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Haruki Murakami's third novel, *A Wild Sheep Chase* is the mystery hybrid which completes the odyssey begun in *Hear the Wind Sing* and *Pinball, 1973*. The man was leading an aimless life, time passing, one big blank. His girlfriend has perfectly formed ears, ears with the power to bewitch, marvels of creation. The man receives a letter from a friend, enclosing a seemingly innocent photograph of sheep, and a request: place the photograph somewhere it will be seen. Then, one September afternoon, the phone rings, and the adventure begins. Welcome to the wild

sheep chase. 'Mr. Murakami's style and imagination are closer to that of Kurt Vonnegut, Raymond Carver and John Irving' *New York Times*

The highly-anticipated finale to the *New York Times* bestselling 5th Wave series. Includes an exclusive diary entry from Cassie! The enemy is Other. The enemy is us. They're down here, they're up there, they're nowhere. They want the Earth, they want us to have it. They came to wipe us out, they came to save us. But beneath these riddles lies one truth: Cassie has been betrayed. So has Ringer. Zombie. Nugget. And all 7.5 billion people who

used to live on our planet. Betrayed first by the Others, and now by ourselves. In these last days, Earth's remaining survivors will need to decide what's more important: saving themselves . . . or saving what makes us human. Praise for *The Last Star* "Yancey's prose remains achingly precise, and this grows heavier, tighter, and more impossible to put down as the clock runs out...this blistering finale proves the truth of the first two volumes: it was never about the aliens."—Booklist, starred review "A haunting, unforgettable finale."—Kirkus Reviews "Yancey doesn't hit the breaks for one moment, and the ac-

tion is intense, but the language always stays lyrical and lovely. It's a satisfying end to an impressive trilogy, true to the characters and the world Yancey created."—Entertainment Weekly "Yancey has capped off his riveting series with a perfect ending."—TeenReads.com "[T]he ending provides both satisfaction and heartbreak."—Publishers Weekly "Yancey's writing is just as solid and descriptive as in the first two books...What Yancey does beautifully is reveal the human condition."—Examiner.com "Rick Yancey sticks the (alien) landing in the action-packed finale to his The 5th Wave invasion saga And the author gives us a major dose of girl power as well, pairing Cassie and Ringer for an uneasy alliance that provides the best moments in this fantastic series' thought-provoking and satisfying conclusion."—USA Today Praise for The 5th Wave Now a major motion picture starring Chloë Grace Moretz "Remarkable, not-to-be-missed-under-any-circumstances."—Entertainment Weekly "A modern sci-fi masterpiece . . ."—USAToday.com "Wildly entertaining . . . I couldn't turn the pages fast enough."—Justin Cronin, The New York Times Book Review Praise for The Infinite

Sea "Heart-pounding pacing, lyrical prose and mind-bending twists . . ."—The New York Times Book Review "Impressively improves on the excellent beginning of the trilogy."—USA Today "An epic sci-fi novel with all the romance, action, and suspense you could ever want."—Seventeen.com Books in the series: The 5th Wave (The First Book of The 5th Wave) The Infinite Sea (The Second Book of The 5th Wave) The Last Star (The Third Book of the The 5th Wave)

Through a series of dangerous and violent misadventures, teenage loser Alfred Kropp rescues King Arthur's legendary sword Excalibur from the forces of evil. Reprint.

Sold into slavery to the dealer Lallocc by her mother when her stepfather seduces her, the beautiful 15-year-old Maia is almost raped by Genshed, one of Lallocc's employees but is saved by Occula, a black slave girl. With no-one but Occula at her side, Maia must summon all her courage, strength and intelligence as she navigates the seedy side of the Beklan empire.

Text ends on p. 449. Remaining pages contain the first two chapters of I am Number Four: the lost files: hunt for the garde.

