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### **New Dystopian Novel for Young Adults Highlights Climate Change Threat to Future Generations**

Author Jule Owen has spent her working life in high tech. Her new novel, *The Boy Who Fell from the Sky*, explores the paradox of living in the age that will likely see the introduction of miracle technology, find a cure for cancer and prolong human life, but that may also see civilization, as we know it destroyed by climate change.

*The Boy Who Fell from the Sky* is the first book in *The House Next Door* trilogy, a series of three science fiction, dystopian, time travel novels for young adults. They are set in 2055, in a world ravaged by climate change and are adventure stories with a serious message about the future we are making for ourselves.

Jule Owen said, “It’s the big issue of our times. There’s a huge scientific consensus about the fact that climate change is man made and that it is likely to massively disrupt our lives, but the majority of people don’t care about it. Frighteningly, young people, who are likely to suffer the most in the future, are not all engaging with the issue. I love books like the *Hunger Games* and *Divergent*. They are exiting but they also make you stop and think and I wanted to try and use the genre as a way of getting people to talk about what’s coming. I used time travel, because it allows my main character, Mathew, to live through the impact of climate change over time.”

In *The Boy Who Fell from the Sky*, The world is falling apart in 2055. Another flood has devastated London and it’s the eve of the First Space War. With the city locked down, sixteen-year-old Mathew Erlang is confined to his house with only his cat, his robot and his holographic dragons for company.

Desperate for a distraction from the chaos around him, Mathew becomes fascinated by his peculiar and reclusive neighbor, August Lestrangle. Mathew begins to investigate Mr. Lestrangle, turning to the virtual world of the Nexus and Blackweb for answers. But as he digs deeper, Mathew realizes that Mr. Lestrangle doesn’t seem quite human.

When Mathew accidentally finds himself trapped in Lestrangle’s house, he opens a door and falls four hundred years into the future—a week before the end of the world. Unwittingly, he starts to destabilise the course of human history.

A 1984 for a new generation, *The Boy Who Fell from the Sky* delves into a future where climate change and technology have transformed the world. It is the first book in *The House Next Door* trilogy, a young adult dystopian

*The Boy Who Fell from the Sky* will be available from 30<sup>th</sup> September on Amazon and in bookshops from the 30<sup>th</sup> October.