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For Dirk Gently, private detective, a simple search for a missing cat uncovers a bewildered ghost, a secret time traveller, and a devastating secret that threatens the future of humanity.

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A Spoon too Short sees Dirk Gently take on rhino poaching in Kenya and The Tribe Without Words, while confronting untold secrets from his childhood. The world's weirdest detective proves there is no such word as impossible in his dictionary!

In this thoroughly satisfying and completely disorienting novel based on a story line by Douglas Adams (author of The Hitchhiker's Guide to the

Galaxy), Terry Jones recounts an unforgettable tale of intergalactic travel and mishap. The saga of "the ship that cannot possibly go wrong" sparkles with wit, danger, and confusion that will keep readers guessing which reality they are in and how, on earth, to find their way out again. At the center of the galaxy, a vast, unknown civilization is preparing for an event of epic proportions: the launching of the greatest, most gorgeous, most technologically advanced Starship ever built-the Starship Titanic. An earthling would see it as a mixture of the Chrysler Building, the tomb of Tutankhamen, and Venice. But less provincial onlookers would recognize it as the design of Leovinus, the galaxy's

most renowned architect. He is an old man now, and the creation of the Starship Titanic is the pinnacle achievement of his twenty-year career. The night before the launch, Leovinus is prowling around the ship having a last little look. With mounting alarm he begins to find things are not right: unfinished workmanship, cybersystems not working correctly, robots colliding with doors. How could this have happened? And how could this have happened without his knowing? Something somewhere is terribly wrong. On the following day, in an artificial event staged for the media, the Starship Titanic will leave its construction dock under autopilot and, a few days later, make its way to the terminal to pick up passengers for its maiden voyage. Although the ship will be deserted during its very first flight, it is nevertheless a major event, watched by all the galaxy's media. Hugely, magnificently, the fabulous ship eases its way forward from the construction dock, picks up speed, sways a bit, wobbles a bit, veers wildly, and just before it can do massive damage to everything around it, appears to undergo SMEF (Spontaneous Massive Existence Fail-

ure). In just ten seconds, the whole, stupendous enterprise is over. And our story has just begun. Somehow three earthlings, one Blerontin journalist, a semideranged parrot, and a shipful of disoriented robots must overcome their differences. It's the only way to save the Starship Titanic ("The Ship That Cannot Possibly Go Wrong") from certain destruction and rescue the economy of an entire planet—not to mention to survive the latest threat, an attack by a swarm of hostile shipbuilders. . . .

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Finalist for the Dayton Literary Peace Prize Named a top beach read of summer by Oprah Daily, Good Housekeeping, The Wall Street Journal, and more "Nail-biting wallop of a de-

but . . . a thoughtful, unexpectedly optimistic tale." —The New York Times "If you enjoyed *The Searcher* by Tana French, read *What Comes After* by JoAnne Tompkins. . . . a mystery—and a gritty meditation on loss and redemption, drenched in stillness and grief." —The Washington Post After the shocking death of two teenage boys tears apart a community in the Pacific Northwest, a mysterious pregnant girl emerges out of the woods and into the lives of those same boys' families—a moving and hopeful novel about forgiveness and human connection. In misty, coastal Washington State, Isaac lives alone with his dog, grieving the recent death of his teenage son, Daniel. Next door, Lorrie, a working single mother, struggles with a heinous act committed by her own teenage son. Separated by only a silvery stretch of trees, the two parents are emotionally stranded, isolated by their great losses—until an unfamiliar sixteen-year-old girl shows up, bridges the gap, and changes everything. Evangeline's arrival at first feels like a blessing, but she is also clearly hiding something. When Isaac, who has retreated into his Quaker faith, isn't

equipped to handle her alone, Lorrie forges her own relationship with the girl. Soon all three characters are forced to examine what really happened in their overlapping pasts, and what it all possibly means for a shared future. With a propulsive mystery at its core, *What Comes After* offers an unforgettable story of loss and anger, but also of kindness and hope, courage and forgiveness. It is a deeply moving account of strangers and friends not only helping each other forward after tragedy but inspiring a new kind of family.

