

## Just You Wait

He was a generation of immortal statues, and he was born again to the earth after suffering. His experience on Earth is rich and exciting. Because of his innate ability, he served in the army and is also the most powerful soldier. He had also worked as a teacher in school and had a very harmonious relationship with his classmates, both teachers and students were friends. The greater the ability, the greater the responsibility. For every role he played, he took on the corresponding responsibilities well. About the Author? Shan Zhong Yi Suo Weng, an excellent online novelist, most of his novels are fantasy-type. His novels are loved by readers for their rich imagination and twisty plot.

SHERIFF MAL REYNOLDS VS SERENITY?! When the notorious outlaw Mal Reynolds agreed to wear a sheriff's badge, he figured he could change a thing or two about how "justice" is dispensed in the 'Verse. And maybe he did. But his former crew members on Serenity are about to find out if the badge has changed him -- when he finally throws them in jail! With the whole 'Verse turned upside down, a new outlaw appears on the scene., calling himself the Bandit King, and he's bound and determined to take Mal's old position as the most incorrigibly independent law-bender around. Has Mal finally met his match? They say you can't trick a trickster, but in this brand new 'Verse, Mal may be in for the surprise of his life. New York Times best-selling writer Greg Pak (Darth Vader) and rising star artist Lalit Kumar Sharma (Daredevil) present the next exciting chapter continuing Joss Whedon's acclaimed series. Collects Firefly #16-20.

'Effortlessly cool, funny yet sad, breezy but thoughtful - this is an edgy and unputdownable work of modern literature' Sharlene Teo, author of Ponti 'Crimson is written with immense courage - there's no faking the feeling of honesty on each page. It is a brave novel reminiscent of Irvine Welsh's Trainspotting' Laline Paull, author of The Bees The island has run out of oxygen. The island is swollen. The island is rotten. The island has taken my beloved from me. The island is a Greenlander. It's the fault of the Greenlander. In Nuuk, Greenland . . . Fia breaks up with her long-term boyfriend and falls for Sara. Sara is in love with Ivik who holds a deep secret and is about to break promises. Ivik struggles with gender dysphoria as their friends become addicted to social media, listen to American pop music and get blind drunk in downtown bars and uptown house parties. Then there is Inuk, who also has something to hide - it will take him beyond his limits to madness, and question what it means to be a Greenlander, while Arnaq, the party queen, pulls the strings of manipulation, bringing a web of relationships to a shocking crescendo. Crimson weaves through restlessness, depression, love and queer experiences to tell the story of Greenlanders through a unique and challenging form. The original text was written and published in the Greenlandic language.

Royal Highness College has dungeons and a dragon. It also has a school bully, Prince Roderick, and Eleanor True is growing very tired of him. But she knows a trick or two, and she's prepared to wait... Ages 5+.

'Like all good comic writers Mr Burgess lives his creations as much as he writes them. First class' Observer Anthony Burgess was an officer in the Colonial Service. In The Malayan Trilogy - Time for a Tiger, The Enemy in the Blanket and Beds in the East - he satirises the dog days of colonialism. Victor Crabbe is a well meaning, ineffectual English man in the tropics, keen to teach the Malays what the West can do for them. Through Crabbe's rise and fall and a series of wonderfully colourful characters, Burgess lays bare racial and social prejudices of post-war Malaya during the upheaval of Independence.

At the end of World War II, Andrew Tully was one of three Americans allowed to enter Berlin as a guest of a Russian artillery battalion commander. He spent the next seventeen years gathering eye-witness accounts, collecting war diaries and letters, and reading over one hundred books in order to write this gripping and comprehensive account about the fall of Berlin. (Strum and Sing). Hamilton : unplugged and pared-down to get to the simple eloquence and genius of the songs. This unique collection features ten songs from the Broadway smash presented with just guitar chords and lyrics. These easy-to-play arrangements are designed for both aspiring and professional musicians. Titles include: Alexander Hamilton \* Burn \* Dear Theodosia \* Hurricane \* It's Quiet Uptown \* My Shot \* One Last Time \* That Would Be Enough \* Wait for It \* You'll Be Back.

