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Dawn of Empire Sam Barone 2009-03-17 “[A] wonderful book! Big, passionate, powerful, epic...sheer story-telling prowess. I couldn’t put it down!” — --John Lescroart, New York Times bestselling author of THE HUNT CLUB “Beautifully imagined and researched adventure, with terrific action!” — Diana Gabaldon, #1 New York Times bestselling author “Equal parts history lesson, love story and war saga, Barone’s first historical will have readers turning pages.” — Publishers Weekly “[W]ell-crafted...a Bronze Age historical romance with brains as well as brawn, ripe for a sequel.” — Kirkus Reviews “[A] compelling first novel ...Readers will find it hard to put down this dramatic tale of conflict.” — Library Journal “If Bernard Cornwell and Diana Gabaldon decided to collaborate on a novel, the

result would be something like this.” — Arizona Republic
When We Cease to Understand the World
Benjamin Labatut 2021-09-28 One of The New York Times Book Review’s 10 Best Books of 2021 Shortlisted for the 2021 International Booker Prize and the 2021 National Book Award for Translated Literature A fictional examination of the lives of real-life scientists and thinkers whose discoveries resulted in moral consequences beyond their imagining. *When We Cease to Understand the World* is a book about the complicated links between scientific and mathematical discovery, madness, and destruction. Fritz Haber, Alexander Grothendieck, Werner Heisenberg, Erwin Schrödinger—these are some of luminaries into whose troubled lives Benjamín Labatut thrusts

the reader, showing us how they grappled with the most profound questions of existence. They have strokes of unparalleled genius, alienate friends and lovers, descend into isolation and insanity. Some of their discoveries reshape human life for the better; others pave the way to chaos and unimaginable suffering. The lines are never clear. At a breakneck pace and with a wealth of disturbing detail, Labatut uses the imaginative resources of fiction to tell the stories of the scientists and mathematicians who expanded our notions of the possible.

Empire of Silence Christopher Ruocchio 2019-06-04 "The galaxy remembers him as a hero: the man who burned every last alien Cielcin from the sky. They remember him as a monster: the devil who destroyed a sun, casually annihilating four billion human lives--even the Emperor himself--against Imperial orders. But Hadrian was not a hero. He was not a monster. He was not even a soldier. On the wrong planet, at the right time, for the best reasons, Hadrian

Marlowe starts down a path that can only end in fire"--Publisher marketing.

Requiem for the Sun Elizabeth Haydon 2003-05-18 Fantasy-roman.

Empire of Sun X J. G. Ballard 1985-01-01

The Gutter Prayer Gareth Hanrahan 2019-01-15

'A ground-breaking and extraordinary novel . . . Hanrahan has an astonishing imagination' Peter McLean, author of *Priest of Bones* 'Mind-blowingly stellar in every respect . . . Fantasy readers, be wise and buy this book, because there's simply nothing like it' *Novel Notions* ***** The city of Guerdon stands eternal. A refuge from the war that rages beyond its borders. But in the ancient tunnels deep beneath its streets, a malevolent power has begun to stir. The fate of the city rests in the hands of three thieves. They alone stand against the coming darkness. As conspiracies unfold and secrets are revealed, their friendship will be tested to the limit. If they fail, all will be lost and the streets of Guerdon will run with blood. SET IN A

WORLD OF DARK GODS AND DANGEROUS MAGIC, THE GUTTER PRAYER IS AN EPIC TALE OF SORCERERS AND THIEVES, TREACHERY AND REVENGE, FROM A REMARKABLE NEW VOICE IN FANTASY. *****
'An absolutely stunning debut. Insanely inventive . . . I loved it!' Michael R. Fletcher, author of *Beyond Redemption* 'Utterly brilliant . . . Hanrahan is a total genius' Liz Loves Books 'Captivating . . . Guerdon is a city that seethes with history, horror and hidden secrets' Nicholas Eames, author of *Kings of the Wyld* 'Already one of my favourite books from 2019 . . . Put simply, you need to read this.' The Fantasy Inn 'I'm confident that I won't find a greater book this year' BookNest 'Compelling . . . rich with dark and original wonders' Anthony Ryan, author of *Blood Song* 'A gripping, darkly inventive tale' James Islington, author of *The Shadow of What was Lost*
Heart of the Sun Warrior Sue Lynn Tan
2022-11-15 The stunning sequel to *Daughter of*

