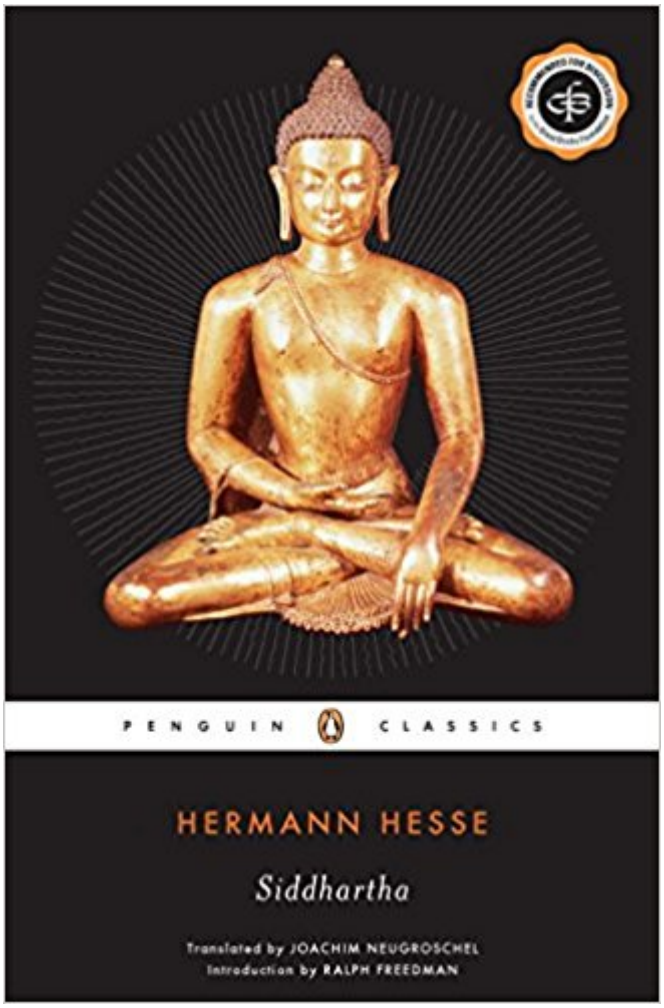
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Hesse is a rare master of spiritual fiction, and Siddhartha is one of his most enlightening and inspiring novels.

I bought this book for an english class, was skeptical about this because i was just not interested in buddhism (no offense), but this book is so craftily written, I've read this book three times for self pleasure, I love it, definitely opened up some opinions in me and Mae me think and centralize myself, I recommend it to the extreme, buy it! Totally worth it!

A classic. Should be read and re-read by everyone.

I had this book back in the 1960s and must have read it a half-dozen times. Even named my dog Siddhartha!!Was trolling around and found the audio CD online and decided I had to have it. Listened to it, then knew I wanted the book again. And still a great read after all these years.Herman Hesse kept me glued to the page from front cover to back. Would highly recommend this.

One of the best books I have ever read.

Translated well and worth the time to better understand those who are on a struggle to find the middle path.

Read it again and again. Samsara will begin to melt away. Sitting at the feet of a guru can help, but embracing all of life's experiences is the only path to understanding the river that is the cycle of life.

This is a classic story by Hesse and a good literary introduction to Buddhism, but it needs to be followed quickly with an introduction by a Buddhist, such as Rahulah, What the Buddha Taught.

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