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A New York Times bestselling author offers a brilliant reinvention of one of the best-known fairy tales of all time with Snow White as a gunslinger in the mythical Wild West. Forget the dark, enchanted forest. Picture instead a masterfully evoked Old West where you are more likely to find coyotes as the seven dwarves. Insert into this scene a plain-spoken, appealing narrator who relates the history of our heroine ' s parents—a Nevada silver baron who forced the Crow people to give up one of their most beautiful daughters, Gun That Sings, in

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marriage to him. Although her mother ' s life ended as hers began, so begins a remarkable tale: equal parts heartbreak and strength. This girl has been born into a world with no place for a half-native, half-white child. After being hidden for years, a very wicked stepmother finally gifts her with the name Snow White, referring to the pale skin she will never have. Filled with fascinating glimpses through the fabled looking glass and a close-up look at hard living in the gritty gun-slinging West, this is an utterly enchanting story...at once familiar and entirely new.

Discover the fantasy novels that have earned raves from George R. R. Martin and Maze Runner author James Dashner, won a Locus Award

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and an Alex Award, and claimed best-of-the-year honors in Time, The Washington Post, and BuzzFeed. From a crippled slave whose appearance belies his dangerous ambitions, to “ a girl who makes Katniss Everdeen look like Dorothy ” (Chicago Tribune), an unforgettable cast of characters populate this addictive series, now together in one epic ebook bundle: **HALF A KING HALF THE WORLD HALF A WAR** Prince Yarvi has vowed to regain a throne he never wanted. But first he must survive cruelty, chains, and the bitter waters of the Shattered Sea. And he must do it all with only one good hand. Born a weakling in the eyes of his father, Yarvi is alone in a world where a strong arm and a cold heart rule. He cannot grip a

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shield or swing an axe, so he must sharpen his mind to a deadly edge. Gathering a strange fellowship of the outcast and the lost, he finds they can do more to help him become the man he needs to be than any court of nobles could. But even with loyal friends at his side, Yarvi learns that his path may end as it began—in twists, and traps, and tragedy. Praise for the Shattered Sea series “ The Shattered Seas trilogy has worked its way into a very exclusive group of my favorite fantasy novels of all time. The pacing is perfect, the characters deep and true and real, the world rich and authentic, the plot full of twists and turns. Perhaps my favorite part is that no one is purely good or evil: Each and every character has layers upon layers that are a joy to

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discover. I tore through all three books and truly hope that someday Joe Abercrombie returns to this magnificent, captivating world. ” —James Dashner, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Maze Runner* “ A fast-paced tale of betrayal and revenge that grabbed me from page 1 and refused to let go. ” —George R. R. Martin, on *Half a King* “ Abercrombie ’ s *Shattered Sea* is a fantastic yet believable backdrop to Yarvi ’ s struggle, a vivid imaginary land. ” —The Seattle Times, on *Half a King* “ An excellent page-turner . . . full of drama and energy. ” —New York Daily News, on *Half the World* “ Compelling . . . [Thorn] makes Katniss Everdeen look like Dorothy. ” —Chicago Tribune, on

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Half the World “ A fantasy for all ages, and all times, [that] rends the soul as compulsively as anything Abercrombie has written to date . . . Half a War is a success in every way, putting a stupendous capstone on the entire Shattered Sea Trilogy. ” —Tordotcom

“ Abercrombie piles on shocking betrayals and charges his characters a high price for vengeance in this powerful and fitting final volume. ” —Publishers Weekly, on Half a War

This discounted ebundle includes: Mistborn: The Final Empire, The Well of Ascension, The Hero of Ages From #1 New York Times bestselling author Brandon Sanderson, the Mistborn trilogy is a heist story of political intrigue and magical, martial-arts

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action. For a thousand years the ash fell and no flowers bloomed. For a thousand years the Skaa slaved in misery and lived in fear. For a thousand years the Lord Ruler, the "Sliver of Infinity," reigned with absolute power and ultimate terror, divinely invincible. This saga dares to ask a simple question: What if the hero of prophecy fails? *Mistborn: The Final Empire* — Kelsier, a brilliant thief has turned his talents to the ultimate caper, with the Lord Ruler as the mark. Kel's plan is the ultimate long shot, until luck brings a ragged girl named Vin into the fold. But she will have to learn to trust if she is to master powers of which she never dreamed. *The Well of Ascension* — Evil has been defeated; the war has just begun. Vin, the street urchin who

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has become the most powerful Mistborn in the land, and Elend Venture, the idealistic young nobleman who loves her, must build a healthy new society in the ashes of an empire. The Hero of Ages — The Deepness has returned, along with unusually heavy ashfalls and powerful earthquakes. Humanity appears to be doomed. Vin and Elend investigate the past to save the future, and in the end, sacrifices must be made. Other Tor books by Brandon Sanderson The Cosmere The Stormlight Archive The Way of Kings Words of Radiance Edgedancer (Novella) Oathbringer The Mistborn trilogy Mistborn: The Final Empire The Well of Ascension The Hero of Ages Mistborn: The Wax and Wayne series Alloy of Law Shadows of

