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Gathers stories about voodoo, Egyptian mummies, ghouls, and the dead by Robert Louis Stevenson, Morris West, Barry N. Malzberg, Stephen King and others

In contrast with the epic scope of the Rougon-Macquart novels, Zola's short stories are concerned with the everyday aspects of human existence and the interests of ordinary people. From the cruel irony of 'Captain Burle' to the Rabelaisian exuberance of 'Coqueville on the Spree', these stories display the broad range of Zola's imagination, using a variety of tones, from the quietly cynical to the compassionate, from the playful to the tragic. Contains: Dead Men Tell No Tales Coqueville on the Spree Captain Burle Shellfish for Monsieur Chabre

The Dead Hand Book is a memorial to mortality and the ancestral liaison with death through quiet and sweetly-macabre short stories. The Dead Hand Book is a memorial to mortality and the ancestral liaison with death through quiet and sweetly-macabre short stories. The collection of fables is inspired by the manner those long gone have had their memories engraved onto slate and marble stones with the cadence of an old Folk song or Murder Ballad. Tales of warning, the deepest loves honored by surviving paramours and the indifferent cruelty of life in the 17th-20th century are all recorded in the Stories From Gravesend Cemetery. The purpose of this book is to educate the casual cemetery wanderer about how to read the old stones they pass by and to excite the #deathpositivity movement enthusiast or morbidly curious. This book aims help honor those who have come before us by opening the door of understanding the strange records inscribed in old cemeteries; many of those interred below having only that record of their life existing on a crumbling stone. The stories are short and often open-ended to allow the reader to contemplate their interpretation of the endings, maybe even their own mortality. (Much like the way Edward Gorey crafted his short stories.) Modern attitudes towards death have become sodden with superstition, misinformation and fear; this book's goal is to illuminate how those of the near past embraced, cared for, and honored death as an obvious part of life. Not long ago art was very much an integral part of funerary celebrations such as elaborate Memento Mori carvings on ancient gravestones and the hair jewelry of the Victorians. Those relics are celebrated in The Dead Hand Book.

Pinocchio, The Tale of a Puppet follows the adventures of a talking wooden puppet whose nose grew longer whenever he told a lie and who wanted more than anything else to become a real boy. As carpenter Master Antonio begins to carve a block of pinewood into a leg for his table the log shouts out, "Don't strike me too hard!" Frightened by the talking log, Master Cherry does not know what to do until his neighbor Geppetto drops by looking for a piece of wood to build a marionette. Antonio gives the block to Geppetto. And thus begins the life of Pinocchio, the puppet that turns into a boy. Pinocchio, The Tale of a Puppet is a novel for children by Carlo Collodi is about the mischievous adventures of Pinocchio, an animated marionette, and his poor father and woodcarver Geppetto. It is considered a classic of children's literature and has spawned many derivative works of art. But this is not the story we've seen in film but the original version full of harrowing adventures faced by Pinocchio. It includes 40 illustrations.

A work in the history of systematic philosophy that is itself animated by a systematic philosophic aspiration, this book by one of the most prominent American philosophers working today provides an entirely new way of looking at the development of Western philosophy from Descartes to the present. Brandom begins by setting out a historical context and outlining a methodological rationale for his enterprise. Then, in chapters on Spinoza, Leibniz, Hegel, Frege, Heidegger, and Sellars, he pursues the most fundamental philosophical issues concerning intentionality, and therefore mindedness itself, revealing an otherwise invisible set of overlapping themes and explanatory strategies. Various functionalist, inferentialist, holist, normative, and social pragmatist in character, the explanations of intentionality offered by these philosophers, taken together, form a distinctive tradition. The fresh perspective afforded by this tradition enriches our understanding of the philosophical topics being addressed, provides a new conceptual vantage point for viewing our philosophical ancestors, and highlights central features of the sort of rationality that consists in discerning a philosophical tradition--and it does so by elaborating a novel, concrete instance of just such an enterprise.

As the publishers say, these stories "make the Mendezes look like Ozzie and Harriet." A mother hires hit men to kill her husband's second wife to get back her child, a boy has sex with a naked woman in a painting, a serial killer keeps body parts for sexual stimulus.

