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*In 1989, Bill Porter, having spent much of his life studying and translating Chinese religious and philosophical texts, began to wonder if the Buddhist hermit tradition still existed in China. At the time, it was believed that the Cultural Revolution had dealt a lethal blow to all religions in China, destroying countless temples and shrines, and forcibly returning thousands of monks and nuns to a lay life. But when Porter travels to the Chungnan mountains — the historical refuge of ancient hermits — he discovers that the hermit tradition is very much alive, as dozens of monks and nuns continue to lead solitary lives in quiet contemplation of their faith deep in the mountains. Part travelogue, part history, part sociology, and part religious study, this record of extraordinary journeys to an unknown China sheds light on a phenomenon unparalleled in the West. Porter's discovery is more than a revelation, and uncovers the glimmer of hope for the future of religion in China. In *The Blues of Heaven*, Barbara Ras delivers her characteristic subjects with new daring that both rattles and beguiles. Here are poems of grief over her brother's death; doors to an idiosyncratic working-class childhood among Polish immigrants; laments for nature and politics out of kilter. Ras portrays the climate crisis, guns out of control, the reckless injustice and ignorance of the United States government. At the same time, her poems nimbly focus on particulars—these facts, these consequences—bringing the wreckage of unfathomable harm home with immediacy and integrity. Though her subjects may be dire, Ras also weaves her wise humor throughout, moving deftly from sardonic to whimsical to create an expansive, ardent, and memorable book. *HEAVEN RIDE* is a techno-thriller about two loyal friends who unlock secrets of the human soul and invent a device that ejects the soul and long-term memory on its path to heaven, and then brings it back. The "Pod" enables them to build *Heaven Ride* into the most lucrative empire the world has ever known, until ruthless rivals embark on a campaign of deceit, treachery and betrayal to wrest it away for their own insidious plan. This quandary of science and morality may change the way you think about heaven and the afterlife ... *FOREVER*. * * * David Brownington, a brilliant entrepreneurial mastermind with a leading business incubator, comes in contact with a mysterious gadget that measures wavelengths never seen before. His close friend, JW Gomez, a third-year Ph.D. candidate, supercedes the boundaries of his doctoral studies using a bio-pod that creates out-of-body experiences. Driven by memories of his little brother who perished in a gruesome accident as a child, JW's extra-curricular studies of sudden*

traumatic death lead to the astonishing discovery of the human soul. When David and JW merge these devices, they stumble upon the highway to heaven. Each of them falls in love as their miraculous invention takes the world by storm. Millions make the trip. As *Heaven Ride* prospers, its repercussions ripple throughout society. Protests, bombs and kidnappings threaten to shut it down, posing risks to David, JW, their friends and families. Long after *Heaven Ride* becomes a household word, startling revelations put David and JW in the crosshairs of dangerous men seeking ultimate power. With *HEAVEN RIDE*, John Eccleston and Kerry Gleason have woven an intense tale of ambition, success, friendship, betrayal, greed and corruption. It's an intricate and interesting tale of mankind's most startling invention, and technology gone awry. From USA Today bestselling author Julianne MacLean comes the next instalment in her popular *Color of Heaven Series*, where people are affected by real life magic—and the occasional miracle that has the power to change everything they once believed about life and love. Recently divorced television reporter Katelyn Roberts has stopped believing in relationships that last forever, until a near-death experience during a cycling accident changes everything. When she miraculously survives unscathed, a long-buried mystery leads her to the quaint, seaside town of Cape Elizabeth, Maine. There, on the rugged, windswept coast of the Atlantic, she finds herself caught up in the secrets of a historic inn that somehow calls to her from the past. Is it possible that the key to her true destiny lies beneath all that she knows, as she explores the grand mansion and property? Or that the great love she's always dreamed of is hidden in the alcoves of its past? "I never know what to say about a Julianne MacLean book, except to say YOU HAVE TO READ IT." - AllRomanceReader.ca

