

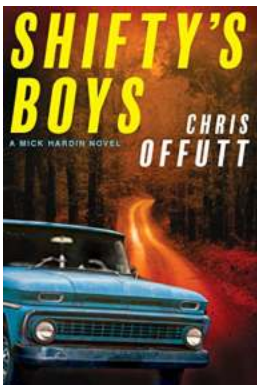
# Shifty Boys The Mick Hardin Novels - A Riveting Crime Series That Will Keep You on the Edge of Your Seat

Imagine being caught in a world of crime, deceit, and dangerous individuals. A world where every decision could be your last, and trust is a luxury that can cost you your life. This is the thrilling universe of Shifty Boys, the Mick Hardin Novels - a rollercoaster ride that will leave you breathless and craving for more.

Written by acclaimed author John Richards, Shifty Boys is a gripping crime series that delves deep into the underbelly of society. With complex characters, intense plotlines, and realistic portrayals of crime and its consequences, these novels are a must-read for any fan of the thriller genre.

## The Magnetic Mick Hardin - A Protagonist Like No Other

At the heart of the Shifty Boys series lies Mick Hardin, a flawed yet highly intriguing protagonist with a mysterious past. Hardin is a private investigator who finds himself entangled in a web of criminal activities that he can't escape from. His relentless pursuit of justice and his unwillingness to back down make him a force to be reckoned with.



## Shifty's Boys (The Mick Hardin Novels)

by Chris Offutt (Kindle Edition)

★★★★☆ 4.5 out of 5

Language : English

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Text-to-Speech : Enabled

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What sets Mick Hardin apart from other crime novel protagonists is his complexity. He is not your typical "good guy." He has his own demons and skeletons in the closet, which makes him more relatable and human. Richards masterfully crafts this character, exploring his motivations, vulnerabilities, and dark side with each installment of the series.

## **Plotlines That Keep You Guessing**

One of the defining features of the Shifty Boys novels is their intricate and suspenseful plotlines. Richards weaves together a tapestry of intrigue, mystery, and danger that will keep readers on the edge of their seats until the very last page.

Each novel in the series presents a new case for Mick Hardin to crack, introducing readers to a myriad of compelling side characters and unexpected twists and turns. As the plot unravels, secrets are revealed, alliances are tested, and danger lurks at every corner.

Whether it's an underground drug cartel, a corrupt politician, or a twisted serial killer, the world of Shifty Boys is packed with gripping stories that will have readers hooked from the first chapter.

## **The Authentic Grit of Crime**

While many crime novels tend to glamorize criminal activities, Shifty Boys takes a different approach. Richards paints a realistic picture of crime and its

consequences, showing the readers the gritty and often heartbreaking reality behind the flashy heists and high-speed chases.

From the moment you dive into the first novel, you can feel the weight of the characters' actions and the impact they have on innocent lives. Richards doesn't shy away from exploring the moral dilemmas and ethical gray areas that come with living on the wrong side of the law.

## **The Legacy of Shifty Boys**

The Mick Hardin Novels have become a sensation among readers and critics alike. With each new installment, the series continues to garner praise for its gripping storytelling, compelling characters, and its commitment to staying true to the complexities of the crime genre.

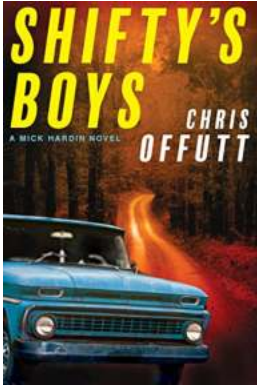
Readers who have dived into the world of Shifty Boys find themselves unable to put the books down, eagerly awaiting the next chapter in Mick Hardin's journey. The series has even sparked conversations about potential film adaptations, showcasing the impact and popularity of Richards' work.

If you are searching for a crime series that will keep you engaged, on the edge of your seat, and craving for more, look no further than Shifty Boys The Mick Hardin Novels. With its complex protagonist, intricate plotlines, and realistic portrayal of crime, this series is a must-read for any thriller enthusiast.

John Richards' ability to transport readers into a world of danger and moral ambiguity is unparalleled. So, grab a copy of the first novel, buckle up, and brace yourself for a thrilling ride you won't soon forget.

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Army cop-turned-small-town-investigator Mick Hardin returns to Appalachia in this propulsive thriller from the award-winning author of *The Killing Hills*.

Mick Hardin is an Army CID officer home on leave, recovering from an IED attack and flirting with prescription painkillers, when a body is found in the center of town. It's Barney Kissick, the local heroin dealer, and the city police see it as an occupational hazard. But when Barney's mother, Shifty, asks Mick to take a look, it seems there's more to the killing than it seems. Mick should be rehabbing his leg, signing his divorce papers, and getting out of town—and most of all, staying out of the way of his sister's reelection as Sheriff—but he keeps on looking, and suddenly he's getting shot at himself.

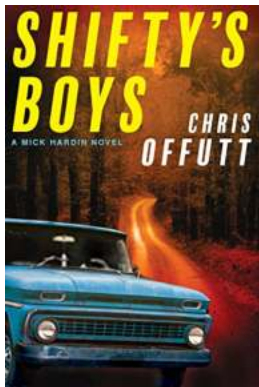
A dark, pacy crime novel about grief and revenge, and the surprises hidden below the surface, *Shifty's Boys* is a tour de force that confirms Mick Hardin as one of the most appealing new investigators in fiction.

Praise for *The Killing Hills*

"[A] work of rural noir whose characters' singular codes lead to constant surprises." —*The Wall Street Journal*

“Dark, but deeply humane. The love in this book is deep and powerful. And winsome twinkles shine through the blackness throughout, thanks in no small part to Offutt’s keen ear and eye.” —The New York Times

“Sense of place also steams off the pages . . . Pitch-perfect in its tone and dialogue, if more interested in mood than in the business of plot, this is what Jack Reacher wants to be when it grows up.” —The Times [UK]



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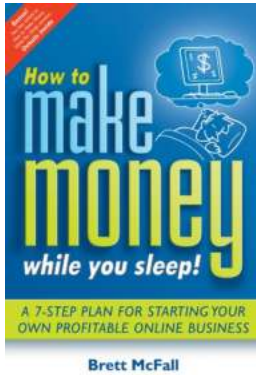
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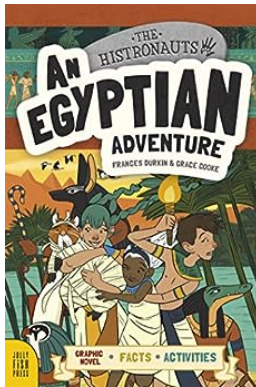
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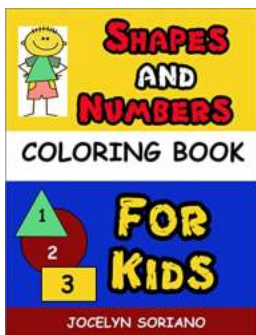
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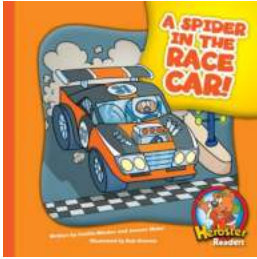
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