . . . Wonderfully humanizing. . . . Some 60,000 words that were cut from Heinlein’s manuscript for economy back in 1961 are at last taking their rightful place in the body of world literature.” —Kurt Vonnegut, *The New York Times Book Review*

“Certainly among the most influential . . . science fiction novel[s] of all time.” —*The Guardian*

“This book was destined to become a bestseller, shaping the sensibilities of a generation . . . The uncut novel more explicitly exhibits the author’s views on human sexuality, women’s issues, and geopolitics.” —*The Boston Globe*

“One of the most popular science fiction novels ever published.” —*Library Journal*

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