

Space Legends At The Edge Of The Universe Walkthrough

An archaeologist and a treasure hunter make an unlikely--and steamy-- pair in this action-packed space opera romance from Anna Hackett. Dr. Eos Rai has spent a lifetime dedicated to her mother's dream of finding the long-lost Mona Lisa. When Eos uncovers tantalizing evidence of Star's End—the last known location of the masterpiece—she's shocked when her employer, the Galactic Institute of Historic Preservation, refuses to back her expedition. Left with no choice, Eos must trust the most notorious treasure hunter in the galaxy, a man she finds infuriating, annoying and far too tempting. Dathan Phoenix can sniff out relics at a stellar mile. With his brothers by his side, he takes the adventures that suit him and refuses to become a lazy, bitter failure like their father. When the gorgeous Eos Rai comes looking to hire him, he knows she's trouble, but he's lured into a hunt that turns into a wild and dangerous adventure. As Eos and Dathan are pushed to their limits, they discover treasure isn't the only thing they're drawn to...but how will their desire survive when Dathan demands the Mona Lisa as his payment?

“THAT’S NO MOON.” –Obi-Wan Kenobi The Death Star’s name says it all, with bone-chilling accuracy. It is a virtual world unto itself—equipped with uncanny power for a singularly brutal purpose: to obliterate entire planets in the blink of an eye. Its annihilation of the planet Alderaan, at the merciless command of Grand Moff Tarkin, lives in infamy. And its own ultimate destruction, at the hands of Luke Skywalker, is the stuff of legend. But what is the whole story, and who are the players, behind the creation of this world-killing satellite of doom? The near extermination of the Jedi order cleared the way for Palpatine—power-hungry Senator and Sith Lord—to seize control of the Republic, declare himself Emperor, and usher in a fearsome, totalitarian regime. But even with the dreaded Darth Vader enforcing Palpatine’s sinister will, the threat of rebellion still looms. And the Emperor knows that only abject fear—and the ability to punish dissent with devastating consequences—can ensure his unchallenged control of the galaxy. Enter ambitious and ruthless government official Wilhuff Tarkin, architect of the Emperor’s terrifying dream come true. From inception to completion, construction of the unprecedented Death Star is awash in the intrigues, hidden agendas, unexpected revelations, and daring gambits of those involved on every level. The brightest minds and boldest egos, the most ambitious and corrupt, the desperate and the devious, all have a stake in the Death Star—and its potential to control the fate of the galaxy. Soldiers and slaves, loyalists and Rebels, spies and avengers, the innocent and the evil—all their paths and fates will cross and intertwine as the Death Star moves from its maiden voyage to its final showdown. And a shadowy chapter of Star Wars history is stunningly illuminated in a thrilling, unforgettable adventure. Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars

books of the last thirty years!

When they are forced to seek refuge in a territory controlled by pirates, Leia learns that the pirates are survivors from her home planet--which has been recently destroyed by the Death Star--who would gladly ransom her to the Empire.

The X-wing/Wraith Squadron adventures comprise one of the most popular series in the Star Wars Legends universe, and now these ten thrilling novels are together in one convenient ebook bundle. Featuring galactic intrigue, hair-raising dogfights, and a diverse group of pilots determined to fight the good fight, this riveting collection includes the following titles: ROGUE SQUADRON by Michael A. Stackpole WEDGE'S GAMBLE by Michael A. Stackpole THE KRYTOS TRAP by Michael A. Stackpole THE BACTA WAR by Michael A. Stackpole WRAITH SQUADRON by Aaron Allston IRON FIST by Aaron Allston SOLO COMMAND by Aaron Allston ISARD'S REVENGE by Michael A. Stackpole STARFIGHTERS OF ADUMAR by Aaron Allston MERCY KILL by Aaron Allston They are sleek, swift, and deadly. They are the X-wing fighters. And as the struggle rages across the vastness of space, the fearless men and women who pilot them risk both their lives and their machines. Rebel hero Wedge Antilles knows the grim truth—that even with the best X-wing jockeys in the galaxy, many will not survive their near-suicidal missions. But nothing matters except defending the Alliance against a still-powerful and battle-hardened Imperial foe in a last-ditch effort to control the stars.

Crosscurrent: Star Wars Legends

The Second Coming of the Star Gods

Essays on Symbol and Archetype at the Final Frontier

Heavenly Sword Evil Sovereign

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Death Star: Star Wars Legends

Book 9 in the exciting series! The X-wing fighter pilots have earned their reputation as the Rebel Alliance's ultimate strike force by overwhelming enemies with their rapid-fire assaults. But now they are about to embark on a diplomatic mission that will prove to be even more hazardous than all-out combat.... The neutral world of Adumar has decided to pick a side in the war to control the galaxy. Delegates from both the New Republic and the Empire have been invited to Adumar, and each camp will be given a chance to plead its government's case. But there is one small catch: since the Adumari prize military skill above all else, they insist that both delegations be composed exclusively of fighter pilots. For pilot Wedge Antilles and his company, it's an unfamiliar exercise in diplomacy--and one that's filled with unexpected peril. For once they arrive, the X-wing pilots are challenged by Adumar's fierce warriors and attacked by Imperial assassins bent on eliminating all competition. But these challenges pale in comparison to the threat posed by a rogue Republic agent...one

who is determined to win Adumar's allegiance once and for all--even if it costs the X-wing pilots their lives. Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars books of the last thirty years!