Arsène Lupin, with his characteristic wit, plots over the course of nine short stories to steal many of France's best antiques and artworks from under their owners' noses. Only his classic opponent Detective Ganimard has the brilliance to attempt to foil Arsène's plans, albeit with mixed results. This first collection of nine Arsène Lupin stories were originally serialised in the magazine Je Sais Tout from 1905 and translated into English in 1910. The final story of the set features Herlock Sholmes. In the original printings, Sholmes was simply an unauthorized Sherlock Holmes, but this appearance annoyed Arthur Conan Doyle; the character's name was changed to "Herlock Sholmes" for later printings and future stories. Arsène Lupin later went on to feature in over fifty stories by Maurice Leblanc along with many other books, films and plays around the world. This book is part of the Standard Ebooks project, which produces free public domain ebooks.

Will Henry is an assistant to a doctor with a most unusual speciality: monster hunting! In the short time he has lived with the doctor, Will has grown used to late night callers and dangerous business. But when

one visitor comes with the body of a young girl and the monster that was feeding on her, Will's world changes forever. The doctor has discovered a baby Anthropophagi- a headless monster that feeds through the mouthfuls of teeth in its chest - and it signals a growing number of Anthropophagi. Now, Will and the doctor must face the horror threatening to consume our world and find the rest of the monsters before it is too late...

This is the best and most authoritative guide to classic and contemporary children's literature today. It is the latest in the best-selling 1001 series, and its informative reviews are the key to differentiating the "must-read" books from all the rest in the realm of children's books. Whether you are a parent seeking to instill a love of reading in your child, an educator or counselor looking for inspiration, or a young reader with a voracious appetite, this guide to the best writing for children and young adults covers the spectrum of children's literature. It is organized by age group—from board books to YA novels and all the gradations in between. Each entry features evaluations by a team of international critics complete with beautifully re-

produced artwork from the featured title. The beloved classics are here, but the guide also takes a global perspective and includes the increasingly diverse contributions from African American and Latino authors and illustrators—not to mention important books from around the world.

The classic odyssey through Caesar's Empire. Perfect for fans of Wallace Breem's *Eagle in the Snow* Camul and Acco are young Gauls, content to accept Roman occupation for the benefits it brings. Until Acco brings on himself the curse of the Goddess, and the two are forced to escape her by joining the Roman Army. Julius Caesar's campaigns carry them from the Rhine to Rome, Greece and finally the steppes of Russia. Along the way they face many trials, and feel the full might of the Roman war machine. But distance means little to a Goddess, and Camul must make a terrible pact to survive... The classic of Roman fiction, *Winter Quarters* is an extraordinary and vivid journey through Roman legions. Perfect for fans of Wallace Breem's *Eagle in the Snow*, Simon Scarrow and Ben Kane. 'Winter Quarters covers a remarkable amount of ground, and covers it convinc-

ingly... Mr Duggan throws the strengths and weaknesses of the era into sharp relief... damnably skillful' *The Sunday Times* 'Winter Quarters... is among the finest, I think, that he has yet produced... It is an exciting story, admirably told. The closing battle-scene is particularly well done.' *Daily Mail* 'Mr Duggan is one of the best historical novelists going now. He writes economically and is always to the point... We are given a vivid picture of life in Rome and the Near East... there are some splendid battles.' *News Chronicle* 'The chief triumph of this remarkable book is its presentation of paganism.' John Betjeman, *Daily Telegraph* 'Contains just the right blend of information and imagination, with a vivid background and a just appreciation of the human element underlying historical figures. The strength and weaknesses of the Romans are put into excellent perspective.' *Irish Times* 'Few novelists can touch Alfred Duggan when it comes to recreating remote corners of historical time and place' *Guardian*

There are some things deep within the belly of the earth that should never be disturbed. Which is exactly why Alfred wants to stay at home. When a vision foretells a

cataclysmic battle between the "Sons of Light" and the "Sons of Darkness", Alfred is called into action. Whoever finds the fabled 13th skull of Merlin, will have in his hands the power to usher in a new Dark Age ... and the Apocalypse. And so the race is on to find the skull, which rests at the bottom of an abyss called Krubera - a place so terrifying it nearly drove Alfred's mentor, Op-Nine, insane...

