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## JOSEPH CONRAD THREE SHORT NOVELS HEART OF DARKNESS YOUTH TYPHOON



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## JOSEPH CONRAD

born in 1857 in what was then Russian
Poland, had a strange and romantic life.
He spent his entire youth as a merchant
seaman on ships which traded with all
the romantic countries of the world.
At twenty he had no knowledge of English,
yet later he not only mastered the language,
but became one of its greatest stylists.
Among his friends were some of the most
influential men of letters of his time,
including Henry James, Ford Madox Ford,
and Stephen Crane. Writing was a slow
and arduous process for Conrad, but he
left a golden legacy—superb tales of
the sea and its most exotic ports of call.

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