

The Warlords Wife A Sons Of The North Romance

With the same narrative skills and evocative powers that made her first novel, *The Joy Luck Club*, a national bestseller, Tan now tells the story of Winnie Louie, an aging Chinese woman unfolding a life's worth of secrets to her suspicious, Americanized daughter.

When a biological terrorist attack makes it impossible for anyone in America to conceive, those looking to start a family must rely on adoption of children from around the world. Brothers Jackie and Julian are adoption agents based in Nicaragua, securing deals with families willing to give their children up for adoption. The duo usually conducts their adoptions through legal means but it becomes more difficult when child kidnapping becomes the norm. Desperate and running out of options, Jackie snatches a young runaway, unaware that he's grabbed the daughter of a local crime lord. In over their heads and on the run, the two brothers fall into the mystery at the root of their world's status quo—a mystery much darker than they might be able to bear. Collects the complete limited series.

A young Chinese boy helps his father count the warlord's vast treasures by using beads threaded on a branch. Includes a brief history of the abacus and instructions for making one.

Taran, Assistant Pig-Keeper to a famous oracular sow, sets out on a hazardous

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mission to save Prydain from the forces of evil.

Klawde, the exiled ruler of the planet Lyttyrboks, and Raj, who just moved from Brooklyn to tiny Elba, Oregon, forge an unlikely friendship as they find their footing in a strange new world.

One woman's inspiring true story of an unlikely alliance to stop the atrocities of a warlord, proving that there is no limit to what we can do, even in the face of unspeakable injustice and impossible odds "This compelling and inspiring book beautifully moves each of us to take action to help the most vulnerable among us."—Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu Late one night in the summer of 2010, Shannon Sedgwick Davis, a lawyer, human rights advocate, and Texas mom to two young boys, first met a Ugandan general to discuss an unconventional plan to stop Joseph Kony, a murderous warlord who'd terrorized communities in four countries across Central and East Africa. For twenty-five years, Kony and his Lord's Resistance Army had killed over a hundred thousand people, displaced millions, and abducted tens of thousands of children, forcing them to become child soldiers. After Sedgwick Davis met with survivors and community leaders, aid workers and lawmakers, it was clear that the current international systems were failing to protect the most vulnerable. Guided by the strength of her beliefs and convictions, Sedgwick Davis knew she had to help other parents to have the same right she had—to go to sleep each night knowing that their children were safe. But Sedgwick Davis had no roadmap for how to stop a violent

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armed group. She would soon step far outside the bounds of traditional philanthropy and activism and partner her human rights organization, the Bridgeway Foundation, with a South African private military contractor and a specialized unit within the Ugandan army. The experience would bring her to question everything she had previously believed about her role as a humanitarian, about the meaning of justice, and about the very nature of good and evil. In *To Stop a Warlord*, Shannon Sedgwick Davis tells the story, for the first time, of the unprecedented collaboration she helped build with the aim of finally ending Joseph Kony's war—and the unforgettable journey on an unexpected path to peace. A powerful memoir that reads like a thriller, this is a story that asks us just how hard we would fight for what we believe in. 100 percent of the author's net proceeds from this book will go to organizations seeking justice and protection for civilians in conflict zones.

Chiang Ching-kuo, son and political heir of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, was born in 1910, when Chinese women, nearly all illiterate, hobbled about on bound feet and men wore pigtails as symbols of subservience to the Manchu Dynasty. In his youth Ching-kuo was a Communist and a Trotskyite, and he lived twelve years in Russia. He died in 1988 as the leader of Taiwan, a Chinese society with a flourishing consumer economy and a budding but already wild, woolly, and open democracy. He was an actor in many of the events of the last century that shaped the history of China's struggles and achievements in the modern era: the surge of nationalism among Chinese youth, the

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grand appeal of Marxism-Leninism, the terrible battle against fascist Japan, and the long, destructive civil war between the Nationalists and the Communists. In 1949, he fled to Taiwan with his father and two million Nationalists. He led the brutal suppression of dissent on the island and was a major player in the cold, sometimes hot war between Communist China and America. By reacting to changing economic, social, and political dynamics on Taiwan, Sino-American rapprochement, Deng Xiaoping's sweeping reforms on the mainland, and other international events, he led Taiwan on a zigzag but ultimately successful transition from dictatorship to democracy. Jay Taylor underscores the interaction of political developments on the mainland and in Taiwan and concludes that if China ever makes a similar transition, it will owe much to the Taiwan example and the Generalissimo's son.

