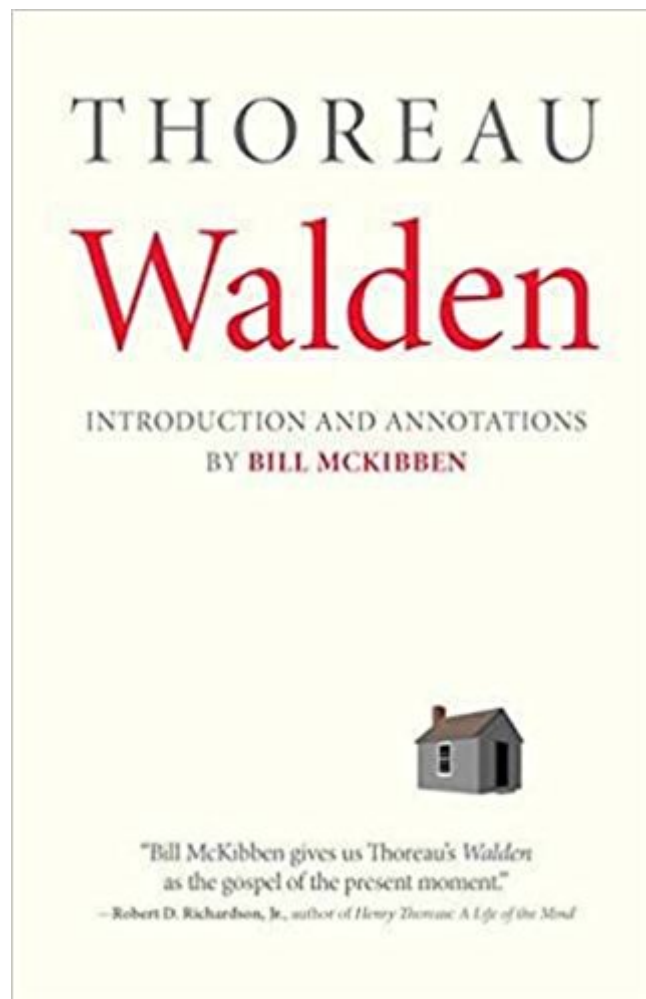




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Synopsis

In honor of the bicentennial of Henry David Thoreau's birth, this edition of *Walden* features an introduction and annotations by renowned environmentalist Bill McKibben. "Bill McKibben gives us Thoreau's *Walden* as the gospel of the present moment, as a necessary book because it is useful right now." --Robert Richardson, author of *Henry Thoreau, A Life of the Mind* and *Emerson: The Mind on Fire* "We need to understand that when Thoreau sat in the dooryard of his cabin from sunrise till noon, rapt in a reverie, in undisturbed solitude and stillness, while the birds sang around or flitted noiseless through the house, he was offering counsel and example exactly suited for our perilous moment in time." --Bill McKibben, from the introduction

First published in 1854, Henry David Thoreau's groundbreaking book has influenced generations of readers and continues to inspire and inform anyone with an open mind, a love of nature, and a longing for simplicity and contemplation. Bill McKibben provides a newly revised introduction and helpful annotations that place Thoreau firmly in his role as cultural and spiritual seer. This beautiful edition of *Walden*, published in honor of the bicentennial of Thoreau's birth, is more accessible and relevant than ever in an age of technological change and ecological crisis.

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Henry David Thoreau (1817-1862) was a writer, philosopher, and naturalist. Walden is considered his masterpiece. Bill McKibben has written a dozen books about the environment, including The End of Nature and Oil and Honey. Founder of the grassroots climate campaign 350.org, he is a scholar in residence at Middlebury College.

The introduction isn’t what I’d hoped for. I have heard talks on climate change and comparing Thoreau’s dates with today’s. They far exceeded this intro. But the book, itself, is great. And I want more time with annotations.

I prefer this edition with the Bill McKibben introduction The accompanying annotations are not exhaustive but they make it feel like you are reading this with a friend (who has interesting insights).

So far so good. Works great, just have to trust it They work well and easily Will buy more eventually! Everything just works A good feeling

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