

BOY MOSCOW

Cold War Exploits and Adventures

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SYNOPSIS

Since the age of twelve, Kevin Paul Scarrott has had to fend for himself. When his father, a military attaché, takes up a post at the British embassy in Moscow during the Cold War, the boy is forced to shuttle between school in the West and his family in the East. Isolated and neglected, Kevin Paul turns to crime. Sasha, a manipulative Moscow local, gaslights and grooms him, and the boy spends three years supplying his terrifying minder with illicit contraband.

But amid the commuting and misdoings, Kevin Paul manages to have some fun. Alexander, a streetwise Bulgarian, introduces him to Moscow's delights and intricacies. And Jana, a Czechoslovakian beauty and his first love, turns his world upside down with her erudite charm. Throughout his escapades in the USSR, Kevin Paul is wooed by a diverse array of cultivated, distinguished people who in many ways shape his future.

As the boy gains tactical abilities and confidence, he increases his powers of perception, leading him to discover that the KGB has bugged his father's apartment. The ensuing consequences culminate in a perilous tit for tat between the Soviets and the British—and a potentially catastrophic endgame for Kevin Paul.

