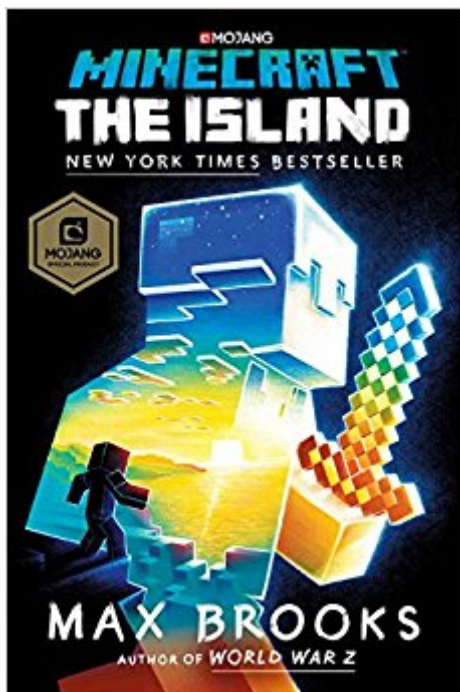


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Minecraft: The Island: A Novel



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NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The first official Minecraft novel! In the tradition of iconic adventures like Robinson Crusoe and Treasure Island, the author of World War Z tells the story of a hero •stranded in the world of Minecraft •who must unravel the secrets of a mysterious island in order to survive. Washed up on a beach, the lone castaway looks around the shore. Where am I? Who am I? And why is everything made of blocks? But there isn't much time to soak up the sun. It's getting dark, and there's a strange new world to explore! The top priority is finding food. The next is not becoming food. Because there are others out there on the island . . . like the horde of zombies that appear after night falls. Crafting a way out of this mess is a challenge like no other. Who could build a home while running from exploding creepers, armed skeletons, and an unstoppable tide of hot lava? Especially with no help except for a few makeshift tools and sage advice from an unlikely friend: a cow. In this world, the rules don't always make sense, but courage and creativity go a long way. There are forests to explore, hidden underground tunnels to loot, and undead mobs to defeat. Only then will the secrets of the island be revealed. Praise for *Minecraft: The Island* • "A rollicking adventure yarn; Â Robinson Crusoe Â for the digital age. Â •NPR

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this game: 2 PC, 1 xbox 360, 1 pocket edition, 1 window 10 edition. I Twitch Stream, showcasing Mods and modpacks. I have yet to purchase the Xboxone version. So to say the least, I am a huge fan. Therefore I was VERY skeptical of this book. Secondly, I have never read the Zombie book Max Brooks wrote. I had heard great things, but never read his stuff. I am more than halfway to the end, and let me say, it is cute. CUTE, CLEAN, and if you're a fan/have played the game, YOU'LL BE SO IMMERSED. I was going crazy trying to help this poor dude, because he is struggling to figure out the Minecraft book. I know all the crafting recipes, and if you know them, too, you'll be laughing at this guys creativity and exploration tactics. I LOVE IT. I haven't finished it yet. If I ever have kids, (first I will Minecraft with them) and I can't wait to read this to them! EASY READ LIKE HARRY POTTER without all the confusing hard to pronounce names. It's a little cheesy, but I love how much fan service it offers. This guy definitely has played the game multiple times. ABOUT THE BOOK: Basically, a man finds himself in the Minecraft world. He has no memory of how he got there, but he has to figure out how to survive. He sees/lives the world as you and I see how its played, 3D blocks, the physics, all of it. TL/DR: CUTE, CLEAN (NO EXPLICIT LANGUAGE/SCENES), EASY TO READ, FAN SERVICE PLEASE GET THIS BOOK IF YOU LIKE MINECRAFT!

Just finished this book. Possible Spoilers ahead... The first thing you need to know about this book is that it is a very literal adaptation of the game. The book starts off with a person trapped in the game, or is he? He can remember the real world and constantly questions and compares everything around him to the real world. This question however is never explained and glossed over with a "Oh well, moving along". It reads as though Max Brooks was given a copy of the game for a month and then wrote a book. The character talks in wonderment how the rules don't follow normal real world rules. For example, he needs wood and chops off the bottom block of a tree trunk, yells "Timber!" and then sits in amazement as the tree sits there hovering in the air without a base. Items fall as miniature versions of themselves and hover slightly off the ground. He has certain food items and puts them up to his mouth, but he can't open his mouth to eat it. This is because the real game of Minecraft wouldn't let you eat it either. Like I said, its a very direct and literal interpretation of the game in every sense. It reads like you're playing the game. But for people that never played, they would be absolutely confused. I was hoping for something more along the lines of Minecraft Story Mode, where it is not so literal and limited to the limitations of the game. Also, this doesn't go too deep into the game either, No Nether, No End Dragon, No Wither. Very basic and safe survival story. Good First Attempt by Mojang to get an official story out there. But I hope that they give the character a little more freedom instead of being restricted by the rules of the game.

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