In the first, desperate days of the Human-Covenant War, the UNSC has enacted the Cole Protocol to safeguard Earth and its inner colonies from discovery by a merciless alien foe. Many are called upon to rid the universe of lingering navigation data that would reveal the location of Earth. Among them is Navy Lieutenant Jacob Keyes. Thrust back into action after being sidelined, Keyes is saddled with a top secret mission by ONI. One that will take him deep behind enemy lines, to a corner of the universe where nothing is as it seems. Out beyond the Outer Colonies lies the planet Hesiod, a gas giant surrounded by a vast asteroid belt. As the Covenant continues to glass the human-occupied planets near Hesiod, many of the survivors, helped by a stronghold of human Insurrectionists, are fleeing to the asteroid belt for refuge. They have transformed the tumbling satellites into a tenuous, yet ingenious, settlement known as the Rubble—and have come face-to-face with a Covenant settlement of Kig-Yar . . . yet somehow survived. News of this unlikely treaty has spread to the warring sides. Luckily for the UNSC, this uneasy alliance is in the path of the Spartan Gray Team, a three-man renegade squad whose simple task is to wreak havoc from behind enemy lines in any way they see fit. But the Prophets have also sent their best—an ambitious and ruthless Elite, whose quest for nobility and rank is matched only by his brutality. . . and who will do anything to secure his Ascendancy and walk the Path.

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Lionel Salkind was glad for a visit from his twin brother Leo; the two rarely saw each other. Tehn their plane went down, and as he lost consciousness Lionel knew that Leo was dead. Lionel woke up in a hospital, to the eerie news that he owed his life to bits of his dead brother's brain transplanted into his own skull. It was a very experimental operation, but it seemed to have been successful. And then the memories began. Terrifying snatches of memory that had no place in Lionel's own quiet past. Leo's memories, calling him somewhere to finish a job half-done - a dangerous job whose importance to the world Lionel had not even begun to grasp.

'I Will Be Complete is the best memoir I've read in years. It's likely the best memoir published in years.' Darin Strauss, author of Half a Life and Chang and Eng From the bestselling author of Carter Beats the Devil and Sunnyside, a shocking, big-hearted memoir about his bizarre upbringing in California in the 1970s and how he survived it. Glen David Gold grew up rich on the beaches of 1970s California, until his

father lost a fortune and his parents divorced when he was ten. Glen and his English mother moved to San Francisco, where she was fleeced by a series of charming con men and turned increasingly wayward. When he was twelve, she took off for New York without telling him, leaving him to fend for himself. On midnight streets and at drug-fuelled parties, wise-cracking his way through an alarming adult world, Glen watched his mother's countless, wild attempts to reinvent herself. In this exceptional memoir, acclaimed novelist Glen David Gold captures his bizarre, lonely upbringing and how it shaped him as an adult with stunning insight and unsparing candour. Shocking, mordantly funny and aching affecting, he tells an unforgettable story of the years he spent trying to rescue his mother - and his ultimate realisation that only by breaking free could he ever hope to be complete. 'The prose is crystalline, hard as real diamonds, flashing, revealing. The story is simple, just a boy and his mother's long disintegration, but the journey is darkly complicated, heartbreaking, beautiful as hell.' Mark Childress, author of *Crazy in Alabama*

Alan Jay Lerner wrote the lyrics for some of the most beloved musicals in Broadway and Hollywood history. Most notably, with composer Frederick Loewe he created enduring hits such as *My Fair Lady*, *Gigi*, *Camelot*, and *Brigadoon*. In *The Complete Lyrics of Alan Jay Lerner*, editors and annotators Dominic McHugh and Amy Asch bring all of Lerner's lyrics together for the first time, including numerous draft or alternate versions and songs cut from the shows. Compiled from dozens of archival collections, this invaluable resource and authoritative reference includes both Lerner's classic works and numerous discoveries, including his unproduced MGM movie *Huckleberry Finn*, selections from his college musicals, and lyrics from three different versions of *Paint Your Wagon*. This collection also includes extensive material from Lerner's two most ambitious musicals: *Love Life*, to music by Kurt Weill, and *1600 Pennsylvania Avenue*, which Lerner wrote with Leonard Bernstein.

Foraging is not just a throwback to our hunter-gatherer past; it's a way to reconnect with the landscape. And Langdon Cook is not just your typical grocery cart-toting dad. For him, gourmet delicacies abound, free for the taking if we just open our eyes. As a result, he finds himself free-diving in icy Puget Sound in hopes of spearing a snaggletooth lingcod, armed with nothing more than a "Hawaiian sling." He tempts fate by eating mushrooms that may or may not be poisonous. He strings up a fly rod to chase after sea-run trout. He even pulls on the gardening gloves to collect stinging nettles. In wry, detailed prose, he traces his journey from wrangler of pre-packaged calories to connoisseur of coveted wild edibles. Structured around the seasons of the year, each chapter focuses on a specific food type and concludes with a recipe featuring the author's hard-won bounty, a savory stop to each adventure-filled morsel.

