

Story Review on Oliver Twist

It is story called "Oliver Twist" written by a British author named "Charles John Huffam Dickens (1812-1970). It is a kind of social novel story which is a mixture of both sadness and happiness of people's life. Oliver Twist is the name of the main character in this story, so this story is talked about the miserable life of a young boy named Oliver Twist. Oliver Twist was an orphan who left to live in the workhouse, then was forced to live with a group of gang, and finally was adopted by a generous man to live with him happily.

There are so many characters, events and places in this story, so I cannot describe them all. However, I want to summarize as follow: the story first took place in a workhouse where Oliver Twist was born. Then he was sent to the baby farm controlled by a careless woman named Mrs. Mann. When Oliver reached the age of nine, he was sent to work at the workhouse by Mr. Bumble, a local beadle. Next, Oliver was sold to Mr. Sowerberry, an undertaker, who was a kind man but always listened to his wife. After that, Oliver managed to escape to London because he could not stand with the bad treatment everybody around him especially Noah Claypole, a charity boy, did to him. In London Oliver first met Artful Dodger, one of the members of a gang group led by a bad greedy old man named Fagin, and then Oliver unexpectedly joined with them. At first, Fagin tried to make Oliver feel happy in order to poison his mind and made use of him. One day, they let Oliver go out with the other two boys to do his first stealing job. He was unfortunately arrested and sent to the police station. Luckily, there was a book seller came to be the witness and proved that Oliver was not a theft. More luckily, he was carefully served by Mr. Brownlow, the old gentle man Oliver stole his handkerchief. However, Oliver was taken back to the gangs group by Nancy and Bill Sikes. Next, Oliver was selected to join a robbery at Chertsey because he was the smallest boy who could enter the house easily by a small window; moreover, they wanted to make Oliver become a real theft. After the robbery was failed, Oliver had a better life again because he lived with Mrs. Maylie, and her niece Rose, who were very kind people. Monks, Oliver's half-brother, who was jealous with Oliver, tried to insert him to the gang so that he could get all shares of his father's will. Nancy, one of the kind gang members, was killed by Bill Sikes, a cruel man in the gangs group because she told Mr. Brownlow about Oliver's story. Finally, the gangs group was ended because of Mr. Brownlow, and Oliver became the adopted son of Mr. Brownlow and came to live in a quiet village with him happily. Harry Maylie, Mrs. Maylie's son, got married to Rose, and they all went to live in a peaceful place together.