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Gulliver's Travels
Jonathan Swift

About the Author

1. Who paid for Swift's education?
2. For what did he leave the writing profession?
3. Swift is quoted as saying he "liked individuals but hated _____."
4. However, he tried very hard to mend the _____ he saw in the world.
5. What did Swift write for periodicals and journals?
6. What was he for the Tory government and what did he write for them?
7. *Gulliver's Travels* is more than just a fantastic travel account. What else is it?
8. Of what does it tell?
9. Part I, "A Voyage to Lilliput" tells of what?
10. Part II, "A Voyage to Brobdingnag" tells of what?
11. Part III, Laputa, tells of what?
12. Part IV tells of what?

"A Voyage of Lilliput" and "A Voyage to Brobdingnag"

1. Define Satire
2. Define irony.
3. Define fantasy.
4. What does Gulliver steal from the Blefuscuans?
5. Why is the Emperor of Lilliput angry with Gulliver? What does this show about the Emperor?
6. What does the King of Brobdingnag think of Gulliver's countrymen?
7. What does the King think is the proper purpose of government?
8. Contrast the government Gulliver knows with the Brobdingnag government.
9. What does Gulliver think the gunpowder could do for the King of Brobdingnag?
10. How does the King react to Gulliver's offer to share the invention of gunpowder?
11. The Lilliputians are physically small. Are they small in other respects? Explain.
12. The Brobdingnagians are physically large. Are they large in other respects? Explain.
13. Why do you think Swift chose to play with size in these ways?
14. What examples of irony can you find in the selections?
15. What point does Swift make by each use of irony?