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Beacon 23: The Complete Novel





Synopsis

[This work contains the five Beacon 23 stories, originally released in serialized form. The full novel costs 4 cents more than the set of five stories, but saves you 4 extra clicks of the mouse. I hope you enjoy.]For centuries, men and women have manned lighthouses to ensure the safe passage of ships. It is a lonely job, and a thankless one for the most part. Until something goes wrong. Until a ship is in distress. In the 23rd century, this job has moved into outer space. A network of beacons allows ships to travel across the Milky Way at many times the speed of light. These beacons are built to be robust. They never break down. They never fail. At least, they aren't supposed to.

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4.5 out of 5So far at the edge of Sector 8 (so far out that it should be Sector 9) sits Beacon 23. Each beacon has a â œkeeperâ • in them to make sure that if anything goes wrong it can be fixed quickly. This is where we meet Digger. He is alone at the edge of space with just his thoughts and memories. Follow five stories (that were originally posted as serial fiction). I have to start the â œmy

thoughtsâ • part of this review out admitting that I am a Howey fan even though I never finished Wool (I started reading it during a dark period in my life and couldnâ ™t bring myself to finish it). After reading this, I remember why I liked Howeyâ ™s stories so much. The character development is great. The point of view was drastic, but in a good and heartbreaking way. The story revolves around a former war â œheroâ • who has requested to be the keeper of a Beacon way out on the edges of space for NASA. Throughout the story you find out bits and pieces of the story as to why he is considered a hero, why he doesnâ ™t think that he is, and exactly what happened to him on that day. His aloneness reminded me of The Martian. His humor reminded me a bit of Watney from The Martian too, but this was a totally different story. The story took a dark turn and weaved in serious mental issues (like PTSD and severe anxiety) in with humor that would have me one minute almost in tears and the next clutching my stomach and laughing. The story is dark and tragic, but I am really glad that I read it. I really felt like I knew Digger by the end. Iâ ™m also glad that I didnâ ™t read this as the different â œepisodesâ • came out. Only because I would have wanted to whole story, not just bits and pieces of it.

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