The dramatic sequel to Larry Niven and Gregory Benford's New York Times bestselling novel, *Bowl of Heaven* Science fiction masters Larry Niven (*Ringworld*) and Gregory Benford (*Timescape*) continue the thrilling adventure of a human expedition to another star system that is jeopardized by an encounter with an astonishingly immense artifact in interstellar space: a bowl-shaped structure cupping a star, with a habitable area equivalent to many millions of Earths. And which, tantalizingly, is on a direct path heading toward the same system the human ship is to colonize. Investigating the

*Bowl*, or *Shipstar*, the human explorers are separated—one group captured by the gigantic structure's alien inhabitants, the other pursued across its strange and dangerous landscape—while the mystery of the *Shipstar*'s origins and purpose propel the human voyagers toward discoveries that transform their understanding of their place in the universe. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. Plagued by nightmares of a life he never had, Dirk Gently discovers that a holistic detective can have more than one past, and they're about to catch up with him! Featuring favorite characters from the original Dirk Gently books by Douglas Adams (*The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*) and from the hit TV series from BBC America starring Sam Barnett and Elijah Wood! Collects issues #6-9.

This all-new Target novelisation is based on the televised version of *The Pirate Planet* The hugely powerful *Key to Time* has been split into six segments, all of which have been disguised and hidden throughout time and space. Now the even

more powerful *White Guardian* wants the Doctor to find the pieces. With the first segment successfully retrieved, the Doctor, Romana and K-9 trace the second segment of the *Key* to the planet *Calufrax*. But when they arrive at exactly the right point in space, they find themselves on exactly the wrong planet - *Zanak*. Ruled by the mysterious 'Captain', *Zanak* is a happy and prosperous planet. Mostly. If the mines run out of valuable minerals and gems then the Captain merely announces a *New Golden Age* and they fill up again. It's an economic miracle - so obviously something's very wrong... For a much expanded version based on Douglas Adams' first draft scripts, check out BBC Books' hardback edition of *The Pirate Planet*". After *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, Douglas Adams went on to create *Dirk Gently*, a detective with a belief in the fundamental interconnectedness of all things, a unique relationship with the laws of probability, and a love of cats and pizza. In *Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency*, Dirk finds himself on the trail of a gruesome murderer who is somehow involved with the works of Coleridge, quantum physics,

and the enigmatic study of the Cambridge Professor of Chronology. Ultimately, the stakes of the case are far greater than a single murder, but go to the fate of life on Earth. Confused? Don't be - everything is connected.

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The epic Chinese classic and phenomenon published in the US for the first time! Featured in iO9's 2019 Fall Preview. Set in ancient China, in a world where kung fu is magic, kingdoms vie for power and the battle to become the ultimate kung fu master unfolds, an unlikely hero is born... in the first book in the epic Legends of the Condor Heroes by the critically acclaimed master of the genre, Jin Yong. After his father—a devoted Song patriot—is murdered by the Jin empire, Guo Jing and his mother flee to the plains of Ghengis Khan and his people for refuge. For one day he must face his mortal enemy in battle in the Garden of the Drunken Immortals. Under the tutelage of Genghis Khan and The Seven Heroes of the South, Guo

Jing hones his kung fu skills. Humble, loyal and perhaps not always wise, Guo Jing faces a destiny both great and terrible. However, in a land divided—and a future largely unknown—Guo Jing must navigate love and war, honor and betrayal before he can face his own fate and become the hero he's meant to be. Legends of the Condor Heroes A Hero Born A Bond Undone A Snake Lies Waiting A Heart Divided

In one complete volume, here are the five classic novels from Douglas Adams's beloved Hitchhiker series. Now celebrating the pivotal 42nd anniversary of *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, soon to be a Hulu original series! *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* (Nominated as one of America's best-loved novels by PBS's *The Great American Read*) Seconds before the Earth is demolished for a galactic freeway, Arthur Dent is saved by Ford Prefect, a researcher for the revised Guide. Together they stick out their thumbs to the stars and begin a wild journey through time and space. *The Restaurant at the End of the Universe* The moment before annihilation at the hands of warmongers is a curious time to