BACKS AGAINST THE WALL... Galatea. The Mercenary's Star. Even the most down on their luck units can find work here. Leading the newly-formed Gray Death Legion has been challenging for Grayson Death Carlyle, so when a job comes their way, he ' s only too happy to take it. The mission: train the local resistance on the planet Verthandi to resist their Draconis Combine masters. But things do not go well almost from the moment the Legion arrives. Trapped on Verthandi and facing a superior force and a fractured populace, the men and women of the Legion find themselves in a situation that makes the campaign on Trelwan look like a walk in the park. And Grayson quickly learns that repeating his past successes may not be so easy this time...

Some might think that the 27 thousand tons of material launched by earthlings into outer space is nothing more than floating piles of debris. However, when looking at these artifacts through the eyes of historians and anthropologists, instead of celestial pollution, they are seen as links to human history and heritage. *Space: The New Frontier for Archeologists Handbook of Space Engineering, Archaeology and Heritage*, published this month by CRC Press Taylor and Francis Group, brings together 43 anthropologists, historians, physicists, and engineers, a scientific team as culturally diverse as the crew of any science fiction cruiser. They offer a range of novel historical and technological perspectives on humankind ' s experience in space. This ambitious work presents an informative, thought-provoking, and educational text that discusses the evolution of space engineering, spacecraft reliability and forensics, field techniques, and mission planning, as well as space programs for the future. The book is edited by a pair of scientists from different sides of the campus: Ann Garrison Darrin, aerospace engineer and NASA veteran and Beth Laura O ' Leary, anthropologist and member of the World Archaeological Congress Space Heritage Task Force. The handbook delves into the evolution of space archaeology and heritage, including the emerging fields of Archaeoastronomy, Ethnoastronomy, and Cultural Astronomy. It also covers space basics and the history of the space age from Sputnik to modern day satellites. It discusses the cultural landscape of space, including orbital artifacts in space, as well as objects left on planetary surfaces and includes a look at the culture of Apollo as a catalog of manned exploration of the moon. It also considers the application of forensic investigation to the solving of cold case mysteries including failed Mars mission landing sites and lost spacecraft, and even investigates the archaeology of the putative Roswell UFO crash site and appraises material culture in science fiction.

The epic story that began with Heir to the Empire reaches its dramatic conclusion in this essential Star Wars Legends

novel. The embattled Republic reels from the attacks of Grand Admiral Thrawn, who has marshaled the remnants of the Imperial forces and driven the Rebels back with an abominable technology recovered from the Emperor's secret fortress: clone soldiers. As Thrawn mounts his final siege, Han Solo and Chewbacca struggle to form a coalition of smugglers for a last-ditch attack, while Princess Leia holds the Alliance together and prepares for the birth of her Jedi twins. The Republic has one last hope—sending a small force into the very stronghold that houses Thrawn ' s terrible cloning machines. There a final danger awaits, as the Dark Jedi C ' baath directs the battle against the Rebels and builds his strength to finish what he already started: the destruction of Luke Skywalker.

Deep Space Dogfights

Space-Girl Michelle Kao Mabbie (Book #5)

Betrayal: Star Wars Legends (Legacy of the Force)

Return of the Star Raiders

Fast and Easy Visual Analysis with Tableau Software

William Gibson

It began as the ultimate voyage of discovery – only to become the stuff of lost Republic legend . . . and a dark chapter in Jedi history. Now, at last, acclaimed author Timothy Zahn returns to tell the whole extraordinary story of the remarkable – and doomed – Outbound Flight Project. The Clone Wars have yet to erupt when Jedi Master Jorus C ' baath petitions the Senate for support of a singularly ambitious undertaking. Six Jedi Masters, twelve Jedi Knights, and fifty thousand men, women, and children will embark – aboard a gargantuan vessel, equipped for years of travel – on a mission to contact intelligent life and colonize undiscovered worlds beyond the known galaxy. The government bureaucracy threatens to scuttle the expedition before it can even start – until Master C ' baath foils a murderous conspiracy plot, winning him the political capital he needs to set in motion the dream of Outbound Flight. Or so it would seem. For unknown to the famed Jedi Master, the successful launch of the mission is secretly being orchestrated by an unlikely ally: the evil Sith Lord, Darth Sidious, who has his own reasons for wanting Outbound Flight to move forward . . . and, ultimately, to fail. Yet Darth Sidious is not the mission ' s most dangerous challenge. Once underway, the starship crosses paths at the edge of Unknown Space with the forces of the alien Chiss Ascendancy and the brilliant mastermind best known as “ Thrawn. ” Even Jedi Knight Obi-Wan Kenobi, aboard Outbound Flight with his young Padawan student, Anakin Skywalker, cannot help avert disaster. Thus what begins as a peaceful Jedi mission is violently transformed into an all-out war for survival against staggering odds – and the most diabolical of adversaries. Timothy Zahn ' s unique mix of espionage, political gamesmanship, and deadly interstellar combat breathes electrifying life into a Star Wars legend. Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars books of the last thirty years!

