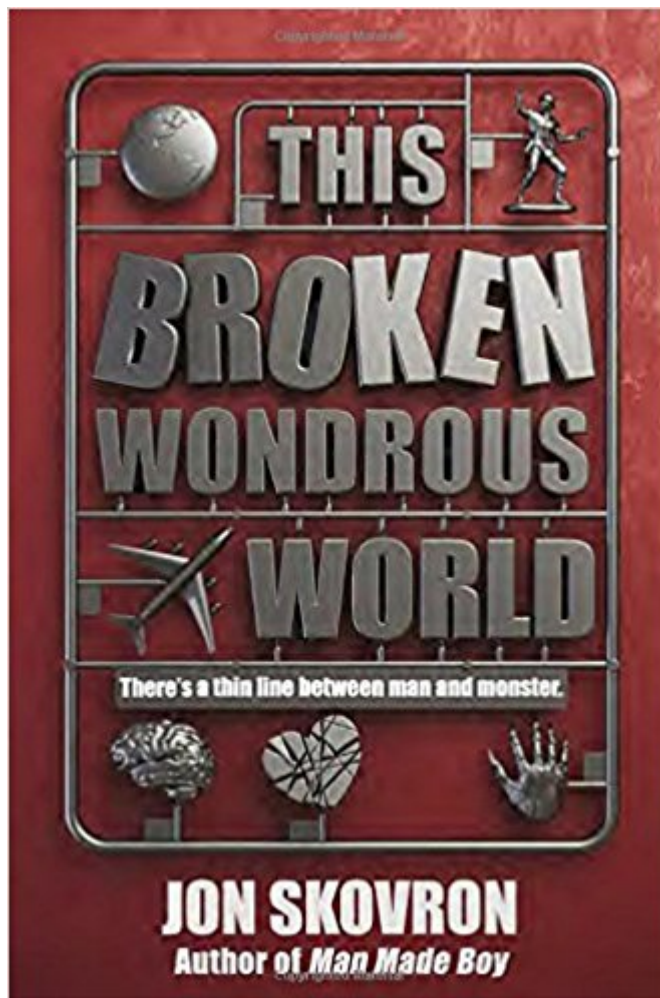




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This Broken Wondrous World



Synopsis

“My fellow monsters,” said Moreau. “No longer will we hide in the shadows, cringing, cowardly, hiding our true potential. You see, the humans do not view us as people. We must force them to expand their view of personhood to include us. By any means necessary.” A year ago, Boy, the son of Frankenstein’s monster, had never even met a human. Now he’s living with his human “family,” the descendants of Dr. Frankenstein, in Switzerland. That is, until the maniacal genius Dr. Moreau, long-ago banished to a remote island for his crimes against humanity, asks for Boy’s help. Moreau wants Boy to join his army of animal/human hybrid creatures and help him overthrow human society. Boy will do anything to save this broken, wondrous world from the war that threatens to split it in two. But how much will he have to give up? And is the world worth saving?

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Gr 9 Up • Boy is the teenage son of Frankenstein’s Monster and the Bride. Yes, his name is just that, Boy. He has spent his entire life living in hiding with other monsters, including vampires, goblins, trolls, dryads, mermaids, and more. In this sequel to *Man Made Boy* (Viking, 2013), Boy has overcome his fear of humans and ventures to Switzerland to visit the descendants of Dr. Frankenstein. During his visit, Boy becomes embroiled in a conflict that threatens all of humankind. A mysterious doctor attempts to recruit Boy and his fellow monsters to join an army that will overthrow the humans. The protagonist quickly learns that this doctor has been creating disturbing monsters in a lab and that he is willing to destroy anything that gets in the way of total monster

domination. This work crisscrosses many different genres: fantasy, science fiction, horror, and humor. The plot is fast paced and filled with action, keeping readers engaged. At times, it can be difficult to keep track of all the various characters and their locations, especially for those unfamiliar with the previous volume. However, it can still be enjoyed as a stand-alone title. This book is best suited for older teens due to some mild adult content and some frightening scenes. VERDICT Fans of science fiction and humor will enjoy this clever, monster-filled read. — Annalise Ammer, Henrietta Public Library, NY

Praise for *This Broken Wondrous World* "Skovron's frenetic pace and ragtag band of creatures will appeal to readers who crave nonstop action." — Booklist Praise for *Man Made Boy* "Love monsters? If you do, Jon Skovron's *Man Made Boy* is for you. If you don't, why not?" — Kelly Link, award-winning author of *Magic for Beginners* and *Pretty Monsters* "Skovron weaves all things creepy and strange into a tale that is heartwarming, hilarious, and full of memorable characters." — John Corey Whaley, winner of the Michael L. Printz Award for *Where Things Come Back* "Skovron has mastered the beauty, tragedy, and hilarity of the fine line between monsters and men. Read this book and marvel at his creation." — Andrea Cremer, bestselling author of the *Nightshade* series "If *Man Made Boy* hasn't been optioned for a film or at least a CW series by the end of the year, we can be assured that Hollywood has actually forgotten how to read. Because Boy, for all his used parts, is an original." — i09.com

Not as captivating as the first thrill ride but still a very good book. I hope we will see more of boy in the future. Recommend this and the first book to anyone that loves their monsters !

I got this book not too long ago at my library and can't wait to own it. I recommend reading the first book in the series, you know, first (I only say this because I didn't), but I can say both "Man Made Boy" and "This Broken Wondrous World" are well-written, captivating, and can stand by themselves plot-wise without too much you have to remember to enjoy the sequel.

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