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Books of Blood Volumes One to Three By Clive Barker

Read by Jim Zeiger

Reading time 22 hours, 20 minutes

Three volumes of chilling tales originally published in 1984. In "Scape-Goats" four boaters discover an uncharted island that is really a burial mound. In "Human Remains" a male prostitute confronts his doppelganger. Includes a 1998 introduction by the author. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1998.

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The Exorcist by William Peter Blatty

Read by Mitzi Friedlander

Reading time 12 hours, 34 minutes

A novel concerning the diabolical possession of a star's daughter. While the actress is filming a picture in Washington, D.C., she becomes concerned over the increasingly bizarre and macabre behavior of her child, and is finally forced to seek the services of an exorcist when all else fails. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language.

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Gathering the Bones Original Stories from the World's Masters of Horror

by Ramsey Campbell

Read by Colleen Delany

Reading time 18 hours, 53 minutes

Thirty-four tales of terror and dark fantasy from Great Britain, Australia, and the United States. The compilation is described as encompassing "the traditional and the avant-garde, the quiet and the vividly shocking." Includes Ray Bradbury and others. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2003.

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Neverland by Douglas Clegg

Read by Andy Pyle

Reading time 11 hours, 9 minutes

Gull Island, Georgia. While on vacation, young Beau follows his cousin Sumter into a mysterious shack on the boys' family's property and is terrified by what he sees. Sumter spends the summer secretly sacrificing animals--and promising vengeance. Violence and strong language. 1991.

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Abandon by Blake Crouch

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee. Reading time 11 hours, 44 minutes

Colorado. In 1893 the residents of a dying mining town disappear without a trace on Christmas Day. More than a hundred years later, some visitors investigate the restricted site and are trapped by a snowstorm, only to discover that they are not alone. Violence and strong language. 2009.

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The Between a Novel by Tananarive Due

Read by L. J. Ganser

Reading time 8 hours, 42 minutes

As a child, Hilton James was rescued from drowning by his grandmother, who perished to save him. Now a family man of almost forty, he begins to think his borrowed time is running out. Haunted by dreams of death and threatened by a psychotic who stalks his family, Hilton finds his grip on reality slipping. Strong language and descriptions of sex.

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Jamaica Inn by Daphne Du Maurier

Read by Laura Giannarelli Reading time 10 hours, 17 minutes

A tale of an old inn on the desolate moors of Cornwall, where Mary Yellen, left alone in the world at her mother's death, takes refuge with her aunt. Her uncle, the landlord, directs a crew of smugglers, and the inn is a place of horror and mystery.

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New Cthulhu the Recent Weird Paula Guran

Read by Mary Kane Reading time 22 hours, 49 minutes

Twenty-seven previously published short stories in the tradition of horror writer H.P. Lovecraft. Contributing authors include Neil Gaiman, Caitlín Kiernan, and China Miéville. In Laird Barron's "Old Virginia" a Cold War-era CIA agent on a secret assignment doesn't realize he's fighting supernatural forces, not communists. Some violence. 2011.

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Horns a Novel By Joe Hill

Read by Jim Zeiger Reading time 15 hours, 1 minute

Hungover Ignatius Perrish wakes up and discovers he has horns growing out of his skull and can hear people's evil thoughts. Ig uses his newfound ability to solve--and avenge--his girlfriend's brutal murder. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2010.

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We Have Always Lived in the Castle By Shirley Jackson

Read by Anne Wessels Reading time 5 hours, 30 minutes

A frightening story narrated by a childlike girl of eighteen, who lives with her senile uncle and her older sister Constance, who was acquitted of the poisoning of the rest of the family. The younger sister convinces Constance that they should escape the cruel curiosity of the townspeople by locking themselves in their house.

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It By Stephen King

Read by Chuck Benson

Reading time 42 hours, 37 minutes

It began in 1958 when seven imperiled children searched in the drains beneath the New England town of Derry for the terror they believed lurked there. Twenty-seven years later those children, now grown, recall their buried memories. Again, the most heinous violence awaits them. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. Book club main selection.

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'Salem's Lot By Stephen King

Read by Steven Carpenter

Reading time 18 hours, 10 minutes

Updated edition of King's 1975 novel about Jerusalem's Lot, a small Maine town where the residents turn into vampires. Features previously unpublished material including deleted and alternate scenes, two short stories, and an introduction by the author. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2005.

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77 Shadow Street by Dean R. Koontz

Read by Peter Berkrot

Reading time 14 hours, 15 minutes

The suicides, madness, and mass murders occurring within prestigious Pendleton manor stopped after the house was renovated into luxury apartments. But now the new tenants are haunted by a dark force that is terrorizing them as they try to escape their dismal fates. Violence and strong language. Commercial audiobook. 2011.

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Darkness Under the Sun by Dean R. Koontz

Read by Steven Weber Reading time 1 hour, 33 minutes

When Howie Dugley climbs to the roof of Boswell's Emporium to watch the people in the town below, he runs into what he thinks is a monster. But hobo Alton Turner Blackwood is something much worse than that. Some violence and some strong language. Commercial audiobook. 2011.

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Odd Thomas By Dean R. Koontz

Read by David Toney Reading time 10 hours, 49 minutes

Thomas, a twenty-year-old short order cook, possesses the paranormal ability to see dead people and predict violence. Thomas's premonitory vision of mass murder activates when he meets "Fungus Man," who is surrounded by bodachs, malevolent spirits that foretell bloodshed. Thomas uses his insights to deter catastrophe. Violence. Bestseller. 2003.

