

My Name Is Yip

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Synopsis

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A bold, revisionist take on the Western novel set in the Georgia gold rush, for listeners of Charles Portis and Cormac McCarthy, by a powerful debut novelist with an original voice

Itâ€™s 1815 in the small town of Heronâ€™s Creek, Georgia, when Yip Tolroyâ€™“mute, medical anomaly, and social outcastâ€™“is born. His father has disappeared under mysterious circumstances, so he is raised by his mother: a powerful, troubled, independent woman who owns and runs a general store. She struggles to manage his needs, leaving Yip to find the means of asserting himself in an unforgiving, hostile environment. With the help of a retired doctor, he begins to transform his life by learning to read and write, his portal into the community a piece of slate and a supply of chalk.

And then at the age of fifteen, Yipâ€™s life is altered irrevocably. In the space of a few days he witnesses the discovery of gold, meets his faithful friend and comrade Dud Carter, and commits a grievous crime. Thrust unwittingly into a world of violence and sin, Yip and Dud are forced to leave town and embark on an odyssey that will introduce them to the wonder and horror of the American frontier until the revelation of a secret means they must return to Heronâ€™s Creek and the fate that awaits them.

With its colorful description of people and places, comic backbone, and compelling narrator, *My Name Is Yip* is a bold adventureâ€™“a gripping tale of courage, struggle, hope, and brotherhoodâ€™“that reckons with the seductive pull of the American South and its dark and complex histories.

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