When penniless businessman Mr Bedford retreats to the Kent coast to write a play, he meets by chance the brilliant Dr Cavor, an absent-minded scientist on the brink of developing a material that blocks gravity. Cavor soon succeeds in his experiments, only to tell a stunned Bedford the invention makes possible one of the oldest dreams of humanity: a journey to the moon. With Bedford motivated by money, and Cavor by the desire for knowledge, the two embark on the expedition. But neither are prepared for what they find - a world of freezing nights, boiling days and sinister alien life, on which they may be trapped forever.

Traditional Chinese edition of The Extraordinary Adventures of Alfred Kropp. In Traditional Chinese. Distributed by Tsai Fong

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It is the time of the Great Uprising of 1857. India is in turmoil. Captain Corcoran, a French sailor, arrives with his pet tigress Louison. And so begins the adventure of his life, as he and his tigress join hands with a Maratha prince and his beautiful daughter, Sita, to fight the British. Autobiography of physicist Robert Alvarez recounting his life and work in the field of physics.

Alfred Kropp was just trying to survive high school when his guardian uncle gets him roped into a suspicious get-rich-quick scheme that changes his life forever: stealing Excalibur - the legendary sword of King Arthur. But after Alfred unwittingly delivers the sword into the hands of the enemy, he sets off on an unlikely quest to try to right his wrong and save the world from imminent destruction. This gripping, fast-paced, and often hilarious novel is both a thrilling adventure story and an engaging account of one boy's coming of age.

'You will end up grinning dippily and recommending this wild, searching book to everyone you know.' The Times 'A gorgeously poignant novel of hope and transforma-

tion' O: The Oprah Magazine Brimming with love, forgiveness and redemption, this is a heartrending story about what happens when a perfect world is shattered and what it takes to put it right. - Summer, 1972: In the claustrophobic heat, eleven-year-old Byron and his friend begin 'Operation Perfect', a hapless mission to rescue Byron's mother from impending crisis. Winter, present day: As frost creeps across the moor, Jim cleans tables in the local café, a solitary figure struggling with OCD. His job is a relief from the rituals that govern his nights. Little would seem to connect them except that two seconds can change everything. And if your world can be shattered in an instant, can time also put it right? - What readers are saying: ***** 'A stunningly beautiful and poignant book.' ***** 'Heartbreaking and so beautifully written.' ***** 'A touching story with a twist I didn't see coming.' ***** 'Thought provoking and full of hope.' ***** 'The story is quiet, and yet absolutely absorbing... I loved this book'

Through a series of dangerous and violent misadventures, teenage loser Alfred Kropp rescues King Arthur's legendary sword Ex-

calibur from the forces of evil. 150 years ago, we dived with him to the bottom of the ocean. Now Captain Nemo and his submarine sensation are back to entertain you again. Take a wild adventure through sixteen amazing short stories, all inspired by Jules Verne's enduring classic exploring the murky depths. What was behind the sightings of the mysterious vessel in Baltimore? What really happened in the aftermath of Nautilus' maelstrom misfortune? Will a courageous salvage mission dredge up disturbing secrets? With every story chosen for its tribute to the extraordinary adventures of the famed French master, you'll be whisked to 1870, across the globe, and even forward in time and space, as these historic seafaring exploits take unexpected twists and turns. With all sixteen creative tales ranging from alternative endings, freshly hooked monsters, and valiant forays into speculative storytelling, you'll soon be lost in new worlds that Verne himself would applaud. Will this daring plunge into perilous waters once again surface modern masterpieces of imagination? *20,000 Leagues Remembered* is an astonishing homage to an incredibly robust original masterwork. If you

like thought-provoking premises, inventive exploits, and adoring respect for the source material, then you'll love this whirlpool of wonders. Buy *20,000 Leagues Remembered* to dive deep today!

