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Asta's Book - Barbara Vine 2009-05-07

It is 1905. Asta and her husband Rasmus have come to East London from Denmark with their two little boys. With Rasmus constantly away on business, Asta keep loneliness and isolation at bay by writing a diary. These diaries, published over seventy years later, reveal themselves to be

more than a mere journal. For they seem to hold they key to an unsolved murder and to the mystery of a missing child. It falls to Asta's granddaughter Ann to unearth the buried secrets of nearly a century before.

The Penguin Book of Spanish Short Stories - Margaret Jull Costa 2021-06-24

This exciting new collection celebrates the richness and variety of the Spanish short story, from the nineteenth century to the present day. Featuring over fifty stories selected by revered translator Margaret Jull Costa, it blends old favourites and hidden gems - many of which have never before been translated into English - and introduces readers to surprising new voices as well as giants of Spanish literary culture, from Emilia Pardo Bazán and Leopoldo Alas, through Mercè Rodoreda and Manuel Rivas, to Ana Maria Matute and Javier Marías. Brimming with romance, horror, history, farce, strangeness and beauty, and showcasing alluring hairdressers, war defectors, vampiric mothers, and talismanic mandrake roots, the daring and entertaining assortment of tales in *The Penguin Book of Spanish Short Stories* will be a treasure trove for readers.

Strangers on a Train - Patricia Highsmith 2008

Reading level: 4 [red].

Everything I Never Told You - Celeste Ng

2014-06-26

The acclaimed debut novel by the author of *Little Fires Everywhere* and *Our Missing Hearts* "A taut tale of ever deepening and quickening suspense." —O, the Oprah Magazine "Explosive .

. . . Both a propulsive mystery and a profound examination of a mixed-race family."

—Entertainment Weekly "Lydia is dead. But they don't know this yet." So begins this exquisite novel about a Chinese American family living in 1970s small-town Ohio. Lydia is the favorite child of Marilyn and James Lee, and her parents are determined that she will fulfill the dreams they were unable to pursue. But when Lydia's body is found in the local lake, the delicate balancing act that has been keeping the Lee family together is destroyed, tumbling them into chaos. A profoundly moving story of family, secrets, and longing, *Everything I Never Told You* is both a gripping page-turner and a sensitive family portrait, uncovering the ways in which mothers and daughters, fathers and sons,

and husbands and wives struggle, all their lives, to understand one another.

Singularity - William Sleator 1995-12-01

Identical twins Barry and Harry Krasner are house-sitting at their great-uncle's Midwest farm. It's peaceful at first, but soon they realize there's something about the farmhouse that makes locals stay far away. The twins are sure that the locked shed out back is their reason why - but what they find there is more shocking than anything they could have imagined.

Under the Harrow - Flynn Berry 2016-06-14

"A thriller for fans of *The Girl on the Train* and *Gone Girl*...[with] a striking, original voice all Berry's own." —The New York Times Book Review The riveting, Edgar Award-winning first novel from the New York Times bestselling author of *Northern Spy* and *A Double Life* When Nora takes the train from London to visit her sister in the countryside, she expects to find her waiting at the station, or at home cooking dinner. But when she walks into Rachel's

familiar house, what she finds is entirely different: her sister has been the victim of a brutal murder. Stunned and adrift, Nora finds she can't return to her former life. An unsolved assault in the past has shaken her faith in the police, and she can't trust them to find her sister's killer. Haunted by the murder and the secrets that surround it, Nora is under the harrow: distressed and in danger. As Nora's fear turns to obsession, she becomes as unrecognizable as the sister her investigation uncovers. A riveting psychological thriller and a haunting exploration of the fierce love between two sisters, the distortions of grief, and the terrifying power of the past, *Under the Harrow* marks the debut of an extraordinary new writer. Named one of the "10 Best Mystery Books and Thrillers of the Year" by The Washington Post Named one of the best books of the year by The Atlantic

