

Building Services Engineering David V Chadderton

Engineering services present a significant cost in terms of the installation cost, the energy consumed and the maintenance, repair and upgrading of the systems. It is therefore important that construction professionals have a good understanding of the basics and applications of building services engineering. This thoroughly up-dated fourth edition of David Chadderton's text provides study materials in the fields of construction, architectural, surveying and energy engineering. In particular, the chapters on The Built Environment and Energy Economics benefit from the author's recent industrial work. Additional material, including further questions, interactive calculations, simple PowerPoint material and links to related websites, are available on the author's website. David is a Chartered Professional Engineer with the Institution of Engineers Australia, a Chartered Building Services Engineer with the Engineering Council in the UK, through the Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers, and a Member of the Australian Institute of Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and Heating. Since November 2001, David he has been Director of his own company, Eteq Pty Ltd. specializing in the designing and implementation of energy saving projects in commercial, health care, university and manufacturing buildings.

Tet, 1968. That was the Vietnam War's D Day, Battle of the Bulge, Iwo Jima, Crossing of the Rhine. In a series of battles in all parts of the country, condensed mostly in a three day span - although a few fights (Khe Sanh, Hue City) lasted longer - the Viet Cong were effectively destroyed as a fighting entity, and the North Vietnamese Army was severely damaged. Tet, 1968 was also when the United States lost the Vietnam War. In THE SQUAD one fourteen man US Marine Corps rifle squad led by Sergeant George Bingham is in a routine ambush outside a remote fire base in northern I Corps, close to the Demilitarized Zone between North and South Vietnam. This is the night before a scheduled cease fire for the Tet holiday; they don't expect any problems. When their fire base is unexpectedly hit by a superior force of North Vietnamese, the squad loses communication, and the Marines on the fire base are driven back. Unfortunately, the loss of communications means the squad doesn't get the word to pull out of their ambush and rejoin the rest of their company for the withdrawal. Their failure to rejoin their company leaves the other Marines thinking they were found and wiped out by the North Vietnamese. Morning finds the fourteen Marines not dead or even wounded, but alone deep behind North Vietnamese lines. Without knowing what's going on, or where friendly units are, Sergeant Bingham and his Marines must find a way to evade contact with the thousands of enemy soldiers, and reconnect with other Marines. Complicating matters, they started out with only enough supplies on the ambush to last overnight. Who are these Marines? How do they relate to each other? In order to tell their story properly, LtCol R. W. Thoreau, the fictional narrator whose After Action Reports and historical analysis are spread throughout the novel, begins the story on March 9, 1965, the day Bingham learns of the Marine landing at Da Nang, which was the beginning of the American ground war in Vietnam. Bingham drops out of college at the end of the term and enlists in the Marines. The members of this squad, as is the case in all squads, have strong friendships - as well as conflicts among the Marines. Killian knows all about vampires and aliens. They're not real. But when a handsome swimmer climbs into her storm-tossed boat an hour from her summer destination, the worlds of fantasy and reality suddenly collide... Cuttlelea Island has no mall, no social scene, and no action. But it does have a mysterious stone tower, ageless islanders, and a secret as astonishing as a mermaid's tale... Before the summer is through, Killian will find the truth of her family's past...and the role she is destined to play in a centuries-old curse.

Aquaponics is a method of growing fish and vegetables in a simple recirculating system. This book is designed and written to provide basic

information and direction for people interested in building a backyard aquaponics system. It is NOT a "how-to" manual listing parts and with step-by-step procedures, but it's more like a conversation that you might have with a good friend about how he built his system. It is written to be easily understandable and includes lots of pictures and graphics. NOTE: This 5.5"x8.5" version contains the same information as the first edition however the physical size has been substantially reduced.

Traditional beliefs about meeting goals are fundamentally flawed. Goal setting tactics assume goals are measurable, achieved, and final-all attributes that describe objectives, not goals. Unlike objectives, which are by their very nature self-contained, goals are immeasurable. A goal is realized, not achieved, and must be maintained to remain successful. What good is the goal of losing weight if you don't keep the weight off? Losing twenty pounds is an objective. Keeping that twenty pounds from returning is a goal, which must be maintained to remain a success. In *Three Your Life*, entrepreneur and accidental expatriate David R. Sanders applies this important distinction between goals and objectives. Beginning with attitude, outlook, and perception, Sanders builds a solid foundation on which to effect major life changes. Learn to differentiate between needs, wants, and desires-and discover how focusing on desires causes everything else to fall into place. To realize desires, Sanders reevaluates conventional thinking on prioritizing tasks, using a three-part daily structure that ensures you're working toward a productive and fulfilling life. A fresh new approach to goal setting, *Three Your Life* offers the opportunity to realize your goals, achieve your objectives, and understand the difference between the two.

