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The Light Fantastic

2009-11-24

darkness isn't the opposite of light it is simply its absence what was radiating from the book was the light that lies on the far side of darkness the light fantastic the discworld is in danger heading towards a seemingly inevitable collision with a malevolent red star its magic fading it needs a hero and fast what it doesn't need is Rincewind an inept and cowardly wizard who is still recovering from the trauma of falling off the edge of the world or Twoflower the well-meaning tourist whose luggage has a mind and legs of its own which is a shame because that's all there is his spectacular inventiveness makes the discworld series one of the perennial joys of modern fiction mail on Sunday incredibly funny compulsively readable the times the light fantastic is the second book in the wizards series but you can read the discworld novels in any order

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1997

an absorbing collaborative effort from the two giants of SF Guardian a generation after the events of the Long Earth mankind has spread across the new worlds opened up by stepping where Joshua and Lobsang once pioneered now fleets of airships link the stepwise Americas with trade and culture mankind is shaping the Long Earth but in turn the Long Earth is shaping mankind a new America called Valhalla is emerging more than a million steps from Datum Earth and it is growing restless meanwhile the Long Earth is suffused by the song of the trolls graceful hive-mind humanoids but the trolls are beginning to react to humanity's thoughtless exploitation and a gathering multiple crisis that threatens to plunge the Long Earth into a war unlike any mankind has waged before the Long War is the second in the Long Earth series

The Long War

2013-06-20

a role playing game based on Terry Pratchett's Discworld 2 6 players make a good group equipment needed pencils paper and 3 six-sided dice

GURPS Discworld

1998-08

the alien spaceship is in his sights his finger is on the fire button Johnny Maxwell is about to set the new high score on the computer game

only you can save mankind suddenly we wish to talk huh we surrender the aliens aren't supposed to surrender they're supposed to die now what is johnny going to do with a fleet of alien prisoners who know their rights under the international rules of war and are demanding safe conduct it's hard enough trying to save mankind from the galactic hordes it's even harder trying to save the galactic hordes from mankind but it's just a game isn't it isn't it master storyteller terry pratchett leaves readers breathless with laughter and with suspense in a reality bending tale of virtual heroism

Only You Can Save Mankind

2009-10-06

the acclaimed science of discworld centred around an original pratchett story about the wizards of discworld in it they accidentally witnessed the creation and evolution of our universe a plot which was interleaved with a cohen stewart non fiction narrative about big science in the science of discworld ii our authors join forces again to see just what happens when the wizards meddle with history in a battle against the elves for the future of humanity on earth london is replaced by a dozy neanderthal village the renaissance is given a push the role of fat women in art is developed and one very famous playwright gets born and writes the play weaving together a fast paced discworld novelette with cutting edge scientific commentary on the evolution and development of the human mind culture language art and science this is a book in which the hard science is as gripping as the fiction the times

The Science Of Discworld II

2011-06-30

roundworld is in trouble again and this time it looks fatal having created it in the first place the wizards of unseen univeristy feel vaguely responsible for its safety they know the creatures who lived there escaped the impending big freeze by inventing the space elevator they even intervened to rid the planet of a plague of elves who attempted to divert humanity onto a different time track but now it's all gone wrong victorian england has stagnated and the pace of progress would embarrass a limping snail unless something drastic is done there won't be time for anyone to invent spaceflight and the human race will be turned into ice pops why though did history come adrift was it sir arthur nightingale's dismal book about natural selection or was it the devastating response by an obscure country vicar called charles darwin whose bestselling theology of species made it impossible to refute the divine design of living creatures either way it's no easy task to change history as the wizards discover to their cost can the god of evolution come to humanity's aid and ensure darwin writes a very different book and who stopped him writing it in the first place

Science of Discworld III: Darwin's Watch

2011-06-30

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2004-10

mighty battles revolution death war and his sons terror and panic and daughter clancy the oldest and most inscrutable empire on the discworld is in turmoil brought about by the revolutionary treatise what i did on my holidays workers are uniting with nothing to lose but their water buffaloes warlords are struggling for power war and clancy are spreading throughout the ancient cities and all that stands in the way of terrible doom for everyone is rincewind the wizard who can t even spell the word wizard cohen the barbarian hero five foot tall in his surgical sandals who has had a lifetime s experience of not dying and a very special butterfly