The Far Lands is a hidden area located at the very edge of Minecraft's outer borders, unknown to normal users. There, the life of a young boy named Watcher is suddenly turned upside down when his village is destroyed by the vile zombie warlord Tu-Kar. Watcher and a handful of his friends vow to save those who were captured during the devastating battle and bring the zombie leader to justice. But along the way, they'll uncover a terrifying secret about the monsters in the Far Lands, one that could change Minecraft forever. The Rise of the Warlords series is an interactive Minecraft adventure like never before, giving fans the option to play along in Minecraft as they read on custom Far Lands worlds exclusively designed by bestselling author Mark Cheverton.

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A Chinese peasant overcomes the forces of nature and the frailties of human nature to become a wealthy landowner.

The second installment in Pearl S. Buck's acclaimed Good Earth trilogy: the powerful story of three brothers whose greed will bring their family to the brink of ruin Sons begins where The Good Earth ended: Revolution is sweeping through China. Wang Lung is on his deathbed in the house of his fathers, and his three sons stand ready to inherit his hard-won estate. One son has taken the family's wealth for granted and become a landlord; another is a thriving merchant and moneylender; the youngest, an ambitious general, is destined to be a leader in the country. Through all his life's changes, Wang did not anticipate that each son would hunger to sell his beloved land for maximum profit. At once a tribute to early Chinese fiction, a saga of family dissension, and a depiction of the clashes between old and new, Sons is a vivid and compelling masterwork of fiction. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Pearl S. Buck including rare images from the author's estate.

A stunning historical romance from debut author Sandra Lake transports readers to 12th century Sweden, where a powerful Viking lord will discover a fierce heart cannot be taken by mere force. Lida was married to the love of her life for just two months when she became a widow. Pregnant and disowned by her late husband's family for suspected infidelity, she was forced to return to her family in shame. Eight years later, uninterested in the prospect of finding another husband, she finds herself the unwilling object of a marriage contract with a powerful warlord. In a day, she is wed, bed, and put on a ship headed for Tronscar; an unknown icy stone and steel fortress. Jarl Magnus is pleased to have taken a strong wife who, however stubborn she may be, will surely produce sons. However, he is less pleased with his wife's

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additional baggage—a young daughter. But despite himself, Magnus falls for the daughter just as hard as the mother, and Lida’s heart is warmed to see the cold, serious Jarl move surprisingly fast into the role of stepfather. When enemies attack Tronscar, Jarl Magnus’s nerves of steel waver, as the warrior fears his love for Lida will weaken him. But when his family is threatened, he’ll go to war to protect them, discovering along the way that they have the strength to protect themselves. “With compelling characters and a clever plot, *The Warlord’s Wife* will appeal to readers obsessed with TV’s Vikings, and who miss the classic Viking romances of Catherine Coulter or Johanna Lindsey.”—*Heroes and Heartbreakers* “Lake’s debut historical romance is sure to appeal to those who enjoy spirited heroines, grumpy alpha heroes, and a slow sweet journey to everlasting love.”—*Smexy Books* “Man, this was a fun book! ... I cut my teeth on Johanna Lindsey, and this book reminded me so much of those experiences.”—Dear Author Sandra Lake lives with her husband and son in Quebec, Canada. *The Warlord’s Wife* is her debut novel.

