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The Best of C. M. Kornbluth C. M. Kornbluth 2021-11-05T14:17:00Z The Silly Season, The Marching Morons, and The Mindworn are just three of the acknowledged science fiction classics included in this masterful collection of nineteen tales all displaying the author's very best work! A must-have for all lovers of excellent old-style sci-fi.

The Merchants of Venus A. H. Phelps 2014-03-28 A pioneer movement is like a building--the foundation is never built for beauty!

Black Star Rising Frederik Pohl 1985

Culture Against Man Jules Henry 1965 Illuminates the anxieties suffered by Americans of all classes and ages as they try to conform to the cultural norms

Pohlstars Frederik Pohl 1986

The World at the End of Time Frederik Pohl 1991 Wan-To was the oldest and most powerful intelligence in the universe, a being who played with star systems as a child plays with marbles. Matter occupied so tiny a part of his vast awareness that humans were utterly beneath his notice. The colonists of Newmnanhome first suffered the effects of Wan-To's games when their planet's stars began to shift, the climate began to cool down, and the colony was forced into a desperate struggle to survive. Viktor Sorricaine was determined to discover what force had suddenly sent his world hurtling toward the ends of the universe. And the answer was something beyond the scope of his imagination -- even if he lived for 4000 years...

Jennifer Government Max Barry 2014-07-10 In Max Barry's twisted, hilarious and terrifying vision of the near future, the world is run by giant corporations and employees take the last names of the companies they work for. It's a globalised, ultra-capitalist free market paradise! Hack Nike is a lowly merchandising officer who's not very good at negotiating his salary. So when John Nike and John Nike, executives from the promised land of Marketing, offer him a contract, he signs without reading it. Unfortunately, Hack's new contract involves shooting teenagers to build up street cred for Nike's new line of \$2,500 trainers. Hack goes to the police - but they assume that he's asking for a subcontracting deal and lease the assassination to the more experienced NRA. Enter Jennifer Government, a tough-talking agent with a barcode tattoo under her eye and a personal problem with John Nike (the boss of the other John Nike). And a gun. Hack is about to find out what it really means to mess with market forces.

His Share of Glory Cyril M. Kornbluth 1940

The Marching Morons C. M. Kornbluth 2016-03-10 In the distant future a man from the twentieth century wakes to find himself in an almost incomprehensible world... He realizes that the world has left him behind, but he just might have the key to the future of all mankind. Cyril M. Kornbluth was a highly influential science fiction writer who won both a Hugo Award and a Prometheus Award.

Comfort and Joy Jim Grimsley 2003-10-16 Ford McKinney leads a charmed life: he's a young doctor possessing good looks, good breeding, and money. He comes from an old Savannah family where his parents, attentive to his future, focus their energies on finding their son--their golden boy--a girl to marry. But how charmed is this life when Ford's own heart suspects that he is not meant to spend his life with a woman? His suspicions are confirmed when he meets Dan Crell. Dan is a quiet man with a great voice. Behind the tempered facade of the shy hospital administrator is a singer who can transform a room with his soaring voice, leaving his listeners in awe and reverence. Ford catches one such Christmas concert and his life is never quite the same; he is touched in a place he keeps hidden, forbidden. When Ford and Dan begin to explore the limits of their relationship, Dan's own secrets are exposed--and his mysterious and painful childhood returns to haunt him. In Comfort and Joy Jim Grimsley finds a marriage between the stark and stunning pain of his prize-winning Winter Birds and the passion of critically acclaimed Dream Boy. In this, his fourth novel, he considers pressing questions. How does a man reconcile the child he was raised to be with the man that he truly is? What happens when an adult has to choose between his parents and a lover?

