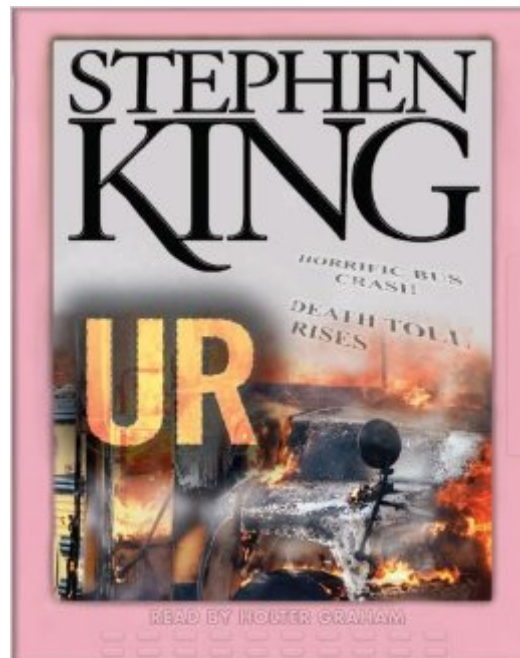


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Customer Reviews

I guess this is as good a place to say HOORAY for the move by and Apple to make all the Kindle books also available on the iPhone. I just came back from a hospital visit where I was all set to start Steve's (King) "UR" novella, when I discovered that the juice had just run out on my Kindle. So I played a game instead on my always topped-up iPhone. Back at home my mail informed me that Steve (Jobs) had opened up the iPhone through a brand new app to permit reading of all the 240,000-plus Kindle books. Three minutes later I had "Ur" on the screen of my mobile phone. Now

how incredibly cool is THAT!!?I will append a comment on "UR" itself later, but consider it totally apropos that this tale has something to do with the Kindle starting from the very first page.Thanks to both Amazon and Apple (as well as to both Steves and Jeff Bezos) for the perfect union of technologies and talents that made this modern-day Gutenberg feat possible!***"UR" -- which I surmise is slightly odd shorthand for "universe" -- is a delightful little gem that is King's welcome to E-books, with his own patented way of turning an object into a source of fantasy or terror. It's also his take on the parallel worlds idea that advances that there is an infinite number of universes. One version is that every action splits off THIS universe into the next one.To those who complained "UR" was too short, too Kindle-promotional, or too esoteric, consider this possibility:You invested/wasted \$2.99 on about 4 hours of reading time. You did NOT invest/waste \$5 on a movie at the theater. You did NOT get in your car. And therefore you were NOT killed in a fiery crash with a drunk.

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