Five-Star Trails: Columbus is the most current and comprehensive guide to hiking the area and rates hikes on the following factors: scenery, trail condition, difficulty, appropriateness for children, and solitude. Each hikes also includes detailed landmarks, flora, fauna, and local history. In this

Columbus guide, an impressive collection of routes ranges north, east, south, and west from the metro center, as well as within the urban setting. This capital city is rich in metro parks, natural areas and preserves, state parks, and state forests. And this diversity of hiking terrain invites all levels of abilities and skills. Thus, this guidebook is geared not only to avid trekkers seeking more challenge than a paved neighborhood path, but also to families and senior citizens. Outdoor enthusiasts of every stripe will have reason to grab this book and, well, take a hike. Sized for easy carrying or tossing into a backpack, this handy guide will quickly become a treasured resource among Columbus locals and visitors alike.

The path to becoming an immortal, reversing to becoming a devil, that would only take a flick of a finger from time to time. Trampling through the cycle of reincarnation with blood, breaking through life and death on the Vast Expanse Society. Buried love reverses the Road to River Styx, the sword aura shook the nine universe. Wrong me now to create eternal tribulation, who to me read the red candle.

fter the collapse of the interstellar Federation, human civilization descended into a new Dark Age as planets, cut off from Earth and each other reverted to a lower tech level. After centuries of struggling to pull themselves back up by their bootstraps, they face a new and terrible threat. Raiders with faster-than-light ships and contra-gravity tanks steal anything they want and kill anyone that gets in their way. This military SF novel is the story of three generations of a family as they fight to protect their planet and loved ones from the forces of chaos. Excerpt: He quickly checked the distance to the mine site and compared that with the missile ' s own effective range and the X-12 ' s speed. There was a slim chance of getting within firing range before the enemy ships got too high. The throttles were already pushed as far forward as they could go, but there was one more thing Strider could try in order to get more speed. He initiated the afterburners, which poured fuel directly into the hot engine exhaust, causing secondary combustion and additional thrust. The sudden surge in speed felt like someone had just kicked him in the back. The enemy ships were starting to gain altitude faster now. The distance between them and the X-12 was dropping faster too, but there was no way to know for sure if it was dropping fast enough. With seconds to go until the enemy ships got within missile range, Strider armed the warhead, opened the weapons bay and lowered the missile ' s launch platform. The fuel exhaustion warning light lit up, and he heard the accompanying warning alarm that he was almost out of fuel. Landing without fuel was going to be a bitch, but he couldn ' t worry about that now. He had to focus on getting within firing range. Without radar, there was no way to know for sure, but his estimated position relative to the mine site told him that the enemy ships were now within missile range. He activated the Mark 3 warhead ' s guidance system, which would begin radar scanning as soon as the missile launched and pressed his thumb down on the red firing button.

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Rogue Squadron, Wedge's Gamble, The Krytos Trap, The Bacta War, Wraith Squadron ,Iron Fist, Solo Command, Isard's Revenge, Starfighters of Adumar, Mercy Kill

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Isard's Revenge: Star Wars Legends (X-Wing)

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Legends, Folklore, and Outer Space

We have incoming... From Gavin Chappell, editor-in-chief of imprint Rogue Planet Press and editor E.S. Wynn

comes the ultimate space opera anthology, full of stories of rebellion, ambition and supersonic, hyperbolic aerial dogfights that will leave you shaken and stirred by both G-force and unashamed conflict.

Hugo Award-winning author Timothy Zahn makes his triumphant return to the Star Wars(r) universe in this first of an epic new two-volume series in which the New Republic must face its most dangerous enemy yet--a dead Imperial warlord. The Empire stands at the brink of total collapse. But they have saved their most heinous plan for last. First a plot is hatched that could destroy the New Republic in a bloodbath of genocide and civil war. Then comes the shocking news that Grand Admiral Thrawn--the most cunning and ruthless warlord in history--has apparently returned from the dead to lead the Empire to a long-prophesied victory. Facing incredible odds, Han and Leia begin a desperate race against time to prevent the New Republic from unraveling in the face of two inexplicable threats--one from within and one from without. Meanwhile, Luke teams up with Mara Jade, using the Force to track down a mysterious pirate ship with a crew of clones. Yet, perhaps most dangerous of all, are those who lurk in the shadows, orchestrating a dark plan that will turn the New Republic and the Empire into their playthings. Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars books of the last thirty years!