the Moon Goddess delves deeper into beloved Chinese mythology, concluding the epic story of Xingyin—the daughter of Chang'e and the mortal archer, Houyi—as she battles a grave new threat to the realm, in this powerful tale of love, sacrifice, and hope. After winning her mother's freedom from the Celestial Emperor, Xingyin thrives in the enchanting tranquility of her home. But her fragile peace is threatened by the discovery of a strange magic on the moon and the unsettling changes in the Celestial Kingdom as the emperor tightens his grip on power. While Xingyin is determined to keep clear of the rising danger, the discovery of a shocking truth spurs her into a perilous confrontation. Forced to flee her home once more, Xingyin and her companions venture to unexplored lands of the Immortal Realm, encountering legendary creatures and shrewd monarchs, beloved friends and bitter adversaries. With alliances shifting quicker than the tides, Xingyin has to overcome past grudges

and enmities to forge a new path forward, seeking aid where she never imagined she would. As an unspeakable terror sweeps across the realm, Xingyin must uncover the truth of her heart and claw her way through devastation—to rise against this evil before it destroys everything she holds dear, and the worlds she has grown to love . . . even if doing so demands the greatest price of all.

East of the Sun Julia Gregson 2009-06-02 From award winner Julia Gregson, author of *Jasmine Nights*, this sweeping international bestseller brilliantly captures the lives of three young women on their way to a new life in India during the 1920s. As the *Kaisar-I-Hind* weighs anchor for Bombay in the autumn of 1928, its passengers ponder their fate in a distant land. They are part of the “Fishing Fleet”—the name given to the legions of English women who sail to India each year in search of husbands, heedless of the life that awaits them. The inexperienced chaperone Viva Holloway has

been entrusted to watch over three unsettling charges. There’s Rose, as beautiful as she is naïve, who plans to marry a cavalry officer she has met a mere handful of times. Her bridesmaid, Victoria, is hell-bent on losing her virginity en route before finding a husband of her own. And shadowing them all is the malevolent presence of a disturbed schoolboy named Guy Glover. From the parties of the wealthy Bombay socialites to the poverty of Tamarind Street, from the sooty streets of London to the genteel conversation of the Bombay Yacht Club, *East of the Sun* takes us back to a world we hardly understand but yearn to know. This is a book that has it all: glorious detail, fascinating characters, and masterful storytelling.

The Fall of the Asante Empire Robert B. Edgerton 2010-06-15 For the first time, anthropologist Robert Edgerton tells the story of the Hundred-Year War—from 1807 to 1900, between the British Empire and the Asante

Kingdom—from the Asante point of view. In 1817, the first British envoy to meet the king of the Asante of West Africa was dazzled by his reception. A group of 5,000 Asante soldiers, many wearing immense caps topped with three foot eagle feathers and gold ram's horns, engulfed him with a "zeal bordering on phrensy," shooting muskets into the air. The envoy was escorted, as no fewer than 100 bands played, to the Asante king's palace and greeted by a tremendous throng of 30,000 noblemen and soldiers, bedecked with so much gold that his party had to avert their eyes to avoid the blinding glare. Some Asante elders wore gold ornaments so massive they had to be supported by attendants. But a criminal being lead to his execution - hands tied, ears severed, knives thrust through his cheeks and shoulder blades - was also paraded before them as a warning of what would befall malefactors. This first encounter set the stage for one of the longest and fiercest wars in all the European conquest of

Africa. At its height, the Asante empire, on the Gold Coast of Africa in present-day Ghana, comprised three million people and had its own highly sophisticated social, political, and military institutions. Armed with European firearms, the tenacious and disciplined Asante army inflicted heavy casualties on advancing British troops, in some cases defeating them. They won the respect and admiration of British commanders, and displayed a unique willingness to adapt their traditional military tactics to counter superior British technology. Even well after a British fort had been established in Kumase, the Asante capital, the indigenous culture stubbornly resisted Europeanization, as long as the "golden stool," the sacred repository of royal power, remained in Asante hands. It was only after an entire century of fighting that resistance ultimately ceased.

15 Million Degrees Lucie Green 2016-05
Ascendant Sun Catherine Asaro 2001-02-15
Follows Kelric, the heir to the Skolian Empire, as

he flees his imprisonment on Coba only to find his kingdom in tatters.

