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Queen Corinn masters spells found in the ancient Book of Elenet, while her younger brother embarks on a perilous mission to the Other Lands, and her sister travels north to confront an invasion by the fearsome Auldek.

The Walking Dead meets Game of Thrones in The Royal Nothings, the stunning debut novel from Drew Bailey, and the first book in the thrilling dark fantasy series The Giftborn Chronicles. Tired of being a puppet prince, Remy turned in the crown for a watchman's sword. Tired of being a protected princess, Marsea turned in her petticoats for an assassin's cloak. Tired of...well, just about everyone and everything in his footpath, Aiden, the best blood-mage of his graduating class, turns in his laurels for another bottle of the black. These royal nothings think they have escaped the worst, the past, only to find an even more horrific future awaits them when an ancient evil releases a blight of ghouls and darkness on their world. Can they, or anyone at all, survive? Based on popular essays in New York Times' Modern Love and Salon, as well as an Off-Broadway one-person play, The Pleasure Plan is a sexual healing odyssey, a manifesto for women to claim pleasure as a priority, and a love story all at once. Fifty percent of adult women have some form of sexual dysfunction at some point of their lives, preventing them from enjoying vibrant, soul-satisfying sex. Such was the case with Laura Zam, who suffered the blame, shame, and embarrassment of feeling

bedroom broken. For her, delving between the sheets meant physical pain, zero desire, and emotional scars from being molested in her early years. However, in her late forties, after meeting and marrying the love of her life, Zam was determined to finally fix her sensual self. This is her brave and bawdy plan to triage her flaccid romantic life, stepping into a void where intimacy, self-love, and playfulness could be experienced--the full monty of Eros that had been missing from her existence. The Pleasure Plan is what happened when she decided to challenge her hopelessness. In partnership with her initially reluctant husband, she visited 15 healers and tried 30 pleasure-enhancing methods: from dilators and dildos, to hypnosis and hosting a sex brunch, to cleansing chakras, to making love to her husband in front of a geriatric Tantric goddess. Packed with humor, heart, and a healthy dose of prescriptive advice, this book chronicles Zam's insight as she confronts many issues—from mismatched libidos to female erection enlightenment. Throughout this journey, she and her husband grow as individuals and as a couple, both in and out of the bedroom. Fearlessly honest and full of inspiration, Zam peels back the layers—or covers—and exposes her foibles, insecurities, and eventual wisdom as she excavates past traumas, accepts and embraces her worth, and claims her right to be completely alive. Today, Laura works as a sexuality educator, wellness coach, and speaker helping other women who suffer from sexual dysfunction, the effects of trauma, or those who would simply like more pleasure (of all kinds) in their lives. She also consults with health care providers so they

may better assist their clients in achieving sexual well-being. While The Pleasure Plan is Zam's personal narrative, it demystifies pervasive taboos, encouraging women to make pleasure a priority, while teaching them how to claim (or reclaim) the power of their sexual selves. It also shows men how they can support their partners in this #Metoo era. Healthy, sultry intimacy is a right; it is time for women to learn—through glorious trial and error—how to embrace the sensual side of themselves. . . exuberantly and unabashedly.

All of Waylander's instincts had screamed at him to spurn the contract from Kaem the cruel, the killer of nations. But he had ignored them. He had made his kill. And even as he went to collect his gold, he knew that he had been betrayed. Now the Dark Brotherhood and the hounds of chaos were hunting him, even as Kaem's armies waged war on the Drenai lands, intent on killing every man, woman, and child. The Drenai soldiers were doomed to ultimate defeat, and chaos would soon reign. Then a strange old man told Waylander that the only way to turn the tide of battle would be for Waylander himself to retrieve the legendary Armor of Bronze from its hiding place deep within a shadow-haunted land. He would be hunted. He was certain to fail. But he must try, the old man commanded--commanded in the name of his son, the king, who had been slain by an assassin... Waylander was the most unlikely of heroes--for he was a traitor, the Slayer who had killed the king...

