

## Half A King Shattered Sea Book 1

In the darkest depths of the ocean, the ancient city of Poseidia has secretly thrived, protected by a sentient dome. Its inhabitants, genetically engineered shape-shifters and protectors of the ocean, teeter on the brink of extinction as the reach of humanity grows. When a pregnant Anna Ryan is murdered at sea, her life doesn't end-it begins. She awakens in this unknown world in a new body, enhanced with iridescent skin, fins, and the ability to breath underwater. Grieving the loss of her baby and her humanity, Anna vows to make her murderer pay, but it's no easy task to brave the wide ocean alone. Anna finds an ally in Roman, a giant, scarred mystery of a man, and together they forge a bond sharing former human pasts. The easy part is convincing Roman to help her retrieve a cherished locket-an item she believes essential to endure the challenges of a new life-but she carelessly endangers Poseidia. Can Anna set aside everything she's known and embrace all she's ever wanted? What is the cost of happiness?

The King of Round Valley begins where Sunset Hill ended, at the Pacific Point winery on the scenic California North Coast. Reeling from the tragedy in Sunset Hill, Detective Grant Starr buys a \$2 million winery, thinking he's through with police work. After a year, his life has become routine, and the past finally begins to fade away. Then a body shows up on a picnic table behind his winery. When the badly beaten corpse doesn't garner much attention from the local sheriff's office, Grant wants to know why. He learns that nasty things are going on in a remote mountain area called

**Round Valley: sex parties involving cops and their wives, drugs, extortion, intimidation, and murder. At first Grant is content to let the few good local cops handle the mess because, hey, he's not a cop anymore. But when he's threatened and told to butt out, he decides to go all in. Detectives Ralph Bensen and Bill Hanks, Grant's pals from the Modesto Police Department, stop by to try and persuade Grant to return to Modesto, but end up staying to help him thwart the man who calls himself the king of Round Valley. The King of Round Valley is a story rife with greed, lust, an insatiable appetite for power, murder, savagery, loyalty, and friendship. As is typical of Powers's stories, you'll also find humor, entertaining dialogue, interesting characters, and, of course, a 1970 Ferrari Daytona. Everett Powers is the author of three previous Grant Starr novels, The Mighty T, Death of a Matador, and Sunset Hill, and the horror novel Canals. Connect with him online at [www.everettpowers.com](http://www.everettpowers.com).**

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**Shattered Sea. And he must do it all with only one good hand. The deceived will become the deceiver. 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 shield or swing an axe, so he must sharpen his mind to a deadly edge. The betrayed will become the betrayer. 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. Will the usurped become the usurper? But even with loyal friends at his side, Yarvi finds that his path may end as it began—in twists, and traps, and tragedy. BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from Joe Abercrombie’s Half the World. “Tremendously entertaining . . . lightning-fast and filled with a wonderful collection of rogues, villains and two-faced bastards . . . From the first chapter [Joe Abercrombie] wastes no time as the reader is swept up in a gripping tale of betrayal and revenge.”—SciFi Now “Once this plot has its teeth in you, it will not let go. . . . Abercrombie’s masterful storytelling means that everything, from the characters that you come to love and despise, to the sprawling world that is explored, is enthralling.”—Fantasy Book Review “Abercrombie’s Shattered Sea is a fantastic yet believable backdrop to Yarvi’s struggle, a vivid imaginary land.”—The Seattle Times “Intriguing characters . . . nonstop action.”—Chicago Tribune “Half a King is my favorite book by Joe Abercrombie so far, and that’s saying something.”—Patrick Rothfuss “As in all Abercrombie’s books, friends turn out to be enemies, enemies turn out to be friends; the line between good and evil is murky indeed; and nothing goes quite as we expect. With eye-popping plot twists and rollicking good action, Half a King is definitely a full adventure.”—Rick**

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A Novel of Today

Shattered Glass

Shalloween

Plain Molly

Every Mile Matters

*You can take the dead girl out of the country... Veronica Fischer, small-town bloodsucking madam, is an orphan or at least she finally feels that way. Jules, the one who made her, is gone and cleaning up after him isn't something she ever thought she'd have to do. While her hometown seems to be turning against her, she's forced to set off for the bright lights of the big city with a carload of her dysfunctional supernatural family, hoping not to have to face the Dragon of Chicago. Now she has to rescue a sister she didn't know she had, keep Rachel-her adopted 8-year-old ghost-safe, and try to keep Pekin from unraveling under the onset of the*

