

Shadows of the Mind: A Short-Story Anthology

The Trail of Youth: An ancient vampiric American Indian spirit robs a boy of his youth to perpetuate its own existence.

Agent Zero: An unscrupulous agent - who has defrauded four young mystery writers out of a small fortune by cheating them of book receipts, is found murdered. A befuddled police detective has to determine which of the four very adept storytellers is the actual killer.

Murder, She Read: A woman reads a series of old, hand-written short stories she finds in an old desk she buys at an estate sale. Every story is about a gruesome, violent murder. Every story she reads appears in the news the day after she finishes reading it, exactly in detail, as having just happened.

Another Man's Terms: The brother of a man who committed suicide grips with his anguish over not having seen the telltale signs of his brother's plans to kill himself.

The Hand of God: A recently dead man plays one hand of Texas Hold 'Em with God, the Devil and his estranged father, for stakes even he doesn't understand.

One Morning Over Coffee: Two men discuss one of the men's romantic relationships, and their conflicting philosophies thereof.

Hard Quiet: A man cannot understand why every aspect of his life is suddenly and utterly silent.

His Entire Life Flashed: A man has a spiritual and philosophical awakening after a near-death gunshot wound during a car-jacking.

Mending Fences: A man who is building a new block wall fence to replace a tattered wood fence is utterly disinterested when police investigate the strange disappearance of his quarrelsome neighbor from a downtown bar.

Win Some, Lose Some: A professional Five-Card Stud Poker versus a New Jersey mob captain. The stakes: The poker player's wife.

A Man of his Word: A depressed, angry man makes a wish at a fountain after his girlfriend dumps him and finds shortly thereafter that people literally do what he says.

Far Sighted: A Cold War sniper engages his American counterpart on the cold, barren grounds of an old church and finds his opponent is far more similar to him than he ever imagined.