

# May Day: Short Story, 25 pages, 9781443435154, 2014, Harper Collins, 2014, F. Scott Fitzgerald

Sometimes, a short story is the perfect solution. Here are fifty groundbreaking examples – both classic and modern – to enjoy this autumn. The short story, says Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Steven Millhauser, has powers the novel only dreams of. "The novel is the Wal-Mart, the Incredible Hulk, the jumbo jet of literature," he wrote in his brilliant essay, *The Ambition of the Short Story*. "[And yet] the short story apologises for nothing. It exults in its shortness. It wants to be shorter still. It wants to be a single word." You may disable these by changing your browser settings, but this may affect how the website functions. See [More](#). Analytics. Analytics cookies help us to improve our website by collecting and reporting information on how you use it. Short Story Day takes place on the shortest day of the year! Very clever, right? It also gives you the opportunity to broaden your knowledge by reading some short stories. Take some time out from all of the chaos that goes on pre-Christmas and enjoy a moment of literary calm. Sheer bliss, right? Not only does this day give you the ability to read interesting short stories, but you can write your own. After all, you may simply detest the genre of book suggested! Nevertheless, it is a fun way to read something that you would probably never considering reading! You may be wondering what counts as a short-story anyway. Most short stories tend to have a word count between 1,000 and 4,000. - Short stories are more than just a quick fix of fiction for the time-strapped. When crafted well, short stories are like grenades which quickly explode in front of us. They let us dip our toe into strange minds and foreign worlds, or conceal something which lurks behind the pages before sliding into view. Here we round up the best classic and modern short story collections that should be on everyone's radar, whether you're looking to get more into the form or discover some hidden gems. Advertisement - Continue Reading Below. 1 *Daddy* by Emma Cline. - SHOP. The author of the best-sel