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*The Science of Discworld* Terry Pratchett, 2000

**The Science Of Discworld Revised Edition** Ian Stewart, Jack Cohen, Terry Pratchett, 2011-10-31 When a wizardly experiment goes adrift, the wizards of Unseen University find themselves with a pocket universe on their hands: Roundworld, where neither magic nor common sense seems to stand a chance against logic. The Universe, of course, is our own. And Roundworld is Earth. As the wizards watch their accidental creation grow, we follow the story of our universe from the primal singularity of the Big Bang to the Internet and beyond. Through this original Terry Pratchett story with intervening chapters from Cohen and Stewart, we discover how puny and insignificant individual lives are against a cosmic backdrop of creation and disaster. Yet paradoxically, we see how the richness of a universe based on rules has led to a complex world and at least one species that tried to get a grip of what was going on.

**"The" Science of Discworld** Terry Pratchett, Ian Stewart, Jack Cohen, 2002

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*The Globe* Terry Pratchett, Ian Stewart, Jack Cohen, 2015-01-20 Roundworld, aka Earth, is under

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University's wizards must once again save Roundworld Earth that is from an apocalyptic end. Ever since a wizardly experiment inadvertently brought about the creation of Roundworld, the wizard scholars of Unseen University have done their best to put things on the right course. In *Darwin's Watch*, they may face their greatest challenge yet. A man called Darwin has written a bestselling book called *The Theology of the Species*, and his theory of scientific design has been witlessly embraced by Victorian society. As a result, scientific progress has slowed to a crawl, and the wizards must find a way to change history back to the way it should have been. **DARWIN'S WATCH EXPLORES THE REVERBERATIONS** of major scientific advances on our planet and our culture, the dangers of obscurantism, and the theory of evolution as you have never seen it before. This brilliant addition to Pratchett's beloved Discworld series illustrates with great wit and wisdom how the laws of our universe truly are stranger than fiction. **The Science of Discworld** Terry Pratchett, Ian Stewart, Jack Sidney Cohen, 2003. The Globe weaves together a fast-paced Discworld novelette with cutting-edge scientific commentary on the evolution and development of the human mind, culture, language, art, and science. The result is an original view of the world we live in. *The Science of Discworld* Terry Pratchett, 2002. *The Science of Discworld III* Terry Pratchett, Ian Stewart, Jack Cohen, 2013-05-06. Roundworld is in trouble again, and this time it looks fatal. Having created it in the first place, the wizards of Unseen University feel vaguely responsible for its safety. They know the creatures who lived there escaped the impending Big Freeze by inventing the space elevator; they even intervened to rid the planet of a plague of elves who attempted to divert humanity onto a different time track. But now it's all gone wrong. Victorian England has stagnated, and the pace of progress would embarrass a limping snail. Unless something drastic is done, there won't be time for anyone to invent spaceflight, and the human race will be turned into ice pops. Why, though, did history come adrift? Was it Sir Arthur Nightingale's dismal book about natural selection? Or was it the devastating response by an obscure country vicar called Charles Darwin, whose bestselling *Theology of Species* made it impossible to refute the divine design of living creatures? Either way, it's no easy task to change history as the wizards discover to their cost. Can the God of Evolution come to humanity's aid and ensure Darwin writes a very different book? And who stopped him writing it in the first place? **The Science of Discworld**, 1999.

Judgment Day Terry Pratchett, 2016-01-26. The wizards of Unseen University are again called upon to defend their creation, Roundworld, this time in a courtroom where its very existence hangs in the balance. The Omnians fervently believe that the world is round, not flat, and view the discovery of Roundworld as a vindication of their faith. To leave this artifact in the hands of the wizards would be unacceptable. Not only do the academics hold that Discworld is flat, but by creating the Roundworld universe, they have elevated themselves to the level of gods. Ankh-Morpork's venerable tyrant Lord Vetinari agrees to a tribunal where the wizards Ridcully, Rincewind, and Ponder Stibbons can present their case, with key assistance from a Roundworld librarian named Marjorie Daw. **JUDGMENT DAY** weaves together explorations of such earthly topics as big science, creation, subatomic particles, the existence of dark matter, and the psychology of belief, a treat for Discworld fans.

and readers of popular science alike     Terry Pratchett Craig Cabell,2012-06-04 The extraordinary life story of one of the most beloved writers in the world including his courageous battle with Alzheimers With worldwide sales of more than 65 million copies in 37 languages Terry Pratchett s novels are eagerly awaited by his legions of fans year after year Featuring an in depth look at the man and his work as well as on screen adaptations and a collector s guide this is essential reading for any fan His first Discworld novel The Colour of Magic was released in 1983 and ever since then the series with its whimsical heroes and fiendish foes has delighted both young and old alike In 2007 Pratchett announced that he had been diagnosed with Alzheimer s disease He has courageously faced the disease head on equaling the determination of his characters in his vivid and satirical novels This book examines his extraordinary life showcased against the backdrop of more than 40 years of irreverent artistic achievements For devoted fans it features appendices of more than 60 pages listing Pratchett s works on screen and at the theatre a complete UK bibliography and collector s guide and a note about cats     Discworld and the Disciplines Anne Hiebert Alton,William C. Spruiell,Donald E. Palumbo,2014-05-02 This collection of new essays applies a wide range of critical frameworks to the analysis of prolific fantasy author Terry Pratchett s Discworld books Essays focus on topics such as Pratchett s treatment of noise and silence and their political implications art as an anodyne for racial conflict humor and cognitive debugging visual semiotics linguistic stylistics and readers perspectives of word choice and Derrida and the monstrous Regiment of Women The volume also includes an annotated bibliography of critical sources The essays provide fresh perspectives on Pratchett s work which has stealthily redefined both fantasy and humor for modern audiences

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