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Several were captured in 1940, leading the Germans to believe falsely that British radar was much less advanced than theirs. The GL/EF attachment provided bearing and elevation measurements accurate to about a degree: this caused the number of rounds needed to destroy an aircraft to fall to 4,100, a tenfold improvement over early-war results. The Mk. II, which was able to directly guide the guns, lowered the rounds-per-kill to 2,750. About 410 Mk. Is and 1,679 Mk. IIs were produced. (Full article...) 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Ma Xifan (d. 947)Colin Blythe (b. 1879)Norris Bradbury (b. 1909)Wynonna Judd (b. 1964) More anniversaries: May 29 May 30 May 31 Archive By email List of days of the year About Seventeen performing "Oh My!" in 2018 South Korean boy band Seventeen made their debut on May 26, 2015, when they performed a showcase for their debut EP 17 Carat in front of a crowd of 1,000 people. Since then, the group have held 9 concert tours, 13 fan meetings, and have performed at a number of music festivals and awards shows. Their concert tours include the Right Here World Tour, which sold over one million tickets, and the Follow Tour, which was noted by Billboard as being the top grossing K-pop tour of 2023. In 2024, Seventeen made their first appearances at festivals in Europe, when they were the first South Korean act to perform at Glastonbury Festival's Pyramid Stage and as headliners for Lollapalooza Berlin. Seventeen's live performances are well regarded by fans and critics alike, and garnered them the award for Top K-pop Touring Artist at the 2024 Billboard Music Awards. (Full list...) Recently featured: Accolades received by Top Gun: Maverick National preserve 76th Primetime Emmy Awards Archive More featured lists Ignace Tonené (1840 or 1841 – 15 March 1916), also known as Nias or by his Ojibwe name Maiagizis ('right/correct sun'), was a Teme-Augama Anishnabai chief, fur trader, and gold prospector in Upper Canada. He was a prominent employee of the Hudson's Bay Company. Tonené was the elected deputy chief before being the lead chief and later the life chief of his community. In his role as deputy, he negotiated with the Canadian federal government and the Ontario provincial government, advocating for his community to receive annual financial support from both. His attempts to secure land reserves for his community were thwarted by the Ontario premier Oliver Mowat. 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It was released on May 29, 2015, by Pledis Entertainment and distributed by LOEN Entertainment. "Adore U" serves as the lead single for the EP. 17 Carat features five tracks written, co-written, and co-produced by Seventeen's group members. "Adore U" was chosen as the lead single for the EP and was performed on multiple music shows by the group. "Shining Diamond" was used as a pre-single on the group's reality debut show. The group stated that the tracklist was chosen to reflect Seventeen's core concept of "boys' passion".[1] The album has two physical versions: one with a "black" themed photo card set, and the other with a "white" themed photo card set. All copies include a CD containing the songs and a fold-up poster/lyric sheet. "Adore U" is the lead single of the extended play. It was written by Woozi, S.Coups, and Yeon Dong-geon.[2] The Korea Herald states "'Adore U' is a funky pop song about a teenage boy trying to navigate through puppy love."[3] It marks the beginning of the group's trilogy composed of the singles Adore U, Mansae, and Pretty U about a boy meeting, falling in love and asking out a girl. The track was composed and arranged by Woozi, Bumzu, and Yeon Dong-geon. The music video for the single was released on May 29, 2015, and was directed by Dee Shin. The dance choreography accompaniment to the song was choreographed by Hoshi and focuses on "storytelling, and on highlighting each member's strengths onstage".[4] The single has sold more than 38,000 digital copies and peaked at number 13 on the Billboard US World Chart. The EP has sold over 82,972 copies in South Korea.[5] It peaked at number 4 on the Korean Gaon Album Chart[6] and number 8 on the US World Billboard Chart.[7] Year-end lists Critic/publication List Rank Ref. Billboard The 10 Best K-pop Album of 2015 Placed [8] Hoshi participated in the choreography of "Adore U" and "Shining Diamond", Dino choreographed "Jam Jam".[9] Official track list[10]No.TitleLyricsMusicArrangementsLength1."Shining Diamond"WooziVernonS.CoupsKim Min-jeongWooziMasterKeyRishiMasterKeyRishi3:242."Adore U"" (; Akkinda)WooziVernonS.CoupsBumzuWooziBumzuYeon Dong-geonWooziBumzuYeon Dong-geon3:073."Ah Yeah" (Hip-Hop unit)S. 