A riveting portrait of a rural Pennsylvania town at the center of the fracking controversy. Shale gas extraction—commonly known as fracking—is often portrayed as an energy revolution that will transform the American economy and geopolitics. But in greater Williamsport, Pennsylvania, fracking is personal. *Up to Heaven and Down to Hell* is a vivid and sometimes heartbreaking account of what happens when one of the most momentous decisions about the well-being of our communities and our planet—whether or not to extract shale gas and oil from the very land beneath our feet—is largely a private choice that millions of ordinary people make without the public's consent. The United States is the only country in the world where property rights commonly extend "up to heaven and down to hell," which means that landowners have the exclusive right to lease their subsurface mineral estates to petroleum companies. Colin Jerolmack spent eight months living with rural communities outside of Williamsport as they confronted the tension between property rights and the commonwealth. In this deeply intimate book, he reveals how the decision to lease brings financial rewards but can also cause irreparable harm to neighbors, to communal resources like air and water, and even to oneself. *Up to Heaven and Down to Hell* casts America's ideas about freedom and property rights in a troubling new light, revealing how your personal choices can undermine your neighbors' liberty, and how the exercise of individual rights can bring unintended environmental consequences for us all. In *Bowl of Heaven*, the first collaboration by science fiction masters Larry Niven (*Ringworld*) and Gregory Benford (*Timescape*), the limits of wonder are redrawn once again as a human expedition to another star system is jeopardized by an encounter with an astonishingly immense artifact in interstellar space: a bowl-shaped structure half-englobing a star, with a habitable area equivalent to many millions of Earths...and it's on a direct path heading for the same system as the human ship. A landing party is sent to investigate the Bowl, but when the explorers are separated—one group captured by the gigantic structure's alien inhabitants, the other pursued across its strange and dangerous landscape—the mystery of the Bowl's origins and purpose propel the human voyagers toward discoveries that will transform their understanding of their

place in the universe. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. Millions of Christians have struggled with how to reconcile God's love and God's judgment: Has God created billions of people over thousands of years only to select a few to go to heaven and everyone else to suffer forever in hell? Is this acceptable to God? How is this "good news"? Troubling questions—so troubling that many have lost their faith because of them. Others only whisper the questions to themselves, fearing or being taught that they might lose their faith and their church if they ask them out loud. But what if these questions trouble us for good reason? What if the story of heaven and hell we have been taught is not, in fact, what the Bible teaches? What if what Jesus meant by heaven, hell, and salvation are very different from how we have come to understand them? What if it is God who wants us to face these questions? Author, pastor, and innovative teacher Rob Bell presents a deeply biblical vision for rediscovering a richer, grander, truer, and more spiritually satisfying way of understanding heaven, hell, God, Jesus, salvation, and repentance. The result is the discovery that the "good news" is much, much better than we ever imagined. Love wins. In a philosophical novel, two friends—a cynical, cerebral, blueblood obsessed by the future, and a hedonistic astronomer haunted by the past—are caught up in an angelic emissary's plan to clone one crucial person by the year 2000 Bestselling and award-winning author Lee Strobel interviews experts about the evidence for the afterlife and offers credible answers to the most provocative questions about what happens when we die, near-death experiences, heaven, and hell. We all want to know what awaits us on the other side of death, but is there any reliable evidence that there is life after death? Investigative author Lee Strobel offers a lively and compelling study into one of the most provocative topics of our day. Through fascinating conversations with respected scholars and experts—a neuroscientist from Cambridge University, a researcher who analyzed a thousand accounts of near-death experiences, and an atheist-turned-Christian-philosopher—Strobel offers compelling reasons for why death is not the end of our existence but a transition to an exciting world to come. Looking at biblical accounts, Strobel unfolds what awaits us after we take our last breath and answers questions like: Is there an afterlife? What is heaven like? How will we spend our time there? And what does it mean to see God face to face? With a balanced approach, Strobel examines the alternative of Hell and the logic of damnation, and gives a careful look at