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"The Magic Mountain"

## Real Books

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And yet they still read  
real books  
turning page after page  
on the bus  
on the subway  
on the train  
sitting next to me on the bench  
a young man is reading  
*Death in Venice*.

I also know another one  
he was so taken with little Tadzio  
that he rejected his own name  
and now goes by "Tadzio."

Little Tadzio has died  
and so has the great Thomas Mann.

*Death in Venice*  
lives on.

*Translation from the Polish*