Servant of the Empire Raymond E. Feist
1997-01-01 "A sweeping drama unveiling a tale of love, hate and sacrifice against the panorama of an alien yet familiar society."--Publishers Weekly. "Uncommonly satisfying."--Locus

The Guns of Empire Django Wexler
2016-08-09 As the "audacious and subversive"* Shadow Campaigns novels continue, the weather is growing warmer, but the frosty threat of Vordan's enemies is only growing worse... As the roar of the guns subsides and the smoke of battle clears, the country of Vordan is offered a fragile peace... After their shattering defeats at the hands of brilliant General Janus bet Vhalnich, the opposing powers have called all sides to the negotiating table in hopes of securing an end to the war. Queen Raesinia of Vordan is anxious to see the return of peace, but Janus insists that any peace with the implacable Sworn Church of Elysium is doomed to fail. For

their Priests of the Black, there can be no truce with heretics and demons they seek to destroy, and the war is to the death. Soldiers Marcus d'Ivoire and Winter Ihernglass find themselves caught between their general and their queen. Now, each must decide which leader truly commands their loyalty—and what price they might pay for final victory. And in the depths of Elysium, a malign force is rising—and defeating it might mean making sacrifices beyond anything they have ever imagined.

Raiding the Empire of the Sun Kit Crumpton
2015-08-31 *Raiding the Empire of the Sun: Tinian 1945* is a historical novel of B-29 Superfortress missions over Japan during the last year of WWII. This book is based on real life events of a B-29 crew, describing life on Tinian Island as well as the dramatic happenings in the skies over enemy territory until the end of the war. The characters are fictionalized but the main character, Captain Jenson, is strongly based on the authors' father.

Get Smart Empire of the Sun Moira Sullivan
2008

Killers of the Flower Moon David Grann
2018-04-03 #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

• A twisting, haunting true-life murder mystery about one of the most monstrous crimes in American history, from the author of *The Wager* and *The Lost City of Z*, “one of the preeminent adventure and true-crime writers working today.”—*New York Magazine* • NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FINALIST • NOW A MARTIN SCORSESE PICTURE “A shocking whodunit...What more could fans of true-crime thrillers ask?”—*USA Today* “A masterful work of literary journalism crafted with the urgency of a mystery.” —*The Boston Globe* In the 1920s, the richest people per capita in the world were members of the Osage Nation in Oklahoma. After oil was discovered beneath their land, the Osage rode in chauffeured automobiles, built mansions, and sent their children to study in Europe. Then, one by one, the Osage began to

be killed off. The family of an Osage woman, Mollie Burkhart, became a prime target. One of her relatives was shot. Another was poisoned. And it was just the beginning, as more and more Osage were dying under mysterious circumstances, and many of those who dared to investigate the killings were themselves murdered. As the death toll rose, the newly created FBI took up the case, and the young director, J. Edgar Hoover, turned to a former Texas Ranger named Tom White to try to unravel the mystery. White put together an undercover team, including a Native American agent who infiltrated the region, and together with the Osage began to expose one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history. Look for David Grann’s latest bestselling book, *The Wager*!

Paradise Lost John Milton 1711

Deceived: Star Wars Legends (The Old Republic) Paul S. Kemp 2011-03-22 The second novel set in the Old Republic era and based on

the massively multiplayer online game Star Wars®: The Old Republic™ ramps up the action and brings readers face-to-face for the first time with a Sith warrior to rival the most sinister of the Order's Dark Lords—Darth Malgus, the mysterious, masked Sith of the wildly popular “Deceived” and “Hope” game trailers. Malgus brought down the Jedi Temple on Coruscant in a brutal assault that shocked the galaxy. But if war crowned him the darkest of Sith heroes, peace would transform him into something far more heinous—something Malgus would never want to be, but cannot stop, any more than he can stop the rogue Jedi fast approaching. Her name is Aryn Leneer—and the lone Knight that Malgus cut down in the fierce battle for the Jedi Temple was her Master. And now she's going to find out what happened to him, even if it means breaking every rule in the book. Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular

Star Wars books of the last thirty years!

Empire of Dreams Giannina Braschi

1994-01-01 A collection of stream-of-consciousness jottings by a Puerto Rican woman on life in New York City. A portrait of the city by a writer with an acute sense of observation. The author teaches Spanish at a university.

