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## **The Rediscovery of Man *2012-11-30***

welcome to the strangest most distinctive future ever imagined by a science fiction writer an interstellar empire ruled by the mysterious lords of the instrumentality whose access to the drug stroom from the planet norstrilia confers on them virtual immortality a world in which wealthy and leisured humanity is served by the underpeople genetically engineered animals turned into the semblance of people a world in which the great ships which sail between the stars are eventually supplanted by the mysterious instantaneous technique of planoforming a world of wonder and myth and extraordinary imagination

## ***Emphyrio 2011-11-14***

far in the future the craftsmen of the distant planet halma create goods which are the wonder of the galaxy but they know little of this their society is harshly regimented its religion austere and unforgiving and primitive to maintain standards even the most basic use of automation is punishable by death when amiante a wood carver is executed for processing old documents with a camera his son ghyl rebels and decides to bring down the system to do so he must first interpret the story of emphyrio an ancient hero of halman legend all jack vance titles in the sf gateway use the author s preferred texts as restored for the

vance integral edition via an extensive project masterminded by an international online community of vance s admirers in general we also use the vie titles and have adopted the arrangement of short story collections to eliminate overlaps

## ***Eon 2002***

above our planet hangs a hollow stone vast as the imagination of man the inner dimensions are at odds with the outer there are different chambers to be breached some even containing deserted cities the furthest chamber contains the greatest mystery ever to confront the stone s scientists but tombstone or milestone the stone is not an alien structure it comes from the future of our humanity and the war that breaks out on earth seems to bear witness to the stone s prowess as oracle

## ***Jem 2014-04-10***

a cynical and compelling tale of politics exploitation and colonisation on another planet the discovery of another habitable world might spell salvation to the three bitterly competing power blocs of the resource starved 21st century but when their representatives arrive on jem with its multiple intelligent species they discover instead the perfect situation into which to export their rivalries subtitled with savage irony the making of a utopia jem is one of frederik pohl s most powerful novels



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## □□□ *2005-11*

the balance of galactic power in the 31st century revolves around illyrion the most precious energy source in the universe the varied and exotic crew who sign up with captain lorq van ray know their mission is dangerous and they soon learn that they are involved in a deadly race with the charismatic but vicious leader of an opposing space federation but they have no idea of lorq s secret obsession to gather illyrion at source by flying through the very heart of an imploding star

## *Nova 2001*

what could be more innocuous than grass or more idyllic than a world covered with a wind whipped ocean of verdant plains but the planet grass conceals horrifying secrets within its endless pastures and as an incurable plague attacks all inhabited planets but this one the prairie like grass begins to reveal these secrets and nothing will ever be the same again considered to be among one of sheri s tepper s best works grass was nominated for both the hugo and locus awards it explores ideas of colonisation class and sits as part of a rich culture of feminist sf in 2015 tepper received the world fantasy award for life achievement a splendid achievement one of the most satisfying science fiction novels i have read in years new york times one of science fiction s premier world builders the encyclopedia of science fiction tepper delves into the nature of truth and

religion in her compelling story publishers weekly welcome to the best of the masterworks a selection of the finest in science fiction

## ***Grass 2022-12-08***

the year is 1998 the world is a growing nightmare of desperation of uncontrollable pollution and increasing social unrest in cambridge two scientists experiment with tachyons subatomic particles that travel faster than the speed of light and therefore according to the theory of relativity may move backwards in time their plan is to signal a warning to the previous generation in 1962 a young californian scientist gordon bernstein finds his experiments are being spoiled by unknown interference as he begins to suspect something near the truth it becomes a race against time the world is collapsing and will only be saved if gordon can decipher the message in time winner of the nebula award for best novel 1980 winner of the john w campbell award for best novel 1981 winner of the bsfa award for best novel 1980

## **Timescape 2000**

an astonishing science fiction phenomenon washington post i know nothing comparable to it except the lord of the rings arthur c clarke it is possible that dune is even more relevant now than when it was first published new yorker the duke of atreides has been manoeuvred by his arch enemy baron harkonnen into administering the desert planet of dune although it is

almost completely without water dune is a planet of fabulous wealth for it is the only source of a drug prized throughout the galactic empire the duke and his son paul are expecting treachery and it duly comes but from a shockingly unexpected place then paul succeeds his father and he becomes a catalyst for the native people of dune whose knowledge of the ecology of the planet gives them vast power they have been waiting for a leader like paul atreides a leader who can harness that force dune one of the most brilliant science fiction novels ever written as engrossing and heart rending today as it was when it was first published half a century ago joint winner of the hugo award for best novel 1966 winner of the nebula award for best novel 1965 read the book which inspired the 2021 denis villeneuve epic film adaptation dune starring oscar isaac timothée chalamet zendaya and josh brolin

