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Land of the Horses Apr 05 2021 An intensely moving memoir of a young man who left heartbreak in Maine to seek healing Out West in the company of horses. Growing up in a small Maine town, Chris Lombard had never ridden a horse—never even touched one. But on one fateful night, as what he'd thought was a happy twenty-something life full of love and possibility fell suddenly apart, he met two horses and looked into their eyes. What he saw inspired him to leave everything he had, and everything he didn't have, behind, and go in search of what was missing. With the little he needed packed in his ten-year-old Pontiac Grand Prix, and little more to go on than a belief that someone would give him a chance, Chris headed west to find work on a horse ranch. His journey took him first to the mountains of Colorado, then the Hollywood Hills of California, and finally, the wild borderlands of Southern Arizona. The settings changed but the same lessons came in quiet moments, movingly captured in these pages: watching horses, reaching out to them, swinging upon their backs. Chris learned new meanings for words—presence, connection, softness, and balance—the elements of good horsemanship feeding a deep hunger he didn't know he had. But learning to ride a horse, learning to communicate with him, to teach him things, these required qualities Chris was only beginning to cultivate. Human nature plans; it pushes and it rushes. And it would take a terrible accident to awaken a whole new awareness for time and space, and Chris's place within it, beside a horse. In the austere beauty of the Sonora Desert, Chris met a cowboy whose intense love for life on the back of a horse held a deep sadness at bay, but only for so long. Their brief time together, working land and livestock, would bring Chris to the realization that the richly fulfilling new life he'd found held all the answers he sought, but only if he could ultimately leave it behind. Evocatively written, interweaving the author's growing understanding of horses and how we connect with them with his deeply personal experiences, *Land of the Horses* brings to life a young man's transformation alongside the horses, people, and dramatic landscapes of the American West. Healing heartbreak, falling and getting back on, searching for something true—this is a story that is in all of us. And it shows we are all capable of creating the life we truly want to live.

Dead of Night May 18 2022 An honest, heart-wrenching and hopeful look at the journey through life and love for the damaged and the damned. With the chapter divided into different times of night, up-and-coming author Chris Mc Geown takes an honest, and sometimes painful look at life, love, depression, and recovery.

Night Speed Oct 23 2022 An addictive new drug fuels superhuman strength and speed in this action-packed sci-fi thriller that will have fans of Scott Westerfeld and Marie Lu on the edge of their seats. Only those young enough can survive tetra, a dangerous drug that creates a pulse-pounding rush of enormous strength and incredible speed. Seventeen-year-old Alana West has been trained to use tetra so she can pursue the young criminals who abuse its power—criminals like the one who nearly killed her kid brother. On tetra, Alana is unstoppable—an explosive blur as she surges through New York City. But with the clock ticking down to her eighteenth birthday, Alana will soon be too old for the rush . . . when just one more dose will prove deadly. Supported only by her steady handler, Tucker, Alana goes undercover, infiltrating an elite gang of breaknecks to stop their supply of the drug. But when Alana gets trapped on the wrong side of the law, she learns the breaknecks are not quite what they seem—especially Ethan, the boy who seems to see the truth inside her. With her dependency on tetra increasing, Alana must decide where her loyalties lie, before the rush ends. Forever.

Goodnight Lab Jan 02 2021 In the vein of Goodnight Moon, say "goodnight" to your lab in this picture book parody of a beloved classic. Perfect for scientists of all ages! It's been a long day at the lab for this scientist. Now it's time to say goodnight! Goodnight laser Goodnight notebook Goodnight picture of Einstein with a stern look While poking fun at the clutter and chaos of lab life, scientists of all ages will appreciate ending their day with this sweet parody. They'll be rested and ready to return to the world of research in the morning! This scientific parody book in the style of Goodnight Moon is a delight for little lab girls and guys. Goodnight Lab is written by Chris Ferrie, author of Quantum Physics for Babies and other books in the Baby University series. Parents and kids both will love the accurate descriptions of all the quirks of grownup laboratories. Readers who love the Lab Girl book or Nerdy Babies will adore this humorous and educational book for kids. This book is the perfect solution if you're looking for science baby gifts and physics gifts for curious kids.

