

## **THE ISLAND OF DR. MOREAU SYNOPSIS**

Parker, a young scientist, washes up on a tropical island, the sole survivor of a shipwreck. He is rescued by a man named Montgomery and his curious looking servant, who bring Parker back to a compound, where Montgomery nurses him back to health. There, Parker meets Dr. Moreau, the island's owner, and his mysterious daughter. Intrigued by the new arrival, Moreau informs Parker that he runs a biological station on the island and that Parker, for his own safety, will be confined to the compound.

Parker recognizes Moreau's name, remembering that he was forced to leave civilization due to some gruesome animal experiments in vivisection. Montgomery confirms this, but still defends Moreau's work. Montgomery's servant then attacks Parker, luring him out into the jungle. But another similar creature—a Feline Woman—saves Parker, chasing Montgomery's servant off. Montgomery captures the Feline Woman, taking her back to the compound. There, Parker sees Moreau and Montgomery operating on the Woman. Terrified that he is Moreau's next subject, Parker flees into the jungle, where he is confronted by the Beast People. They draw Parker into their prayer circle. And Moreau appears, looking for Parker.

Moreau informs him that he is engineering all the animals on the island into more advanced, human forms; that all those Parker has encountered are Moreau's test subjects and, regardless of the pain they are experiencing at his hands, it is for the greater good. Parker is appalled at Moreau's callousness and experiences horrible nightmares. Montgomery continues to defend Moreau's acts, until he and Parker are attacked by Montgomery's servant. Moreau and Montgomery find the Beast People in the jungle, where Moreau viciously punishes Montgomery's servant. Rather than allow the torture to continue, Parker kills the creature. Moreau is furious, but still attempts to reason with Parker, offering to replace his drunken assistant Montgomery with the more able Parker.

Parker refuses and Moreau realizes that Parker will be of no use to him. He decides to use Parker—a human test subject—to advance his experiments still further but, unwilling to cold-bloodedly murder a human being, he allows Parker to escape. Moreau's daughter enters and feeling an odd connection to the Feline Woman, frees her. The Feline Woman abducts the girl, disappearing with her into the jungle. Meanwhile, Parker, anxious to get as far away from Moreau as possible, stumbles upon the Beast People. He convinces them that they are stronger than Moreau and can fight back. Searching for Moreau's daughter, Montgomery appears. He is attacked and killed by the Beast People. Moreau arrives on the scene and kills the Feline Woman. He finds his daughter, returning with her to the compound, where a horrible truth is revealed.