Fifteen-year-old Braden Brad Cleary comes from a family that has always faulted others for their own misfortunes in life. To put it bluntly the Clearys hate people of color. Thirteen-year-old Beth Ann Armstrong is biracial child whose father harbors exceptional bitterness toward whites. As Beth grows up next to Braden, she has no idea the Cleary family is off-limits. She and Braden are too naïve to understand their families' hatred toward one another. Known throughout the town as troublemakers, the Clearys have built up a horrifying reputation. And, as soon as they see their son talking to Beth, they call the sheriff to haul Braden away and frame him for a crime he did not commit their hatred overpowering their love for Braden in their attempt to keep him away from Beth. Plagued by nightmares of Braden being taken away in a patrol car, Beth attempts to convince her father to intervene and help her friend, but instead, he lies and tells her that Braden has died in a tragic prison fight. Unaware of the truth, both Braden and Beth embark on their own journeys to return to the past and, in the process, discover that God does indeed work in mysterious ways.

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A major new translation of a forgotten classic *Paris, 1793*, the onset of the Terror. Brave Republican Maurice rescues a mysterious and beautiful woman from an angry mob and is unknowingly drawn into a secret Royalist plot—a plot revolving around the imprisoned Queen of France, Marie Antoinette, and her enigmatic and fearless champion, the Knight of Maison-Rouge. Full of surprising twists, breakneck adventure, conspiracies, swordplay, romance, and heroism, *The Knight of Maison-Rouge* is an exhilarating tale of selflessness, love, and honor under the shadow of the guillotine. Dumas here is at the very height of his powers, and with this first and only modern translation, readers can once again ride with the Knight of Maison-Rouge.

Covering over 10,000 idioms and collocations characterized by similarity in their wording or metaphorical idea which do not show corresponding similarity in their meanings, this dictionary presents a unique cross-section of the English language. Though it is designed specifically to assist readers in avoiding the use of inappropriate or erroneous phrases, the book can also be used as a regular phraseological dictionary providing definitions to individual idioms, clichés, and set expressions. Most phrases included in the dictionary are in active current use, making information about their meanings and usage essential to language learners at all levels of proficiency.

From #1 New York Times bestselling author Ellen Hopkins comes a new heartbreakingly tender middle grade novel-in-verse about the bonds between two brothers and the love they share. Twelve-year-old Trace Reynolds has always looked up to his brother, mostly because Will, who's five years older, has never looked down on him. It was Will who taught Trace to ride a bike, would watch sports on TV with him, and cheer him on at Little League. But when Will was knocked out cold during a football game, resulting in a brain injury--everything changed. Now, seventeen months later, their family is still living under the weight of "the incident," that left Will with a facial tic, depression, and an anger he cannot always control, culminating in their parents' divorce. Afraid of further fracturing his family, Trace begins to cover for Will who, struggling with addiction to pain medication, becomes someone Trace doesn't recognize. But when the brother he loves so much becomes more and more withdrawn, and escalates to stealing money and ditching school, Trace realizes some secrets cannot be kept if we ever hope to heal.

A NEW YORK TIMES, USA TODAY, AND INDIE BESTSELLER An Indie Next Pick! A Man Called Ove meets *The Good Place* in *Under the Whispering Door*, a delightful queer love story from TJ Klune, author of the New York Times and USA Today bestseller *The House in the Cerulean Sea*. Welcome to Charon's Crossing. The tea is hot, the scones are fresh, and the dead are just passing through. When a reaper comes to collect Wallace from his own funeral, Wallace begins to suspect he might be dead. And when Hugo, the owner of a peculiar tea shop, promises to help him cross over, Wallace decides he's definitely dead. But even in death he's not ready to abandon the life he barely lived, so when Wallace is given one week to cross over, he sets about living a lifetime in seven days. Hilarious, haunting, and kind, *Under the Whispering Door* is an uplifting story about a life spent at the office and a death spent building a home. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

#Impressions@expressions unfolds two love stories involving four characters, different from each other but linked to one another. Vidisha and Anoushka, both perfect examples of the 'girl next door', and yet so different from each other, become close friends ever since college started. Vidisha is the quiet, sweet, attractive and smart girl who is an absolute die-hard romantic, the girl with the Jane Austen novel, with the fullest faith in perfect happy endings. Anoushka, the not-so-quiet one, on the other hand, is the perfect example of the attractive girl next door; she is funny and easy-going, and loves love stories! Two love stories parallel as Vidisha and Anoushka experience college, friends and love from their own perspectives.

