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The highly anticipated follow-up to the  
international bestseller, *The Raw Shark Texts*  
For a thousand years, mankind has lived under  
the threat of invasion from an alien race. After  
the oceans rose and the continents were  
reshaped, people divided into guilds--Musicians,  
Scribes, Merchants, Clowns, and more. The  
Watchers wander the earth, scouring the skies  
for signs of enemies from the stars. But during  
one Watcher's journey to the ancient city of  
Roum with his companion, a Flier named  
Avluela, a moment of distraction allows the  
invaders to advance. When the Watcher finally  
sounds the alarm, it's too late; the star people  
are poised to conquer all. And so, with the world  
in turmoil, the Watcher sets out alone for the  
Hall of the Rememberers, keepers of the past,  
where humanity's last hope for survival might be  
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and Roger Zelazny. A SUNDAY TIMES BOOK OF  
THE YEAR 2017 A GUARDIAN BOOK OF THE  
YEAR 2017 FEATURED IN THE GUARDIAN'S  
BEST FICTION OF 2017 She is running and  
becoming smaller, running and becoming  
smaller, running in the light of the reddening  
sun, the red of her hair and her coat falling, the  
red of her fur and her body loosening. Running.  
Holding behind her a sudden, brazen object,  
white-tipped. Her yellow scarf trails in the briar.  
All vestiges shed. Sarah Hall is an exquisite  
chronicler of landscapes - rural, industrial,  
psychological - and these haunting stories reveal  
a writer at the peak of her powers. Rich in the  
mythic symbolism of wilderness and wasteland,  
these tales blur the natural and urban, mundane  
and surreal, human and animal. Written in Hall's  
lyrical prose, this uncannily disturbing collection  
glitters with poetic and erotic imagery. Marked  
by a fascination with the intimacy of nature - and  
the nature of intimacy - *Madame Zero* is a  
stunning new collection from an author twice  
nominated for the Booker Prize. A pilgrimage  
leads to a shocking revelation in this "deeply  
affecting and evocative extraterrestrial novel"  
from the Hugo and Nebula Award-winning  
author (Locus). The village of Jespodar nestles in  
the foothills of a world-dominating mountain  
known to all as "The Wall." Poilar Crookleg has  
grown up in Jespodar training hard and hoping  
that he will be chosen for the annual Pilgrimage,  
a group journey to the top of the mountain from  
which no pilgrim has ever returned both alive  
and sane. The pilgrims seek to replicate the  
legendary journey of a distant ancestor who  
scaled the mountain and, so the story goes, met  
with the gods. The Pilgrimage is a a life journey,  
an overwhelming challenge and a sacred honor  
and Poilar feels blessed when he is finally  
chosen to lead it. But not all is as it first seems.

Along the journey lie hazards of all kinds, both vilely dangerous and seductively beguiling and to triumph in the climb is to confront a revelation so surprising and so disturbing that none, not even the smartest and best prepared, are likely to survive. What belief and what devotion leads so many to hope for such a challenging task and what will be the ultimate result of such dedication? Only *The Wall* itself can reveal the destiny for those who undertake the Pilgrimage. *Crime Fiction in German* is the first volume in English to offer a comprehensive overview of German-language crime fiction from its origins in the early nineteenth century to its vibrant growth in the new millennium. As well as introducing readers to crime fiction from Germany, Austria, Switzerland and the former East Germany, the volume expands the notion of a German crime-writing tradition by investigating Nazi crime fiction, Jewish-German crime fiction, Turkish-German crime fiction and the *Afrika-Krimi*. Other key areas, including the West German social crime novel, women's crime writing, regional crime fiction, historical crime fiction and the *Fernsehkrimi* (TV crime drama) are also explored, highlighting the genre's distinctive features in German-language contexts. The volume includes a map of German-speaking Europe, a chronology of crime publishing milestones, extracts from primary texts, and an annotated bibliography of print and online resources in English and German.

