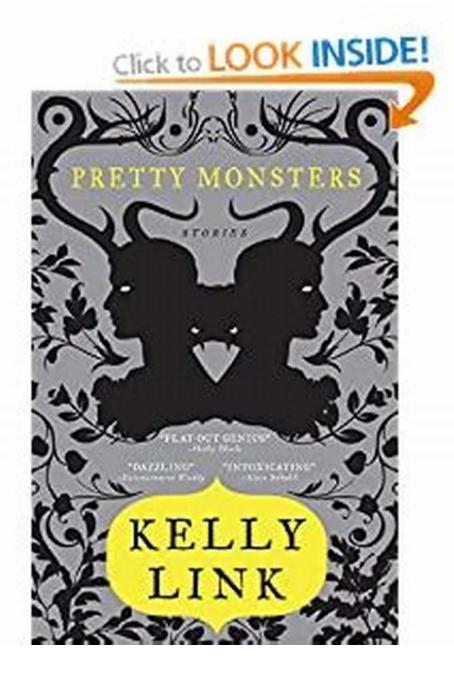
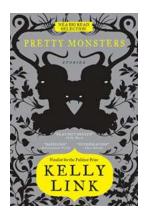
## Pretty Monsters by Kelly Link: A Mesmerizing Collection of Unconventional Tales



Are you ready to embark on a journey through mesmerizing and unconventional worlds? Look no further than Kelly Link's enchanting collection, *Pretty Monsters*. With a unique blend of contemporary fantasy, science fiction, and horror, this anthology of short stories will captivate you from the very first page.

#### A Versatile Wordsmith

Kelly Link, an American author and winner of numerous prestigious awards, has established herself as a master of speculative fiction. Her ability to merge the ordinary and the extraordinary, the beautiful and the grotesque, creates a reading experience like no other. Each story in *Pretty Monsters* is a testament to Link's unparalleled skill in storytelling and her uncanny ability to surprise her readers with unexpected narrative twists.



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**Monsters Beyond Imagination** 



One of the defining characteristics of *Pretty Monsters* is the striking diversity of the creatures that inhabit Link's fictional universe. From sinister spirits lurking in the shadows to lovable monsters yearning for connection, Link brings forth an array of beings that both terrify and charm readers.

One story, titled "The Wrong Grave," introduces us to a teenage protagonist who digs up the wrong grave to retrieve her boyfriend's poetry. What she discovers, however, is a humorous and unexpected encounter with a not-so-dead soul. This tale not only showcases Link's ability to blend humor and darkness but also demonstrates her knack for breathing new life into traditional horror motifs.

In "Magic for Beginners," a group of teen television enthusiasts find themselves drawn into a television show where the lines between reality and fiction blur. As they delve deeper into this increasingly surreal world, their lives are forever changed. This mind-bending story challenges the boundaries of imagination, leaving the reader questioning the nature of reality and the power of storytelling.

#### The Beauty of the Unconventional



Link's tales are not only filled with captivating characters and monstrous beings; they also explore unconventional themes and settings. The stories in *Pretty Monsters* take place in a multitude of locations, including a haunted house, a magical summer camp, and even in the twisted minds of young teenagers.

One story that stands out is "The Surfer," set in an eerie summer camp in Florida that attracts children who possess magical abilities. Suspense and wonder

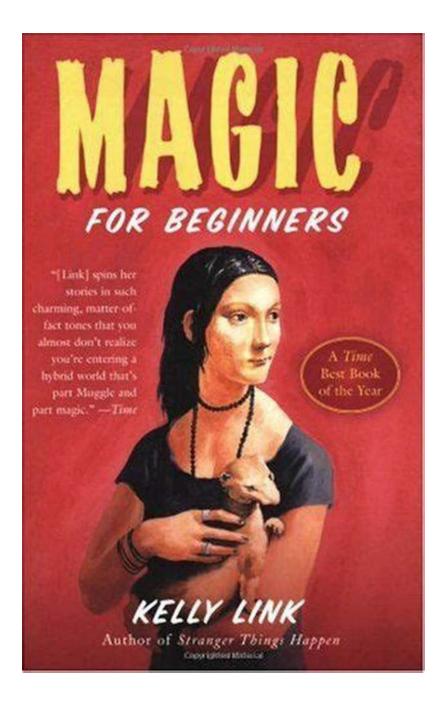
intertwine as the campers navigate their strange surroundings, forming unexpected friendships and embracing the unfamiliar. Link's portrayal of the camp's atmosphere and its inhabitants is vivid and immersive, leaving readers eager to discover what lies just beneath the surface.

#### The Legacy of Kelly Link

Kelly Link's *Pretty Monsters* not only pushes the boundaries of genre fiction but also challenges our preconceptions about the possibilities of the short story format. Her unique ability to blend genres and craft unconventional narratives has made her one of the most celebrated authors of our time.

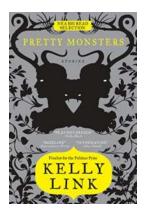
With each story in *Pretty Monsters*, Link holds a mirror to reality while bending it in unexpected ways. Her explorations of human nature, society, and the boundaries of imagination make for an enthralling reading experience that will leave you yearning for more.

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Pretty Monsters by Kelly Link is a collection that defies expectations and invites readers into a world where anything is possible. Through her exceptional storytelling, Link invites us to question the ordinary, embrace the extraordinary, and explore the beauty in the unconventional.

So, if you dare to journey into the depths of Kelly Link's imaginative world, pick up a copy of *Pretty Monsters* today and let the enchantment begin.



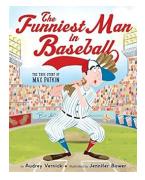
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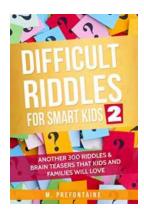
The crossover literary sensation...now in paperback!

Through the lens of Kelly Link's vivid imagination, nothing is what it seems, and everything deserves a second look. From the multiple award- winning "The Faery Handbag," in which a teenager's grandmother carries an entire village (or is it a man-eating dog?) in her handbag, to the near-future of "The Surfer," whose narrator (a soccer-playing skeptic) waits with a planeload of refugees for the aliens to arrive, these ten stories are funny and full of unexpected insights and skewed perspectives on the world. Kelly Link's fans range from Michael Chabon to Peter Buck of R.E.M. to Holly Black of Spiderwick Chronicles fame. Now teens can have their world rocked too!



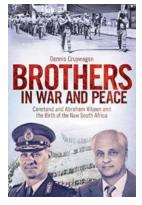
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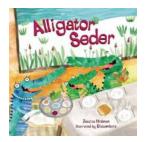
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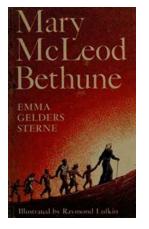
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