

### 1: John Dies at the End (John Dies at the End, #1) by David Wong

*"John Dies at the End," originally published on the Internet, then self-published in book form by David Wong, and apparently being republished in September by St. Martin's Press, is kind of like "Pride and Prejudice and Zombies," but with five fewer Bennet sisters and six dozen more dick jokes.*

Please help improve it by removing unnecessary details and making it more concise. December Learn how and when to remove this template message John and Dave, two perpetual slackers and long-time friends, encounter strange phenomena in an undisclosed small city in the Midwestern United States and gain a reputation for dealing with paranormal incidents. Dave meets with a reporter, Arnie, who works for a national magazine, to document the supernatural occurrences in the city. Dave recounts everything that lead up to their meeting. At the party, Dave finds a lost dog named Molly, and meets Robert Marley, a strange man pretending to be Jamaican, who performs seemingly impossible party tricks, along with distributing a drug called "Soy Sauce". After Dave and John part ways, John attends an after-party where he takes the drug. In the wee hours of the morning Dave receives a call from John who seems to be having a bad trip. Dave contemplates bringing John to a hospital. Amy fears Jim is dead after not returning from the party. Not knowing what else to do, and wanting to put the whole episode behind them, John and Dave return to their jobs at the video store. At work, Dave calls Father Shelnut, a priest at St. During the call he is bitten by the suddenly animate Soy Sauce. He hangs up the phone as Detective Lawrence Appleton walks in the door. Dave is brought to the police station and questioned by Detective Appleton, who is investigating bizarre, gruesome events that killed several people who attended the after-party. However, he is ambushed by Detective Appleton, who shoots Dave and sets the trailer on fire, having deduced the Soy Sauce is actively killing people around the town. High on the Soy Sauce, Dave inadvertently travels into the past to the moment the bullet he was shot with was manufactured and accidentally distracts the quality assurance employee. This leads to a poor quality bullet that ultimately fails to kill him in the present. Molly and John rescue him from the burning trailer. Along with Detective Appleton, Big Jim, and several people who were at the party, the group tries to track down the body of one of the Soy Sauce users, now possessed by multiple demonic entities, called "Shadow Men" - nihilistic, reality-warping ghosts who seek to control all dimensions and do so by utilizing the Soy Sauce, the essence of Shadow Men, and their powers, able to manipulate reality and time to their will and kill people to remove all traces of their existence. The Shadow Men possess or kill those who ingest the Soy Sauce - such as Appleton, who is killed en route. The Soy Sauce user appears and takes them all hostage. Albert Marconi, a noted expert on the supernatural, is having a conference on the paranormal. The Shadow Men plan on using the belief of those present to tear open a portal to another world, bringing in more of the Shadow Men. A massive battle breaks out, and Big Jim is killed in the process, but the group, with Dr. One year later, Dave and John are called in to help investigate the apparent death of a local sportscaster, Danny Wexler. He is alive, but possessed by Shadow Men. Despite nearly being possessed, Dave manages to exorcise Wexler. The next summer, Dave notices that someone is watching him through his television set. One winter night, he has an episode of missing time , around the same time Amy disappears. Dave, fearing he may have accidentally killed Amy, searches his house, and only finds what he is certain is a dead body in his toolshed. On the verge of a breakdown, Dave recovers when John calls him, having found Amy. Tracking the Shadow Men, John and Dave, with Molly and Amy in tow, find a hidden entrance in an abandoned mall, leading to a multi-dimensional bazaar. Fighting their way through strangely human guards, the two wind up in another dimension, where they are greeted by strange, masked cultists who call them "chosen ones". It turns out they were "chosen" by a massive, God-like, eldritch biological computer, Korrok, who commands the Shadow Men in a bid to conquer all possible universes for consumption and amusement via acts of mass genocide and torture. They are informed that through their use of the Soy Sauce, they are now the "chosen" vectors through which the Shadow Men will invade their world. Through knowledge granted through their use of the Soy Sauce, John and Dave built an incredibly explosive bomb prior to their journey into the mall, unwittingly hidden from the cultists by Molly, who ate it. Escaping their captors, the two flee with Molly just as the bomb

