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# John Steinbeck's Literary Influence



John Steinbeck, a \_\_\_\_\_ from the 20th century, captured the struggles of American life with great depth and compassion. Born in \_\_\_\_\_, California, his works often reflected the region's landscapes and the lives of its people. Steinbeck's \_\_\_\_\_, *The Grapes of Wrath*, highlighted the difficulties faced by \_\_\_\_\_ during the Great Depression. This book won the \_\_\_\_\_ Prize, showcasing his ability to weave social commentary into compelling narratives. Another significant work, *Of \_\_\_\_\_ and Men*, explores themes of friendship and dreams amidst hardship. Steinbeck's writing \_\_\_\_\_ was known for its simplicity and emotional impact, making his stories accessible to a wide audience. His interest in the plight of the \_\_\_\_\_ and his critique of society's injustices were recurring themes. In 1962, Steinbeck was awarded the \_\_\_\_\_ Prize in Literature for his realistic and imaginative writings. He remains a key figure in American literature, with his books being taught in schools across the \_\_\_\_\_. Through his works, Steinbeck not only told stories but also raised awareness about social issues, making him an important \_\_\_\_\_ in the 20th century.

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