Considers the ways ghost stories appeal to our uneasy relationship with conventional good sense-What do they want, the ghosts that, even in the age of science, still haunt our storytelling? Catherine Belsey's answer to the question traces Gothic writing and tales of the uncanny from the ancient past to the present - from Homer and the Icelandic sagas to Lincoln in the Bardo. Taking Shakespeare's Ghost in Hamlet as a turning point in the history of the genre, she uncovers the old stories the play relies on, as well as its influence on later writing. This ghostly trail is vividly charted through accredited records of apparitions and fiction by such writers as Ann Radcliffe, Washington Irving, Emily Brontë, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Henry James, M. R. James and Susan Hill. In recent block-busting movies, too, ghost stories bring us fragments of news from the unknown. Traces examples of ghost stories from Homer to the present day. Describes the aspects of storytelling designed to involve readers. Includes stories of attested apparitions, as well as fiction by a wide range of both canonical and popular authors.

Prints 2 short stories, 3 novellas, and a "Nocturne" to establish D'Annunzio's claim to be a writer as well as a public figure.

Strange text messages portend a strange kind of apocalypse...Two brothers find themselves drawn to the only house in the neighborhood not decorated for Halloween...A man returns to his hometown to bury his overbearing mother, and finds more than memories awaiting him in the shadows of his childhood home...A young girl walks a lonely country road, recalling a rhyme that brings with it memories of death...A teenager hoping for romance gets more than he bargained for when the object of his desire introduces him to the object of hers...An aging millionaire awakes buried in a cheap coffin with only a lamp and a bell for company...The son of a woman accused of being a witch accepts the villagers' peace offering at her funeral, but all is not quite as it seems...A woman with a violent past realizes that this year's Halloween party may be coming for her...and a lonely trick-or-treater awakes in a house rumored to be a place of death. Featuring a new introduction, and rounded out by the author's recommended Halloween reading and watching lists, DEAD LEAVES makes for the perfect autumnal read.

A man awakens from a 5-year coma to discover he has powers to see visions of the past, present and future, a power which drives him insane.

The Donner Party expedition is one of the most notorious stories in all of American history. It's also a fascinating snapshot of the westward expansion of the United States, and the families and individuals who sacrificed so much to build new lives in a largely unknown landscape. From the preparation for the journey to each disastrous leg of the trip, this book shows the specific bad decisions that led to the party's predicament in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. The graphic novel focuses on the struggles of the Reed family to tell the true story of the catastrophic journey. This popular topic is a perfect addition to the Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales brand, and a great showcase for Hale's storytelling skills. Praise for Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Donner Dinner Party "This informative graphic novel capitalizes on enticingly gross history to great effect, balancing raw facts with strong storytelling." --Booklist Awards YALSA's Great Graphic Novels for Teens List 2014 New York Public Library's list: Children's Books list: 100 Titles for Reading and Sharing 2013 Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People 2014

To commemorate the tenth anniversary of the closure of London's most infamous arts establish-

ment, the Colony Room Club in Soho, former member Darren Coffield has written the authorised history of this notorious drinking den. It's a hair-raising romp through the underbelly of the post-war scene: during its sixty-year history, more romances, more deaths, more horrors and more sex scandals took place in the Colony than anywhere else. In the regimented and repressed atmosphere of post-war London, the Colony was heroically bohemian, largely thanks to the dominant personality of its owner, Muriel Belcher. Muriel was a combination of muse, mentor, critic and guru to those who gathered around her, just as the Colony provided a home for the confluence of talents that will be forever associated with the artistic circle of Francis Bacon and Lucian Freud. Tales from the Colony is an oral biography, consisting of previously unpublished and long-lost interviews with the characters who were central to the scene, giving the reader a flavour of what it was like to frequent the Club. With a glass in hand you'll move through the decades listening to personal reminiscences, opinions and vitriol, from the authentic voices of those who were actually there. On your voyage through Soho's lost bohemia, you'll be served a drink by James Bond, sip champagne with Francis Bacon, queue for the loo with Christine Keeler, go racing with Jeffrey Bernard, get laid with Lucian Freud, kill time with Doctor Who, pick a fight with Frank Norman and pass out with Peter Langan. All with a stellar supporting cast including Peter O'Toole, George Melly, Suggs, Lisa Stansfield, Dylan Thomas, Jay Landesman, Sarah Lucas, Damien Hirst and many, many more.