detonates. An incredulous Arnie refuses to believe Dave, even after being shown one of the monsters the Shadow Men summoned. Dave, after Arnie refers to himself as black, realizes Arnie is, in fact, a ghost modeled on how Dave imagined him to be, and reveals the real Arnie - dead in the trunk of his car. Arnie panics, and disappears. Sometime later, John and Dave find a portal to another dimension on their yard. Traveling through to a post-apocalypse world, a paramilitary organization tells them they are chosen ones who will save them. Annoyed, John and Dave leave, and watch as unwitting teenage archetypes travel through the portal and save the dimension. This section describes a work or element of fiction in a primarily in-universe style. Please help rewrite it to explain the fiction more clearly and provide non-fictional perspective. August

Learn how and when to remove this template message David Wong: Dave narrates the novel from the first-person perspective. Dave is self-conscious and sarcastic, thus his narration is unreliable as the truth he says he has been "mostly" honest with Arnie, and thus the reader. Dave does not immediately believe or trust people. Coupled with his sarcasm and bitterness, he intentionally makes himself difficult to get close to, potentially stemming from the fact that Dave was adopted, his birth mother being in a mental institution and his biological father is unknown. He has a distant, withdrawn kind of emotion when discussing his adoptive parents, putting the word "dad" in quotation marks, as if he never considered his true parent. During his initial meeting with Arnie, Dave claims he had his name changed to make him harder to find, suggesting that Wong is the most common surname in the world. When he was in high school, a bully and his friends attacked him and did something to him he refuses to detail. In revenge, Dave brought a knife to school, disfiguring and blinding his bully with it, who later committed suicide. His adoptive father—a lawyer—kept Dave out of the juvenile justice system, instead shunting him into a Behavior Disorder program in school. Amy was also in this program. At first, the paranormal lifestyle does not sit well with Dave. While John was excited about their new world of unusual encounters, Dave initially would rather not acknowledge the horrors he had seen. He gradually accepted his moral obligation to do what was right and help if necessary, and his interview with Arnie shows he needs people to believe in him and understand there is a second layer of truth to the world. He willingly walks into the darkness. He willingly keeps silent to protect his loved ones. Long-time best friend of Dave. John is an eccentric, alcohol- and drug-addled slacker who finds it impossible to keep a job. He tries to live his life as big and loud as possible, leading to exaggeration for dramatic effect including boasts about his sexuality and embellishments of his personal achievements that border on and—in many cases—infringe on outright falsehood, and Dave knows not to take what he says at face value. Dave says that John lives under a fake name as well, "John" being suggested as the most common first name in the world. John, unlike Dave, still has family in Undisclosed, including his Uncle Drake, a police detective. John has spent a short time in jail, but Dave narrates it as being not a big deal. John and Dave met in Mr. Later it became apparent that John was really the only person Dave had in his life that he could trust. John is a loyal companion and, in spite of his idiosyncrasies, surprisingly moral and upstanding. By the third act, John and Dave both feel that even though their mission is doomed from the start, they had better try. John owns six videogame systems, John and Dave are frequently playing, typically sports or gunfight-type games. This becomes an interesting tie-in while chasing Danny Wexler in the abandoned Mall. Through the Soy Sauce, Wexler projects monsters to defeat them, but they project the scenario as it would in a shoot out game. John was in a band called "Three Armed Sally". He played guitar and sang. Their most popular song is "Camel Holocaust". Dave begins the story believing Amy is a mentally handicapped or special needs girl, the fragile little sister of "Big Jim" Sullivan. Amy is the rightful owner of Molly, though her fear of strangers leads her to give the dog to whatever stranger that tries to return her like Dave and Krissy Lovelace. Amy lost her hand in a car accident that killed her parents. When Amy is targeted by supernatural forces, John and Dave step in to protect her and reveal the mystery surrounding other similar events. Amy and Dave are both misfits, through this realization they become a romantic pair. In learning more about her, Dave finds out that she is just as misunderstood as he is, and not as limited as he had been believing for the first two acts of his narrative. Most of her shy and odd behavior was explainable by the medication to keep her well after her car accident. Mood swings from timid to cheerful and vomiting were both revealed to be side effects of the meds. Outside of the amputated hand, the car accident also left Amy with her spine damaged, requiring an implanted brace. With the addition of a set of