A piercing, unforgettable love story set in Greenwood, Oklahoma, also known as the "Black Wall Street," and against the Tulsa Race Massacre of 1921. Isaiah Wilson is, on the surface, a town troublemaker, but is hiding that he is an avid reader and secret poet, never leaving home without his journal. Angel Hill is a loner, mostly disregarded by her peers as a goody-goody. Her father is dying, and her family's financial situation is in turmoil. Though they've attended the same schools, Isaiah never noticed Angel as anything but a dorky, Bible-toting church girl. Then their English teacher offers them a job on her mobile library, a three-wheel, two-seater bike. Angel can't turn down the money and Isaiah is soon eager to be in such close quarters with Angel every afternoon. But life changes on May 31, 1921 when a vicious white mob storms the Black community of Greenwood, leaving the town destroyed and thousands of residents displaced. Only then, Isaiah, Angel, and their peers realize

who their real enemies are.

Putting a century of scholarship on one of the world's most enduring popular novels into accessible, narrative form, this new approach to a classic of world literature is written for a wide general readership. Packed full of information about the book's origins and later career on stage and screen, *The Novel of the Century* brings to life the extraordinary story of how Victor Hugo managed to write his novel of the downtrodden despite a revolution, a coup d'état, and political exile; how he pulled off the deal of the century to get it published; and how he set it on course to become the novel that epitomizes the grand sweep of history in the nineteenth century. This biography of a masterpiece also shows how and why the moral and social messages of *Les Misérables* are full of meaning for our time.

When Dr. Warthrop begins to doubt fourteen-year-old Will Henry's loyalty, he sets him against one of the most horrific creatures in the Monstrumarium unaware that Will's life and his own fate will lie in the balance.

Nobel prize winner and author of *One Hun-*

dred Years of Solitude Gabriel Garcia Marquez tells a tale of an unrequited love that outlasts all rivals in his masterpiece Love in the Time of Cholera. 'It was inevitable: the scent of bitter almonds always reminded him of the fate of unrequited love' Fifty-one years, nine months and four days have passed since Fermina Daza rebuffed hopeless romantic Florentino Ariza's impassioned advances and married Dr Juvenal Urbino instead. During that half-century, Florentino has fallen into the arms of many delighted women, but has loved none but Fermina. Having sworn his eternal love to her, he lives for the day when he can court her again. When Fermina's husband is killed trying to retrieve his pet parrot from a mango tree, Florentino seizes his chance to declare his enduring love. But can young love find new life in the twilight of their lives? 'The most important writer of fiction in any language' Bill Clinton 'An exquisite writer, wise, compassionate and extremely funny' Sunday Telegraph 'An amazing celebration of the many kinds of love between men and women' The Times Twelve years ago, Richard Yancey answered a blind ad in the newspaper offering a salary higher than what he'd made over

the three previous years combined. It turned out that the job was for the Internal Revenue Service -- the most hated and feared organization in the federal government. So Yancey became the man who got in his car, drove to your house, knocked on your door, and made you pay. Never mind that his car was littered with candy wrappers, his palms were sweaty, and he couldn't remember where he stashed his own tax records. He was there on the authority of the United States government. With "a rich mix of humor, horror, and angst [and] better than most novels on the bestseller lists" (Boston Sunday Globe), Confessions of a Tax Collector contains an astonishing cast of too-strange-for-fiction characters. But the most intriguing character of all is Yancey himself who -- in detailing how the job changed him and how he managed to pull himself back from the brink of moral, ethical, and spiritual bankruptcy -- reveals what really lies beneath those dark suits and mirrored sunglasses. This P.S. edition features an extra 16 pages of insights into the book, including author interviews, recommended reading, and more. Kevin is entranced when he finds a pair of

sunglasses that turn his desires into reality, but then things start to get out of control.