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Annotated Bibliography of Resources on German-language Crime Fiction, Katharina Hall 'Katharina Hall's knowledge of and enthusiasm for crime fiction in translation is prodigious, but (crucially) it is matched by her nonpareil analytic skills. This combination, when focused on her particular speciality of genre fiction from Germany, makes her the perfect editor for and contributor to *Crime Fiction in German: Der Krimi*. The book becomes at a stroke the definitive modern guide to the subject - scholarly, lively and accessible.' Barry Forshaw, author of *Euro Noir* and *Nordic Noir* No one could move without being followed. No one could speak without being overheard. The almost sentient computer system was everywhere. The prison was billed as "escape-proof," and so far that was true. But Danny Romano was not about to believe it... the jail hadn't been built that could hold him. Danny would escape. Even if he had to permanently change his identity to do it. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. 'Ridiculously good...[There's a] feeling of being inside a bubble while reading Mr. Pierce, and it is a bubble you won't want to leave' Janet Maslin, *New York Times* The stories in Thomas Pierce's *Hall of Small Mammals* take place at the confluence of the commonplace and the cosmic, the intimate and the infinite. A fossil-hunter, a comedian, a hot-air balloon pilot, parents and children, believers and nonbelievers, the people in these stories are struggling to understand the absurdity and the magnitude of what it means to exist in a family, to exist in the world. In Shirley Temple Three, a mother must shoulder her son's burden - a cloned and resurrected woolly mammoth who wreaks havoc on her house, sanity, and faith. In *The Real Alan Gass*, a physicist in search of a mysterious particle called the 'daisy' spends her days with her

boyfriend, Walker, and her nights with the husband who only exists in the world of her dreams, Alan Gass. Like the daisy particle itself - 'forever locked in a curious state of existence and nonexistence, sliding back and forth between the two' - the stories in Thomas Pierce's Hall of Small Mammals are exquisite, mysterious, and inextricably connected. From this enchanting primordial soup, Pierce's voice emerges - a distinct and charming testament of the New South, melding contemporary concerns with their prehistoric roots to create a hilarious, deeply moving collection of stories. In World War II France, she went by the name of Marie. Or Brigitte. Or any of a half dozen other names. Some saw her as a middle-aged newspaper reporter. To others, she was a doddering old woman. To the Nazis, she was an elusive enemy, "The Lady Who Limp." Her real name was Virginia Hall. She had a wooden leg. And she was a spy. As the Allies' first agent to live behind the lines in Vichy France, she organized resistance groups, helped conduct sabotage operations, and reported secret intelligence back to the Allies. She was one of the first women agents in the CIA and was the only civilian woman of the war to receive the Distinguished Service Cross. This is the story of Virginia Hall and her immense personal courage and determination, and how she broke through the barriers of physical limitation and gender discrimination to become America's greatest spy of World War II. For almost a decade Rachel Caine has turned her back on home, kept distant by family disputes and her work monitoring wolves on an Idaho reservation. But now, summoned by the eccentric Earl of Annerdale and his controversial scheme to reintroduce the Grey Wolf to the English countryside, she is back in the peat and wet light of the Lake District. The earl's project harks back to an ancient idyll of untamed British wilderness - though Rachel must contend with modern-day concessions to health and safety, public outrage and political gain - and the return of the Grey after hundreds of years coincides with her own regeneration: impending motherhood, and reconciliation with her estranged family. The Wolf Border investigates the fundamental nature of wilderness and wildness, both animal and human. It seeks to understand the most