Scooby-Doo "Ghostvision" glasses sent to Dave from a fan, Amy is able to see some of the unusual things Dave and John can see naturally. Molly is an easygoing dog but has a mysterious connection to the supernatural events that run through the book. In the second act, she appears to be responsible for a murder while under the care of Krissy Lovelace, and soon dies violently after appearing hovering off the ground and speaking in a guttural voice about Korrok. In the third act of the book, the "dead Molly" was revealed as likely a doppelganger, as she is found again in the care of Amy. She plays a direct part in the assault on Shit Narnia. It is generally accepted that Molly has a special supernatural connection. However, a scene near the end of the book, the Fred Durst lookalike that gave John and Dave a ride back from the mall may have been Molly herself. He tells Dave that he is on their side, "I been watching you. Jen was a primary character in the first act of the book, and lived with Dave for a period of 6 months after the Las Vegas incident. She broke up with Dave after some arguments about a false pregnancy alarm. Currently, she lives with her other friends and rarely has contact with Dave. While being the only other person who had first hand experience with the Soy Sauce, she refused to acknowledge its side effects. When a harmless supernatural event is witnessed by John, Dave and herself at a restaurant, she cries.

### 2: David Wong (writer) - Wikipedia

*"John Dies at the End [is] a case of the author trying to depict actual, soul-sucking lunacy, and succeeding with flying colors." — Fangoria "David Wong is like a mash-up of Douglas Adams and Stephen King 'page-turner' is an understatement."*

Product Details Synopsis ""A provocative and insightful book. But some who come back are no longer human, in this genuinely scary story David Wellington, author of "Monster Island". Combining the laugh-out-loud humour of the best R-rated comedy with the darkest terror of H. David Wong has updated the Lovecraft tradition and infused it with humor that rather than lessening the horror, increases it dramatically. Engaging, comic, and terrifying. You should not have touched this flyer with your bare hands. My name is David Wong. My best friend is John. Those names are fake. You might want to change yours. You touched the book. The only defense is knowledge. You need to read this book, to the end. Even the part with the bratwurst. You just have to trust me. The important thing is this: The drug is called Soy Sauce and it gives users a window into another dimension. John and I never had the chance to say no. But as you read about these terrible events and the very dark epoch the world is about to enter as a result, it is crucial you keep one thing in mind: None of this was my fault. On the street they call it Soy Sauce, and users drift across time and dimensions. But some who come back are no longer human. Suddenly, a silent otherworldly invasion is underway, and mankind needs a hero. What it gets instead is John and David, a pair of college dropouts who can barely hold down jobs. Can these two stop the oncoming horror in time to save humanity? John Dies at the End has been described as a "Horror-tacular", an epic of "spectacular" horror that combines the laugh out loud humor of the best R-rated comedy, with the darkest terror of H. Hilarious, terrifying, engaging and wrenching, John Dies at the End takes us for a wild ride with two slackers from the Midwest who really have better things to do with their time than prevent the apocalypse.

### 3: David Wong " Author, Madman

*John Dies at the End* is a comic horror novel written by David Wong that was first published online as a webserial beginning in , then as an edited manuscript in , and a printed paperback in , published by Permuted Press.