Ryuu is a boy orphaned by violence at a young age. Found by a wandering warrior, he

learns he may have more strength than he ever imagined possible. A quiet child, Moriko is forced into a monastic system she despises. Torn from her family and the forest she grew up in, she must fight to learn the skills she'll need to survive her tutelage under the realm's most dangerous assassin. Young, beautiful, and broke, Takako is sold to pay for her father's debts. Thrust into a world she doesn't understand and battles she didn't ask for, she must decide where her loyalties lie. When their lives crash together in a Kingdom on the brink of war, the decisions they make will change both their lives and their Kingdom forever. If they can stay alive.

The Tattered Banner placed 8th on BuzzFeed's 12 Greatest Fantasy Books Of The Year, 2013. Unique talent always attracts attention... In a world where magic is outlawed, ability with a sword is prized above all else. For Soren this means the chance to live out his dreams. Plucked from a life of privation, he is given a coveted place at Ostenheim's Academy of Swordsmanship, an opportunity beyond belief. Opportunity is not always what it seems however, and gifts rarely come without conditions. Soren becomes an unwitting pawn in a game of intrigue and treachery that could cost him not just his dreams, but also his life.

Raised and trained in seclusion at a secret fortress on the edge of the northern wilds of the Kingdom of Ashai, a young warrior called Rezkin is unexpectedly thrust into the outworld when a terrible battle destroys all that he knows. With no understanding of his life's purpose and armed with masterful weapons mysteriously bestowed upon him by a

dead king, Rezkin must travel across Ashai to find the one man who may hold the clues to his very existence. Determined to adhere to his last orders, Rezkin extends his protection to an unlikely assortment of individuals he meets along the way, often leading to humorous and poignant incidents. As if pursuing an elite warrior across a kingdom, figuring out who he is and why everyone he knows is dead, and attempting to find these so-called friends and protect them is not enough, strange things are happening in the kingdom. New dangers begin to arise that threaten not only Rezkin and his friends, but possibly everyone in Ashai.

The Exciting Conclusion to the Dragonslayer Trilogy Long laid plans finally bear fruit, but will it prove as sweet as hoped for? With the king on his deathbed, the power Amaury has sought for so long is finally in his grasp. As opposition gathers from unexpected places, dragonkind fights for survival and a long-awaited reckoning grows close. Soléne masters her magic, but questions the demands the world will make of her. Unable to say no when the call of duty comes, Gill realizes that the life he had given up on has not given up on him. Once a servant of the crown, ever a servant of the crown... The Dragonslayer Trilogy: 1. Dragonslayer 2. Knight of the Silver Circle 3. Servant of the Crown At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Jorundyr's Path is walked only by the brave. It is survived only by the strong. As Wulfric pursues Adalheid's Blood Debt, he soon learns that the path to revenge is never easy,

and the desires of men and the will of gods rarely meet. Aethelman seeks answers to questions long ignored. Rodulf chases power and wealth. From the streets of Elzburg to the dry plains of Darvaros, Wulfric walks Jorundyr's Path and encounters a world larger than he could ever have dreamed of: filled with friends, enemies, and danger--the crucible from which heroes are forged.

He was known as Druss. The Deathwalker. Though the blood of merciless butchers coursed through his veins, he had found a fragile peace through his love for beautiful, mystical Rowena. Then came the day when Druss returned to their village and found everyone dead--massacred by slavers who had stolen the women to sell for gold.

Rowena was among the missing. Armed with only his powerful double-bladed ax, Snaga, Druss went after Rowena. His journey would carry him from the highest thrones of power to the deepest dungeons of depravity. Along the way, he would battle savage monsters and descend into terrifying lands of black magic and demons. Yet one thing was certain. Druss would have victory . . . or death.

THREE OF BRAND'S BEST! Here are three of Max Brand's classic short novels, all carefully restored from Brand's own manuscripts, and collected in paperback for the first time. In "Range Jester," Barry Home, once a free spirited cowboy, now an ex-convict, returns to the small town of Loomis. His return is scarcely a welcome one, least of all by the rancher whose testimony was vital in securing Barry's conviction. "Slow Bill" is the story of young Jim Legrange, who feels he can never live up to the success

of his father, a millionaire rancher. He leaves home for an abandoned gold rush town, where he runs into Jack Rooney. Rooney, an old prospector, has a photograph of Jim's father in a place of honor, but he calls the man in the picture Slow Bill and says he was once his partner. And in "The Rock of Kiever," the best friend of Texas Ranger Charlie Stayn is killed during a raid. Charlie swears vengeance against the killers and defies the ranger code, heading into the Kiever Mountains to track them down.

