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Chapters: Gods, Demons and Others, Malgudi Days, the Grandmother's Tale and Selected Stories, a Horse and Two Goats and Other Stories, Under the Banyan Tree and Other Stories, the World of Malgudi. Source: Wikipedia. Pages: 22. Not illustrated. Free updates online. Purchase includes a free trial membership in the publisher's book club where you can select from more than a million books without charge. Excerpt: Gods, Demons and Others is a collection of short stories by R. K. Narayan adapted from Indian history and mythology, including epics like The Ramayana and The Mahabharatha. In this book, Narayan provides both vitality and an original viewpoint to ancient legends. Gods, Demons and Others is a collection of ancient tales from India's complex history and mythology presented in their traditional setting, albeit with Narayan's urbane and affectionate, satirical style, bereft of any didactic interludes. The selection of stories includes only those that center on outstanding personalities who transcend the boundaries of time and age. The book consists of 15 stories. LavanaThe story of Lavana, an asura from the Ramayana. ChudalaThe story of a king trying to attain self realisation. YayatiThe story of Yayati, an asura king. DeviThe story of the Goddess Devi, responsible for all, in Hindu mythology. ViswamitraStory of Viswamitra, one of the most revered rishis of ancient India, who attains enormous power but stays unsatisfied until he realizes that the power should not be used for self-gratification. ManmataStory of Manmata, the cupid of Indian mythology. RavanaStory of the asura king Ravana, Rama's nemesis in the Ramayana. ValmikiStory of Adi Kavi Valmiki, the author of the Ramayana who is said to have discovered the first loka that set the base for Sanskrit poetry. DraupadiStory of Draupadi, the wife of the Pandavas in the Mahabharatha. NalaThe story of how Nala a pure and righteous king is corrupted by a demon and thereby s...More: [http: //booksllc.net/?id=2352047](http://booksllc.net/?id=2352047)

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R K Narayan is by far my idol. I wish I could see him alive. What a legend! He grasps Indian culture very delicately and spins it off in a way that the audience not only remembers but also enjoys his story telling. His short shorties are absolutely funny and showcases how India has evolved. He talks about everything from marriage- to - education. Thats the best part- you can relate and learn from his viewpoints and story telling. You have got to read this if you like learning about Indian culture. I loved his book so much, I gave it as a gesture of appreciation to one of my favorite professors.
