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*Wing & Claw #2: Cavern of Secrets* HarperCollins

An instant #1 New York Times Bestseller and a USA Today and Indie Bestseller! The Stormlight Archive saga continues in *Rhythm of War*, the eagerly awaited sequel to Brandon Sanderson's #1 New York Times bestselling *Oathbringer*, from an epic fantasy writer at the top of his game. After forming a coalition of human resistance against the enemy invasion, Dalinar Kholin and his Knights Radiant have spent a year fighting a protracted, brutal war. Neither side has gained an advantage, and the threat of a betrayal by Dalinar's crafty ally Taravangian looms over every strategic move. Now, as new technological discoveries by Navani Kholin's scholars begin to change the face of the war, the enemy prepares a bold and dangerous operation. The arms race that follows will challenge the very core of the Radiant ideals, and potentially reveal the secrets of the ancient tower that was once the heart of their strength. At the same time that Kaladin Stormblessed must come to grips with his changing role within the Knights Radiant, his Windrunners face their own problem: As more and more deadly enemy Fused awaken to wage war, no more honorspren are willing to bond with humans to increase the number of Radiants. Adolin and Shallan must lead the coalition's envoy to the honorspren stronghold of Lasting Integrity and either convince the spren to join the cause against the evil god Odium, or personally face the storm of failure. Other Tor books by Brandon Sanderson: *The Cosmere*, *The Stormlight Archive*, *The Way of Kings*, *Words of Radiance*, *Edgedancer* (novella), *Oathbringer*, *Dawnshard* (novella), *Rhythm of War*, *The Mistborn Saga*, *The Original Trilogy*, *Mistborn*, *The Well of Ascension*, *The Hero of Ages*, *Wax and Wayne*, *The Alloy of Law*, *Shadows of Self*, *The Bands of Mourning*, *The Lost Metal*, *Other Cosmere novels*, *Elantris*, *Warbreaker*, *Tress of the Emerald Sea*, *Yumi and the Nightmare Painter*, *The Sunlit Man Collection*, *Arcanum Unbounded: The Cosmere Collection*, *The Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians series*, *Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians*, *The Scrivener's Bones*, *The Knights of Crystallia*, *The Shattered Lens*, *The Dark Talent*, *Bastille vs. the Evil Librarians* (with Janci Patterson), *Other novels*, *The Rithmatist*, *Legion: The Many Lives of Stephen Leeds*, *The Frugal Wizard's Handbook for Surviving Medieval England*, *Other books by Brandon Sanderson*, *The Reckoners*, *Steelheart*, *Firefight*, *Calamity Skyward*, *Skyward*, *Starsight*, *Cytonic*, *Skyward Flight* (with Janci Patterson). **Defiant** At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

*When My Name Was Keoko* HarperCollins

Chengli is an orphaned errand boy who lives in Chang'an China in 630 A.D. His mother has died from illness and his father is presumed dead after disappearing into the desert when Chengli was a baby. Now thirteen, Chengli feels ready for independence. He is drawn to the desert, beckoned by the howling of strange winds and the hope of learning something about his father—who he was and how he died. Chengli joins a caravan to travel down the merchant route known as the Silk Road, but it is a dangerous life, as his father knew. The desert is harsh, and there are many bandits—bandits interested in Chengli's caravan because a princess, her servants, and royal guards are traveling with them. But the desert is full of amazing places and life-changing experiences, as the feisty princess learns the meaning of friendship and Chengli learns the heroism of which he is capable.

**Rhythm of War** Wendy Lamb Books

In the second installment of the spellbinding *Wing & Claw* series, Newbery Medal-winning author Linda Sue Park takes a young apothecary hero to new heights of danger, exciting adventure, and intriguing botanical magic. Raffa Santana has spent all winter hiding in the harsh wilderness of the Sudden Mountains, and now it's time to return home. Home, where his parents will help him fight back against the vile Chancellor who has captured and altered the wild creatures of the Forest of Wonders. Home, where Raffa's beloved companion, Echo the bat, will recover from his mysterious sickness. To get there, Raffa must make a treacherous journey across Obsidia. Along the way, he will discover a luminous plant that might be the key to saving the creatures stuck in the Chancellor's grasp... if only Raffa can unlock the plant's secrets and deliver the cure to the captive animals. *Cavern of Secrets* masterfully explores one boy's responsibility to his friends, family, and the wider world.