Out of Their Minds Clifford D. Simak 2015-07-21 A writer finds himself trapped in an isolated village where anything imagined becomes reality in this wildly inventive contemporary fantasy Hoping to write his book in quiet and seclusion, Horton Smith has returned home to Pilot Knob. Here, in the tiny village where he passed so many carefree childhood years, he is untroubled by the pressures of the big city and can freely answer the call of his muse. Of course, back in the city Horton didn't have to run from dinosaurs. There were no cartoon hillbillies offering him moonshine, Don Quixote was content to confine himself to the pages of a book, and the Devil himself was not on Horton's tail. Something very, very unusual is going on in Pilot Knob, and Horton Smith is determined to get to the bottom of it--if his own imagination doesn't kill him first! In Out of Their Minds, science fiction Grand Master Clifford D. Simak changes gears, treating his readers to a delightfully satiric flight of fancy and fantasy. An award-winning author renowned for his remarkable visions of the future, Simak brings creatures and characters from humankind's collective imagination to breathtaking life in this fast-moving and unforgettable tale.

The Puffin Book of Science Fiction Nicholas Fisk 1994

The Man who Ate the World Frederik Pohl 1960

Wall Around A Star Frederik Pohl 2013-02-25 He was a reluctant passenger on a voyage to save the galaxy... Butterflylike aliens had brought Earth into the galactic culture. But she was a poor relation, valued only for the living human human bodies she rented out for whatever purposes her nonhuman customers desired. Then Cuckoo was discovered. Millions of miles in diameter, less dense than air, it had a solid surface that was home to many races - including a species of Man. And that was odd, for Cuckoo was from another galaxy! Suddenly, one human, a linguist, became very important. If Jen Babylon could solve the mystery of Cuckoo's records he might raise humanity's standing among the older races - but he might also save the galaxy!

Wolfbane C. M. Kornbluth 2016-01-27 "WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT MORE, AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO FIGHT! It was enough to curdle the blood. Haendl was proposing to fight--against the invulnerable, the almost godlike Pyramids! Haendl stood up. "Tropile, that's what this is all about!" He gestured around him. "Guns, tanks, airplanes--it's going to be us against them. Never mind the Sheep; they don't count. It's going to be Pyramids and Wolves, and the Pyramids won't win. And then--" He was glowing, and the fever was contagious. Tropile felt his own blood begin to pound. Haendl hadn't finished his "and then--", but he didn't have to. It was obvious. And then the Earth would go back to its own solar system, and an end to the five-year cycle of frost and hunger. And then the Wolves would rule a world worth ruling. This is a work of fiction. All the characters and events portrayed in this book are fictional, and any resemblance to real people or incidents is purely coincidental.

Turn Left at Thursday Frederik Pohl 1961

The Space Merchants Frederik Pohl 2011-12-06 In a vastly overpopulated near-future world, businesses have taken the place of governments and now hold all political power. States exist merely to ensure the survival of huge transnational corporations. Advertising has become hugely aggressive and boasts some of the world's most powerful executives. Through advertising, the public is constantly deluded into thinking that all the products on the market improve the quality of life. However, the most basic elements are incredibly scarce, including water and fuel. The planet Venus has just been visited and judged fit for human settlement, despite its inhospitable surface and climate; colonists would have to endure a harsh climate for many generations until the planet could be terraformed. Mitch Courtenay is a star-class copywriter in the Fowler Schocken advertising agency and has been assigned the ad campaign that would attract colonists to Venus, but a lot more is happening than he knows about. Mitch is soon thrown into a world of danger, mystery, and intrigue, where the people in his life are never quite what they seem, and his loyalties and core beliefs will be put to the test.

Chernobyl Frederik Pohl 2013-10-22 Chernobyl: The very name conjures the catastrophe that the world feared could happen someday at a nuclear power plant. On April 26, 1986, a power surge caused the core of one of the reactors to explode, spewing a cloud of radioactive steam into the Ukrainian air. More than four thousand people died, as many as a half-million suffered potentially cancer-causing exposure, and the city around the plant became a toxic wasteland in which nothing could live. Before the disaster at the Chernobyl plant, nuclear catastrophe had been only a fear, a threat. But when the Chernobyl plant was destroyed, all those fears were suddenly all too real.?