obsessive aspects of humanity: sex, love, and conflict; the desire to find answers to the question of our existence; those complex systems that govern the most superior creature on earth. The mysteries and marvels of the science fiction world are brought to life in this compilation of stories representing the work of major authors in this field. Zum ersten Mal vollständig auf Deutsch: die legendäre Anthologie ›Science Fiction Hall of Fame‹ mit sechszwanzig klassischen Erzählungen aus den Jahren 1934 bis 1963. Die besten SF-Stories aller Zeiten, ausgewählt von den Mitgliedern der Science Fiction Writers of America! Die erste Hälfte dieser legendären Anthologie umfasst die besten SF-Erzählungen aus den Jahren 1934 bis 1948. Dabei reicht das Spektrum von Highlights der 1930er Jahre (Stanley G. Weinbaum, John W. Campbell) bis zu den maßgeblichen Meisterwerken der 1940er Jahre (Robert A. Heinlein, Isaac Asimov). Jede einzelne dieser Geschichten ist ein Juwel, das bis heute nichts von seinem Glanz verloren hat. Die beiden Bände ›Science Fiction Hall of Fame‹ sind einerseits die ideale Einstiegslektüre für alle, die einen Zugang zur Science Fiction suchen, ohne sich gleich eine ganze Bibliothek zulegen zu wollen. Für Freunde und Kenner der SF erfüllen sie andererseits einen lang gehegten Wunsch: Endlich liegen die grundlegenden Meisterwerke des Genres in neuen und überarbeiteten Übersetzungen gesammelt vor. Diese Erzählungen haben Geschichte geschrieben; diese beiden Bücher machen Geschichte greifbar. In ihrer spannendsten Form ... Let Anne McCaffrey, storyteller extraordinaire and New York Times and Sunday Times bestselling author, take you on a journey to a whole new world: Pern. A world of dragons and other worldly forces; a world of mighty power and ominous threat.. If you like David Eddings, Brandon Sanderson and Douglas Adams, you will love this. "Anne McCaffrey, one of the queens of science fiction, knows exactly how to give her public what it wants" - THE TIMES "Do yourself a favour and read ANYTHING by this Author, you won't be sorry" -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'I couldn't put it down!' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'A wondrous, spellbinding story!' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'This lady is the most amazing writer, once I start reading one of her books I'm

completely drawn into the story and can't bear to put it down till it's finished' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review

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\*\*\* For two hundred years there had been peace on Pern - but now the signs were ominous. Violent weather storms and erupting volcanos heralded the coming of the second Pass of Thread, when the red planet would rain down its horrifying harvest. No human or dragon or animal or plant was safe from the hideous death inflicted by Thread. Weyrs and Holds tried to prepare, but they had serious problems. Over the generations much of the old technology had been lost. AIVAS, the giant information bank, was buried under tons of volcanic ash, and valuable and skilled men and women had succumbed to disease and old age, taking with them the knowledge of a great civilization. They had to prepare as best they could, training the great flights of dragons and ensuring that the Lord Holders did their part by protecting their people in every possible way. Only Lord Chalkin, Holder of Bitra, refused to co-operate, not believing in Threadfall: he would do nothing to protect Bitra or its people. The Lord Holders and Weyrleaders were of one accord. Chalkin must be impeached and removed from his lands if the planet was to be made safe. The definitive collection of the best modern fantasy. Chosen by the members of the Science Fiction & Fantasy Writers of America. For more than a thousand years, Homeworld has been unchanged: the Great Houses rule and peace between them is enforced by unbreakable webs of kinship. The Folk accept what the system offers them - stability, prosperity and peace - and the Indigenes are placid. Then, on one night of rebellion everything changes, as the Folk overthrow the Great Houses. Joseph, the young son of one Great House is visiting another and survives the violence, but his home is ten thousand miles away and communications and transport have been destroyed. For all he knows his family may have been wiped out but his only hope lies in making that ten thousand mile trek across a world turned strange and hostile. Let Anne McCaffrey, storyteller extraordinaire and New York Times and Sunday Times bestselling author, introduce you to a whole new world:

Pern. A world of dragons and other worldly forces; a world of mighty power and ominous threat. If you like David Eddings, David Gemmell and Douglas Adams, you will love this. "Anne McCaffrey, one of the queens of science fiction, knows exactly how to give her public what it wants" - THE TIMES "Read Dragonflight and you're confronted with McCaffrey the storyteller in her prime..." - SFX "Wonderful descriptive writing, the dragons are totally believable and their riders are very human." -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review "Pure genius." -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review "One of the all time classics of science fiction." -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review "Well written, extraordinary world building whose influence can be seen even today." \*\*\*\*\* Reader review

