

THE SUN ALSO RISES: MOVIE VERSION

Study Guide compares the book *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway to the movie *The Sun Also Rises* (1957) starring Tyrone Power, Ava Gardner, Mel Ferrer, Errol Flynn, Eddie Albert, and Juliette Greco. Directed by Henry King. 20th Century Fox.



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SAMPLE THE SUN ALSO RISES: MOVIE VERSION

THE MOVIE VERSION OF *THE SUN ALSO RISES* IS NOT LIKE THE BOOK by Ernest Hemingway

RECOMMENDED MOVIE: *The Sun Also Rises* (1957) starring Tyrone Power, Ava Gardner, Mel Ferrer, Errol Flynn, Eddie Albert, and Juliette Greco. Directed by Henry King. 20th Century Fox. The movie covers the main plot and characters accurately. Six chapters of the book are omitted from the film. Nevertheless, the bullfight scenes are spectacular.

HOW ACCURATE IS THE MOVIE VERSION OF THE BOOK?

Plot: ★★☆☆☆ Characters: ★★★★★ Setting: ★★★★★

Structure: ★★☆☆☆ Symbols: ★★★★★ Theme: ★★☆☆☆

WHAT'S IN THE BOOK THAT'S NOT IN THE MOVIE?

Brett as an English woman, Harvey Stone, Henry the chauffeur, accordion music in the dance club, the Italian doctor, Harris on the fishing trip, Edna, Catholic pilgrims from Ohio, the family from Montana, monastery at Roncesvalles, Jake's frequent church attendance, Mike's anti-Semitism, the alienation of Montoya, presentation of Romero's cape and the bull's ear to Brett, the funeral of the gored Spaniard, green trousers, Jake's trip to San Sebastian, Chapters 6, 7, 9, 10, 11. And 14 . . .

WHAT'S IN THE MOVIE THAT'S NOT IN THE BOOK?

Harris the American soldier, Jake's secretary, Brett as an American, Brett and Jake in Milan, the English doctor, the jazz band, Robert Cohn's boxing scene, Marie, blue pants, Bill and Mike running with the bulls, Bill and Mike in the bullring, Mike's presence at the bullfight, Robert Cohn's presence at the bullfight, the beach in Biarritz . . .

WHAT'S THE SAME?

Paris in the 1920s, Georgette Hobin, Brett and Jake's romance, Brett's affair with Robert Cohn, Brett's engagement to Mike Campbell, the fishing trip, the running of the bulls in Pamplona, Mike's taunting of Cohn, Brett's affair with Pedro Romero, Cohn's fight with Romero, Jake and Brett reuniting in Madrid . . .

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THE MOVIE: SUMMARY

The following is a scene-by-scene comparison of the movie to the corresponding chapters in the book.

THE MOVIE: CHAPTER 1

OPENING SCENE: The voice of a narrator recites a Bible verse from Ecclesiastes 1: 5-11 that contains the quote, “The sun also rises.” (**ACCURATE**. Preceding Chapter 1 of the book is the quote from the Bible that contains the phrase “the sun also rises.”)The screen shows a street in Paris in the 1950s. (**ERROR**: Not in the book) The voice of a narrator is heard, saying that this is the Lost Generation that lived in Paris in 1922. (**ACCURATE**. Preceding Chapter 1 of the book is a quote from Gertrude Stein, “You are all a lost generation.”)

On the street outside Jake Barnes’s office building, he encounters an American soldier named Harris whom he knew in World War I. (**ERROR**: Not in the book) Jake tells Harris he decided to stay in Paris after the war and work as a newspaper reporter. (**ACCURATE**) Harris asks Jake if he is all right. (**ERROR**: Not in the book)

OMISSIONS: Jake describes Robert Cohn, a fellow writer and tennis partner he knows in Paris. Jake is not impressed that Robert Cohn was a boxing champion at Princeton. Cohn did not even like boxing. He learned to box to counter his shyness and feelings of inferiority for being a Jew at Princeton. Cohn’s boxing coach at Princeton was Spider Kelly. Cohn is from a wealthy family that pays him a monthly allowance. He is divorced with three children. Before Cohn could leave his wife, she left him. He came to Paris with a forceful English woman, Frances Clyne.

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