I read a lot I read everyday and go through a number of books every week. Reading as much as I do, I get a real jolly on when I come across a book like this because it is so different from the usual fare. Movies taught me that. For every one Jesus you get a million zombies. See if she does anything unusual. David and John are a couple of smart, cynical, directionless guys. From day one it was like society was this violent, complicated dance and everybody had taken lessons but me. Knocked to the floor again, climbing to my feet each time, bloody and humiliated. The wanted to push me outside, where the freaks huddled in the cold. Out there with the misfits, the broken, the glazed-eye types who can only watch as the normals enjoy their shiny new cars and careers and marriages and vacations with the kids. The freaks spend their lives shambling around, wondering how they got left out, mumbling about conspiracy theories and bigfoot sightings. Their encounters with the world are marked by awkward conversations and stifled laughter, hidden smirks and rolled eyes. And worst of all, pity. And no one cares. You kick and scream and cry out in the darkness and no answer comes. You rage against the unfathomable injustice and two blocks away some guy watches a baseball game and scratches his balls. Scientists talk about dark matter, the invisible, mysterious substance that occupies the space between stars. Dark Matter makes up Pile together everything we know and care about in the universe and it will still be nothing more than a tiny speck in the middle of a vast black ocean of Who Gives A Fuck. Well from the moment they experience the sauce, bizarrness and a mayhem-o-rama ensues. The plot is utterly secondary to the reading experience and what shines in this book is the attitude of the two main characters, John and David, when they encounter the endless stream of nightmare situations in the book. They simply accept it, deal with it, shout out a lot of sarcasm and penis jokes and just go along for the ride. At least, for the most part there are a few times when it gets to be a bit much for our heroes. However, other than a few understandable meltdowns like when confronted by cockroach-man assassins , they simply attend to the matters at hand no matter how batshit crazy things get "There was a sound like a garbage bag of pudding dropped off a tall building onto a sidewalk. Robert had erupted, chunks slapping off the walls in every direction. My advice for this book is to be like John and David and just run with it. I laughed out loud throughout the book and had a blast-o-matic reading it. In summary, this book is wonderful and strange, has a lot of juvenile humor, a couple of great main characters, and an original story in both plot and tone that I thought was brilliant again is a stupid sorta way.

### 4: David Wong " John Dies at the End (Book Review) | Cult of the New

*David Wong - John Dies at the End* David Wong, the author of *John Dies at the End*, is a pseudonym for *Cracked* editor Jason Pargin. *Cracked*, of course, is that humor site that turns out to be full of bitterly intelligent essays with sophisticated points hidden behind the obscenities.

Dave is described to be a little under six feet tall with a chubby build. He does not give much thought to his appearance and is described with black, overgrown hair, bags under his eyes, and unshaven stubble. In the film, Dave is portrayed by Chase Williamson; with brown hair and a shorter, leaner build. Personality Edit Dave often has a cynical and pessimistic view of the world around him. His narration generally includes sarcastic remarks, existential quips, and incredibly low expectations in regards to humanity and his friends. He is very introverted, and reflexively pushes other people away due to his bad attitude. John describes Dave as being this way ever since high-school, while Dave himself considers his problems to have stemmed from a disrespect of authority in childhood. Dave is shown to have issues with self-image, rendering him very self-conscious, and influencing his unique blend of self-deprecating humor and black comedy. Dave enjoys making jokes that others describe as "too dark" or "racy", but which he finds hilarious. Despite his issues forming emotional connections, Dave is very dedicated to the few people he opens up to, and has an easier time trusting women than men. His mother found it difficult to retain a house or job for a substantial amount of time, and because of this David was put up for adoption. As a child, Dave was socially inept and constantly felt excluded. His adoptive parents signed him up for therapy, but he treated it as a joke and terrorized his therapist until he was pulled out of the program. He became reclusive in high school and refused to speak to anyone, including teachers. Dave was a victim of severe bullying through most of his young adulthood, and was tormented by an especially cruel group of boys during his Junior year of high school. Unable to trust his teachers and fearing for his own well being, Dave began bringing a knife to school. One day the bullying escalated, and he was locked in a closet and pinned down while the other children tortured him. Although Dave refuses to describe the incident in depth, it is strongly implied that he was sexually assaulted by the leader of the gang, Billy. Once his arms were free, Dave used his switch-blade to stab Billy in the eyes until he became blind. Billy committed suicide not long after, unable to cope with his newly founded disability. Dave attributes this entire incident to the reason he sees the world in such a negative way. Later, he apologizes for this to Amy. Dave remained friends with John throughout and after high-school. David has bailed John out of many dangerous situations because of this and has gotten him several jobs. He has also done things he would not normally do or agree to, for the same reason. Dave blames John for the bad things that happen to him, because a late-night phone call from John brought Dave to his house, where John introduced him to the sauce. However, they reconnect as they encounter more and more paranormal phenomenon in the remainder of the book. Dave usually wants nothing to do with the supernatural, and even tries to ignore his experiences with the impossible for as long as he can. After taking cases and solving paranormal problems for other people, Dave realizes he is being watched. He figures out he is being haunted when things start to sound and look different to him. A case leads them to a door that goes to another dimension, and they discover that all the paranormal phenomenon that has been haunting Dave originates from behind the door. The door leads them to a flesh-factory existing in another universe, creating clones of people and animals from our universe and sending them in as replacements. John and Dave fight their way through the factory and make their way to Korrok, an organic supercomputer controlling hundreds of dimensions. The two blow up the factory using a homemade bomb and narrowly escape back into their own universe with Amy. Dave has no memory of killing his original self and does not find out he is actually dead until he discovers his own body in the toolshed. John jokes about the fact that he is a clone by calling him "Monster Dave" and is quite unafraid of him. Amy is frightened at first, but upon realizing he is harmless, quickly gets over her fear. Her dog, Molly, also seems unphased. The book ends with Dave realizing that at any moment, anyone could be replaced. He warns the reader to beware who they trust, and solves the riddle presented at the start of the book. At first, Dave showed no interest in Amy because of his withdrawn personality. Amy, on the other hand, was smitten with him very

