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Kurzbeschreibung

Stan and Charmaine are a married couple trying to stay afloat in the midst of economic and social collapse. Living in their car, surviving on tips from Charmaine's job at a dive bar, they're increasingly vulnerable to roving gangs and in a rather desperate state. So when they see an advertisement for the Positron Project in the town of Consilience - a 'social experiment' offering stable jobs and a home of their own - they sign up immediately. All they have to do in return for this suburban paradise is give up their freedom every second month, swapping their home for a prison cell. At first, all is well. But slowly, unknown to the other, Stan and Charmaine develop a passionate obsession with their counterparts, the couple that occupy their home when they are in prison. Soon the pressures of conformity, mistrust, guilt and sexual desire take over, and Positron looks less like a prayer answered and more like a chilling prophecy fulfilled.

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“Captivating. . . . Thrilling. . . . Margaret Atwood [is] a living legend.” —*The New York Times Book Review*

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“Poignant. . . . Gloriously madcap. . . . You only pause in your laughter when you realise that, in its constituent parts, the world she depicts here is all too horribly plausible.” —*The Guardian* (London)

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“Wonderful. . . . Explores the idea of a powerful system and its discontents. . . . Atwood's *The Heart Goes Last* is a riveting addition to her oeuvre.” —*Electric Literature*

“Atwood's creepy but entertaining vision of a possible future.” —*The Washington Times*

“Fast-paced and funny. . . . True love ultimately endures in *The Heart Goes Last*, but so do the real terrors present in Atwood novels, all too often manifesting in ours.” —*PopMatters*

“Eerily prophetic. . . . A heady blend of speculative fiction with noir undertones that is provocative, powerful and will prompt all readers to reassess which parts of their humanity are for sale.” —*BookPage*

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A sinister, wickedly funny novel about a near-future in which the lawful are locked up and the lawless roam free, *The Heart Goes Last* is Margaret Atwood at her heart-stopping best.

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