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Wool 4 - The Unraveling (Silo Series)



Synopsis

There is a legend in their past of an uprising, a war they have learned about, but have learned nothing from. Nobody knows what went wrong. Nobody talks about what happened. Such are the silo taboos. Now, nearly two hundred years later, the people of the Silo will get a chance to learn more about that distant uprising. They'll get to start one of their own...

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Customer Reviews

After reading Wool 1 and 2, I felt the suspense and mystery building, but both left me hungering for some action. They were great, but kept leaving my wondering what was real and not. But the important thing is I FELT. I sensed the hopelessness and monotony of lives lived inside a small locked community for hundreds of years, and wished the inevitable revolution would come soon. The author dragged me into the story and made me want more. There were parts that I had to push through. Descriptions of the lives of each tier of society living in the "Silo" was obviously dire in making the reader invest emotion for each in some way. But at times my mind went numb, and I had to re-read passages. Then Wool 3 and 4 started in on the action, and fulfilled my desire for revolution

against tyranny. Mix in some faithful friends and a little romance, and the universe is complete. Instead of reading 4 short stories, I made myself believe it was one complete book, which helped to keep me interested during the slower sections. I will suggest the Wool books to all my friends. And now I eagerly anticipate the arrival of Wool 5...

You can clearly tell this is an author who cares. Not only about the readers, but also about the story. Hugh clearly stresses over each chapter in the Wool saga (just read his blog, he's dedicated to producing a solid product and not above countless hours of second guessing himself in the process!) In my opinion this is what makes the Kindle such an amazing improvement in the world of reading. Over the years of having publishers pull the wool over me (pun intended!), I love that Hugh could go out, write a great story, and publish it on the Kindle. I love the fact that Amazon's computers figured I might like it and brought it to my attention, and that after I read the sample I HAD to know what happened next. Seconds later I was tearing through this new find at a break neck pace. Top shelf work Hugh, you should be very proud to put your name on this and each installment in the Wool franchise. Thanks for spinning an enjoyable yarn!

Here is another impossible-to-put-down installment of the Silo Series! There were two things going on in this book that I just couldn't wait to know the outcome of...the impending uprising, and Jules's adventures in Silo 17. I usually consider myself to be a somewhat slow reader...I like to savor my books and make sure I read every word. This book though, I found myself flying through. It's like my eyes couldn't pass over and process the words as fast as my brain was wanting them to. I would start skimming so I could turn the page faster, then force myself to slow down and read more carefully so I wouldn't miss anything. Now if that doesn't make a great book, well then I don't know what does. I just can't recommend this series enough.

Finished 3 at lunch, bought 4 and did something I haven't done since I was 11 years old and discovered GWTW: stayed up the majority of the night reading non-stop... Felt like I was in a desert and couldn't drink water fast enough. Devoured it - brilliantly written, twists and turns throughout the book. I hate Bernard even worse now - 24 hours later. Hugh needs to go to his room, lock the door, order in food, and finish Wool 5!!!! Please.....

First of all I'm going to say this book makes way more sense when you don't read Wool 5 first (Yes, I totally did that by accident). Try to keep in mind through this review that I read 4 and 5 out of order

so my opinion is a little skewed but I'm trying to review it as if I didn't already know what was going to happen. This is definitely the highest action in the whole series!! The characters are just so rich! It's amazing that Hugh can take these short novellas and introduce so many new characters and not once leaving you feel bombarded by useless filler. I love the simultaneous stories going on in this book, not just between the silos but also within the silo! After reading this book of the series you really get a better understanding of Bernard (I think that's his name, I'm sorry it's been a while since I read this) and what kind of person he is, which I would term as maybe semi-villain? He has his reasons which are hard to dismiss but with two completely different movements happening within the Silo you kind of have to make a stand and decide whose side you're going to take. It's scary because you honestly have to wonder what you would do in that situation. I can't even begin to imagine being in that kind of world even though it's completely reasonable given the state our World is in. Again, great action! I love getting to know the mechanics and all the other characters from the "down deep". It is really fascinating to get to see how all the different people in the Silo are essential to their ongoing existence. Without everyone working in unison the whole thing will crumble! If you've made it this far into the series then you already know how awesome it is. Keep going, it just gets better!

I downloaded the first volume one day when I was home sick, and promptly read and devoured the next three. The premise is unique, the characters are well drawn, and the story continues to progress with surprising twists and turns. And at the end of this volume, you will be glad that Volume 5 is already available....but sad that Volume 6 is not. I'm not a huge sci-fi reader (as in, things on other planets, space travel, etc.), but I do rather like the dystopian future society concept. As a woman, I appreciate that this book treated women as intelligent and integral characters, not as decorative love objects. I also liked that the male characters ran the gamut between good and evil, and that you get a good dose of everyone's motivations as the story goes along. I liked the detail that went into creating the world...when I saw "silo" I imagined something much smaller, but the author does a good job of giving you a sense of scale, of how big (and also how confining) the inside is. These books are inexpensive. They're free to borrow with Prime. But I vote for paying Mr. Howey the \$0.99 and supporting him in fine style so he writes more books and doesn't have to get some soul-sucking job to pay the bills while he does. It's a dollar, ya'll. You can find that lurking under the floormats of your car. I look forward to Wool 6, and I'm about to go check out a few others while I'm waiting. Recommend highly.

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