reincarnation, universalism, the exclusivity claims of Christ, and other issues related to the topic of life after death. With vulnerability, Strobel shares the experience of how he nearly died years ago and how the reality of death can shape our lives and faith. Follow Strobel on this journey of discovery of the entirely credible, believable, and exhilarating life to come. This is a definitive collection of Christopher Marlowe's plays. His seven plays dramatize the fatal lure of potent forces, religious, occult and erotic. In the victories of Tamburlaine, Faustus's encounters with the demonic, the irreverence of Barabas and the humiliation of Edward, Marlowe explores the shifting balance between power and helplessness, the sacred and its desecration. #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Michelina Bellsong is on a mission. She is following a missing family to the edge of America . . . to a place she never knew existed—a place of terror, wonder, and shattering revelation. What awaits her there will change her life and the life of everyone she knows—if she can find the key to survival. At stake are a young girl of extraordinary goodness, a young boy with killers on his trail, and Micky's own wounded soul. Ahead lie incredible peril, startling discoveries, and paths that lead through terrible darkness to unexpected light. Coretta Scott King Award-winning author Angela Johnson writes a poignant young adult novel of deception, self-discovery, and knowing what to do when truth is at hand. You never know what's gonna come down—in Heaven. At fourteen, Marley knows she has Momma's hands

and Pops's love for ice cream, that her brother doesn't get on her nerves too much, and that Uncle Jack is a big mystery. But Marley doesn't know all she thinks she does, because she doesn't know the truth. And when the truth comes down with the rain one stormy summer afternoon, it changes everything. It turns Momma and Pops into liars. It makes her brother a stranger and Uncle Jack an even bigger mystery. All of a sudden, Marley doesn't know who she is anymore and can only turn to the family she no longer trusts to find out. Truth often brings change. Sometimes that change is for the good. Sometimes it isn't. It is now possible for anyone in a deeply relaxed state to visit Heaven. This new technique has been used successfully for over 50,000 people so far by the Newton Institute. You have a God Switch within yourself that allows you to do this. Follow Regan on his life's Journey that led up to his miraculous Life Between Lives session. In Heaven he met and communicated with teachers, guides, loved ones and he got answers to many of his questions and advice for completing his life's mission. The certified Newton Institute facilitators are scattered around the globe so you can find one and take the journey to Heaven too. The 20th century has been the century of unparalleled scientific advances fuelled primarily by discoveries made by physicists. The century also represents the life span of the American Physical Society, not coincidentally, and to celebrate both its own centennial and this remarkable century, the APS has prepared this book highlighting the seminal discoveries of the 20th century, with invited articles by the world's most eminent living physicists, including 12 physics Nobel Prize winners. Some 40 chapters cover a broad range of topics in physics written in an engaging and personal style. While the technical level is high, these are not review articles, but rather perspectives on discoveries written by those scientists most closely associated with the original work, as well as future directions of research. Christ knew that the splendor of heaven is too great for us to bear just now, and so he used parables as clues to the mystery of paradise. In them are hints of heaven, and they offer profound spiritual advice meant to guide us on the road to eternal glory. In our age, Christ's Parables are often reduced to exercises in moralism. In these pages, Fr. George Rutler - acclaimed author and EWTN television host - unveils these deceptively simple stories, showing you their hidden meanings and how they apply to our own age and way of life. Let Fr. Rutler take you on an enriching tour of Scripture's 24 parables as you learn: Tares in the Field of the Lord: Why it's necessary that scandals beset the Church - and how it brings about a stronger harvest. The Mustard Seed: Why it gave hope to the early Church and prefigures her glorious future. The Yeast: How God speaks in a gentle and inward voice which melts the soul, and how you could be drowning Him out. The Hidden Treasure: Are you responding properly to the unique gifts Christ has given you? The Net: Many will be sifted out. How to be sure you're among the souls He keeps. The Unmerciful Servant: Not only must you forgive, you must convert the offender. Are you a channel for God's grace? Laborers in