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\*\*\*\*\* HOW CAN ONE GIRL SAVE AN ENTIRE WORLD? To the nobles who live in Benden Weyr, Lessa is nothing but a ragged kitchen girl. For most of her life she has survived by serving those who betrayed her father and took over his lands. Now the time has come for Lessa to shed her disguise-and take back her stolen birthright. But everything changes when she meets a Queen dragon. The bond they share will be deep and last forever. It will protect them when, for the first time in centuries, Lessa's world is threatened by Thread, an evil substance that falls like rain and destroys everything it touches. Dragons and their Riders once protected the planet from Thread and the blood-red star, but there are very few of them left these days. Only the gigantic, golden Queen can breed new dragons. And the Queen is fading . . . dying . . . Now brave Lessa must risk her life, and the life of her beloved dragon, to save her beautiful world. . . . The Dragonriders of Pern series continues in Dragonquest. Nine short stories from a few of the greatest names in science fiction on the topic of exchange, replacement, upgrade, and masquerade. Ranging from true short story length through novelette and originally published in science fiction magazines in the 1950s, these brief escapes into improbable worlds have it all: humor, suspense, betrayal, mystery, twists, and of course-robots and aliens. THE BIG TRIP UP YONDER by Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. THE JUDAS VALLEY by Randall Garrett and Robert Silverberg THE MOON IS GREEN by Fritz Leiber OLD RAMBLING HOUSE

by Frank Herbert PIPER IN THE WOODS by Philip K. Dick SENTIMENT, INC. by Poul Anderson THE TUNNEL UNDER THE WORLD by Frederik Pohl YEAR OF THE BIG THAW by Marion Zimmer Bradley YOUTH by Isaac Asimov

In this richly layered debut novel, Cate Campbell introduces the wealthy Benedict family and takes us behind the grand doors of their mansion, Benedict Hall. There, family and servants alike must face the challenges wrought by World War I--and the dawn of a new age brimming with scandal, intrigue, and social change. Seattle in 1920 is a city in flux. Horse-drawn carriages share the cobblestone streets with newfangled motor cars. Modern girls bob their hair and show their ankles, cafés defy Prohibition by serving dainty teacups of whisky to returning vets--and the wartime boom is giving way to a depression. Even within the Benedicts' majestic Queen Anne home, life is changing--above and below stairs. Margot, the Benedicts' free-spirited daughter, struggles to succeed as a physician despite gender bias--and personal turmoil. The household staff, especially longtime butler Abraham Blake, have always tried to protect Margot from her brother Preston's cruel streak. Yet war has altered Preston too--not for the better. And when a chance encounter brings a fellow army officer into the Benedict fold, Preston's ruthlessness is triggered to new heights. An engineer at the fledgling Boeing company, Frank Parrish has been wounded body and soul, and in Margot, he senses a kindred spirit. But their burgeoning friendship and Preston's growing wickedness will have explosive repercussions for everyone at Benedict Hall--rich and poor, black and white--as Margot dares to follow her own path, no matter the consequences. The Roman Empire never fell. Riven by political ambition and internal dissent, thrown into turmoil by rebellion and civil war, it changed and adapted, and somehow it survived. The balance of power between Constantinople in the east and Roma in the west ebbed and flowed, but the Empire endured. And it continued to expand, encountering the New World while still dominating the old. Robert Silverberg's superbly accomplished and ambitious novel explores over fifteen hundred years of Roman history through the very human stories of some of those who lived it. The young

soldier encountering the exoticism of the New World for the first time; the minor official exiled to Arabia, for some misdemeanour, whose meeting with a religious fanatic may have changed the course of history; the military hero seizing his destiny; the innocent British aristocrat witnessing at first hand the bloody destruction of the royal family, and the children who find the last emperor in a decaying house in an old wood are all vividly and memorably portrayed. This one volume anthology explores the last two hundred years of Science Fiction and Fantasy--featuring women and men authors of various ethnic backgrounds, and a range of both traditional canonical literature and popular culture. Designed to heighten interest in a fun and exciting topic, this book will lead readers to meaningful intellectual, social, and historic investigations. Contributing authors include Mary W. Shelly, Edgar Allen Poe, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Charles Dickens, Louisa May Alcott, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Bram Stoker, Stephen King, J.R.R. Tolkien, Jules Verne, Jack London, Ray Bradbury, and Kurt Vonnegut. For fans of science fiction, fantasy, and the stories presented here, who appreciate that they represent the best of humanity, and include potential warnings for where humanity is headed. This new edition of Brian Aldiss's classic anthology brings together a diverse selection of science fiction spanning over sixty years, from Isaac Asimov's 'Nightfall', first published in 1941, to the 2006 story 'Friends in Need' by Eliza Blair. Including authors such as Clifford Simak, Harry Harrison, Bruce Sterling, A. E. Van Vogt and Brian Aldiss himself, these stories portray struggles against machines, epic journeys, genetic experiments, time travellers and alien races. From stories set on Earth, to uncanny far distant worlds and ancient burnt-out suns, the one constant is humanity itself, compelled by an often fatal curiosity to explore the boundless frontiers of time, space and probability. This genre-bending national bestseller is "a horror-dystopic-philosophical mash-up, drawing comparisons to Borges, The Matrix and Jaws" (The New York Times Magazine). Eric Sanderson wakes up in a house he doesn't recognize, unable to remember anything of his life. A note instructs him to call a Dr. Randle, who informs him that he is