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'Joe Abercrombie is doing some terrific
work' George R. R. Martin, author of
GAME OF THRONES. They burned
her home. They stole her brother and
sister. But vengeance is following. Shy
South hoped to bury her bloody past

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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 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. Their journey will take them across the barren plains to a frontier town gripped by gold fever, through feud, duel and massacre, high into the unmapped mountains to a reckoning with the Ghosts. Even worse, it will force them into alliance with Nicomo Cosca, infamous soldier of fortune, and his feckless lawyer Temple, two men no one should ever have to trust... The

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past never stays buried...

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

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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.

Abomination

The Soul Smith

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A Novel

The Wisdom of Crowds

Prince of Thorns

The Blade Itself

Fate: Is it written in the stars from the moment we are born? Or is it a bendable thing that we can shape with our own hands? Jepp of Astraveld needs to know. He left his countryside home on the empty promise of a stranger, only to become a captive in a luxurious prison: Coudenberg Palace, the royal court of the Spanish Infanta. Nobody warned Jepp that as a court dwarf, daily

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injustices would become his seemingly unshakable fate. If the humiliations were his alone, perhaps he could endure them; but it breaks Jepp's heart to see his friend Lia suffer. After Jepp and Lia attempt a daring escape from the palace, Jepp is imprisoned again, alone in a cage. Now, spirited across Europe in a kidnapper's carriage, Jepp fears where his unfortunate stars may lead him. But he can't even begin to imagine the brilliant and eccentric new master—a man devoted to uncovering the secrets

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of the stars—who awaits him. Or the girl who will help him mend his heart and unearth the long-buried secrets of his past. Masterfully written, grippingly paced, and inspired by real historical characters, Jepp, Who Defied the Stars is the tale of an extraordinary hero and his inspiring quest to become the master of his own destiny. "This highly unusual story about a highly unusual hero will also feel like your story. Few of us are imprisoned dwarfs, but all of us want

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to guide our own lives."
-- Jonathan Safran Foer,
New York Times best-
selling author of
Extremely Loud and
Incredibly Close "Rich,
absorbing storytelling-a
terrific read in every
way." -- Nancy Werlin,
National Book Award
Finalist and author of
Impossible "Delightful
characters, unique
setting, and lovely prose.
This is historical fiction
at its best!" -- Ruta
Sepetys, New York Times
best-selling author of
Between Shades of Gray New
York Times Notable

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Children's Books of 2012
The Wall Street Journal
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Sharp Ends is the ultimate collection of award winning tales and exclusive new short stories from the master of grimdark fantasy, Joe Abercrombie. Violence explodes, treachery abounds, and the words are as deadly as the weapons in this rogue's gallery of side-shows, back-stories, and sharp endings from the world of the First Law. The Union army may be full of bastards, but there's

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only one who thinks he can save the day single-handed when the Gurkish come calling: the incomparable Colonel Sand dan Glokta. Curnden Craw and his dozen are out to recover a mysterious item from beyond the Crinna. Only one small problem: no one seems to know what the item is. Shevedieh, the self-styled best thief in Styria, lurches from disaster to catastrophe alongside her best friend and greatest enemy, Javre, Lioness of Hoskopp. And after years of bloodshed, the idealistic chieftain

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Bethod is desperate to bring peace to the North. There's only one obstacle left -- his own lunatic champion, the most feared man in the North: the Bloody-Nine . . .

Concluding the AGE OF MADNESS trilogy, THE WISDOM OF CROWDS brings the series which is revolutionising fantasy to its stunning conclusion. .
.Chaos. Fury.

Destruction. The Great Change is upon us . .

.Some say that to change the world you must first burn it down. Now that belief will be tested in

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the crucible of
revolution: the Breakers
and Burners have seized
the levers of power, the
smoke of riots has
replaced the smog of
industry, and all must
submit to the wisdom of
crowds. With nothing left
to lose, Citizen Brock is
determined to become a new
hero for the new age,
while Citizeness Savine
must turn her talents from
profit to survival before
she can claw her way to
redemption. Orso will find
that when the world is
turned upside down, no one
is lower than a monarch.