Frederik Pohl's novel of this disaster was written months after the tragic events. He had the cooperation of many people inside the U.S.S.R. with access to technical information and first-person accounts of what is still the most tragic nuclear event in human history and only one of two level 7 nuclear accidents, along with the Fukushima disaster of 2011. This is fiction, but it is the most riveting, realistic account of what happened that has ever been written. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Farthest Star Frederik Pohl 2013-07-25 There was no shortage of danger on Cuckoo. 20,000 light years away, the enormous flat surface of Cuckoo travelling at one-sixth the speed of light aimed arrow-straight at the galaxy. Sun One sent the space probe Aurora with a crew of replicates, both human and alien, to intercept. It was a doomed ship. Yet from that mission came Ground Station One, peopled by tachyon transmission, its crew impatient to explore the menace of Cuckoo. Towards them flee a young nomadic wingman, a redbearded giant, and a replicate Ben Yale Pertin intent only on survival, until a frightened girl screams for help...

The Coming of the Quantum Cats Frederik Pohl 1995-03-01
Our Best Frederik Pohl 1987

Starburst Frederik Pohl 1986-06-12 Eight supremely intelligent astronauts, sent on a bogus mission whose real purpose is to isolate them so that they might concentrate on solving the earth's great problems, return to earth to seek vengeance

Homegoing Yaa Gyasi 2016-06-07 THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER Selected for Granta's Best of Young American Novelists 2017 Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award for Best First Book Shortlisted for the PEN/Robert W. Bingham Prize for Debut Fiction Effia and Esi: two sisters with two very different destinies. One sold into slavery; one a slave trader's wife. The consequences of their fate reverberate through the generations that follow. Taking us from the Gold Coast of Africa to the cotton-picking plantations of Mississippi; from the missionary schools of Ghana to the dive bars of Harlem, spanning three continents and seven generations, Yaa Gyasi has written a miraculous novel - the intimate, gripping story of a brilliantly vivid cast of characters and through their lives the very story of America itself. Epic in its canvas and intimate in its portraits, Homegoing is a searing and profound debut from a masterly new writer.

Midas World Frederik Pohl 1983-01-01 After acquiring the limitless energy provided by controlled nuclear fusion, the people of Earth create a surfeit of consumer products that strips the earth of its resources and threatens to bury its people

The Last 8 Laura Pohl 2019-03-05 An LGBTQ YA "sci-fi romp" (Kirkus), The Last 8 is a thrilling high-stakes survival story about the last eight teenagers left on Earth after aliens attack, praised as "An extravaganza of nonstop action" (School Library Journal) Extinction was just the beginning... Clover Martinez has always been a survivor, which is the reason she isn't among the dead when aliens invade and destroy Earth as she knows it. Clover is convinced she's the only one left until she hears a voice on the radio urging her to go to the former Area 51. When she arrives, she's greeted by a band of misfits who call themselves The Last Teenagers on Earth. Only they aren't the ragtag group of heroes Clover was expecting. The seven strangers seem more interested in pretending the world didn't end than fighting back, and Clover starts to wonder if she was better off alone. But when she finds a hidden spaceship within the walls of the compound, she doesn't know what to believe...or who to trust. The Last 8 is perfect for readers looking for: heart-pounding young adult survival books tween and teen LGBTQ books sci-fi Latinx teen books expert world-building and relatable, funny, diverse characters Praise for The Last 8: "The Walking Dead meets Alien in this expertly plotted debut. Teens will want to follow Clover on her next adventure!" - Zoraida Cordova, author of the Brooklyn Brujas series "The Last 8 is diverse and immersive science fiction...With its powerful world building and emotional twists, The Last 8 is a beautifully fresh take on the idea of an alien apocalypse." - Foreword Reviews "A sci-fi romp with ample intergalactic twists to keep readers satisfied." - Kirkus Reviews "This debut is, at times, both joyful and heartbreaking... Pohl's characters are tough, funny, and brave as they manage to persevere despite the debilitating weight of grief." - Booklist

Search the Sky Frederik Pohl 2016-01-27 What is the fate of the colonists who went out from Earth to settle the far planets beyond our universe? Space-ships have been unable to evoke radar responses from these planets, and in a novel as well-written as it is ingenious, one man starts out from Halsey's Planet to find the answer. If there is one... A satirical science fiction novel first published in 1954.

The Space Merchants Wendie Nordgren 2015-11-18 Teagan Green dreams of escaping the drudgery of Earth and traversing the stars. Will her dreams come true, or will events from her past destroy her?