Interesting Times

1996-05-01

essential for any fan of sir terry pratchett s discworld this stunning and beautifully illustrated gift book complete with pull out map details everything you could possible want and need to know about ankh morpork discworld s principal city maps directories walking tours accommodation food and drink everything is included no traveller destined for ankh morpork should leave home without it what readers are saying marvellous had me giggling like a loon for hours reader review a work of art reader review i started laughing 2 seconds after opening this book reader review sumptuous reader review amazing reader review a must have for all discworld fans reader review greetings adventurer we lay before you this most comprehensive gazetteer encompassing all the streets of ankh morpork as well as information on its principal businesses hotels taverns inns and places of entertainment and refreshment all enhanced by the all new and compleat map of our great city state we ask that when you pore over this glorious work you spare some thought for the humble cartographers and surveyors who made journeys into the darker corners of our metropolis no less dangerous than the wilds of skund or bhangbhangduc to some the only memorial is the map you now possess others in their quest for knowledge paid the highest price that scholarship demands which is to say a day off in lieu and so we dedicate this map and these accompanying words to the officers councillors and members of the merchants guild and to all who will find in its pages paths yet to tread and places yet to explore within the magnificent wonder that is the city of ankh morpork a gift like no other this stunning package expertly conjures up the sights sounds people and places of ankh morpork in ways fans have previously only been able to imagine

The Compleat Ankh-Morpork

2012-12-03

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Discworld Roleplaying Game

2002

new media and its enormous diffusion in the last decades of the 20th century and up to the present has greatly increased and diversified the reception of egyptian themes and motifs and egyptian influence in various cultural spheres this book seeks to provide new evidence of this interdisciplinarity between egyptology and popular culture

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2000

this collection of new essays applies a wide range of critical frameworks to the analysis of prolific fantasy author terry pratchett s discworld books essays focus on topics such as pratchett s treatment of noise and silence and their political implications art as an anodyne for racial conflict humor and cognitive debugging visual semiotics linguistic stylistics and readers perspectives of word choice and derrida and the monstrous regiment of women the volume also includes an annotated bibliography of critical sources the essays provide fresh perspectives on pratchett s work which has stealthily redefined both fantasy and humor for modern audiences

How Pharaohs Became Media Stars: Ancient Egypt and Popular Culture

2023-11-30

university challenge is one of the world s top quiz shows enjoyed by millions both participants and observers but discworld fans may feel that not many questions cover the real questions in life for example who or what could be seen as the inspiration for the near tragic accident from which nanny ogg is saved only be a special willow reinforced hat made for her by mr vernissage of slice and give a plausible origin for mrs rosie palm proprietor of the famous house of negotiable affection in the shades each faculty at the unseen university has provided a set of questions and answers are included for those who are not sure how the poisonous effects of quicksilver fumes are an occupational hazard of magic users the questions have been compiled by mr david langford who knows quite as much and arguably more about the discworld as its

creator and terry pratchett has provided an introduction

Discworld and the Disciplines

2014-05-02

a beautiful gift edition of the first two discworld novels the colour of magic and the light fantastic stunningly depicted in comic format for the first time a fun read for established fans and new audiences alike excellent and wacky as a good pratchett should be reader review a must have for any discworld fan reader review awesome reader review imagine a flat world sitting on the backs of four elephants who hurtle through space balanced on a giant turtle this is the discworld a place and a time parallel to our own but also very different the discworld graphic novels presents the very first two volumes of this much loved series the colour of magic and the light fantastic in graphic novel form introduced here are the bizarre misadventures of twoflower the discworld s first ever tourist and possibly portentously its last and his guide rincewind the spectacularly inept wizard not to mention the luggage which has a mind of its own a gift like no other this stunning package expertly conjures up the sights sounds people and places of sir terry pratchett s incredible discworld in ways fans have previously only been able to imagine

The Unseen University Challenge

2014-03-20

the best selling works of terry pratchett chronicle events on the discworld the discworld roleplaying game second edition takes things a step further enabling gamers to dream up their own oddball cast and have new and exciting mis adventures on the disc the second edition updates the first edition 1998 and its supplement gurps discworld also 2001 to encompass novels written since the fifth elephant 1999 as well as the latest version of the rules gurps fourth edition 2004

The Discworld Graphic Novels: The Colour of Magic and The Light Fantastic

2020-03-26

edited by morag styles and written by an international team of acknowledged experts this series provides jargon free critical discussion and a comprehensive guide to literary and popular texts for children each book introduces the reader to a major genre of children s literature covering the key authors major works and contexts in which those texts are published read and studied this book provides an illuminating guide to literature that creates alternative worlds for young readers focusing on the work of ursula le guin terry pratchett and philip pullman the book considers both the genre of alternative worlds and the distinctiveness of these authors texts including philip pullman s the amber spyglass

Discworld Roleplaying Game

2016

Discworld Roleplaying Game is a roleplaying game set in the Discworld universe. It is a collaborative effort by the authors of the Discworld novels and is designed to be played in a way that is true to the spirit of the books. The game is designed to be played in a way that is true to the spirit of the books. The game is designed to be played in a way that is true to the spirit of the books.