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And in the bloody North,
Rikke and her fragile
Protectorate are running
out of allies . . . while
Black Calder gathers his
forces and plots his
vengeance. The banks have
fallen, the sun of the
Union has been torn down,
and in the darkness behind
the scenes, the threads of
the Weaver's ruthless plan
are slowly being drawn
together . . . Joe
Abercrombie is doing some
terrific work - George R.
R. Martin' No one writes
with the seismic scope or
primal intensity of Joe
Abercrombie' Pierce

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Brown'Delightfully twisted
and evil' The
Guardian'Witty, Bloody and
fun' Nicholas Eames'A
vivid and jolting tale'
Robin Hobb

This report examines the
links between inequality
and other major global
trends (or megatrends),
with a focus on
technological change,
climate change,
urbanization and
international migration.
The analysis pays
particular attention to
poverty and labour market
trends, as they mediate
the distributional impacts

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of the major trends selected. It also provides policy recommendations to manage these megatrends in an equitable manner and considers the policy implications, so as to reduce inequalities and support their implementation.

The professional wrestler shares his life story, career highlights, and experiences growing up in a wrestling family.

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The New Voices of Science
Fiction

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Half a King, Half the
World, Half a War
Buffalo Bird Girl

Best Served Cold, The
Heroes and Red Country

*The second novel in the
wildly popular First Law
Trilogy from New York Times
bestseller Joe Abercrombie.*

*Superior Glokta has a
problem. How do you defend
a city surrounded by
enemies and riddled with
traitors, when your allies can
by no means be trusted, and
your predecessor vanished
without a trace? It's enough
to make a torturer want to*

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run -- if he could even walk without a stick. Northmen have spilled over the border of England and are spreading fire and death across the frozen country. Crown Prince Ladisla is poised to drive them back and win undying glory. There is only one problem -- he commands the worst-armed, worst-trained, worst-led army in the world. And Bayaz, the First of the Magi, is leading a party of bold adventurers on a perilous mission through the ruins of the past. The most hated woman in the South, the

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most feared man in the North, and the most selfish boy in the Union make a strange alliance, but a deadly one. They might even stand a chance of saving mankind from the Eaters -- if they didn't hate each other quite so much. Ancient secrets will be uncovered. Bloody battles will be won and lost. Bitter enemies will be forgiven -- but not before they are hanged. First Law Trilogy The Blade Itself Before They Are Hanged Last Argument of Kings For more from Joe Abercrombie, check out: Novels in the First Law

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Heroes Red Country
“[A] riveting blend of
historical thriller and
scientific speculation, which
never loses its core of
humanity.”—James Rollins,
#1 New York Times
bestselling author, on A
History of What Comes Next
The First Rule is the most
important: Always run, never
fight. For generations, Mia’s
family has shaped human
history to push them to the
stars. The year is 1968 and
she is on the cusp of destiny,
poised to launch the first
humans into space. But she*

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cannot take them to the stars, not quite yet. Her adversary is at her heels, the future of the planet at stake, and obeying the First Rule is no longer an option. For the first time in one-hundred generations, Mia's family will have to choose to stand their ground, risking not only their bloodline, but the future of the human race. A darkly satirical thriller, as seen through the eyes of the women who sacrifice all to make progress possible and the men who are determined to stop them. Always run, never fight. Preserve the

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knowledge. Survive at all cost. Take them to the stars. "An exciting science fiction thriller that will in turn inform and surprise readers."
—*Library Journal*, starred review Also Available by Sylvain Neuvel: *Take Them to the Stars series 1. A History of What Comes Next The Test* At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The final novel in the First Law Trilogy by New York Times bestseller Joe Abercrombie. Logen

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Ninefingers might only have one more fight in him -- but it's going to be a big one. Battle rages across the North, the king of the Northmen still stands firm, and there's only one man who can stop him. His oldest friend, and his oldest enemy: it's time for the Bloody-Nine to come home. With too many masters and too little time, Superior Glokta is fighting a different kind of war. A secret struggle in which no one is safe, and no one can be trusted. As his days with a sword are far behind him, it's fortunate

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that he's deadly with his remaining weapons: blackmail, threats, and torture. Jezal dan Luthar has decided that winning glory is too painful an undertaking and turned his back on soldiering for a simple life with the woman he loves. But love can be painful too -- and glory has a nasty habit of creeping up on a man when he least expects it. The king of the Union lies on his deathbed, the peasants revolt, and the nobles scramble to steal his crown. No one believes that the shadow of war is about to fall

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across the heart of the Union. Only the First of the Magi can save the world, but there are risks. There is no risk more terrible, than to break the First Law. . . . An Arab-American college student struggles to live with epilepsy in this starkly colored and deeply-cutting graphic novel. Isaac wants nothing more than to be a functional college student—but managing his epilepsy is an exhausting battle to survive. He attempts to maintain a balancing act between his seizure triggers and his day-

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to-day schedule, but he finds that nothing—not even his medication—seems to work. The doctors won't listen, the schoolwork keeps piling up, his family is in denial about his condition, and his social life falls apart as he feels more and more isolated by his illness. Even with an unexpected new friend by his side, so much is up against him that Isaac is starting to think his epilepsy might be unbeatable. Based on the author's own experiences as an epileptic, Mis(h)adra is a boldly visual depiction of the daily