undergoing yet another episode of memory loss, and that for the last two years—since the tragic death of his great love, Clio, while vacationing in Greece—he’s been suffering from an acute dissociative disorder. But there may be more to the story, or it may be a different story altogether. With the help of allies found on the fringes of society, Eric embarks on an edge-of-your-seat journey to uncover the truth about himself and escape the predatory forces that threaten to consume him. Moving with the pace and momentum of a superb thriller, exploring ideas about language and information, as well as identity, this is ultimately a novel about the magnitude of love and the devastating effect of losing that love. “Paced like a thriller, it reads like a deluge . . . Herman Melville meets Michael Crichton, or Thomas Pynchon meets Douglas Adams.” —San Francisco Chronicle “Rousingly inventive.” —The Washington Post “Unforgettable fiction.” —Playboy “A thriller that will haunt you.” —GQ “Sharp and clear . . . Writing on the edge of the form.” —Los Angeles Times “Huge fun, and I gleefully recommend it.” —Audrey Niffenegger, international-bestselling author of *The Time Traveler’s Wife* “Fast, sexy, intriguing, intelligent.” —Toby Litt In his 14 years, Vincent Drear has been sure of a few of things. First, the world is going to end. And until it does, he has two jobs: saving souls and protesting movies about boy wizards. But Vincent wonders if there’s more to life than this. His suspicions are confirmed when he finds an elf at his school science fair. Vincent’s excitement fades, though, as the elf informs him that his family’s religion is right about one thing: the end of the world is coming—in 48 hours! Vincent can’t save the world. His only hope is to get his family off Earth before demons wipe out everything, paving the way for a new epoch. Timothy Carter combines humor, fantasy, sci/fi and satire into a novel that is the missing link between *The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy* and *The Left Behind*. The end has come. But the fun has just begun. A NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE NOMINEE “An extraordinary work that will stand as blazing witness to the age that bore it.” -- Sarah Perry A “masterpiece” (Daisy Johnson) of mortality, passion, and human connection, set against the backdrop of a deadly global virus—from the Booker-nominated writer

You were the last one here, before I closed the door of Burntcoat. Before we all closed our doors . . . In an unnamed British city, the virus is spreading, and like everyone else, the celebrated sculptor Edith Harkness retreats inside. She isolates herself in her immense studio, Burntcoat, with Halit, the lover she barely knows. As life outside changes irreparably, inside Burntcoat, Edith and Halit find themselves changed as well: by the histories and responsibilities each carries and bears, by the fears and dangers of the world outside, and by the progressions of their new relationship. And Burntcoat will be transformed, too, into a new and feverish world, a place in which Edith comes to an understanding of how we survive the impossible—and what is left after we have. A sharp and stunning novel of art and ambition, mortality and connection, Burntcoat is a major work from “one of our most influential short story writers” (The Guardian). It is an intimate and vital examination of how and why we create—make art, form relationships, build a life—and an urgent exploration of an unprecedented crisis, the repercussions of which are still years in the learning. The year is 2381. The place is Urban Monad 116 of the constellation Chippitts. The population of this one-thousand storey super-structure is 800,000+ and always growing. After two centuries of ruthless, selective breeding, the essence of life is to be blessingworthy and to multiply; to afford one's neighbours any type of sexual fulfilment and, above all, to avoid the evil of frustration. But, within this seemingly blissful vertical world there are individuals who feel such perverse desires as a longing for privacy, a wish to descend from the heights, to walk on earth and bask in the sunshine. These rebel throwbacks to an earlier Earth are dangerous, disruptive elements. And they must be destroyed - if they do not destroy themselves first . . . Eleven great stories in original Italian with vivid, accurate English translations on facing pages, teaching and practice aids, Italian-English vocabulary, more. Boccaccio, Machiavelli, d'Annunzio, Pirandello and Moravia, plus significant works by lesser-knowns. Science fiction roman. Between 1956 and 1958, Silverberg contributed dozens of short stories and novellas to the digest pulps, each written in the bombastic, high-

