

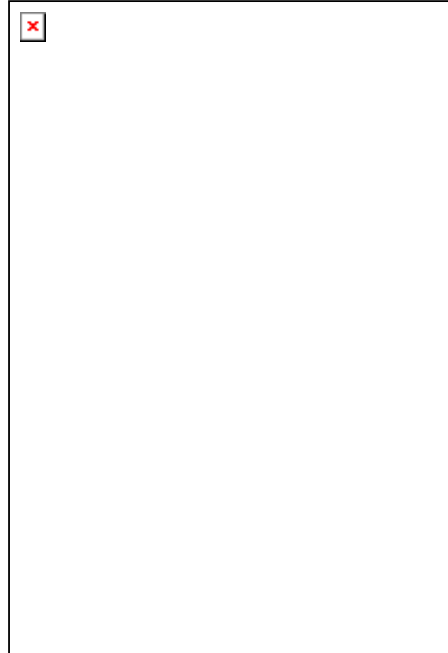
Emily Jane Brontë:
Mini e-book Resource:

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Introduction and Brief Biography:

Emily Brontë (July 30, 1818 – December 19, 1848) is one of Britain best known authors - even though she wrote a single novel, 'Wuthering Heights', originally published under the pseudonym of 'Ellis Bell'.

Emily Brontë was born in Thornton, Yorkshire to Patrick Brontë and Maria Branwell and was the fifth of a family of six children comprising four other sisters (Charlotte, Elizabeth, Maria and Anne) and one brother - Branwell.



Charlotte's father Patrick was an Anglican clergyman. In 1821 Patrick was appointed curate to the parish of Haworth to where he moved his family. Charlotte's wife Maria died of cancer later the same year – and her sister Elizabeth Branwell from this point on helped bring up Emily, her sisters and brother. In 1824, Emily was sent to the Clergy Daughters' school, Cohen Bridge, Lancashire along with her sisters Charlotte, Elizabeth and Maria. The conditions were appalling and it is thought that these contributed to the premature death to tuberculosis of her sisters Maria and Elizabeth both in 1826.

Back in Yorkshire, Emily along with her remaining siblings Charlotte, Anne and Branwell, began writing a number of short stories and poetry to amuse themselves and pass away the evenings.

In 1824 Emily was appointed as a governess at Miss Patchett's Ladies Academy at Law Hill School near Halifax, although she only held this position for six months, returning home approximately six months later due to homesickness.

Charlotte Anne and Emily in 1846 published a collection of poetry using the pseudonyms of assumed names of 'Currer', 'Ellis' and 'Acton Bell'. Even though the work was not a success – selling only two copies, Emily, Charlotte and Anne continued writing.

Emily published her only novel 'Wuthering Heights' in 1847, (as previously mentioned under the pseudonym of 'Ellis Bell'). In 1850 'Wuthering Heights' was published under her own name.

On December 19th 1848 Emily Brontë died of tuberculosis - and was interred in the family vault at St. Michael and All Angel's Church, Haworth, Yorkshire, England.

Emily Brontë Museums and Other Resources:

1) Brontë Parsonage Museum and Brontë Society – Haworth, West Yorkshire, UK:

The Brontë is one of the oldest literary societies in the English speaking world and is always open to new members.

http://www.bronte.org.uk/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=26

2) Brontë Country:

A mine of information and other useful links relating to Haworth and the surrounding area.

<http://www.bronte-country.com/>

3) The Haworth Village We-site:

A village website for the home village of the Brontë sisters.

<http://www.haworth-village.org.uk/brontes/bronte.asp>

4) **The National Portrait Museum:**

Paintings and portraits of the Brontë sisters at the national portrait museum – St Martin’s Place, London, UK.

<http://www.npg.org.uk/live/search/person.asp?linkID=mp00573>

5) **‘About Emily Brontë’**

About.com’s entry for ‘Emily Brontë’; a large entry for the author with many useful resources such as literary notes for student as well as many other useful links:

http://womenshistory.about.com/library/bio/blbio_bronte_emily.htm

6) **Finding Dulcinea – Library of the Internet:**

Entry for Emily Brontë

<http://www.findingdulcinea.com/features/happy-birthday/2008/july/Emily-Bronte.html>

7) **'The Readers Guide To Wuthering Heights':**

Excellent web-site with quotes, character profiles, timelines and much more – very helpful for students

<http://www.wuthering-heights.co.uk/locations/otherlocations.htm>

Online Resources to Becoming Published:

- 1) **Novel Writing Made Easy:** Professional Authors Step-by-step System (manual & Workbook Included) For Planning A Novel.

<http://snipurl.com/3g5rg>

- 2) **Newnovelist:** This software provides a Step-By-Step Guide to Writing and Publishing Your First Novel.

<http://snipurl.com/3g5cm>

- 3) **Advanced Fiction Writing:** Writing a Novel is Easy! Writing a Great Novel Is Hard: Award-winning Novelist And Acclaimed Fiction Teacher Randy Ingermanson Tells You His Secrets. Learn The Three Things You Must Have To Sell A Novel.

<http://snipurl.com/3g5bz>