# THE SUN ALSO RISES: MOVIE VERSION

Study Guide compares the book *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway to the movie *The Sun Also Rises* (1957) starring Tyrone Power, Ava Gardner, Mel Ferrer, Errol Flynn, Eddie Albert, and Juliette Greco. Directed by Henry King. 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox.



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#### **SAMPLE THE SUN ALSO RISES: MOVIE VERSION**

#### THE MOVIE VERSION OF *THE SUN ALSO RISES* IS NOT LIKE THE BOOK by Ernest Hemingway

**RECOMMENDED MOVIE:** *The Sun Also Rises* (1957) starring Tyrone Power, Ava Gardner, Mel Ferrer, Errol Flynn, Eddie Albert, and Juliette Greco. Directed by Henry King. 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox. The movie covers the main plot and characters accurately. Six chapters of the book are omitted from the film. Nevertheless, the bullfight scenes are spectacular.

#### HOW ACCURATE IS THE MOVIE VERSION OF THE BOOK?

Plot: ☆☆☆☆☆ Characters: ☆☆☆☆☆ Setting: ☆☆☆☆☆ Structure: ☆☆☆☆☆ Symbols: ☆☆☆☆☆ Theme: ☆☆☆☆☆

#### THE MOVIE: SUMMARY

The following is a scene-by-scene comparison of the movie to the corresponding chapters in the book.

### THE MOVIE: CHAPTER 1

**OPENING SCENE:** The voice of a narrator recites a Bible verse from Ecclesiastes 1: 5-11 that contains the quote, "The sun also rises." (*ACCURATE*. Preceding Chapter 1 of the book is the quote from the Bible that contains the phrase "the sun also rises.")The screen shows a street in Paris in the 1950s. (*ERROR*: Not in the book) The voice of a narrator is heard, saying that this is the Lost Generation that lived in Paris in 1922. (*ACCURATE*. Preceding Chapter 1 of the book is a quote from Gertrude Stein, "You are all a lost generation.")

On the street outside Jake Barnes's office building, he encounters an American soldier named Harris whom he knew in World War I. (*ERROR*: Not in the book) Jake tells Harris he decided to stay in Paris after the war and work as a newspaper reporter. (*ACCURATE*) Harris asks Jake if he is all right. (*ERROR*: Not in the book)

**OMISSIONS:** Jake describes Robert Cohn, a fellow writer and tennis partner he knows in Paris. Jake is not impressed that Robert Cohn was a boxing champion at Princeton. Cohn did not even like boxing. He learned to box to counter his shyness and feelings of inferiority for being a Jew at Princeton. Cohn's boxing coach at Princeton was Spider Kelly. Cohn is from a wealthy family that pays him a monthly allowance. He is divorced with three children. Before Cohn could leave his wife, she left him. He came to Paris with a forceful English woman, Frances Clyne.

### QUIZ

#### This quiz compares the movie *The Sun Also Rises* (1957) starring Tyrone Power, Ava Gardner and Errol Flynn to the novel *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway.

- 1. In the movie and the book Jake Barnes refuses to take a trip to South America with Robert Cohn because
  - a. doesn't speak Spanish
  - b. he can't afford the trip
  - c. he can meet South Americans in Paris
  - d. he doesn't have time
- 2. In the movie and the book when Lady Brett Ashley asks Jake why he brought a prostitute as a date to the club, Jake says he acted out of a. boredom b. pity c. charity d. sympathy
- \_\_\_\_3. In the movie and the book in a taxi ride around Paris, Brett speaks of the hopelessness of their love because of Jake's a. career b. citizenship c. alcoholism d. wound

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