The 100 fantasy books that we - and other readers - simply cannot recommend highly enough; books that we've all loved reading. 1. The Lord of the Rings by JRR Tolkien. Buy on Amazon. There are a couple of reasons The Lord of the Rings is number one on this list. The series is popular because it is very, very good and the wizarding world a wonderful place to escape to. Read our review. 3. The Hobbit by JRR Tolkien. Buy on Amazon. Shadow of the Torturer and the subsequent series are not for beginners in the science fiction or fantasy genre. Wolfe's prose is lyrical, dense, and filled with double and triple meanings. He is by no means an easy author to read. A good fantasy book illuminates the mind with childlike wonder, but also lingers in our memories because of its connection to real life. In other words, great fantasy books show us the world in another guise, yet each is also a universe unto itself. If you're feeling overwhelmed by the number of amazing fantasy books on hand, you can also take our 1-minute quiz below to narrow it down quickly and get a personalized fantasy series recommendation 😉. Her first installment in the Earthsea series, A Wizard of Earthsea, is a bildungsroman of the old school, albeit enlivened with wizardry: a magical coming-of-age that treats hefty themes like death, the environment, and cosmic balance all with Le Guin's characteristically deft touch. 9. The Fellowship of the Ring by J.R.R. Tolkien (1968). Read two fantasy and one science fiction ebooks to get into the action with these series. 1. AabiLynn's Dragon Rite #0 2. Beauty of the Beast #1 3. The Mystic Rose: Part A 3. Shades of Gray #1 Noir, City Shrouded By Darkness. King Viiss wanted to enter the land so he could steal a large jewel and open a doorway to the Void, a world of demons. They would have conquered Athenia if not for the dragons aligning with tribal men. Their combined forces of sorcery and steel repelled the advance of the Stygian Legion, and King Viiss returned to his kingdom defeated and empty-handed. Now during the third reign of men and a time of peace, young humans were brought to the land of dragons within Athenia. The young humans participated in the first ceremonial acts of the Dragon Rite.