An omnibus of grave tales introducing Death and the Court of the Dead as they prepare to rise against the warring celestial realms of Heaven and Hell. Heaven and Hell are at war! Fueled by human souls, this never-ending battle threatens to embroil all of existence in its pointless destruction. Death—arbiter of mortal souls and leader of the Underworld—is the unlikely hero who endeavors to restore balance to all the realms. Death and his Court of the Dead plan to rise up and defeat the celestial overlords. Get to know this grim, noble and improbably cast of heroes in the Court of the Dead: Grave Tales comics omnibus. Follow Malavestros, the impassioned, unhinged (and often fourth-wall-breaking) Jester of Death's Court, on a guided tour through the Land of the Dead. Learn the origins of the unlikely band of heroes who must ultimately overcome their dark and destructive natures to fight the myopic armies of Heaven and Hell. Bear witness as Queen Gethsemoni struggles with the burdens associated with wearing the crown. Watch as Kier, the Valkyrie of the Dead, hunts for angels ... only to find a much more savage adversary. These and the other gripping epics enclosed within the Grave Tales Omnibus will prepare you for your journey into the afterlife. Grave Tales' 144 pages contain nine original stories, as well as exclusive behind-the-scenes content. This softbound collection of comics is an immersive introduction to the rich dark fantasy universe of the Court of the Dead. ® and © 2017 Sideshow, Inc.

Death holds no power over her...Mary Medina is the one who wields power over the dead. What she doesn't know is her ability is coveted by a Secret Order long forgotten in the Realms of the Grimm Universe. Drawn to New Orleans under mysterious circumstances, Mary quickly finds herself running for her life from those that want to use her and her power, for evil. Don't miss this heart pounding, mini-series, which introduces a new hero to the Grimm Universe.

The peaceful surface of the ocean does have curls inside. At times, even the wittiest people do not understand the need for their choices. Kaka-ho, a 60-year-old Indo-Chinese man, owns an antique shop. He is witty but alone, and his senses and vision work as any fine antiquarian. One day, he re-

ceived a 1,200-year-old antique painting from a 19-year-old boy to sell in his shop, thinking that the price will change his fortune on auction. He was absolutely correct, the dead painting did change his fortune, but instead of getting an attractive price, he had to pay the dire cost of his wrong contemplation. Before he could understand anything, the painting played its game. What is the purpose of the painting? Read Tales of a Dead Painting to find out.

Four short stories, abridged and illustrated, by the nineteenth-century American writer best known for his tales of horror.

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"Like the best of the pulps, the narratives are creepy, darkly comical and elegantly composed, with lovingly detailed descriptions of place and an ample whiff of lurid decay." - Fangoria BOROUGH OF THE DEAD is a collection of ten short horror stories set in and around New York City. Beneath its modern facade, New York City teems with dark secrets, faded spirits, and unnameable horrors. BOROUGH OF THE DEAD weaves fact and myth, fiction and legend to tell ten of the most terrifying tales of the haunted metropolis. A medical doctor abandons all rationality when he falls in love with the spirit of a murdered woman. The nightmares of an adolescent boy come to life and stalk him to the deadly, polluted waters of Newtown Creek. A cholera demon wipes out the thieves and murderers of the Five Points. From ghost stories to zombie narratives to weird tales, BOROUGH OF THE DEAD contains evils as diverse as Gotham itself.

Two American teenagers uncover a plot to rob the tomb of an Egyptian pharaoh.

"A god of death lurks in the streets ... an ethereal presence types messages on a computer screen ... Spine-tingling tales guaranteed to take readers to the edge of fear and back" Cf. Our choice, 2002

More scary tales from the series with urban legends, vampires, ghosts, aliens and mysteries. Two stories from the book "No More Mr. Nice Guy" and "The Vanishing Hitchhiker" which has Clint Eastwood's daughter Kimber Lynn starring have been made into short films.