Passions flare in the icy north in the third *Sons of the North Romance* novel from the author of *The Warlord’s Wife* and *The Iron Princess*... Sovia, daughter of Baron Losna, is on a mission to seduce Stål Magnusson, firstborn son of Swedish warlord Jarl Magnus Knutson and heir to his seat. With a civil war on, the stakes are high. The Baron needs the money and political alliance that Sovia’s marriage to Stål would secure. Fortunately, Sovia’s skill with men, not to mention the rugged good looks of her target, makes the assignment all too easy. But the tables turn when Sovia realizes she has taken the wrong Magnusson— Stål’s twin brother Hök—to bed. Wrong brother or not, Hök is enamored, and offers to marry Sovia. When that offer is rejected by her father, Hök’s heart and pride are broken. Seven years later, as Lady Sovia is

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about to be executed by Norway's usurper king, Hök, now a battle-hardened warrior, comes to her rescue—by finally taking her hand in marriage. Though his intent is to take revenge, as well as her hereditary land, he cannot help but be impressed by her unbreakable spirit. But Lady Sovia has secrets that will make it nearly impossible for them to live happily ever after...

Includes a preview of *The Warlord's Wife* Praise for the Sons of the North Romance novels
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Warlords have come to represent enemies of peace, security, and 'good governance' in the collective intellectual imagination. This book asserts that not all warlords are created equal. Under certain conditions, some become effective governors on behalf of the state. This provocative argument is based on extensive fieldwork in Afghanistan, where Mukhopadhyay examined warlord-governors who have served as valuable exponents of the Karzai regime in its struggle to assert control over key segments of the countryside. She explores the complex ecosystems that came to constitute provincial political life after 2001 and exposes the rise of 'strongman' governance in two provinces. While this brand of governance falls far short of international expectations, its emergence reflects the reassertion of the Afghan state in

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material and symbolic terms that deserve our attention. This book pushes past canonical views of warlordism and state building to consider the logic of the weak state as it has arisen in challenging, conflict-ridden societies like Afghanistan.

Grieving the devastating loss of her closest confidante, Marla Wolfblade encounters a formidable adversary, while her son Damin finds his ability to fight invaders hampered by political factors, and mad Mahkas Damaran plots continued tyranny over the city of Krakandar. 25,000 first printing.

Twelve years ago, a man rode out of the Great Northern Mountains on a magnificent white stallion, and entered a city called 'Myr,' where he met a girl named 'Aileen.' She was a sweet girl and a true daughter of the god Law, but she gave herself to this handsome stranger, and in the nature of young men, the stranger took her gift and left her without a backward glance, but instead a child. This is not the story of that man. This girl, Aileen, raised up a strong son, and named him Eric, and schooled him as a true son of Law. She, the shamed daughter of a brewer, remained true to her one love and prayed for his return, and remained chaste. The girl, Aileen, tried to live an exemplary life despite her one failing. This is not her story. This is the story of a bastard who realizes that his father is ruthless Emperor of the Eldadorian Empire. This is the tale of a boy who will become a man, and of a man who has yet to realize his fate as the champion of a god.

Back Issue #120 spotlights Heroes of Tomorrow, with a Mon-El hero history, Steve Lightle's Legionnaires, and the controversial Legion of Super-Heroes: Five Years era. Plus Mike Sekowsky's Manhunter 2070, Mike Grell's Starslayer, Charlton's Space: 1999 tie-in, Paradox, and Mike Baron's unfinished SONIC DISRUPTORS series. Featuring Tom And Mary

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Bierbaum, John Byrne, Keith Giffen, Val Mayerik, Jason Pearson, Walter Simonson, Tim Truman, Mike Vosburg, Mark Waid, and more. Mon-El and the '80s Legion cover by Steve Lightle. Edited by Michael Eury.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Red Rising hit the ground running and wasted no time becoming a sensation. Golden Son continues the stunning saga of Darrow, a rebel forged by tragedy, battling to lead his oppressed people to freedom. **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY NPR, BUZZFEED, AND BOOKLIST •**