**Snapshot** Classroom Complete Press

*The Little Prince* and *Le Petit Prince* is a novella by French aristocrat, writer, and aviator Antoine de Saint-Exupéry. It was first published in English and French in the US by Reynald and Hitchcock in April 1943, and posthumously in France following the liberation of France as Saint-Exupéry's works had been banned by the Vichy Regime. The story follows a young prince who visits various planets in space, including Earth, and addresses themes of loneliness, friendship, love, and loss. Despite its style as a children's book, *The Little Prince* makes observations about life, adults and human nature. *The Little Prince* became Saint-Exupéry's most successful work, selling an estimated 140 million copies worldwide, which makes it one of the best-selling and most translated books ever published. It has been translated into 301 languages and dialects. *The Little Prince* has been adapted to numerous art forms and media, including audio recordings, radio plays, live stage, film, television, ballet, and opera.

**The Companions** MIT Press

A fascinating new novella in Brandon Sanderson's *Cosmere*, the universe shared by his *Mistborn* series and the #1 New York Times bestselling *Stormlight Archive*. *Sixth of the Dusk*, set in a never-before-seen world, showcases a society on the brink of technological change. On the deadly island of Patji, where birds grant people magical talents and predators can sense the thoughts of their prey, a solitary trapper discovers that the island is not the only thing out to kill him. When he begins to see his own corpse at every turn, does this spell danger for his entire culture? ----- A note from the publisher: For a detailed behind-the-scenes look at the creation of this novella, including brainstorming and workshoping session transcripts, the first draft, line-by-line edits, and an essay by Brandon, please see *Shadows Beneath: The Writing Excuses Anthology*.

**Warbreaker** Ten Speed Press

The first novel-writing guide from the best-selling *Save the Cat!* story-structure series, which reveals the 15 essential plot points needed to make any novel a success. Novelist Jessica Brody presents a comprehensive story-structure guide for novelists that applies the famed *Save the Cat!* screenwriting methodology to the world of novel writing. Revealing the 15 "beats" (plot points) that

comprise a successful story—from the opening image to the finale—this book lays out the Ten Story Genres (*Monster in the House*; *Whydunit*; *Dude with a Problem*) alongside quirky, original insights (*Save the Cat*; *Shard of Glass*) to help novelists craft a plot that will captivate—and a novel that will sell.

**Save the Cat! Writes a Novel** Univ. of Queensland Press

The eagerly awaited sequel to the #1 New York Times bestselling *Words of Radiance*, from epic fantasy author Brandon Sanderson at the top of his game. In *Oathbringer*, the third volume of the New York Times bestselling *Stormlight Archive*, humanity faces a new Desolation with the return of the Voidbringers, a foe with numbers as great as their thirst for vengeance. Dalinar Kholin's Alethi armies won a fleeting victory at a terrible cost: The enemy Parshendi summoned the violent Everstorm, which now sweeps the world with destruction, and in its passing awakens the once peaceful and subservient parshmen to the horror of their millennia-long enslavement by humans. While on a desperate flight to warn his family of the threat, Kaladin Stormblessed must come to grips with the fact that the newly kindled anger of the parshmen may be wholly justified. Nestled in the mountains high above the storms, in the tower city of Urithiru, Shallan Davar investigates the wonders of the ancient stronghold of the Knights Radiant and unearths dark secrets lurking in its depths. And Dalinar realizes that his holy mission to unite his homeland of Alethkar was too narrow in scope. Unless all the nations of Roshar can put aside Dalinar's blood-soaked past and stand together—and unless Dalinar himself can confront that past—even the restoration of the Knights Radiant will not prevent the end of civilization. Other Tor books by Brandon Sanderson: *The Cosmere*, *The Stormlight Archive*, *The Way of Kings*, *Words of Radiance*, *Edgedancer* (Novella), *Oathbringer* (forthcoming), *The Mistborn saga*, *Mistborn: The Final Empire*, *The Well of Ascension*, *The Hero of Ages*, *Alloy of Law*, *Shadows of Self*, *Bands of Mourning*, *Collection Arcanum Unbounded*, *Other Cosmere Titles*, *Elantris*, *Warbreaker*, *The Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians series*, *Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians*, *The Scrivener's Bones*, *The Knights of Crystallia*, *The Shattered Lens*, *The Dark Talent*, *Rithmatist*, *The Rithmatist*. Other books by Brandon Sanderson: *The Reckoners*, *Steelheart*, *Firefight*, *Calamity*, *The Little Prince* HarperCollins