## **Dune 2022-10-27**

charlie gordon iq 68 is a floor sweeper and the gentle butt of everyone s jokes until an experiment in the enhancement of human intelligence turns him into a genius but then algernon the mouse whose triumphal experimental transformation preceded his fades and dies and charlie has to face the possibility that his salvation was only temporary winner of the 1960 hugo award for best short story and subsequently expanded into a hugo nominated novel flowers for algernon earned daniel keyes the honour of sfwa author emeritus in 2000 for his contribution to science fiction and fantasy heartbreaking and beautiful required reading as far as i am concerned wil wheaton a masterpiece of poignant brilliance heartbreaking and utterly



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## *Flowers for Algernon 2022-10-27*

wealth or death those were the choices gateway offered humans had discovered this artificial spaceport full of working interstellar ships left behind by the mysterious vanished heechee their destinations are preprogrammed they are easy to operate but impossible to control some came back with discoveries which made their intrepid pilots rich others returned with their remains barely identifiable it was the ultimate game of russian roulette but in this resource starved future there was no shortage of desperate volunteers

## *Gateway 1999*

science fiction from birth david selig was both blessed and cursed with the ability to look into the innermost thoughts and hearts of people around him as he grew he learnt to protect himself from the things he did not want to hear and eavesdropped on all that he did using his powers for the pursuit of pleasure but now having reached middle age david s powers are fading slowly stranding him in a world he does not know how to handle leaving him living on the outside but dying inside universally acclaimed as silverberg s masterpiece this is the harrowing and chilling story of a man who squandered his

remarkable powers and then had to learn what it was like to be human

## *Dying Inside 2005*

Thomas Jerome Newton is an extraterrestrial from the planet Anthea which has been devastated by a series of nuclear wars and whose inhabitants are twice as intelligent as human beings when he lands on Earth in Kentucky disguised as a human it is with the intention of saving his own people from extinction Newton patents some very advanced Anthean technology which he uses to amass a fortune he begins to build a spaceship to help the last 300 Antheans migrate to Earth meanwhile Nathan Bryce a chemistry professor in Iowa is intrigued by some of the new products Newton's company brings to the market and

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already suspects newton of being an alien as bryce and the fbi close in newton finds his own clarity and sense of purpose diminishing inspiring adaptations starring david bowie and chiwetel ejiofor the man who fell to earth brought walter tevis wide recognition and critical acclaim it was nominated for the hugo award and the 1976 film was nominated for the nebula saturn and hugo awards beautiful science fiction new york times this is one of the finest science fiction novels of its period j r dunn tevis writes with power and poetry and tension washington post welcome to the best of the masterworks a selection of the finest in science fiction

## ***The Man Who Fell to Earth 2022-12-08***

while on a boating holiday scott carey is exposed to a cloud of radioactive spray a few weeks later following a series of medical examinations he can no longer deny the extraordinary truth not only is he losing weight he is also shorter than he was scott carey has begun to shrink richard matheson s novel follows through its premise with remorseless logic with carey first attempting to continue some kind of normal life and later having left human contact behind having to survive in a world where insects and spiders are giant adversaries and even that is only a stage on his journey into the unknown

## **The Shrinking Man *2014-12-22***

men had built cities before but never such a city as diaspar for millennia its protective dome shutout the creeping decay and danger of the world outside once it held powers that rules the stars but then as legend had it the invaders came driving humanity into this last refuge it takes one man a unique to break through diaspar s stifling inertia to smash the legend and discover the true nature of the invaders

## **The City and the Stars *2001***

arthur c clarke s classic in which he ponders humanity s future and possible evolution when the silent spacecraft arrived and took the light from the world no one knew what to expect but although the overlords kept themselves hidden from man they had come to unite a warring world and to offer an end to poverty and crime when they finally showed themselves it was a shock but one that humankind could now cope with and an era of peace prosperity and endless leisure began but the children of this utopia dream strange dreams of distant suns and alien planets and begin to evolve into something incomprehensible to their parents and soon they will be ready to join the overmind and in a grand and thrilling metaphysical climax leave the earth behind

## **Childhood's End 2012-03-19**

in the jungles of guatemala david mingolla is struggling to survive amongst the rotting vegetation and his despairing fellow foot soldiers he knows he is nothing but an expendable pawn in an endless war on r r a few miles away from the warzone he meets debora an enigmatic young woman who may be working for the enemy and stumbles into a deadly psychic conflict where the mind is the greatest weapon