Paratime was one of H. Beam Piper's most inspired creations and this collection contains all three of John F. Carr's Paratime Police novelettes featuring Lord Kalvan: "Kalvan Kingmaker," "Siege at Tarr-Hostigos" and the never before published "Sea of Grass," a new story about the infiltration of Kalvan's Time-Line by the Wizard Traders. Another new story, "The Alexander Affair," tells the tale of what happens when an ambitious Paratimer decides to raise his con game to a new level-godhood! And, finally, "Paratime War: " the story that answers the questions raised in Kalvan novels Gunpowder God and Down Styphon! why Verkan Vall, the Paratime Police and the Kalvan Study Teams suddenly disappeared from Kalvan's Time Line. In Paratime War the Home Time Line civilization faces its greatest threat since the Mystic Wars! Will 10,000 years of civilization come to an end due to the evil machinations of a madman and his henchmen? This is one collection that you do not want to miss. H. Beam Piper's Paratime stories concern the Home Time-Line on First Level, an advanced civilization based on the outcome of Martian colonization of the Earth some 75,000 years ago. The

five Paratime levels met with vastly different outcomes, ranging from the highly-civilized Paratimers on First Level, where colonization was successful, to Fifth Level—the probability of the complete failure of Martian colonization where no human population was established and only indigenous quasi-human life evolved on Earth. For over 12,000 years the people of First Level have been using temporal transposition travel to loot and steal from the innumerable other worlds of alternate probability on the lateral dimension of time. Smart parasites never injure their hosts, nor do they reveal their existence. It's up to the Paratime Police to guard the Paratime Secret and their outtime activities, as well as hunt down and prosecute First Level criminals and illegal syndicates.

Dragons have returned after a thousand years, but greater dangers lurk in the shadows... As the lines between enemy and ally blur, Guillot dal Villerauvais is drawn farther into the life and service he had left far behind. Solène attempts to come to terms with the great magical talent she fears is as much a curse as a blessing, while the Prince Bishop's quest for power twists and turns, and takes on a life of its own. With dragons to slay, and an enemy whose grip on the kingdom grows ever tighter, Gill and his comrades must fight to remain true to themselves, while standing at the precipice of a kingdom in peril. "Betrayals, ritual magic, an enchanted relic, and lost histories. A charming narrative... entertaining. Recommended for fans of dragons and medieval settings."—Library Journal on *Dragonslayer* "Successfully mixes swords, sorcery, and

skullduggery with complex characters. Dumas fans will especially appreciate the faux-French setting. This is pure adventure fun with plenty for epic fantasy readers to enjoy.”—Publishers Weekly on *Dragonslayer* The *Dragonslayer Trilogy*: 1. *Dragonslayer* 2. *Knight of the Silver Circle* 3. *Servant of the Crown* At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Orphaned as a child, Irisi became a mercenary to survive. Captured by the Egyptian army and made the spoils of war, she finds herself forced to fight in the ring for entertainment. In a desperate attempt to regain her freedom she throws herself on the mercy of the Gods, only to discover that her fate is written in prophecy...

In the spirit of fantasy epics like George R.R. Martin's *A Game of Thrones* and Brandon Sanderson's *The Way of Kings*, *The Fatemarked Epic* promises immaculate world building, an ancient prophecy, a mysterious source of magic, interesting characters, war, political intrigue, and romance. The Hundred Years War rages on, with tensions between kingdoms growing ever more strained. While Annise Gric and her forces march on Castle Hill to retake the northern throne, her cousin, Rhea Loren, wages a naval war against Blackstone. Meanwhile, Roan Loren and Gwendolyn Storm struggle to breach the gnarled, vine-choked undergrowth of the Tangle in their quest to reach Knight's End and learn more of the true purpose of the fatemarked. In the south, a Calypsian empress is murdered, and her daughters fight to claim the empire and wage a civil war against their estranged father's armies. In Phanes, slavery runs rampant

while a rebel group fights to free the oppressed people. A master named Jai Jiroux looks to help the rebel cause, an act of treason punishable by death. Surrounding the Four Kingdoms is the pall cast by the Kings' Bane, who continues his quest to kill eight rulers and thus fulfill the Western Oracle's ancient prophecy, which he believes will pave the way to peace across the realms.

