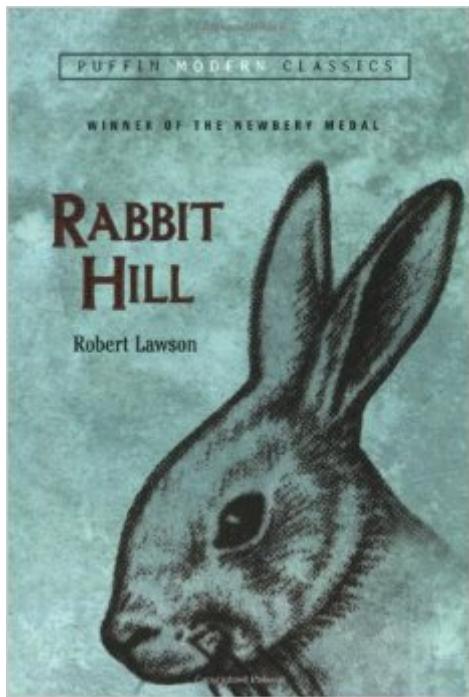


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# Rabbit Hill (Puffin Modern Classics)



## **Synopsis**

It has been a while since Folks lived in the Big House, and an even longer time has passed since there has been a garden at the House. All the animals of the Hill are very excited about the new Folks moving in, and they wonder how things are going to change. It's only a matter of time before the animals of the Hill find out just who is moving in, and they may be a little bit surprised when they do.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

This is a refreshing return to the innocent 40's of children's literature, when Animals talk and behave just like people. The Hill (somewhere in CT) is abuzz with excitement and anticipation when rumors race through field and burrow that--finally--new Folks are coming! There will be owners in residence at the old, neglected farmhouse. Times have indeed been hard for the little animals, who are reduced to a meagre existence and near starvation during bitter winters--merely scavenging off the land in its natural state. High Time there were real Folks in the house once more, planting and canning! Yet there are potential dangers from the unknown newcomers as well: dogs, cats, Boys, poisons, traps, fences, etc. Most people are determined to protect their produce and flowers from the very creatures who cherish their rights to help themselves. Robert Lawson presents young

readers with a wide cast of characters, ranging in size from mice to a buck. All the animals speak and understand English, which helps in communication between species, but pales before the astonishing actions of the new Folks, who have to prove either their value or their threat to the Hill society. Communal democracy is practiced at the annual ritual called Dividing Night, when each family is allotted a certain portion of the vegetable garden for their private use. If and When the new Folks actually plow, plant and tend it properly. Father Rabbit is a Southern gentleman who speaks in elegant terms while boring everyone with his tales of the Blue Grass country. Mother Rabbit proves a stereotypical 40's mom, and Uncle Analdas is the irascible, grumbling, hot-tempered grouchy relative.

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