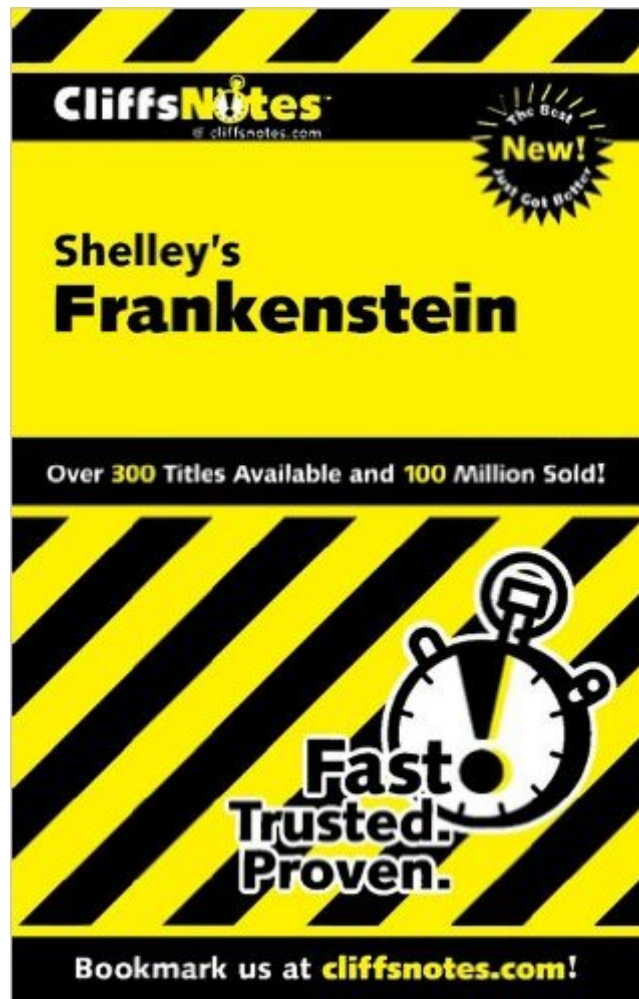


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Seeing as how I didn't like Frakenstein very much at all, this book kept me at least fairly interested in the novel. The novel is very long, repetitive, and extremely slow at times, and the book helps make it a lot faster, and reviews the main plot so the complicated sentence structure of the book is

easier to decode. Also, Cliffs notes tells about the literary messages of the novel, hard to figure out unless you know about romanticism, and explains most of the olden-style vocabulary. Finally, there is an excellent character web that explains all the relationships. All in all, helped me a lot with the novel.

Cliffs Notes are great if your kids need help with their middle or high school reading projects. I read the same books my daughter was assigned so we could discuss them. Thank goodness for CliffsNotes --they always help create and move those discussions along.

I often read Cliffs Notes as a companion to the novel. I have found that Cliffs Notes has the most thoughtful and comprehensive commentary of any other literature guide out there. However, the notes on Shelley's *Frankenstein* was a major disappointment. The commentary does not provide any major insight into the themes, characters, or style of the novel. In most cases, the commentary for each chapter is just a more detailed summary of the plot. The guide does provide some useful information on the Romantic and Gothic elements of the novel, but there is so much more to *Frankenstein* than just the conventions of the literary time period. If you are only looking for something to help you understand the plot, then this book will serve that purpose. But if you need help understanding the deeper implications of Shelley's work, don't waste your time or money on this poorly written summary.

I had to write a paper on *Frankenstein*, and this definitely helped me understand the book a lot better! I was able to understand and look deeper into the book's various themes and important details.

The notes covered the basics and would work for any high school class. For college, it would be helpful if there were additional ideas included as potential essay topics, but what is here is fine.

Got this for my daughter to review the book for a test - great resource! Anything Cliffs Notes is really worth the money!

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Not what I expected, very good

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