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the holy west, a vicious queen and her self-righteous army of warriors; in the mysterious iron-clad forest of the east, revenge and glory rule the day; and in the southern empires of Calyp and Phanes, maturing dragons, slaves, and a civil war. To truly fulfill the oracle's prophecy of peace, both the Kings' Bane and the Peacemaker, as well as the other fatemarked, will need to overcome those who seek to destroy everything in their pursuit for power.

It has been generations since the Northlands have seen a hero worthy of the title. Many have made the claim, but few have lived to defend it. Timid, weak, and bullied, Wulfric is as unlikely a candidate as there could be. A chance encounter with an ancient and mysterious object awakens a latent gift, and Wulfric's life changes course. Against a backdrop of war, tragedy, and an enemy whose hatred for him knows no bounds, Wulfric will be forged from a young boy, into the Wolf of the North.

The final part of the Society of the Sword Trilogy. A remote farm and meagre crops are a far cry from Ostenheim and the life of a banneret, but they are not far enough. For Soren to be free of Amero, there is only one answer. In Ostenheim, Duke Amero presides over a war-weary population and an empty treasury, but still he hungers for more. An Intelligencier uncovers the disturbing resurgence of sorcery in the city, while an avaricious colleague sees the chance to prove his worth to the Duke. Enemies and allies emerge from unexpected places, as Soren must face his former patron and idol for a final reckoning. The Telastrian Song follows The Huntsman's Amulet and is the concluding part of the Society of the Sword Trilogy.

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A bio-engineered dog fights for its life and its right to life. From the Arthur C. Clark award-winning author of Children of Time.

Collected together for the first time, here are the three hard-hitting standalone novels set in the world of Joe Abercrombie's bestselling FIRST LAW trilogy. BEST SERVED COLD: War may be hell but for Monza Murcatto, the Snake of Talins, the most feared and famous mercenary in Duke Orso's employ, it's a damn good way of making money too. Her victories have made her popular - a shade too popular for her employer's taste. Betrayed, thrown down a mountain and left for dead, Murcatto's reward is a broken body and a burning hunger for vengeance.

Whatever the cost, seven men must die. THE HEROES: Over three bloody days of battle, the fate of the North will be decided. But with both sides riddled by intrigues, follies, feuds and petty jealousies, it is unlikely to be the noblest hearts, or even the strongest arms that prevail. Three men. One battle. No Heroes. RED COUNTRY: Shy South hoped to bury her bloody past and ride away smiling, but she'll have to sharpen up some bad old ways to get her family back, and she's not a woman to flinch from what needs doing. She sets off in pursuit off her family's killers with only a pair of oxen and her cowardly old stepfather Lamb for company. But it turns out Lamb's buried a bloody past of his own, and out in the lawless Far Country, the past never stays buried.

The fourth book in the Kalvan Saga begins right after Kalvan Kingmaker's resounding military success over the invading nomad clans. Unfortunately, Kalvan has awakened the sleeping tiger of Styphon's House and it is out for blood.

Just as Wife School teaches women how to love and understand their husbands, Husband School teaches men how to make their wives ridiculously happy. In this humorous story,

Jason, the protagonist, often feels that much of what his wife wants is unnecessary and inconvenient. But Jason learns-as will the reader-that the principles in Husband School make marriages sing as they unlock the soul of a woman. Included in Husband School is a 12-Week Group Discussion Guide.

A lost aviatrix, a professor, a gangster, and the golden-haired goddess of the Midianites are brought together in the heart of the Dark Continent to create an explosive situation. Once again, only the incomparable figure of the Lord of the Jungle can surmount the mountains and mysteries that stood between these four and disaster.