*coming storm. Sex, violence, and cryptic undead prophecy-all for fun and profit.*

*In this daring anthology of cutting-edge short stories, new science fiction luminaries including Rebecca Roanhorse, Amal El-Mohtar, and Sam J. Miller, are showcased with the rising stars that are 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 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 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*

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

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*“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 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*

*Alli-Kar, a white-hole portal from another universe, rains meteoroids onto the surface of the planet Kelanni. But the so-called "lodestones" behave according to*

*different physical laws, transforming Kelanni's society. With the aid of the fearsome Keltar in their flying cloaks, the Kelanni are being put to forced labor to mine the lodestones. Shann, an orphan with a fiery disposition, witnesses a battle between a Keltar and a stranger bearing a similar flying cloak. She tracks down the stranger, learning of the technology behind the Keltars' power and joining him on a mission to free the slaves and cut off their supply of lodestones. Meanwhile Keris, a Keltar, is sent on a mission to track down the rebels. She is attacked by a flying creature and saved by the enigmatic Chandara. At their Great Tree, she learns that a mysterious "Prophet" is out to destroy the Kelanni people. Their only hope is a powerful instrument hidden in the distant past. Pursued by Keltar, the party will encounter bizarre creatures, ancient technologies and terrifying dangers. Finally, they must seek to cross a massive storm barrier in order to reach the other side of their world, where a world-shaking revelation awaits.*

*The Wisdom of Crowds*

*Sharp Ends*

*Book Two of the Coming Storm Trilogy*

*A Kripslod in the Realm*

*Of Land, Sea and Sky*

**Envious of her best friends lavish lifestyle, a young woman wonders how different her life would be if she had an opportunity to change her past.**

**The King and his noblemen pursued a life of**



**unbridled lust with those that submitted to their power by choice or for the unfortunate, in the dungeons below the castle where bondage insured their submission. Nothing is forbidden for the privileged, not even the unspeakable taboos of society. "King's Dungeon" is set in the 11th century where men dominate and woman had no choice but to submit to any and all demands a man could conceive. King Rulf, after conquering his enemies, returns to take his rightful place on the throne with a wife to bear him many heirs. But there is always time to find his pleasures in the bedrooms of any woman he desires or to satisfy his jaded lust in the dungeons.**

**Ages 4-10. Inspire wonder and awe for the ocean and its real-life animals through this undersea Halloween adventure! Ray the flashlight fish is a unique fish with the ability to glow whenever he gets scared. This wonderful talent might just prove useful as he attends his very first Halloween party at an old sunken shipwreck in the moonlit ocean shallows. Join Ray on his adventure as he bravely explores the dimly lit ship and encounters the strangest of creatures. While they may initially give Ray a fright, he soon realizes that his friends the ghost crab, the**

**vampire squid, the goblin shark and many more are the perfect friends to spend time with at Halloween!**

**The New York Times bestselling finale to the Age of Madness trilogy finds the world in an unstoppable revolution where heroes have nothing left to lose as darkness and destruction overtake everything. 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 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. 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 . . . "No one writes with the seismic scope or primal intensity of Joe Abercrombie." —Pierce Brown**

**For more from Joe Abercrombie, check out:**

**The Age of Madness A Little Hatred The Trouble With Peace The Wisdom of Crowds The First Law Trilogy The Blade Itself Before They Are Hanged Last Argument of Kings Best Served Cold The Heroes Red Country The Shattered Sea Trilogy Half a King Half a World Half a War**

**Crossover Readers' Advisory: Maximize Your Collection to Meet Reader Satisfaction**

**The King's Dungeon**

**Half a King, Half the World, Half a War**

**Other Realms: Volume One**

**The Cursed King and Other Stories**

Marcus Abaddon has been "chosen" to carry out a corrupt United States government agenda by crime lord Devin Bolos. Alongside Charles, Bolos runs an illegal drug operation, which includes some "atypical" chemicals that begin to alter Abaddon's state of mind. However, throughout the book Abaddon cannot help but feel the pull of holy spirit within (God) as he fights a spiritual warfare before seeking the spiritual guidance needed from old classmate Josh Slothers. Josh has become a successful pastor of a large church near Abaddon. As the end draws near for a clueless Abaddon, he is duped into a catastrophic event that ignites the government's push for a new world order, a

concept very prevalent in today's society. God's power, however, is unbreakable, and Christian's are reminded to keep the faith and push forward in a coming time of despair.