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You must have a goodreads account to vote. To vote on existing books from the list, beside each book there is a link vote for this book clicking it will add that book to your votes. To vote on books not in the list or books you couldn't find in the list, you can click on the tab add books to this list and then choose from your books, or simply search. Chuck is a low key writer who never stops writing and taking down notes to file away for future writing. Very funny, very creative and very thought provoking. His books often make you look at yourself in ways that you would never have before. Same goes for the world, he will make you notice things that you never did. He is of French and Russian descent but his last name is from Ukraine. He gained recognition with his first book "Fight Club" which was later made into a film by 20th Century Fox. He went on to gain popularity as his later novels which include Survivor, Invisible Monsters, Choke, Lullaby, and Haunted. More recently (2003) he has written a travel book about his hometown Portland, Oregon entitled "Fugitives & Refugees". His newest novel is entitled "Rant".You have no recently viewed pages Bio Charles Michael Palahniuk was born on the 21st of February, 1962, in Pasco, Washington, United States of America. Palahniuk is one of the most famous authors of his generation and his work has been the source of much discussion. Palahniuk, himself, looks on his work as transgressional fiction. Life Chuck Palahniuk was born and raised in Pasco, Washington. He was the child of Fred Palahniuk and Carol Adele, born as Tallent. Chuck is of French and Ukrainian heritage as his paternal grandfather moved from Ukraine to Canada and then to New York. Chuck grew up in a mobile home in Burbank, Washington, and his parents split when he was a fourteen-year-old. He was often left alone with his siblings or at their maternal grandparents' cattle ranch. Best Chuck Palahniuk Books Studies Chuck Palahniuk attended the University of Oregon School of Journalism and he graduated in the year of 1986. As he was going to college, Palahniuk worked also as an intern for a radio in Eugene, Oregon. Soon after, Palahniuk relocated to Portland, Oregon. Palahniuk began working as a journalist, then as a diesel mechanic, and a writer once more. He had many stints of writing, going from manuals for trucks, to journalism, and to novel writing. With that noted, let's now take a look at our picks for the best Chuck Palahniuk books. Fight Club Universally Adored Fight Club is one of the most famous novels to come out in the last few decades and its fame is not a small one, at all. It is an adored, often discussed novel that launched Palahniuk's career. It came out in 1996 and it might just be the best Chuck Palahniuk book. Breaking the First Rule Fight Club is a book like no other. Its minimalist writing along with the insomniac protagonist's point of view make for a nearly hallucinogenic experience. Our protagonist, a nameless narrator, is living an empty, vacuous, consumer-oriented, capitalistic life. He buys things because things are supposed to make him happy and fulfilled, as the TV ads would have him believe. His peers, especially his boss, do not respect him and he's single. However, his sleep-deprived and insomnia-riddled life takes a turn when he meets Tyler Durden. Tyler Durden Tyler Durden is everything that our narrator has ever wanted to be and then some. The two of them soon start a fight club where men can come in, beat the life out of each other to an inch away from death, and that'll be that. Soon, though, the hijinks and actions of Tyler and our nameless storyteller move up towards the more criminal sort as even lives are taken. Then, at the apogee of the novel, the protagonist has an apotheosis and discovers something that literally turns his life topsy-turvy. Survivor Clear Pick Another clear pick for the top Chuck Palahniuk books is the 1999 novel bearing the title of Survivor. We are sure that our readers will love this one as well! The Tenebrous Truth Tender Branson is our main character in Survivor. The Creedish Death Cult, as it is known, has suddenly lost all of its members, but one – Tender Branson. Tender Branson is dictating the story of his life into the recorder of flights on Flight 2039. The plane is flying at a steady thirty-nine-thousand feet into the air on autopilot over the Pacific Ocean. The plane carries but a single passenger, again only Tender. The plane is going to crash into the Australian outback, but before that happens, Tender is going to cast a light into the dark shadows of his life and tell us his story. Servant of Messiah Tender went from a subservient, obsequious Creedish child and the servant of a so-called messiah in the media, the author of such novels and volumes that he is known across the globe. However, when Tender begins explaining the daily things he experienced and endured, begins spouting some of the best Chuck Palahniuk quotes, and finally reveals the truth that we have been dreading, the novel reaches its terrific climax. Invisible Monsters Bit Different Invisible Monsters is one of the novels by Chuck Palahniuk, but it is quite different, yet all the more invigorating a tale. It is a mere three-hundred-pages, but its contents are what make it so amazing. Without a doubt, one of Chuck Palahniuk's