Liquid Metal brings together 'seminal' essays that have opened up the study of science fiction to serious critical interrogation. Eight distinct sections cover such topics as the cyborg in science fiction; the science fiction city; time travel and the primal scene; science fiction fandom; and the 1950s invasion narratives. Important writings by Susan Sontag, Vivian Sobchack, Steve Neale, J.P. Telotte, Peter Biskind and Constance Penley are included. The year is 7202 A.D. Evolving from genetic manipulation and virtually immortal, the Specials wielded their repressive power over a far-flung empire for nearly two thousand years. Until one man-a man of mystery, a gifted military strategist, a superb pilot, a charismatic leader-dared to raise the flag of rebellion. That man is Hawk Hunter. In the middle of a fierce battle with the Imperial forces, Hunter suddenly finds himself alone. His badly-damaged fleet has vanished-gone through a portal to another dimension. They can lay low, rest, make repairs, and gain strength for their next assault. But the enemy also finds the portal-and it leads them to a different dimension where they discover powerful and deadly new allies. Now Hunter must undertake his own Interdimensional search for support. Because when the portal reopens, the battle that follows could destroy not only the rebels and the Empire, but also the entire galaxy.

Essays on Female Characters in the 21st Century Science Fiction Western

Honor Among Thieves: Star Wars Legends

Liquid Metal

Tableau Your Data!

Path of Destruction, Rule of Two, Dynasty of Evil

Decimal Issues

The Coins of England and the United Kingdom Pre-Decimal and Decimal volumes comprise the Standard Catalogue of British Coins, with the pre-decimal issues under Elizabeth II (and all previous coinage) listed in a separate volume. This volume of Decimal issues under Elizabeth II gives a comprehensive overview of all individual coins and sets issued by the Royal Mint since 1971 (and in circulation since 1968), offering an authoritative catalog of modern British coins. The revisions and updates completed in 2021 have been built upon to provide a completely comprehensive guide to decimal coinage in the year of its 50th anniversary, and the volume is published in hardback for the first time to celebrate this milestone.

A collection of previously published works on performance and stardom, examining the relationship between genre and performance, the position of the star within ideology, the construction of a semiotics of performance and stardom, the function of the actor within experimental or independent cinema, and the distinction between performance and everyday behavior. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

Sleek, swift and deadly, the famed X-Wing fighters have earned their reputation as the Rebel Alliance's ultimate strike force the hard way--first in battle, the last line of defense. Now they must make a deal with the devil herself--an enemy whose ultimate goal is their total annihilation. It's the kind of mission only Wedge Antilles and the Rogue Squadron would dare to undertake. Against impossible odds they will stage a daring raid into an enemy stronghold--only to be rescued from certain destruction by an unexpected ally. Ysanne Isard, the ruthless Imperial commander, has appeared on the scene seemingly from out of nowhere. Now she proposes a most unusual alliance, offering to help Wedge rescue his captured comrades from Imperial Warlord Admiral Krennel's sadistic prison camp. But her offer is not without a price. Wedge must lead Rogue Squadron in Isard's deadly struggle against an enemy made in her own image. It's an offer Wedge would love to refuse, for Isard is certain to betray them. But how can they leave their comrades at Krennel's mercy? The answer is: they can't--even if it means being caught between Krennel's ruthlessness and Isard's treachery. Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars books of the last thirty years!

An ancient Sith ship hurtles into the future carrying a lethal cargo that could forever destroy Luke Skywalker's hopes for peace. The Civil War is almost over when Jedi Knight Jaden Korr experiences a Force vision so intense he must act. Enlisting two salvage jocks and their ship, Jaden sets out into space. Someone—or something—appears to be in distress. But what Jaden and his crew find confounds them. A five-thousand-year-old dreadnaught—bringing with it a full force of Sith and one lone Jedi—has inadvertently catapulted eons from the past into the present. The ship's weapons may not be cutting-edge, but its cargo, a special ore that makes those who use the dark side nearly invincible, is unsurpassed. The ancient Jedi on board is determined to destroy the Sith. But for Jaden, even more is at stake: for his vision has led him to uncover a potentially indestructible threat to everything the Jedi Order stands for. Features a bonus section following the

novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars books of the last thirty years!

The Essential Novels: Star Wars Legends 10-Book Bundle

Astronauts For Hire

A Space Opera Romance

Darth Bane: Star Wars Legends 3-Book Bundle

Image and Performance in Film and Television

Edge of Victory, Book II

Set a thousand years before the events of Star Wars: A New Hope, Drew Karpysyn's electrifying Darth Bane novels take us deep into the dark side. This action-packed series follows the transformation of a lost young man who becomes a legendary Sith Lord, able to wield the awesome power of the Force as never before. Packed with nonstop thrills, the entire Darth Bane trilogy is now available as an eBook bundle featuring PATH OF DESTRUCTION RULE OF TWO DYNASTY OF EVIL After a high-stakes card game ends violently, Dessel, a lowly miner, vanishes into the ranks of the Sith army and ships out to join the war against the Republic and its Jedi champions. There, Dessel's brutality, cunning, and exceptional command of the Force swiftly win him renown as a warrior. But in the eyes of his watchful masters, a far greater destiny awaits him . . . if he can prove himself worthy. As an acolyte in the Sith Academy, studying at the feet of its greatest masters, Dessel embraces his new identity: Bane. However, in order to gain full acceptance into this chilling Brotherhood, he must surrender completely to the dark side. Only by defying the most sacred traditions of the Sith can Bane hope to triumph—and forge from the ashes a new era of absolute power.