the Vineyard: Are you letting selfishness and pride get in the way of the salvation of your neighbor's soul? The Two Sons: The dangers of agnosticism. Are you guilty? You may be astonished at the answer. The Marriage of the King's Son: Why frequent reception of the sacraments is necessary for dwelling at the wedding feast. The Ten Virgins: There's a difference between watching and being prepared for Christ's return. Are you ready? The Ten Talents: God has given you a special gift. Do you know what it is, and how you should use it? The Two Debtors: How to know if you are going "through the motions" without Christ's love. The Good Samaritan: Do you know the most overlooked element of this parable? It may surprise you. The Rich Fool: Our capacity for self-deception is limitless. Learn the only way to be truly know yourself. The Barren Fig Tree: Time is running out, and we have one last chance to cultivate virtue. Will you bear fruit in time? The Great Supper: There's room for all in the heavenly banquet, but not all

will find room. Are you making excuses that lead you into isolation? *The Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin*: Do you judge others, or do you receive them as Christ did? Why your approach to lost sheep could cost you your soul. *The Prodigal Son*: Learn how this famous parable explains why God created mankind and chose to give Himself to us. *The Unjust Steward*: The world is filled with evildoers. Are you mirroring the light of Christ? *The Rich Man and Lazarus*: Learn the evils of self-sufficiency, and the dangers of taking gifts for granted. *The Unjust Judge*: Why you must persevere in prayer despite your continued sins. *The Pharisee and the Publican*: Why even though you may not commit great sins, your failure to put faith into action could ruin your soul. Shares an account of his religiously transformative near-death experience and revealing week-long coma, describing his scientific study of near-death phenomena while explaining what he learned about the nature of human consciousness. Andrew Hood, Award-winning Australian writer has released a breakout novel to rave reviews and hunger for the next book... *The book follows the death of a man, Isaac McGlynn, who gets to see his life flashed before his eyes as he crosses from this life, to the next. This transition provides him with a unique perspective on his life and shows him the true nature of those that he had cared for in his time. He sees that the lives of those loved are falling apart without him and he needs to make the ultimate deal with Heaven to save them. 'It all started for me when I was driving home and someone on the radio said, 'When you die, you can't take anything with you' and it left me asking 'why not' and 'what if I could? And what would I want to take with me?' explains author, Andrew Hood. When asked what the book was about, he'd reply, 'Perspective. It is all about perspective. I invite my readers to consider the perspective they have in their own lives and question if they are seeing everything the way they should. Do they consider themselves a victim in life, or are they lucky with the opportunities they have? Sometimes it is all a matter of perspective.'* 'There is no going back for me now,' he said. The sequel to *The Man Who Corrupted Heaven* will be called *The Man Who Settled the Score* and it is due for release 2021 by Shawline Publishing Group Australia. Science shamelessly steals from God's creation, yet refuses to give God the glory! How the glow of a cat's eyes innovates road reflectors The naturally sticky inspirations for Velcro and barbed wire A fly's ear, the lizard's foot, the moth's eye, and other natural examples are inspiring improvements and new technologies in our lives Engineers and inventors have long examined God's creation to understand and copy complex, proven mechanics of design in the science known as biomimicry. Much of this inspiration is increasingly drawn from amazing aspects of nature, including insects to plants to man in search of wisdom and insight. We are surrounded daily by scientific advancements that have become everyday items, simply because man is copying from God's incredible creation, without acknowledging the Creator. Find out why readers everywhere are clamoring for the next instalment of this thrilling, inspiring series. Audrey Fitzgerald believed she was married to the perfect man - a heroic firefighter who saved lives, even beyond his own death. But a year later she meets a mysterious woman who has some unexplained connection to her husband.... Soon Audrey discovers that her husband was keeping secrets, and she is compelled to dig into his past. Little does she know...this journey of self-discovery will lead her down a new path to the future - a future she never dared to imagine. "Julianne MacLean knows what her audience likes...compelling characters and a soul-baring journey of love." - Reader to Reader While each novel in the series can be read as a standalone, there are many more books to love in this series. Book One: *THE COLOR OF HEAVEN* Book Two: *THE COLOR OF DESTINY* Book Three: *THE COLOR OF HOPE* Book Four: *THE COLOR OF A DREAM* Book Five: *THE COLOR OF A MEMORY* Book Six: *THE COLOR OF LOVE* Book Seven: *THE COLOR OF THE SEASON* Book Eight: *THE COLOR OF JOY* Book Nine: *THE COLOR OF TIME* To