A dying man is found and aided by a small boy. Slowly the man begins to seek the truth behind his past, but the closer he gets to the truth, the more deadly his quest, with cannibals after his blood and nightmarish demons after his soul. What is the secret of the dead man, what has happened in his past that has made him seek out the quiet of the grave? An astonishing secret and a brutal truth will be revealed in this tale of blood and revenge!

For Eugene Law, one of West Florida's few active Magicians, the Sunshine State is a great place to raise a family. It's got pleasant winters and plenty of opportunity, that is until an army of the damned rise up to ruin his perfectly maintained dad brand and destroy his family. It isn't long before Gene finds himself neck deep in Hell fleas, minor demons, and a Magickal ex-girlfriend with a thing for the dearly departed. Along with his less-than-helpful apprentice, Adam, our Magician will discover it's going to take every ounce of Magick he's got, and more than a little luck, for him to survive this one intact. Magick demands sacrifice, and as Gene Law is about to find out, so does family.

Presents a retelling of part of the Odyssey in which Odysseus and his fleet continue their journey and encounter giant cannibals, a beautiful witch, and the Land of the Dead. Reprint.

Guy Martin can't sit still. He has to keep pushing - both himself and whatever machine he is piloting - to the extreme. He's a doer, not a talker. That applies whether Guy's competing in a self-supported 750-mile mountain bike race across Arizona, or trying to reach 300mph in a standing mile on the 800-horsepower motorbike he built in his shed. And during his TV adventures, travelling through Japan, winning records for the world's fastest tractor, re-creating the famous Steve McQueen Great Escape jump, discovering the toil and sacrifice of the D-Day landings and trying to cut the mustard as a Battle of Britain pilot. Guy's become a dad now and he's hoping that one day his daughter will grow up to be a better welder than he is. Oh, and he's still getting up at 5am to work on trucks in for service or to be out on his tractor, working the Lincolnshire land he's always called home. This is Guy Martin's latest book, in his own words, on the last four years of his life that make the rest of us look like we're in slow motion. We're here for a good time, not a long time. To Guy, if it's worth doing, it's worth dying for.

Count Byron Kuhn de Prorok was a popular archeologist active from the mid-1920's through the early 1940's. In his classic Dead Men Do Tell Tales he describes his 1933-34 African expedition into Abyssinia -- the old name for Ethiopia.

When Michael's parents die, he is invited to stay with his guardian in a desolate country house. When Michael spots a woman out in the frozen mists on the day he arrives, he suspects something is not quite right. But little can prepare him for the solitude of the house itself. His guardian is rarely seen, and there's a malevolent force lurking in an old hallway mirror. Michael soon realises that the house and its grounds harbour many secrets, both dead and alive.

It was on a 'dark and stormy night', during the summer of 1816 that an eccentric group of English literati gathered at the Villa Diodati. The atmosphere at the Villa was charged by the violent streaks of lightning that licked at the mountain tops and split a black sky. As the wind outside whipped up the surface of lake Lemano into a cauldron of waves the occupants of the Villa; Lord Byron, Mary Shelley, Dr John Polidori, Percy Shelley and Claire Clairmont, whipped themselves into a gothic frenzy with recitals of haunting poetry and ghost stories. The stories that they read came from a book, originally written in German, that had recently been translated into French. The book that they read from was called *Fantasmagoriana*. *Fantasmagoriana* has a unique place in literary history. This is the first full translation of the stories that inspired Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* and Dr John Polidori's *The Vampyre*.

Look at this picture. Tell me what you see... The American South is rife with stories of a haunted

past—especially its houses. In this eclectic and impressive collection, thirteen novelists were asked to build their tales around the photo of a dilapidated mansion. They were given two requirements—the house must appear in the story, and it should be a Southern Gothic tale. And they delivered. From childish demons to a mad novelist, from the Mississippi delta to the Appalachians, this collection from emerging voices and New York Times bestselling authors explores what happens when secrets that lie beneath the dust are disturbed—and our worst nightmares begin. Darkness lurks behind every corner, especially dead ends.