The Creeps Feb 27 2023 In Pumpkins County, weird things happen every day, but nobody ever makes a fuss. Nobody, that is, except the Creeps: Carol, a big-city girl new to Pumpkins County, who finds kindred spirits in Mitchell (monster expert), Jarvis (military brat with logistics know-how), and Rosario (girly girl on the outside, muscle underneath). The Creeps are on the case to figure out the spooky mysteries and still get to class on time. Last week it was a pudding monster. This week, it's killer frogs—reanimated from the team's biology class dissection experiment. Who's behind the Frankenfrog attacks? The Creeps will track down the answers! In this new creepy graphic novel series, Chris Schweizer's art is full of the visual excitement that only the best graphic novel creators can pull off.

The Darkest Dark Aug 21 2022 Inspired by the childhood of real-life astronaut Chris Hadfield and brought to life by Terry and Eric Fan's lush, evocative illustrations, *The Darkest Dark* will encourage readers to dream the impossible. Chris loves rockets and planets and pretending he's a brave astronaut, exploring the universe. Only one problem—at night, Chris doesn't feel so brave. He's afraid of the dark. But when he watches the groundbreaking moon landing on TV, he realizes that space is the darkest dark there is—and the dark is beautiful and exciting, especially when you have big dreams to keep you company.

Tabloidology Jan 14 2022 Take one prankster, put her together with the editor of the world's most boring school newspaper, add one over-worked principal, and you've got a recipe for the most chaotic few weeks in the history of Upland Green Elementary. The unlikely duo of Martin Wettmore, editor and expert grammarian, and Trixi Wilder, prankster extraordinaire, is given the task of improving the pathetic sales of their school newspaper. Martin and Trixi clash over everything from journalistic integrity (Trixi has none) to imagination (Martin has none). But when the paper starts to wreak havoc at the school, Principal Baumgartner shuts it down and assigns Trixi to Saturday morning bus-washing duty. To redeem themselves, Martin and Trixi resolve to create one very special edition of the Upland Green Examiner.

[The Flight Attendant](#) Sep 10 2021 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A powerful thriller about the ways an entire life can change in one night: A flight attendant wakes up in the wrong hotel, in the wrong bed, with a dead man—and no idea what happened. • Don't miss the acclaimed HBO Max series! Cassandra Bowden is no stranger to hungover mornings. She's a binge drinker, her job with the airline making it easy to find adventure, and the occasional blackouts seem to be inevitable. She lives with them, and the accompanying self-loathing. When she awakes in a Dubai hotel room, she tries to piece the previous night back together, counting the minutes until she has to catch her crew shuttle to the airport. She quietly slides out of bed, careful not to aggravate her already pounding head, and looks at the man she spent the night with. She sees his dark hair. His utter stillness. And blood, a slick, still wet pool on the crisp white sheets. Afraid to call the police—she's a single woman alone in a hotel room far from home—Cassie begins to lie. She lies as she joins the other flight attendants and pilots in the van. She lies on the way to Paris as she works the first class cabin. She lies to the FBI agents in New York who meet her at the gate. Soon it's too late to come clean-or face the truth about what really happened back in

Dubai. Could she have killed him? If not, who did? Set amid the captivating world of those whose lives unfold at forty thousand feet, *The Flight Attendant* unveils a spellbinding story of memory, of the giddy pleasures of alcohol and the devastating consequences of addiction, and of murder far from home. Look for Chris Bohjalian's new novel, *The Lioness*!

My Yellow Umbrella Aug 29 2020 It's a beautiful day for a yellow umbrella! Bright, retro-inspired illustrations accompany a little girl on her dreamy day with a yellow umbrella.