**TEACH YOUR STUDENTS TO READ WITH PRECISION AND INSIGHT** The world we are preparing our students to succeed in is one bound together by words and phrases. Our students learn their literature, history, math, science, or art via a firm foundation of strong reading skills. When we teach students to read with precision, rigor, and insight, we are truly handing over the key to the kingdom. Of all the subjects we teach reading is first among equals. Grounded in advice from effective classrooms nationwide, enhanced with more than 40 video clips, *Reading Reconsidered* takes you into the trenches with actionable guidance from real-life educators and instructional champions. The authors address the anxiety-inducing world of Common Core State Standards, distilling from those standards four key ideas that help hone teaching practices both generally and in preparation for assessments. This 'Core of the Core' comprises the first half of the book and instructs educators on how to teach students to: read harder texts, 'closely read' texts rigorously and intentionally, read nonfiction more effectively, and write more effectively in direct response to texts. The second half of *Reading Reconsidered* reinforces these principles, coupling them with the 'fundamentals' of reading instruction—a host of techniques and subject specific tools to reconsider how teachers approach such essential topics as vocabulary, interactive reading, and student autonomy. *Reading Reconsidered* breaks an overly broad issue into clear, easy-to-implement approaches. Filled with practical tools, including: 44 video clips of exemplar teachers demonstrating the techniques and principles in their classrooms (note: for online access of this content, please visit [my.teachlikeachampion.com](http://my.teachlikeachampion.com)) Recommended book lists Downloadable tips and templates on key topics like reading nonfiction, vocabulary instruction, and literary terms and definitions. *Reading Reconsidered* provides the framework necessary for teachers to ensure that students forge futures as lifelong readers.

*Bee-bim Bop!* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Winner of the Newbery Medal • New York Times Bestseller • An ALA Notable Book • An ALA Best Book for Young Adults • School Library Journal Best Book • Booklist Editors' Choice • Kirkus Reviews Editors' Choice • Horn Book Fanfare Book • New York Public Library Book for the Teen Age In this acclaimed, award-winning, and timeless national bestseller, Newbery Medalist Lynne Rae Perkins explores the crisscrossing lives of four teenagers on the verge of adulthood. The unique format incorporates short vignettes, haiku, Q&As, and illustrations by the author. Written with love and humor, *Criss Cross* is an unforgettable story of friendship, family, and growing up. "It's hard to write a book this good. Lynne Rae Perkins makes it seem easy."—Kevin Henkes, *New York Times*-bestselling author of the *Newbery Honor Books Olive's Ocean* and *The Year of Billy Miller* "Brilliantly captures the adolescent-level Zen that thoughtful kids bring to their assessment of the world."—Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books (starred review) "Best of all are the understated moments, often private and piercing in their authenticity, that capture intelligent, likable teens searching for signs of who they are, and who they'll become."—ALA Booklist (starred review) "Written with humor and modest bits of philosophy, the writing sparkles with inventive, often dazzling metaphors."—Kirkus Reviews (starred review) "Like a lazy summer day, the novel induces that exhilarating feeling that one has all the time in the world."—The Horn Book (starred review) "A gentle story about a group of childhood friends facing the crossroads of life and how they wish to live it. Young teens will certainly relate."—School Library Journal (starred review)

**A Single Shard** Teacher Created Resources

Impatient with the constraints put on her as an aristocratic girl living in Korea during the seventeenth century, twelve-year-old Jade Blossom determines to see beyond her small world.