Often management is the art of making strategic and tactical decisions with a total lack of objective information. How often do we wish for a crystal ball that would let us see how decisions today will play out in the future? Unfortunately it is not yet possible to predict the future, but it is possible to generate objective criteria to help make today's decisions. While simulation has been around for decades, recent advances have made it much more accessible and useful in our daily world. The software is now less expensive and easier to learn and use. And the flexibility and accuracy have dramatically improved. But most important, modern tools allow you to solve problems much faster than ever before – making those solutions timelier and less costly, and letting you reap the benefits quickly. We invite you to learn about simulation and its potential to improve your business. Then perhaps use this book as a companion to the free software download to start building models on your first day. After completing this introduction, you can continue your learning by taking advantage of the free video training available on the Simio web site or via the Support ribbon on the downloaded software.

The Bible's story of creation in Genesis names Adam as the first human in history. His story with Eve in the Garden of Eden is widely known-but what if he actually played a larger part in the story of humanity? In *The Gospel of Adam*, David L. Bishop takes well-known stories and characters from history and presents them through the eyes of Adam, as though he were living throughout all time on a mission to restore fallen humanity to a place worthy of returning to perfection. Following Adam through his profound interactions with Noah, King David, Jesus of Nazareth, and even Adolf Hitler, this book shows how Adam struggles not only with his mission to help humanity but also his own internal doubts as a man of faith. In the vein of works like *The Da Vinci Code* and *The Last Templar*, Bishop's *The Gospel of Adam* weaves history, philosophy, religion, and politics throughout a thought-provoking first-person narrative that both challenges and inspires the reader to consider what it really means to be human.

A public square bombing in Yemen and shipment of rockets from North America only randomly connect university researcher Arthur Crawford and Washington anti-terrorism expert Myron Klass. But coincidence is quickly overshadowed by reality when a Spaniard known as the most thoughtful of arms dealers has ambitions to devastate the US. Strap yourself in as former Canadian Member of Parliament Dr. David C.

Walker boldly weaves together their lives and stories in *Wild World*, the first in a series of political mysteries novels that is sure to make you question what you've been told and what you need to know.

You're making a difference Your purchase of this book helps benefit cancer research. Read below for more details. "Rags to riches to rags" - that saying has endured for centuries through many cultures because family success, whether fame, fortune, or otherwise, rarely survives through the third generation. In the United States, only 30 percent of family businesses make it through the second generation, while only 12 percent make it through the third. "You Can't Spend Pride" tells the story of one family business, Mister Kleen, that has defied the odds. Not only are three generations of the family working in the company, but Mister Kleen has grown to be a multi-million-dollar operation that ranks among the top 10 percent of businesses in its industry. Narrated as a first-person account by the co-founder, Mary Ann Clark, and her son and current company president, Ernie Clark Jr., "You Can't Spend Pride" tells the improbable story of how the family built their business from cleaning one client's office in the evenings to maintaining millions of square feet of high-security and commercial space throughout the Washington, D.C. area. And success certainly didn't happen overnight. The family fought through financial challenges, health issues, and many bad economic times over the course of decades to get the business on solid ground-now employing more than 400 people. "You Can't Spend Pride" is a must-read for anyone looking to start their own company, having difficulty growing their current company, and most certainly for anyone running a family business. Filled with stories and solid entrepreneurial advice, you'll find yourself immersed in the inspirational history of Mister Kleen as it rises from a home-based business in 1976 to the trusted leader in high-security and commercial cleaning in the Nation's Capital. All proceeds from the sale of this book go to the Cancer Research Institute For a minimum of one year, beginning May 20, 2014, Mister Kleen will donate to the Cancer Research Institute 100 percent of the proceeds (\$3.53 for each paperback copy, \$2.40 for each Kindle copy) of "You Can't Spend Pride" sold on Amazon.com. Your purchase of this book is making a difference by providing funding to one of the most significant organizations in the fight against cancer. The Cancer Research Institute (CRI) is the world's only nonprofit organization dedicated exclusively to harnessing the immune system's power to conquer all cancers. This important work has led to a promising new class of cancer treatments called cancer immunotherapy. These treatments mobilize, strengthen, and sustain the immune system's natural ability to destroy cancer cells, wherever they are in the body. CRI awards research grants and fellowships to support scientists at leading research universities and clinics around the world. To accomplish this, CRI relies on generous support from individuals, corporations, and foundations who have a desire to become partners in their effort to conquer cancer through immunology. Learn more at CancerResearch.org.