Managerial styles are influenced by habit, familiarity, and workplace culture. It's no wonder that well-intentioned professionals doing their best to be good organizational leaders often repeat unhelpful supervisory practices experienced in their early careers, even if they disliked them at the time. In the DUH! Book of Management and Supervision, the author disagrees with many accepted leadership principles (unabashedly referring to them as myths) and makes new and different approaches easier to imagine. Her challenging and controversial concepts illustrated with poignant stories suggest common-sense and immediately applicable alternatives more suitable in today's workplace.

Settle in for a thrill-a-minute journey to the land of the ancient Incans in H. Rider Haggard's novel The Virgin of the Sun. An antique dealer whose life is thrown into disarray by a sudden tragedy sets off for the adventure of a lifetime -- and along the way finds a romance that begins to heal his hardened heart.

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The Duh! Book of Management and Supervision  
Shattered Sea 02. Half the World

Half a War

Half a King

An Undersea Halloween Adventure

**Keeping secrets can test love to its limits. How will Nick react when he discovers Mia isn't quite the girl he thinks she is? Will Nick let Mia into his head as well as his heart and lay his ghosts to rest? Can they find their way to their Happy Ever After?**

**"Written for those who are especially interested in action, adventure, war and even romance, the novel offers an escape for people of all ages into another**

**world that once was. Based on actual events and battles that happened, The New King also includes a lot of historical elements that make it both an entertaining and educational read." - Natalia Balcerzak "Perhaps the next major series to captivate a generation will take place in a land closer to home, one that young people are both familiar with and could never truly understand all the same." -Ashley Moniz**

**From New York Times bestselling author, Joe Abercrombie, comes a collection of award-winning short fiction set in the world of the First Law. The Union army may be full of bastards, but there's 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 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 ... Sharp Ends combines previously published, award-winning tales with exclusive new short stories. 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. For more from Joe Abercrombie, check out: The 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.**

**Other Realms: Volume One is the first book in a new series that collects original short stories by fantasy and sci-fi author Shaun Kilgore. In this volume, you'll be taken to far off fantasy worlds filled with magic, adventure, and the games of noble houses and the plights of brave warriors. This book contains ten stories, including "A Reckoning," "Death To The Messenger," "Midwinter Night," "Oathsworn," "The Beast Of Mern," "The Prophet's Return," "The Risen Queen," "The Ruling," "The Traitor," and "Winds Of Fate."**

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**Letting Go**

**Shattered Perceptions**

THE AMERICAN EDITION Satan is being outsourced. According to the Powers That Be, Hell isn't hellish enough, and Satan is given seven days to figure out how to bring back the fire and brimstone days of Hell's fury. The Devil takes on human form-

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a ramshackle, disease ridden body—and sets out on a road trip exploring new and novel miseries of the human condition to save his job. From L.A. to Miami, Satan, accompanied by Eustice Seeney, the only man who managed to escape Hell twice (and live to never shut up about it), some bent doctors, an average medium femme fatale with a Tarot tattoo, and an angelic escort service hit the road. Satan manages to finagle his way into one mess of life's affairs after another culminating in an explosive finale revealing who or what puts the lighting in our dreams, and begs the question of who would rid the world of the Devil they know?

The complete Green on Green Trilogy of novels is a complex saga of the Viet Nam war era, from the POV of a drafted infantry soldier, Private Michael Landers, very much against the war. By subtle revelations, it melds in with a mythological saga of a tribe of Montagnard people in the Vietnamese Mountains who have never heard of Americans or even Vietnamese...on purpose. A boy and an old man with wizardly powers have been drafted into a war between their gods. In *Departure*, Landers is due to be shipped out from the Oakland Army Departure Depot, where thousands of soldiers per week are



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sent to Viet Nam. Only he shows up up on LSD, stating that the war is against all American principles; that he won't go. This becomes a 2-month stand-off between him and the military bureaucracy. Begins with Landers surfing and partying with old friends in San Diego's offbeat Ocean Beach. Soon moves to the San Francisco Bay Area, where, when off the military bases, he wanders the streets of San Francisco with a pair of Viet Nam infantry vets, to delve into this extreme version of "Drugs, sex and rock and roll" versus "the Establishment." He uncovers shady government provocateurs leading the U.C. Berkeley anti-war demonstrations. Closely based on personal experience.