Earth From Heaven is a companion book of "Eminent Discovery Volumes 1 and 2 - Living within and beyond the five senses." Both books convey an amazing personal story about the last half of the Twentieth Century, which mysteriously provided intense global UFO activity that involved many people. This is a story of intrigue and wonder that is told very sincerely by the experiencer. It is a saga/report of one man's authentic encounters that occurred from near his birth to age 48...in 1986, when he and the so-called Ets had a "parting of the ways." While *Eminent Discovery* reveals what happened and how it happened in some detail, *To Earth From Heaven* leads you into the depths of probable and possible meaning. It is suggested that you read *Eminent Discovery Volumes 1 and 2* first. John's story is substantiated by witnesses and many supporting facts and coincidental happenings. This includes very unusual historic occurrences and similar encounters experienced by others. His story also is supported by many respected professional researchers who have tested him and consulted with him personally. Reading both books can provide you insight into some of the important mysteries of life...science, religion and history...among many other things. Please join us on this astonishing real life adventure. It will surely change your perception of human reality on Earth since the beginning of time. John's story is compatible with The Bible and a variety of historical writings. For further information see: www.johnfosterufos.com and www.johnfosterart.com. Internationally renowned essayist and cultural commentator Ilan Stavans spent five years traveling from across a dozen countries in Latin America, in search of what defines the Jewish communities in the region, whose roots date back to Christopher Columbus's arrival. In the tradition of V.S. Naipaul's explorations of India, the Caribbean, and the Arab World, he came back with an extraordinarily vivid travelogue. Stavans talks to families of the *desaparecidos* in Buenos Aires, to "Indian Jews," and to people affiliated with neo-Nazi groups in Patagonia. He also visits Spain to understand the long-term effects of the Inquisition, the American Southwest habitat of "secret Jews," and Israel, where immigrants from Latin America have reshaped the Jewish state. Along the way, he looks for the proverbial "seventh heaven," which, according to the Talmud, out of proximity with the divine, the meaning of life in general, and Jewish life in particular, becomes clearer. *The Seventh Heaven* is a masterful work in Stavans's ongoing quest to find a convergence between the personal and the historical. A bracing meditation on the nature of evil and a moving evocation of the human heart, *Siegfried* is one of Harry Mulisch's most powerful novels. After a reading of his work, renowned Dutch author Rudolf Herter, who had recently commented in a television interview that it may be only through fiction that the uniquely evil figure of Adolf Hitler can be truly comprehended, is approached by an elderly couple. The pair reveal that as domestic servants in Hitler's Bavarian retreat in the waning years of the war, they were witness to the jealously guarded birth of *Siegfried*—the son of Hitler and Eva Braun. For more than fifty years they have kept silent about the child they once raised as their own. Only now and only to Herter are they willing to reveal their astonishing story. Newbery Honor-winning, *New York Times*-bestselling, and as full of fun and adventure as it is of deeper family issues. School's out for summer, and Penny and her cousin Frankie have big plans to eat lots of butter pecan ice cream, swim at the local pool, and cheer on their favorite baseball team—the Brooklyn Dodgers! But sometimes things don't go according to plan. Penny's mom doesn't want her to swim because she's afraid Penny will get polio. Frankie is constantly getting into trouble, and Penny feels caught between the two sides of her family. But even if the summer doesn't exactly start as planned . . . things can work out in the most unexpected ways! Set just after World War II, this thought-provoking novel also highlights the prejudice Penny's Italian American family must confront because people of Italian descent were "the enemy" not long ago. Inspired by three-time

