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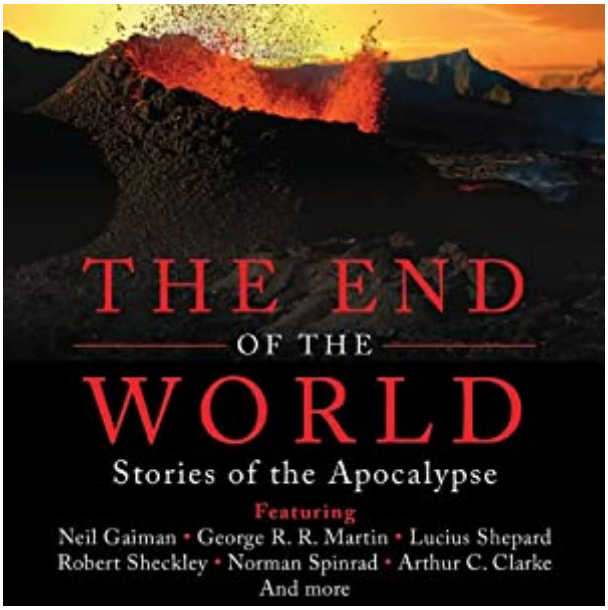

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Synopsis

Famous stories of the apocalypse by the world's best science fiction writers. Before The Road by Cormac McCarthy brought apocalyptic fiction into the mainstream, there was science fiction. No longer relegated to the fringes of literature, this explosive collection of the world's best apocalyptic writers brings the inventors of alien invasions, devastating meteors, doomsday scenarios, and all-out nuclear war back to with a bang. The best writers of the early 1900s were the first to flood New York with tidal waves, destroy Illinois with alien invaders, paralyze Washington with meteors, and lay waste to the Midwest with nuclear fallout. Now collected for the first time ever in one apocalyptic volume are those early doomsday writers and their contemporaries, including Neil Gaiman, Orson Scott Card, Lucius Shepard, Robert Sheckley, Norman Spinrad, Arthur C. Clarke, William F. Nolan, Poul Anderson, Fredric Brown, Lester del Rey, and more. Relive these childhood classics or discover them here for the first time. Each story details the eerie political, social, and environmental destruction of our world.

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Customer Reviews

A very cool anthology that both hews to and plays with the loose prompt of apocalypse. The sheer variety of ways that the world might end offers a kind of postmodern delight as much as a gnawing discomfort. I was surprised with the level of language - there's so much great writing in here. Don't just read the stories by the famous standouts - the lesser known writers in this anthology are so great and refreshing and exciting. I especially loved Lucius Shepard and Nancy Kress and Robert

Silverberg.A great book to read in small chunks. I also liked the chapter groupings - it was nice to have the option of which variety of apocalypse story I wanted to try with each sitting.

I loved the short stories obviously some more than others. Each storyteller had some wonderfully arranged texts that made me think and consider. I love to live in the minute with the books I read and these stories definitely helped me do that. There are many ways for the world to end. All these were scary and inventive. I would recommend you to read t g email.

I enjoyed the book, especially the variety of stories, authors and subject matter. Would give it a 5 if some stories weren't a little flat, but thats to be expected in an anthology. I truly love anthologies, and this is one of the best.

A collection of thought provoking tale that kept my interest for an entire autumn afternoon in many different times in the future.

Really good mix of authors and their take on different times and angles of end of the world. Some where a little hard to follow and others were very detailed and longer and those were the really good ones. If you like a book that has a good mix of authors all surrounding the same topic this is a good pick.

Scary... read with the light on... If you like post apocalyptic stories this is for you!

Given the general state of the world a very relevant collection from a fine selection of authors

A collection of stories about the end of the world seems like it could quickly and easily be a collection of clichÃƒÂ© tropes. THIS is far, surprisingly far, from that! Each story felt genuine and fresh. I will definitely be rereading this !

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