“Gripping . . . On virtually every level, this is a sequel that hates sequels—a perfect fit for a hero who already defies the tropes. [Grade:] A”—Entertainment Weekly As a Red, Darrow grew up working the mines deep beneath the surface of Mars, enduring backbreaking labor while dreaming of the better future he was building for his descendants. But the Society he faithfully served was built on lies. Darrow’s kind have been betrayed and denied by their elitist masters, the Golds—and their only path to liberation is revolution. And so Darrow sacrifices himself in the name of the greater good for which Eo, his true love and inspiration, laid down her own life. He becomes a Gold, infiltrating their privileged realm so that he can destroy it from within. A lamb among wolves in a cruel world, Darrow finds friendship, respect, and even love—but also the wrath of powerful rivals. To wage and win the war that will change humankind’s destiny, Darrow must confront the treachery arrayed against him, overcome his all-too-human desire for retribution—and strive not for violent revolt but a hopeful rebirth.

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Though the road ahead is fraught with danger and deceit, Darrow must choose to follow Eo's principles of love and justice to free his people. He must live for more. Praise for Golden Son "Stirring . . . Comparisons to The Hunger Games and Game of Thrones series are inevitable, for this tale has elements of both."—Kirkus Reviews "Brown writes layered, flawed characters . . . but plot is his most breathtaking strength. . . . Every action seems to flow into the next."—NPR Don't miss any of Pierce Brown's Red Rising Saga: RED RISING • GOLDEN SON • MORNING STAR • IRON GOLD • DARK AGE

"If you're looking for sensuality, you won't be disappointed in Johanna Lindsey." —Chicago Tribune A classic romance novel from #1 New York Times bestselling author Johanna Lindsey, *Warrior's Woman* boldly goes where no romantic fiction has gone before! An ingenious blend of sizzling passion, paranormal romance, and science fiction romantic fantasy, *Warrior's Woman* travels far into the future—where a fearless intergalactic traveler hoping to save her endangered home world seeks a champion on a planet of strapping barbarians...and finds herself making very physical contact with a truly magnificent savage.

Framing his study with two cases of violence involving children in Chicago, he notes the degree to which violence in the novels is perpetrated by adults against children or, even more shockingly, by children against children."

When an outcast goes home and meets a woman seeking justice, hearts will clash...

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Eighteen years ago, Bjorn was exiled from Vellefold. Honor-bound to return, he'll fight for the settlement...then walk away. First, he must work with his childhood friend, now a beautiful, high-ranking Viking lady. Fierce of spirit, Ilsa will do anything to save her people, including convincing the banished son to take the jarl's seat. But she has her doubts about the stone-hearted Viking, despite the lust between them. It's only a matter of time before Bjorn discovers that Ilsa is hiding dangerous secrets, secrets that may jeopardize all they've worked for. When the darkest hour comes, the once-rejected warrior must choose: rescue his men, the Forgotten Sons—or Ilsa, the woman he craves, body and soul. One-click with confidence. This title is part of the Carina Press Romance Promise: all the romance you're looking for with an HEA/HFN. It's a promise! This book is approximately 78,000 words

In the first decades of the 20th century, almost half of the Chinese Americans born in the United States moved to China—a relocation they assumed would be permanent. At a time when people from around the world flocked to the United States, this little-noticed emigration belied America's image as a magnet for immigrants and a land of upward mobility for all. Fleeing racism, Chinese Americans who sought greater opportunities saw China, a tottering empire and then a struggling republic, as their promised land. *American Exodus* is the first book to explore this extraordinary migration of Chinese Americans. Their exodus shaped Sino-American relations, the development of key economic sectors in China, the character of social life in its coastal cities, debates

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about the meaning of culture and “modernity” there, and the U.S. government’s approach to citizenship and expatriation in the interwar years. Spanning multiple fields, exploring numerous cities, and crisscrossing the Pacific Ocean, this book will appeal to anyone interested in Chinese history, international relations, immigration history, and Asian American studies.