crave tea. It could only happen to the cosmically displaced Arthur Dent and his comrades as they hurtle across the galaxy in a desperate search for a place to eat. Life, the Universe and Everything The unhappy inhabitants of planet Krikkit are sick of looking at the night sky—so they plan to destroy it. The universe, that is. Now only five individuals can avert Armageddon: mild-mannered Arthur Dent and his stalwart crew. So Long, and Thanks for All the Fish Back on Earth, Arthur Dent is ready to believe that the past eight years were all just a figment of his stressed-out imagination. But a gift-wrapped fishbowl with a cryptic inscription thrusts him back to reality. So to speak. Mostly Harmless Just when Arthur Dent makes the terrible mistake of starting to enjoy life, all hell breaks loose. Can he save the Earth from total obliteration? Can he save the Guide from a hostile alien takeover? Can he save his daughter from herself? Includes the bonus story “Young Zaphod Plays It Safe” “With droll wit, a keen eye for detail and heavy doses of insight . . . Adams makes us laugh until we cry.”—San Diego Union-Tribune “Lively,

sharply satirical, brilliantly written . . . ranks with the best set pieces in Mark Twain.”—The Atlantic “A fitting eulogy to the master of wacky words and even wackier tales . . . Salmon leaves no doubt as to Adams’s lasting legacy.”—Entertainment Weekly With an introduction to the introduction by Terry Jones Douglas Adams changed the face of science fiction with his cosmically comic novel The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy and its classic sequels. Sadly for his countless admirers, he hitched his own ride to the great beyond much too soon. Culled posthumously from Adams’s fleet of beloved Macintosh computers, this selection of essays, articles, anecdotes, and stories offers a fascinating and intimate portrait of the multifaceted artist and absurdist wordsmith. Join Adams on an excursion to climb Kilimanjaro . . . dressed in a rhino costume; peek into the private life of Genghis Khan—warrior and world-class neurotic; root for the harried author’s efforts to get a Hitchhiker movie off the ground in Hollywood; thrill to the further exploits of private eye Dirk Gently and two-headed alien Zaphod Beeblebrox. Though Douglas Adams is

gone, he’s left us something very special to remember him by. Without a doubt. “Worth reading and even cherishing, if only because it’s the last we’ll hear from the master of comic science fiction.”—The Star-Ledger

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Stricken by a mysterious malady, college sophomore Alice Brody has suddenly lost the use of her legs. How does a bright, beautiful, and now immobile young woman proceed with her passions? As she convalesces in a Manhattan hospital, Alice finds herself attended by a motley group of visitors: indifferent nurses, doctors both good and bad, divorcing parents, and eccentric relatives. But Alice is a creature of many charms, whose wit can enchant those bearing even the worst bedside manner. With a captivating heroine of great comic depth, *Alice in Bed* is balm for whatever ails you.

Rediscover the lost Doctor Who adventure by Douglas Adams. Intergalactic war? That’s just not cricket . . . or is it? The Doctor promised Romana the end of the universe, so she’s less than impressed when what she gets is a cricket match. But then the

award ceremony is interrupted by eleven figures in white uniforms and peaked skull helmets, wielding bat-shaped weapons that fire lethal bolts of light into the screaming crowd. The Krikkitmen are back. Millions of years ago, the people of Krikkit learned they were not alone in the universe, and promptly launched a xenophobic crusade to wipe out all other life-forms. After a long and bloody conflict, the Time Lords imprisoned Krikkit within an envelope of Slow Time, a prison that could only be opened with the Wicket Gate key, a device that resembles - to human eyes, at least - an oversized set of cricket stumps... From Earth to Gallifrey, from Bethselamin to Devalin, from Krikkit to Mareeve II to the far edge of infinity, the Doctor and Romana are tugged into a pan-galactic conga with fate as they rush to stop the Krikkitmen gaining all five pieces of the key. If they fail, the entire cosmos faces a fiery retribution that will leave nothing but ashes...

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comes a wildly inventive novel of ghosts, time travel, and one detective's mission to save humanity from extinction. *DIRK GENTLY'S HOLISTIC DETECTIVE AGENCY* We solve the whole crime We find the whole person Phone today for the whole solution to your problem (Missing cats and messy divorces a specialty) Douglas Adams, the "master of wacky words and even wackier tales" (*Entertainment Weekly*) once again boggles the mind with a completely unbelievable story of ghosts, time travel, eccentric computer geniuses, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, the end of the world, and—of course—missing cats.