Neruda on the Park - Cleyvis Natera 2022-05-24
NEW YORK TIMES EDITORS' CHOICE • An

exhilarating debut novel following members of a Dominican family in New York City who take radically different paths when faced with encroaching gentrification “Strikes all the right notes—captivating characters, lyrical language, and a storyline that captures your imagination and refuses to let go . . . an unforgettable debut!”—Tayari Jones, *New York Times* bestselling author of *An American Marriage*
ONE OF THE MOST ANTICIPATED BOOKS OF 2022—*The Rumpus*, *Electric Lit*, *The Millions*, *Lit Hub*
The Guerreros have lived in Nothar Park, a predominantly Dominican part of New York City, for twenty years. When demolition begins on a neighboring tenement, Eusebia, an elder of the community, takes matters into her own hands by devising an increasingly dangerous series of schemes to stop construction of the luxury condos. Meanwhile, Eusebia’s daughter, Luz, a rising associate at a top Manhattan law firm who strives to live the bougie lifestyle her parents worked hard to give

her, becomes distracted by a sweltering romance with the handsome white developer at the company her mother so vehemently opposes. As Luz’s father, Vladimir, secretly designs their retirement home in the Dominican Republic, mother and daughter collide, ramping up tensions in Nothar Park, racing toward a near-fatal climax. A beautifully layered portrait of family, friendship, and ambition, *Neruda on the Park* weaves a rich and vivid tapestry of community as well as the sacrifices we make to protect what we love most, announcing Cleyvis Natera as an electrifying new voice.

Huntington's Disease - Gillian Bates 2002-10-03
It is now almost a decade since the identification of the Huntington's Disease gene and its mutation, during which time, major advances in our understanding of this disorder have been achieved. Since publication of the first two editions of this book, there have been considerable insights into how the mutation leads to the molecular pathology,

neuropathology and clinical symptoms of Huntington's Disease, and experimental tools are now in place to take this research further towards new therapeutic approaches. As a result of these major advances, this well-established series of books has required radical updating. An international group of researchers and clinicians with specialist interests in HD has been commissioned to document the recent advances in our understanding of this disease. Developments in the fields of structural biology, cell biology, neurochemistry and neuropathology, with full coverage of transgenic animal models, are discussed in detail. The clinical sections cover genetic, neurological and psychiatric aspects as well as new developments in therapy. This book will continue to provide an invaluable source of information for clinicians and scientists involved with Huntington's Disease, including geneticists, psychiatrists and neurologists, and basic science research workers in genetics and neurobiology.

The Woman on the Stairs - Bernhard Schlink
2017-03-14

In a museum far from home a man stumbles onto a painting of a woman for whom he once, long ago, risked everything and who then mysteriously disappeared from his life. As a young lawyer, the nameless protagonist of *The Woman on the Stairs* became entangled in the affairs of three people mired in a complex and destructive relationship. An artist, the woman whose portrait he had painted, and her husband became a triangle that drew the lawyer deeper and deeper into their tangled web. Now, encountering the painting that triggered it all, the lawyer must reconcile his past and present selves; when he eventually locates the woman, he is forced to confront the truth of his love and the reality that his life has been irrevocably changed. With *The Woman on the Stairs*, the internationally acclaimed author of *The Reader* delivers a powerful new novel about obsession, creativity, and love. Intricately crafted, poignant,

and beguiling, this is Bernhard Schlink writing at his peak.

Rewind - William Sleator 2001-02-19

When Peter is hit by a car, he is given the ultimate do-over: go back to any point in time before that fateful moment, and alter the events leading up to his death. If he fails, he will die again--this time, for good. Now Peter's racing against time to save his own life, but what should he change? His adoptive parents don't understand him, the school jock is out to get him, and no one appreciates his own talents. This may be his last chance--can Peter cheat death, or will he be lost forever?

The House of Love - Adriana Trigiani

2021-12-28

New York Times bestselling adult novelist Adriana Trigiani and beloved illustrator Amy June Bates team up for a heartwarming picture book about a how a family comes together to celebrate Valentine's Day. Mia Valentina Amore loves valentines. After all, her name means My

Valentine. When she wakes up on Valentine's Day, it looks like just another morning in the rickety old Amore house in the Blue Ridge mountains of Appalachia. But over the course of the day, her home is transformed into the House of Love. Mia and her mama festoon the halls, build a gumdrop tree, bake cupcakes, and most importantly, make valentines for all six of her siblings. But when Mia doesn't receive her own valentine, she wonders if Mama could have forgotten her. New York Times bestselling novelist and filmmaker Adriana Trigiani has crafted a tender mother-daughter story that celebrates Valentine's Day or any day that brings family together. And acclaimed illustrator Amy June Bates brings warmth and coziness to a story that affirms it doesn't matter where you come from as long as that place is full of love.

