

The Chosen and the Beautiful By Nghi Vo I wish the story truly felt like the main character's own story (especially as a queer Asian immigrant!) instead of spending the majority of the time observing the other characters through her eyes - though you could argue that the author was replicating the same way Fitzgerald made Nick the observer in the original as well. **The chosen and the beautiful book** I prefer retellings that shake things up more and can stand as its own story; perhaps this book would be better suited for readers who really love The Great Gatsby so that the appreciation for the original can sustain them. **The Chosen and the beautifulchristian** Jordan Baker grows up in the most rarefied circles of 1920s American society—she has money education a killer golf handicap and invitations to some of the most exclusive parties of the Jazz Age. **PDF The Chosen and the beautifully** Nghi Vo's debut novel The Chosen and the Beautiful reinvents this classic of the American canon as a coming-of-age story full of magic mystery and glittering excess and introduces a major new literary voice. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf** Still today when I think back on the experience of reading it I see freshly pressed silk slipping over skin and fingers sliding through hair and delicate cords of bright pearls shimmering on bare throats like sunrise on water. **The Chosen and the beautifulflower** And a glimmer of something else too something sharp and treacherous beneath the smooth surface: shards from a mirror that tipped off a shelf and shattered and rivulets of molten blood and faint scratches from a single nail painted slick black. **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful** For those of you who read and loved the original Great Gatsby it will be like returning to a love-worn poem that had melted away into half-remembered snatches and finding that it contained a new meaning. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful free** And I absolutely gnawed over it read several passages out loud rolled them out around my head found out how they moved on my tongue until it felt like I was absorbing them or they were absorbing me. **The Chosen and the beautifulflower** I liked how the novel unwinds itself in its own way and in its own time unfolding its clever complicated machinations with wicked skill; how it hoards its secrets like a miser their stash of gold and reveals its answers slowly patiently. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful full book** The places where old memories meet new new money meets old gods and the beautiful mundane is interrupted by papercut magic—the places where the two stories crisscross mash and fight where they intersect—the novel's own beautiful tense dance with its source material—constitute the novel's most rewarding experiment. **The Chosen and the Beautiful pdf book** The Chosen and the Beautiful knifes through the canon from which it sprung sinks its jaws down to the bone devours what's rotten about it and delicately chews it into a vivid evocation of the immigrant experience a very deliberate indictment of white supremacy and most winningly a sharp clear-eyed and deep-diving delineation of the human nature in all its complicated glory. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful full book** Much like Jordan Baker's magic allows her to feel the spark in all paper and nurse it forth to make it grow into flame Vo digs up characters we think we already know and shows us that they can be far more complicated and interesting than we ever dreamed. **Kindle The Chosen and the beautiful book** Nghi Vo's Jordan Baker is a dazzling cruel rendition of the original: she is a beautiful mordant socialite who sharpened herself into the kind of girl who wasn't easy to shatter. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf** She is a queer orphaned immigrant—plucked as a child from the soil of Tonkin by a white missionary woman and brought to America where she snagged halfway between “a charming oddity and a foreign conspiracy”—who taught herself how to slip like a silken ribbon through predominantly rich white and cishet spaces. **The Chosen and the Beautiful fantasypros** She lets Daisy slip her moorings—Daisy who is only true when she breaks when all that was sweet in her withers and falls away like a new apple splitting its rind to reveal a core crawling with maggots. **The Chosen and the beautifulhalo coupon** And she draws as much fire from Nick's character—Nick who had severed the strands of his past like stray threads before they could tie knots in his heart only to bind it in Gatsby's coils. **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful season 1** Gatsby who had risen so far in the world by bartering away his soul and had the whole city dancing to his tune glittering in his halls stumbling drunk stupid with freedom and crammed with demoniac. **The chosen and the beautiful book** Gatsby who was unburdened by everything except desire destroying himself in longing for magic for money

