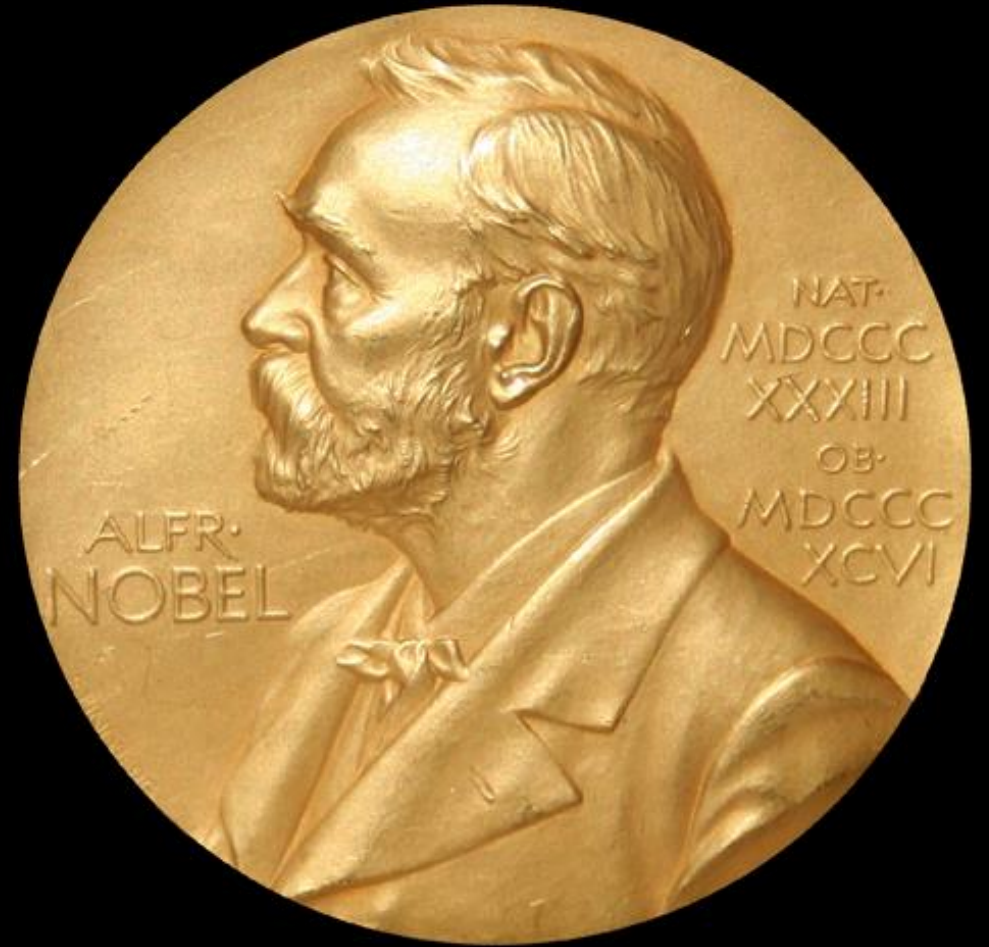


The 2017 Nobel Prize

Literature

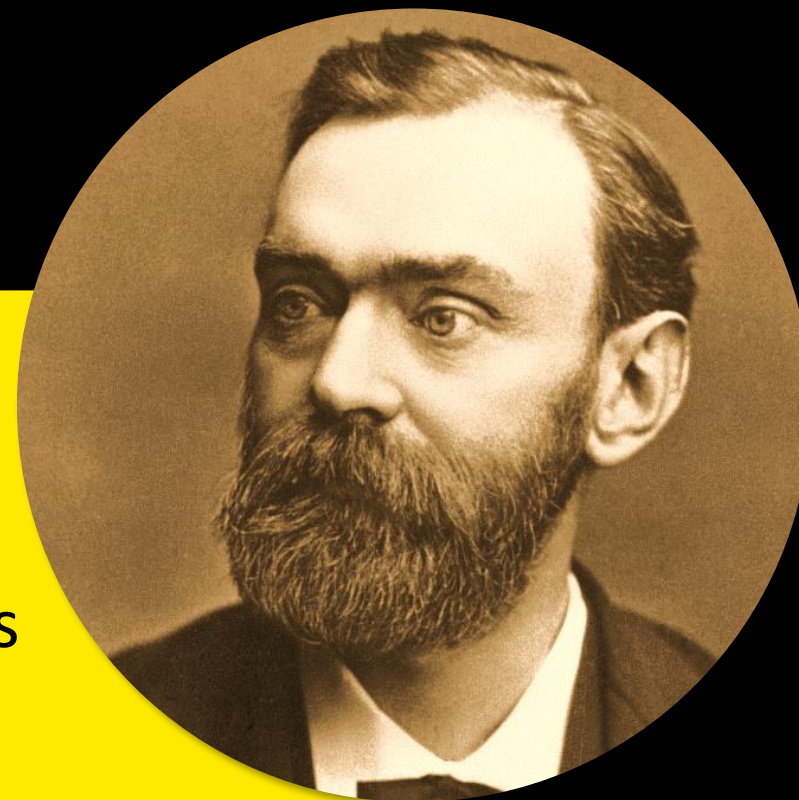


Alfred Nobel

(1833–1896)



As a child, Alfred dreamed of becoming a writer, but his father had other expectations of him and his brothers.



Dynamite

1867



Alfred Nobel invented dynamite, and during his life he managed to earn a lot of money from this invention.

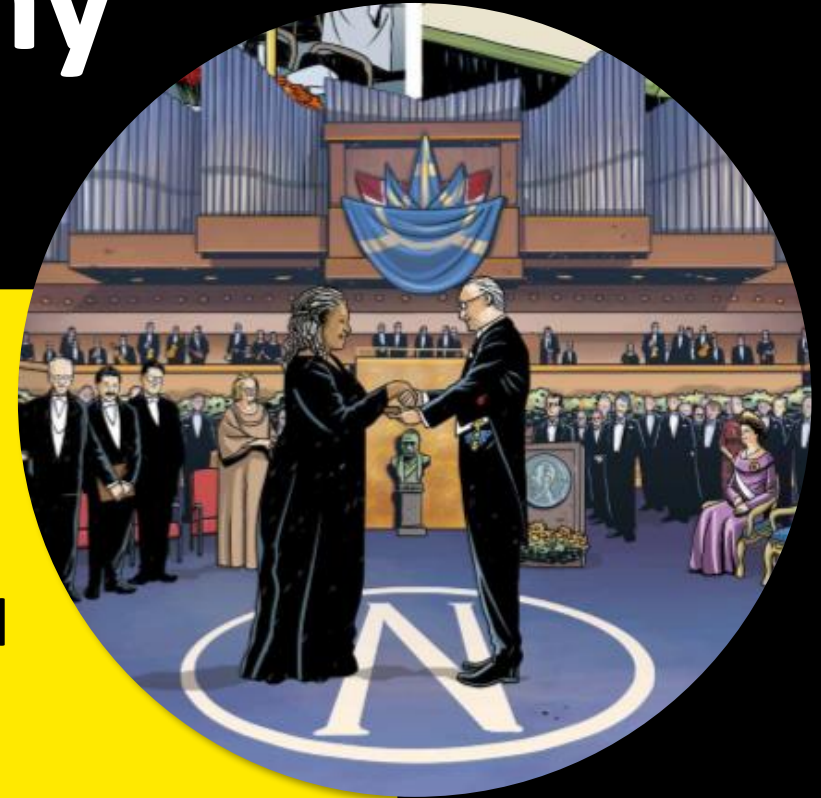


Prize Award Ceremony

Nobel Day, December 10 each year



The Prize consists of a medal, a diploma and a sum of money. Sweden's King Carl XVI Gustaf presents the medal and diploma to each Laureate at Stockholm Concert Hall.



The Nobel Prize in Literature



The Nobel Prize in Literature has mainly been awarded to authors who have written works of fiction – novels, short stories, poetry collections and theatrical plays.



Examples of previous Laureates

The Nobel Prize in Literature



Short story writer Alice Munro
2013



Poet Tomas Tranströmer
2011

Kazuo Ishiguro

The 2017 Nobel Prize in Literature

“who, in novels of great emotional force, has uncovered the abyss beneath our illusory sense of connection with the world”.



The Laureate

Kazuo Ishiguro was born in 1954 in Nagasaki, Japan, but he grew up in the United Kingdom. Today he lives in London, where he has been working as an author ever since he published his first book.

Kazuo Ishiguro is also a musician.



His literary works

Ishiguro has mainly written novels, but also short stories as well as film and television scripts. He made his debut as a short story writer in 1981. His first book, entitled *A Pale View of Hills*, came out in 1982.

Since then, Ishiguro has published seven more books.



**A versatile
artist.**

Language and themes

Kazuo Ishiguro writes in different genres and likes to mix them. His later novels contain elements of fantasy.

There are themes that recur in many of his books: friendship and love, memory and identity, truth and lies.

**Happening
between the
lines.**