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## Darkness Creeping Yearling Books

A deluxe hardcover edition of the queen of science fiction 's trailblazing novel about a planet full of genderless beings—part of Penguin Galaxy, a collectible series of six sci-fi/fantasy classics, featuring a series introduction by Neil Gaiman Winner of the ALGA + Design Observer 50 Books | 50 Covers competition A groundbreaking work of science fiction, *The Left Hand of Darkness* tells the story of a lone human emissary 's mission to Winter, an unknown alien world whose inhabitants can choose—and change—their gender. His goal is to facilitate Winter 's inclusion in a growing intergalactic civilization. But to do so he must bridge the gulf between his own views and those of the completely dissimilar culture that he encounters. Exploring questions of psychology,

society, and human emotion in an alien world, *The Left Hand of Darkness* stands as a landmark achievement in the annals of science fiction. Penguin Galaxy Six of our greatest masterworks of science fiction and fantasy, in dazzling collector-worthy hardcover editions, and featuring a series introduction by #1 New York Times bestselling author Neil Gaiman, Penguin Galaxy represents a constellation of achievement in visionary fiction, lighting the way toward our knowledge of the universe, and of ourselves. From historical legends to mythic futures, monuments of world-building to mind-bending dystopias, these touchstones of human invention and storytelling ingenuity have transported millions of readers to distant realms, and will continue for generations to chart the frontiers of the imagination. *The Once and Future King* by T. H. White *Stranger in a*

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Strange Land by Robert A. Heinlein Dune by Frank Herbert 2001: A Space Odyssey by Arthur C. Clarke The Left Hand of Darkness by Ursula K. Le Guin Neuromancer by William Gibson For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

Jake Maddox: Go-Kart Rush Sourcebooks, Inc.

The Shadow Club doesn't exist anymore. The group of second-best kids used to play anonymous practical jokes on their rivals, until things spiraled out of

control. Now Jared and the ex-Shadow Club members are having a hard time shaking their reputation. And when the new golden boy at school is the victim of a series of nasty pranks, everyone's convinced Jared is to blame. Determined to prove his innocence, Jared soon becomes wrapped up in a nightmare worse than anything the Shadow Club ever caused.

Resurrection Bay Simon and Schuster

The uproarious companion to "The Schwa was Here" and "Antsy Does Time" In honor of Old Man Crawley 's eightieth birthday, the Bonano family has been invited to celebrate with a weeklong cruise to the Caribbean aboard the world 's largest, grandest ship. But whether on land or at sea, Antsy can 't manage to stay out of trouble: He quickly finds himself the accomplice of stowaway and thief Tilde, whose self-made mission it is to smuggle onto the ship and across the U.S. border illegal immigrants from her native Mexico. When

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Antsy steps in to take the fall for Tilde, he becomes the focus of a major international incident and the poster child for questionable decisions. Equal parts clever and riotous, *Ship Out of Luck* brings back the beloved cast of characters from Neal Shusterman's acclaimed *The Schwa Was Here* and *Antsy Does Time*.

### **Neal Shusterman's *Darkness***

#### ***Creeping II*** Penguin

Meet the snoligoster, who feeds on the shadows of its victims. The whirling whimpus, who once laid low an entire Boy Scout troop. And the hoop snake, who can chase prey at speeds of up to 60 miles per hour and then, with one sting of its venomous tail, cause it to turn purple, swell up, and—alas—die. These and 17 other fearsome creatures are among the

most fantastical beasts in American folklore. Their stories, as narrated by one of the last surviving cryptozoologists, are best enjoyed while sitting around a campfire. If you dare.

***Darkness Creeping*** Houghton Mifflin Harcourt  
A collection of creepy stories.

#### ***Snowboard Maverick*** Pan Macmillan

For fans of Kathleen Barber and Julia Heaberlin comes a chilling psychological suspense from award-winning author Jen Williams about a woman who discovers her late mother had a decades-long secret correspondence with a serial killer, begging the question: how well do we know our own family and even ourselves? When prodigal daughter Heather Evans returns to her family home after her mother's baffling suicide, she makes an alarming discovery--stacks and stacks of

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carefully preserved letters from notorious serial killer Michael Reave. The "Red Wolf," as he was dubbed by the press, has been in prison for over twenty years, serving a life sentence for the gruesome and ritualistic murders of several women across the country, although he has always protested his innocence. The police have had no reason to listen, yet Heather isn't the only one to have cause to re-examine the murders. The body of a young woman has just been found, dismembered and placed inside a tree, the corpse planted with flowers. Just as the Red Wolf once did. What did Heather's mother know? Why did she kill herself? And with the monstrous Red Wolf safely locked inside a maximum security prison, who is stalking young women now? Teaming up with DI Ben Parker, Heather hopes to get some answers for herself and for the newest victims of this depraved murderer. Yet to do that, she must speak to Michael Reave herself, and expose herself to truths she may not be ready to face. Something dark is walking in the woods, and it knows her all too well.

