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edith grossman's definitive english translation of the spanish masterpiece widely regarded as the world's first modern novel and one of the funniest and most tragic books ever written don guixote chronicles the famous picaresque adventures of the noble knight errant don quixote of la mancha and his faithful squire sancho panza as they travel through sixteenth century spain unless you read spanish you ve never read don quixote though there have been many valuable english translations of don quixote i would commend edith grossman's version for the extraordinarily high quality of her prose the knight and sancho are so eloquently rendered by grossman that the vitality of their characterization is more clearly conveyed than ever before there is also an astonishing contextualization of don quixote and sancho in grossman s translation that i believe has not been achieved before the spiritual atmosphere of a spain already in steep decline can be felt throughout thanks to her heightened quality of diction grossman might be called the glenn gould of translators because she too articulates every note reading her amazing mode of finding equivalents in english for cervantes s darkening vision is an entrance into a further understanding of why this great book contains within itself all the novels that have followed in its sublime wake from the introduction by harold bloom miguel de cervantes was born on september 29 1547 in alcala de henares spain at twenty three he enlisted in the spanish militia and in 1571 fought against the turks in the battle of lepanto where a gunshot wound permanently crippled his left hand he spent four more years at sea and then another five as a slave after being captured by barbary pirates ransomed by his family he returned to madrid but his disability hampered him it was in debtor s prison that he began to write don quixote cervantes wrote many other works including poems and plays but he remains best known as the author of don quixote he died on april 23 1616

nominated as one of america s best loved novels by pbs s the great american read don quixote has become so entranced reading tales of chivalry that he decides to turn knight errant himself in the company of his faithful squire sancho panza these exploits blossom in all sorts of wonderful ways while quixote s fancy often leads him astray he tilts at windmills imagining them to be giants sancho acquires cunning and a certain sagacity sane madman and wise fool they roam the

world together and together they have haunted readers imaginations for nearly four hundred years with its experimental form and literary playfulness don quixote has been generally recognized as the first modern novel this penguin classics edition with its beautiful new cover design includes john rutherford s masterly translation which does full justice to the energy and wit of cervantes s prose as well as a brilliant critical introduction by roberto gonzalez echevarriá

this casebook gathers a collection of ambitious essays about both parts of the novel 1605 and 1615 and also provides a general introduction and a bibliography the essays range from ramón menéndez pidal s seminal study of how cervantes dealt with chivalric literature to erich auerbachs polemical study of don quixote as essentially a comic book by studying its mixture of styles and include leo spitzer s masterful probe into the essential ambiguity of the novel through minute linguistic analysis of cervantes prose the book includes pieces by other major cervantes scholars such as manuel durán and edward c riley as well as younger scholars like georgina dopico black all these essays ultimately seek to discover that which is peculiarly cervantean in don quixote and why it is considered to be the first modern novel

james montgomery s new translation of don quixote is the fourth already in the twenty first century and it stands with the best of them it pays particular attention to what may be the hardest aspect of cervantes s novel to render into english the humorous passages particularly those that feature a comic and original use of language cervantes would be proud howard mancing professor of spanish purdue university and vice president cervantes society of america

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retells cervantes story of the adventures of an eccentric spanish country gentleman and his companion who set out as a knight and squire of old to right wrongs and punish evil

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