Sanctificum Mar 24 2020 Chris Abani finds the sacred in a charged and broken world, to "build meaning from detritus."

The Shadow and Night Mar 28 2023 In the first book in the epic *Lamb among the Stars* series, author Chris Walley weaves the worlds of science and the spirit, technology and supernatural into something unique in science fiction. Twelve thousand years into the future, the human race has spread across the galaxy to hundreds of terraformed worlds. The effects of the Fall have been diminished by the Great Intervention, and peace and contentment reign under the gentle rule of the Assembly. But suddenly, almost imperceptibly, things begin to change. On the remotest planet of Farholme, Forester Merral D'Avanos hears one simple . . . lie. Slowly a handful of men and women begin to realize that evil has returned and must be fought. What will this mean for a people to whom war and evil are ancient history? Thus begins the epic that has been described as "If C. S. Lewis and Tolkien had written *Star Wars*." *The Shadow and Night* was previously published in two volumes: *The Shadow at Evening* and *The Power of the Night*.

What Makes Day and Night Sep 22 2022 'Accompanied by NASA photographs and Dorros's colorful, lively drawings, the text explains the Earth's rotation in clear and simple terms. An experiment using a lamp as the 'sun' further clarifies the principles introduced.' —BL.

Song for Night Apr 29 2023 My Luck, a West African boy soldier who has not spoken for three years, fights in a senseless war and embarks on a terrifying yet beautiful journey to find his lost platoon.

Life as a Night Porter Apr 17 2022 Chris Shaw spent ten years working in London hotels, all the while using his camera to both document the hotels' unexpected human spectacles and keep himself awake through the long hours of his shift. Whether capturing prostitutes waiting between "Johns," weary hotel staff, the inebriated and profligate guests, or the details of the hotels' faded grandeur, Shaw's images transcend the physical boundaries of a place, and instead capture a state of mind in which few people would choose to stay more than a night. The thing I like most about the pictures is the large element of what I call the "chance meeting," the times I was so tired I lost the artifice and techniques of photography. I just took photographs to keep me awake. It became artless. The people I photographed, these episodes in the social fantastic would heighten and illuminate my whole night, often making a difficult job and my twelve-hour shift bearable.

Night Rising Dec 25 2022 In this first book of an all-new trilogy, life proves stranger than the movies when a Hollywood underground coven of vampires comes to light-and gets targeted by the tough-as-nails daughter of a sexy screen siren. Stuntwoman Dawn Madison hasn't been on the best of terms with her father since her movie star mother died. Still, he is her dad, and when he vanishes while investigating the bizarre sighting-caught on film-of a supposedly long-dead child star, she comes home to Tinseltown to join the search for him. Working with his odd colleagues, she discovers an erotic and bloody underground society made up of creatures she thought existed only on the screen.

Wild Nights Out Aug 09 2021 "A fun, inventive adventure guide about helping children explore nature after dark . . . Its activities are a great excuse to turn off the television, set down smartphones, and explore the rich, mysterious world just beyond the back door."—Foreword Reviews The go-to guide for exploring nature at night, whether on summer holidays, weekends away or even back garden adventures! Foreword by Chris Packham, author, naturalist, and BBC presenter Learn how to call for owls, walk like a fox and expand your sensory perceptions. *Wild Nights Out* is a wonderful

new hands-on guide for those who wish to take kids (of all ages) outdoors for fun, thrilling nighttime nature adventures. Parents, grandparents, teachers and nature educators alike will discover a wealth of unique activities to explore the natural world from dusk till dawn. Alongside games, walks and exercises to expand our senses, storyteller and outdoor educator Chris Salisbury will bring this unexplored nocturnal dimension to life with lore about badgers, bats and minibeasts as well as tales of the constellations and planets to share around the campfire. In *Wild Nights Out* you can expect to find: 25 fun and informative games and activities Practical information on how to conduct night walks safely Animal facts and stargazing stories Beautiful black-and-white illustrations throughout Nature has so much to offer at night, so let *Wild Nights Out* be your guide to the dark. It will boost the resilience and self-confidence of children and adults, and instill a lifelong love of having fun in the outdoors when the sun goes down.