**Look What I Did with a Leaf!** Univ. Press of Mississippi

They say his clothes blend into the background, no matter where he stands. They say a lot of things about the Schwa, but one thing's for sure: no one ever noticed him. Except me. My name is Antsy Bonano, and I was the one who realized the Schwa was "functionally invisible" and used him to make some big bucks. But I was also the one who caused him more grief than a friend should. So if you all just shut up and listen, I'll tell you everything there is to know about the Schwa, from how he got his name, to what really happened with his mom.

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I'll spill everything. Unless, of course, "the Schwa Effect" wipes him out of my brain before I'm done....

*Fragile* Simon and Schuster

The Shadow Club starts simply enough: the kids who are tired of being second-best get together and, for the first time, talk about how they feel. But soon the members decide to play practical jokes on the first-place winners they envy, and things begin to spin dangerously out of control. "This is a provocative novel . . . The plot is ingeniously simple and the course of events compelling. Brisk enough to snag a popular audience, but forceful in impact, it will leave readers thinking." (Booklist, starred review)

*A Sliver of Darkness* Penguin

Darkness CreepingPenguin

Hog-Eye Penguin

From New York Times bestselling author Neal Shusterman comes a thrilling, spine-tingling 32-page original short story that's perfect for fans of Unwind and UnWholly. Bones. They know the call of the ice. Anika knows the call of the ice, too. Living in an isolated port town in Alaska with her father and younger brother, Anika is practically steps away from the Harding Icefield, and Exit Glacier has always been her favorite place. But after a couple tragically dies there, Exit Glacier seems to come alive and begins moving toward the town with unnatural speed. Anika feels deep in her bones that the ice wants something. . . . After the glacier finally stops in the town's

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cemetery, Anika and her on-again, off-again boyfriend, Rav, face a sinister truth: The soul of the glacier is looking for bodies to inhabit . . . and where better to find them than the graveyard? This fast-paced, eerie short story is a deft blend of suspense and horror that will leave readers breathless . . . and chilled to the bone. Epic Reads Impulse is a digital imprint with new releases each month.

*Property of the Rebel Librarian* Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

Award-winning author Shusterman walks on the dark side with this classic collection of masterfully creepy stories. Includes four stories written specifically for this collection.

Watkins Media Limited

From award-winner Neal Shusterman-author of *The Dark Side of Nowhere* and *Scorpion Shards*-

comes a spectacular collection of stories that are by turns terrifying, comic, darkly inventive, thought-provoking, and always just slightly off-center.

**Ship Out of Luck** Ballantine Books

Imagine being trapped forever in someone else's nightmare, with no means of escape. Or caught on one of the most terrifying roller coasters of all time, when suddenly the tracks ahead just disappear. Enter the world of *Darkness Creeping*, where hollow-eyed skulls arrive in the mail and nothing is as it seems.

Boston Globe-Horn Book Award winner and beloved author Neal Shusterman walks on the dark side with this classic collection of masterfully creepy stories so horrifying, you may have to read them twice to remind yourself they're not real.

**Haunted Houses** Penguin

Originally published as two volumes, a

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collection of creepy stories by an award-winning author will have readers believing that nothing is what it seems! Original.

**The Schwa was Here** Penguin

Because Zenon creates trouble at her space station home somewhere in the Milky Way, her parents send her to her grandparent's farm on Earth to work for the summer.

*The Glass Mountain* Lowell House

"I read Virginia's novel in one sitting and was so captured by it I knew I had to make it and play Mrs. March. As a character, she is fascinating, complex, and deeply human and I can't wait to sink my teeth into her."

