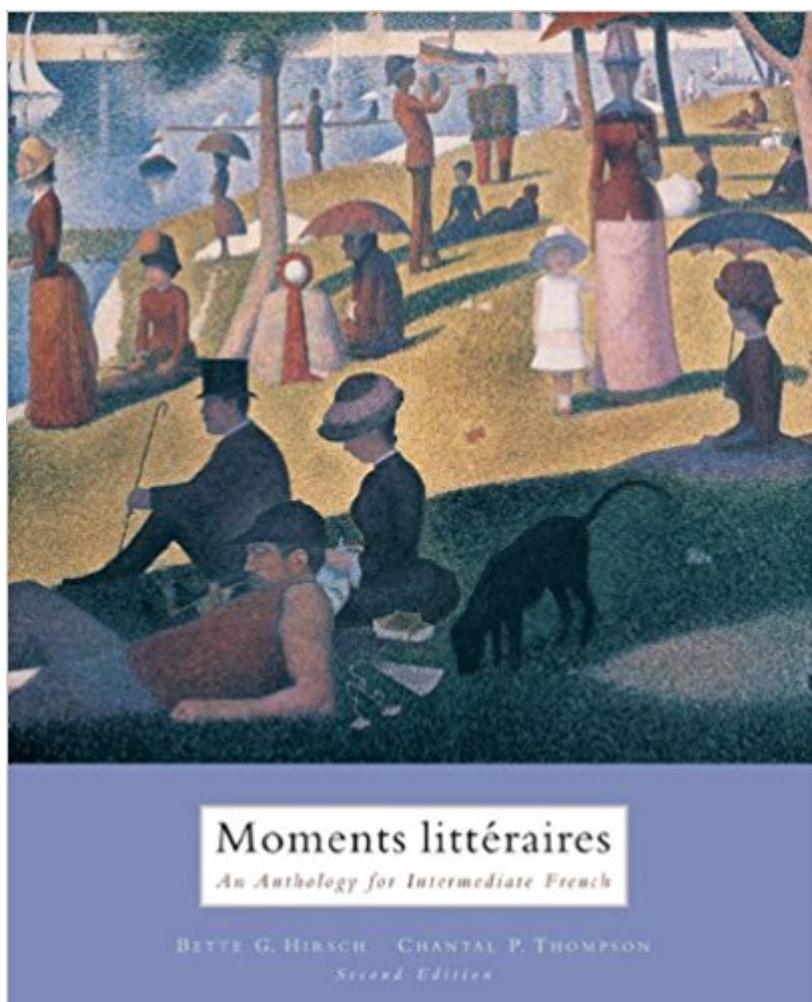


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# Moments Littéraires: An Anthology For Intermediate French (English And French Edition)



## **Synopsis**

Using a proficiency-oriented approach, *Moments littéraires* provides intermediate- to advanced-level French students with an excellent introduction to French and francophone literary masterpieces from the Middle Ages to the present day. The selections are carefully chosen for their popular appeal, student interest, and linguistic accessibility. An innovative pre- and post-reading apparatus allows students to increase their proficiency in the four skills as they develop a working knowledge of French literature.

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## **Customer Reviews**

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I had to use this book for my intermediate college French class. I learned a lot about all the great French writers and poets. Had a great teacher who made it even more enjoyable. Some things are not easy reading, but it's worth the effort. Since most of the readings are short, it provides a good introduction to French literature.

I love this anthology - my students always respond to the excerpts included in it, and they are very well organized and supported. There is also a newer version that I am looking into.

Very effective way for improving French reading ability. Challenging though as the footnotes provide

other similar words in French rather than translating confusing advanced level words in the text.

Great book! Helps one understand more about the French culture.

## JUST AS DESCRIBED

I teach French in high school and love to use this book for the fifth-year course (post-AP Language). Most of the selections are excellent. A colleague recently pointed out, however, that it is frighteningly expensive. I need to provide a less expensive alternative for my students. How does this RENT thing work?

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