**Acceptance** Wizards of the Coast

4 starred reviews! "Heartbreaking, hilarious, and life-affirming" (Ami Polonsky, author of *Gracefully Grayson* and *Threads*) Rydr is on a train heading east, leaving California, where her grandma can't take care of her anymore, and traveling to Chicago, to live with an unknown relative. She brings with her a backpack, memories both happy and sad, and a box containing something very important. As Rydr meets her fellow passengers and learns their stories, her own story begins to emerge. It's one of sadness and heartache, and one Rydr would sometimes like to forget. But as much as Rydr may want to run away from her past, on the train she finds that hope and forgiveness are all around her, and most importantly, within her, if she's willing to look for it. From Publishers Weekly Flying Start author Paul Mosier comes a poignant story about a young girl's travels by train from Los Angeles to Chicago in which she learns along the way that she can find family wherever she is. Perfect for fans of Rebecca Stead and Sharon Creech.

*The House That Lou Built* Harper Collins

"If this book were a house, the rooms would be filled with warmth, family, and friendship." --Erin Entrada Kelly, author of the Newbery Medal winner *Hello, Universe*; *The Land of Forgotten Girls*; and *Blackbird Fly* A coming-of-age story that explores culture and family, forgiveness and friendship, and what makes a true home. Perfect for fans of Wendy Mass and Joan Bauer. Lou Bulosan-Nelson has the ultimate summer DIY project. She's going to build her own "tiny house," 100 square feet all her own. She shares a room with her mom in her grandmother's house, and longs for a place where she can escape her crazy but lovable extended Filipino family. Lou enjoys her woodshop class and creating projects, and she plans to build the house on land she inherited from her dad, who died before she was born. But then she finds out that the land may not be hers for much longer. Lou discovers it's not easy to save her land, or to build a house. But she won't give up; with the help of friends and relatives, her dream begins to take shape, and she learns the deeper meaning of home and family. AN NPR BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR A KIRKUS REVIEWS BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR "Equal parts girl-heart, muscle and know-how for today's reader. Endearing to the end." --Rita Williams-Garcia, Newbery-Honor-and-Coretta-Scott King -Award-winning author of the National Book Award Finalist *Clayton Byrd Goes Underground* "Warm, funny and affirming. As we get to know Lou, her extended Filipino family, and friends, the door opens into her life and, ultimately, her home." --Lisa Yee, author of the *Millicent Min* trilogy, *The Kidney Hypothetical*, the *DC Super Hero Girls* series, and other books "There couldn't be a hero more determined, resourceful or lovable than Lucinda Bulosan-Nelson. Her big dream of a tiny house is irresistible." --Tricia Springstubb, author of *Every Single Second*, *What Happened on Fox Street*, *Moonpenny Island*, and the *Cody* series "I fell in love with Lou and her wonderful extended family. This story may be about a tiny house, but it has an enormous heart." --Kate Messner, author of *The Exact Location of Home*

*The Calligrapher* Simon and Schuster

In this contemporary novel, Newbery Medalist Linda Sue Park delivers a funny, lively story that illuminates both the process of writing a novel and the meaning of growing up American. "A rich work that treats serious issues with warmth, respect, and a good deal of humor" (Kirkus starred review). Perfect for both independent reading and classroom sharing. Julia Song and her friend Patrick would love to win a blue ribbon, maybe even two, at the state fair. They've always done projects together, and they work well as a team. This time, though, they're having trouble coming up with just the right project. Then Julia's mother offers a suggestion: They can raise silkworms, as she did when she was a girl in Korea. Patrick thinks it's a great idea. Of course there are obstacles—for example, where will they get mulberry leaves, the only thing silkworms eat?—but nothing they can't handle. Julia isn't so sure. The club where kids do their projects is all about traditional American stuff, and raising silkworms just doesn't fit in. Moreover, the author, Ms. Park, seems determined to make Julia's life as complicated as possible, no matter how hard Julia tries to talk her out of it.

