

Download How Did Moby Dick Get His Name

Publishing History First British edition (entitled *The Whale*), expurgated to avoid offending delicate political and moral sensibilities, published in three volumes on October 18, 1851 by Richard Bentley, London. I read *Moby-Dick* several times in college almost forty years ago. Now I'm taking a night class and reading it with life experience of forty years. One of the most widely-read and respected books in all American literature, *Moby Dick* is the saga of Captain Ahab and his unrelenting pursuit of Moby Dick, the great white whale who maimed him during their last encounter. Ishmael is a fictional character in Herman Melville's *Moby-Dick* (1851). Ishmael, the only surviving crewmember of the *Pequod*, is the narrator of the book.