adventure style of the original Planet Stories magazine. Since then, those tales have re-appeared only rarely (and sometimes never again) in long out-of-print paperback anthologies. This volume features seven hard-to-find classic Silverberg novellas: *Slaves of the Star Giants*, *Spawn of the Deadly Sea*, *The Flame and the Hammer*, *Valley Beyond Time*, *Hunt the Space-Witch!*, *The Silent Invaders*, and *Spacerogue*. When winter comes, the mutants gather . . . They have always lived in the shadows, on the fringes of normal society. Ignored, shunned, they survived in their own invisible clans, using their extraordinary psychic abilities to shield themselves from the intolerance, bigotry, and hatred of the normals - until now . . . The first mutant leader to emerge into the light of public life demanding equality has been savagely murdered. Finding her assassin has become the obsession of one courageous group of mutants. There is Michael, torn between loyalty to his clan and his love for a normal. Melanie, denied her mutant heritage by a cruel trick of genetic fate. And Jena, willing to use her psychic powers and mutant sexuality to get what she wants most. As society faces the explosive implications of radical evolution and as inner rivalries threaten to tear the clan apart, the mutants must find a way to protect their identities, their lovers - and their very lives. The second in a mesmeric trilogy that runs the gamut of human experience and emotion from Anne McCaffrey, storyteller extraordinaire and New York Times and Sunday Times bestselling author. Perfect for fans of David Eddings, Brandon Sanderson and Douglas Adams. 'Anne McCaffrey, one of the queens of science fiction, knows exactly how to give her public what it wants' - THE TIMES 'Storytelling at its best' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'It's Anne Mccaffrey - always 5 star!' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'Classic Sci Fi that just hasn't aged' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'A real page-turner' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review \*\*\*\*\* She was one of the Crystal Singers, the elite, mysterious ones, who cut the crystals from the planet Ballybran - precious glittering crystals without which the universe could not function. Sent to the planet of Ophtheria to repair the famous crystal organ, she was - at first - accorded all the honour and pomp

due to her rank. Then her life became threatened and she found herself isolated at the very heart of the planet, knowing that she alone had the power to confront and destroy the evil that had permeated the world of Ophtheria. Would she be able to find the strength she needed? Wysten Turner is a Brit visiting America after it's great war with Russia. He meets a woman with a tale of woe in the streets of New York. Her boyfriend is a professional wrestler who beats her. She begs Turner to help her escape him, but is the situation as straight forward as it seems? Nominated for a Retro Hugo Award. TWO MASTERS OF HUMOROUS SCIENCE FICTION TOGETHER! Elves. Leprechauns. Gremlins. Call them what you like. These little dudes may be the stuff of legend, but they're just as real as you and me. Far from the mythical, magical creatures of rumor, they are actually tiny aliens, marooned for centuries on this miserable mudball known as Earth. And they want just one thing: OFF! Now, human technology may finally make a reality of their dreams to leave this pathetic planet behind. NASA has a new rocket and it's Mars-bound. All the gremlins need do is hijack it and set a course for their homeworld of Gremla. The only thing lacking is a hapless human accomplice . . . At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management). About The Best of Bova Volume III: "Ben Bova is a living legend. . . The hallmarks of Bova's fiction . . . are believable human characters and complete rationality. He adheres to the philosophy articulated by John W. Campbell, Jr. . . . that the best science fiction involves not just science and technology, but their impact on people. . . . [I]f you care about the history of science fiction, or if you just want to read some good stories, you'll be happy with this one."—Analog About the award-winning stories and novels of Ben Bova: "Technically accurate and absorbing. . ."—Kirkus "[Bova is] the science fiction author who will have the greatest effect on the world."—Ray Bradbury "A masterful storyteller"—Vector "Gives a good read while turning your eyes to what might be in the not so distant future, just like Clarke and Asimov used to do so well."—SFX About Mars, Inc., by Ben Bova: ". . . perfectly enjoyable as an SF book (could Bova write anything that wasn't enjoyable?), Mars, Inc. has

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