Gateway Frederik Pohl 2010 Wealth... or death. Those were the choices Gateway offered. Humans had discovered this artificial spaceport, full of working interstellar ships left behind by the mysterious, vanished Heechee. Their destinations are preprogrammed. They are easy to operate, but impossible to control. Some came back with discoveries which made their intrepid pilots rich; others returned with their remains barely identifiable. It was the ultimate game of Russian roulette, but in this resource-starved future there was no shortage of desperate volunteers.

Gladiator-At-Law Frederik Pohl 2016-08-09 CAUTION! You are about to enter a world... where all engineering ingenuity has been employed for public spectacles of torture and death where the stock market operates with pari-mutuel machines where a court clerk transcribes testimony on punch cards, then feeds it to a jury machine where the dream real-estate development of today has become a cracked-concrete savage jungle In this world, young lawyer Charles Mundin battles a great combine of corporate interests-battles them in board meetings and in dark alleys-in a struggle that lays bare some brutal promises of the future...promises we are beginning to make right now. "...wholly admirable, in both thinking and execution."-Galaxy "Reminiscent in vigor, bite and acumen to THE SPACE MERCHANTS"-Anthony Boucher. "...possessed of a bite and savage vigor which makes it one of the outstanding science fiction novels of the year."-The New York Times "...a powerfully convincing story."-New York Herald Tribune

Starchild Frederik Pohl 2012-08-20 Machine Major Boysie Gann had been assigned to duty far beyond Pluto, on Polaris Station, one of the artificial sun-satellites protecting the inner planets - and Earth - from the Reefs of Space. For the Starchild had sent an ultimatum to Earth, calling on the Plan of Man to relinquish its total control over humanity under threat of frightful reprisals...and as proof of his powers, the Starchild had threatened to extinguish the sun and a dozen near stars for a period of time. But Boysie didn't know anything about the Starchild. All he knew was his job - to find out who on Polaris Station was violating the Plan of Man. He found out - and before he could do anything about it, he was captured, marooned on a Reef, and accused of being the Starchild himself! To survive, Boysie had to find out who, or what, the Starchild might be. And all he knew for sure was that the Starchild did in fact have the power to stop the sun if he wanted to!

Slave Ship Frederik Pohl 1957

The Merchants' War Frederik Pohl 1984

Platinum Pohl Frederik Pohl 2007-01-23 Frederik Pohl, the bestselling author of *The Boy Who Would Live Forever*, is famous for his novels, but first and foremost, he is a master of the science fiction short story. For more than fifty years he has been writing incisive, entertaining SF stories, several hundred in all. Even while writing his bestselling triple-crown (Hugo, Nebula, Campbell Award) novel *Gateway* and the other Heechee Saga novels, he has always written short fiction. Now, for the first time, he has gathered together the best of his many stories. Spanning the decades, these tales are in their way a living history of science fiction. Because Frederik Pohl has been on the frontlines of the field since the halcyon days of the late 1930s, and has written short stories in every decade since. And because he has always been a keen observer of the human condition and the world that is shaped by it, his stories reflect the currents of political movements, social trends, major events that have shaken the world... Yet at their core, all his stories are most acutely concerned with people. All sorts of people. Some are people you'll love, some you'll hate. But you will need to find out what happens to the people who inhabit these stories. Because Frederik Pohl imbues his characters with a depth and individuality that makes them as real as people you see every day. Of course, he also employs a mind-boggling variety of scientific ideas and science fictional tropes with which his characters must interact. And he does it all with seemingly no effort at all. That's some trick. Not everyone can do that... but that's why he was named a Grand Master of Science Fiction by his peers in the Science Fiction Writers of America. Here are his two Hugo Award winning stories, "Fermi and Frost" and "The Meeting" (with C. M. Kornbluth), along with such classic novellas as the powerful "The Gold at the Starbow's End" and "The Greening of Bed-Stuy," and stories such as "Servant of the People," "Shaffery Among the Immortals," and "Growing Up in Edge City," all finalists for major awards. And dozens of other wonderful tales, like "The Mayor of Mare Tranq" and the provocative "The Day the Martians Landed" and many others. Altogether, a grand collection of thought-provoking, entertaining science fiction by one of the all-time greats! At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Best of Frederik Pohl Frederik Pohl 1977

The Magic of His Touch Barbara Monajem 2013-04-01 England, 1804 Tired of being paraded before every eligible bachelor, Peony Whistley decides it's time to find her true love-through the ancient custom of rolling naked in the dew on May Day morning. But the magic goes awry when she is caught in the act-and by an entirely unsuitable man. And yet, the way his eyes linger upon her flesh ignites a sensual craving that can only be satisfied by his touch... Book one of the May Day Mischief duet.

