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*Different Seasons* (1982) is a collection of four novellas, markedly different in tone and subject, each on the theme of a journey. The first is a rich, satisfying, nonhorrific tale about an innocent man who carefully nurtures hope and devises a wily scheme to escape from prison. The second concerns a boy who discards his innocence by enticing an old man to travel with him into a reawakening of long-buried evil. In the third story, a writer looks back on the trek he took with three friends on the brink of adolescence to find another boy's corpse. The trip becomes a character-rich rite of passage from youth to maturity.

These first three novellas have been made into well-received movies: "Rita Hayworth and Shawshank Redemption" into Frank Darabont's 1994 *The Shawshank Redemption* (available as a screenplay, a DVD film, and an audiocassette), "Apt Pupil" into Bryan Singer's 1998 film *Apt Pupil* (also released in 1998 on audiocassette), and "The Body" into Rob Reiner's *Stand by Me* (1986).

The final novella, "Breathing Lessons," is a horror yarn told by a doctor, about a patient whose indomitable spirit keeps her baby alive under extraordinary circumstances. It's the tightest, most polished tale in the collection. --*Fiona Webster*

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"To find the secret of his success, you have to compare King to Twain and Poe— King's stories tap the roots of myth buried in all our minds."—*Los Angeles Times*

"Buy *Different Seasons*. I promise you'll enjoy it....He creates people who are so alive, you can almost sense them."—*Minneapolis Star-Tribune*

"The wondrous readability of his work, as well as the instant sense of communication with his characters, are what make King the consummate storyteller that he is."—*Houston Chronicle*

"Hypnotic."—*The New York Times Book Review*

### About the Author

Stephen King, the world's bestselling novelist, was educated at the University of Maine at Orono. He lives with his wife, the novelist Tabitha King, and their children in Bangor, Maine.

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