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BOOK RESUME: READY PLAYER ONE

BOOK SYNOPSIS

In the year 2045, reality is an ugly place. The only time Wade Watts really feels alive is when he's jacked into the OASIS, a vast virtual world where most of humanity spends their days.

When the eccentric creator of the OASIS dies, he leaves behind a series of fiendish puzzles, based on his obsession with the pop culture of decades past. Whoever is first to solve them will inherit his vast fortune—and control of the OASIS itself.

Then Wade cracks the first clue. Suddenly he's beset by rivals who'll kill to take this prize. The race is on—and the only way to survive is to win.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

"Ridiculously fun and large-hearted . . . Cline is that rare writer who can translate his own dorky enthusiasms into prose that's both hilarious and compassionate."
—NPR

"Delightful . . . the grown-up's Harry Potter." —*HuffPost*

"An addictive read . . . part intergalactic scavenger hunt, part romance, and all heart." —CNN

"Enchanting . . . *Willy Wonka meets The Matrix.*" —*USA Today*

"A most excellent ride . . . Cline stuffs his novel with a cornucopia of pop culture, as if to wink to the reader." —*Boston Globe*

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- Winner of a 2012 American Library Association Alex Award
- *A School Library Journal* "Best Adult Book 4 Teens"
- Named One of the Best Books of the Year by: *Entertainment Weekly*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Village Voice*, *Chicago Sun-Times*, and more

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