

The Man Behind the Jungle Book

He started as a young boy with his parents in India and grew up to be one of the best-selling authors in America. The beloved story, "The Jungle book," that many people know was created by one man who had an idea and an imagination. The man was shy and timid, you would not know him if it weren't for the reputation his books had brought him, (The Jungle Book) is one of his best works. The man was shy and timid and most would not know of him if it weren't for the reputation his books brought him. Rudyard Kipling was an admirable man who came from a wealthy family and he was born in Bombay, India. His parents were John Lockwood Kipling and Alice Kipling; John was the head of the Department of Architectural Sculpture at the Jeejeebhoy School of Art in Bombay. When Rudyard turned six, he was sent to England with his sister to get an education. He stayed with a foster parent named Ms. Holloway, who would beat him. To escape, Rudyard would spend most of his time in his room reading. He stayed with the Holloways until he was 11 years old. Eventually, Rudyard's parents heard what was happening so they sent him on a vacation to recover. He stayed in England at a different school and became a journalist for the school newspaper.

In 1882, he returned to India and worked for the local newspaper company. Kipling started writing short stories and began publishing them. After gaining some popularity, Rudyard decided to travel back to England. While he stayed in England he became friends with, an American publisher named Wolcott Balestier. Wolcott told Rudyard that he should stay in America for a while. That is where he published many of his books and short stories. Rudyard was very good friends with Wolcott and he began to get to know his sister Caroline Balestier. As he traveling to see his family in India, Rudyard received an urgent message from Caroline, who told him that Wolcott had died. After hearing the news he quickly went to England to help Caroline and her family. Rudyard and Caroline married shortly after Wolcott's death. On Kipling's honeymoon, they discovered their bank account had failed and they were broke. The couple decided to live in America, where they had three children, Josephine, Elsie and John. One winter Caroline was homesick and wanted to see her mother, so the family traveled across the Atlantic. Rudyard and Josephine became ill with pneumonia; only one of them survived. After grieving the loss of his daughter Rudyard decided never to return to America again. He pushed to enlist his son John into the Irish guard. A few months later, he got news that John had gone missing in battle.

Children were a very big inspiration in many of Rudyard's books. "The Jungle book" was of his most popular works. His books were fun and exciting. He knew how to please his audience, of all ages and his writing ranged from political literature to children stories. Many people think that he wrote, "The Jungle Book" based on his beliefs of British imperialism, but I think that he wrote it in his point of view of being a person of two countries and not knowing whether he belonged in one place or the other. A year later, he published book two of "The Jungle Book." His writing amazed everyone who read it. In 1907, he won the Nobel prize in literature, and he continued to write for the rest of his life, but the deaths of his children changed the happy personality of his books.

Even though the “The Jungle Book” was written 124 years ago, it still remains very popular today and Disney has made several movies based upon the story. Rudyard's books are popular because animals are amazing creatures, and his writing made it seem like the animals had emotions. His books have a lot of creativity and imagination in them that appeals to both children and adults with many children believing that these stories are magical. Many liked the book but the film had changed some things that weren't in the book originally. It is better to read then to watch a movie because there are things in books that can't be played on a screen.

Rudyard Kipling was a husband, father, son and an author of some of the world's most incredible books. His writing is passed on from generation to generation and his poems, books, stories are inspiring and heart warming. He was a man who went through rough times. His work helps people learn to have faith strength even when things get hard.