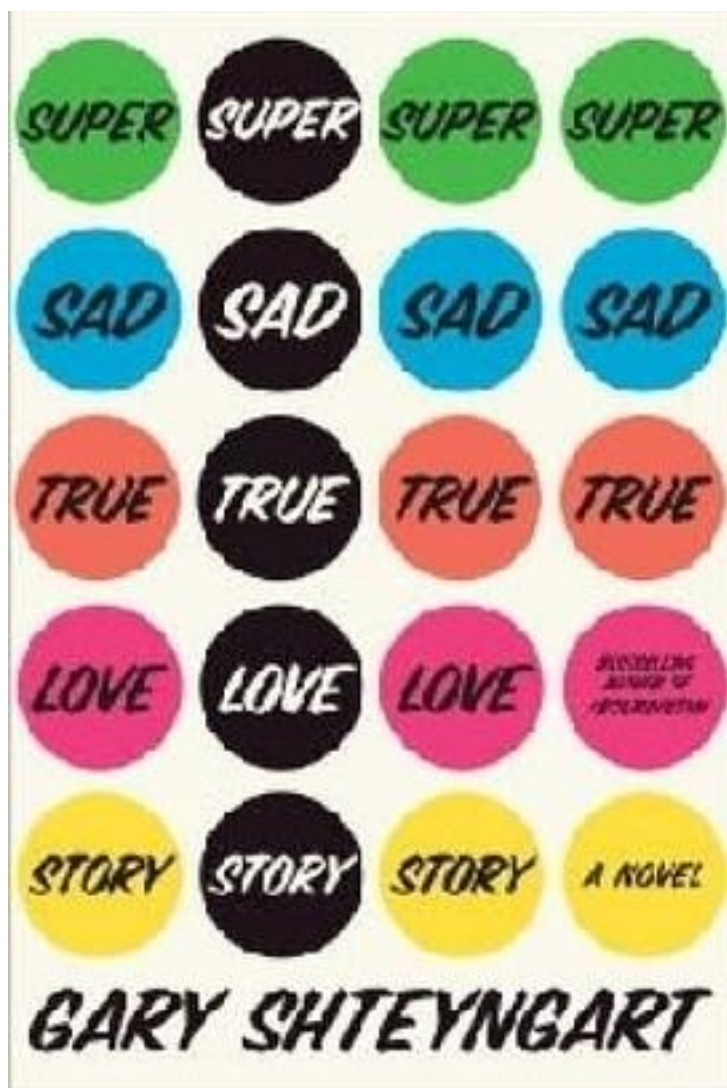


Super Sad True Love Story



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The author of two critically acclaimed novels, *The Russian Debutante's Handbook* and *Absurdistan*, Gary Shteyngart has risen to the top of the fiction world. Now, in his hilarious and heartfelt new novel, he envisions a deliciously dark tale of America's dysfunctional coming years—and the timeless and tender feelings that just might bring us back from the brink.

In a very near future—oh, let's say next Tuesday—a functionally illiterate America is about to collapse. But don't tell that to poor Lenny Abramov, the thirty-nine-year-old son of an angry Russian immigrant janitor, proud author of what may well be the world's last diary, and less-proud owner of a bald spot shaped like the great state of Ohio. Despite his job at an outfit called Post-Human Services, which attempts to provide immortality for its super-rich clientele, death is clearly stalking this cholesterol-rich morsel of a man. And why shouldn't it? Lenny's from a different century—he totally loves books (or “printed, bound media artifacts,” as they're now known), even though most of his peers find them smelly and annoying. But even more than books, Lenny loves Eunice Park, an impossibly cute and impossibly cruel twenty-four-year-old Korean American woman who just graduated from Elderbird College with a major in Images and a minor in Assertiveness.

After meeting Lenny on an extended Roman holiday, blistering Eunice puts that Assertiveness minor to work, teaching our “ancient dork” effective new ways to brush his teeth and making him buy a cottony nonflammable wardrobe. But America proves less flame-resistant than Lenny's new threads. The country is crushed by a credit crisis, riots break out in New York's Central Park, the city's streets are lined with National Guard tanks on every corner, the dollar is so over, and our patient Chinese creditors may just be ready to foreclose on the whole mess. Undeterred, Lenny vows to love both Eunice and his homeland. He's going to convince his fickle new love that in a time without standards or stability, in a world where single people can determine a dating prospect's “hotness” and “sustainability” with the click of a button, in a society where the privileged may live forever but the unfortunate will die all too soon, there is still value in being a real human being.

Wildly funny, rich, and humane, *Super Sad True Love Story* is a knockout novel by a young master, a book in which falling in love just may redeem a planet falling apart.

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评论

笑而不语。

very bold imagination and unorthodox tale that in the near future US becoming a failed country is in a total collapse while China has replaced its super power status, but the story line to be a bit slow and the main characters is hard to love. I understand the author trying to make a broad social satire for dystopia of American decline but he fails

算了写的好好的被结局糟蹋了...

I like the dystopian premise but there are too many themes for any to really stand out

叙事方式很有意思 读起来比较轻松。反乌托邦 爱情 移民问题
商品社会……感觉主题好多而且相互交织，很难抓住一个特别的点。

二读的分析：作者一直在强调美国已经过气，通过年老的白人主角和他年轻的亚洲女友之间失败的爱情来强调失去和对过去的缅怀。中国的接手，mass surveillance 和 military occupation 都成为美国经济衰退以及大国不再的征兆。

super sad, yet amazingly true.

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开头和中间都不错，到了结尾部分有力有不逮的感觉，给了个烂俗的结局。不过坐在F train上看书时看到主人翁也在坐F train，有种其妙的感觉。然后，作者的老婆似乎真是韩国人。。。

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书评

Super Sad True Love Story is once again about something a cheesy title always omits - death. It reconciles the urban development expectation we've grown familiar and learned how to put up with and the utmost fear of our obvious never-by-choice demise as an ...

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