Snobs : a novel

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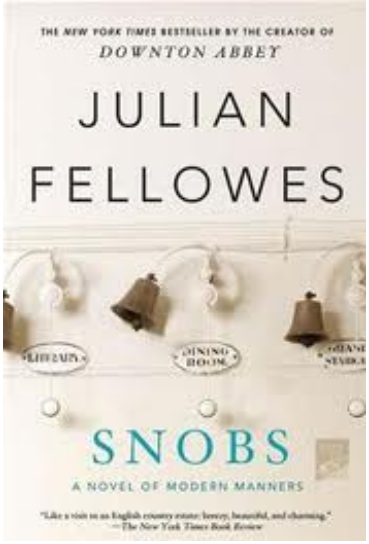

Whether you?re inside enjoying the cool air or outside braving the weather at pool-side, consider that small country across the pond. Yes, England, and we?re not talking about the Olympics but a *Downton-Abbey* type novel set in contemporary times. Are the rich really different from you and me? Screenwriter, novelist, and actor, Julian Fellowes tackles this subject in *Snobs*, a novel about a middle-class woman named Edith who would love the wealth and title of the Earl, Charles Broughton, whom she?d love to marry. Fellowes knows about castles and big estates. He?s the son of a diplomat, and he visited many of the estates he writes about. He?s also known struggling actors who aren?t sure how they will pay next month?s rent. As *New York Times* reviewer, Jonathan Ames said, *Snobs* is a ?field guide to the behavior of the English aristocracy.? Ames also wrote, ?When you read a book, you're lost in time. All the more reason to read *Snobs*. It will distract you pleasantly. It's like a visit to an English country estate: breezy, beautiful and charming.?

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