Fourteenth-century Italy: a country in upheaval as desperate cities struggle against both each other and venal Papal rule. Unable to rely on their own citizens to fight their battles, the cities and Popes are forced to pay vast amounts of money to mercenary captains to fight on their behalf. Hawkwood, a valiant Englishman, shrewd and relentless on the battlefield, finds himself fighting for and against any state of Italy prepared to pay handsomely. If none will pay, he and the White Company brutally seize what they desire. As he leaves stains of his presence up and down the country, those who curse him at their defeat can soon be those who praise him for their deliverance. It is a world of massacre and pillage in which life is less than cheap and no one can be trusted. To survive, a man has to be quick thinking, fleet of foot and strong in his sword arm: Hawkwood is such a man.

Grace Soudley's life is coming apart at the seams. Recently divorced, she is still living in the beautiful yet crumbling old house her godmother left her, but unless she can find a fortune, the house will disintegrate around her. Artist Ellie Summers' life is unraveling

too. She's pregnant, but her boyfriend is less than enthusiastic about parenthood, and her parents are not exactly inviting her to move back home. She has to come up with a new plan. Fast. Ellie needs a place to stay; Grace needs a lodger. Each of them needs a friend, and together they begin the work of fixing up the house. But then an unexpected and disconcertingly handsome man arrives on the scene, apparently determined to help. And when Grace discovers some beautiful and potentially valuable paintings hidden behind the tattered dining-room curtains, the whole business of restoration starts to get serious.... This fresh, funny romance from bestselling novelist Katie Fforde offers charm, wit, and restorative new beginnings for all.

Naval Officer Jack Samson thought a posting to the frontier of human inhabited space was the death blow to his career. He couldn't have been more wrong. A routine inspection of a small merchant vessel leads to devastating loss and the discovery of strange, fascinating objects. As astonishing discoveries unfold, a mysterious and hostile ship proves that Samson has a competitor in unlocking the secrets of an ancient alien civilisation, and that humanity might not be alone in the galaxy after all. The Alpha Protocol is a fast-paced science fiction novel in the classic space opera and military sci-fi traditions, by Amazon Best Selling Author Duncan M. Hamilton.

Victor Milán's epic fantasy weird world of The Dinosaur Lords is a place that mirrors 14th century Europe with its dynastic rivalries, religious wars, and byzantine politics--except for their weapons of choice... Paradise: a planet where humans are

playthings of the gods. All they have is a thirst for freedom and fables of old gods who sit in judgment. Theirs is a dangerous world, for it is a paleontologist's dream. And so we have a world filled with knights. Knights riding dinosaurs... The Dinosaur Lords Trilogy discounted ebundle includes: Dinosaur Lords, Dinosaur Knights, and Dinosaur Princess "It's like a cross between Jurassic Park and Game of Thrones." --George R. R. Martin At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

"Successfully mixes swords, sorcery, and skullduggery with complex characters. Dumas fans will especially appreciate the faux-French setting. This is pure adventure fun with plenty for epic fantasy readers to enjoy."—Publishers Weekly With the dragons believed dead, the kingdom had no more need for dragonslayers. Drunk, disgraced, and all but forgotten, Guillot has long since left his days of heroism behind him. As forgotten places are disturbed in the quest for power, and things long dormant awaken, the kingdom finds itself in need of a dragonslayer once again, and Guillot is the only one left... "Charming [and] entertaining. Recommended for fans of dragons and medieval settings."—Library Journal The Dragonslayer Trilogy: 1. Dragonslayer 2. Knight of the Silver Circle 3. Servant of the Crown At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Deals with contemporary cultural and community topics with the help of engaging essays Provokes further thought through questions Includes writing activities based on

the essays to help readers write in Spanish as they take a stand on an issue Contains a minimum of two readings in each chapter, each presenting different aspects of a particular debate on topics

“David Anthony Durham has serious chops. I can’t wait to read whatever he writes next.” —George R. R. Martin David Anthony Durham’s gripping Acacia Trilogy continues with an epic novel where loyalties are tested, new worlds are discovered, and battle lines are being drawn. A few years have passed since Queen Corinn has usurped control of the Known World—and she now rules with an iron fist. With plans to expand her empire, she sends her brother, Dariel, on an exploratory mission across the sea to The Other Lands. There, he discovers an alliance of tribes that have no interest in being ruled by Queen Corinn and the Akarans. In fact, Dariel’s arrival ignites a firestorm that once more exposes The Known World to a massive invasion, one unlike anything they have yet faced . . .