"Me and E: A Baseball Odyssey is a reflection on parenting a highly skilled, nationally-ranked and difficult baseball prodigy, told through the author's eyes as he witnessed and participated in the successes and failures of his son playing baseball and growing up in Central Florida. It deals with the changing world of competitive youth sports, over-involved parents, fanatical coaches, the hypocrisies inherent in high school athletics, the college recruiting process and how we teach our kids to grow up and become decent human beings - despite ourselves. It involves well-known sports figures as well as local sports icons with traits and characteristics that everyone will recognize. It's a book about flawed parenting, about living vicariously through a gifted child and learning, finally, that being a good father is as much about letting go as it is about being there. Call it Moneyball meets Everything I Know I Learned in Kindergarten.

Several years had passed since Hotdog Man had perished by the hands of General Gouda, the world went back to an era of peace and tranquility. During this time, Hotdog Man was in another dimension, a world of the spirits, where he was in a war with the demonic Dr.

Mustard and his army of ghost soldiers. Meanwhile, in the land of the living, Hotdog Jr, had grown up into a mild manner teenager. The Eyno Gems had been destroyed, leaving our heroes unable to access their incredible powers. Spice Town didn't have evil terrorizing them anymore, the residents had nothing to fear, but soon that would change. As the wicked Master Mizuna had grown up despising what had happened to his Uncle, Dr. Mustard, now with his army of minions, he was ready for revenge.

DAVID EPPELHEIMER taught in several Central American and Caribbean countries, and in Coopersville Schools in Michigan from 1997 until his retirement in 2010. In his classroom he always posted this sign: "Do You Remember Kindergarten? Those Who Enter Here, Will." "How fortunate I have been," he writes. "And to think, it is all just icing on the cake."

Pulled from a wide variety of inspirational moments, Table Scraps is a compilation of poems that captures the heartache, hope, and imagination of author William D. Shumate's journey through life. Whether it's the love of a beautiful woman, the grief of losing a parent, or the simple joy of walking by a sea at night, these poems speak to the common human condition and remind us that we are all in this together. With subheadings like "Heartache Hope & Understanding," "The Aftermath and Gradual Recovery," "Learning to Live Again," "Love," and "Daughters," these lyrical verses capture the ordinary moments in life, as well as the most painful ones, using rich metaphors to speak to the larger issues we all face. But despite the occasional dark subject matter, these poems are woven together with the common theme that life's trials can be overcome with faith, hope, and love. Filled with beautiful imagery, heart-wrenching honesty, and sobering insights, this collection is sure to bring a smile, a tear...and the reminder that love should be cherished every day.

A girl on modern Earth and a boy from another world are thrown into a fight for their lives, only to discover they may both be connected to events in the distant past more epic than either can imagine. Welcome to the 5-book Star Angel pentalogy. --- Book 5: Jess has uncovered a stunning reality. A truth that's been there all along, revealed. It's a discovery that shakes her to the core. But she's on the move, no time to pause, still so far from her objective, and the next stop on this long road may be right back where she started. For there's a reason she ended up where she did, and it has little to do with chance, everything to do with her own, hidden determinism; a buried impulse, shaping events beyond her current awareness, all of it leading to the realization of an even greater legacy. The conclusion to a quest spanning so much more than the short time she thought she'd been on it. And so two journeys are about to come to a close. One that began with the arrival of Zac; intense, filled with epic events. Another that began a thousand years before, equally epic, the inception of it all. Two incredible journeys, both racing toward the same world-shattering conclusion. Both journeys hers.

"Jump on the Bump" is one in a series of picture books for young children. It focuses on a specific set of sounds and letter combinations while telling a funny story. In the book, two children find a new way to play in the forest, but to their surprise, the object of their amusement turns out to be something much bigger and meaner looking. Young readers will love the colorful pictures as they read to find out how the two kids deal with a difficult situation.