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*struggles of living with a
misunderstood condition in
today's hectic and
uninformed world.*

*'A fast-paced tale of betrayal
and revenge that grabbed
me from page one and
refused to let go' GEORGE
R.R. MARTIN Read the first
seven chapters of Joe
Abercrombie's fantastic new
book!*

*Until the Last of Me
Monstrous Little Voices
The Collected Joe
Abercrombie*

*The Final Empire, The Well of
Ascension, The Hero of Ages
Stories from the World of the*

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First Law

The Great Leveller

For fans of Lucy Foley and Liane Moriarty, a twisty, escapist suspense about a mysterious retreat center harboring violent secrets. A perfect paradise? Or a perfect nightmare? On a river deep in the Mexican jungle stands the colossal villa Xanadu, a wellness center that's home an ardent spiritual group devoted to self-help guru Paul Bentzen and his enigmatic wife Kali. But when Paul mysteriously dies, his entire estate—including

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Xanadu—is left not to Kali, but to his estranged niece Sveta. Shocked and confused, Sveta travels from New York City to Mexico to pay her respects. At first, Xanadu seems like a secluded paradise with its tumbling gardens, beautiful people, and transcendent vibe. But soon the mystical façade wears thin, revealing a group of brainwashed members drunk on promises of an impossible utopia, guided by a disturbing belief system and a charismatic, dangerously capable leader. As the sinister

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forces surrounding Sveta become apparent, she realizes, too late, she can't escape. Frantic and terrified, she discovers her only chance of survival is to put her confidence in the very person she trusts the least.

The New York Times bestselling first book in Joe Abercrombie's The Age of Madness Trilogy where the age of the machine dawns, but the age of magic refuses to die. The chimneys of industry rise over Adua and the world seethes with new opportunities. But old

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scores run deep as ever. On the blood-soaked borders of Angland, Leo dan Brock struggles to win fame on the battlefield, and defeat the marauding armies of Stour Nightfall. He hopes for help from the crown. But King Jezal's son, the feckless Prince Orso, is a man who specializes in disappointments. Savine dan Glokta -- socialite, investor, and daughter of the most feared man in the Union -- plans to claw her way to the top of the slag-heap of society by any means necessary. But the slums boil over with a rage

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that all the money in the world cannot control. The age of the machine dawns, but the age of magic refuses to die. With the help of the mad hillwoman Isern-i-Phail, Rikke struggles to control the blessing, or the curse, of the Long Eye. Glimpsing the future is one thing, but with the guiding hand of the First of the Magi still pulling the strings, changing it will be quite another . . . For more from Joe Abercrombie, check out: The First Law SeriesThe Blade ItselfBefore They Are HangedLast Argument of

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**Kings Best Served Cold The
Heroes Red Country The
Shattered Sea Trilogy Half a
King Half a World Half a War
Fate of the Fallen is the
start of a brand new
adventure from New York
Times bestselling author
Kel Kade Not all stories
have happy endings.
Everyone loves Mathias.
Naturally, when he
discovers it's his destiny to
save the world, he dives in
head first, pulling his best
friend Aaslo along for the
ride. However, saving the
world isn't as easy, or
exciting, as it sounds in the
stories. The going gets**

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rough and folks start to believe their best chance for survival is to surrender to the forces of evil, which isn't how the prophecy goes. At all. As the list of allies grows thin, and the friends find themselves staring death in the face they must decide how to become the heroes they were destined to be or, failing that, how to survive. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. 'Joe Abercrombie is doing some terrific work' George

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R. R. Martin, author of GAME OF THRONES. Here are the first six books set in the world of THE FIRST LAW, Joe Abercrombie's hugely successful fantasy creation. Join Logen Ninefingers, Jezal dan luthar and Inquisitor Glokta as war rages across the North in the first trilogy, and then enjoy three self-contained novels and discover more of the remarkable imagination of the UK's most prominent fantasy author. Contains THE BLADE ITSELF, BEFORE THEY ARE HANGED, LAST ARGUMENT OF KINGS, BEST

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**SERVED COLD, THE HEROES
and RED COUNTRY**

From the acclaimed author and scholar James C. Scott, the compelling tale of Asian peoples who until recently have stemmed the vast tide of state-making to live at arm's length from any organized state society For two thousand years the disparate groups that now reside in Zomia (a mountainous region the size of Europe that consists of portions of seven Asian countries) have fled the projects of the organized state societies that surround them—slavery,

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conscription, taxes, corvée labor, epidemics, and warfare. This book, essentially an “anarchist history,” is the first-ever examination of the huge literature on state-making whose author evaluates why people would deliberately and reactively remain stateless. Among the strategies employed by the people of Zomia to remain stateless are physical dispersion in rugged terrain; agricultural practices that enhance mobility; pliable ethnic identities; devotion to prophetic, millenarian