Presents beliefs of ancient peoples about the night sky, and includes their ways of viewing planets, comets, and stars.

From the Star Wars expanded universe to Westworld, the science fiction western has captivated audiences for more than fifty years. These twelve new essays concentrate on the female characters in the contemporary science fiction western, addressing themes of power, agency, intersectionality and the body. Discussing popular works such as Fringe, Guardians of the Galaxy and Mass Effect, the essayists shed new light on the gender dynamics of these beloved franchises, emphasizing inclusion and diversity with their critical perspectives.

Nebula and Hugo Award nominees Daniel Abraham and Ty Franck—writing as James S. A. Corey—make

their Star Wars debut in this brand-new epic adventure featuring Han Solo, Luke Skywalker, and Princess Leia Organa. The action begins after the destruction of the Death Star in Star Wars: Episode IV A New Hope. When the Empire threatens the galaxy's new hope, will Han, Luke, and Leia become its last chance? When the mission is to extract a high-level rebel spy from the very heart of the Empire, Leia Organa knows the best man for the job is Han Solo—something the princess and the smuggler can finally agree on. After all, for a guy who broke into an Imperial cell block and helped destroy the Death Star, the assignment sounds simple enough. But when Han locates the brash rebel agent, Scarlet Hark, she's determined to stay behind enemy lines. A pirate plans to sell a cache of stolen secrets that the Empire would destroy entire worlds to protect—including the planet where Leia is currently meeting with rebel sympathizers. Scarlet wants to track down the thief and steal the bounty herself, and Han has no choice but to go along if he's to keep everyone involved from getting themselves killed. From teeming city streets to a lethal jungle to a trap-filled alien temple, Han, Chewbacca, Leia, and their daring new comrade confront one ambush, double cross, and firestorm after another as they try to keep crucial intel out of Imperial hands. But even with the crack support of Luke Skywalker's x-wing squadron, the Alliance heroes may be hopelessly outgunned in their final battle for the highest of stakes: the power to liberate the galaxy from tyranny or ensure the Empire's reign of darkness forever. Praise for Honor Among Thieves "If you like Han Solo . . . you won't want to miss Honor Among Thieves. . . . A novel that flies by quicker than the Millennium Falcon on the Kessel Run."—Lightsaber Rattling "A fast-paced romp."—Big Shiny Robot "Honor Among Thieves felt very 'vintage.' . . . It nailed the classic Star Wars vibe in a way I haven't experienced in a long time."—Making Star Wars "One of the best Star Wars novels I've ever read."—Knights' Archive "Absolutely [captures] the magic of Star Wars and the era it's aiming for."—Jedi News (UK) "[The] most pleasurable 'Classic Trilogy' Star Wars reading in a long time . . . With masterful pacing and witty, descriptive dialogue, [Honor Among Thieves is] fun to read from start to finish. Adding a complexity of thought and action to a classic character like Han will satisfy those looking to indulge a deeper side."—TheForce.net "James S. A. Corey manages to tell a delightful tale filled with a fun plot, entertaining characters, and great descriptions that draw you in and bring the world to life. Fans of all sorts are sure to enjoy Empire and Rebellion: Honor Among Thieves."—EUCantina.net

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A Visionary Novel

The Emergence of a Commercial Astronaut Corps

Exploring Space

Star Texts

At Star's End

Best practices and step-by-step instructions for using the Tableau Software toolset Although the Tableau Desktop interface is relatively this book goes beyond the simple mechanics of the interface to show best practices for creating effective visualizations for specific business intelligence objectives. It illustrates little-known features and techniques for getting the most from the Tableau toolset, supporting the business analysts who use the product as well as the data and IT managers who support it. This comprehensive guide covers the core functions for data analytics, illustrating best practices for creating and sharing specific types of dynamic data visualizations. Featuring a helpful full-page layout, the book covers analyzing data with Tableau Desktop, sharing information with Tableau Server, understanding Tableau functions and calculations, and Use Cases for Tableau Software. Includes little-known, as well as more advanced features and techniques, using detailed world case studies that the author has developed as part of his consulting and training practice Explains why and how Tableau differs from traditional business information analysis tools Shows you how to deploy dashboards and visualizations throughout the enterprise Provides a detailed reference resource that is aimed at users of all skill levels Depicts ways to leverage Tableau across the value chain in the enterprise through case studies that target common business requirements Endorsed by Tableau Software Tableau Your Data shows you how to build dynamic, best-of-breed visualizations using the Tableau Software toolset.