best books to date. You Are Free to Do Anything She is a model with pretty much everything that she could ever possibly dream of. She has a terrific body, a boyfriend that loves her, a flourishing career, and a best friend that is as loyal to her as a puppy is. However, as accidents are wont to happen, one befalls her. She is left in a state of disfigurement and she isn't able to speak any longer. Just like that, the model goes from being the crux of media attention to being on the sidelines of, well, everything. Her figure, now, is so haunting that no even talks of her. Brandy Alexander Then, in her life treads Brandy Alexander. Brandy is but a single operation away from becoming a trans-woman and he is, at present, more than happy to aid our main character with taking control of her life once more. The past can be erased and a better future can be written. Our narrator, then, decides to take revenge on her best friend, her boyfriend, and then go about her life with Brandy and lead life in her own way. But first, vengeance. If we showed our list of the best books by Chuck Palahniuk ranked, Invisible Monsters would be among the top. Choke Bestseller Choke is one of the books that made Chuck Palahniuk the infamous contemporary author that he is. In fact, other than his fantastic Fight Club, Choke is what he is most known for. Choke is certainly one of the best-selling Chuck Palahniuk books, if you ask us. Time is Money Our main character in Choke is none other than Victor Mancini. Victor Mancini dropped out of medical school and, at the moment, he is our antihero. Victor has no choice but to find a way to pay for the elderly care that his mom is receiving, so he comes up with a subterfuge of sorts. Means of Support He is going to go to a highly rated restaurant and fake choking on some of the food so that the patrons that are to save him will send him a check or two as means to support him. When Victor Mancini isn't devoted to his scams, he is a sex addict who goes to recovery workshops so as to get even more sex. He also finds himself often at a colonial theme park, which he genuinely seems to enjoy going to. Of course, we can't not mention the fact that he visits his elderly mother quite often and she is the first that drives most of the decisions in his life. Chuck Palahniuk really drew a potent picture here and we adore his work for that. Rant Underrated Rant is, in our eyes, an underrated gem of a book that isn't nearly as appreciated as we would like it to be. This one of the best Chuck Palahniuk novels was published in 2007, it is not as well-known as his other books, but it is one of our favorites. In fact, its underappreciation is why we put it on our list of the best Chuck Palahniuk books. Passing Away in a True Passion Buster Casey, also known by the name of Rant, has got to be the most effective serial killer in history. If not the most, then he surely cracks the top three. As a rebel during his high school days, Buster Rant Casey got the hell out of dodge – his small townhome – and went to a big city. In the big city, aiming to make it as big as those big men he considers his idols, Buster Casey is prepared to do a lot and a lot is what he does. New Leader As it turns out, Buster Rant Casey becomes the leader of a derby of urban demolition enthusiasts referred to as Party Crashing. Then, Rant Casey succumbs to the injuries of an astounding highway accident and dies. What is left is for his friends and acquaintances to combine the testimony required so as to make some sort of a history for the brief, yet all the more fierce life that Rant lived. A true marvel of a book! Damned Series Short Series Chuck Palahniuk has not penned very many series, but one that he did and one that we adore is the Chuck Palahniuk Damned series. It is comprised of only two books, but they are fantastic, both of them: Inferno and Purgatorio It is by no happy coincidence that Madison, a thirteen-year-old, finds herself in Hell and then in Purgatory. In Damned, Madison first becomes transported to Hell when she overdoses on marijuana. She has body image issues, even though she is barely a teenager and she gets a bit carried away. What follows is a sort of phantasmagoria of events in the decrepit, horrifying Hell. Except, it isn't exactly all that bad. Her cell might not be all that pretty, but Archer the punk and a little group she becomes a member of make everything; especially when she escapes. Doomed In Doomed, though, Madison is a level above Hell, in what is known as Purgatory. Purgatory is quite like the world we know and, for the most part, love, except Madison can't be seen or heard by anyone that is alive, unlike her. She can be walked through, seen through, not even noticed. This also allows her to phase through solid objects, which is fun. However, soon Madison finds out that this is no coincidence and that powers greater than hers are at large. This is proof that the Chuck Palahniuk series are nothing to scoff at. Lullaby Sing Me a Song Lullaby is a 2002 book, spanning some two-hundred-and-sixty