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REGULUS BLACK AND THE STOLEN LOCKET

A novel by Joshua Coombs

A haunted, mythic reimagining of Regulus Arcturus Black's transformation from obedient heir of a decaying pure-blood dynasty into the young man who dares to defy Voldemort and steal the locket Horcrux.

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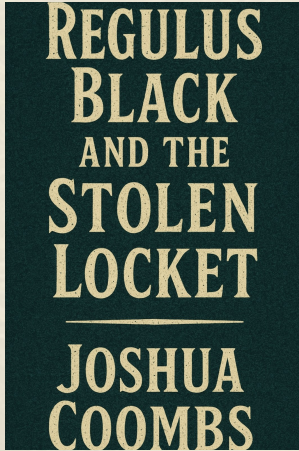
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PROJECT OVERVIEW

The story in brief



Regulus Black and the Stolen Locket reimagines one of the Wizarding World's most haunting untold stories: the transformation of Regulus Arcturus Black, R.A.B., from obedient heir into a young man capable of conscience, sacrifice, and revolt.

Set against the oppressive grandeur of Grimmauld Place, the shadowed halls of Hogwarts, and the mounting terror of Voldemort's ascent, the novel explores family legacy, indoctrination, brotherhood, moral injury, and the fragile awakening of conscience.

At its center is Regulus: not a footnote, and not merely Sirius Black's younger brother, but a deeply conflicted young wizard struggling to separate duty from truth, loyalty from love, and power from purpose.

Literary fantasy

Dark coming-of-age

Tragic redemption

A young heir discovers that obedience can become a prison, and that conscience, once awakened, demands a cost.

AT A GLANCE

Press snapshot

TITLE

**Regulus Black and
the Stolen Locket**

AUTHOR

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PRIMARY FIGURE

**Regulus
Arcturus Black**

GENRE

Literary fantasy, dark coming-of-age, tragic redemption arc,
transformative fan work

TOPE

Gothic, introspective, mythic, emotionally intimate, morally charged

SETTINGS

Grimmauld Place, Hogwarts, the Black family inheritance, and the cave
that holds Voldemort's locket Horcrux

CORE THEMES

Family legacy, indoctrination, brotherhood, inherited shame, moral
injury, servitude, conscience, and sacrifice

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SYNOPSIS

The arc of R.A.B.

Regulus Arcturus Black is born into a house that mistakes inheritance for destiny. Raised beneath the pressure of portraits, bloodline, and a mother who turns approval into scripture, he learns early that love in the Black household is conditional, ritualized, and always watching.

As Sirius grows toward rebellion, Regulus is pulled in the opposite direction. He becomes the dutiful son, the heir who stays, the child who mistakes obedience for belonging. At Hogwarts, Slytherin ambition, Lucius Malfoy's influence, Severus Snape's intellectual darkness, and Voldemort's rise all offer Regulus a dangerous form of certainty. Power begins to look like order. Order begins to look like safety.

But the novel does not treat Regulus as a simple convert to darkness. Through his fractured bond with Sirius, his connection to Kreacher, and his growing awareness of the cruelty hidden beneath ideology, Regulus begins to see the cost of the world he has chosen. The deeper he moves into Voldemort's orbit, the more clearly he understands that loyalty without conscience becomes complicity.

The turning point arrives when Kreacher's suffering reveals Voldemort's true nature. What had once seemed like greatness is exposed as appetite: a hunger for control, immortality, and human disposal. Regulus's rebellion is not loud. It is secret, precise, lonely, and final. He steals the locket not to be remembered, but because remembering himself has become impossible unless he acts.

The novel reframes Regulus not as a footnote to Harry's story, but as a tragic young man whose last act becomes his first free choice.

THEMES & ANGLES

Why this story matters

Inheritance as atmosphere

The Black family legacy is not just background. It is architecture, inheritance, surveillance, and emotional weather.

Brotherhood as counter-magic

Sirius and Regulus are shaped by the same house, then torn into opposing answers to the same wound.

Indoctrination and awakening

The story studies how a young person can mistake approval for truth, and how truth returns as unease before it becomes courage.

Moral injury

Regulus's conscience does not arrive fully formed. It emerges through fear, shame, love, revulsion, and the knowledge that obedience has harmed him.

Kreacher and personhood

Kreacher is not merely a servant in the margins. His suffering becomes the moral event that breaks Regulus's allegiance to Voldemort.

The myth beneath the footnote

R.A.B. becomes a lens for tragedy, agency, and the hidden lives behind canonical history.

family trauma

coercive loyalty

dark academia

redemption without applause

tragic sacrifice

SAMPLE EXCERPT

Opening atmosphere



The coastal wind roared, waves crashing against jagged rocks, mist drifting into the frigid night air. This secluded coastal cave, hidden from the eyes of all but those steeped in the darkest of magics, was an ideal site for the ritual that Tom Riddle was about to perform. His pale, serpentine face glowed under the dim light of his wand, casting shifting shadows across the uneven cave walls, and the night seemed to press in on him, as though the universe itself had noted what was about to transpire.

Excerpted from the prologue of *Regulus Black and the Stolen Locket* by Joshua Coombs.

READER PROMISE

A tragic, emotionally driven descent into loyalty, doubt, and conscience.

VISUAL LANGUAGE

Sea caves, dark halls, old houses, locket imagery, cold inheritance, and storm-bound sacrifice.

AUTHOR / STORY CREDIT

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Joshua Coombs is the writer of *Regulus Black* and the *Stolen Locket*, an unofficial transformative fan work that approaches Regulus Arcturus Black as a psychologically complex tragic figure rather than a background mystery.

His work centers emotional consequence, mythic structure, moral pressure, and the strange beauty of people trying to become truthful inside systems designed to deform them.

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