On the forum, she was filled with righteous indignation at the accusation of being dumped by a female star. When he saw the caricature using him as the model, he kidnapped her and said, "Woman, since you're acting like this, why don't you try it out yourself?" She twisted her face. Pah pah! Who wants to try your rotten old cucumber?

I didn't expect that after my rebirth, I would become a baby boy, and the new daddy was actually the leader of Killer's Organization. As someone who craves love, how long will it take for me to fall in love?

Looking at Qi Tianyang and Zhan Feng, these two brothers of mine who grew up together since childhood, I was confused, they are my brothers, I am a man and I am a woman, I have a man's body yet I have a woman's heart. Man? Woman? Who am I supposed to love? I struggle, I am confused, full of bloody Jianghu, bold Jianghu children, where to go? Where is my home? I was forced to marry at the age of twenty, but on the eve of marriage. "

Finalist for the 2016 PEN Center USA Award for Translation In 1809, at the age of eighteen, Henriette Faber enrolled herself in medical school in Paris—and since medicine was a profession prohibited to women, she changed her name to Henri in order to matriculate. She would spend the next fifteen years practicing medicine and living as a man. Drafted to serve as a surgeon in Napoleon's army, Faber endured the horrors of the 1812 retreat across Russia. She later embarked to the Caribbean and set up a medical practice in a remote Cuban village, where she married Juana de León, an impoverished local. Three years into their marriage, de León turned Faber in to the authorities, demanding that the marriage be annulled. A sensational legal trial ensued, and Faber was stripped of her medical license, forced to dress as a woman, sentenced to prison, and ultimately sent into exile. She was last seen on a boat headed to New Orleans in 1827. In this, his last published work, Antonio Benítez Rojo takes the outline provided by historical events and weaves a richly detailed backdrop for Faber, who becomes a vivid and complex figure grappling with the strictures of her time. *Woman in Battle Dress* is a sweeping, ambitious epic, in which Henriette Faber tells the story of her life, a compelling, entertaining, and ultimately triumphant tale. Praise for *Woman in Battle Dress* "Woman in Battle Dress by Antonio Benítez-Rojo, which has been beautifully translated from the Spanish by Jessica Ernst Powell, is the extraordinary account of an extraordinary person. Benítez-Rojo blows great gusts of fascinating fictional wind onto the all but forgotten embers of the actual Henriette Faber, and this blazing tale of her adventures as a military surgeon and a husband and about a hundred other fascinating things is both something we want and need to hear."—Laird Hunt, author of *Neverhome* "A picaresque novel starring an adventurous heroine, who caroms from country to country around the expanding Napoleonic empire, hooking up with a dazzling array of men (and women) as she goes. A wild ride!"—Carmen Boullosa, author of *Texas: The Great Theft* "As detailed as any work of history and as action filled as any swashbuckler, *Woman in Battle Dress* is not only Antonio Benítez Rojo's last and most ambitious book, but also his masterpiece. In this graceful English translation of Henriette Faber's autobiography—more than fiction, less than fact—American readers will have access to one of the most engaging novels to come out of Latin America in recent years."—Gustavo Pérez-Firmat, Columbia University Antonio Benítez-Rojo (1931–2005) was a Cuban novelist, essayist and short-story writer. He was widely regarded as the most significant Cuban author of his generation. His work has been translated into nine languages and collected in more than 50 anthologies. One of his most influential publications, *La Isla que se Repite*, was published in 1989 by Ediciones del Norte, and published in English as *The Repeating Island* by Duke University Press in 1997. Jessica Powell has translated numerous Latin American authors, including works by César Vallejo, Jorge Luis Borges, Ernesto Cardenal, Maria Moreno, Ana Lidia Vega Serova and Edmundo Paz Soldán. Her translation (with Suzanne Jill Levine) of Adolfo Bioy Casares and Silvina Ocampo's novel *Where There's Love, There's Hate*, was published by Melville House in 2013. She is the recipient of a 2011 National Endowment for the Arts Translation Fellowship in support of her translation of Antonio Benítez Rojo's novel *Woman in Battle Dress*.