pages. Its name, however, might give an impression of something that isn't what the contents would have you believe. Lullaby, also, is unequivocally one of the best Chuck Palahniuk books. Carl Streator, our main character, is a reporter. The current obsession of Streator has to do with SIDS, otherwise known as Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. He's looking into it for a soft-news feature, but then he notices a certain peculiarity that he cannot just let go as a chance or as something arbitrary. Culling Song He learns that all of the dead children were read a poem a night prior to their unfortunate passing away. The poem in hand is a so-called culling song. The song originates from very old African spells that were used for the purpose of euthanizing the elderly and those that were sick. As the investigation gains traction and Streator begins finding out more and more, he meets a lady that took her son's life by mistake while perusing the song. Grim Discovery Then, he makes the grim discovery that he himself actually knows the song and it was how his wife and child died some twenty years ago. A grim, yet satisfying book: one of the best books of Chuck Palahniuk. Haunted First Pick Haunted is one of the first Chuck Palahniuk books that we recommend our readers pick up, preferably after his most adored work – Fight Club. It would perhaps be the best Chuck Palahniuk novel had Fight Club not come to fruition. Haunted was published in the year of 2005. Be Careful What You Wish For Haunted is not an ordinary novel, but one made up of shorter stories. Twenty-three is the number of tales in this gruesome volume, and they are some of the most terrifying, humorous, mind-expanding, and gut-wrenching stories that you are ever going to read of. What ties all of the stories together is the fact that they are told by people that replied to an advertisement saying something along the lines of Abandon your life for three months. All of them were under impression that this was some kind of retreat where the ordinary disturbances of life would be missing. Too Good to Be True However, once they arrive, they are treated to an ornate, cavern-like, decrepit theatre that is completely secluded from the exterior world. In there, heat, power, and food aren't in abundance, but what is in abundance is the diabolical, grimy things lingering for them. We don't want to give too much away, so we'll say that this is a novel that cannot be missed! Truly one of the best Chuck Palahniuk books out there. Diary Brutal Tale Diary is truly an apt title for this brutal tale. It is a gut-churning world that Chuck Palahniuk has created for us and it also represents one of the top entries on our Chuck Palahniuk book list right here. May Fury Lead the Way We've all felt how it is to be through with everything. In fact, some people say that all it takes is a single bad day from hacking someone away. Well, Misty Wilmot feels that way. While at one time she was a young artist whose latent abilities were thought to be great. However, now she's on an island where tourism is not booming, she's drinking, and waitressing all at once. Her husband is a contractor who is currently in a coma following his failed suicide attempt. The comatose condition in no way impedes, though, the clients that have problems from the remodeled homes. Streak of Creativity As Misty slowly begins feeling like everything is too much, the talent that she was fated to have seems to have come back. She begins compulsively painting, at times even as if in a trance. This streak of creativity leaves her dumbfounded, though extremely inspired by what she has done. Then she becomes pulled into a conspiracy that might just take the lives of dozens upon dozens of people. The tale following will not leave the reader with a still heart. In the Chuck Palahniuk series of books that we've mentioned, Diary might be the most inventive. Snuff Strange Novel If our readers found Diary to be gruesome, then Snuff is a league above that altogether. Published in 2008, Snuff is one of the strangest, yet all the more alluring reads from the satirical, dark writer. In our opinion, you can't speak of the best Chuck Palahniuk books without mentioning it. Depravity and Perversion Cassie Wright, a wholly intriguing and outstanding character in her own right, is set to end her fantastic and mythical career once and for all. What does Cassie Wright do? What is her occupation? Why, Cassie is a porn priestess. Her idea for the finale of her career is to shatter the world record for serial sexual acts and she's going to do all of that while on camera. What is the number of men that she is aiming to get through so as to finish up the career she's enjoyed? About six-hundred or so. Not Just Numbers The characters that we follow are number seventy-two, number one-hundred-and-thirty-seven, and number six-hundred. The three men's perspectives are completely and vastly different, but they are all the more engaging because of this. This tale of deathly funny, humorously grim, and salaciously deplorable events brings us Chuck Palahniuk on his A-Game as he gives us a book to cap off our Chuck Palahniuk book reviews – perhaps, one of the best Chuck Palahniuk books. 