A small town is haunted by a crime from 15 years ago. Not one suspect was ever brought to justice. But now, 15 years later, when likely suspects seem to be disappearing from tragic events, the town's down-and-out fire chief may know more than he's letting on. David, the alcoholic fire chief, has had too many things go wrong in his life and has nothing left to live for. Brian Grace lost his daughter 15 years ago and has looked for her ever since. His bodyguard, Jason, is a tough character that likes to control his surroundings and protect his employer. Kelly, the detective, is an attractive woman and finds herself getting more involved with the case than anyone could have predicted. And, there is Chad and his three friends; a tough and nasty group of old school mates that cause trouble wherever they turn up. What could

possibly be happening in this small town, and is it even connected to a girl's disappearance 15 long years ago?

What are the things that you can see at the construction site? These are the small items that workers use to build buildings. It's interesting to note that knowledge of these tools might lead to a general understanding of how buildings are created. Doesn't this the perfect book to introduce your child to the world of engineering? Grab a copy t

Building Services, Technology and Design provides a concise guide to the installation and design of principal services in domestic and commercial buildings. It covers the level 2 module of The CIOB's Education Framework and is officially sanctioned by the CIOB as the recognised text for that module. The book combines theory, design and application in one volume and is supported throughout with illustrations, design examples, tables and charts. Services covered include: cold and hot water; heating; ventilation; air conditioning; gas; electricity; security; fire control; sanitation; drainage and transport systems. Building Services, Technology and Design is a core text for the CIOB level 2 module, as well as BTEC HNC/D building studies and degree courses in building. It is also an essential reference for all members of the facilities management and construction industry.

This is a memoir presented in an anthological - like format; in other words, a collection of short stories, on the life of the author. It starts when he was growing up in the Philippine countryside of Ilocos Sur province. Just like a normal kid, he played with his friends, did crazy things, went to school and moved to Manila, for his college education. He got married while in fifth year college, but still graduated on time. This book relates his struggles, failures, as well as successes, including his coming to America. Searching for the American Dream was no picnic either, but with perseverance, he achieved some of them in modest ways. Foreigners planning to immigrate to the great ol' USA could get glimpses, on what it takes, to come and live in America.

If you're currently an engineer and have been offered a management job at a startup, this book is for you! If you're an engineer wondering what your manager is supposed to do for you, this book is for you as well! Drawing from the author's experience as an engineer and manager, this book explains: When to consider doing management work. How to put together a team. What to consider when interacting with engineers. How to hire top engineers for your startup. How to pick engineering leaders. How to define processes and a process cookbook. When you don't need a process. How to report to your managers. How compensation systems and promotion systems work, and when they fail. Foreword by Harper Reed. This kind of books are nowhere to be found...as an engineer probing in the dark for "what's next" I have looked very hard for career guidance for the past few years, and yours are the only books to give enlightenment. --- Cindy Zhou Whether experienced or aspiring, this book will be a great manual to help understand and be successful at this mysterious craft. --- Harper Reed, from the Foreword.

Updated and expanded, this core textbook introduces the range of building services found within modern buildings. In this fifth edition coverage has been broadened as a response to the trend towards low energy mechanical services systems for the heating and cooling of buildings. New chapters have been included on mechanical transportation and on understanding units. Now accompanied by a new instructor's resource, it is extensively illustrated with fully worked examples of all numerical problems and student-centred problems, complemented by full answers. Suitable for distance learning and with a broad international applicability, Building Services Engineering provides for the higher education of building industry professionals, whether on higher certificate, higher diploma, undergraduate courses or graduate level conversion courses, across the building technology, architectural, surveying and services engineering disciplines. This edition of David Chadderton's text provides study materials in the fields of construction, architectural, surveying and energy engineering.

This text is a versatile, user-friendly tool for design calculations. It aims to fill the gap between manual calculation methods using a calculator and dedicated software costing thousands of pounds.

Phillips was born in Madison, Indiana. After graduating high school Phillips entered Asbury College following which he degreed from College of New Jersey in 1887. After completing his education, Phillips worked as a newspaper reporter in Cincinnati, Ohio before moving on to New York City where he was employed as a columnist and editor with the New York World until 1902. In his spare time, he wrote a novel, The Great God Success that was published in 1901. The book sold well enough that his royalty income was sufficient enough to allow him to work as a freelance journalist while dedicating himself to writing fiction. Writing articles for various prominent magazines, he began to develop a reputation as a competent investigative journalist. Considered a progressive, Phillips' novels often commented on social issues of the day and frequently chronicled events based on his real-life journalistic experiences.