The Dark Stairs - Betsy Byars 2006-03-02

Mystery is in Herculeah Jones's blood. How could it not be, with a father on the police force and a mother who's a private eye? So when

Herculeah notices a man hanging around the "Dead Oaks" mansion, she can't resist doing some investigating of her own. Legend has it the old estate was the site of a murder, and now it looks like there's something even more nefarious going on. Can Herculeah crack the case before the mystery man closes in on her?

Interstellar Pig - William Sleator 1995-06-01

When three unusually attractive young adults rent the summer cottage next door, Barney's boring vacation at the beach seemingly takes a turn for the better. However, after the neighbors unwittingly reveal their extraterrestrial identities, the board game they have taught him becomes a real-life battle, and Barney must outsmart the aliens to save Earth from destruction. The fantastical tale contains some of Sleator's most inventive characters.

Death Below Stairs - Jennifer Ashley

2018-01-02

Victorian class lines are crossed when cook Kat Holloway is drawn into a murder that reaches all

the way to the throne. Highly sought-after young cook Kat Holloway takes a position in a Mayfair mansion and soon finds herself immersed in the odd household of Lord Rankin. Kat is unbothered by the family's eccentricities as long as they stay away from her kitchen, but trouble finds its way below stairs when her young Irish assistant is murdered. Intent on discovering who killed the helpless kitchen maid, Kat turns to the ever-capable Daniel McAdam, who is certainly much more than the charming delivery man he pretends to be. Along with the assistance of Lord Rankin's unconventional sister-in-law and a mathematical genius, Kat and Daniel discover that the household murder was the barest tip of a plot rife with danger and treason—one that's a threat to Queen Victoria herself.

Child of Light - Terry Brooks 2021-10-19

NATIONAL BESTSELLER • The electrifying first novel of an all-new fantasy series from the legendary author behind the Shannara saga, about a human girl struggling to find her place

in a magical world she's never known "Enticing . . . Brooks's fans will be thrilled to have a new series to savor."—Publishers Weekly At nineteen, Auris Afton Grieg has led an . . . unusual life. Since the age of fourteen, she has been trapped in a Goblin prison. Why? She does not know. She has no memories of her past beyond the vaguest of impressions. All she knows is that she is about to age out of the children's prison, and rumors say that the adult version is far, far worse. So she and some friends stage a desperate escape into the surrounding wastelands. And it is here that Auris's journey of discovery begins, for she is rescued by a handsome yet alien stranger. Harrow claims to be Fae—a member of a magical race that Auris had thought to be no more than legend. Odder still, he seems to think that she is Fae as well, although the two look nothing alike. But strangest of all, when he brings her to his wondrous homeland, she begins to suspect that he is right. Yet how could a

woman who looks entirely Human be a magical being herself? Told with a fresh, energetic voice, this fantasy puzzle box is Terry Brooks as you have never seen him before, as one young woman slowly unlocks truths about herself and her world—and, in doing so, begins to heal both.

Canadiana - 1988

The Boxes - William Sleator 2000-08-01

Annie's Uncle Marco goes on one of his mysterious trips, leaving her in charge of two sealed boxes on one condition: she must not open either one while he is away. But she is tempted...and soon she has unleashed the unspeakable. The creatures inside the box are crab-like and grotesque. And they possess a power Annie could never have imagined: the power to transmute time."Sleator is the master of the creepy-crawly, and his inventiveness is at full power here." --The Horn Book

The Duplicate - William Sleator 1999-06-01

When David finds a mysterious machine that can

copy living things, he thinks his problems are over. Now he can be in two places at once: at his grandmother's and out on a date. While the other David is in school, the real one can spend the day at the beach. The possibilities are endless. And they turn terrifying. David's duplicate has a mind, ideas, and desires of his own--and one of them is to see the real David dead.

