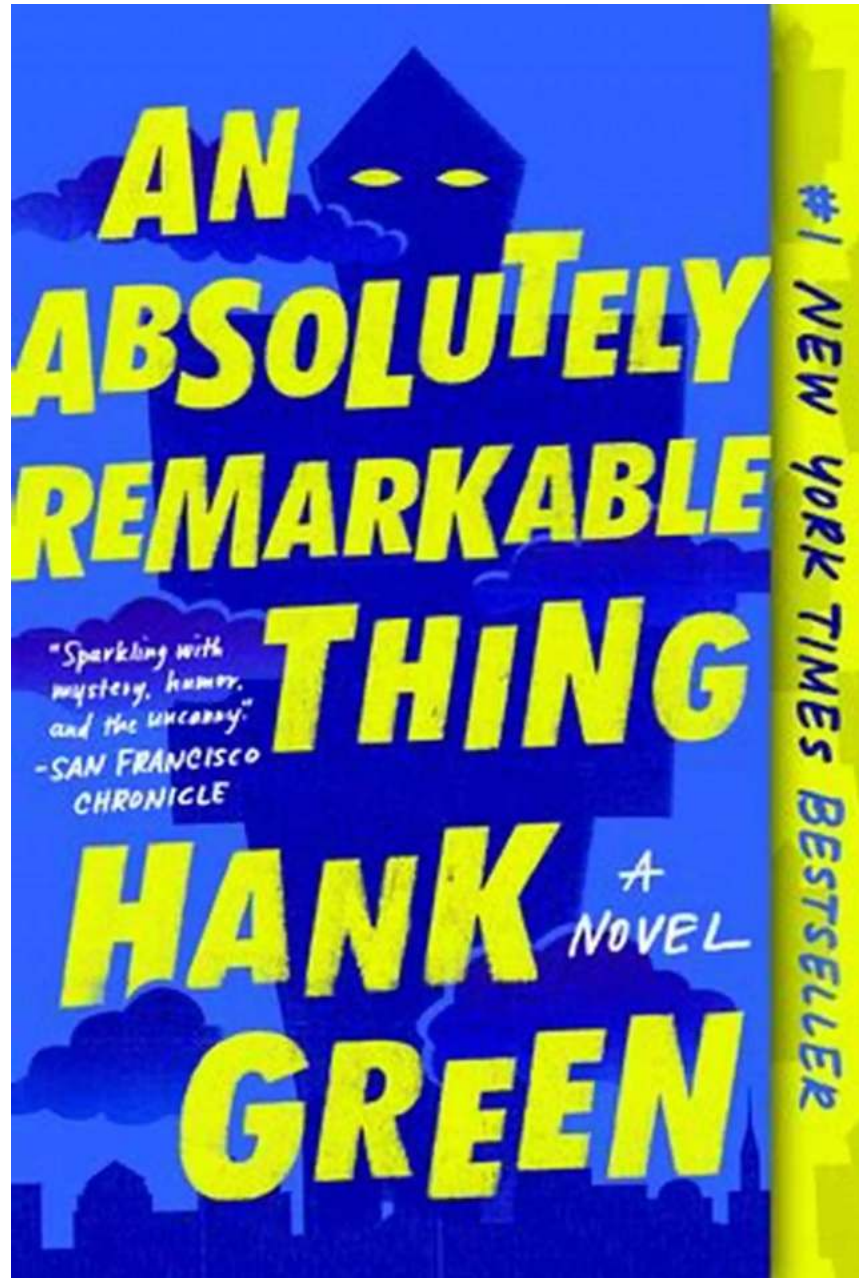


# An Absolutely Remarkable Thing Novel - The Carls and Their Enigmatic Arrival



The literary world has been taken by storm with the release of **An Absolutely Remarkable Thing**. The novel, written by Hank Green, introduces readers to an astonishing enigma - the Carls. These statuesque

figures, with their metallic composition and enigmatic origin, have captivated readers and quickly become the center of attention in Green's gripping debut.

## The Discovery

At first, nobody paid much attention to the Carls. Standing at ten feet tall, these humanoid robots started appearing in cities overnight, seemingly out of thin air. But as they remained stationary, their presence started to raise questions and spark curiosity among the public. April May, the novel's protagonist, stumbles across one such Carls sculpture during her midnight stroll through Manhattan. Little did she know that this discovery would irrevocably change her life and the course of human history.



### An Absolutely Remarkable Thing: A Novel (The Carls Book 1) by Hank Green(Kindle Edition)

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The Carls are not just mere statues. They are interactive and responsive, capturing the fascination of those who get to know them. They have a unique feature - a screen on their chest that displays messages and clues,

often in the form of puzzles. The enigmatic nature of these puzzles further deepens the mystery surrounding their true purpose.

## **April May and Carl**

April May, a young graphic designer, becomes an overnight sensation with her viral video "The Carls - April May I Part 1: Mostly ." With this video, she unveils the Carls to the world and quickly gains millions of followers. April is chosen as the primary interpreter and liaison for these mysterious beings.

As April delves deeper into the world of the Carls, she discovers that these sculptures are not limited to New York City alone. They have appeared simultaneously in various cities across the globe. This simultaneous arrival, seemingly coordinated, adds an extra layer of intrigue. April, along with her group of friends, embarks on a journey to unravel the mystery behind the Carls and decode their cryptic messages.

## **The Cultural Impact**

The appearance of the Carls has a profound impact on society. Their sudden arrival triggers a wave of reactions - from awe and admiration to fear and skepticism. The world is divided into factions, with some viewing the Carls as saviors and others as harbingers of doom.

