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PLACE AND YEAR OF BIRTH

Edinburgh, 1949. Parents both Scots.

MARITAL STATUS

Single. No children.

SCHOOL EDUCATION

Daniel Stewart's College, Edinburgh, 1958-68.

FIRST DEGREE

MA, Hons, 1st Class, Philosophy, Edinburgh University 1972;
Bruce of Grange Hill Senior Prize.

SECOND DEGREE

M.Phil., Philosophy, London, 1974.

TEACHING QUALIFICATION

P.G.C.E., Distinction, Cambridge, October 1976 – June 1977.

WORK EXPERIENCE

1974–81: teacher of English as a Second Language; educational PR; director of studies. Freelance writer from 1981.

TRAVEL

Lived for two years, 1985–6, in France, mainly in the Vaucluse area of Provence. During this time completed *Lord Hamlet's Castle* and began two novels set in France. The first of these, *The Lords of Montplaisir*, was published by Macmillan in 1989.

CREATIVE WRITING TEACHING

Creative Writing Fellowship at the Universities of Glasgow and Strathclyde, October 1986 to March 1988. Fellowship activities included individual consultations, small-group surgeries, evening classes and research seminars. Depending on the abilities and interests of students, classes ranged from basic (plot press-ups) and practical (how to get published) to finer points of style ('The Art of Intra-sentential Suspense Sustainment – or how not to bore your reader to death before the end of your first sentence') and meta-considerations ('*Character Maps: A Theory of Moral Variation in Life and Literature*').

PRINCIPAL PUBLICATIONS

McCandy, a novel, John Murray, 1981.

The Wishdoctor's Song, a novel, Macdonald, 1984; Futura, 1985.

Chasing the Gilded Shadow, a novel, André Deutsch, 1986; St Martin's Press (USA), 1986; Paladin, 1987.

Lord Hamlet's Castle, a novel, André Deutsch, 1987; Paladin, 1988.

The Lords of Montplaisir, a novel, Macmillan, 1989; Macmillan paperback, 1991; Black Ace, paperback, 1993.

Crumbs of Love, anthology of lyrics and stories, with appendices on the use of verse and music in education, Black Ace Books, 1992.

Succeeding at Sex and Scotland, Or the Case of Louis Morel, a novel, Black Ace Books, 1997.

(Plus numerous songs, articles, stories and journalism in journals, magazines and newspapers including the *British Journal of Aesthetics*, *Guardian*, *Herald*, *Mind*, *Penthouse*, *THES*, etc.)

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