Iron Widow Xiran Jay Zhao 2021-10-07 Instant New York Times No.1 Bestseller. A YA Pacific Rim meets the Handmaid's Tale retelling of the rise of Wu Zetian, the only female emperor in Chinese history. I have no faith in love. Love cannot save me. I choose vengeance. The boys of Huaxia dream of pairing up with girls to pilot Chrysalises - giant transforming robots that battle aliens beyond the Great Wall. It doesn't matter that their female co-pilots are expected to serve as concubines and often die from the mental strain. When 18-year-old Zetian offers herself up as a concubine-pilot, her plan is to assassinate the ace male pilot responsible for her sister's death. But after miraculously

surviving her first battle, Zetian sets her sights on a mightier goal. The time has come to stop more girls from being sacrificed. 'This is the historical-inspired, futuristic sci-fi mash-up of my wildest dreams.' Chloe Gong 'Raging against the patriarchy in spectacular style.' Observer, best books of the year 'Zetian is unstoppable, and I dare you not to cheer her on.' Elizabeth Lim, author of Spin the Dawn

Empire of the Vampire Jay Kristoff 2021-09-14
THE INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES, USA TODAY,
AND WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER
From New York Times bestselling author Jay Kristoff comes *Empire of the Vampire*, the first illustrated volume of an astonishing new dark fantasy saga. From holy cup comes holy light; The faithful hand sets world aright. And in the Seven Martyrs' sight, Mere man shall end this endless night. It has been twenty-seven long years since the last sunrise. For nearly three decades, vampires have waged war against humanity; building their eternal empire even as

they tear down our own. Now, only a few tiny sparks of light endure in a sea of darkness. Gabriel de León is a silversaint: a member of a holy brotherhood dedicated to defending realm and church from the creatures of the night. But even the Silver Order could not stem the tide once daylight failed us, and now, only Gabriel remains. Imprisoned by the very monsters he vowed to destroy, the last silversaint is forced to tell his story. A story of legendary battles and forbidden love, of faith lost and friendships won, of the Wars of the Blood and the Forever King and the quest for humanity's last remaining hope: The Holy Grail.

Kingdoms of Death Christopher Ruocchio 2022-03-22
The fourth novel of the galaxy-spanning Sun Eater series merges the best of space opera and epic fantasy, as Hadrian Marlowe continues down a path that can only end in fire. Hadrian Marlowe is trapped. For nearly a century, he has been a guest of the Emperor, forced into the role of advisor, a

prisoner of his own legend. But the war is changing. Mankind is losing. The Cielcin are spilling into human space from the fringes, picking their targets with cunning precision. The Great Prince Syriani Dorayaica is uniting their clans, forging them into an army and threat the likes of which mankind has never seen. And the Empire stands alone. Now the Emperor has no choice but to give Hadrian Marlowe—once his favorite knight—one more impossible task: journey across the galaxy to the Lothrian Commonwealth and convince them to join the war. But not all is as it seems, and Hadrian's journey will take him far beyond the Empire, beyond the Commonwealth, impossibly deep behind enemy lines.

Rogue One: A Star Wars Story Alexander Freed 2016-12-16 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Go beyond the film that introduced Star Wars fans to Cassian Andor with a novelization featuring new scenes and expanded material. “One of the best movie

adaptations yet.”—Cineline As the shadows of the Empire loom ever larger across the galaxy, so do deeply troubling rumors. The Rebellion has learned of a sinister Imperial plot to bring entire worlds to their knees. Deep in Empire-dominated space, a machine of unimaginable destructive power is nearing completion. A weapon too terrifying to contemplate . . . and a threat that may be too great to overcome. If the worlds at the Empire's mercy stand any chance, it lies with an unlikely band of allies: Jyn Erso, a resourceful young woman seeking vengeance; Cassian Andor, a war-weary rebel commander; Bodhi Rook, a defector from the Empire's military; Chirrut Îmwe, a blind holy man and his crack-shot companion, Baze Malbus; and K-2SO, a deadly Imperial droid turned against its former masters. In their hands rests the new hope that could turn the tide toward a crucial Rebellion victory—if only they can capture the plans to the Empire's new weapon. But even as they race toward their dangerous goal, the specter of their

ultimate enemy—a monstrous world unto itself—darkens the skies. Waiting to herald the Empire's brutal reign with a burst of annihilation worthy of its dreaded name: Death Star.