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Audrey's Door by Sarah Langan

Read by Kristin Allison Reading time 10 hours, 49 minutes

Tragedies kept a prime Manhattan apartment empty, and Audrey Lucas can't resist the low rental price of the Breviary flat. But soon after settling in she hears voices telling her to build a door in the middle of her living room. Violence and strong language. Bram Stoker Award. 2009.

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Let Me in By John Ajvide Lindqvist

Read by Alec Volz Reading time 18 hours, 41 minutes

Sweden, 1981. While a boy's murder in Vällingby interests young, bullied Oskar Eriksson, he reluctantly becomes fascinated with the strange new girl who smells like rotting flesh. First published in Swedish in 2004. Basis for a motion picture. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller. 2007.

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At the Mountains of Madness and Other Novels By H.P. Lovecraft

Read by George Holmes

Reading time 22 hours, 1 minute

Collection of three novels and five short stories spanning the years 1919 to 1933. The title piece chronicles a university expedition to Antarctica, where strange fossils and extremely old ruins are found. The Case of Charles Dexter Ward is Lovecraft's masterpiece of demonic horror. Introduction includes author biographical information. 1943.

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Patient Zero by Jonathan Maberry

Read by Alec Volz

Reading time 16 hours, 2 minutes

Baltimore detective Joe Ledger shoots and kills Javad Mustapha, a suspected terrorist, during a police raid. When the covert Department of Military Sciences recruits Ledger, the detective finds himself facing Mustapha again, as well as a new breed of terrorist--zombies. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2009.

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Hell House By Richard Matheson

Read by John Horton

Reading time 8 hours, 43 minutes

A wealthy media magnate offers a hundred thousand dollars to a physicist, a medium, and a psychic to investigate paranormal activity in the Belasco House on the Maine coast. Past attempts have led meddlers to madness, suicide, and murder. Violence, explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 1971.

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Apocalypse of the Dead by Joe McKinney

Read by Joe Wilson

Reading time 15 hours, 19 minutes

After a virus outbreak following Hurricane Mardell turns people into zombies, Texas is placed under quarantine. When a desperate group of uninfected survivors tries to escape the quarantine zone, horror creeps out with them--leaving humanity struggling to survive. Violence and strong language. 2010.

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The Collector of Hearts New Tales of the Grotesque by Joyce Carol Oates

Read by Laura Giannarelli

Reading time 12 hours, 53 minutes

Twenty-seven psychological horror tales that delve into "the walking nightmares of life." In the title story a wayward girl is invited to the sumptuous home of the trial judge who had suspended her sentence. There she discovers the ulterior motive for his magnanimity. Strong language and some descriptions of sex.

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Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children By Ransom Riggs

Read by Joe Peck

Reading time 9 hours, 50 minutes

A family tragedy sends sixteen-year-old American Jacob on a journey to a remote island off the coast of Wales. There he discovers the ruins of an old orphanage that was home to peculiar--and possibly dangerous--children. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

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Brainchild by John Saul

Read by Catherine Byers

Reading time 11 hours, 36 minutes

In the growing town of La Paloma, California, young Alex Lonsdale barely escapes death after a tragic car accident. But now something is eerily wrong with Alex, and a haunted spirit from the town's past still seeks vengeance for an evil deed. Some violence. 1985.

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House of Reckoning by John Saul

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee Reading time 9 hours, 49 minutes

Two teens bond out of social isolation: Sarah Crane limps and endures an abusive foster-care family, while Nick Dunnigan hears voices and hallucinates. Their art teacher Bettina invites them to her ancestral mansion, the Shutters, where they unwittingly channel an evil entity that seeks vengeance on the town. Violence. 2009.

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The Ruins by Scott Smith

Read by Jonathan. Davis

Reading time 16 hours, 38 minutes

Two American couples abandon their lazy August holiday on a Yucatán beach to search inland for a German tourist's brother at a mysterious archaeological site. Their very survival comes into question as they encounter an increasingly horrific menace. Violence and strong language. Bestseller. 2006.

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Dracula By Bram Stoker

Read by John C. Reed

Reading time 17 hours, 3 minutes

A tale of vampires set in the late 19th century. Jonathan Harker, an English solicitor, visits Count Dracula in his Transylvania castle to transact some business, and soon learns that Dracula is not the ordinary man he appears, but a monster. His horror increases when Dracula moves to England. 1897.

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American Fantastic Tales: Terror and the Uncanny from the 1940s to Now

by Peter Straub

Read by Jim Zeiger

Reading time 33 hours 10 minutes.

Forty-two tales of horror and the supernatural. In Richard Matheson's "Prey" a woman buys a Zuni fetish doll as a present, but trapped inside it is the evil spirit of a hunter. Includes works by Shirley Jackson, Joe Hill, and others. Some violence and some strong language. 2009.

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A Dark Matter by Peter Straub

Read by Roy Avers

Reading time 14 hours

Madison, Wisconsin. Several teens follow a charismatic occult leader into a meadow, where a ceremony goes horrifically wrong. Decades later, the friends' once-bright futures have fallen apart. Novelist Lee Harwell, a participant's husband, probes their past, forcing them to confront a shared evil. Some violence and some strong language. 2010.

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Zone One by Colson Whitehead

Read by Erik Sandvold

Reading time 11 hours, 11 minutes

After a zombie-creating pandemic takes a big bite out of the population, the government tries to reclaim New York City. Civilian Mark Spitz helps clear Lower Manhattan, building by building, removing the undead stragglers. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2011.

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