'Astronauts For Hire' is a comprehensive and authoritative study of the increasing need for commercial astronauts. Erik Seedhouse provides unique insights into the burgeoning new field of commercial space operation and the individuals who will run these missions. Section I begins by describing how Astronauts for Hire (A4H) was created in 2010 by Brian Shiro, a highly qualified NASA astronaut candidate, and a group of astronaut candidates. Erik introduces A4H's vision for opening the space frontier to commercial astronauts and describes the tantalizing opportunities offered when suborbital and orbital trips become routine. Section II describes the vehicles astronauts will use. Anticipation rises for the new crop of commercial suborbital and orbital spaceships that will serve the scientific and educational market. These reusable, rocket-propelled vehicles are expected to offer quick, routine, and affordable access to the edge of space, along with the capability to carry research and educational crew members. The quick turnaround of these vehicles is central to realizing the profit-making potential of repeated sojourns by astronauts to suborbital and orbital heights. Section III describes the various types of missions this new corps of astronauts will fly and hire them. For example, suborbital flights may be used to do high altitude astronomy, life science experiments, and microgravity physics. This section continues with an examination of the types of missions that will accelerate human expansion outward, to Exploration Class missions through lunar bases, the establishment of interplanetary spaceports, and outposts on the surface of Mars. Along the way it describes the types of commercial astronauts will perform, ranging from mining asteroids to harvesting helium.

Centuries ago, the Supreme Ruler of the planet Jibet fled a democratic uprising, taking with him many priceless works of art. Now Quark leads Commander Sisko and his crew to the lost treasures -- and to the Supreme Ruler himself, preserved in cryogenic suspension. The discovery sparks unrest on Jibet, and launches an alien armada against Deep Space Nine™. As Dr. Bashir struggles to keep the dying ruler alive, Ja

Nog uncover deadly evidence of lingering Cardassian treachery. Now, Sisko must somehow keep the mysteries of the past from destroying DS9's future.

The leading figure in the development of cyberpunk, William Gibson (born in 1948) crafted works in which isolated humans explored near worlds of ubiquitous and intrusive computer technology and cybernetics. This volume is the first comprehensive examination of the award-winning author of the seminal novel *Neuromancer* (and the other books in the *Sprawl* trilogy, *Count Zero* and *Mona Lisa Overdrive*), as well as other acclaimed novels including recent bestsellers *Pattern Recognition*, *Spook Country*, and *Zero History*. Renowned scholar Gary Westfahl draws upon extensive research to provide a compelling account of Gibson's writing career and his lasting influence in the science fiction world. Delving into numerous science fiction fanzines that the young Gibson contributed to and edited, Westfahl delivers new information about his childhood and adolescence. He describes for the first time more than eighty virtually unknown Gibson publications from his early years, including articles, reviews, poems, cartoons, letters, and a collaborative story. The book also documents the poems, articles, and introductions that Gibson has written for various books, and its discussions are enriched by illuminating comments from various print and online interviews. The works that made Gibson famous are also featured, as Westfahl performs extended analyses of Gibson's ten novels and nineteen short stories. Lastly, the book presents a new interview with Gibson in which the author discusses his correspondence with author Fritz Leiber, his relationship with the scholar Susan Wood, his attitudes toward critics, his overall impact on the field of science fiction, and his recently completed screenplay and forthcoming novel.

Five-Star Trails: Columbus

Handbook of Space Engineering, Archaeology, and Heritage

A Gray Death Legion Novel

Star Trek as Myth

The X-Wing Series: Star Wars Legends 10-Book Bundle

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The Star Wars novels have been expanding the universe of this popular epic for decades. Now ten thrilling, action-packed classics have been collected in one convenient eBook bundle, a perfect introduction to the vibrant and varied eras of Star Wars history, past and future. With a rich cast of characters that includes beloved favorites—Luke Skywalker, Han Solo, and Princess Leia Organa—along with new villains and heroes, including the next generation of Jedi, these adventures will take fans for a breathtaking ride across time and space in the galaxy far, far away! The novels include: *THE OLD REPUBLIC: DECEIVED* by Paul S. Kemp *REPUBLIC COMMANDO: HARD CONTACT* by Karen Traviss *DARK LORD: THE RISE OF DARTH VADER* by James Luceno *DEATH TROOPERS* by Joe Schreiber *LUKE SKYWALKER AND THE SHADOWS OF MINDOR* by Matthew Stover *X-WING: ROGUE SQUADRON* by Michael A. Stackpole *HEIR TO THE EMPIRE* by Timothy Zahn *NEW JEDI ORDER: VECTOR PRIME* by R. A. Salvatore *LEGACY OF THE FORCE: BETRAYAL* by Aaron Allston *CROSSCURRENT* by Paul S. Kemp