His memories only go as far back to his days slaying starved beasts and mad men in a dark pit, but soon after he's sold to a criminal syndicate, Mercer gains a chance to avenge the life he lost. Helping him take advantage of the opportunity is an enchanted longsword he finds deep within a mountain, whose power links to that of an ancient dragon. If Mercer hopes to achieve retribution against his formidable foes, he must become something not seen in centuries—a dragon knight.

Following two families from Pakistan and Iraq in the 1990s to San Francisco in 2016,

The Bad Muslim Discount is an inclusive, comic novel about Muslim immigrants finding their way in modern America. "Masood's novel presents a stereoscopic, three-dimensional view of contemporary Muslim America: the way historical conflict in the Middle East lingers in individual lives, the way gossip travels in a close-knit immigrant community." —The New York Times Book Review It is 1995, and Anvar Faris is a restless, rebellious, and sharp-tongued boy doing his best to grow up in Karachi, Pakistan. As fundamentalism takes root within the social order and the zealots next door attempt to make Islam great again, his family decides, not quite unanimously, to start life over in California. Ironically, Anvar's deeply devout mother and his model-Muslim brother adjust easily to life in America, while his fun-loving father can't find anyone he relates to. For his part, Anvar fully commits to being a bad Muslim. At the same time, thousands of miles away, Safwa, a young girl living in war-torn Baghdad with her grief-stricken, conservative father will find a very different and far more dangerous path to America. When Anvar and Safwa's worlds collide as two remarkable, strong-willed adults, their contradictory, intertwined fates will rock their community, and families, to their core. The Bad Muslim Discount is an irreverent, poignant, and often hysterically funny debut novel by an amazing new voice. With deep insight, warmth, and an irreverent sense of humor, Syed M. Masood examines universal questions of identity, faith (or lack thereof), and belonging through the lens of Muslim Americans. For international operative Gabriel Allon and his wife, Chiara, it was supposed to

be the start of a pleasant weekend in London—but a pair of deadly bombings in Paris and Copenhagen have just occurred, and while walking toward Covent Garden, Gabriel notices a man he believes is about to carry out a third attack. Before Gabriel can draw his weapon, he is knocked to the pavement and can only watch as the nightmare unfolds. Haunted by his failure to stop the massacre of innocents, Gabriel returns to his isolated cottage in Cornwall until a summons brings him to Washington, and he is drawn into a confrontation with the new face of global terror. At the centre of the threat is an American born cleric in Yemen to whom Allah has granted “a beautiful and seductive tongue.” A gifted deceiver, who was once a paid CIA asset, the mastermind is plotting a new wave of attacks. Gabriel and his team devise a daring plan to destroy the network of death from the inside, a gambit fraught with risk, both personal and professional, and to succeed, Gabriel must reach into his violent past. Set against the disparate worlds of art and intelligence, *Portrait of a Spy* is a breathtaking portrait of courage in the face of unspeakable evil.

Alone in a foreign land, Soren must come to terms with loss and a gift that has been as much a burden as a benefit. A long abandoned city may hold the answers he seeks about the Gift of Grace, but a lethal assassin proves that old enemies have not forgotten him. As misfortune pulls him ever farther from an

unsettled score, he finds hope in an unexpected place... The Huntsman's Amulet follows The Tattered Banner and is the second part of the Society of the Sword trilogy.

Break the Code. Shatter the World. Centuries ago, the murder of a beloved king tore apart the Kingdom of Caledun. The land was plunged into chaos and thousands perished in the aftermath. A new order was established in an attempt to return Caledun to its former glory. It failed, but in its place rose the beginnings of the Code. During this same period, the mystical caretakers of the Great Wood retreated from the world of Kal Maran, their disappearance an ominous harbinger of the suffering that was to follow. The Great Wood now grows out of control. Cities, towns, and villages have fallen before the relentless march of the forest. Without the former guardians to keep her tame, the wood has become a place of peril, and dark creatures of legend now hunt beneath its leaves. The summer season is now a time of armed conflict. The fall of the old monarchy has brought about a ceaseless cycle of combat. Grievances are settled by the strict tenets of a binding Mercenary Code and the men who would die to preserve its honour. However, change is in the air. Political rivalries have escalated, and dire rumblings of a revolution abound. Thrust to the forefront of the shattered land's politics, a mercenary fights for more than just riches. In the north, a borderland

soldier wrestles with his own demons and looks to find his true purpose. And in the shadow of the Great Wood, a young man's chance encounter with a strange visitor gives hope to a land divided.

