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# **DRACULA**

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“Here’s a Letter for You.”

## CHAPTER 1

### Welcome to Transylvania!

What a long way this is from England, Jonathan Harker thought as he looked over the old hotel he had been given a room in. The old woman who kept the place looked nearly as ancient herself.

“Here’s a letter for you, young man,” she said, handing Jonathan an envelope.

He opened it quickly, knowing it could come from only one person—the very one who had brought him here on this strange journey.

Jonathan read the few lines it contained.

“My Friend—Welcome to Transylvania.

## DRACULA

Tomorrow take the coach to the Borgo Pass. My carriage will meet you and bring you to me. Your Friend, DRACULA.”

Jonathan was glad to read the message. It meant his long journey was almost over. He had travelled from England all the way across Europe, over mountains, across rivers and through deep dark forests. Transylvania was one of the wildest parts of the continent. In fact he couldn't find the castle of his host, Count Dracula, on any map.

He was looking forward to meeting the Count and asking him about some of the strange sights he'd seen along the way. The people here were descendants of the Huns and the Turks. The men wore their hair long and had thick black mustaches. The hills were steep and wild. Jonathan made sure he noted everything in his journal so that he would be able to describe all the marvelous sights to his fiancée, Mina when he returned.

Jonathan was a young lawyer. He had come all this way to meet with Count Dracula, who



His Long Journey Was Almost Over.