The *Dragonmaster Trilogy* collection is a compilation of three stunning YA Fantasy novels, *FLAME*, *FLIGHT* and *FREEDOM* as well as two books of short stories. Join sisterwitches Sanna and Isadora Spence as they grow into a new world of dragons, unexpected magic, and struggles that test the enduring bonds of sisterhood. *FLAME* In Anguis, magic is forbidden. Dragon Servants Sanna and Isadora Spence live deep in Letum Wood, where persnickety dragons and wars on the borders are the least of their worries. Thanks to years of simmering tension, the hidden village is destined to crack. Soon, Sanna's deep love for the giant beasts causes her to make an irreversible mistake, while Isadora's disinterest leads her to a fateful decision that will change the course of the entire world. Can the sisters prevent everything they know from falling apart? Or do they allow it to break and pave the way for new growth? Join these beloved sisterwitches in a story about sisterhood, new magic, and dealing with change. *FLIGHT* A treacherous new world awaits. Sisterwitches Isadora and Sanna Spence aren't sitting back anymore. In fact, they're both tangled in separate new worlds—ones they didn't anticipate. Despite the Dragonmasters home burning to ash, Sanna is certain of one thing—she will not be a tyrant, even though managing a brood of frightened dragons falls on her reluctant shoulders. When a devastating tragedy strikes the Dragonmaster families, Sanna is forced to face a world she never knew existed. Isadora, on the other hand, is too busy with her new life to worry about her old one. In the midst of training with her perpetually annoyed mentor, Maximillion, Isadora is unexpectedly taken away from home and thrust into a dangerous game. Her life is now in the hands of her most terrifying enemy: Cecelia Bianchi. Both sisters are far from home and over their heads. Can they marshal their courage to save those they care about? Or will their expanding horizons prove to be their biggest danger yet? Join the beloved sisters from *FLAME* in a new tale about growing up, moving on, and finding the courage within. *FREEDOM* Isadora Spence knows two things: 1) she's tired of all the wars and wants them to stop and 2) she never wants to see Maximillion Sinclair again. Sparks fly when rising desperation leads Isadora and Maximillion to attend a political delegation together in the Southern Network. She's determined to create a pact for peace and save lives, but when events spiral into far more dangerous territory, she realizes the only witch she can trust is Maximillion. Can they work together, or will everything fall apart? Meanwhile, her sisterwitch Sanna is out of her depth in an unfamiliar world of volatile goddesses and buried history. Facing an unwinnable battle against Prana, the ruthless goddess of the sea, Sanna roots through history, only to discover that Prana isn't the only enemy they face. In a world embroiled with war on all fronts, can the sisterwitches do their part to bring peace and freedom to Antebellum? Or will all their best efforts fail in the bigger machinations of goddesses and witches? *FREEDOM* is the final book in the *Dragonmaster* trilogy. This sweeping YA Fantasy saga will take to a new world, keep you on the edge of your seat, and ask you to answer the most impossible question of all: What is freedom?

Jon Ronson's *Adventures With Extraordinary People* collects together in a single volume three of Jon Ronson's bestselling titles, *Them*, *The Men Who Stare at Goats* and *The Psychopath Test*. *Them* charts Jon's discovery that extremists – Islamic fundamentalists, neo-Nazis, Ku Klux Klansmen – all have one oddly similar belief: that a tiny, shadowy elite rule the world from a secret room. And so Jon sets out to locate that room. Chased by men in dark glasses and unmasked as a Jew in the middle of a Jihad training camp, Jon's journey is creepy as well as comic, and perhaps the extremists are on to something . . . *The Men Who Stare at Goats* tells the unbelievable story of the First Earth Battalion, established by the US Army in 1979 as a secret unit, they defied all known military practice, and even the laws of physics, in their belief that a soldier could become invisible, pass through walls and kill goats just by staring at them. And, as Jon discovers, they really weren't joking. *The Psychopath Test* sees Jon set out on an utterly compelling adventure into the world of madness. He meets psychopaths, those whose lives have been touched by madness and those whose job it is to diagnose it, from whom Jon learns the art of psychopath-spotting. And it soon becomes clear that madness could indeed be at the heart of everything . . . Often funny, sometimes chilling and always thought-provoking, these books combine Jon's trademark humour, charm and investigative incision whilst asking some very serious questions. 'The belly laughs come thick and fast – my God, he is funny' - Observer.