Hank Green, renowned for his expertise in online media and presence, explores themes of fame, social media, and the influence of viral content in this novel. Green masterfully captures the essence of our digital age and examines the power dynamics between individuals, corporations, and social platforms.

## **The Cosmic Puzzle**

While exploring the messages and puzzles embedded in the Carls, April and her team discover that these enigmatic beings are somehow connected to a much grander cosmic puzzle. Their purpose becomes entwined with the fate of humanity. Green invites readers on a thrilling journey of exploration, unraveling secrets that have the potential to change the world as we know it.

## **The Carls: Reflections of Our Society**

*An Absolutely Remarkable Thing* delves deep into the human psyche and examines how society reacts to the unknown, exploring themes of fear, curiosity, and the quest for answers. It raises questions about the impact of extraordinary events on individual lives and the collective human consciousness.

As the story unfolds, readers will find themselves engrossed in the complex layers of the novel, pondering the deeper meanings behind the Carls and their integration into society. It challenges us to reflect on our own reaction to the unknown and how we define our identity in the face of extraordinary circumstances.

## **The Legacy of The Carls**

With ***An Absolutely Remarkable Thing***, Hank Green has created a masterpiece that blends science fiction, mystery, and sociopolitical commentary. The novel explores timeless themes while remaining firmly grounded in our contemporary reality.

As readers journey through the pages of this remarkable story, they will be captivated by the intricacies of the Carls, their mysteries, and the impact they have on the world. Green's debut novel is a thought-provoking and

captivating work that will leave readers eagerly anticipating what lies ahead as they become part of the legacy of the Carls.

***An Absolutely Remarkable Thing*** takes readers on an extraordinary adventure through the lens of a stunning literary creation. The enigmatic presence of the Carls invites readers to contemplate the unknown, unravel the mysteries, and question the complexities of our society. Hank Green's debut novel stands as a testament to his storytelling prowess, leaving a lasting impression on readers long after they reach the final page.



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THE INSTANT #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

“Sparkling with mystery, humor and the uncanny, this is a fun read. But beneath its effervescent tone, more complex themes are at play.” —San Francisco Chronicle

In his wildly entertaining debut novel, Hank Green—cocreator of Crash Course, Vlogbrothers, and SciShow—spins a sweeping, cinematic tale

about a young woman who becomes an overnight celebrity before realizing she's part of something bigger, and stranger, than anyone could have possibly imagined.

The Carls just appeared.

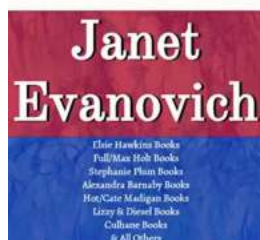
Roaming through New York City at three a.m., twenty-three-year-old April May stumbles across a giant sculpture. Delighted by its appearance and craftsmanship—like a ten-foot-tall Transformer wearing a suit of samurai armor—April and her best friend, Andy, make a video with it, which Andy uploads to YouTube. The next day, April wakes up to a viral video and a new life. News quickly spreads that there are Carls in dozens of cities around the world—from Beijing to Buenos Aires—and April, as their first documentarian, finds herself at the center of an intense international media spotlight.

Seizing the opportunity to make her mark on the world, April now has to deal with the consequences her new particular brand of fame has on her relationships, her safety, and her own identity. And all eyes are on April to figure out not just what the Carls are, but what they want from us.

Compulsively entertaining and powerfully relevant, *An Absolutely Remarkable Thing* grapples with big themes, including how the social internet is changing fame, rhetoric, and radicalization; how our culture deals with fear and uncertainty; and how vilification and adoration spring for the same dehumanization that follows a life in the public eye. The beginning of an exciting fiction career, *An Absolutely Remarkable Thing* is a bold and insightful novel of now.

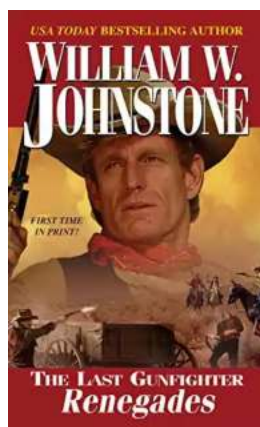


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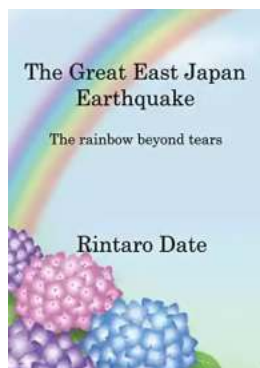
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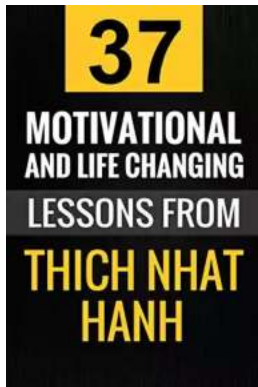
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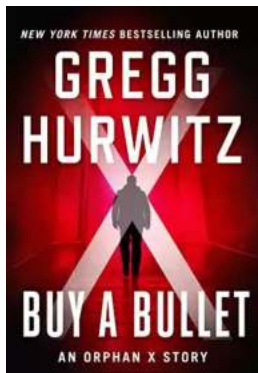
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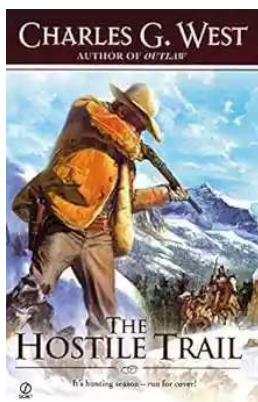
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