A rollicking, thought-provoking dictionary for the modern age, featuring definitions for those things we don't have words for, from the *New York Times* bestselling author behind *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, Douglas Adams, and TV producer John Lloyd. Does the sensation of Tingrith(1) make you yelp? Do you bend sympathetically when you see someone Ahenny(2)? Can you deal with a Naugattuck(3) without causing a Toronto(4)? Will you suffer from Kettering(5) this sum-

mer? Probably. You are almost certainly familiar with all these experiences but just didn't know that there are words for them. Well, in fact, there aren't—or rather there weren't, until Douglas Adams and John Lloyd decided to plug these egregious linguistic lacunae(6). They quickly realized that just as there are an awful lot of experiences that no one has a name for, so there are an awful lot of names for places you will never need to go to. What a waste. As responsible citizens of a small and crowded world, we must all learn the virtues of recycling(7) and put old, worn-out but still serviceable names to exciting, vibrant, new uses. This is the book that does that for you: *The Deeper Meaning of Liff*—a whole new solution to the problem of Great Waking(8) 1—The feeling of aluminum foil against your fillings. 2—The way people stand when examining other people's bookshelves. 3—A plastic packet containing shampoo, mustard, etc., which is impossible to open except by biting off the corners. 4—Generic term for anything that comes out in a gush, despite all your efforts to let it out carefully, e.g., flour into a white

sauce, ketchup onto fish, a dog into the yard, and another naughty meaning that we can't put on the cover. 5—The marks left on your bottom and thighs after you've been sitting sunbathing in a wicker chair. 6—God knows what this means 7—For instance, some of this book was first published in Britain twenty-six years ago. 8—Look it up yourself.

*A Spoon Too Short* is Dirk Gently's most baffling and incomprehensible case. Inspired by the tantalizing alternative title for the Dirk adventure Douglas Adams was working on prior to his death, written by Arvind Ethan David and executive produced by Max Landis, *A Spoon Too Short* follows the continuing adventures of the world's weirdest detective.

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Douglas Adams' holistic detective Dirk Gently has his first two comic book adventures collected here. Containing two

stand-alone series, enjoy *A Spoon Too Short* and *The Interconnectedness of All Kings*. But that's not all! Also includes bonus material showing a behind-the-scenes look at the making of the DIRK GENTLY TV show. In *A Spoon Too Short*, Dirk finds himself investigating a bizarre case of poaching, dumbstruck tourists, and the inner membranes of a rhinoceros' nose. In *The Interconnectedness of All Kings*, Dirk has been forced to leave his beloved England behind, coming to the too-sunny, too-cheery, and altogether too-bizarre-even-for-Dirk city of San Diego, California, where he gets embroiled in three separate (or are they?) cases involving reincarnated Egyptians, golden cell phones, and copycat killers. All this in a new town seemingly incapable of making even a single proper cup of tea.

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Based on the beloved Doctor Who episode of the same name by Douglas Adams, the hilarious and brilliant author of *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, comes *City of Death*... "A nasty, savage race, the universe was glad to see the back of them..." 4 billion BCE: The Jagaroth, the most powerful, vicious, and visually unappealing race in the universe disappears from existence. Few are sad to see them go. 1505 CE: Leonardo da Vinci is rudely interrupted while gilding the lily by a most annoying military man by the name of Captain Tancredi. 1979 CE: Despite his best efforts not to end up in exactly the right place at exactly the wrong time, the Doctor, his companion Romana, and his cybernetic dog, K-9, arrive for a vacation in Paris only

to discover that they have landed not only in one of the less romantic periods in Parisian history, but in a year in which the fabric of time has begun to crack. It is once again up to the Doctor to uncover an audacious alien scheme filled with homemade time machines, the theft of the Mona Lisa, the resurrection of the Jagroths, and the beginning (or possibly the end—it is all quite complicated, you see) of all life on Earth. Some holiday indeed...

