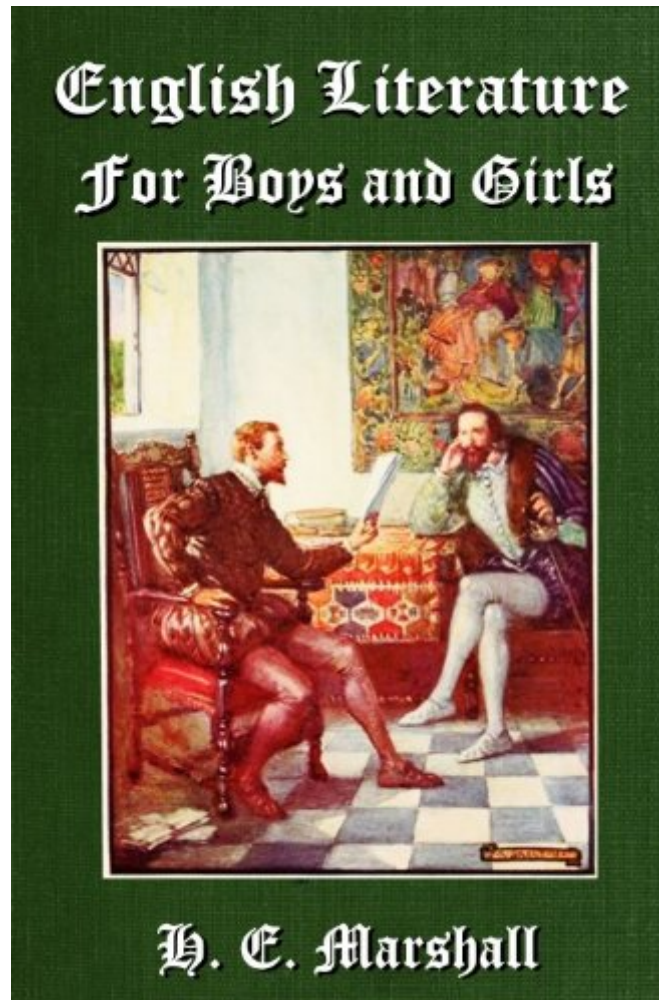




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English Literature for Boys and Girls is a five-star book; it is one of the best books I have found for introducing English Literature to children from the age of 9 or 10 through middle school. However, this large print edition is poorly edited. What a shame. The book deserves better. H. E. Marshall's vocabulary and sentence structure are complex, and reading this book will stretch the younger student's reading comprehension, but he or she will also be enticed into a love of English literature.

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