Set amidst the haunting, mysterious beauty of Ancient Egypt, *The Second Coming of the Star Gods*

is an epic tale of magic, political intrigue, and mythology. Rich in historical and mystical detail, the story centers on Khem and Tiye, two young apprentice priestesses in the Temple of the Sun. As the girls are initiated into the secret arts of dream interpretation, astronomy, and astral travel, a battle for the great empire's throne is being waged between the Pharaoh and his half-brother--a battle in which the young apprentices will unwittingly play the decisive role. Engaging and hypnotic, *The Second Coming of the Star Gods* creates characters and a world so real you won't want to soon leave. She masterfully recreates Egypt's 4th Dynasty--the Pyramid Age--a time in which gods, goddesses, and magicians were the true rulers of the land.

This is the era of Luke Skywalker's legacy: the Jedi Master has unified the order into a cohesive group of powerful Jedi Knights. But as the new era begins, planetary interests threaten to disrupt this time of relative peace, and Luke is plagued with visions of an approaching darkness. Evil is rising again--out of the best intentions--and it looks as if the legacy of the Skywalkers may come full circle. Honor and duty will collide with friendship and blood ties as the Skywalker and Solo clans find themselves on opposing sides of an explosive conflict with potentially devastating repercussions for both families, for the Jedi order, and for the entire galaxy. When a mission to uncover an illegal missile factory on the planet Adumar ends in a violent ambush--from which Jedi Knight Jacen Solo and his protégé and cousin, Ben Skywalker, narrowly escape with their lives--it's the most alarming evidence yet that sparks of political unrest are threatening to ignite into total rebellion. The governments of numerous worlds are chafing under the strict regulations of the Galactic Alliance, and diplomatic efforts to enforce compliance are failing. Fearing the worst, the Alliance readies a preemptive display of military might in a bid to bring the rogue worlds in line before an uprising erupts. The designated target of this exercise: planet Corellia--renowned for the brash independence and renegade spirit that have made its favorite son, Han Solo, a legend. Something of a rogue himself, Jacen is nevertheless duty bound as a Jedi to stand with his uncle, Jedi Master Luke Skywalker, on the side of the Galactic Alliance. But when the wary Corellians launch a counterstrike, the Alliance's show of force--and a secret mission to disable Corellia's crucial Centerpoint Station--give way to an armed skirmish. Once the smoke clears, the battle lines are drawn. Now the specter of full-scale war looms between a growing cadre of defiant planets and the Galactic Alliance that some fear is becoming a new Empire. And even as both sides struggle

to find a diplomatic solution, mysterious acts of treachery and sabotage threaten peace efforts at every turn. Determined to root out those behind the mayhem, Jacen follows a trail of cryptic clues to a dark rendezvous with the most shocking of revelations . . . while Luke grapples with something even more troubling: dream visions of a shadowy figure whose Force power and ruthlessness remind him of Darth Vader—a lethal enemy who strikes like a dark spirit on a mission of doom. An agent of evil who, if Luke's visions come to pass, will bring untold pain to the Jedi Master . . . and to the entire galaxy. Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars books of the last thirty years!

In the past, the examination of myth has traditionally been the study of the "Primitive" or the "Other." More recently, myth has been increasingly employed in movies and in television productions. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the Star Trek television and movie franchise. This collection of essays on Star Trek brings together perspectives from scholars in fields including film, anthropology, history, American studies and biblical scholarship. Together the essays examine the symbolism, religious implications, heroic and gender archetypes, and lasting effects of the Star Trek "mythscape."

Women's Space

Vision of the Future: Star Wars Legends (The Hand of Thrawn)

Specter of the Past: Star Wars Legends (The Hand of Thrawn)

BattleTech Legends: Mercenary's Star

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The Long Night

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Hugo Award-winning author Timothy Zahn brings his epic two-volume series The Hand of Thrawn to an explosive conclusion with a discovery that rocks the New Republic to its foundations--and threatens to resurrect the Empire. The Empire's master plan is under way. The New Republic is on the verge of civil war and the rumor that the legendary Admiral Thrawn has returned from the dead is rallying the Imperial forces. Now Luke Skywalker, Han Solo, Princess Leia, and their allies face the challenge of their lives. They must infiltrate a hidden fortress filled with Imperial fanatics, rendezvous with a double-dealing Imperial commander, and journey into enemy territory to learn the identity of those responsible for an act of unthinkable genocide. But most important of all is the truth about Thrawn. In his hands--alive or dead--rests the fate of the New Republic. Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars books of the last thirty years! © 1998 Lucasfilm Ltd. & TM All rights reserved. Used under authorization.

