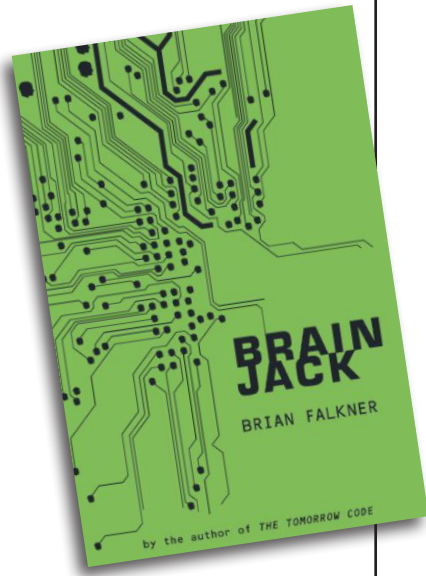


ATPE **BOOK** of the month **CLUB**



Brain Jack by Brian Falkner

(Grades 6–8)

(Summary taken from book jacket)

Las Vegas is gone ...

... destroyed in a terrorist attack. Black Hawk helicopters patrol the skies over New York City and online gaming is the most dangerous street drug around. In this dark near-future, neuro-headsets have replaced computer keyboards—slip on a headset, and it's the Internet at the speed of thought.

For teen hacker Sam Wilson, a headset is a must. But as he becomes familiar with new technology, he has a terrifying realization. If anything on his computer is vulnerable to a hack, what happens when his mind is linked to the system? Could consciousness itself be hijacked? Before he realizes what's happened, Sam's incursion against the world's largest telecommunications company leads him to the heart of the nation's cyberdefense network and brings him face to face with a terrifying and unforeseen threat.

Suddenly, logging on to a computer could mean the difference between life and death.

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