## **Life During Wartime 2010-12-30**

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## **□□□□□□□ 2015-07-02**

the award winning account of a man changed beyond all recognition so that he can be part of a bold experiment to live on

mars ill luck made roger torraway the subject of the man plus programme but it was deliberate biological engineering which turned him into a monster a machine perfectly adapted to survive on mars for according to computer predictions mars is humankind s only alternative to extinction but beneath his monstrous exterior torraway still carries a man s capacity for suffering

## **Man Plus *2000***

the duke of atreides has been manoeuvred by his arch enemy baron harkonnen into administering the desert planet of dune although it is almost completely without water dune is a planet of fabulous wealth for it is the only source of a drug prized throughout the galactic empire the duke and his son paul are expecting treachery and it duly comes but from a shockingly unexpected place then when paul succeeds his father he becomes a catalyst for the native people of dune whose knowledge of the ecology of the planet gives them vast power they have been waiting for a leader like paul atreides a leader who can harness that force

## **Dune *2001***

when bill masen wakes up in his hospital bed he has reason to be grateful for the bandages that covered his eyes the night before for he finds a population rendered helpless by the blindness that followed the spectacular display of bright green lights



□□□□ **2009-09**

science fiction a theological detective story in which god is both a missing person and the perpetrator of the ultimate crime the schizophrenic hero a dick alter ego named horselover fat begins receiving revelatory visions through a burst of pink laser light as a coterie of religious seekers forms to explore these messages they are led to a rock musician s estate where a two year old messianic figure named sophia confirms that an ancient mechanical intelligence orbiting the earth has been guiding their discoveries

**Valis 2001**

in the year 2301 guns are only museum pieces and benign telepaths sweep the minds of the populace to detect crimes before they happen in 2301 murder is virtually impossible but one man is about to change that ben reich a psychopathic business magnate has devised the ultimate scheme to eliminate the competition and destroy the order of his society the demolished man is a masterpiece of imaginative suspense set in a superbly imagined world in which everything has changed except the ancient instinct for murder



## ***The Demolished Man 1999***

enter a decaying far far future society a time when anything and everything is possible where words like conscience and morality are meaningless and where heartfelt love blossoms mysteriously between mrs amelia underwood an unwilling time traveller and jherek carnelian a bemused denizen of the end of time the dancers at the end of time containing the novels an alien heat the hollow lands and the end of all songs is a brilliant homage to the 1890s of wilde beardsley and the fin de siècle decadents satire at its sharpest and most colourful

## **The Lathe of Heaven 2021-10-21**

one of the most extraordinary imaginative and ambitious novels of the century a history of the evolution of humankind over the next 2 billion years among all science fiction writers olaf stapledon stands alone for the sheer scope and ambition of his work first published in 1930 last and first men is full of pioneering speculations about evolution terraforming genetic engineering and many other subjects





**□□□□ 2020**

such is the official verdict on gully foyle unskilled space crewman but gully has managed to survive for 170 days in the airless purgatory of deep space after the wreck of his ship and has escaped to earth carrying a murderous grudge and a secret that could change the course of history the novel which in large part inspired both the cyberpunk movement of the 1980s and the science fiction new wave of the 1960s the stars my destination has an unrivalled claim to be the most influential sf book of all time

**□□□□ 2013-09-10**

when winston niles rumfoord flies his spaceship into a chrono synclastic infundibulum he is converted into pure energy and only materializes when his waveforms intercept earth or some other planet as a result he only gets home to newport rhode island once every fifty nine days and then only for an hour but at least as a consolation he now knows everything that has ever happened and everything that ever will be he knows for instance that his wife is going to mars to mate with malachi constant the richest man in the world he also knows that on titan one of saturn s moons is an alien from the planet tralfamadore who has been waiting 200 000 years for a spare part for his grounded spacecraft

## **The Stars My Destination 1999**

person s puppeteers strange three legged two headed aliens have discovered an immense structure in a hitherto unexplored part of the universe frightened of meeting the builders of such a structure the puppeteers set about assembling a team consisting of two humans a puppeteer and a kzin an alien not unlike an eight foot tall red furred cat to explore it the artefact is a vast circular ribbon of matter some 180 million miles across with a sun at its centre the ringworld but the expedition goes disastrously wrong when the ship crashlands and its motley crew faces a trek across thousands of miles of the ringworld s surface

## ***The Sirens of Titan 1999***

## **Ringworld 2005**

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