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I have a love/hate relationship with audiobooks. Audio is a great format for storytelling, but it can still be hard to get into audiobooks. Usually it has to do with the narrator. Sometimes they badly differentiate characters with voices. Or they read too slowly, and the book stretches more hours than necessary. Whatever the reason, audiobooks can be amazed or missed. If you're not usually a fan of audiobooks, but you really want to give the format a chance, there are some amazing audiobooks available. Here are 10 that will appeal to even the hottest adnik hater of audiobooks.

1. Margaret Atwood's Stone Mattress audiobooks often require 10- or 15-hour commitments, and if you're like me, it asks a lot. That's why short stories are perfect. Atwood is best known for her novels (and the new television version of The Handmaid's Tale), but she has also published two collections of short stories. Stone Mattress has its signature writing talent on display. Fantastic stories are darkly funny, infinitely strange and very affecting. Each story is read by another narrator, and the final, titular tale is read by Atwood herself.
2. Anton Piatigorsky's Iron Bridge Another fascinating collection of short stories, this subtitle Short stories of 20th century dictators as teenagers. How can you resist subtitles? Piatigorsky takes small, seemingly insignificant stories from the teenage lives of Mao Tse-tung, Idi Amin and Adolf Hitler, and expands them into narrative formats. It sounds strange, and it is, but it's a unique group of stories that make you think. Especially if you are an enthusiast of history or politics. And because they're short (the whole book works in less than seven hours), you don't need to feel bound by an epic volume of recording.
3. World War II and Max Brooks This oral story of the zombie apocalypse is one of my favorite books. It would be difficult to top the printed version. But the audiobook is also amazing. The mindblowing cast of narrators includes Mark Hamill, Nathan Fillion, Common, Alan Alda, John Turturro, Rob Reiner, Alfred Molina, Simon Pegg, Henry Rollins, Martin Scorsese, Brooks himself, and more. The superb voice-action talent meshes with Brook's stellar storytelling ability to create what stands alone in the audiobook canon. And if you think: I'm not interested in zombie books, I ask you to reconsider. It's not like any other zombie story you've ever read.
4. Bird Box Josh Malerman is an invisible terror that causes people a murderous rage at one glance. A single mother tries to keep her children at risk. A 20-mile canoe trip blindfolded down the river, surrounded by suddenly ominous sounds. Bird Box is a terrible fairy tale that you absolutely won't be able to stop listening to. With the plot compelling, you'll be happy to listen through all nine hours. Again, if you think you're not interested in horror, I urge think again. This book has been described literary thriller, with deep characters and masterful writing. Cassandra Campbell's narration is spot-on and makes for a convincing listen to audiobooks. Even for those who have never listened to an audiobook before.
5. How do you want Cary Elvez there are many thrillers on this list - they do for a great audition - but Elvez's retrospective of the creation of The Princess Bride is compelling for another reason. The film is a cult classic, and Elves, who plays Westley in the film, shares funny, insightful and entertaining stories from behind the scenes. But he's not alone. Rob Reiner, Robin Wright, Billy Crystal, and many others are making appearances as well. If you're a fan of the movie, you want to hear it. And being only seven hours old, you don't have to save the rest of the month to get through it.
6. Neil Gaiman's Cemetery Book This book won both Newbury and Carnegie Medals. It's pretty convenient for kids, making it great for road trips (or if you're hesitant about adult horror books). And it reads By Gaiman himself, which gives it gravitas that can't be reproduced by the narrator to read the book. There's something really cool to hear an author reading his own work. The main character, Bod, lives in a cemetery - and lives in the worlds of both living in the dead. He will have to navigate the mysteries and adventures of both to make him alive. It is on the sharper side of children's books, but excellent reading for all ages.
7. Katherine Stockett's assistance to Mississippi in the 1960s was an unfair place where African-Americans held a weak and controversial place in society. This is where Help brings readers. The hit, when it was released, the big-screen adaptation of Help was nominated for an Oscar. This is a story about friendship, race, secrets and border crossing. The audiobook narrates the full cast, so if you get dumped by one person by voicing different characters, it's a great choice. At 18 o'clock, it's on the longer side of things, but the depth of the story and the high quality of the cast's narrative makes it a great listen.
8. What if? Randall Munro This naya book about science, written by the creator of the web comic XKCD, answers all the questions you never thought to ask. How fast can you drive on a speed bump and live? What happens if you hit a baseball smashed about the speed of light? Munro does an absolutely amazing amount of research to answer these questions and more. Unfortunately, you don't get the fascinating (and hilarious) charts, charts and comics in the audiobook. But what you get is Wil Wheaton, the perfect storyteller for this type of book. This compromise is worth making if you're looking for a short, informative, and hysterically funny audiobook.
9. The Devil in the White City by Eric Larson there are several books that I recommend to absolutely everyone, and the devil in the White City is at the top of this list. Larson Crafts a compelling story that is completely true - it relies on magazines, notes, records and all sorts of historical documents to ensure the veracity of everything that happens. But it is presented as a novel, which makes it much more interesting. The 1893 World's Fair in Chicago was a fascinating event. An amazing variety of exhibits, from agriculture to electricity, were exhibited by wau-Americans of the early century. The first Ferris wheel was also on display there. And, unbeknownst to most people at the fair, it was also the site of one of America's first known serial killers. Larson's addictive story, along with a great narrative from Scott Brick, make this audiobook everyone should listen to at least once.
10. The Star Wars radio drama by Brian Daly of Star Wars is essentially a visual story. Who could forget the impressive first look of Star Destroyer in the first scene of New Hope? Or the shocking destruction of Alderaan at the hands of the great Moff Tarkin? But Brian Daley took the original script and turned it into a more audio-friendly format for broadcast on NPR in 1981. (Npr's audience jumped 40 percent when it aired.) A stronger focus on character development and storytelling, paired with voiceovers from Mark Hamill and Anthony Daniels, as well as music and sound effects, set it apart from other books on the list. This is an experience any fan of science fiction should have. And if you like it, Episodes V and VI are available as well! What are your favorite audiobooks? If you're not yet a fan of audiobooks but would like to be, these 10 picks should help you on your way. Not every book will appeal to every listener, but I hope I have listed something here that interests you. Historical fiction, stories, full narratives, exciting pages of turners, and radio dramas span a very wide range. How do you feel about audiobooks? If you're a fan, what are your favorites? And why did they turn to you in particular? If you're not a fan, what is this audiobook that leaves you cold? Please let us know in the comments below! Image Credit: Pointimages Shutterstock.com Facebook Messenger gets a new look Messenger now has an updated logo as well as new themes that you can use to customize chat rooms. Related Topics Entertainment Audiobook Books Reviews by Dunn Albright (522 Articles Published) More from Dunn Albright Ta-Nehisi Avid readers know that with business life, between work, family commitments, and just a general errand running, it can be hard to find time to sit down with a good book and get some reading done. Fortunately, the existence of audiobooks has made things much easier for us book lovers. Instead of cutting out allotted time to read, you can read on the go, whether it's in the car on your way to pick up the kids, from grocery stores, or folding laundry. Because Books have become all the rage in recent years, there is a seemingly infinite amount to choose from. We Are We through some of the latest releases and picked out 14 audio books that you're going to want to read in 2020. With everything from mystery to romance to self-help to true crime, there is something for everyone on this list. List. the fifth witness audiobook free. the fifth witness audiobook part 2. michael connelly the fifth witness audiobook

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