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Chris Adrian, Eli Horowitz : The New World: A Novel before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The New World: A Novel:

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Jorie has just received some terrible news. A phone full of missed calls and sympathetic text messages seems to indicate that her husband, Jim, a chaplain at the hospital where she works as a surgeon, is dead. Only, not quite--rather, his head has been removed from his body and cryogenically frozen. Jim awakes to find himself in an altogether unique situation, to say the least: his body gone but his consciousness alive, his only companion a mysterious disembodied

voice. In this surreal and unexpectedly moving work, Chris Adrian and Eli Horowitz spin a tale of loss and adjustment, death and reawakening. Simultaneously fabulist and achingly human, *The New World* finds Jorie grieving the husband she knew while Jim wrestles with the meaning of life after death. Conceived in collaboration with Atavist Books, *The New World* investigates the meaning of love and loss in the digital era.

“Even to describe this book feels like blasphemy but I promise you’ll exit agog, overjoyed, transformed.”
“Karen Russell, author of *Swamplandia!* and *Sleep Donation*”
“Jane and Jim have such basic human desires—they want to live, they want to be good—and *The New World* tracks how these basic pursuits can so quickly turn absurd, sad, and unforeseeably strange. It’s a wild and fun book, yes, and also a precipitously imaginative and intelligent one. But maybe most importantly, its humor is profound and seems to come from the heart of an angel.”
“Rivka Galchen, author of *American Innovations*”
“I literally couldn’t be a bigger fan of Chris Adrian’s uniquely compassionate and wildly inventive voice. In *The New World*, Adrian pairs with Eli Horowitz to create a cryogenically intimate meditation on life and loss, and what it might mean to live forever.”
“Nathan Englander, *What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank*”
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