A Sons of the North Romance novel from Sandra Lake, author of *The Warlord’s Wife*, who takes readers to 12th-century Scandinavia where two hearts clash in furious passion... The daughter of a Northern warlord, Katia is known as the Iron Princess for her mettle in battle. Headstrong and defiant, she instigates sword duels on a whim with little regard for her own safety. Katia would rather die on her feet as a warrior than live as a token wife and child bearer for a husband who keeps her castled as if she were a prisoner. Lothair is the illegitimate son of the Duke of Saxony, who was granted the title of baron, a castle and lands. Raised in an atmosphere of mistrust and deceit, he rejects the concept of husbandry and wants a life of purpose and sacrifice in the pursuit of security for the Baltic Sea. And when fate brings the Iron Princess and reluctant baron together, Katia and Lothair discover they are kindred spirits with fiery temperaments—and insatiable desires—to match... INCLUDES A PREVIEW OF THE WARLORD’S WIFE Praise for *The Warlord’s Wife* “With compelling characters and a clever plot, *The Warlord’s Wife* will appeal to readers obsessed with TV’s Vikings, and who miss the classic Viking romances of Catherine Coulter or Johanna

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Malalai Joya is the youngest and most famous female MP in Afghanistan, whose bravery and vision have won her an international following. She made world headlines with her very first speech, in which she courageously denounced the presence of warlords in the new Afghan government. She has spoken out for justice ever since, and for the rights of women in the country she loves. *Raising My Voice* shares her extraordinary story. Born during the Russian invasion and spending her youth in refugee camps, Malalai Joya describes how she first became a political activist. When she returned to Afghanistan, the country was under the grip of the Taliban and she ran a secret school for girls. A popular MP with her constituents, she received global support when she was suspended from parliament in 2007 because of her forthright views. Malalai Joya's work has brought her awards and death threats in equal measure. She lives in constant danger. In this gripping account, she reveals the truth about life in

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a country embroiled in war - especially for the women - and speaks candidly about the future of Afghanistan, a future that has implications for us all.

“The Man Who Lived Underground reminds us that any ‘greatest writers of the 20th century’ list that doesn’t start and end with Richard Wright is laughable. It might very well be Wright’s most brilliantly crafted, and ominously foretelling, book.” —Kiese Laymon

A major literary event: an explosive, previously unpublished novel about race and violence in America by the legendary author of *Native Son* and *Black Boy* Fred Daniels, a Black man, is picked up by the police after a brutal double murder and tortured until he confesses to a crime he did not commit. After signing a confession, he escapes from custody and flees into the city’s sewer system. This is the devastating premise of this scorching novel, a never-before-seen masterpiece by Richard Wright. Written between his landmark books *Native Son* (1940) and *Black Boy* (1945), at the height of his creative powers, it would see publication in Wright’s lifetime only in drastically condensed and truncated form, and ultimately be included in the posthumous short story collection *Eight Men* (1961). Now, for the first time, by special arrangement with the author’s estate, the full text of the work that meant more to Wright than any other (“I have never written anything in my life that stemmed more from sheer inspiration”) is published in the form that he intended, complete with his companion essay, “Memories of My Grandmother.” Malcolm Wright, the author’s grandson, contributes an afterword.

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A riveting and powerful story of an unforgiving time, an unlikely friendship and an indestructible love

New York Times bestselling author Gena Showalter begins a dark, sexy new series—Rise of the Warlords—with a fan-favorite character from her beloved Lords of the Underworld series, Taliyah Skyhawk. The ice maiden faces off with her greatest enemy, a villain brutal beyond imagining. For centuries, Taliyah Skyhawk has prepared to become Harpy General, leader of the deadliest female army in existence. One of the requirements? Remain a virgin. But, for a chance to save her people, she must wed the fearless leader of the Astra Planeta, Alaroc Phaethon. The time has come for Roc to sacrifice another virgin bride to his god. There has never been a woman alluring enough to tempt him from his path. No warrioress powerful enough to overcome his incredible strength. No enchantress desirable enough to make him burn beyond reason. Until now. With the clock ticking, war between husband and wife ignites. Except Taliyah never expected the merciless king to challenge the future she once envisioned. She certainly never anticipated the thrill of their battles turning into games... The problem is, only one spouse can survive. Love is a battlefield in Showalter's The Warlord.