The zombie - a soulless corpse raised from the grave to do its master's bidding - may have had its factual basis in the voodoo ceremonies of the West Indies, but it is in fiction, movies, video games and comics that the walking dead have flourished. What makes a zombie? This Twentieth Anniversary Edition of one of the first and most influential zombie anthologies answers that question with 26 tales of rot and resurrection from classic authors such as Edgar Allan Poe, H. P. Lovecraft, M. R. James and J. Sheridan Le Fanu, along with modern masters of the macabre Clive Barker, Robert Bloch, Ramsey Campbell, Hugh B. Cave, Joe R. Lansdale, Brian Lumley, Graham Masterton, Kim Newman, Michael Marshall Smith, Lisa Tuttle, Karl Edward Wagner and many more. From Caribbean rituals to ancient magic, mesmerism to modern science, these terrifying tales depict a wide range of nefarious methods and questionable reasons for bringing the dead back to life again.

You see some crazy things when you're a slowly decaying astronaut with nothing tethering you to the earth... Oh, the cosmic journey that awaits you! The life and trials of a shapeshifting rockstar! A megalomaniac man of steel dancing with his destiny! The travels of a race of genderless monks looking for their home among the stars! It's amazing the things you'll see when you're a slowly decaying astronaut with nothing tethering you to the earth!

This gripping combination of fact and fiction, will have you on the edge of your seat It's the third century BCE, China has been unified by a powerful emperor. But some of the conquered want him dead. Plucked from his peaceful life, 11 year old Shen suddenly finds himself favourite musician at the court of China's First Emperor, but he is unknowingly drawn into a web of plots and counterplots. Shen's precious instrument holds the key to the life of the Emperor. But when the moment for action comes, will he be ready? From the low-down on the terracotta army, to the plot to assassinate an emperor, you'll find facts on everything you need know to qualify as an expert on ancient China. Every page is packed with amazing illustrations, astonishing facts and detailed cross-sections. An innovative blend of fact and fiction guaranteed to keep you on the edge of your seat!

A unique one volume collection of all Poe's best tales and poems. Full of variety, entries include The Murders in the Rue Morgue, The Mystery of Marie Roget, The Purloined Letter - three classic detective stories - plus The Raven, one of his greatest poems. A wonderful selection of tales and poems that are representative of every genre written by Poe, from the macabre and horrifying to the humorous and purely descriptive.

Surprising and funny debut collection from a multi-talented Midwest author.

Considered as one of the greatest short stories in the Western Canon, James Joyce's complex narrative "The Dead", explores the intricate issues of identity and power through the lens of language, patriarchy, and imperialism. These issues are directly tied to the longstanding political turmoil of his native Ireland and the social questions of his day. Joyce's story reveals that we often achieve what we tried to avoid by pretending to be what we are not. At 15,672 words The Dead is often considered a novella and the best of Joyce's shorter works. James Joyce (1882-1941) was an Irish novelist and poet, considered to be one of the most influential writers in the modernist avant-garde of the early 20th century. Joyce is best known for Ulysses (1922), a landmark work in which the episodes of Homer's Odyssey are paralleled in an array of contrasting literary styles, perhaps most prominent among these the stream of consciousness technique he perfected. Other major works are the short-story collection Dubliners (1914), and the novels A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man (1916) and Finnegans Wake (1939). His complete oeuvre also includes three books of poetry, a play, occasional journalism, and his published letters.

From a beautiful antique that gives its owner a show he'd rather forget, to 'ghost detective' whose exorcism goes horribly wrong and a sinister masked ball which seems to have one too many guests, these ghost stories of supernatural terror are guaranteed to make you shiver, thrill and look under the bed tonight. From rural England to colonial India, in murky haunted mansions and under modern electric lighting, these master storytellers - some of the best writers in the English language - unfold spine-tinglers which pull back the veil of everyday life to reveal the nightmares which lurk just out of sight. They are lessons in ingenuity and surprise, sometimes building slowly to a chilling climax, sometimes springing horror on you from the utterly banal. And as you'd expect from these writers, the stories are more than simply frightening - they're also disquieting exposures of mortality, loneliness and the human capacity for both evil and remorse. We wish you pleasant dreams. Contains ghost stories by: Ruth Rendell, M. R. James, Rudyard Kipling, Edith Wharton, E. F. Benson, E. Nesbit, Saki, W. W. Jacobs, W. F. Harvey, Hugh Walpole, Chico Kidd and LP Hartley.