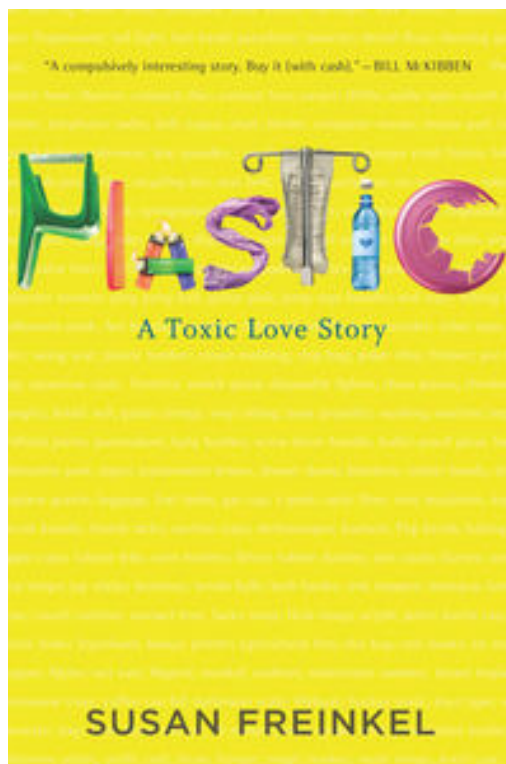


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From pacemakers to disposable bags, plastic built the modern world. But a century into our love affair, we're starting to realize it's not such a healthy relationship. As journalist Susan Freinkel points out in this eye-opening book, we're at a crisis point. Plastics draw on dwindling fossil fuels, leach harmful chemicals, litter landscapes, and destroy marine life. We're drowning in the stuff, and we need to start making some hard choices.

Freinkel tells her story through eight familiar plastic objects: a comb, a chair, a Frisbee, an IV bag, a disposable lighter, a grocery bag, a soda bottle, and a credit card. With a blend of lively anecdotes and analysis, she sifts through scientific studies and economic data, reporting from China and across the United States to assess the real impact of plastic on our

lives.

Her conclusion is severe, but not without hope. *Plastic* points the way toward a new creative partnership with the material we love, hate, and can't seem to live without.

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