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leaders; and maintenance of a largely oral culture that allows them to reinvent their histories and genealogies as they move between and around states. In accessible language, James Scott, recognized worldwide as an eminent authority in Southeast Asian, peasant, and agrarian studies, tells the story of the peoples of Zomia and their unlikely odyssey in search of self-determination. He redefines our views on Asian politics, history, demographics, and even our fundamental ideas

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about what constitutes civilization, and challenges us with a radically different approach to history that presents events from the perspective of stateless peoples and redefines state-making as a form of “internal colonialism.” This new perspective requires a radical reevaluation of the civilizational narratives of the lowland states. Scott’s work on Zomia represents a new way to think of area studies that will be applicable to other runaway, fugitive, and marooned communities, be they Gypsies, Cossacks,

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**tribes fleeing slave raiders,
Marsh Arabs, or San-
Bushmen.**

**Before They Are Hanged
Mistborn Trilogy**

Sam Gunn Jr.

**Last Argument of Kings
Undon**

The Vicious Circle

**BOOK ONE IN THE BROKEN
EMPIRE TRILOGY “Prince of**

**Thorns deserves attention as the
work of an iconoclast who seems
determined to turn that familiar
thing, Medievaesque Fantasy**

Trilogy, entirely on its

**head.”—Locus When he was nine,
he watched as his mother and
brother were killed before him.**

By the time he was thirteen, he

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was the leader of a band of bloodthirsty thugs. By fifteen, he intends to be king... It's time for Prince Honourous Jorg Ancrath to return to the castle he turned his back on, to take what's rightfully his. Since the day he hung pinned on the thorns of a briar patch and watched Count Renar's men slaughter his mother and young brother, Jorg has been driven to vent his rage. Life and death are no more than a game to him—and he has nothing left to lose. But treachery awaits him in his father's castle. Treachery and dark magic. No matter how fierce his will, can one young man conquer enemies with power

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**beyond his imagining?
Springtime in Styria. And that means war. There have been nineteen years of blood. The ruthless Grand Duke Orso is locked in a vicious struggle with the squabbling League of Eight, and between them they have bled the land white. While armies march, heads roll and cities burn, and behind the scenes bankers, priests and older, darker powers play a deadly game to choose who will be king. 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**

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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. Her allies include Styria's least reliable drunkard, Styria's most treacherous poisoner, a mass-murderer obsessed with numbers and a Northman who just wants to do the right thing. Her enemies number the better half of the nation. And that's all before the most dangerous man in the world is dispatched to hunt her down and finish the job Duke Orso started... Springtime

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**in Styria. And that means
revenge. First Law Trilogy The
Blade Itself Before They Are
Hanged Last Argument of Kings
Novels in the First Law world
Best Served Cold The Heroes
Red Country**

**"The final book in a stirring new
epic fantasy trilogy following
Half a King and Half the World.
Yarvi is the unlikely heir to the
throne--a clever, thoughtful boy
with a crippled hand who feels
out of place in a violent, Viking-
like society. Thorn is a young
girl, determined to follow in the
footsteps of her dead father and
become a famous warrior,
whatever it takes. Now Yarvi has
avenged the murder of his father,**

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and sets out on an epic journey with Thorn that will embroil his kingdom in all-out war"--

Abomination is a combination of historical fiction and fantasy, set during the reign of King Alfred the Great. As Alfred struggles to defend England from hordes of Viking invaders, the Archbishop of Canterbury stumbles upon an ancient secret—a dark and mysterious magic that could turn the tide of the war in England's favor. But when exposure to the magic corrupts the Archbishop, Alfred commands his greatest knight, Sir Wulfric, to hunt the mad priest down.

**Half a King Voyager
Blood Feud**

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A Hidatsa Story

*Revenge. Getting even.
Fighting back. Whatever it's
called, it's supposed to
warrant two graves - or at
least, that's how one old
saying went - usually, in
the case of mere mortal
Human beings. In the case of
the Human race as a whole,
it was less about that and
more about survival. Having
just survived the Big Nuke
twenty years before, a
recovering Earth just
beginning to reap the*

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rewards of interplanetary colonization was suddenly attacked by an alien race that didn't communicate, didn't negotiate - and seemed absolutely intent on taking the entire solar system for itself. The only option the war-weary people of Earth, Mars and Luna had, was to beat their ploughshares back into swords - and fight back! In the first six months, the best the fledgling Earth Defense Fleet could manage, was to push the savage Gimp back to the asteroid belt. For four long years since then, it was all they could do to maintain the stalemate, with each side waiting for the

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other to make a fatal mistake. Sooner or later the war would end, one way - or the other. For Alex Nikolls, a pilot fighting in the blackness of space on an almost daily basis, it couldn't come soon enough! For Francis Talon - Commander In Chief of a strike force intended to bring the aliens to their knees, it was the culmination of a journey of self-glorification and ambition leading all the way back to the L.A. mafia and the killing of Marian Mureau's parents. For Marian Mureau, it meant more than just the end of the war - it signified the end of a life-

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long vendetta!