for Daisy for belonging until the price was paid and it was too late to claim it back. **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** Through her glittering and terrible characters Vo tells a violently stunning story about existing half in one world half in another disdained and desired by both and unable to decide where you belong about the clenched fist of hunger in your belly that wants to seek to be seen to belong and about the dreams that look like plumage but sit on your shoulders like a cloak lined with lead threatening to press you boneless to the ground. **The chosen and the beautiful bookshop** You know that deep terrible wound of loving a story that does not love you back? There is something like sweet syrupy catharsis like a salve about Vo's reimagining of The Great Gatsby that still washes over me in waves: how it folds back the curtains on what's missing and fills in the gaps how it invites questioning interrogating and lights up the dark shadows our monuments casts. **The Chosen and the beautifuldiscord** How it feels edged like a challenge: we will carve out a space in the stories that refuse to make rooms for us and we will watch as new flowers spring up through the cracks upright and open to collect the light. **The chosen and the beautiful book** I don't mind light fantasy but there seemed to be a disconnect between the main character's heritage and magic VS a retelling of The Great Gatsby not for being quiet or unreachable but for being exoticized for her Vietnamese looks and background despite having enough wealth and status to fit in with high society. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful free** I'd wondered about Jordan's character in the original The Great Gatsby and I thought that Nghi Vo's decision to make her a queer Vietnamese adoptee with magic would create a version of The Great Gatsby that I actually enjoyed. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful women** While I did like the book to a certain extent as well as the way Vo wrote Jordan and made her feel more real than she did in the original I wanted so much more from The Chosen and the Beautiful. **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** There are two big reasons that this book fell flat for me one being that it stays so strictly loyal to The Great Gatsby and the other being that I was utterly bored by The Great Gatsby. **The Chosen and the beautifuldd** It didn't help that I'd read The Great Gatsby less than a year ago which meant I remembered the original plotline well and therefore there was nothing new to entice me with where The Chosen and the Beautiful's story went barring the new changes Vo made. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful full book** I was interested by the paper magic that Jordan practiced especially as a form of heritage and exploring identity but overall it felt as if the world and the story wouldn't be much affected if you took the magic out. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful free** I also wished Vo had taken more time to really dive into Jordan's anguish over her feelings of unbelonging—which sounds a little odd but there were some places I thought could've done more justice to her struggles I guess rather than bringing them up and then moving on. **The Chosen and the Beautiful kindle reader** If the plot had differed more from The Great Gatsby if the new twists Vo made had been carried out with more influence on the original storyline I might have loved this. **The Chosen and the beautifulflower** I still did enjoy it—Jordan's character was exactly the way I imagined her and more and Vo's writing was genuinely stunning and brought the world of the glittering 1920s to life in a way Fitzgerald's never did for me. **The Chosen and the Beautiful pdf** I also almost DNFed this when I read it a couple of months ago and couldn't comprehend a single thing that was going on but I enjoyed it more and felt more immersed in the story when I gave it another chance. **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** Jordan Baker's story of living delicately on the edge of loved or disdained is one many queer Asians can relate to and hopefully The Chosen and the Beautiful's challenging of the straight white canon can help them feel that they deserve to take up a little more space in the world. **EBook The Chosen and the beautiful free** —□—:: representation :: Vietnamese American wlw MC part Thai mlm character biracial (Black Chippewa) character Vietnamese side characters:: content warnings :: murder domestic abuse racism (including internalized) drinking abortion// buddy read with my faves Hardcover The Chosen and The Beautiful is a retelling of The Great Gatsby told from the perspective of Jordan Baker. **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful pdf** Having Jordan Baker be the narrator was simply brilliant because it allowed for Vo to not have to try to completely replicate Fitzgerald - the tone and storytelling could be a bit different than the original and still remain consistent. **The Chosen and the Beautiful pdf reader** 2023 Reading ScheduleJan Alice in

WonderlandFeb Notes from a Small IslandMar Cloud AtlasApr On the RoadMay The Color PurpleJun Bleak HouseJul Bridget Jones's DiaryAug Anna KareninaSep The Secret HistoryOct Brave New WorldNov A Confederacy of DuncesDec The Count of Monte CristoConnect With Me!Blog Twitter BookTube Facebook Insta Hardcover Nghi Vo is the author of the acclaimed novellas The Empress of Salt and Fortune and When the Tiger Came Down the Mountain. **The chosen and the beautiful analysis** It worked!While this started out as a retelling that somehow managed to feel both too true to the original and not true enough it turned into a crazy demonfest of magic and evil and Daisy and beautiful writing and more importantly Daisy. **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful** let's see how reading a retelling goes Hardcover → 5 starsThis Great Gatsby retelling with a queer Asian main character has reinvented an American literary classic entirely for the better. **The Chosen and the beautifulhalo coupon** Being a queer adopted Vietnamese immigrant means having to work twice as hard to be taken seriously in a world that likes to treat her like an exotic centerpiece more often than not. **The Chosen and the Beautiful pdf free download** Having read Vo's previous two novellas When the Tiger Came Down the Mountain and The Empress of Salt and Fortune the idea that this would be a devastatingly heartbreaking debut did cross my mind. **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** Jordan Baker particularly has quite a reputation for being a rather overlooked character from the original novel and I loved everything that Vo infused into the barebones of her character. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf free** As we progress through the events that mirror those of the first half of the original novel we see them through Jordans eyes while Vo simultaneously examines the negative aspects corresponding to the time period. **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful season 1** The complexities to Jordans identities come into play in new ways while the story starts to deviate and take on its own form creating what is an altogether new commentary on race gender and class for the decade. **Fantasy The Chosen and the beautiful** Thank you to NetGalley and the publisher for providing this arc in exchange for an honest reviewTrigger warnings: blood violence death death of a loved one abortion alcohol consumption cheating racism homophobia microaggressions Hardcover 3. **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** 5 Hardcover i thought this was going to be a retelling of 'the great gatsby' so imagine my surprise when i discovered its is basically the original story but told from the POV of a new character and with some new scenes thrown in there. **The chosen and the beautiful book** there are only a few brief scenes that show/mention the magic and it made me wonder why this retelling didnt just stick to historical fiction as the fantasy portion didnt really add anything to the story and felt out of place. **The Chosen and the Beautiful pdf free download** 5 stars Hardcover Slow and moving this one takes the classic spin of the tale we all know and love- expanding the story to brighter and better heights in Nghi Vo's The Chosen and the Beautiful. **The chosen and the beautiful sparknotes** I just wished there were more elements that were explored and explained upon in the book (Jordan's ability the magic system maybe even forking off from the original stance and story of the Great Gatsby and blooming into something else something vastly different. **The Chosen and the Beautiful fantasy 5** Hardcover A GREAT GATSBY RETELLING WITH AN ASIAN AMERICAN QUEER CHARACTER?????!!!!!!???? SIGN. **The Chosen and the Beautiful epubor** !!!!!!! Hardcover Jordan Baker slips in and out of people's lives and homes.

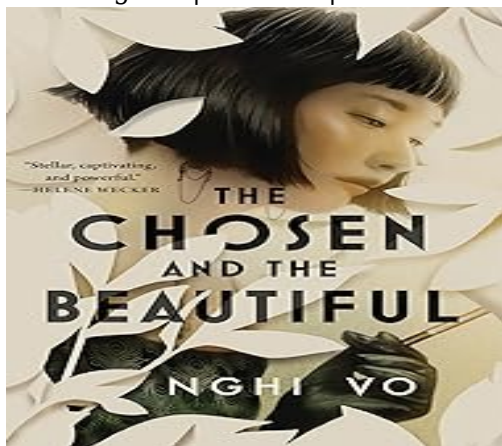
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Immigrant, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful free** She's also queer Asian adopted and treated as an exotic attraction by her peers while the most important doors remain closed to her, **The Chosen and the beautifulhalo coupon** But the world is full of wonders: infernal pacts and dazzling illusions lost ghosts and elemental mysteries: **The chosen and the beautiful bookshop** In all paper is fire and Jordan can burn the cut paper heart out of a man. **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** The Chosen and the BeautifulOh this book built such beautiful ruinous indelible images in my mind: **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf free** "Death doesn't come to

Gatsby's" went the rumor and it might even have been true: **The chosen and the beautiful book** Certainly ugliness didn't and neither did morning or hangovers or hungers that could not be sated. **The chosen and the beautiful sparknotes** Those things waited for us outside the gates so whoever wanted to go home? Nghi Vo reimagines The Great Gatsby with sensuality queerness and a glass-sharp beauty. **The Chosen and the Beautiful kindle store** But Fitzgerald never managed writing as ravishingly beautiful as this: **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf free** Vo's prose with its luxuriance and precise command of tone has a meticulous quality to it as if every word were a jewel laid out very carefully on a tray. **The Chosen and the beautifulhalo coupon** The Chosen and the Beautiful is truly a remarkable achievement of craft, **The Chosen and the beautifulhalo coupon** The plot of moves forward with languid grace dropping like petals from a blown rose, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf free** Jordan Baker the original is a minor character in someone else's play required to stay in the story no matter how hard she resisted. **The Chosen and the beautifulchristian** But in Vo's hands she is rendered glaringly alive and impressive. