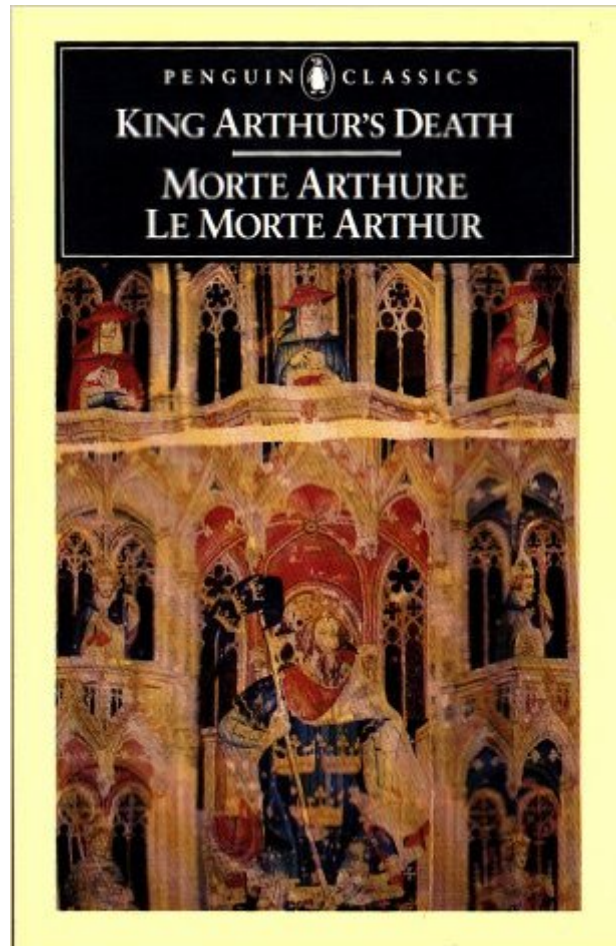


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This King Arthur's Death book contains two versions of the story. The first is Morte Arthure which is an alliterative version, while the second, Le Morte Arthur is stanzaic (rhymed). Neither are Malory's Morte D'Arthure, although he used these as his sources. And especially good fare for fans of the round table.

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