Invisible Sun Charles Stross 2021-09-28 The alternate timelines of Charles Stross' Empire Games trilogy have never been so entangled than in *Invisible Sun*—the techno-thriller follow up to *Dark State*—as stakes escalate in a conflict that could spell extermination for humanity across all known timelines. An inter-timeline coup d'état gone awry. A renegade British monarch on the run through the streets of Berlin. And robotic alien invaders from a distant timeline flood through a wormhole, wreaking havoc in the USA. Can disgraced worldwalker Rita and her intertemporal extraordinaire agent of a mother neutralize the livewire contention before it's too late? At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Mistress of the Empire Raymond E. Feist

2017-08-22 The world on the other side of the rift: Kelewan, a land seething with political intrigue and deadly conspiracies. Following the opulent panoply of *Daughter Of The Empire* and the dazzling pageantry of *Servant Of The Empire* comes the resounding conclusion to the Empire trilogy. Besieged by spies and rival houses, stalked by a secret and merciless brotherhood of assassins, the brilliant Lady Mara of the Acoma faces the most deadly challenge she has ever known. The fearsome Black Robes see Mara as the ultimate threat to their ancient power. In search of allies who will join her against them, Mara must travel beyond civilization's borders and even into the hives of the alien cho-ja. As those near and dear to her fall victim to many enemies, Mara cries out for vengeance. Drawing on all of her courage and guile she prepares to fight her greatest battle of all—for her life, her home, and the Empire itself.

The Collapse of Complex Societies Joseph Tainter 1988 Dr Tainter describes nearly two

dozen cases of collapse and reviews more than 2000 years of explanations. He then develops a new and far-reaching theory.

Empire of the Sun Christina Schroeter
2012-02-05 In a world where magic and technology coexist, there is a group of dedicated magic users who are charged with three main duties: protect the innocent, punish the wicked, and guard the Empire from harm. Making sure these duties are fulfilled isn't always easy, as a newly partnered Pair soon finds out, and not all is as it seems.

She Who Became the Sun Shelley Parker-Chan
2021-07-20 Two-time British Fantasy Award Winner Astounding Award Winner Lambda Literary Award Finalist Hugo Award Finalist Locus Award Finalist Otherwise Award Finalist "Magnificent in every way."—Samantha Shannon, author of *The Priory of the Orange Tree* "A dazzling new world of fate, war, love and betrayal."—Zen Cho, author of *Black Water* Sister *She Who Became the Sun* reimagines the

rise to power of the Ming Dynasty's founding emperor. To possess the Mandate of Heaven, the female monk Zhu will do anything "I refuse to be nothing..." In a famine-stricken village on a dusty yellow plain, two children are given two fates. A boy, greatness. A girl, nothingness... In 1345, China lies under harsh Mongol rule. For the starving peasants of the Central Plains, greatness is something found only in stories. When the Zhu family's eighth-born son, Zhu Chongba, is given a fate of greatness, everyone is mystified as to how it will come to pass. The fate of nothingness received by the family's clever and capable second daughter, on the other hand, is only as expected. When a bandit attack orphans the two children, though, it is Zhu Chongba who succumbs to despair and dies. Desperate to escape her own fated death, the girl uses her brother's identity to enter a monastery as a young male novice. There, propelled by her burning desire to survive, Zhu learns she is capable of doing whatever it takes,

no matter how callous, to stay hidden from her fate. After her sanctuary is destroyed for supporting the rebellion against Mongol rule, Zhu takes the chance to claim another future altogether: her brother's abandoned greatness. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Hand of the Sun King J.T. Greathouse
2021-08-05 “An original fantasy filled with magic and culture, the story of a character torn between two names, two loyalties, and two definitions of good and evil.”—Kevin J. Anderson, New York Times bestselling author of *Spine of the Dragon*
Wen Alder was born into two worlds. On his father’s side, a legacy of proud loyalty and service to the god-like Sieneese Emperor spanning generations. And it is expected that Alder, too, will follow this tradition by passing the Imperial exams, learning the accepted ways of magic and, if he serves with honor, enhancing his family's prominence by rising to take a most