The fifth installment of the Space-Girl Michelle series. Kao Mabbie was described as a handsome man with a friendly face. On earth, he would be a movie star. People found him easy to trust. He used every opportunity available to rise to power in an effort to betray the United Free Planets. He was defeated in his treason by Space-Girl Therese and again defeated by her as he tried to take the galaxy by force. Kao Mabbie, the great evil in the shadows, continues to seek the destruction of the United Free Planets. The galaxy again turns to Space-Girl Therese for one more war to save freedom. Therese must become Space-Girl Michelle as the team fights for their lives against a cunning enemy who seems to always be several moves ahead of them. The mysterious Space-Girl Allyson Fox returns from the grave to avenge her own death at the hands of Kao Mabbie. Julie, the Shadowbird, fights to save her family and her friends as she solves the mystery of Allyson Fox. The Phram, Motons, Skoa, Vax and Grey remnants will give all to kill her. Space-Girl Michelle is the dark comedy romantic coming of age science-fiction series that started with Space-Girl Michelle fan club, where Therese Bundy of earth survives high school to regain her best friend for life and join the Space-Girls. Book 2, Space-Girl Michelle anthems continues the saga as Therese's team fights to save earth and the galaxy. Book 3, Space-Girl Michelle Anthems brings back the depth of the series as Therese fights to keep her friends alive and travels back in time to relive the most difficult time of her life. Book 4, Space-Girl Michelle Mr Dangersworth explains the origins of Space-Girl Michelle and the Shadowbird, while Therese's sister Julie joins the team with her own pack of teenage misfits. Now, it all comes together in Space-Girl Michelle Kao Mabbie.

Land Use Planning Made Plain is a practical guide for planners, administrators, politicians, developers, property owners, and the general public on how to make and implement land use decisions. It seeks to develop a set of coherent planning principles by drawing out useful and generally applicable elements from various systems and approaches. Hok-Lin Leung's focus is on planning at the city level, and he has organized the text according to the logical sequence of plan-making: justifications for making a land use plan, a plan for plan-making, planning goals, information, analysis, synthesis, and implementation. He addresses major debates in land planning today, including controversial material, and concludes with suggestions on the qualifications and qualities of a land use planner. By encouraging a shared understanding of the purpose, analytic skills and substantive considerations of plan-making – as well as the ways and means of plan-implementation – this book helps the planner to become more responsible and responsive to the many issues surrounding land use and its important role in addressing human needs.

The Science Fiction Film Reader

Battle at Zero Point

The Last Command: Star Wars Legends (The Thrawn Trilogy)

Starfighters of Adumar: Star Wars Legends (X-Wing)

Outbound Flight: Star Wars Legends

The First Ten Years

The Star Wars epic continues its dazzling space odyssey in The New Jedi Order-as Luke and Mara, Leia and Han, and others battle the mighty enemy from beyond the galactic rim. The brutal Yuuzhan Vong are scouring the universe for Jedi to slaughter. With no help from the divided New Republic, the Jedi stand alone against their seemingly invincible foe. Han and Leia Organa Solo risk deadly consequences

with their controversial tactics to bolster the Jedi resistance. After uncovering a new Yuuzhan Vong menace, Anakin and Tahiri find themselves wanted for murder by the Peace Brigade. To avoid capture, they jump into hyperspace . . . and into trouble far graver. Hunted by the Yuuzhan Vong, wanted as criminals by the New Republic, and with unrest stirring within their own ranks, the Jedi find peril everywhere they turn. But even in the midst of despair, while the most fiercest battle of all looms on the horizon, hope arises with the birth of one very special child. . . . Features a bonus section following the novel that includes a primer on the Star Wars expanded universe, and over half a dozen excerpts from some of the most popular Star Wars books of the last thirty years!

Thirty years ago when Sir Richard Branson called up Boeing and asked if they had a spare 747, few would have predicted the brash entrepreneur would so radically transform the placid business of air travel. But today, Branson flies airlines on six continents, employs hundreds of jets and, in 2014, was predicting that his spaceship company - Virgin Galactic - would soon open the space frontier to commercial astronauts, payload specialists, scientists and space tourists. With more than 600 seats sold at \$250,000 each, what started off as a dream to send people just for the excitement to look back and marvel at Earth, was on the cusp of finally being turned into a business. Then, on October 21, 2014, tragedy struck. SpaceShipTwo was on its most ambitious test flight to date. Seconds after firing its engine, Virgin Galactic's spaceship was breaking through the sound barrier. In just the three seconds that it took for the vehicle to climb from Mach 0.94 to Mach 1.02, co-pilot Mike Alsbury made what many close to the event believe was a fatal mistake that led to his death and the disintegration of SpaceShipTwo. Miraculously, the pilot, Peter Siebold, survived the 16-km fall back to Earth. Soon after the event Branson vowed to continue his space tourism venture in spite of this. Already a second SpaceShipTwo is being built, and ticket-holders eagerly await the day when Virgin Galactic offers quick, routine and affordable access to the edge of space. This book explains the hurdles Virgin Galactic had and still has to overcome en route to developing suborbital space travel as a profitable economic entity, and describes the missions that will be flown on board SpaceShipTwo Mk II, including high-altitude science studies, astronomy, life sciences, and microgravity physics.

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