

“  
In the depth  
of **winter**,  
I finally learned  
that within me  
there lay an  
invincible  
**summer**.  
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—ALBERT CAMUS

## Albert Camus

was born on November 7, 1913, in Algeria, which was under French control at the time. Camus was just a year old when his father died in combat in World War I, and he was raised by his mother and grandmother. In school, Camus took an interest in philosophy, literature, and politics. He moved to France when he was twenty-five. During World War II, when Nazi Germany occupied France, he joined the resistance movement. He wrote politically-charged newspaper columns during and after the war and, after retiring from journalism, explored a love of theater as a producer and playwright. However, Camus is best known for his absurdist literature, including *The Stranger* (1942) and *The Plague* (1947), in which he explores morality, despair, and salvation. He received the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1957 and died in a car accident three years later.



  
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