powerful position in Sien—the Hand of the Emperor. But from his mother he has inherited defiance from the Empire, a history of wild gods and magic unlike anything the Imperial sorcerers could yet control. It began when his spirited, rebellious grandmother took Alder into the woods and introduced him to her ways—ways he has never been able to forget. Now, on the verge of taking the steps that will forge the path of his life, Alder discovers that the conflict between the Empire and the resistance is only the beginning of a war that will engulf both heaven and earth, gods and man—and he may be the key to final victory for whichever side can claim him as their own... “Sublime prose and pin-sharp characterisation combine to produce a captivating epic of conflicted loyalties and dangerous ambition.” —Anthony Ryan, New York Times bestselling author “The Hand of the Sun King is not the gentle story of a boy’s rise to power; instead, it digs its fingernails into the layers of an empire that would consume and

erase half that boy's identity. Brilliantly told and immediately engrossing, filled with magic, mistakes and their merciless consequences." —Andrea Stewart, author of *The Bone Shard Daughter* "The Hand of the Sun King is an outstanding debut novel with very well-conceived world building and an excellent, original magic system, and twists that will keep you reading late into the night and guessing until the very end. The thing that really makes it shine is the main character—I really loved his development throughout the story. Alder is a character I look forward to following for multiple books to come." —Michael Mammay, author of the *Planetside* series "A great coming of age story about a foolish boy who seeks to unravel the secrets of magic and maybe do something good in the process. I absolutely loved it." —Nick Martell, author of *Kingdom of Liars* "Well written, thought provoking and enjoyable, *The Hand of the Sun King* is an impressive debut novel that left me eager for more." —Lisbeth

Campbell, author of *The Vanished Queen* "A great debut novel." —SFFWorld "A spellbinding debut with terrific characterisations, immersive world-building, and prose that swept me away ... hands down the best debut of the year. Scratch that; this is one of the best debuts I've ever read." —Novel Notions "Exquisite ... Greathouse's characterisation, his prose, and worldbuilding are an absolute triumph." —The Fantasy Hive "An excellent mix of classic and modern fantasy with a grimdark undertone of despair." —Grimdark Magazine "The Hand of the Sun King is an enjoyable novel that pays great homage to the traditions and mythologies it borrows from." —Quill to Live "Teeming with culture, doused in war, political intrigue ... but strikes out its own path in the genre." —FanFiAddict "Set in a fantastical world of magic with a rich history, this novel fits beautifully into its genre while also addressing some failings of the genre by turning them on their head." —Dawn Vogel, *History That Never*

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Run, Little Chaski! Mariana Llanos 2021-05-01

In this tale set in the ancient Inka (sometimes spelled Inca) empire, Little Chaski has a big job: he is the Inka King's newest royal messenger.

On his first day delivering messages he stops to help several creatures in need along the way, causing him to nearly miss his sunset deadline.

But the kindness he bestowed on these animals winds up helping him in surprising ways.

Descriptive language and bold illustrations give readers insight into Little Chaski's nervousness and excitement as he runs the Inka Trail, working earnestly to fulfill the responsibilities of his new role.

Empire of Pain Patrick Radden Keefe 2021-04-13

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A NEW YORK TIMES NOTABLE BOOK OF THE YEAR •

A grand, devastating portrait of three generations of the Sackler family, famed for their philanthropy, whose fortune was built by Valium and whose reputation was destroyed by

OxyContin. From the prize-winning and bestselling author of *Say Nothing*. "A real-life version of the HBO series *Succession* with a lethal sting in its tail...a masterful work of narrative reportage." – Laura Miller, *Slate* The history of the Sackler dynasty is rife with drama—baroque personal lives; bitter disputes over estates; fistfights in boardrooms; glittering art collections; Machiavellian courtroom maneuvers; and the calculated use of money to burnish reputations and crush the less powerful. The Sackler name has adorned the walls of many storied institutions—Harvard, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Oxford, the Louvre. They are one of the richest families in the world, but the source of the family fortune was vague—until it emerged that the Sacklers were responsible for making and marketing a blockbuster painkiller that was the catalyst for the opioid crisis.