[One Night Stands](#) Jun 26 2020 Hear the true stories about One Night Stands. None of the B.S. that romanticizes or demonizes the process. Just what has worked to getting this player to sleep with over 100 women in the past 3 years. Whether intrigued, shocked, or amazed, this book will be a fun, fast, and stimulating read. Not for children.

[The Face](#) Oct 31 2020 Nigerian-born author and poet Chris Abani gives a profound and gorgeously wrought short memoir that navigates the stories written upon his own face. Beginning with his early childhood immersed in the Igbo culture of West Africa, Abani unfurls a lushly poetic, insightful, and funny narrative that investigates the roles that race, culture, and language play in fashioning our sense of self

[Chris Abani](#) Jul 08 2021 This is the first full-length book on the work of 'global Igbo' writer Chris Abani. The volume dedicates a chapter to each of Abani's fiction books, the two novellas *Becoming Abigail* (2006) and *Song for Night* (2007), the three novels *GraceLand* (2004), *The Virgin of Flames* (2007), and *The Secret History of Las Vegas* (2014), which are read against the grain of Abani's most important essays and poetical production. By combining close readings and more theoretical reflections, this volume provides a significant insight for both scholars and students interested in the literature produced by the emerging African voices in the twentieth-first century, in the debate about human rights, and in general in how aesthetics is deeply linked with ethics.

[Little Miss Liberty](#) Apr 24 2020 To begin with, her coloring is a little on the green side. Not to mention that she grows a few inches every day. Smart, independent, and a friend to all, when Little Miss Liberty outgrows her classmates, her clothes, her house even her city! she sets out to travel the world. And in the end she finds just the right spot to call her own. Author-artist Chris Robertson has created a humorous yet uplifting story about one of the world's most symbolic monuments. An enjoyable romp and a perfect read-aloud it will entertain even the squirmiest listener and yet in its own way remind us why Lady Liberty is both unique and important.

Simple Gifts Nov 12 2021 A Shaker hymn about acceptance and sharing.

[The Great Night](#) Jan 26 2023 On Midsummer's Eve three heartsick lovers are trapped in San Francisco's Buena Vista Park. Ill met by moonlight, they are stalked by a psychopathic Puck, in thrall to a beautiful Titania, and ambushed by a homeless musical theatre troupe. Together they must survive a night that might just repair their hearts, if it doesn't destroy them first. Selected by the *New Yorker* as one of the best young writers in America, Adrian has created a singularly playful, moving and humorous novel - a story that effortlessly crosses the borders between reality and dreams, suffering and magic, and mortality and immortality.

The Sleepwalker Jul 28 2020 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the bestselling author of *The Flight Attendant* comes a spine-tingling novel of lies, loss and buried desire—the mesmerizing story of a wife and mother who vanishes from her bed late one night. Gorgeous, blond, successful, living in a beautiful Victorian home in a Vermont village, Annalee Ahlberg has another side: at night she sleepwalks, and her affliction manifests in ways both devastating and bizarre. A search party combs the woods, but there is little trace of Annalee and her family fears the worst. Her daughter

Lianna leaves college to care for her father and younger sister. She finds herself uncontrollably drawn to Gavin Rikert, the hazel-eyed detective investigating the case, and the two become involved. But Gavin seems to know more about Lianna's mother than he should. As Lianna sifts through the life Annalee has left behind, she wonders if the man sleeping next to her could hold the key to her mother's mysterious disappearance.

