



Meditations

by Marcus Aurelius · Best for C2 (Proficient)

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Marcus Aurelius never meant these notes to be published — they were private reminders he wrote to himself about how to think clearly and act well, probably while on military campaign. The prose is compressed and aphoristic: a single sentence can carry a complete philosophical argument. George Long's translation preserves that density, which means you will need to re-read sentences, look up abstract vocabulary, and sit with the text rather than rush through it.

What you'll practise

- Abstract philosophical vocabulary — reason, virtue, the universal nature, the ruling faculty
- Imperative and reflexive address — Marcus speaks directly to himself throughout
- Short, dense argument structures that reward slow and repeated reading
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