The House of Stairs - Barbara Vine 2008

20 years ago a group of people lived in a house in London. One of them was murdered, but who was it? We slowly find out the truth, as the past, the present and the future join together in a frightening story.

Into the Dream - William Sleator 2000-08-01

Paul has a recurring nightmare, about a small boy in awful danger. When he learns that his classmate Francine has it, too, the two of them join forces to solve the mystery and save the boy--before their bad dream becomes a terrifying reality."Tightly woven suspense and an

ingenious, totally involving plotline make this a thriller of top-notch quality." --Booklist
Penguin Readers Level 5: The One Memory of Flora Banks (ELT Graded Reader) - Emily Barr
2021-09-30

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Seventeen-year-old Flora Banks has an illness and can't remember anything for very long. She writes notes to herself to help her remember things. But one day, Flora kisses a boy and she remembers it. Flora must find the boy who kissed her and learn why she still has that one memory. Visit the Penguin Readers website Exclusively with the print edition, readers can unlock online resources including a digital book, audio edition, lesson plans and answer keys.

Marco's Millions - William Sleator 2002

Twelve-year-old Marco's love for travel and for his younger sister Lilly, who has psychic powers, leads him to journey to other universes, gaining the ability to go wherever he wishes without growing old.

Island's End - Padma Venkatraman 2011-08-04

From the acclaimed author of *Climbing the Stairs* comes a fascinating story set on a remote island untouched by time. Uido is ecstatic about becoming her tribe's spiritual leader, but her new position brings her older brother's jealousy

and her best friend's mistrust. And looming above these troubles are the recent visits of strangers from the mainland who have little regard for nature or the spirits, and tempt the tribe members with gifts, making them curious about modern life. When Uido's little brother falls deathly ill, she must cross the ocean and seek their help. Having now seen so many new things, will Uido have the strength to believe in herself and the old ways? And will her people trust her to lead them to safety when a catastrophic tsunami threatens? Uido must overcome everyone's doubts, including her own, if she is to keep her people safe and preserve the spirituality that has defined them. Drawing on firsthand experience from her travels to the Andaman Islands, Padma Venkatraman was inspired to write this story after meeting natives who survived the 2004 tsunami and have been able to preserve their unique way of life. Uido's transformation from a young girl to tribal leader will touch both your heart and mind.

Penguin Readers Level 5: David Copperfield
(ELT Graded Reader) - Charles Dickens

2021-05-06

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framework. The text is made up of sentences with up to four clauses, introducing present perfect continuous, past perfect, reported speech and second conditional. It is well supported by illustrations, which appear regularly. David Copperfield lives happily with his mother and his nurse, Peggotty. Then his mother marries Mr Murdstone, and he and his sister come to live with them. Suddenly everything changes . . . Visit the Penguin Readers website Register to access online resources including tests, worksheets and answer keys. Exclusively with the print edition, readers can unlock a digital book and audio edition (not available with the eBook).

Penguin Readers Level 6: The Turn of the Screw
(ELT Graded Reader) - Henry James 2021-05-06

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But the governess soon starts to see ghosts and tries to protect the children from them. Visit the Penguin Readers website Register to access online resources including tests, worksheets and answer keys. Exclusively with the print edition, readers can unlock a digital book and audio edition (not available with the eBook).

Climbing the Stairs - Padma Venkatraman
2010-02-04

During World War II and the last days of British occupation in India, fifteen-year-old Vidya dreams of attending college. But when her forward-thinking father is beaten senseless by the British police, she is forced to live with her grandfather's large traditional family, where the women live apart from the men and are meant to be married off as soon as possible. Vidya's only refuge becomes her grandfather's upstairs library, which is forbidden to women. There she meets Raman, a young man also living in the house who relishes her intellectual curiosity. But when Vidya's brother makes a choice the family

cannot condone, and when Raman seems to want more than friendship, Vidhya must question all she has believed in. Padma Venkatraman's debut novel poignantly shows a girl struggling to find her place in a mixed-up world. *Climbing the Stairs* is a powerful story about love and loss set against a fascinating historical backdrop. Read Padma Venkatraman's posts on the Penguin Blog.