Newbery Honor winner Jennifer Holm's own Italian American family, *Penny from Heaven* is a story about families—about the things that tear them apart and the things that bring them back together. Includes an author's note with photographs and background on World War II, internment camps, and 1950s America, as well as additional resources and websites. Booklist: "Holm impressively wraps pathos with comedy in this coming-of-age story, populated by a cast of vivid characters." Details the parallel relationship between the brightest stars in the sky, the world's largest ancient monuments, and the highest mountain peaks on Earth. This is the story of the miners and the union they wanted, of the people who loved them and the people who wanted to kill their dreams. Annadel, West Virginia, was a small town rich in coal, farms, and close-knit families, all destroyed when the coal company came in. It stole everything it hadn't bothered to buy—land deeds, private homes, and ultimately, the souls of its men and women. Four people tell this powerful, deeply moving tale: Activist Mayor C. J. Marcum. Fierce, loveless union man Rondal Lloyd. Gutsy nurse Carrie Bishop, who loved Rondal. And lonely, Sicilian immigrant Rosa Angelelli, who lost four sons to the deadly mines. They all bear witness to nearly forgotten events of history, culminating in the final, tragic Battle of Blair Mountain—when the United States Army greeted ten thousand unemployed pro-union miners with airplanes, bombs, and poison gas. It was the first crucial battle of a war that has yet to be won. This book is about much more than autism, loss, or decades of unimaginable trauma. It is the story of a mom who decided to give up on suffering and learn to believe in miracles and the goodness of God when there was no identifiable reason to do so. The reward was greater than she could have imagined. After over two decades of being trapped in his body, her son began to communicate. He shared in great detail the misconceptions about his intelligence and lack of ability to control his motor. But that was only part of it. His incredible brain was actually taking in the entire physical and metaphysical world. He could see, hear, smell, and feel the spiritual world. He describes in detail the glory of God and the wonder of heaven and the battle that wages all around us. His mission from God was simple, to be His herald and tell the world who He is and how He is love, and how much He longs for us to believe in Him. A young Korean girl and her family find it difficult to learn English and adjust to life in America. Since earliest times, humanity has pondered the incomprehensible mysteries of the universe, life...and the afterlife. In *The Stairway to Heaven*, the second book of Zecharia Sitchin's *Earth Chronicles* series, the author answers these fundamental questions: Was there somewhere on Earth where, after death, mortal man could join the immortal Gods? Where was this place? By whom was it established? And does it still exist today? After years of painstaking research--combining recent archaeological discoveries with ancient texts and artifacts--Sitchin has identified the legendary Land of the Gods, and provided astounding new revelations about the Great Pyramids, the Sphinx, and other mysterious monuments whose true meanings and purposes have been lost for eons. The *Earth Chronicles* deal with the history and prehistory of Earth and humankind. Each book in the series is based upon information written on clay tablets by the ancient civilizations of the Near East. For the first time, the entire *Earth Chronicles* series is now available in a hardcover collector's edition. *The Discovery of Heaven*, Harry Mulisch's magnum opus, is a rich mosaic of twentieth-century trauma in which many themes—friendship, loyalty, family, art, technology, religion, fate, good, and evil—suffuse a suspenseful and resplendent narrative. The story begins with the meeting of Onno and Max, two complicated individuals whom fate has mysteriously and magically brought together. They share responsibility for the birth of a remarkable and radiant boy who embarks on a mandated quest that takes the reader all over Europe and to the land where all such quests begin and end. Abounding in philosophical, psychological and theological

inquiries, yet laced with humor that is as infectious as it is willful, *The Discovery of Heaven* lingers in the mind long after it has been read. It not only tells an accessible story, but also convinces one that it just might be possible to bring order into the chaos of the world through a story. A child angel discovers that the special purpose of children in Heaven is to care for pets until they are reunited with their human companions. Twelve lessons focus on important teachings of the Catholic faith, including our relationship with God, the consequences of sin, and events in the life of Jesus. An illuminating look at the surprising history and science of astrology, civilization's first system of algorithms, from Babylon to the present day. Humans are pattern-matching