Jessica Jones at her best When Detective Sergeant Jessica Jones is commanded to take a month's leave, she is resentful and frustrated. With a month to kill, she accepts the job of recovering the missing son of a millionaire and a journey to Nigeria that seems on the surface to be perfectly straightforward. It turns out to be anything but, and Jessica finds herself in the middle of a terrifying adventure.

A doctor recounts patient stories from her five-year clinical study of Near-Death Experiences, revealing how this phenomenon is more powerful than we realize Dr. Penny Sartori is a registered nurse who began researching Near-Death Experiences (NDEs) in 1995 after one of her long-term intensive care patients begged her to let him die in peace. Inspired by this encounter, she went on to research NDEs in a PhD program, where she learned profound spiritual lessons and made startling discoveries that she now shares in The Wisdom of Near-Death Experiences. During her academic work, Dr. Sartori studied three samples of ICU patients during a five-year period. Here, she recounts the eye-opening stories of those patients who experienced NDEs and out-of-body experiences

(OBEs). In one group, as many as 18% of patients experienced an NDE—though Patient #10 stood out among the others. After being unresponsive, he awoke to report he had experienced an OBE. He was able to describe what happened in the hospital room while he was unconscious and claimed he met not only his deceased father but a Jesus-like figure. Most shocking of all, he had regained the use of his hand—which had been paralyzed since birth. When talking about the biggest takeaways from her research, Dr. Sartori shares how her findings have made her question the common belief that the brain gives rise to consciousness. Most importantly, she has gained a deeper appreciation for death—an experience she now views with less fear and anxiety. In addition to detailing dozens of case studies, *The Wisdom of Near-Death Experiences* also discusses childhood NDEs, the differences in NDEs among different cultures, and the after-effects of NDEs.

Inspired by the works of J.R.R. Tolkien, Michael Moorcock, Robert E. Howard, and Gary Gygax. *The Tomb of Theragaard* is a fast paced sword and sorcery story with knights, barbarians, a young wizard, a Necromancer, an undead army, a titanic magical construct, and a youth yearning to be a paladin. Tryam dreams about becoming a legendary paladin of old and combating the evil that is falling across Medias like a malevolent shadow. But as a ward of the Church, he is

forced to obey every whim of an overbearing abbot who preaches peace above all else. Dementhus is a wizard of immense power and even greater ambition. To further his ends, he has broken faith with the Wizard Council and has learned the forbidden magic of necromancy. As payment for this knowledge, he must deliver to the Dark God a weapon from the time of the Ancients: an unstoppable artifact known as a Golem.

“Wife School has been life-changing for me to understand that I have the ability to transform my marriage. It is truly life-altering.” ~Kendall Tashie, 50, married 30 years, mother of 6, mentors women and Bible study leader In a private setting, sincere Christian women repeatedly reveal that after only a few years (or even months) of marriage, their Prince Charming has lost his charm. After learning the principles in Wife School, these same women find their marriages revolutionized. Affection and closeness take a quantum leap. This remarkable progress occurs because Wife School teaches women what their husbands want and need at a deep soul level, making the husband outrageously happy. This self-help marriage book is a laugh-out-loud story in which the bratty and abrasive protagonist, Jessica—who thinks her marriage is beyond repair—learns the secrets to grow a satisfying and soul-stirring marriage. Enroll now with Jessica in Wife School, and embark on a journey that will transform your marriage beyond what you can

imagine. “The principles in Wife School have changed my life. The wisdom and guidance have reversed the effect the world had on my marriage. Both my husband and I are truly grateful.” ~Emily Wilson, 33, married 8 years, 2 children, mentors younger women “The principles that I have learned from Wife School have changed my marriage and therefore changed my life in unbelievable ways. I have gone from a good marriage to an exceptional marriage (that almost seemed unattainable and unrealistic). Every wife needs to read this book.” ~Jenny Hendrix, 33, married 7 years, 5 children

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