She had been in a secret marriage for five years, but it was only after she had been imprisoned both physically and mentally that she realized she was a joke. She met someone and decided to remarry him, but Mr. Dong had caused a ruckus at the wedding. "Who dares to marry my Ex-wife?" From then on, Mr. Dong gained another nickname: Wife-Doting Man. The best love, is you come, coincidentally, I also want to love. \*\*\*

In the spring of 1896, Rachael, just shy of her twentieth birthday, boards a train destined to a remote cattle ranch in Oregon for a prearranged employment position. An arrangement made by a guilt-ridden wife who could no longer tolerate her husband's forceful adulterous actions upon their young housemaid. Seizing the opportunity of his wife's intervention, he demands that Rachael take his two young illegitimate children with her on her journey west; if she wants her father to remain alive. Traveling west from Brockport, New York, Rachael undertakes her first assignment from her new boss, the ranch owner. She will be required to transact business in a man's world by overseeing the loading of supplies and freight along the train route. Her third business stop, Rock Springs, Wyoming, brings her face to face with four members of her new employer, three brothers and the ranch foreman. Overwhelmed, she unconsciously turns to one brother for security, beginning his commitment to her. During the next decade of hard work, Rachael struggles to bury her past. Her new family, the Prestons and their bunkhouse crew, give her an optimistic appreciation of life as she learns there are no social boundaries in the West. By including her in all the daily trials and tribulations of ranch life, cattle roundups, hunting, procuring and preserving their food supply, expanding families, and celebrating holidays, Rachael learns to live and trust again. She receives her second chance.

A scandalous, gossipy, breezy satire, Cable Harbor follows the summer antics of the vacationers and townies in a small Maine resort town--rife with betrayal, young love, and small town drama.

War comes to a tiny west African country, with tragic consequences for two teenage boys, Samu and Emmanuel. However, in the case of Emmanuel, all is certainly not doom and gloom. The story of the war and Samus part in it is interwoven with excerpts from a journal in which Emmanuel recounts his experiences of growing up, as well as of the war and its effects on his life.

The super leveling system makes him becoming the lord of all realms, then he can rule everything. He got the super-leveling-system after his time-crossing. He practiced various martial arts and made progress step by step. Ever since that, he wasn't afraid of anything and turned his nose on other strong people. From ancient times to present, from hell to heaven, he slaughtered all the way. Eventually, he became the lord of all realms, which helped him to be worshipped by women all over the world. All his enemies were afraid of him. ?About the Author? Ping Bu Qing Yun is a novelist who does well in fantasy novels. He is rich in imagination. The novel written by him gained a lot of positive compliments by virtue of his humorous language and fantasy imagination. Therefore, his visibility is improved.

The military elite had now become a gangster, and a special mission had allowed him to roam the underworld. Was it corruption or the Soaring Dragon Nine Heavens? The same story of the underworld, the same feeling of the underworld ... Faced with such a conspiracy, he wanted to see how the main character would slowly grow into a terrifying existence. On the shore of the Hornless Sea, on the peak of the mountain, there was no one. 2009 Classic underworld show for you! Reasonable YY. Take a look around when you are bored. If you like it, please collect it. If you don't like it, please give me some valuable advice!

Ye Shaoqiu had been pushed into a cliff by someone in retaliation, but because of this, he benefited from his misfortune and obtained the legacy of ancient times. From then on, they started to treat the illness and save the people. It was an inspiring story of a skilled chivalrous doctor.

You get the insurgents you deserve. The United Kingdom lies in ruins, torn apart by fear, arrogance, and an inexhaustible supply of stupidity. England teeters on the brink of economic disaster, while behind a giant wall, Scotland labours under the tyrannical rule of the Marischal. The people cry out for a hero. Unfortunately, they've got James Macfarlane. The incidental tycoon and aspiring alcoholic is ill-equipped to launch a rebellion. But Mac —as he is warmly known to a dwindling number of people — has his reasons and he's going to give it his best shot. As he races to keep one step ahead of a merciless police state, leaving chaos in his wake, he is accompanied by an unforgiving bootlegger, a shrewd siren, an eccentric aristocrat, a calamitous hacker, and one of Glasgow's most violent sons. Can Mac save the country and himself from the wicked regime? It's not looking good. 'A great read. Lose yourself as Michael takes you on a thrilling adventure.' – Tim Lovejoy, TV presenter 'A fascinating, dark and witty look at a world gone wrong. A glorious read.' – Lou Sanders, comedian 'Bloody (and) brilliant. Prepare to be pulled into a world where dark comedy and high tension collide, driven by characters alive with hope and desire, greed and violence.' – Phil Davies, playwright and screenwriter 'Taut writing and sharp-edged tension. Millar is like a darkly humorous Kafka.' – Jack Hayes, author of When Eagles Burn

