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Sommario/riassunto	When H.G. Wells left school in 1880 at thirteen he looked destined for obscurity. Defying expectations, he became one of the most famous writers in the world, remaining active into the era of the atomic bomb, which he predicted by thirty years. He created classic science-fiction tales such as The Time Machine, The Invisible Man and The War of the Worlds, reinvented the Dickensian novel in Kipps and The History of Mr Polly, pioneered postmodernism in experimental fiction and harangued his contemporaries in polemics which included two bestselling histories

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