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The book is a unique blend of science fiction, social commentary, and dark humor that will appeal to readers who enjoy satire and thought-provoking themes. Additionally, fans of Palahniuk's other works, such as "Fight Club," will likely enjoy delving into the twisted and bizarre world he has created in "Rant." Overall, this book is best suited for readers who are willing to challenge traditional storytelling conventions and explore complex and controversial topics.3 Key Lesson1. Perception is everything - the way people perceive you can greatly impact outcomes and interactions in life. 2. The past can shape the future - understanding and reflecting on past experiences can help inform present actions and decisions. 3. The power of storytelling - storytelling has the ability to shape reality, influence perspectives, and connect people on a deeper level.Rant Quotes1. "Reality is what people who lack vision can't see." 2. "The only difference between suicide and martyrdom is press coverage." 3. "So, for a second, I pictured my mother as a drunk on the job. Then I thought of all her bartenders. It's like working in a nursing home for alcoholics." Books on Chuck Palahniuk's reading list A book's total score is based on multiple factors, including the number of people who have voted for it and how highly those voters ranked the book. You must have a goodreads account to vote. To vote on existing books from the list, beside each book there is a link vote for this book clicking it will add that book to your votes. To vote on books not in the list or books you couldn't find in the list, you can click on the tab add books to this list and then choose from your books, or simply search. With his penchant for edgy, harsh depictions of violence and talent for crafting controversial narratives, Chuck Palahniuk has spent the last few decades carving out a unique niche for himself in the realm of transgressive literature. And it's quite the niche, indeed. With 19 novels, three works of nonfiction, a collection of short stories, and several personal essays under his belt, it's fair to wonder, "What's the best Chuck Palahniuk book?" — especially if you're just now dipping your toes into his brilliantly bizarre universe. The obvious answer is, of course, Fight Club, the unforgettable cult classic that inspired the 1999 film starring Edward Norton and Brad Pitt. But beyond this initial blockbuster success, Palahniuk continued to delve deep into the darkest corners of the human mind with shocking stories of sex, drugs, life, and death. Branded by many as a depraved nihilist whose works often end up on banned book lists, there's no denying the literary genius of this one-of-a-kind author. Here are Chuck Palahniuk's books ranked, starting with the best. We're going to break the first rule of Fight Club and talk about Fight Club. To me, this one tops the list for two reasons: One, its iconic anti-capitalist, anarchist, "F*ck you" attitude cemented its place in pop culture history (thanks in no small part to David Fincher's film adaptation); and two, its incredible portrayal of toxic masculinity was ahead of its time. If you're new to Palahniuk, start here with the secret underground organization of men who break free from life's tedium by beating the crap out of each other and heading to work the next day as if nothing happened. Invisible Monsters was meant to be Palahniuk's first published novel, but after receiving countless rejections (some of which, reportedly, were because the material was too disturbing), he shelved the draft for a few years. Luckily, he didn't give up. This is a brilliant, scathing observation of societal beauty standards as narrated by Shannon, a gorgeous model left horribly disfigured by an act of violence. When I say it's a messed up train wreck from start to finish, I mean that in the best way possible. A cast of friends, lovers, relatives, and experts recount the violent and disturbing life of small-town degenerate Buster "Rant" Casey — a young man whose hobbies included collecting buckets of teeth and deliberately allowing wild animals to infect him with rabies. This fictional biography weaves a tale so bizarre and shocking you won't be able to put it down. Palahniuk's second published novel expertly critiques America's obsession with celebrities by tracing one man's harrowing journey from sole survivor of a death cult to national media darling. Much like Fight Club and Invisible Monsters, Survivor uses satire, shock factor, and a morbid sense of humor to draw readers into a provocative and thought-provoking ride. Palahniuk uses his cutting wit to take on the entire media machine in this off-the-rails novel, where the titular lullaby is really a culling song that's been killing tons of people. When journalist Carl Streator investigates recent cases