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Hour of the Witch Dec 01 2020 NEW YORK TIMES BEST SELLER • From the acclaimed author of *The Flight Attendant*: “Historical fiction at its best.... The book is a thriller in structure, and a real page-turner, the ending both unexpected and satisfying” (Diana Gabaldon, bestselling author of the *Outlander* series, *The Washington Post*). A young Puritan woman—faithful, resourceful, but afraid of the demons that dog her soul—plots her escape from a violent marriage in this riveting and propulsive novel of historical suspense. Boston, 1662. Mary Deerfield is twenty-four-years-old. Her skin is porcelain, her eyes delft blue, and in England she might have had many suitors. But here in the New World, amid this community of saints, Mary is the second wife of Thomas Deerfield, a man as cruel as he is powerful. When Thomas, prone to drunken rage, drives a three-tined fork into the back of Mary's hand, she resolves that she must divorce him to save her life. But in a world where every neighbor is watching for signs of the devil, a woman like Mary—a woman who harbors secret desires and finds it difficult to tolerate the brazen hypocrisy of so many men in the colony—soon becomes herself the object of suspicion and rumor. When tainted objects are discovered buried in Mary's garden, when a boy she has treated with herbs and simples dies, and when their servant girl runs screaming in fright from her home, Mary must fight to not only escape her marriage, but also the gallows. A twisting, tightly plotted novel of historical suspense from one of our greatest storytellers, *Hour of the Witch* is a timely and terrifying story of socially sanctioned brutality and the original American witch hunt.

Poem in My Pocket Feb 21 2020 Rhyming, fanciful allegory of the creative writing process. When a child's carefully written poem slips out of a ripped pocket, its words join randomly with other words to form funny riffs and puns all over a busy city street. The child scrambles to capture the loose words and arrange them back into poem form, only to lose them again as a storm swoops in. Eventually, the words plant themselves in the muddy ground, growing into something that might be even better than the original poem: a Poet-Tree. A poem is never really lost. The words may just need a little room to play.

Star Gazer Sep 29 2020 Will a city girl's horse dreams ever come true? For Jordan McKenzie, moving from Los Angeles to rural Michigan was a big change. In LA, she was used to giant shopping malls and classmates who came to school in makeup and heels. In North Adams, Michigan, the nearest Walmart is thirty miles away. Since Jordan is a jeans-and-sneakers kind of girl, she hoped she'd fit in better here—plus, there are horses in Michigan! She has wanted one forever, but in LA they were too expensive. Draft horses—gentle giants—are her favorites, with their dependable demeanors, huge size, and muscle power. Even though all the North Adams kids have horses, Jordan's busy mother barely agrees to let her coop a couple of chickens on their newly rented farm. Jordan's wish may never come true. Then she meets *Star Gazer*, a Percheron mare, at a farm auction and makes a desperate bid to save the aging horse from the slaughterhouse. Jordan is thrilled to bring her home, but *Star Gazer* is lame and skittish. Can Jordan's loving care nurse her back to health? And can she make *Star Gazer* a part of the family before her mother decides to find her a new home?

Two Nights in Lisbon Oct 11 2021 AN INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES AND NATIONAL BESTSELLER. "There's no such thing as a book you can't put

down, but this one was close." —Stephen King "Smart suspense at its very best." —John Grisham Tautly wound and expertly crafted, *Two Nights in Lisbon* is a riveting thriller about a woman under pressure, and how far she will go when everything is on the line. You think you know a person . . . Ariel Pryce wakes up in Lisbon, alone. Her husband is gone—no warning, no note, not answering his phone. Something is wrong. She starts with hotel security, then the police, then the American embassy, at each confronting questions she can't fully answer: What exactly is John doing in Lisbon? Why would he drag her along on his business trip? Who would want to harm him? And why does Ariel know so little about her new—much younger—husband? The clock is ticking. Ariel is increasingly frustrated and desperate, running out of time, and the one person in the world who can help is the one person she least wants to ask. With sparkling prose and razor-sharp insights, bestselling author Chris Pavone delivers a stunning and sophisticated international thriller that will linger long after the surprising final page.