Here is an in-depth at every aspect game: its look of the rich history, the greatest moments, the fundamental skills required to play, and the personalities and participants, all accompanied by stunning action photographs

Free exclusive preview of The 5th Wave. The Passage meets The Hunger Games in this gripping new series from Carnegie-shortlisted Rick Yancey. After the 1st wave, only darkness remains. After the 2nd, only the lucky escape. And after the 3rd, only the unlucky survive. After the 4th wave, only one rule applies: trust no one. Now, it's the dawn of the 5th wave. On a lonely stretch of highway, Cassie runs from Them. The beings who only look human, who roam the countryside killing anyone they see. Who have scattered Earth's last survivors. To stay alone is to stay alive, until Cassie meets Evan Walker. Beguiling and mysterious, Evan may be her only hope for rescuing her brother and even saving herself. Now Cassie must choose: between trust and despair, be-

tween defiance and surrender, between life and death. To give up or to get up. Cassie Sullivan gets up. Begin Cassie's journey with free sample chapters from The Fifth Wave

www.The5thWavesComing.com About the author: Rick Yancey (www.rickyancey.com) is the author of several adult novels and the memoir Confessions of a Tax Collector. His first young-adult novel, The Extraordinary Adventures of Alfred Kropp, was a finalist for the Carnegie Medal. In 2010, his novel, The Monstrumologist, received Michael L. Printz Honor, and the sequel, The Curse of the Wendigo, was a finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize. Praise for The 5th Wave: 'This is DAMN and WOW territory. Quite simply, one of the best books I've read in years.' Melissa Marr, New York Times bestselling author. 'Breathtakingly fast-paced and original, The 5th Wave is a reading tsunami that grabs hold and won't let go.' Melissa De La Cruz, New York Times bestselling author of the Blue Bloods series. 'An epic sci-fi adventure about a terrifying alien invasion. You'll read it in one sitting' Bookseller 'Yancey's heartfelt, violent, paranoid epic, filled with big heroics and bigger surprises,

is part War of the Worlds, part Starship Troopers, part Invasion of the Body Snatchers, and part The Stand . . . a sure thing for reviewers and readers alike.' Booklist (starred review) 'A gripping SF trilogy about an Earth decimated by an alien invasion... the question of what it means to be human is at the forefront' Publishers Weekly

* Shortlisted for the 2021 Stanford Dolman Travel Book of the Year prize * A critically-acclaimed Sunday Times, Spectator and Independent Book of 2020 * Now with colour photography by Michael Turek 'Richly absorbing... An impressive exploration of Siberia's terrifying past.' Guardian 'Evocative and wonderfully original.' Colin Thubron _____ Siberia's expansive history is traditionally one of exiles, bitter cold and suffering. Yet there is another tale to tell. Dotted throughout this remote and beautiful landscape are pianos created during the boom years of the nineteenth century. They tell the story of how, ever since entering Russian culture under the influence of Catherine the Great, piano music has run through the country like blood. How these pianos made the journey into this snow-bound wilderness in the first

place is remarkable. That they might be capable of making music in such a hostile landscape feels like a miracle. The Lost Pianos of Siberia is an absorbing story about a piano hunt - a quixotic quest through two centuries of Russian history and eight time zones stretching across an eleventh of the world's land surface. It reveals not only an unexpected musical legacy, but profound and brave humanity in the last place on earth you might expect to find it. _____ What readers are saying about The Lost Pianos of Siberia: ***** 'You know a book's good when, on finishing it, you just want to start again.' ***** 'Beautifully written, full of compelling anecdotes celebrating Siberia's extraordinary history.' ***** 'The most unusual and intelligent way to tell a travel story.'

After his ailing mother dies, Teddy quits his job as a night watchman and becomes a detective. He hires his favorite waitress from the local diner to be his Girl Friday. His first case, finding out who ran down six baby geese, quickly evolves into an investigation of a vicious murder.