of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, he discovers parents have been unknowingly killing their children — and that he accidentally killed his own wife and kid. Now he's on a quest to round up all copies of the culling song before it falls into evil (instead of just amoral) hands. "Are you there, Satan? It's me, Madison." Here's Palahniuk's take on the eternally doomed, as told by a 13-year-old girl who wakes up in Hell and works as a telemarketer. (Honestly, that does sound like a pretty hellish job.) An unlikely protagonist, Madison makes the most of her situation in this surprisingly delightful black comedy that's light on theology and heavy on ironic humor, plus some very gross depictions of the afterlife. By now, it shouldn't surprise you that Palahniuk knows how to tell a story in unexpected, fascinating ways, and this Scribd Original personal essay is no exception. He details the people, places, and things of his past that shaped his writing growing up in the Pacific Northwest — from serial killers to secret gardens to Sears catalogs. This director's cut of Invisible Monsters is what Palahniuk intended to publish in 1999 and contains all the macabre fun of the original with even more chaos. (You needn't read the original to enjoy this, but it will certainly enhance the experience.) A non-linear format (in a book with a timeline that already jumps around in time), new chapters, and side stories that aren't actually part of the main narrative make for a disjointed experience. An aging porn star on the brink of retirement intends to go out with a bang by breaking the world record for most consecutive sex acts filmed on camera. Darkly humorous and surprisingly insightful, Snuff will give you a new perspective on sex work and the pornography industry. In the near future, the United States, on the verge of yet another pointless war, is divided into three nation states: Blacktopia, Caucasia, and Gaysia. What emerges is a darkly poignant satire of a libertarian fantasy world. Upon first glance, it may seem like Palahniuk is attempting to glorify the far right movement, but there's more beneath the surface of this less-than-traditional dystopian novel. It's worth a read (or two) to get to the bottom of what he's trying to say about the dangers of extreme identity politics, conspiracy theories, and outrage culture. Palahniuk's collection of transgressive short stories, written over the course of several years, is rife with his signature twists, vulgar humor, and envelope-pushing storytelling. Blending folk tales with modern literate, Palahniuk is at his best in many of these shorts ("Zombies," "Red Sultan's Big Boy," and "Mr. Elegant" are fan favorites) while others may come off as being edgy for the sake of being edgy ("Cannibal," "The Toad Prince"). Madison Spencer is back for another absurdist adventure through the afterlife, this time trapped as an invisible entity on earth, AKA purgatory. Written as a series of blog posts from Madison's point of view, Doomed is a solid sequel to Damned. This is, admittedly, a weird one, even by Palahniuk standards. Uncomfortable and creepy, he ratchets up the sexual depravity factor with an incestuous relationship between two brothers who come from an extraordinarily dysfunctional but wealthy family. Using shocking and grotesque humor, Not Forever, But For Now is a satirical indictment of privilege and toxic masculinity. Narrated as if it were a screenplay and split into various acts and scenes, Tell All calls back to the golden age of Hollywood with a barrage of name dropping and cinematic cultural references to bygone times. Hazie Coogan, assistant to iconic actress Katherine Kenton, discovers that a young suitor is secretly plotting to kill her boss and must intervene to save Katherine's life. While the format is unique — it's a campy read — this is definitely one full of deep cuts that appeal primarily to old-school film buffs. Palahniuk lays out a more traditional storyline in Beautiful You (but it's nonetheless just as outrageous as his other books). Software billionaire/playboy C. Linus Maxwell has invented the world's greatest sex toys. So great, in fact, that they turn women into pleasure addicts — which is all part of Maxwell's plot for world domination. This is a wildly satiric novel (full of explicit sex scenes, just FYI) that examines how people in power manipulate the masses through their baser instincts. Spies posing as exchange students infiltrate the United States in an attempt to carry out acts of terrorism. One such student, Pygmy, recounts his story using mangled English, which adds an extra challenge to reading this one. Scenes of extreme violence, racism, and sexual assault won't surprise long-time fans, but do require a content warning for new readers. Emma is an Everand booklist curator and a freelance content marketing writer covering finance, business leadership, and B2B SaaS communications. Share — copy and redistribute the material in any medium or format for any purpose, even commercially. 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