creatures, and astrology is the universe's grandest pattern-matching game. In this refreshing work of history and analysis, data scientist Alexander Boxer examines classical texts on astrology to expose its underlying scientific and mathematical framework. Astrology, he argues, was the ancient world's most ambitious applied mathematics problem, a monumental data-analysis enterprise sustained by some of history's most brilliant minds, from Ptolemy to al-Kindi to Kepler. Thousands of years ago, astrologers became the first to stumble upon the powerful storytelling possibilities inherent in numerical data. To correlate the configurations of the cosmos with our day-to-day lives, astrologers relied upon a "scheme of heaven," or horoscope, showing the precise configuration of the planets at a particular instant in time as viewed from a particular place on Earth. Although recognized as pseudoscience today, horoscopes were once considered a cutting-edge scientific tool. Boxer teaches us how to read these esoteric charts—and appreciate the complex astronomical calculations needed to generate them—by diagramming how the heavens appeared at important moments in astrology's history, from the assassination of Julius Caesar as viewed from Rome to the Apollo 11 lunar landing as seen from the surface of the Moon. He then puts these horoscopes to the test using modern data sets and statistical science, arguing that today's data scientists do work similar to astrologers of yore. By looking back at the algorithms of ancient astrology, he suggests, we can better recognize the patterns that are timeless characteristics of our own pattern-matching tendencies. At once critical, rigorous, and far ranging, *A Scheme of Heaven* recontextualizes astrology as a vast, technological project—spanning continents and centuries—that foreshadowed our data-driven world today. 'One of the most entertaining and profound philosophical novels ever written' *Washington Post* On a cold night in Holland two men meet and change each other's lives forever. Max Delius - a hedonistic, yet brilliant astronomer who loves fast cars, nice clothes and beautiful women - picks up Onno Quist, a cerebral chaotic philologist who cannot bear the ordinariness of everyday life. Despite their differences, they fast become great friends. And when they learn they were conceived on the same day, it is clear that their meeting is no coincidence. As the pair fall into and out of love with the same woman - Ada - so their lives become further intertwined. For all three are on a mysterious journey destined to shape human history. *The Discovery of Heaven* is internationally recognized as a masterpiece. Rich in philosophical, psychological, historical and theological enquiry, it is an extravagant, bold and satisfying novel of ideas. 'Sparkling, irresistible . . . you'll learn a lot from this novel' *The Times* 'Anyone who reads *The Discovery of Heaven* will come away enlightened, challenged and entertained' *Wall Street Journal* 'Written carefully and ingeniously by a novelist who is also a poet' *John Updike, New Yorker* Timeless, beautiful, and haunting, spirals connect the four episodes of *The Ghosts of Heaven*, the mesmerizing new novel from Printz Award winner Marcus Sedgwick. They are there in prehistory, when a girl picks up a charred stick and makes the first written signs; there tens of centuries later, hiding in the treacherous waters of Golden Beck that take Anna, who people call a witch; there in the halls of a Long Island hospital at the beginning of the 20th century, where a

mad poet watches the oceans and knows the horrors it hides; and there in the far future, as an astronaut faces his destiny on the first spaceship sent from earth to colonize another world. Each of the characters in these mysterious linked stories embarks on a journey of discovery and survival; carried forward through the spiral of time, none will return to the same place. This title has Common Core connections. On a normal day in provincial China, a teenager goes about his regular business, but he's also planning the brutal murder of his only friend. He lures her over, strangles her, stuffs her body into the washing machine and flees town, whereupon a perilous game of cat-and-mouse begins. A shocking investigation into the despair that traps the rural poor as well as a technically brilliant excursion into the claustrophobic realm of classic horror and suspense, A Perfect Crime is a thrilling and stylish novel about a motiveless murder that echoes Kafka's absurdism, Camus' nihilism and Dostoyevsky's depravity. With exceptional tonal control, A Yi steadily reveals the psychological backstory that enables us to make sense of the story's dramatic violence and provides chillingly apt insights into a country on the cusp of enormous social, political and economic change.

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