Penguin Readers Level 6: Tess of the D'Urbervilles (ELT Graded Reader) - Thomas Hardy 2022-04-07

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lives better. They send their eldest daughter, Tess, to introduce herself to some "relatives". There, Tess meets Alec d'Urberville, who immediately notices her beauty. The terrible event that follows changes her life forever.

Penguin Readers Level 4: The Invisible Man (ELT Graded Reader) - H. G. Wells 2021-05-06

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and after-reading questions test readers' story comprehension and develop vocabulary. Visit the Penguin Readers website Exclusively with the print edition, readers can unlock online resources including a digital book, audio edition, lesson plans and answer keys. Griffin is a scientist, and he discovers how to make things invisible. Then he becomes invisible himself. Griffin thinks that an invisible man will have a lot of power. But life becomes more and more difficult.

No Night is Too Long - Barbara Vine 2012-09-27

No Night is Too Long is a classic crime novel by bestselling, prize-winning author Barbara Vine. Tim Cornish thought he'd gotten away with murder. For months after he'd killed his lover off the Alaskan coast, there hadn't been a word. But then the letters started to arrive. It seems that someone knows what Tim has done . . . This compelling thriller delivers such a dark picture of romantic love that murder seems its natural mate. Frightening, suspenseful, and deeply

unsettling, *No Night is Too Long* is a modern crime masterpiece and will be enjoyed by readers of P.D. James and Ian Rankin. 'The Rendell/Vine partnership has for years been producing consistently better work than most Booker winners put together' Ian Rankin 'She deploys her peerless skills in blending the mundane, commonplace aspects of life with the murky impulses of desire and greed' Sunday Times Barbara Vine is the pen-name of Ruth Rendell. Ruth has published fourteen novels under the Vine name, two of which, *Fatal Inversion* and *King Solomon's Carpet*, won the prestigious Crime Writers' Association Gold Dagger Award. Also available in Penguin by Barbara Vine: *The Minotaur*, *The Blood Doctor*, *Grasshopper*, *The Chimney Sweeper's Boy*, *The Brimstone Wedding*, *No Night is Too Long*, *Asta's Book*, *King Solomon's Carpet*, *Gallowglass*, *The House of Stairs*, *A Dark-Adapted Eye*.

Born Behind Bars - Padma Venkatraman

2021-09-07

"Venkatraman has never met a heavy theme she did not like....Borrowing elements of fable, it's told with a recurring sense of awe by a boy whom the world, for most of his life, has existed only in stories."—New York Times Book Review
The author of the award-winning *The Bridge Home* brings readers another gripping novel set in Chennai, India, featuring a boy who's unexpectedly released into the world after spending his whole life in jail with his mom. Kabir has been in jail since the day he was born, because his mom is serving time for a crime she didn't commit. He's never met his dad, so the only family he's got are their cellmates, and the only place he feels the least bit free is in the classroom, where his kind teacher regales him with stories of the wonders of the outside world. Then one day a new warden arrives and announces Kabir is too old to stay. He gets handed over to a long-lost "uncle" who unfortunately turns out to be a fraud, and

intends to sell Kabir. So Kabir does the only thing he can--run away as fast as his legs will take him. How does a boy with nowhere to go and no connections make his way? Fortunately, he befriends Rani, another street kid, and she takes him under her wing. But plotting their next move is hard--and fraught with danger--in a world that cares little for homeless, low caste children. This is not the world Kabir dreamed of--but he's discovered he's not the type to give up. Kabir is ready to show the world that he--and his mother--deserve a place in it.

City of Stairs - Robert Jackson Bennett

2014-09-09

An atmospheric and intrigue-filled novel of dead gods, buried histories, and a mysterious, protean city--from one of America's most acclaimed young fantasy writers. The city of Bulikov once wielded the powers of the gods to conquer the world, enslaving and brutalizing millions--until its divine protectors were killed. Now Bulikov has become just another colonial outpost of the

world's new geopolitical power, but the surreal landscape of the city itself--first shaped, now shattered, by the thousands of miracles its guardians once worked upon it--stands as a constant, haunting reminder of its former supremacy. Into this broken city steps Shara Thivani. Officially, the unassuming young woman is just another junior diplomat sent by Bulikov's oppressors. Unofficially, she is one of her country's most accomplished spies, dispatched to catch a murderer. But as Shara pursues the killer, she starts to suspect that the beings who ruled this terrible place may not be as dead as they seem--and that Bulikov's cruel reign may not yet be over.