This fascinating picture book biography tells the childhood story of Buffalo Bird Woman—a Hidatsa Indian born around 1839. Through her true story, readers learn what it was like to be part of this Native American community, which lived along the Missouri River in the Dakotas, a society that depended on agriculture for food and survival rather than hunting. Using original artwork and archival photographs, award-winning author/illustrator S. D. Nelson has captured the spirit of Buffalo Bird Girl and her lost way of life. The book includes a

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*bibliography and an index,
as well as an author's note
and timeline of events.
Awards and praise for
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Burgess Award CCBC Choices
Book, Biography ? Kirkus
starred review ? SLJ starred
review*

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OF THE YEAR BY BUZZFEED •
ALEX AWARD WINNER • New York
Times bestselling author Joe
Abercrombie's thrilling
series continues in the
follow-up to Half a King,
which George R. R. Martin
hailed as "a fast-paced tale
of betrayal and revenge that
grabbed me from page 1 and
refused to let go." "The
Shattered Seas trilogy has*

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worked its way into a very exclusive group of my favorite fantasy novels of all time.”—James Dashner, #1 New York Times bestselling author of The Maze Runner

Sometimes a girl is touched by Mother War. Thorn is such a girl. Desperate to avenge her dead father, she lives to fight. But she has been named a murderer by the very man who trained her to kill. Sometimes a woman becomes a warrior. She finds herself caught up in the schemes of Father Yarvi, Gettland’s deeply cunning minister. Crossing half the world to find allies against the ruthless High King, she learns harsh lessons of

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blood and deceit. Sometimes a warrior becomes a weapon. Beside her on the journey is Brand, a young warrior who hates to kill, a failure in his eyes and hers, but with one chance at redemption. And weapons are made for one purpose. Will Thorn forever be a pawn in the hands of the powerful, or can she carve her own path? Praise for Half the World "An excellent page-turner . . . full of drama and energy."—New York Daily News "Another entertaining burst of battle, magic and political machinations from the always reliable Joe Abercrombie . . . a thoroughgoing blast, a

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violent, beautiful rabbit hole of craft that is well worth disappearing into.—Shelf Awareness

“Compelling . . . [Thorn] makes Katniss Everdeen look like Dorothy Gale.”—Chicago Tribune

“Splendid . . . Abercrombie has a knack for building characters with pathos and wit. . . . The fast-paced story draws readers along while setting up what promises to be an explosive final showdown.”—Publishers Weekly

“Clever, exciting and unexpected.”—SFF World

Praise for Joe Abercrombie’s Half a King “Half a King is my favorite book by Joe Abercrombie so far, and

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that's saying something."—Patrick Rothfuss
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"Enthralling! An up-all-night read."—Robin Hobb
"Polished and sharp, perhaps his most technically proficient novel yet . . . I dare you to read the first chapter and try not to turn the next page."—Brent Weeks
"Half a King can be summed

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*up in a single word:
masterpiece. It's a coming-
of-age story. It's a Viking
saga. It's a revenge tale
and family drama and the
return of the prodigal son.
But most of all, it's this:
a short time alongside
people as weak and
blundering as we are and, in
the midst of it all, as
heroic. Far too short a
time, as it turns out. What
a wonderful book.”—Myke Cole
“Half a King is full of all
the adventure I've come to
expect from Abercrombie and
a tenderness I never knew he
had.”—Sam Sykes
Clan Wyndlyn, a tribe of
antler-endowed warriors
known as elkin, have united*

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their forces with a neighboring clan. Though Erador Wyndlyn, a promising warrior that takes pride in his heritage, grows suspicious of the other clan's intentions. It isn't long before Erador finds himself thrust into a position of leadership over the clan after the murder of his father. His first order of business: vengeance. And he'll do anything to get it. However, his crusade for revenge unknowingly leads him amidst the dealings of a demi-god.

A classic coming-of-age tale set in a vivid and richly-imagined world from Sunday Times bestselling author Joe

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A Little Hatred

A First Law Novel

The Trouble with Peace

Red Country

Half a King

World Social Report 2020

Jestyn the Englishman had once been Thormod the Viking's slave, but after saving Thormod's life he became his shoulder to shoulder man and sworn brother in the deadly blood feud to avenge Thormod's murdered father, a feud that would take them all the way to Constantinople.