Alternative Worlds in Fantasy Fiction

2005-08-15

unidentified flying objects not ufos or flying saucers authority work is the linchpin of the library catalog as the author puts it without authority control the burden is placed on the user to think of all the possible forms a cataloger might have used to give access in the catalog to a given author or subject if a subject is not sorted by its authorized heading then the library and its users and staff are left without a system and ultimately the cost of an unsatisfied user from one of the preeminent experts in the field this is the step by step guide for ensuring that your library and staff are creating and maintaining authority records with the end user in mind comprehensive and definitive maxwell s guide to authority work is a must have in this readable text authority work is broken down to its most basic components so that you can trace and follow the preparation of a complete authority record helpful illustrations identify the key characteristics of good authority records common acronyms are defined and cross references throughout reinforce material step by step you ll learn how to form and record uniform access points keep thorough and accurate records share information in an environment of international databases and cooperative cataloging the authoritative tool for making certain a person author corporate body organization book or other media is appropriately classified under its authority name subject and form maxwell s should be part of any library s toolbox

Alternative Worlds in Fantasy Fiction

2019-05-25

terry pratchett s writing celebrates the possibilities opened up by inventiveness and imagination it constructs an ethical stance that values informed and self aware choices knowledge of the world in which one makes those choices the importance of play and humor in crafting a compassionate worldview and acts of continuous self examination and creation this collection of essays uses inventiveness and creation as a thematic core to combine normally disparate themes such as science fiction studies the effect of collaborative writing and shared authorship steampunk aesthetics productive modes of ownership intertextuality neomedievalism and colonialism adaptations into other media linguistics and rhetorics and coming of age as an act of free will

Maxwell's Guide to Authority Work

2002-05-22

for the translator intertexts are among chief problems posed by the source text often unmarked typographically direct or altered not necessarily well known and sometimes intersemiotic quotations and references to other writings and culture texts call for erudition and careful handling so that readers of the translation stand a chance of spotting them too for the reader the rich intertextuality of terry pratchett s discworld series is among its trademark features consequently it should not be missed in translations whose success thus depends significantly on the quality of translation of the intertexts which as is highlighted here cover a vast and varied range of types of original texts the book focuses on how to deal with pratchett s intertexts how to track them down analyse their role predict obstacles to their effective translation and suggest translation solutions complete with a discussion of the translation of selected intertextual fragments in the polish version Świat dysku a concise overview of intertextual theories and an assessment of the translator s work

Terry Pratchett's Ethical Worlds

2020-08-05

this volume provides more sustained critical attention on the use of myth and fairy tales in contemporary fiction both stand alone tales and those which are embedded in the wider frame of a novel or novella in this light the book examines contemporary retellings of myths and fairy tales in a productive dialogue with tradition as an extended appreciation of this productive creative and theoretical dialogue the individual chapters evince a robust variety of conceptions and approaches all thoroughly observant of the nature and workings of the relationship between story and genre and theoretically informed by innovative critical approaches hence the volume demonstrates the undeniable importance of myth and fairy tales in contemporary fiction suggesting questions for future consideration and hopefully pointing towards new texts and new critical inquiries

The Intertextuality of Terry Pratchett's Discworld as a Major Challenge for the Translator

2017-01-06

why is shrek one of the greatest selling dvds of all time why are shampoo advertisements based on sleeping beauty why is it that the same simple stories keep being told this study attempts to explain why fairy tales keep popping up in the most unexpected places and why the best storytellers begin their tales with once upon a time

Myth and Fairy Tale in Contemporary Fiction

2023-03-28

a bumper size quiz book with all new questions to test your general knowledge with more than 500 quizzes and around 10 000 questions includes 30 picture rounds to get you scratching your head all quizzes and answers are hyperlinked for ease of use hide the answers or view below each question perfect for playing with friends and family

