



Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)

By Joanne Harris

Download now

Read Online 

Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris

For generations, privileged young men have attended St. Oswald's Grammar School for Boys, groomed for success by the likes of Roy Straitley, the eccentric Classics teacher who has been a fixture there for more than thirty years. This year, however, the wind of unwelcome change is blowing, and Straitley is finally, reluctantly, contemplating retirement. As the new term gets under way, a number of incidents befall students and faculty alike, beginning as small annoyances but soon escalating in both number and consequence. St. Oswald's is unraveling, and only Straitley stands in the way of its ruin. But he faces a formidable opponent with a bitter grudge and a master strategy that has been meticulously planned to the final, deadly move.

 [Download Gentlemen and Players: A Novel \(P.S.\) ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Gentlemen and Players: A Novel \(P.S.\) ...pdf](#)

Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)

By Joanne Harris

Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris

For generations, privileged young men have attended St. Oswald's Grammar School for Boys, groomed for success by the likes of Roy Straitley, the eccentric Classics teacher who has been a fixture there for more than thirty years. This year, however, the wind of unwelcome change is blowing, and Straitley is finally, reluctantly, contemplating retirement. As the new term gets under way, a number of incidents befall students and faculty alike, beginning as small annoyances but soon escalating in both number and consequence. St. Oswald's is unraveling, and only Straitley stands in the way of its ruin. But he faces a formidable opponent with a bitter grudge and a master strategy that has been meticulously planned to the final, deadly move.

Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #443005 in Books
- Brand: William Morrow Paperbacks
- Published on: 2006-12-26
- Released on: 2006-12-26
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 8.00" h x 1.02" w x 5.31" l, .72 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 422 pages

 [Download Gentlemen and Players: A Novel \(P.S.\) ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Gentlemen and Players: A Novel \(P.S.\) ...pdf](#)

Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Starred Review. Bestseller Harris (*Holy Fools*) exposes the brittle line dividing the haves and have-nots in this disturbing yet strangely rewarding morality tale set in the hallowed halls of St. Oswald's, an aristocratic British boys' school hovering on the edge of extinction. *Audere, agere, auferre* (To dare, to strive, to conquer), the school motto, is something young outsider Snyder, whose father has become St. Oswald's porter (or caretaker), takes painfully to heart after infiltrating the institution as a student under the alias "Julian Pinchbeck." Snyder's secret crush on Leon Mitchell, a charismatic upper-class boy, leads to tragic consequences that include the senior Snyder's losing his job. Fifteen years later, Snyder returns, masquerading as a teacher and plotting retribution. Classics teacher Roy Straitley, with his easygoing, ruefully resigned viewpoint, nicely contrasts with Snyder's relentless first-person intensity. Straitley, who loves St. Oswald's, unwittingly proves to be a formidable opponent and provides Snyder with a vital lesson: not every chess game ends with checkmate.

Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

From School Library Journal

Adult/High School—Three voices are heard in this tale of a venerable English boys' school. One belongs to Roy Straitley, a veteran teacher of classics. Another is that of a teacher who has just arrived at St. Oswald's with the malicious intent of bringing it down through well-placed rumor and cunning innuendo. The third is that of a child from 14 years earlier who loves the school but does not belong to it. He even assumes an alter identity, Julian Pinchbeck, complete with uniform, in order to roam the school at will and as much as possible escape the painful reality of life with his loutish father, its porter. Then he makes a friend at St. Oswald's and at last has someone from his chosen world with whom to spend his time. But everything unravels with the death of Julian's adored friend. Now the teacher who was the child Julian returns. Harris shows what a master storyteller she is through the play and counterplay of current happenings twisting through the telling of what went on before. The story builds suspensefully and cleverly with surprises and turns to a satisfying denouement.—*Judy Braham, George Mason Regional Library, Fairfax County, VA*

Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

From [Bookmarks Magazine](#)

Harris, author of *Chocolat* (1999), *Five Quarters of the Orange* (2001), *Holy Fools* (**** May/June 2004), and other fiction, has switched genres once again. This time, she's crafted a school novel as murder mystery. This elegant, class-themed whodunit pans back and forth in time and features two slightly unreliable narrators. While Straitley represents the school's ethos, Snyder, by contrast, is pure evil—too much so for Harris to portray adequately. The premise, compounded with a shocking final twist, also stretched credibility for some critics. If in the end the pieces don't all fit together, *Gentlemen* offers a complex tale of intrigue and revenge.

Copyright © 2004 Phillips & Nelson Media, Inc.

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Cary Burgess:

The guide with title *Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)* contains a lot of information that you can study it. You can get a lot of profit after read this book. This book exist new know-how the information that exist

in this e-book represented the condition of the world right now. That is important to you to find out how the improvement of the world. That book will bring you with new era of the global growth. You can read the e-book on the smart phone, so you can read this anywhere you want.

Paul Weston:

Reading can be called a head hangout, why? Because if you are reading a book specially a book entitled *Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)* your head will drift away through every dimension, wandering in each aspect that maybe unknown for but surely might be your mind friends. Imagining just about every word written in a book then become one type conclusion and explanation that will maybe you never get previous to. The *Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)* giving you one more experience more than blown away the mind but also giving you useful details for your better life with this era. So now let us show you the relaxing pattern this is your body and mind are going to be pleased when you are finished reading through it, like winning an activity. Do you want to try this extraordinary investing spare time activity?

Calvin Cline:

Do you have something that suits you such as a book? The reserve lovers usually prefer to decide on a book like comic, small story and the biggest an example may be novel. Now, why not try *Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)* that give your pleasure preference will be satisfied by reading this book. Reading behavior all over the world can be said as the means for people to know the world much better than how they react in the direction of the world. It can't be claimed constantly that reading practice only for the geeky man or woman but for all of you who want to always be a success person. So, for all you who want to start reading as your good habit, you could pick *Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)* become your current starter.

Joseph Carter:

Do you like reading a book? Confuse to looking for your preferred book? Or your book ended up being rare? Why so many problems for the book? But just about any people feel that they enjoy to get reading. Some people like reading, not only science book but novel and *Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)* or even others sources were given know-how for you. After you know how the truly amazing a book, you feel want to read more and more. Science e-book was created for teacher as well as students especially. Those ebooks are helping them to bring their knowledge. In additional case, beside science publication, any other book like *Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)* to make your spare time more colorful. Many types of book like here.

**Download and Read Online *Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.)*
By Joanne Harris #GBORL06TVU9**

Read Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris for online ebook

Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris books to read online.

Online Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris ebook PDF download

Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris Doc

Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris Mobipocket

Gentlemen and Players: A Novel (P.S.) By Joanne Harris EPub