Long an outcast from his beloved Senagra, the wizened warrior named Fendreg, garbed in his mystical gaden armor, wanders the world, but always with an eye towards returning to home. Honor compels him time and again to aid those in need. In "The Cursed King and Other Stories" author Shaun Kilgore brings together a few of his fabled Senagran's exploits.

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Stories from the World of the First Law  
Half a King: free sampler (Shattered Sea, Book 1)

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The Beginning of the End

The Power of Light

The Inner Shrine

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

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"In a hidden kingdom a mysterious Guardian protects her people with the help of a magical necklace. But evil forces are also seeking the power of the necklace, and as the Guardian grows weaker these forces threaten to destroy the kingdom. With the help of her best friend, Will, and the enigmatic N'tombe, Dana, the rightful heir, must claim the power of the necklace and save her people. But the necklace takes a terrible toll on whoever wears it - a toll that Dana may not be prepared to face"--Publisher information.

What does every mile mean to you? When you hit the trails, the road, the track or the treadmill, what does each mile mean? A group of runners and walkers from around the world share their stories as they let us know what every mile matters means to them. Get ready to be inspired.

Me and Mr. Mephistopheles

Dispelling Common Leadership Myths

Half-Shell Prophecies

The New King

The King of Round Valley

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 murderer by the very man who trained her to kill.

I lived in a world of darkness, never to see the light again. It's been eleven years since my father cursed Crystal City, since he condemned me to a life of loneliness and misery. By taking away everything that my mother loved, he took everything that I knew and cared for. Everything, but the throne. Only what good was being a queen in a city of mindless killers? A city that would never see the sunlight until the day of my death. I truly had nothing to live for... ..Or so I thought. The night that Wolfe was dragged into my palace, I knew that my life would never be the same. We were childhood friends once, but we went our separate ways. He became captain of the pirates, and I ascended to the diamond throne. My once sworn protector had become my enemy, but we were both alone, and the connection we felt was almost unbearable to ignore. My heart only cracked after my father abandoned me, but Wolfe would completely shatter it. For someone that hasn't felt anything for years, that wasn't such a bad thing. The story of an unconventional man; tales of adventure, travel and inspirational meetings. From

hazardous sports to bold business ventures, music, and dance - all life is here.

Kripslod (from Realmspeak) (1) An implement that is not only useless for the application, but also dangerous to the user. (2) A bigoted, loud, and whiny complainer who causes great trouble for himself and all those around him. What would you do if you were taken from your home on Earth and brought to live on a planet in the farthest reaches of the Galaxy? Would you join a rebel band fighting to topple an oppressive regime? Would you enlist in an interplanetary space expedition and help search the universe for alien civilizations? Would you battle to save the human race from murderous robots? Not if you're Teodor Korzeniowski. No, he doesn't have time for things like that. He is much too busy trying to get an extra pillow on a Port Leyken Spaceways' interstellar economy flight from Boulanger-Four to I Taisto Station. Welcome to the new worlds of Teodor Korzeniowski—formerly of Utica, NY and now a reluctant Citizen of the Realm. Here he will be knocked-over and stepped on by the biggest and toughest space-faring carnivores in our Galaxy. He'll meet and become the legal mate of a human female medical technician whose ancestors were once curiosities in an interplanetary traveling menagerie. He'll join his mate in attending the graduation of new officers in the Imperial Majesty's dreaded Secret Police. Then endanger them both when he becomes

the typical 'ugly American' and gives his opinions about everything and everyone. Including her Imperial Majesty and her need to lose more than a little weight. In this volume, Teodor and his long-suffering mate will be joined by: Guard Admiral Reinier of the Political Police. (He insists that the condiments on the tables in the officer's mess be arranged symmetrically at all times.) Teodor's father-in-law. (He watches etiquette programs on the screens and still has a few choice metaphors for his unemployed son-in-law from Earth.) And the usual assortment of radical terrorists, waiters, psychotic racists, police, muggers, pensioners, medical technicians, politicians, opera singers and pirates. It is never dull when you travel our Galaxy with Teodor Korzeniowski!

The Riotous Conclusion to The Age of Madness

A Necklace of Souls

Half the World

Lodestone Book One

***(Color Version) Crow, the King of Sumo tells the story of Koji, a young boy who befriends one of the cooks on a U.S. Navy ship. As the unlikely pair connects, they become great friends, and Crow goes on to challenge the sumo champion of Japan. Along the way, they learn a lot from each other. Set in Japan during the Edo period of Japanese history, the tale has a fun and heartwarming connection to the modern world.***

**NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS 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 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**

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