Richard Littlejohn's cast of characters including Two Jags, the Wicked Witch, Captain Hook and the Mad Mullah of the Traffic Taliban are now part of the fabric of the nation. He ridicules the country Britain has become over the past ten years - the barmy bureaucracy, the surveillance state, the petty interference in our lives, the suffocating regulations, policemen and judges who think they're part of the social services and the insanities of the 'elf 'n' safety industry, which has created such idiocies as forcing revellers celebrating Guy Fawkes Night to watch a bonfire on a big screen. 'Littlejohn has been ... a vivid exponent of a great British columnar style that stretches back five centuries or more. He's a distant, bastard cousin of Thomas Nash, Daniel Defoe and Alexander Pope. Cassandra and Bernard Levin might justly buy him a pint in the Cheshire Cheese. Like or loathe him, he's the real, talented deal.' Observer

This is a story of a young boy and his sisters who lost their father serving his country. The boy's mother turns to alcohol and is involved in a terrible accident. He runs away to prevent being placed in a foster home. He survives by his wits on a beach. He begins to learn karate as he endures hunger and cold. One day, he discovers his mother is alive. Returning home, the boy learns they lost their home. His family left, thinking Mike was dead. Mike has to make a decision that will challenge him to step of the way to be with his family in another state. Mike begins his

journey as an innocent young man. That will change. He will meet many people on this journey. Some will be mean and cruel. Others will raise his spirit and inspire him with caring love. He learns many skills in order to survive this adventure. Surviving was key to his success. He will learn to noodle to catch fish, forge his own tools, deal with people, endure extreme weather that plague him on his trek, make fire different ways, and purify foul water to drink. Many events will test his courage and will to fight back against wild beasts in the forest and the city. An encounter with a giant alligator biting a boat in half after being kidnapped. Then, fighting a bear to save a friend's life. Escaping from a haunted house, hurricane, being horse whipped, to a bar fight with bikers, and much, much more before he reaches his destination. One enemy will bring about the greatest change he will ever know.

This new second edition of *Enchanted Evenings* offers theater lovers an illuminating behind-the-scenes tour of some of America's best loved, most admired, and most enduring musicals. Readers will find such all-time favorites as *Show Boat*, *Carousel*, *Kiss Me, Kate*, *Guys and Dolls*, *My Fair Lady*, *West Side Story*, *Sweeney Todd*, *Sunday in the Park with George*, and *Phantom of the Opera*. Geoffrey Block provides a documentary history of each of the musicals, showing how each work took shape and revealing, at the same time, how the American musical evolved from the 1920s to today, both on stage and on screen. The book's particular focus is on the music, offering a wealth of detail about how librettist, lyricist, composer, and director work together to shape the piece. Block also includes trenchant social commentary and lively backstage anecdotes. Jerome Kern, Cole Porter, the Gershwins, Rodgers and Hart, Kurt Weill, Rodgers and Hammerstein, Lerner and Loewe, Frank Loesser, Leonard Bernstein, Stephen Sondheim, Andrew Lloyd Webber, and other luminaries emerge as hardworking craftsmen under enormous pressure to sell tickets without compromising their dramatic vision. The second edition includes a greatly expanded chapter on Sondheim, a new chapter on Lloyd Webber, and two new chapters on the film adaptations of the main musicals featured in the text (including such hard to find films as the original 1936 version of *Anything Goes* and the 1959 film adaptation of *Porgy and Bess*). Packed with information, including a complete discography and plot synopses and song-by-song scenic outlines for each of the fourteen shows, *Enchanted Evenings* is an essential reference as well as a riveting history. "A solid and fascinating work that should become a model of how to investigate and report on the evolution of a musical. Block's research is persuasive and his writing vivid. . . Indispensable for anyone who cares to know more about Broadway musicals than *Playbill* can provide." --Steven Bach, *The Los Angeles Times Book Review*

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