Building Services Engineering Spreadsheets is a versatile, user friendly tool for design calculations. Spreadsheet application software is readily understandable since each formula is readable in the location where it is used. Each step in the development of these engineering solutions is fully explained. The book provides study material in building services engineering and will be valuable both to the student and to the practising engineer. It deals with spreadsheet use, thermal transmittance, building heat loss and heat gain, combustion analysis, fan selection, air duct design, water pipe sizing, lumen lighting design, electrical cable sizing, at a suitable level for practical design work. Commercially available software, while very powerful and comprehensive, does not allow the user any facility to look into the coded instructions. The user has to rely upon the supplier for explanation, updates and corrections. The advantage that the spreadsheet applications provided with the book have over purchased dedicated software, is that the user can inspect everything that the program undertakes. Parts of the worksheets can be copied to other cells in order to

expand the size of each worksheet. Experienced spreadsheet operators can edit the cells to change the way in which data and calculations are used, and with guidance from the explanatory, build their own applications.

This expanded edition of David Chadderton's Air Conditioning is a textbook for undergraduate courses in building services and environmental engineering, and for BTEC continuing education diploma, higher national diploma and certificate courses in building services engineering. It will also be of considerable help to students on national certificate and diploma programmes. The book includes a new chapter on application of fans to airduct systems.

Building Services Design Methodology clearly sets out and defines the building services design process from concept to post-construction phase. By providing a step-by-step methodology for students and practitioners of service engineering, the book will encourage improved efficiency (both in environmental terms and in terms of profit enhancement) through better project management. Generic advice and guidance is set in the current legal and contractual context, ensuring that this will be required reading for professionals. The book's practical style is reinforced by a number of case studies.

'Engineering padicha nalla future – If you study engineering, you will have a good future.' This is a claim often repeated to children and teenagers by parents and teachers in many parts of India. But only those who have gone through an engineering college life know that it's not completely true. There is a difference between calling yourself as an engineering graduate and an engineer. India produces millions of engineering graduates like you and me but only very few of us are actual engineers. Many of us just graduate with an engineering degree, with an artistic dream in mind. What do you think is the difference between engineers in many countries around the world and engineers from India? In other countries, if David Pascal studied electrical engineering in college, few years later you can find him working as an electrical engineer. In India, if Ram Krishnamurthy studied electrical engineering, few years later you can find him working in a completely irrelevant field like software coding, banking, photography and even movie directing. This book is not about the few engineering students in your class who love engineering. I don't hate them. In fact, I am very jealous that they study what they love. This book is about the majority of engineering graduates whose lives are wasted in engineering and is intended to tell you why you should make an attempt in pursuing your real passion, instead of being suffocated under the weight of an engineering degree. This is a story of India's Youth. Welcome to India, the land of Wasted Engineers.

Engineering services within buildings can account for up to forty per cent of the original cost. The energy-using systems that service the building are a significant expense for the building owner in terms of the installed cost, the energy consumed during the forty years, or more, and in the maintenance, repair and upgrading of the systems and plant. This book provides study material in the construction, architectural, surveying and energy engineering subject areas ; it is also suitable for distance learning.

Whether in freezing arctic tundra or blazing deserts, human beings have been figuring out how to adapt to hostile environments for centuries. New challenges emerge, however, as we venture to places where we are truly unable to exist without technology. When it comes to surviving underwater, a thorough knowledge of human physiology must be combined with a firm grasp of engineering

principles, and Life Support Systems Design provides the student with an extensive grounding in both. A reference text for any beginning life support systems engineer, it also serves as a refresher course for more experienced divers. The text particularly emphasizes the effects of hyperbaric exposures on the diver's ability to function, but it also explores underwater physics, including the transport of light, heat, and gases, in detail. It reviews the practical technological aspects of life support system engineering, such as gas storage and delivery systems, and environmental control design. Finally, once the textbook has been absorbed, the authors encourage the student to design a life support system for a specified application. Armed with the knowledge gained from Life Support Systems Design, it seems like a project any student would ace.