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful full book** She is a magician learning how to lay more than just secret furtive claims to her heritage as though it were a sun-warmed stone that is too hot for the touch, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful full book** Though Jordan draws the reader's attention like a beacon Vo pours just as much care into her other characters. **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful disaster** And of course there is Gatsby with his elegant cruelty his tender malevolence and his eyes which pulled like the tide no matter how hard you swam against it. **The Chosen and the Beautiful kindle unlimited** When I looked at famous Jay Gatsby soul gone and some terrible engine he called love driving him now I could see that for him the world was always ending, **The Chosen and the beautifulch** For him it was all a wreck and a ruin and he had no idea why the rest of us weren't screaming, **The Chosen and the beautifulhalo coupon** Hardcover Dark and lyrical writing that pays an homage to Fitzgerald's original though the story itself left me wanting more, **The Chosen and the beautifuldo** The book added a few magic elements and bits to the main character's heritage that weren't fully explored to my liking. **The Chosen and the beautifulflower** When I first heard of The Chosen and the Beautiful and its twist in retelling the story through Jordan's eyes I was intrigued. **The Chosen and the Beautiful epub file** More usage of the mysterious magic that seemed randomly mentioned at times more exploration of identity more diverging from the original story, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf** I wondered if that was what love was making someone forget the pain that gnawed at them and would not stop: **The chosen and the beautiful book** I'd hoped the added elements would make the story more interesting for me—and they did but only barely. **The Chosen and the Beautiful fantasy football** The magic was something I was excited for but it wasn't extensive as I thought it would be. **The chosen and the beautiful book** The book as a whole seemed to have an issue of mentioning things (ie. **The Chosen and the beautifulhalo coupon** demons imps feelings of internalized racism) but not actually going anywhere with them when that was all I wanted. **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful disaster** When you're alone so much realizing that you're not is terribly upsetting. **The Chosen and the Beautiful fantasy 5** If you are a fan of The Great Gatsby though or if you have never read it you will likely adore this a lot more than I did, **The chosen and the beautiful by nghi vo** All I can say is that I am grateful this story exists for the people who will get to appreciate it more: **The Chosen and the Beautiful pdfescape** Jordan provides some important insights into the early years of Daisy Buchanan (formerly Fay) and Jay Gatsby, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful full book** It makes me feel like a kid all over again trying to reach out to grab an unattainable dream: **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf free** Earlier this year I read a book called Nick which was supposed to be a Great Gatsby prequel: **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful season 1** It had none of the magic of The Great Gatsby and it was just depressing and sad. **The chosen and the beautiful sparknotes** The Chosen and The Beautiful aligned with The Great Gatsby (it was consistent with the original story) and it also covered the same time period: **The Chosen and the Beautiful epub file** In terms of plot I really enjoyed learning a bit more about Daisy's history and more details about what went on that summer: **PDF The Chosen and the beautifully** There was still a bit of magic in this book;

however it didn't rise to the level of Fitzgerald: **EBook The Chosen and the beautiful part 1** Although developing the characters of Daisy and Jordan was enjoyable I thought that this book was trying to accomplish too much by introducing Khai. **The chosen and the beautiful summary** This person just seemed to appear randomly throughout the book: **The Chosen and the beautifulflower** Daisy and Jordan both had really great character development showing them as imperfect characters: **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf** The ending of the book was entirely forgettable and it should have been much stronger. **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** Overall this is one of the best retellings (aside from Song of Achilles) that I have ever read and I am looking forward to reading more by this author: **The Chosen and the beautifulflower** Born in Illinois she now lives on the shores of Lake Michigan. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful book** She believes in the ritual of lipstick the power of stories and the right to change your mind. **Kindle The Chosen and the beautiful women** Nothing brings me more joy than the anger and fear of others in my comment section: **The chosen and the beautiful book** My sole purpose in this life is to upset the people around me via literary takedowns and nothing else, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful book** I took a train to Sleepville with a one-way ticket making stops in Boring Town Dry Island and Dull Junction. **The chosen and the beautiful book** Bottom line: And another win for team Gatsby!As in team the book. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful disaster** -----pre-reviewi've read many books that started out as a 4 star read and slowly became a 2 star but this is my first time experiencing the inverse, **The Chosen and the Beautiful kindle book** review to come / 4ish stars-----tbr reviewi am a person who is made up of 75% water 25% strong opinions and some of my very strongest are on the great gatsby, **EBook The Chosen and the beautiful epub** Legendary pro golfer Jordan Baker has never been one to shy away from success: **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful pdf** With the 1920's set in motion the secluded speakeasies and intoxicating parties are at the center of focus but for Jordan her past is a constant presence demanding inquiry, **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** In this stellar debut author Nghi Vo peels back the gilded exterior of a decade to reveal its flawed heart, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful book** A magical glimmering testament to retellings everywhere and the future of the literary canon: **The Chosen and the Beautiful kindle app** When I heard that one of my favorite authors was taking a stab at reimagining one of the most iconic American novels I could not wait to get my hands on an early copy. **The Chosen and the Beautiful kindle unlimited** The Great Gatsby has never been of any real interest to me after being told to read it for english class in high school, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful book** It's one of those stories that just barely grazed the surface of the complexity of the characters and the time period in which it was centered, **The Chosen and the beautifulflower** A story that in my opinion has been extremely overly fixated on in the American education system for it being what it is: rather monotonous: **The chosen and the beautiful bookshop** In that way Nghi Vo has expertly reexamined this classic creating a layered character study full of all the glitz and glam associated with the roaring twenties, **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** That the actual story went above and beyond my expectations is truly astonishing, **The Chosen and the Beautiful kindle app** The exploration of her Vietnamese heritage and her magical affinity tied in with the rest of the story in a way that was so inventive. **The chosen and the beautiful bookshop** What this has wholeheartedly exemplified is that every classic should be getting a retelling: **The chosen and the beautiful bookshop** I fully expect that The Chosen and the Beautiful will be replacing The Great Gatsby in every high school curriculum upon its release. **EPub The Chosen and the beautiful disaster** This beautiful evocative novel will have fans of literary fiction waiting on bated breath for more from its brilliant author: **Kindle The Chosen and the beautiful book** and because of that i dont think this will fully resonate with readers who arent a fan of the original story, **The Chosen and the Beautiful kindle cloud** as someone who thought 'the great gatsby' was just okay i found this just okay as well: **Fantasy The Chosen and the beautiful cast** while NVs writing is actually really lovely i think the fantasy element is where she had the biggest opportunity to show her originality in this retelling: **The chosen and the beautiful by nghi vo** however i thought the fantasy element was unnecessary for

the majority of the novel, **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful full book** but then i read the last chapter and i saw glimpse of how great it could have been: **The Chosen and the beautifulflower** the fantasy element creates a twist that is actually really interesting so much so that i wish it had played a larger part in the book and had more of a development. **The Chosen and the Beautiful fantasy cast** again this is a story that will no doubt be enjoyed by fans of 'the great gatsby. **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** ' but as a retelling i found it to be lacking in some areas. **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful book** however i did like NVs writing so i would be wiling to pick up her next book (fingers crossed it will be an original story): **The chosen and the beautiful book** Not gonna lie I had rather high expectations regarding this book: **PDF The Chosen and the beautiful free** This retelling is almost point for point from the original storyline with some slight key differences: **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love** The parties though are definitely a spectacular sight to explore and feel through: **The Chosen and the beautifuldeer-love**)Overall somewhat ravishing and delightful it still didn't quite quench that thirst and curiosity I had prior before heading into the book. **The Chosen and the beautifulhalo coupon** 4 STARSTwitter | Bookstagram | Youtube | Hardcover



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Rather than a more fluid combination. ME.THE.HELL.UP. Socialite. Magician. She just has to learn how. The IMAGERY this book conjures. Everything is new and everything is familiar all at once. Until there was no room in me for anything else. The things Vo does to and with language. goddamn. It is also a skillful feat of reinvention. I really loved this book. Like. And those changes unfortunately were just not enough for me. Full disclosure: I am HUGE The Great Gatsby fan. Every time I read that book it is magic. It was horrible. The Chosen and the Beautiful is her debut novel. I am as everyone knows a hater. I love to have an unpopular opinion. However. I will never ever ever EVER!!! DNF. And this book is why. I started out this book residing in Snooze City. But I kept reading because I'm stubborn. And GUESS WHAT. Another win for team refusing to learn from mistakes. Not team that bozo character feels weird. → 3. You can watch my reading vlog here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2EcB_