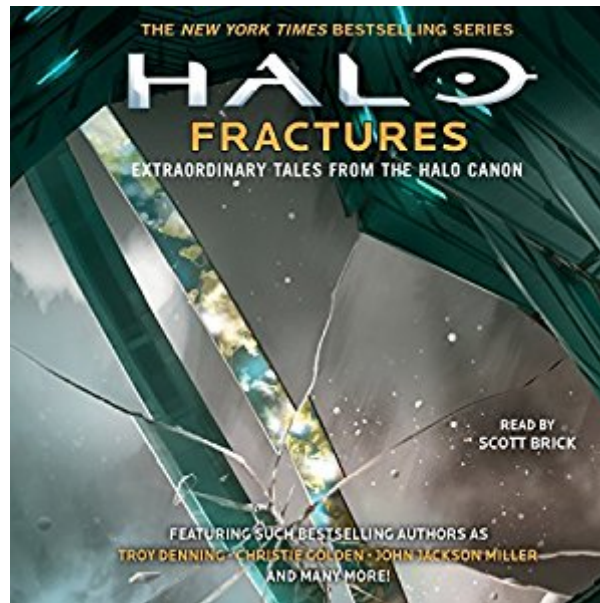


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Synopsis

Launch once more into galaxy-spanning conflict and legendary heroism, shards of an ever-expanding journey where human and alien alike find their finest hours in facing their greatest challenges. These scattered stories span untold millennia, from the age of the ancient custodial race known as the Forerunners to the aftermath of the Covenant's bloody war against humanity and even the shocking events surrounding the resurrection of the mysterious Guardians. *Fractures: Extraordinary Tales from the Halo Canon* explores mythic tales of bravery and sacrifice that blaze brightly at the very heart of the Halo universe. Featuring electrifying works from such acclaimed authors as Tobias Buckell, Troy Denning, Matt Forbeck, Kelly Gay, Christie Golden, Kevin Grace, Morgan Lockhart, John Jackson Miller, Frank O'Connor, Brian Reed, Joseph Staten, and James Swallow.

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Customer Reviews

Originally I purchased the larger sized paperback novel but I went back and purchased the Kindle version as I could not read the paperback version because the print size was too small. The book is OK, it is a collection of proposed short stories. Some of them are good and some of them are weak or even not good. I noticed that several are just chapters out of other Halo books that I already own. That means that they end abruptly with no real close because they are part of a larger book and you are just reading a short chapter of the original story. I found that disappointing as it made this book seem to be a promotion book trying to sell you other complete books. Had I known that I probably

would not have spent as much money buying two versions of this book. I have listed the stories below with my personal rating for each story. Many of the stories just ended poorly and they totally leave you hanging. Some of the stories are really well written and I wish they could have been longer. Overall I like the book because I am a Halo fan and I have read almost all of the books that are available. I rate the overall book 4 stars and if you are a Halo fan you should get it for your collection. Just be aware that you are getting some good items and some that are not so good.

Lessons Learned 3 stars
 What Remains 2 stars
 Breaking Strain 5 stars
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 Shadow of Intent 5 stars
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 Defender of the Storm 4 stars
 A Necessary Truth 5 stars
 Into the Fire 5 stars
 Saint-Michael's Testimony 3 stars
 Rossbach's World 4 stars
 Oasis 5 stars
 Anarosa 4 stars
 Untitled short story 4 stars

There are thirteen short-stories present in this novel that span across the timeline of the entire Halo universe. Most of the stories are around 30-40 pages, with a couple being around 15-20 and one spanning almost 100 pages in length. Each story takes place at a different time of the Halo universe, ranging from the end of recorded Forerunner history up to the events of "Halo 5: Guardians". A lot of the stories are continuations or act as sequels to past Halo stories.

1. We get to see what Spartan-III survivors Tom and Lucy are up to after their rescue from Onyx after the events of "Halo: Glasslands".
2. There's a story that takes place on Meridian following the Guardian awakening and escaping after the events in Halo 5.
3. There's a story about Bornstellar after the firing of the Halo array.
4. There's a story about Veta Lopis and the Spartan-III's Mark, Ash, and Olivia after the events of "Halo: Last Light".
5. There's a story taking place on Venezia following the events of the Kilo-Five trilogy.
6. One of the more surprising stories included is "Shadow of Intent", which is the entire short-story starring Rtas 'Vadum, the Half-Jaw Elite, who fought alongside the Master Chief and Arbiter during the final days of the Covenant War (Halo 3). This story was only ever released digitally up until now, and so is a very nice inclusion in this novel.

Among other great stories that span across the events of Halo 2, Halo 3, Halo 4, and Halo 5: Guardians. Fans of Halo lore should give this book a try. Because it is all short-stories, it is very easy to pickup and read, and expands upon a lot of the things we have learned about from prior novels and Halo events.

I like the way that before each story you are told the time it is taking place. There is a really good mix of old and new. After reading different opinions about how the domain could still exist, I now know the real reason. There are two selections that were previously released as digital only. So, I like now having them in print. The poem is connected to Frank O'Connor's cameo in the video

series 'Forward Unto Dawn'.

Another great collection of stories surrounding the Halo fiction. This novel is pivotal as it answers lots of questions that have been needed answering ever since Halo 4. It is definitely a must read for any Halo fiction readers.

A great collection of stories that build the Halo universe for the reader. Several stories reference other Halo books and in my opinion, those should be read first. It is because of those references that I feel this is a great book, because it builds on other stories.

I got this for my 13 year old son and he loves it. He is being reading it as part as a sci-fi genere book for school. Of Corse, you need to know the game and the story line to like this kind of book.

if you're like me and you both a) love the Halo lore and b) love short stories, then this book is for you. I really like how 343 is taking the Marvel approach of connecting everything, from books to comics to video game. it rally feels like they put a lot of thought into it

Much of the book is a collection of short stories from around the Halo Universe. All of them are enjoyable, and interesting. Also important to note some of the stories are endings to some stories, such as the aftermath of the Forerunner war with the flood, the future of Tom and Lucy, the events after the fall of High Charity, etc.I saw it is must read for any Halo fan.

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