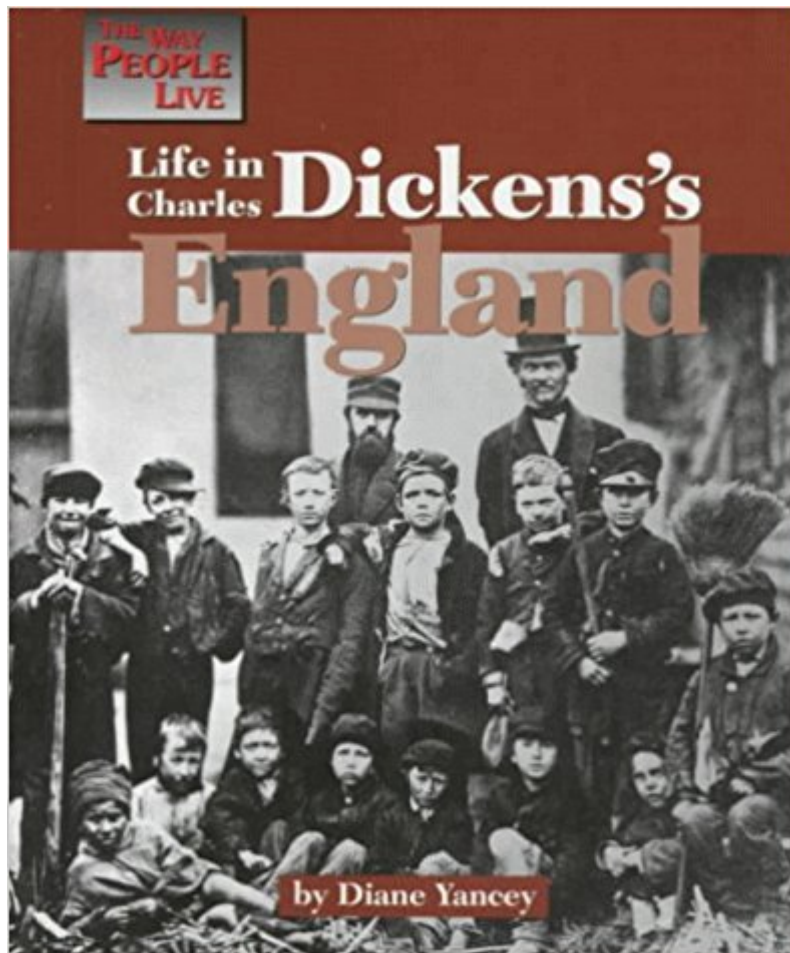




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Grade 9 Up-Social history with a biographical slant. This text discusses what life was like for the middle and lower classes in 19th-century England and incorporates information about Dickens's life and how the period influenced his writing. The vocabulary is concise and uncomplicated and the writing is clear. This book is well organized and extensively researched. The informative black-and-white illustrations enhance the material presented. There's nothing new here, but the book is an excellent supplement to John Rule's *The Labouring Classes in Early Industrial England, 1750-1850* (Longman, 1986), David Thomson's *England in the Nineteenth Century* (Penguin, 1991), and Daniel Pool's *What Jane Austen Ate and Charles Dickens Knew* (S & S, 1993). Yancey knows her material and readers do not need prior knowledge of the subject to appreciate her engaging volume. Adrian Renee Stevens, Beaver Creek School, West Jefferson, NC Copyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc.

This book is informative but more than that it shows resilience of some people to raise themselves above the crowd. As one man put it too me, a long time ago, it is what a person is willing to accept. Ofcourse there are countries that the options are limited but there are still options in all but most

restricted circumstances.

I have loved Dickens's and the Victorian era for many years growing up but and this book further clarifies and elevates my respect for Dickens as a writer and revolutionary and person, as well as better informs the reading of his books, and lifts the romanticized veil of Victorian England, sympathetically revealing the lifestyles of the day, in a manner both aware of their atrociousness to modern sensibilities and also their well-meant intentions in context of their time.

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