House of Stairs - William Sleator 1991-04-01

This chilling, suspenseful indictment of mind control is a classic of science fiction and will haunt readers long after the last page is turned. One by one, five sixteen-year-old orphans are brought to a strange building. It is not a prison, not a hospital; it has no walls, no ceiling, no

floor. Nothing but endless flights of stairs leading nowhere--except back to a strange red machine. The five must learn to love the machine and let it rule their lives. But will they let it kill their souls? "An intensely suspenseful page-turner." --School Library Journal "A riveting suspense novel with an anti-behaviorist message that works . . . because it emerges only slowly from the chilling events." --Kirkus Reviews

Leveled Books for Readers, Grades 3-6 - Gay Su Pinnell 2002

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Penguin Readers Level 6: Dubliners (ELT Graded Reader) - James Joyce 2022-04-07
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they have problems with their families. They were the people who Joyce grew up with and he knew them very well. Visit the Penguin Readers website Register to access online resources including tests, worksheets and answer keys. Exclusively with the print edition, readers can unlock a digital book and audio edition (not available with the eBook).

House of Leaves - Mark Z. Danielewski
2000-03-07

“A novelistic mosaic that simultaneously reads like a thriller and like a strange, dreamlike excursion into the subconscious.” —The New York Times Years ago, when *House of Leaves* was first being passed around, it was nothing more than a badly bundled heap of paper, parts of which would occasionally surface on the Internet. No one could have anticipated the small but devoted following this terrifying story would soon command. Starting with an odd assortment of marginalized youth -- musicians, tattoo artists, programmers, strippers,

environmentalists, and adrenaline junkies -- the book eventually made its way into the hands of older generations, who not only found themselves in those strangely arranged pages but also discovered a way back into the lives of their estranged children. Now this astonishing novel is made available in book form, complete with the original colored words, vertical footnotes, and second and third appendices. The story remains unchanged, focusing on a young family that moves into a small home on Ash Tree Lane where they discover something is terribly wrong: their house is bigger on the inside than it is on the outside. Of course, neither Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist Will Navidson nor his companion Karen Green was prepared to face the consequences of that impossibility, until the day their two little children wandered off and their voices eerily began to return another story -- of creature darkness, of an ever-growing abyss behind a closet door, and of that unholy growl which soon enough would tear through

their walls and consume all their dreams.

Scandal Above Stairs - Jennifer Ashley

2018-07-03

From the New York Times bestselling author of *Death Below Stairs*. A mystery of stolen antiquities has Kat Holloway setting aside her apron once again for the intrigues of the upper echelons of Victorian London. Priceless artwork has gone missing from the home of a wealthy baronet, and his wife stands to take the blame. When Kat's employer asks for help in clearing her friend's name, Kat trades her kitchen for the homes of Mayfair's wealthiest families. Soon antiques are disappearing not only from the extravagant households of connoisseurs and collectors, but from the illustrious British Museum. As the thefts increase in frequency, Kat calls upon her friend Daniel McAdam, who has already set himself up in a pawnshop on the Strand as a seedy receiver of stolen goods. When a man is murdered in the shop, Kat must use all of her wits to see that the thieves are caught and

justice is done.

Penguin Readers Level 3: Ghost Stories (ELT Graded Reader) - M. R. James 2021-09-30

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The Bear Under the Stairs - Helen Cooper
2008

A little boy throws food below the stairs of his house each day to appease the bear he believes lives there.

We All Fall Down - Robert Cormier 2013-03-19
Buddy Walker is troubled by his parent's recent divorce, and when Harry Flowers suggests a prank, he goes along, just for opportunity to do something different. He doesn't realize that someone is watching. When Jane Jerome's house is trashed, and sister brutally injured in a home invasion, she struggles to continue with her life as her family falls apart. The Avenger has witnessed reckless evil. He has killed before and knows that he just needs to wait until the time is right before he can take his revenge. Robert Cormier once again sheds light on the conflict between good and evil and the dark side of human nature. In his classic style, each character's point of view is revealed invoking both sympathy and horror while showing the complexities of the psyche.