*Prairie Lotus* Tor Books

From two extraordinary talents, a beautifully crafted picture book for the Christmas season. The three wise men, or the three kings, are familiar figures in the Christmas tradition. Newbery medalist Linda Sue Park has taken the brief biblical references to the three as the starting point for a new story. In it we meet a boy who is learning his father's trade; a man who gathers resin from certain trees; a merchant in the marketplace; and three strangers in brightly colored robes who are shopping for a gift for a baby. Illustrated by Bagram Ibatoulline with exquisite paintings, this simple, moving tale of ordinary people involved in an extraordinary event brings new resonance to the well-known gift list of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

*Chengli and the Silk Road Caravan* Tor Books

A 12-year-old slave on a gigantic, traveling "wagon city" joins forces with a new--and magical--slave, and as they plan their escape they encounter mystery, enchantment, and deadly monsters while their one chance for freedom draws ever nearer.

*Reading Reconsidered* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

From Newbery Medal winning author Linda Sue Park comes a captivating fantasy-adventure about a boy, a bat, and an amazing transformation. Raffa Santana has always loved the mysterious Forest of Wonders. For a gifted young apothecary like him, every

*Minimalist Baker's Everyday Cooking* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

The New York Times bestselling final installment of Jeff VanderMeer's wildly popular Southern Reach Trilogy It is winter in Area X, the mysterious wilderness that has defied explanation for thirty years, rebuffing expedition after expedition, refusing to reveal its secrets. As Area X expands, the agency tasked with investigating and overseeing it--the Southern Reach--has collapsed on itself in confusion. Now one last, desperate team crosses the border, determined to reach a remote island that may hold the answers they've been seeking. If they fail, the outer world is in peril. Meanwhile, Acceptance tunnels ever deeper into the circumstances surrounding the creation of Area X--what initiated this unnatural upheaval? Among the many who have tried, who has gotten close to understanding Area X--and who may have been corrupted by it? In this last installment of Jeff VanderMeer's Southern Reach trilogy, the mysteries of Area X may be solved, but their consequences and implications are no less profound--or terrifying.

*The Way of Kings Prime* Yearling Books

A modern tale of sexual mores and city life, Edward Docx's debut is a witty novel of spurned lovers, elaborately planned seduction, plotted revenge, and surprising secrets.

*Mudshark* Hachette UK

THE INTERNATIONAL PHENOMENON BEHIND THE COSMERE A STANDALONE COSMERE ADVENTURE WITH MAGIC AS YOU HAVE NEVER SEEN IT \*\*\*\* A story of two sisters, who just so happen to be princesses. A story about two gods, one a God King and one lesser. A story about an immortal trying to undo the mistakes he made hundreds of years ago. Meet WARBREAKER. This is a story of two sisters - who happen to be princesses, the God King one of them has to marry, a lesser god, and an immortal trying to undo the mistakes he made hundreds of years ago. Theirs is a world in which those who die in glory return as gods to live confined to a pantheon in Hallandren's capital city. A world transformed by BioChromatic magic, a power based on an essence known as breath. Using magic is arduous: breath can only be collected one unit at a time from individual people. But the rewards are great: by using breath and drawing upon the color in everyday objects, all manner of miracles and mischief can be performed. \*\*\*\* SANDERSON THE EPIC FANTASY TITAN: 'Exceptional tale of magic, mystery and the politics of divinity' MICHAEL MOORCOCK 'A powerful stand-alone tale of unpredictable loyalties, dark intrigue and dangerous magic' PUBLISHERS WEEKLY 'Sanderson is astonishingly wise' ORSON SCOTT CARD 'Epic in every sense' GUARDIAN

*The Bone Shard Daughter* John Wiley & Sons

Washington Post 2017 KidsPost Summer Book Club selection! It's Mississippi in the summer of 1955, and Rose Lee Carter can't wait to move north. But for now, she's living with her sharecropper grandparents on a white man's cotton plantation. Then, one town over, an African American boy, Emmett Till, is killed for allegedly whistling at a white woman. When Till's murderers are unjustly acquitted, Rose realizes that the South needs a change . . . and that she should be part of the movement. Linda Jackson's moving debut seamlessly blends a fictional portrait of an African American family and factual events from a famous trial that provoked change in race relations in the United States.