Empire of Pain is the saga of three generations of a single family and the mark they would leave on the world, a tale that moves from the bustling

streets of early twentieth-century Brooklyn to the seaside palaces of Greenwich, Connecticut, and Cap d'Antibes to the corridors of power in Washington, D.C. It follows the family's early success with Valium to the much more potent OxyContin, marketed with a ruthless technique of co-opting doctors, influencing the FDA, downplaying the drug's addictiveness. Empire of Pain chronicles the multiple investigations of the Sacklers and their company, and the scorched-earth legal tactics that the family has used to evade accountability. A masterpiece of narrative reporting, Empire of Pain is a ferociously compelling portrait of America's second Gilded Age, a study of impunity among the super-elite and a relentless investigation of the naked greed that built one of the world's great fortunes. J.G. Ballard's Empire of the Sun D. Benevol 1995 **Hell to Pay** Simon R. Green 2014-08-21 Private eye John Taylor has survived war in the Nightside, but it has left a power vacuum . . . one just begging to be filled. The war in the

Nightside - the hidden netherworld in the heart of London - has come to an end, but now there is no one in charge, and plenty of ruthless people who will go to absurd lengths to take that power. Jeremiah Griffin, one of the last immortal humans, is one, but his plans are obstructed when his granddaughter disappears. It's no surprise when he calls on John Taylor to find her - after all, finding people is what he does - but the job is not as simple as it appears. And to make matters worse, someone - or something - is blocking Taylor's supernatural gift, so he'll have to work the old-fashioned way . . . and quickly. Hell to Pay is the seventh title in Simon R. Green's New York Times bestselling Nightside series.

Blood Sun David Gilman 2011-12-27 Has Max's quest for the truth led to an answer for which he'll pay the ultimate price? Deep in the London underground, a train shudders across an unseen body. Days later, on the bleakness of Dartmoor, Max Gordon learns of a fellow student's death in

the capital. Danny Maguire was carrying an envelope with Max's name on it--containing the secret of Max's mother's death. The clues take Max into the endangered rainforest of Central America where, hunted down by a ruthless killer, he must also escape the jaws of deadly crocodiles and flesh-eating piranhas. The truth Max is desperately trying to uncover lies deep within the dangerous forest's heart . . . if only he can stay alive to reach it. The third and final novel in David Gilman's supercharged, sophisticated adventure series, perfect for fans of Anthony Horowitz, James Patterson, and the Jason Bourne movies.

The Sun Sword Michelle West 2004-01-06 The final novel of the acclaimed Sun Sword series concludes the epic of a war-torn world of noble houses divided and demon lords unleashed... The armies of Alesso di'Marente and Valedan kai di'Leonne are massing in the Terrean of Averda for the battle that will at last determine the rule of the Dominion. The Sun Sword is about to be

delivered by Serra Diora to its "rightful" holder, Valedan, last surviving heir of the clan Leonne. But whether Valedan will be able to wield the sword, or—like the former kai el'Sol—will be consumed by its magic, remains to be seen. The demon kin are gathering as well, and a dread spell is being worked which will—should it successfully reach completion—finally open the way for the Lord of Night to once again enter the mortal realm. And though many of the truly powerful have gathered upon the field, the entire course of the future may ultimately rest in the hands, heart, and soul of one being, Kiriell di'Ashaf, daughter of the Lord of Night....
People of the Sun Ben Gartner 2022-02-01 ☐ Gold Recipient, Mom's Choice Awards Honoring Excellence ☐ First Place, Gertrude Warner Middle Grade Awards ☐ Bronze Medal, 2022 International Readers' Favorite Awards The explosive reveal about who John and Sarah really are and why they're traveling through time, with their most gut-wrenching challenge

yet. In the time of the Aztec, a scoundrel named Cortés arrives and the kids are forced to make an extremely difficult decision: If you could change history, should you? For more twists, more danger, and more fun, read the third book in The Eye of Ra series, People of the Sun! “An SF-infused tale that proves both entertaining and educational.” -Kirkus Reviews *****
“Middle-grade readers with a love of high-stakes fantasy will be pleased with this time-crossed historical adventure.” -BookLife Reviews by Publishers Weekly ***** “The epic reveal we've been waiting for with the biggest stakes yet! You'll be breathlessly turning pages until the very end...” -Sam Subity, author of The Last Shadow Warrior ***** “Thought-provoking, compelling, and exquisitely designed, this is a satisfying conclusion to the Eye of Ra series and is a highly recommended addition to libraries for advanced middle grade readers.” -Mary Lanni, book blogger, librarian, and reviewer for School Library Journal. ***** “People of the Sun is an

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