The Power of the Night Jun 19 2022 Merral D'Avanos and his friends are racing against time to stop an evil enemy that is threatening Farholme.

Tree Frogs Dec 21 2019 The colors of most tree frogs help them blend in with their surroundings. But when startled, some tree frogs shock predators with their brightly colored eyes. Beginning readers will be surprised by other cool facts about tree frogs in this eye-catching title.

Silent Night Jun 07 2021 "This book is a fun and interactive way to celebrate the first Christmas. When the button on the front cover is pressed, a 'halo' of lights surround the baby Jesus and the song Silent Night begins to play ..."--Cover back.

Goodnight Everyone Mar 04 2021 From the creator of *Shh! We Have a Plan* comes a mesmerizing bedtime tale of a forest settling into slumber and one little bear trying to stay awake. The sun is setting, and everyone in the forest is getting sleepy. The mice, rabbits, and deer all give great big yawns as they snuggle up with their families for the night. But someone isn't sleepy just yet. Little Bear thinks he can stay awake a bit longer. Can he do it? Chris Haughton's bold and vibrant illustrations will captivate little ones eager to stay up just a teeny bit longer, while sweet depictions of animals cozying up in their beds for the night will soon have them yawning off to a dreamland of their own.

Inexcusable Dec 13 2021 High school senior and football player Keir sets out to enjoy himself on graduation night, but when he attempts to comfort a friend whose date has left her stranded, things go terribly wrong.

Can't Sleep May 26 2020 When you can't sleep, there's a friend for you in the night sky For a little puppy who can't fall asleep, a darkened bedroom can be a lonely place. As his family prepares for bed, he lies awake and is frightened. It is very dark . . . but he is not alone. Outside his window, the moon rises in the sky. The moon promises to stay awake and keep him safe. There's nothing to fear at night when the moon is keeping watch. And in the morning, it's the puppy's turn to keep watch for the sleeping moon. This fixed-layout ebook, which preserves the design and layout of the original print book, features read-along narration.

Mechanimals Feb 03 2021 When a tornado leaves a farmer with a heap of scrap metal and no animals, his neighbors are sure it's all over for him. But the determined farmer refuses to admit defeat. His plans are big, and when his neighbors dismiss them with the words, "When pigs fly," they grow bigger still. The farmer sets to work to turn that scrap metal into some rather surprising creatures. Mechanimals will help all of us believe in our dreams, despite what the neighbors may say.

Klutzhood May 06 2021 Arlo thinks his mother is crazy for taking a job in a small town, far away from his old home and his good friends. And to make matters worse, the students at his new school are crazy—hockey crazy. Arlo has never laced up a pair of skates in his life, and he's not about to start. To avoid making a complete fool of himself in front of his classmates, Arlo joins a group of misfits called the Dumpster Dudes, who set him a series of wild initiation tests that unleash mayhem on the school. Broken windows in the classrooms, angry ants in the hallways, bicycles in the library and monsters in the air ducts—can East Bend Elementary survive Arlo? And will Arlo survive East Bend?

Becoming Abigail Feb 15 2022 "Compelling and gorgeously written, this is a coming-of-age novella like no other. Chris Abani explores the depths of loss and exploitation with what can only be described as a knowing tenderness. An extraordinary, necessary book."—Cristina Garcia, author of *Dreaming in Cuban* "Abani's voice brings perspective to every moment, turning pain into a beautiful painterly meditation on loss and aloneness."—Aimee Bender, author of *The Girl in the Flammable Skirt* "Abani's empathy for Abigail's torn life is matched only by his honesty in portraying it. Nothing at all is held back. A harrowing piece of work."—Peter Orner, author of *The Esther Stories* Tough, spirited, and fiercely independent Abigail is brought as a teenager to London from Nigeria by relatives who attempt to force her into prostitution. She flees, struggling to find herself in the shadow of a strong but dead mother. In spare yet haunting and lyrical prose reminiscent of Marguerite Duras, Abani brings to life a young woman who lives with a strength and inner light that will enlighten and uplift the reader. Chris Abani is a poet and novelist and the author, most recently, of *GraceLand*, which won the 2005 PEN/Hemingway Prize, a Silver Medal in the California Book Awards, and was a finalist for several other prizes including the Los Angeles Times Book Prize. His other prizes include a PEN Freedom-to-Write Award, a Prince Claus Award, and a Lannan Literary Fellowship. He lives and teaches in California.

