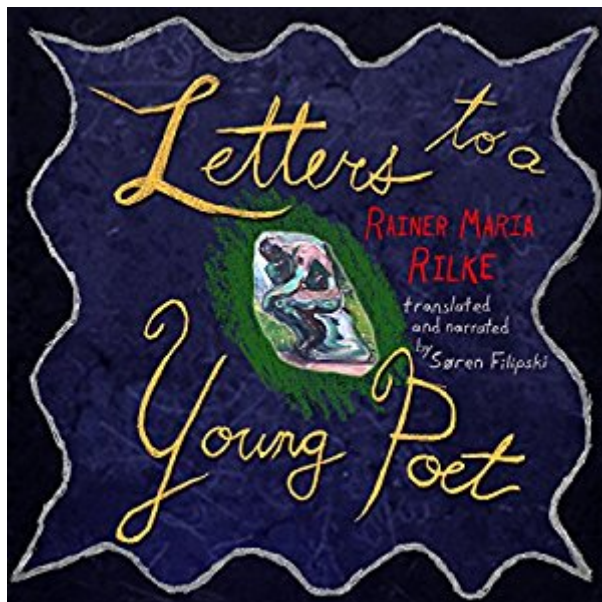


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# Letters To A Young Poet



## Synopsis

When a young student at a military academy mails some of his poetry to the great poet Rainer Maria Rilke, seeking advice, he initiates years of correspondence, during which Rilke expresses his most personal insights into the artist's relationship with life, the interior needs of the individual growing towards maturity, and how the impulse to artistic creation can and should be a source of abiding and developing happiness even for those who cannot become artists. Written in Rilke's early, struggling years, *Letters to a Young Poet* is a work of beauty and urgency. Its discussion of the young soldier's difficulties in finding his identity and vocation, mirrored in Rilke's own life, have resonated with generations of readers for over a century, and it stands as one of the most beloved and widely read sets of letters in the world. This new translation by Soren Filipski is both accurate and fluid, capturing the intense, rhapsodic energy of Rilke's writing as well as the precision of his ideas. His sensitive narration captures Rilke's emotion and flourish in this brief yet powerful work.

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A thoughtful gem of a book. A keeper.

An amazing piece of work. A quick yet enlightening read....

Wonderful book, really enjoyed reading it. A perfect gift, travel companion or support in hard time.

I loved it!

Great.

Phenomenal...

I discovered Rilke's "Letters to a Young Poet" years ago and it has become my favorite. Much of the advice contained in the 10 letters completed in 1908 are relevant to all in this 21st Century. I've been a great "underliner" of this book and many others and each time I reread them I am rewarded with new insights and appreciation for the works of the Authors.

A songwriting blog led me to an interview with a songwriter, whose advice in turn led me to this book. I was impacted greatly by the profound advice Rilke shares in her letters. I thought the path that led me to this book meant that I would find some great secrets of lyric writing hidden in this book. Instead, I found cliff's notes to life.

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