For fans of Brandon Sanderson and

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Patrick Rothfuss, *The House of Always* is the fourth epic fantasy in Jenn Lyons' *Chorus of Dragons* series that began with *The Ruin of Kings*. What if you were imprisoned for all eternity? In the aftermath of the *Ritual of Night*, everything has changed. The Eight Immortals have catastrophically failed to stop Kihrin's enemies, who are moving forward with their plans to free Vol Karoth, the King of Demons. Kihrin has his own ideas about how to fight back, but even if he's willing to sacrifice everything for victory, the cost may prove too high for his allies. Now they face a choice: can they save the world while saving Kihrin, too? Or will they be forced to watch as

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he becomes the very evil they have all sworn to destroy. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

CHOAS. FURY. DESTRUCTION. THE GREAT CHANGE IS UPON US . . .

'Dazzlingly gruesome and gripping'
Daily Mail * * * * *

Some say that to change the world you must first burn it down. Now that belief will be tested in the crucible of revolution: the Breakers and Burners have seized the levers of power, the smoke of riots has replaced the smog of industry, and all must submit to the wisdom of crowds. With nothing left to lose, Citizen Brock is determined to

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become a new hero for the new age, while Citizeness Savine must turn her talents from profit to survival before she can claw her way to redemption. Orso will find that when the world is turned upside down, no one is lower than a monarch. And in the bloody North, Rikke and her fragile Protectorate are running out of allies . . . while Black Calder gathers his forces and plots his vengeance. The banks have fallen, the sun of the Union has been torn down, and in the darkness behind the scenes, the threads of the Weaver's ruthless plan are slowly being drawn together . . . Capping off the AGE OF MADNESS trilogy, THE WISDOM OF CROWDS brings the

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series which is revolutionising
fantasy to its stunning conclusion .

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The first novel in the First Law
Trilogy and debut fantasy novel
from New York Times bestseller,
Joe Abercrombie. Logen
Ninefingers, infamous barbarian,
has finally run out of luck. Caught
in one feud too many, he's on the
verge of becoming a dead
barbarian -- leaving nothing behind
him but bad songs, dead friends,
and a lot of happy enemies.
Nobleman, dashing officer, and
paragon of selfishness, Captain
Jezal dan Luthar has nothing more
dangerous in mind than fleecing
his friends at cards and dreaming
of glory in the fencing circle. But

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war is brewing, and on the battlefields of the frozen North they fight by altogether bloodier rules. Inquisitor Glokta, cripple turned torturer, would like nothing better than to see Jezal come home in a box. But then Glokta hates everyone: cutting treason out of the Union one confession at a time leaves little room for friendship. His latest trail of corpses may lead him right to the rotten heart of government, if he can stay alive long enough to follow it. Enter the wizard, Bayaz. A bald old man with a terrible temper and a pathetic assistant, he could be the First of the Magi, he could be a spectacular fraud, but whatever he is, he's about to make the lives of Logen,

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Jejal, and Glokta a whole lot more difficult. Murderous conspiracies rise to the surface, old scores are ready to be settled, and the line between hero and villain is sharp enough to draw blood.

Unpredictable, compelling, wickedly funny, and packed with unforgettable characters, *The Blade Itself* is noir fantasy with a real cutting edge.

In 2020 an anonymous narrator, seemingly faced with the end of the world, is given the task of writing the tale of an unknown teenage girl from the remote Lake District town of Egremont. Using diary extracts, newspaper articles, personal interviews, military reports, journalist notebooks, and other

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more unconventional sources, the narrator lays down the foundations of a story that will grow to challenge what we see, what we feel, and what we believe about our past, our present, and our future. Continue the journey with Undon, book 2 in the series and follow Molly as she slowly surfaces from the drug induced coma forced upon her by those who kidnapped the three girls. As she opens her eyes in a new place, best friend Bethany isn't dealing well with their change in circumstance whilst the beautiful Hannah, recently restored to the land of the living, seems to be adjusting a little too well. The big city, though, is full of dangers, especially for three

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teenagers with no friends, no money, and no clue as to what is actually going on. As Cumbria's finest ride on the raucous roller coaster that is life beneath the palaces and parks, each girl will have to dig deep in order to protect both themselves and each other. Just how will they survive the underside of London? How did they escape those who took them from their home? Who is it that seems to want them so badly they will kill in order to possess them, and why? Carrying on directly from *End of a Girl*, *Undon* will burrow beneath the foundations of one of the great capital cities of the world. Questions will be answered but many more will be asked. Just

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who are the Vox? What is the purpose of UTRUL? How can a number haunt a young woman? And how does it all relate to a dying world ten years in the future? Read the book and find out!

