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A collection of stories written and read by Hugo, Nebula, and World Fantasy Award-winning author Neil Gaiman:

A Writer's Prayer "was written shortly before I began American Gods. I knew the first two verses when I began it, and the conclusion was there when I reached it. This is why I love writing."

Harlequin Valentine "was originally written as a short story. Lisa Snellings made a Ferris Wheel with strange creatures in each car, and writers wrote stories, one for each character. I was given the showman, a little Harlequin who took people's tickets."

Boys and Girls Together "was written in a hotel room in Boston. It rained outside, and I was certain I was telling the world something very important."

The Wedding Present "is a story hidden in my book of short stories, Smoke and Mirrors. Some people who have copies of Smoke and Mirrors have skipped past it, and do not know that it was there. Do not tell them."

The End "is the kind of thing I find on my hard disk from time to time – small, gentle apocalypses that I do not quite remember writing."

## **Telling Tales Details**

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## Hope says

Absolutely outstanding!

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## Miriam says

I listened to Harlequin Valentine after it was offered as a free download for Valentine's Day.

An interesting story. Very 'Gaiman' in that it used classic characters in different ways, was a bit gruesome, and left me at the end... not quite knowing what to think.

I guess I'll be listening to it again.

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## Meredith says

Can't help but love the Writer's Prayer.

And he's got a great skill for creepy, yet a bit lovely with Harlequin and Columbine

I'm really not sure why there is an exceedingly long drum solo at the end. O.o

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## Laura S says

Thrilled to see Gaiman has written the same End I've so oft envisioned. Truly stunned, by both his insights and the magic of this book.

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## Gr1972 says

2 out of 5

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## Steve Wales says

Available to stream for free on last.fm: <http://www.last.fm/music/Neil+Gaiman/...>

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## **Charles Lupo says**

The two short stories were creepy goodness. Gaiman at his best really. There were also 3 poems/very short stories, that I just am never really able to properly appreciate.

Then there is, literally (heh), a 16+ minute track of bongo drums to close out the audio book. WTF.

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## **Marple says**

Neil Gaiman is mainly the one who introduced me to the world of audiobooks and I am very glad that he did.

So, when I saw this book narrated by him. I started it right away. Although I don't know if there is physical copy of this book or it's just an audio release but I am sure that I want this short story collection on my shelves one day.

Highly recommended for sure.

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## **Karlyn says**

Typical Gaiman short stories. I found them an enjoyable read. He is a master storyteller.

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