RISA-3D (Rapid Interactive Structural Analysis) is used for structural analysis and design. The tools in RISA-3D are primarily used in structural engineering and they help users to design structural models using both parametric 3D modeling and 2D drafting elements. The RISA-3D model comprise of a physical representation of a structure. The structural modeling in RISA-3D can be used for structural designing and analysis application. The Exploring RISA-3D 14.0 book explains the concepts and principles of RISA-3D through practical examples, tutorials, and exercises. This enables the users to harness the power of structural designing with RISA-3D for their specific use. In this book, the author emphasizes on physical modeling, structural desining, creating load cases, specifying boundary conditions, preparation of project report. This book covers the various stages involved in analyzing. This book is specially meant for professionals and students in structural engineering, civil engineering, and allied fields in the building industry. Salient Features Detailed explanation of RISA-3D Real-world projects given as tutorials Tips and Notes throughout the textbook 200 pages of heavily illustrated text Self-Evaluation Tests, Review Questions, and Exercises at the end of the chapters Table of Contents Chapter 1: Introduction to RISA-3D Chapter 2: Getting Start with RISA-3D Chapter 3: Modeling Chapter 4: Loads Chapter 5: Boundary Conditions Chapter 6: Performing Analysis and Specifying Design Parameters Chapter 7: Viewing Results and Preparing Report Index

This book is about the fundamentals of live sound engineering and is intended to supplement the curriculum for the online classes at the Production Institute (www.productioninstitute.com/students). Nonetheless, it will be invaluable for beginning sound engineers and technicians anywhere who seek to expand their knowledge of sound reinforcement on their own. Written with beginners and novices in churches and convention centers in mind, this book starts by teaching you professional terminology and the processes of creating production related documents used to communicate with other sound engineers, vendors and venues. Subjects such as Signal Path and AC (alternating current) power safety and distribution are closely examined. These two subjects are closely related to the buzzing, humming and other noise related phenomena that often plague sound reinforcement systems. Chapters include an in-depth review of both analog and digital mixing consoles, their differences and similarities, and the gain structure fundamentals associated with the proper operation of either type of mixing console. Audio dynamic processors such as compressors, limiters and noise gates and their operation are explained in detail. Audio effects like delay and reverb are examined so that you can learn the basics of "sweetening" the mix to create larger and more emotive soundscapes and achieve studio-like

outcomes in a live sound environment. Advanced mixing techniques, workflow, and the conventional wisdom used by professional audio engineers are explained so you don't have to spend years trying to figure out how these processes are achieved. Last but not least, a comprehensive review of acoustic feedback, and how to eliminate it from stage monitors and main speaker systems are detailed in a step by step process. This book will be especially helpful to volunteer audio techs in houses of worship, convention centers and venues of all types. It will bridge the gap between the on-the-job training that beginners receive and the knowledge and conventional wisdom that professional sound engineers employ in their daily routine.

This book provides a comprehensive, systematic overview of original theoretical, experimental, and numerical studies in the building services engineering domain. It brings together different strands of the topic, guided by the two key features of energy savings and reduction of the pollutant emissions. Technical, economic, and energy efficiency aspects related to the design, modelling, optimisation, and operation of diverse building services systems are explored. This book includes various theoretical studies, numerical and optimisation models, experiments, and applications in this field, giving an emphasis to: indoor environment quality assurance; energy analysis, modelling, and optimisation of heating systems; improving the energy performance of refrigeration and air-conditioning systems; valorising the solar and geothermal energies; analysis of thermal energy storage technologies; hydraulic simulation and optimisation of water distribution systems; and improving the energy efficiency of water pumping. With 11 pedagogically structured chapters, containing numerous illustrations, tables, and examples, this book provides researchers, lecturers, engineers, and graduate students with a thorough guide to building service engineering.

The Dalai Lama is caught in transit between lives. His soul finally lands in the body of one Gail Rachel Pomerantz. Game plan is Gail Rachel marries, conceives, and her first son inherits the Dalai Lama's soul. Only problem is that at the moment, Gail Rachel Pomerantz, rescued at the point of death from a near fatal car accident, is hanging suspended in a liquid nitrogen cryo-freeze tank. Enter Victor Rand. Rand, a cryo-technician of Tibetan descent, is given a Holy Mission: to thaw and resuscitate Gail Rachel, so that the next incarnation of His Holiness the Dalai, may arrive. Victor, a latter-day Quixote, does this...and falls in love with Gail Rachel. They marry but do not live happily ever after. Rand can't stand her Follow this madcap steeplechase, this excoriation of marriage, love, and romance, in the unlikely company of Victor Rand, Tristan Tzara, Aleister Crowley, and Dutch Schultz (just to name a few).

THE CALLING is a concept poem-book, at once scintillating and inspiring. The stars speak to us. What do they say?

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