Half a War

Sharp Ends

An Anarchist History of Upland Southeast Asia

Terry Funk

The Art of Not Being Governed

Best Served Cold

A fragile peace gives way to conspiracy, betrayal, and rebellion in this sequel to the New York Times bestselling A Little Hatred from epic fantasy master Joe Abercrombie. "A master of his craft." —Forbes

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**"No one writes with the seismic scope or primal intensity of Joe Abercrombie."
—Pierce Brown Peace is just another kind of battlefield . . .
Savine dan Glokta, once Adua's most powerful investor, finds her judgement, fortune and reputation in tatters. But she still has all her ambitions, and no scruple will be permitted to stand in her way. For heroes like Leo dan Brock and Stour Nightfall, only happy with swords drawn, peace is an ordeal to end as soon as possible. But grievances must be nursed, power seized, and allies gathered first, while Rikke**

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must master the power of the Long Eye . . . before it kills her. Unrest worms into every layer of society. The Breakers still lurk in the shadows, plotting to free the common man from his shackles, while noblemen bicker for their own advantage. Orso struggles to find a safe path through the maze of knives that is politics, only for his enemies, and his debts, to multiply. The old ways are swept aside, and the old leaders with them, but those who would seize the reins of power will find no alliance, no friendship, and no peace lasts forever. For more from Joe Abercrombie, check

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Half a World
Half a War
Mischief, Magic, Love and War.
It is the Year of Our Lord 1601.
The Tuscan War rages across the world, and every lord from Navarre to Illyria is embroiled in the fray. Cannon roar, pikemen clash, and witches stalk the night; even the fairy courts stand on the verge of chaos. Five stories come**

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together at the end of the war: that of bold Miranda and sly Puck; of wise Pomona and her prisoner Vertumnus; of gentle Lucia and the shade of Prospero; of noble Don Pedro and powerful Helena; and of Anne, a glovemaker's wife. On these lovers and heroes the world itself may depend. These are the stories Shakespeare never told. Five of the most exciting names in genre fiction today - Jonathan Barnes, Adrian Tchaikovsky, Emma Newman, Foz Meadows and Kate Heartfield - delve into the world the poet created to weave together a story of courage,

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transformation and magic. Including an afterword by Dr. John Lavagnino, The London Shakespeare Centre, King's College London. Celaena has survived deadly contests and shattering heartbreak-but at an unspeakable cost. Now, she must travel to a new land to confront her darkest truth . . . a truth about her heritage that could change her life-and her future-forever. Meanwhile, brutal and monstrous forces are gathering on the horizon, intent on enslaving her world. Will Celaena find the strength to not only fight her inner demons, but to take on the

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evil that is about to be unleashed? The bestselling series that has captured readers all over the world reaches new heights in this sequel to the New York Times best-selling Crown of Midnight. Packed with heart-pounding action, fierce new characters, and swoon-worthy romance, this third book will enthrall readers from start to finish.

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***transforming their genre. Discover exciting writers who are already out of this world, in this space-age sequel to the 2018 World Fantasy Award-winning anthology, The New Voices of Fantasy. [STARRED REVIEW] "Superlative."
—Publishers Weekly Your future is bright! After all, your mother is a robot, your father has joined the alien hive-mind, and your dinner will be counterfeit 3D-printed steak. Even though your worker bots have staged a mutiny, and your tour guide speaks only in memes, you can always sell your native language if you need some extra cash. In The***

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New Voices of Science Fiction, you'll find the rising stars of the last five years: Rebecca Roanhorse, Amal El-Mohtar, Alice Sola Kim, E. Lily Yu, Rich Larson, Vina Jie-Min Prasad, Sarah Pinsker, Darcie Little Badger, Nino Cipri, S. Qiouyi Lu, Kelly Robson, and more. These extraordinary stories have been hand-selected by cutting-edge and award-winning author Hannu Rajaniemi (The Quantum Thief, Summerland) and genre expert, World Fantasy Award winner, Jacob Weisman (Invaders, The Sword & Sorcery Anthology). So go ahead, join the interstellar

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***revolution. The new kids
already hacked the AI. "These
authors show us the new new
things, from global cataclysms
to personal transformations
that get us lost in entirely
unprecedented landscapes.***

***They are here to wake us, by
giving us new waking dreams.
Read them, and be changed."***

—Hannu Rajaniemi, editor

***'Grabbed me and refused to let
go' George R.R. Martin***

Inequality in a Rapidly

Changing World

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The final completed novel by Ben Bova Intergalactic explorer, venture capitalist, and Casanova Sam Gunn may be gone, but his legacy lives on in his son, Sam Gunn Jr. In his first-ever adventure, Sam Gunn Jr. sets off to fulfill his father's left-behind mission of interplanetary enterprising. He soon learns his father's shoes are tough to fill, but he is up for the task. Junior takes a journey through the stars, falling in love with beautiful women and leaving his unique mark everywhere he ventures. Soon, however, this trip through the universe takes a dangerous turn when Junior lands on Saturn and learns about a recent scientific discovery that will change everything, possibly forever. Will he be able to save the universe and live up to his father's name? Take an unforgettable ride through space in

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