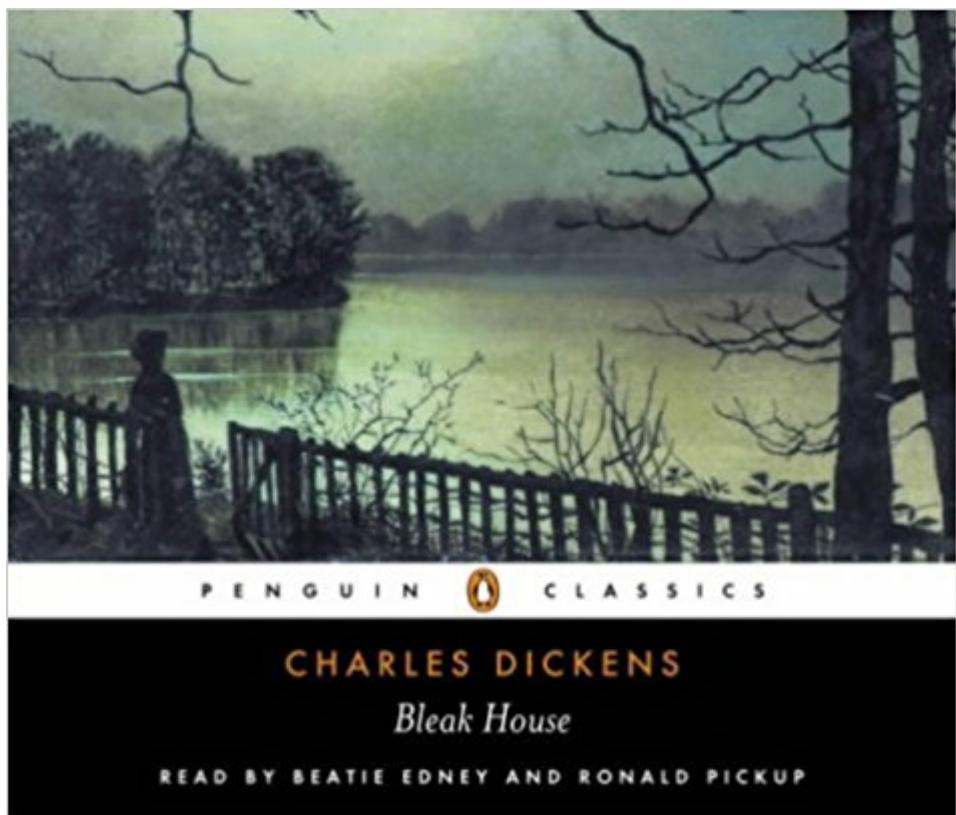


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This book was my BookGroup's choice for September. Long - VERY long - but thoroughly Dickens. We had a marvelous discussion (more of a free-for-all!!). Dickens is wasted on the too young (unless the teacher is extraordinarily gifted).

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