quickly. On his first night on the case with Amy, the two were trapped in a car together all night by the Shadow People. During his time in the car with her, he inadvertently started an in-depth conversation about his own past. He immediately regretted sharing personal information with a stranger, but was able to see Amy in a new light after learning more about her. The next day, Amy realizes that Dave has feelings for her and it is implied they sleep together. But their relationship is cut short when Dave decides he is not good for her. He forces her to leave the state, and she only agrees to move away if she could still talk to him on the phone. He attempts to push her away again by convincing her to apply to college. He helps her move into her dorm thinking he would not see her again, but they instead become engaged. Mental Illness Edit Though it generally goes unspecified, it is stated several times that Dave struggles with multiple mental illnesses. In JDatE, depression and symptoms of depression are referenced. He has been shown to binge eat when under stress and has an extremely low self esteem, and it is suggested that Dave has been suicidal more than once. At one point, John fears he might attempt suicide and has Amy remove all sharp objects and prescription medication from his reach. Dave reveals he has wanted to end his own life more than once, believing it would be doing the world a favor. In TBIFOS, Dave is shown taking anti-psychotics and anti-depressants among other medications, though it is not specified why he takes the anti-psychotics. Dave admits to being afraid of his own disturbing thoughts and believes there is something very wrong with him. Despite this, he is still very capable of feeling emotion and understands the concept of moral boundaries. Amy also confirms that Dave is not sociopathic or dangerous by noting how often he puts her well being before his own.

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### 6: David Wong (Author of John Dies at the End)

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### 7: John Dies at the End – David Wong

*John Dies At The End, by David Wong (a.k.a. Jason Pargin, editor-in-chief at [www.enganchecubano.com](http://www.enganchecubano.com)), started life online, and Permuted Press published a paperback edition in The new hardcover edition comes with added text, and it's the sort of story that's meant to be read in one or two breathless, eye-watering sittings.*

### 8: David Wong | Cult of the New

*"David Wong has updated the Lovecraft tradition and infused it with humor that rather than lessening the horror, increases it dramatically. Every time I set the book down down, I was wary that something really was afoot, that there were creatures I couldn't see, and that because I suspected this, I was next.*

### 9: John Dies at the End by David Wong book review

*David Wong is the main protagonist of John Dies at the End, as well as the protagonist of its sequel- This Book Is Full of Spiders: Seriously Dude, Don't Touch It.. David narrates both books, and is referred to in-universe as their author by John, Amy, Archie, and Falconer.*

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