Beloved, bumbling Detective Dirk Gently returns in this standalone novel—in trade paperback for the first time—from Douglas Adams, the legendary author of one of the most beloved science fiction novels of all time, *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*. When an explosion goes off at the passenger check-in desk at London's Heathrow Airport, the unexplainable event is deemed an act of God. For private investigator Dirk Gently, it's his job to find out which god would do such a strange thing. In the meantime, one of his clients is murdered and his battle with the cleaning lady over his unbelievably filthy refrigerator comes to a standoff. Is it all connected? Or is

this just another stretch of coincidences in the life of off-kilter super-sleuth Dirk Gently? The follow-up to Dirk Gently's *Holistic Detective Agency*, *The Long Dark Tea-Time of the Soul* is an unforgettable novel of inimitable wit, humor, and limitless imagination.

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An all-new comic series based on Douglas Adams' beloved holistic detective! Dirk arrives in San Diego to face a new country, new cases and new threats: reincarnation, for starters!

Some men are destined for danger Texas Ranger Tom Bell is simply tracking a fugitive killer in 1931 when he rides into Kilgore, a hastily erected shanty town crawling with rough and desperate men—oil drillers who've come by the thousands in search of work. The sheriff of the boomtown is over-

whelmed and offers no help, nor are any of the roughnecks inclined to assist the young Ranger in his search for the wanted man. In fact, it soon becomes apparent that the lawman's presence has irritated the wrong people, and when two failed attempts are made on his life, Bell knows he's getting closer to finding out who is responsible for cheating and murdering local landowners to access the rich oil fields flowing beneath their farms. When they ambush him for a third time, they make the fatal mistake of killing someone close to him and leaving the Ranger alive. Armed with his trademark 1911 Colt .45 and the Browning automatic he liberated from a gangster's corpse, Tom Bell cuts a swath of devastation through the heart of East Texas in search of the consortium behind the lethal land-grab scheme.

A sparkling tale of duplicity from one of Brazil's greatest living writers Maria Bráulia Munhoz thought settling down with a well-off husband in a house of her own would inaugurate a life of freedom and contentment, but she soon discovered married life to be a series of tiresome formalities. And little happened with

her husband, a much older judge, once the lights went out. Now the widowed Maria lives alone in her apartment in São Paulo, her only companions the scheming nephew of her deceased husband, Julião, and a loyal maid. *Family Heirlooms* is a searingly brilliant novella from one of Brazil's modern masters and winner of the Jabuti Prize, finally published in English more than two decades after its original Portuguese publication. Zulmira Ribeiro Tavares is an award-winning writer of fiction and non-fiction, whose works include *Termos de Comparação* (*Comparison of Terms*, 1974), which was awarded the literature prize by the São Paulo Association of Art Critics and *O Nome do Bispo* (*The Name of the Bishop*, 1985), winner of the Mercedes-Benz Prize in Literature. *Family Heirlooms* (1990) was awarded Brazil's highest literary honour, the Jabuti Prize. 'Saint Zulmira... I declare myself the most faithful devotee of this goddess of literature' Julián Ana 'A magnificent accretion of lies... like a more Brazilian, more sly, less tragic Anna Karenina' *Structo Magazine* 'This is a short novel... but its cleverness is never in doubt,

and the reader gets drawn into the web... partly because Zulmira Ribeiro Tavares is embracing the big questions of class and capital, of race, gender and sexuality. And yet, to list them like that is to risk misrepresenting her extraordinary skill as a writer. Almost magically, she manages to evoke these vast subjects with such deftness and lightness of language that they barely settle on the page.' Wasafiri 'Commands our utmost attention from the very first sentence' *Typographical Era*

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desperately trying to go back in time to prevent its own death. But this ghost was no ordinary person, and helping it save itself just might change the modern world as we know it. And not in a good way... Endlessly entertaining, Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency proves that, indeed, "few writers have had such an infectious prose style as Adams" (*The Observer*). As Dirk Gently tries to solve the mysteries of the universe and the human soul, readers will have their own mystery to solve: Where did the time go?

Chronicles the journeys, notions, and acquaintances of reluctant galactic traveler Arthur Dent, accompanied by never-before-published material from the late author's archives as well as commentary by famous fans. Featuring favorite characters from the original Dirk Gently books by Douglas Adams (*The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*) and from the hit TV series from BBC America! Plagued by nightmares of a life he never had, Dirk Gently discovers that a holistic detective can have more than one past, and they're about to catch up with him!