Flesh-eating danger abounds in the chilling sequel to The Monstrumologist

that is “as fast-paced, elegant, and yes, gruesome as its predecessor” (Publishers Weekly, starred review). While Dr. Warthrop is attempting to disprove that Homo vampiris, the vampire, could exist, his former fiancée asks him to save her husband, who has been captured by a Wendigo—a creature that starves even as it gorges itself on human flesh. Although Dr. Warthrop considers the Wendigo to be fictitious, he relents and performs the rescue—but is he right to doubt the Wendigo’s existence? Can the doctor and Will Henry hunt down the ultimate predator, who, like the legendary vampire, is neither living nor dead, and whose hunger for human flesh is never satisfied? This second book in The Monstrumologist series explores the line between myth and reality, love and hate, genius and madness.

Join Marcia Williams as she celebrates incredible women from around the world and throughout history. From writers to warriors and astronauts to activists, discover their awesome stories and be amazed by their achievements. Featuring Cleopatra, Boudicca, Joan of Arc, Elizabeth I, Mary Wollstonecraft, Jane Austen, Florence Nightingale, Marie Curie, Eleanor Roo-

sevelt, Amelia Earhart, Frida Kahlo, Wangari Maathai, Mae C. Jemison, Cathy Freeman and Malala, and packed with facts, quotes and jokes - hip, hip, hooray!

Adventure, shipwreck, storms and survival on the high seas. ENDURANCE is the story of one of the most astonishing feats of exploration and human courage ever recorded. In 1914 Sir Ernest Shackleton and a crew of 27 men set sail for the South Atlantic on board a ship called the Endurance. The object of the expedition was to cross the Antarctic overland. In October 1915, still half a continent away from their intended base, the ship was trapped, then crushed in ice. For five months Shackleton and his men, drifting on ice packs, were castaways on one of the most savage regions of the world. This utterly gripping book, based on first-hand accounts of crew members and interviews with survivors, describes how the men survived, how they lived together in camps on the ice for 17 months until they reached land, how they were attacked by sea leopards, the diseases which they developed, and the indefatigability of the men and their lasting civility towards one another in the most adverse conditions conceivable.

This much-anticipated sequel to the award-winning collection detailing the exploits of the beloved 800-year-old Turkish “wise fool,” Mullah Nasruddin, presents well over 250 hilarious and authentic folktales, dozens appearing in English for the first time. Author Suresha has done extensive research to unearth many of these centuries-old racy tales of the “naughty Nasruddin”-stories previously suppressed for moralistic reasons-which explore taboo themes as the Mullah interacts with his family, community, and strangers during his many journeys. Readers will be amused as well as amazed by this unadulterated account of the truly Extraordinary Adventures of Mullah Nasruddin.

Alfred Kropp is off on another whirlwind adventure when two ancient artefacts are stolen from the OIPEP (Office of Interdimensional Paradoxes and Extraordinary Phenomena) vaults. But these aren't just any pricey museum pieces - they are the seals of Solomon. Thousands of years ago, King Solomon used a ring to control and imprison the fallen angels of heaven in a sacred vessel that has held them safe for thousands of years. Now both objects have

been stolen by Mike Arnold, and if he uses their power, all hell could break loose . . . literally. The agents of OIPEP, led by the mysterious Op-Nine, have a plan to save the artefacts, and the world, but none of them really considered the Kropp factor. When Alfred screws up, the ring ends up in the hands of King Paimon, a terrible demon who has a special bone to pick with our reluctant hero. Will Alfred find a way to right his wrong and save the world from im-

minent destruction . . . again?

"The Narrative of Arthur Gordon Pym of Nantucket" is the only complete novel written by American writer Edgar Allan Poe. The story was inspired by a newspaper account of the shipwreck and subsequent rescue of the two men on board. Poe developed the story into a tale of the young Arthur Gordon Pym, who stows away aboard a whaling ship called the Grampus. Yet, it's not the mere adventures that

make this book a literary masterpiece. Poe imbued his tale with allegorical richness, biblical imagery, and psychological insights. This novel has influenced numerous writers, including Melville, James, Verne, and Nabokov.

Relates the adventures and misadventures of the four Moffat children living with their widowed mother in a yellow house on New Dollar Street in the small town of Cranbury, Connecticut.