The Postmodern Fairytale

2007-07-31

a fascinating guide to the international bestselling discworld series and the award winning the wee free men soon to be a major motion picture before j k rowling became the best selling author in britain terry pratchett wore that hat with over 45 million books sold pratchett is an international phenomenon his brainchild is the discworld series novels he began as parodies of other works like macbeth faust and the arabian nights the wee free men one of pratchett s most popular novels will be made into a movie by spider man director sam raimi it s the story of 9 year old wannabe witch tiffany aching who unites with the nac mac feegle 6 inch tall blue men who like to fight and love to drink to free her brother from an evil fairy queen a fun interactive guide that will explore the land of discworld secrets of the wee free men and discworld is filled with sidebars mythology trivia and includes a bio of the fascinating author terry pratchett and an in depth analysis of his work this unofficial guide is a great resource for readers of the wee free men and the other books of the discworld series

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1999

in crossover fiction sandra l beckett explores the global trend of crossover literature and explains how it is transforming literary canons concepts of readership the status of authors the publishing industry and bookselling practices this study will have significant relevance across disciplines as scholars in literary studies media and cultural studies visual arts education psychology and sociology examine the increasingly blurred borderlines between adults and young people in contemporary society notably with regard to their consumption of popular culture

Collins Ultimate Pub Quiz: 10,000 easy, medium and difficult questions with picture rounds (Collins Puzzle Books)

2020-09-03

discworld are inexhaustible yet the brave explorers of discworld and philosophy cover a lot of ground from discussion of moist von lipwig's con artistry showing the essential con of the financial system to the examination of everyone's favorite discworld character the murderous luggage to the lawless mac nac feegles and what they tell us about civil government to the character death as he appears in several discworld novels discworld and philosophy gives us an in depth treatment of pratchett's magical universe other chapters look at the power of discworld's witches the moral viewpoint of the golems how william de worde's newspaper illuminates the issue of censorship how fate and luck interact to shape our lives and why the more simple and straightforward discworld characters are so much better at seeing the truth than those with enormous intellects but little common sense

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2005

that's the trouble about the good guys and the bad guys they're all guys in the small yet aggressive country of borogravia there are strict rules citizens must follow for a start women belong in the kitchen not in jobs pubs or indeed trousers and certainly not on the front line polly perks has to become a boy in a hurry if she wants to find her missing brother in the army cutting off her hair and wearing the trousers is easy going to war however is not polly and her fellow raw recruits are suddenly in the thick of a losing battle all they have on their side is the most artful sergeant in the army and a vampire with a lust for coffee it's time to make a stand you ride along on his tide of outlandish invention realising that you are in the presence of a true original the times the discworld novels can be read in any order but monstrous regiment is a standalone

Terry Pratchett's Narrative Worlds

2018-02-12

feet of clay someone is killing lord vetinari patrician of ankh morpork no one knows who no one knows why and worst of all no one knows how he just gets weaker and weaker but it's not just vetinari across the city people are being murdered but there's no trace of anything alive having been at the crime scene commander vimes head of the city watch is a man who hates clues he and his team must question everyone the butcher the baker the candlestick maker in a city teeming with vampires werewolves dwarfs with attitude and golems vimes must solve the crimes and save the patrician the rince cycle as a punishment failed wizard rincewind is given the task of guiding and safeguarding the disc's first tourist twoflower with his magical luggage on legs as they travel the city and beyond they meet the world's oldest hero cohen the barbarian with him and with bethan a qualified sacrificial victim they encounter druids trolls adventurers a hairdresser and a power crazed wizard oh and death but not fatally did we mention that rincewind also has to save the world from destruction by a huge red star that will collide with the discworld at hogswatch the rince cycle is mostly based on the light fantastic with bits of the colour of magic and sorcery added for good measure unseen academics two households both alike in dignity in fair ankh morpork where we lay our scene football divides the city each area has its own team and rivalry means supporters never mix until a dimwell fan falls for a dolly sisters girl and now an

ancient bequest means the wizards of unseen university must win a football match without using magic luckily they re coached by the mysterious mr nutt and no one knows anything much about mr nutt not even mr nutt which worries him too as the match approaches four lives are entangled and changed forever because the thing about football the important thing about football is that it is not just about football

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The Science of Discworld

2014-06-03

in this the first book on english fantasy colin manlove shows that for all its immense diversity english fantasy can best be understood in terms of its strong national character rather than as an international genre showing its development from beowulf to blake the author describes english fantasy s modern growth through secondary world metaphysical emotive comic subversive and children s fantasy in them all england has led the world with authors as different as chaucer lewis carroll j r r tolkien and salman rushdie

Discworld and Philosophy

2016-08-09

Monstrous Regiment

2008-09-04

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1997

All the Discworld's a Stage: Volume 1

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