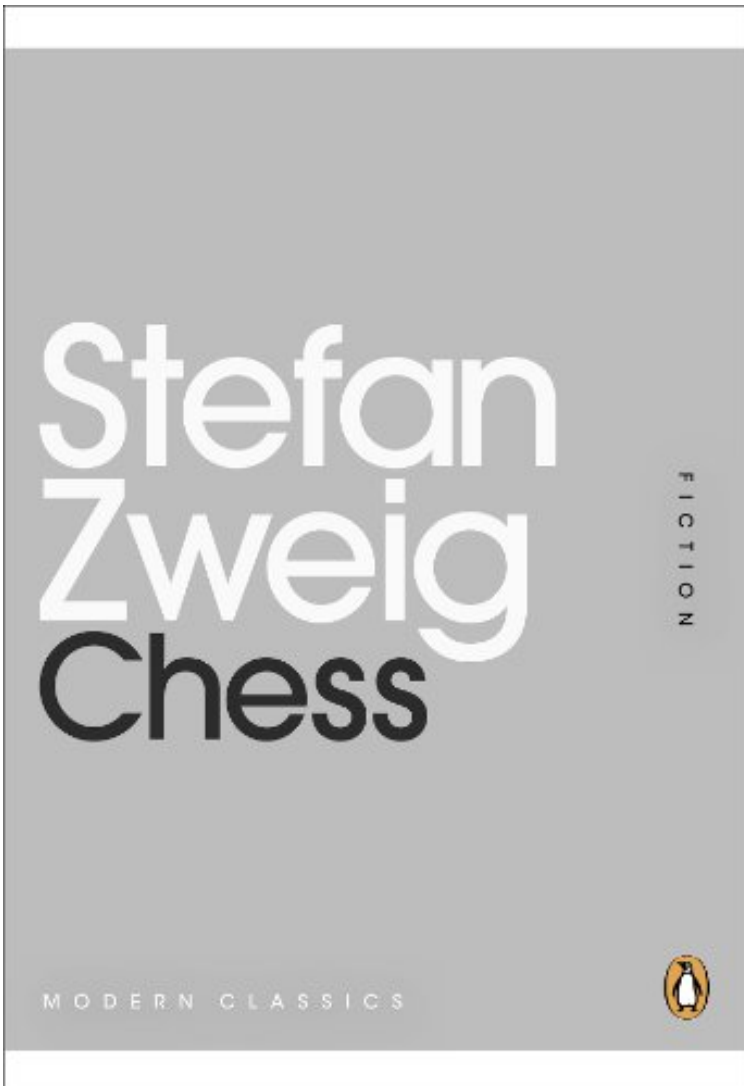


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novella *Chess* is a disturbing, intensely dramatic depiction of obsession and the price of genius. *Biographie de l'auteur* Stefan Zweig was born in 1881 in Vienna to a wealthy Austrian-Jewish family. Recognition as a writer came early for Zweig; by the age of forty, he had already won literary fame. In 1934, with Nazism entrenched, Zweig left Austria for England, and became a British citizen in 1940. In 1941 he and his second wife went to Brazil, where they committed suicide. Zweig's best-known works of fiction are *Beware of Pity* (1939) and *The Royal Game* (1944), but his most outstanding accomplishments were his many biographies, which were based on psychological interpretation. Anthea Bell translated E. T. A. Hoffman's *The Life and Opinions of the Tomcat Murr* for Penguin Classics and has received a number of translation awards.