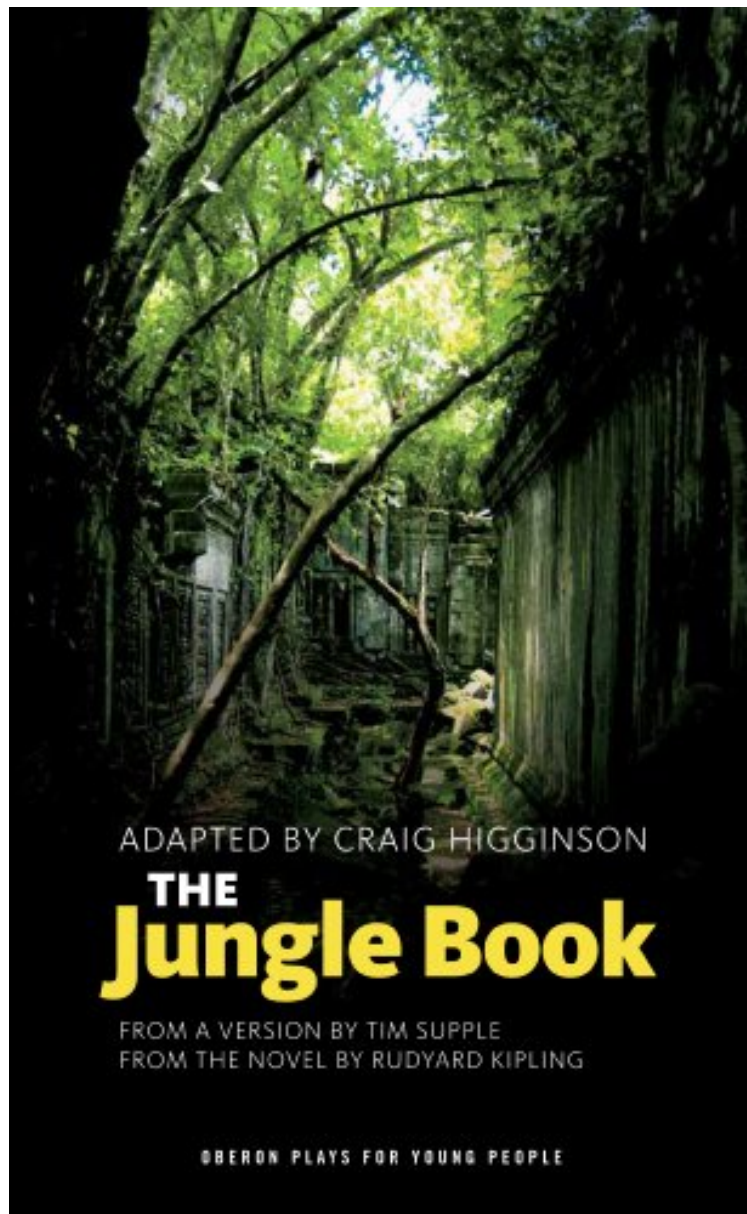


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Craig Higginson : The Jungle Book (Oberon Plays for Young People) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Jungle Book (Oberon Plays for Young People):

Mowgli was still a toddler when he was lost in the jungle ndash; his parentsfleeing the tiger, Shere Khan. There,

Mowgli was brought up by wolves, and educated by the bear Baloo and the panther Bagheera. He was happy while growing up and learning the ways of the jungle and his name was soon known amongst all the animals. But Mowgli's growing fame provoked resentment and envy, and his life was soon threatened from all sides. First published in the late 1890s, Rudyard Kipling's two Jungle Books have enchanted generations of children and adults. Often described as an allegory for the society and politics of the time, The Jungle Book has now been adapted by critically-acclaimed South African playwright, Craig Higginson. The play asks: Who is your family? Those who look the same as you or those who love and nurture you? Here, the tales become a powerful examination of an emerging democracy, and the forces that threaten it. Based on a version by the celebrated director Tim Supple, this adaptation was first staged at Johannesburg's Market Theatre in 2008. This powerful and magical version of a much-loved classic is as resonant now as it was when it first appeared and both within South Africa and beyond its borders.