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Editorial Review

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Not all whites in South Africa are outright racists. Some, like Bam and Maureen Smales in Nadine Gordimer's thrilling and powerful novel *July's People*, are sensitive to the plights of blacks during the apartheid state. So imagine their quandary when the blacks stage a full-scale revolution that sends the Smaleses scampering into isolation. The premise of the book is expertly crafted; it speaks much about the confusing state of affairs of South Africa and serves as the backbone for a terrific adventure.

Review

“So flawlessly written that every one of its events seems chillingly, ominously possible.”—Anne Tyler, *The New York Times Book Review*

“Gordimer knows this complex emotional and political territory all too well and writes about it superbly.”—*Newsweek*

“Gordimer’s art has achieved and sustained a rare beauty. Her prose has a density and sparsity that one finds in the greatest writers.”—*The New Leader*

“Nadine Gordimer writes more knowingly about South Africa than anyone else.”—*The New York Times*

About the Author

Nadine Gordimer is the author of eleven previous novels, as well as collections of stories and essays. She has received many awards, including the Booker Prize (for **The Conservasionist** in 1974) and the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1991. She lives in Johannesburg, South Africa.

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