From the No. 1 bestselling author of WAR LORD comes an epic retelling of the Arthurian legend, from the bestselling Last Kingdom series In the Dark Ages, a legendary warrior arises to unite a divided land . . . Uther, the High King of Britain, is dead. His only heir is the infant Mordred. Yet each of the country's lesser kings seek to claim the crown for themselves. While they squabble and spoil for war, a host of Saxon armies gather, preparing for invasion. But no one has counted on the fearsome warlord Arthur. Handed power by Merlin and pursuing a doomed romance with the beautiful Guinevere, Arthur knows he will struggle to unite the

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country - let alone hold back the Saxon enemy at the gates. Yet destiny awaits him . . . From the epic and bestselling author who has gripped millions. _____ 'Of all the books I have written these are my favourites' Bernard Cornwell 'Spellbinding realism' The Times

MARKED BY FIRE (Sons of Britain #1) A fresh, dark, sexy retelling of Arthurian legend... Eighteen-year-old Arthur burns for two things: a warrior's ink, and Bedwyr, his older brother's friend and shieldmate. Though the warlord's son is beyond his reach, a Saxon incursion finally brings Arthur's chance at the tattoo that will brand him a fighter. But when he abandons his training in the heat of battle, his reckless ambition costs Bedwyr his sword hand. Once, Bedwyr trusted in two things: he was a warrior, and the presumed heir of Uthyr ap Emrys. Now, reeling from injury and banished by his father, he's lost everything. The last person he wants to see is the cub who ignited his disastrous instinct to protect, especially when he arrives with Bedwyr's armor and a dangerously hopeful scheme to restore him to his rightful place. **MARKED BY FIRE** is the 1st novel of the **SONS OF BRITAIN** series. 2nd Edition Note: This title was originally published in 2016 as a novella. The author has significantly expanded the story for republication. **SONS OF BRITAIN** series They're a long way from legendary. Amid the volatility of 6th-century Britain, Arthur and Bedwyr are just two young men, born to fight and bound to their warlord by blood and oath. But when fierce hearts collide, loyalties can shift, creating bonds far stronger—and ideas far riskier—than their world may be ready for. **SONS OF BRITAIN** is the second series of the **STORM'S EDGE** saga.

This book examines plays by contemporary playwrights and compares them alongside the works of Eugene O'Neill, Arthur Miller, and Tennessee Williams. Andreach argues that tragedy is not only present in contemporary American theatre, but issues from an expectation

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fundamental to American culture: the pressure on characters to create themselves. The witches of the Far Lands of Minecraft are missing . . . all of them! When a young village girl is badly injured, and only a witch can help her, Watcher and his friends quickly discover there are spiders involved. They must follow clues leading them through jungles and forests, all the way to the doorstep of the dreaded outcast spiders, the Forgotten. Watcher and his companions must figure out a way to free the witches from their ruthless captors, but can they escape the Lair of the Forgotten in time to save the girl?The Rise of the Warlords series is a Minecraft adventure like never before, giving fans the option to play along in Minecraft as they read on custom Far Lands worlds exclusively designed by bestselling author Mark Cheverton. The Pearl That Broke Its Shell by Nadia Hashimi | Summary & Analysis Preview: The Pearl That Broke Its Shell by Afghan American novelist Nadia Hashimi tells an intergenerational story of two Afghan women whose lives are different but connected. Rahima, a teenage girl, lives in twenty-first-century Afghanistan. In the wake of Taliban rule, Afghanistan's government is divided and the culture is fractured. Shekiba, Rahima's great-great-grandmother, lives in early twentieth-century Afghanistan, under a monarchy. The plot moves back and forth between the two characters, chronicling their lives and the obstacles they face under oppressive patriarchal regimes. Rahima lives in a small village with her parents, her older sisters Shahla and Parwin, the latter born with a bad hip and a limp, and her younger sisters Rohila and Sitara. Her aunt, Khala Shaima, visits often, helps take care of the family, and tells the girls stories about their great-great-grandmother Shekiba. Rahima's... PLEASE NOTE: This is summary and analysis of the book and NOT the original book. Inside this Instaread Summary of The Pearl That Broke Its Shell: Summary of the Book Important People Character