Dystopia Gregory Claeys 2016-11-17 Dystopia: A Natural History is the first monograph devoted to the concept of dystopia. Taking the term to encompass both a literary tradition of satirical works, mostly on totalitarianism, as well as real despotisms and societies in a state of disastrous collapse, this volume redefines the central concepts and the chronology of the genre and offers a paradigm-shifting understanding of the subject. Part One assesses the theory and prehistory of 'dystopia'. By contrast to utopia, conceived as promoting an ideal of

friendship defined as 'enhanced sociability', dystopia is defined by estrangement, fear, and the proliferation of 'enemy' categories. A 'natural history' of dystopia thus concentrates upon the centrality of the passion or emotion of fear and hatred in modern despotisms. The work of Le Bon, Freud, and others is used to show how dystopian groups use such emotions. Utopia and dystopia are portrayed not as opposites, but as extremes on a spectrum of sociability, defined by a heightened form of group identity. The prehistory of the process whereby 'enemies' are demonised is explored from early conceptions of monstrosity through Christian conceptions of the devil and witchcraft, and the persecution of heresy. Part Two surveys the major dystopian moments in twentieth century despotisms, focussing in particular upon Nazi Germany, Stalinism, the Chinese Cultural Revolution, and Cambodia under Pol Pot. The concentration here is upon the political religion hypothesis as a key explanation for the chief excesses of communism in particular. Part Three examines literary dystopias. It commences well before the usual starting-point in the secondary literature, in anti-Jacobin writings of the 1790s. Two chapters address the main twentieth-century texts usually studied as representative of the genre, Aldous Huxley's *Brave New World* and George Orwell's *Nineteen Eighty-Four*. The remainder of the section examines the evolution of the genre in the second half of the twentieth century down to the present.

Survival Kit Frederik Pohl 2018-01-30 It wasn't fair - a smart but luckless man like Mooney had to scrounge, while Harse always made out just because he had a...*Survival Kit!* Frederik Pohl truly astonishes with another masterpiece of science fiction, *Survival Kit!*
American Science Fiction Various 2012-09-27 Collects nine classic science fiction novels from 1953 to 1958.

Beyond the Blue Event Horizon Frederik Pohl 2013-11-12 Frederik Pohl was on a streak when this Hugo Award-finalist novel was published in 1980. Now back in print after an absence of nearly a decade, this unique science fiction novel is as fresh and entertaining as ever. The story begins when the hero of *Gateway* finances an expedition to a distant alien spaceship that may end famine forever. On the ship, the explorers find a human boy, and evidence that reveals a powerful alien civilization is thriving on a transport ship headed right for Earth... At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Our Angry Earth Isaac Asimov 2018-03-06 "A lucid overview of [environmental] problems and a compelling call to action." -Publishers Weekly
From two of science fiction's most celebrated and brilliant minds-Isaac Asimov and Frederik Pohl-comes the second edition of *Our Angry Earth*, a comprehensive analysis of today's environmental threats and a guide on how we can heal our planet, with an introduction and afterword from New York Times bestselling author Kim Stanley Robinson. *Our Angry Earth* provides a candid picture of the present and many possibilities for a better, cleaner future. From the greenhouse effect and depletion of our ozone layer to nuclear waste and species extinction, Asimov and Pohl not only present accessible explanations of complex scientific processes but ways we can improve our behavior and relationship with the planet, whether it be involvement in social activism or individual lifestyle changes. Kim Stanley Robinson, author of New York Times bestsellers *2312*, *New York 2140*, and the internationally renowned *Mars* trilogy, brings his decades-spanning expertise in climate change to *Our Angry Earth*'s introduction and afterword. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.