

## **The Awakening**

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Edna is a married woman and has children, but she would not be classified as a good wife or mother. While on vacation, she starts spending time with a man named Robert and becomes close to him. Soon Robert goes to Mexico and Edna is left feeling sad and alone. When Edna and her family come back from vacation, she begins to think about her life choices, and realizes that she wants a change in her life.

This book, while it seems like a short read, takes time to read, and is one of those books you cannot skim through. There are some topics in the book that, at the time of its publication (1899), seem unorthodox, such as the lack of concern at times for her children and her femininity, but it is interesting to see in the time period. I would recommend this for young adults and older.

### **Recommended Titles**

Passing by Nella Larsen

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brontë