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"Spans more than 2,000 years from antiquity to the early seventh century to recover the stories of numerous women, nearly all of them unknown in the West. Covers the lives of women who have been previously excluded from historical studies and reference works"--Del editor.

In a riveting tale of intrigue and betrayal, a journalist and his aide infiltrate Afghanistan on the eve of the American invasion. Skelly, a jaded war correspondent, is looking for one last scoop. Najeeb, his translator and guide, is an educated young man from the Pakistani-Afghani border with a secret past, a history with the Pakistani secret police, and his own motives for this risky adventure. Together they join a Warlord's caravan as he seeks to start an uprising that will liberate the country from the Taliban. Along the way, they stumble onto what they think might just be the story of a lifetime. What they find is a shady world of hidden agendas, shifting allegiances, and sudden betrayals--a world where one wrong move would get them both killed and the only hope for survival lies in their loyalty to each other.

#1 UK BESTSELLER The final installment in Bernard Cornwell's bestselling Saxon Tales series, chronicling the epic story of the making of England, "like Game of Thrones, but real" (The Observer, London) —the basis for The Last Kingdom, the hit Netflix series. THE FINAL BATTLE AWAITS... The epic conclusion to the globally bestselling historical series. England is under attack. Chaos reigns. Northumbria, the

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last kingdom, is threatened by armies from all sides, by land and sea – and only one man stands in their way. Torn between loyalty and sworn oaths, the warrior king Lord Uhtred of Bebbanburg faces his greatest ever battle – and prepares for his ultimate fate... “Perhaps the greatest writer of historical adventure novels today” (Washington Post), Bernard Cornwell has dazzled and entertained readers and critics with his prolific string of page-turning bestsellers. Of all his protagonists, however, none is as beloved as Uhtred of Bebbanburg, and this thrilling historical novel continues the saga of his adventures and the turbulent early years of England.

The incredible true story of Chucky Taylor, the only American ever convicted of torture. Chucky Taylor was an average American teenager, until he got a call from his father, a man who would become the infamous dictator of Liberia. Arriving in West Africa and reunited with his father, Chucky soon found himself leading a murderous militia group tasked with carrying out the president's vendettas. Young and drunk on power, and with no real training beyond watching action films, Chucky spiraled into a binge of drugs, violence, and women, committing crimes that stunned even his father. A work of astonishing journalism, *American Warlord* is the true story of those dark years in Liberia, cutting right to the bone of humanity's terrifying and unknowable capacity for cruelty to show just how easily a soul can be lost amid the chaos of war.

Darkness threatens Ranadon again in the form of an eclipse. The Goddess wants to give the people of Ranadon a sign—and only Dirk Provin can interpret it. To do so, Dirk

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has systematically betrayed his one-time allies to join his most hated enemies. Now, with neither side trusting him, Dirk sets his own devious plot in motion. Senet's Crippled Prince, Misha, has found unexpected and tenuous sanctuary among the Baenlanders of Mil. To secure their trust, he offers them the one thing they cannot refuse. Meanwhile, Alenor, Queen of Dhevyn, betrayed by her husband, Kirsh, and Tia Veran, deceived by Dirk, set out for revenge and to finally free their people at any cost. As the second sons and the rest of their generation pursue different paths to survival and freedom, they discover that the will of the Goddess—and of men—works in mysterious ways. And as Dirk's old enemies join with new ones, his attempt to save Ranadon may cost him his friends, his love...and his life.

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