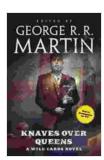
### Wild Cards: Novel Book One of the British Arc

Wild Cards is a superhero fantasy novel series created by George R.R. Martin. The series is set in an alternate history in which an alien virus was released on Earth, giving some people superpowers. The first novel in the series, Wild Cards, was published in 1987.



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Wild Cards: Aces High is set in London in 1945, during the final days of World War II. The novel follows the lives of a group of people who have been given superpowers by the alien virus. These people, known as Aces, are both feared and admired by the public. They must use their powers to fight evil and protect the innocent.

Wild Cards: Aces High is a thrilling and action-packed novel that will appeal to fans of superhero fantasy and alternate history.

#### Characters

The British Arc features a cast of complex and well-developed characters. Some of the most notable characters include:

- John Fortune: A young man who is given the power to control luck.
- Jenny Everywhere: A young woman who can travel through time and space.
- Black Trump: A powerful and enigmatic Ace who is feared by both the Aces and the public.
- Lord Baltimore: A centuries-old vampire who is the leader of the British Aces.
- The Great and Powerful Turtle: A talking turtle who is the wise old man of the British Aces.

#### **Themes**

Wild Cards: Aces High explores a number of important themes, including:

- The nature of good and evil
- The power of hope
- The importance of sacrifice
- The cost of power

#### **Reviews**

Wild Cards: Aces High has received rave reviews from critics and readers alike. Here are a few excerpts:



""Wild Cards: Aces High is a thrilling and action-packed novel that will appeal to fans of superhero fantasy and alternate history." - Publishers Weekly"



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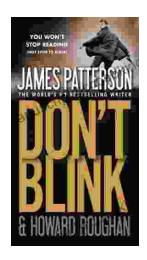


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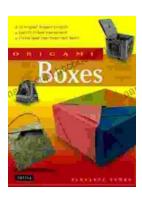
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