

The Bubonic Playgoers Cat-in-a-Box by Morgan Sweeney



The story of how easily a Poet can be crushed by the power of Physics

In his own home. Or, in Henry's case, in a holiday home in the Firth of Lorn where he has come, with his wife Kate, to save their marriage. To his dismay, the house has been tampered with and now, whenever anything is dropped down the disposal unit in the sink, it creates an electrical overload that blows all the fuses, burns out electrical appliances and finishes the toast prematurely. As if that wasn't enough, when normal service is restored, the house has reset itself to just before breakfast-time and everything seems normal again. But it's not.

This is a tale of repetition in ten scenes. Each one seems to start again in the same way but, because Henry has been moved to a parallel Universe – or, more properly a new and parallel iteration of Henry's life in the all-encompassing Multiverse – his day can develop in a completely different way.

Of course, he's looking for the one where his wife still loves and cares for him and won't, eventually, leave but it's been going on for so long and he still hasn't found one that he's beginning to lose hope.

Trapped, like a Cat, in a Box he can't escape from, how will Henry escape from his existential nightmare in this meta-Physical space? Can no-one help him? Or must he throw away his Rhyme & Metre, his Pantoums & Villanelles, re-invent Quantum Physics and put it, for once, to a properly practical purpose?

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