The Night Strangers Mar 16 2022 From the bestselling author of *The Double Bind*, *Skeletons at the Feast*, and *Secrets of Eden*, comes a riveting and dramatic ghost story. In a dusty corner of a basement in a rambling Victorian house in northern New Hampshire, a door has long been sealed shut with 39 six-inch-long carriage bolts. The home's new owners are Chip and Emily Linton and their twin ten-year-old daughters. Together they hope to rebuild their lives there after Chip, an airline pilot, has to ditch his 70-seat regional jet in Lake Champlain after double engine failure. Unlike the *Miracle on the Hudson*, however, most of the passengers aboard Flight 1611 die on impact or drown. The body count? Thirty-nine - a coincidence not lost on Chip when he discovers the number of bolts in that basement door. Meanwhile, Emily finds herself wondering about the women in this sparsely populated White Mountain village - self-proclaimed herbalists - and their interest in her fifth-grade daughters. Are the women mad? Or is it her husband, in the wake of the tragedy, whose grip on sanity has become desperately tenuous? The result is a poignant and powerful ghost story with all the hallmarks readers have come to expect from bestselling novelist Chris Bohjalian: a palpable sense of place, an unerring sense of the demons that drive us, and characters we care about deeply. The difference this time? Some of those characters are dead.

GraceLand Jan 22 2020 *GraceLand* is a dazzling debut by a singular new talent The sprawling, swampy, cacophonous city of Lagos, Nigeria, provides the backdrop to the story of Elvis, a teenage Elvis impersonator hoping to make his way out of the ghetto. Broke, beset by floods, and beatings by his alcoholic father, and with no job opportunities in sight, Elvis is tempted by a life of crime. Thus begins his odyssey into the dangerous underworld of Lagos, guided by his friend Redemption and accompanied by a restless hybrid of voices including *The King of Beggars*, *Sunday*, *Innocent* and *Comfort*. Ultimately, young Elvis, drenched in reggae and jazz, and besotted with American film heroes and images, must find his way to a *GraceLand* of his own. Nuanced, lyrical, and pitch perfect, Abani has created a remarkable story of a son and his father, and an examination of postcolonial Nigeria where the trappings of American culture reign supreme. "A richly detailed, poignant, and utterly fascinating look into another culture and how it is cross-pollinated by our own. It brings to mind the work of Ha Jin in its power and revelation of the new."--T. Coraghessan Boyle

The Night Strangers Nov 24 2022 It begins with a door in a dusky corner of a basement in a rambling Victorian house in northern New Hampshire. A door that someone has sealed it shut with thirty-nine enormous carriage bolts. The home's new owners are Chip and Emily Linton and their twin daughters. Chip was an an airline pilot until he was forced to crash land on a remote lake the jet he was flying after double engine failure. Thirty-nine people aboard Flight 1611 died that day - a coincidence not lost on Chip when he discovers the number of bolts in that basement door . . . Meanwhile, his wife is increasingly troubled about the women in this sparsely populated village, self-proclaimed 'herbalists'. Why do they seem excessively

interested in her young daughters. Emily is terrified, too, that her husband's grip on sanity seems to have become increasingly tenuous, in the wake of the devastating plane accident.