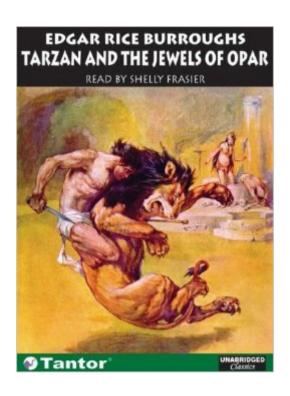
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Tarzan And The Jewels Of Opar





Synopsis

A spy, Albert Werper, has been sent by Tarzan's long time foe, Achmet Zek, to abduct Jane. His plan changes when he discovers that Tarzan is bankrupt and must return to the lost city of Opar to bring back more gold. While Tarzan and the spy are in the treasure tomb, an earthquake strikes Tarzan down and blocks the exit. The only way out leads Werper to the sacrificial chamber of the Flaming God, where he soon finds himself the next victim. Tarzan is quick to recover his strength - but not his memory! Tarzan is the original super hero - one most of us would like to be. It is easy to surrender ourselves to the thrill of his exploits in the damp African Jungle, yield to the pull of primitive impulse, and imagine we are back again in pre-historic times, swinging from tree to tree in glorious abandon through the primeval forest or fighting the great cave bear with rude stone weapons.

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â ^Tarzan and the Jewels of Oparâ ™ is the fifth Tarzan book and in my opinion better than the previous three. Tarzan gets into a bit of a financial scrape thanks to a bad investment and turns to his own personal piggy bank, the gold laden city of Opar, to replenish his coffers. It is a bit odd to me that our jungle man is raiding a city of gold but itâ ™s not the only time he does it. So with his Waziri he heads out to pile up as much gold as his men can carry. Unfortunately back at the Greystoke compound a group of Arabs attack, kidnap Jane and kill most of the rest of the Waziri. Back In the city of Opar Tarzan is caught in an earthquake and gets a bonk on the head that causes

him to lose his memory and revert back to his younger feral self, entirely forgetting Jane and his Waziri. He ends up saving a Belgian man named Albert Werper from a human sacrifice and it turns out Tarzan has retained the ability to speak French and English. Although allying himself with Tarzan, Werper is a traitor who was trailing Tarzan and works with the Arabs. The Belgian spots a huge cache of gems in a bag Tarzan is carrying and plots to steal them but fears crossing the now almost completely feral ape man. There are things not to like about this book. Burroughs reuses a lot of ideas from other books and Tarzan was being increasingly tied down. The ape man should require two things, his knife and his loincloth and sometimes the loincloth is optional. Sadly Burroughs saddles him with a wife, a son, a house and a whole tribe of Afrikaners to manage. Thus heâ ™s reduced to pillaging Opar to support his lifestyle. Itâ ™s once he gets the kerknockinâ ™ on the noggin that things improve. The feral Tarzan is the cool Tarzan.

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