—Elisabeth Moss A Jenny Lawson

"Fantastic Strangeling Book Club"

Selection Oprah Daily • Best of the Month  
USA Today • Books Not to Miss Who is

Mrs. March? George March's latest novel is a smash. No one could be prouder than his dutiful wife, Mrs. March, who revels in his accolades. A careful creature of routine and decorum, she lives a precariously controlled existence on the Upper East Side until one morning, when the shopkeeper of her favorite patisserie suggests that her husband's latest protagonist—a detestable character named Johanna—is based on Mrs. March herself. Clutching her ostrich leather pocketbook and mint-colored gloves, she flees the shop. What could have merited this humiliation? That one casual remark robs Mrs. March of the belief that she knew everything about her husband—and herself—thus sending her on an increasingly paranoid journey that begins within the



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pages of a book. While snooping in George's office, Mrs. March finds a newspaper clipping about a missing woman. Did George have anything to do with her disappearance? He's been going on a lot of "hunting trips" up north with his editor lately, leaving Mrs. March all alone at night with her tormented thoughts, and the cockroaches that have suddenly started to appear, and strange breathing noises . . . As she begins to decode her husband's secrets, her deafening anxiety and fierce determination threaten everyone in her wake—including her stoic housekeeper, Martha, and her unobtrusive son, Jonathan, whom she loves so profoundly, when she remembers to love him at all. Combining a Hitchcockian sensibility with wickedly dark

humor, Virginia Feito, a brilliantly talented and, at times, mischievous newcomer, offers a razor-sharp exploration of the fragility of identity. A mesmerizing novel of psychological suspense and casebook insecurity turned full-blown neurosis, Mrs. March will have you second-guessing your own seemingly familiar reflection in the mirror.

*The Magic Carpet and Other Tales* Random House Books for Young Readers

A classic science fiction novel from bestselling author Neal Shusterman is back in print. Jason is having a bad day. The kind of day when you just don't feel like yourself. Only for Jason, it's not just a feeling. He really isn't himself. Not anymore. Who is he? That's the problem. Jason isn't sure. And it's not just him. Everyone in town is acting weird. His friends. His parents. Everyone.

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Billington is usually such a normal town. As Jason is about to discover, nothing will ever be normal again....

**A Terrifying Taste of Short & Shivery** Anchor

A selection of twenty tales and myths, chosen because the Mississippi artist had designed the linoleum block prints used here for them years before.

**Antsy Does Time** Darkness Creeping

Scare-master Robert San Souci serves up ten chilling tales about untraditional haunted houses: a mansion full of pirate treasure, a ghost trapped in a mysterious dollhouse, a boy whose vacation house comes complete with people-eating spiders, and many more. But beware because not all of the protagonists in these stories get out alive.

**Red Rider's Hood** Morrow Junior

From breakout debut author Chelsea Icho comes Little Creeping Things, a

compulsively readable YA suspense novel with a narrator who can't be trusted, perfect for fans of Natasha Preston. She never meant to hurt anyone... When she was a child, Cassidy Pratt accidentally started a fire that killed her neighbor. At least, that's what she's been told. She can't remember anything from that day. She's pretty sure she didn't mean to do it. She's a victim too. But her town's bullies, particularly the cruel and beautiful Melody Davenport, have never let her live it down. In Melody's eyes, Cassidy is a murderer and always will be. And then Melody goes missing, and Cassidy thinks she may have information about what happened. She knows she should go to the cops, but...she recently joked about how much she'd like to get rid of Melody. She

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even planned out the perfect way to do it. the appetites of all manner of mystery  
And then she gets a chilling text from an fans."—Booklist "[A] genre-solid whodunit  
unknown number: I'm so glad we're in this and keeps readers guessing until the very  
together. Now it's up to Cassidy to figure out last page."—Publishers Weekly  
what's really going on, before the truth  
behind Melody's disappearance sets the  
whole town ablaze. Perfect for fans of:  
Detective stories for teens Teen thrillers  
Karen McManus and Natasha Preston Praise  
for *Little Creeping Things*: A Junior Library  
Guild Selection! "Chelsea Ichaso has  
without a doubt written the breakout thriller  
of the year."—Dana Mele, author of *People  
Like Us* "Ichaso's debut is a riveting  
whodunnit... a psychological thriller worthy  
of mystery aficionados."—School Library  
Journal "Guaranteed to keep young readers  
guessing until the final pages...will satisfy