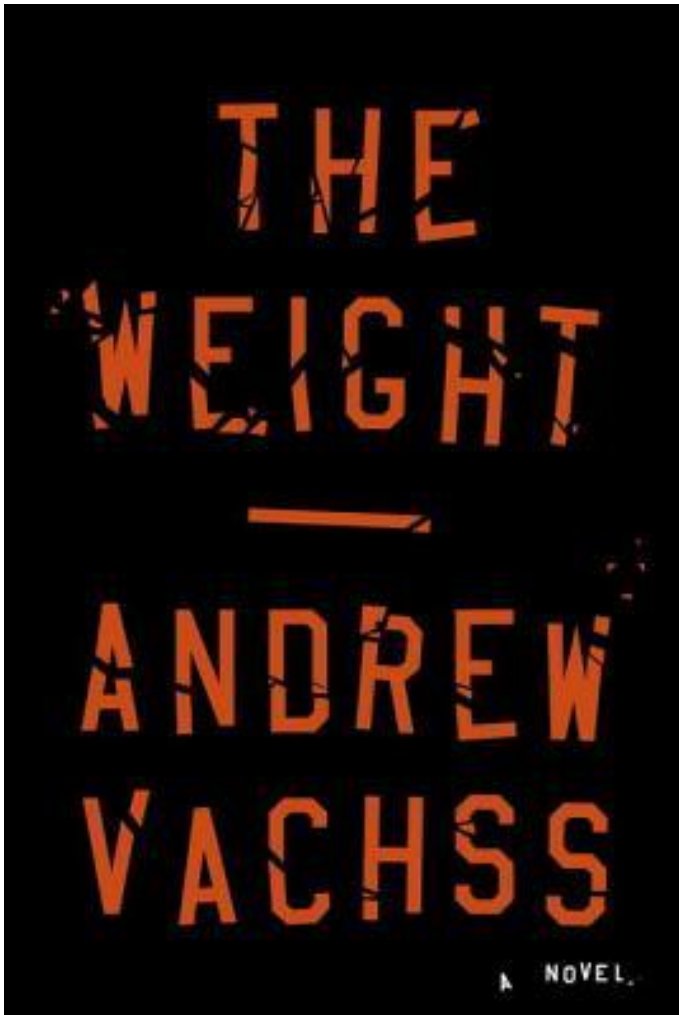


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**The Weight**



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## Description

Andrew Vachss returns with a mesmerizing novel about a hard-core thief who's about to embark on a job that will alter his life forever.

Sugar is that rarest of commodities: an old-school professional thief, tough and loyal as a pit bull, packing 255 pounds of muscle. When he's picked out of a photo array in a vicious rape case, the cops find his apartment empty. A stakeout catches Sugar when he returns . . . carrying a loaded pistol. The sex-crime cops get nothing from their interrogation, but a streetwise detective figures out why Sugar offers no alibi: at the time of the rape, a holiday-weekend break-in job was being pulled at a jewelry store. The DA offers Sugar two options: give up his partners in the jewelry heist and walk, or plead to the rape he didn't commit—and he'll toss in the gun charge. For Sugar, that's not two options; he takes the weight.

When Sugar finishes his time, his money is waiting for him, held by Solly, the mastermind behind the jewelry heist. But Solly tells Sugar that one of the heist crew was actually sent by another planner—and that planner has just died. In Sugar's world, all loose threads must be cut. He suspects that there's more to this job than what Solly is telling him. But nothing he suspects or imagines can prepare him for what he finds . . .

*From the Hardcover edition.*

## Insightful reviews

Ed: This standalone novel reminded me of Mr. Vachss's crime title Shella about a brutal killer except the protagonist here is a professional thief named Sugar Caine. Sugar does a jewelry heist, gets nabbed, and takes "the weight" for a rapist by going to prison after the rape victim IDs him. So Sugar does time for a crime he hasn't committed, but he's done a few other violent crimes. That makes for an interesting book premise. After Sugar gates out, his boss, an old man named Solly, sends Sugar to Florida to take care of some business where he then falls in love. I like the hardboiled voice Mr. Vachss uses, and he knows his criminals and their seedy underworld since he's a criminal lawyer. I had a little trouble following the plot toward the end where the narrative uses a lot of dialogue, but I got the gist enough to really enjoy the entire ride.

Brandon: Good Read. Moves slow in the middle of the book but in the end it was an enjoyable read. One of the few stand alone Novels from a Author who wrote the Burke Series.

Jayw: Professional jewel thief takes a frame for rape instead of alibiing out with the robbery he was really doing at the time. He could skate on the robbery but would have to give up his partners. Walks out of prison after 5 years into political squabble between bosses.

John Grazide: while I bought to the end, I ha to envision and spot if i used to be nonetheless examining a Vachss novel. definite enough.

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M.D. Massey: strong strong crime fiction This is not Vachss' top work, yet even if he is mailing it in it beats something so much crime fiction authors can do on their most sensible day. if you are a fan, or not, choose it up.

David: the load via Andrew Vachss (Pantheon Books 2010)(Fiction - Mystery) is the least pleasant e-book from this often very enjoyable author. this can be both a stand-alone novel or the beginning of a brand new series, however it isn't really a continuation of the author's advantageous "Burke" series. Like Burke, this tale follows a streetwise ex-con profession legal with out residing blood family. within the weight, the protagonist "Sugar" has been wrongly convicted of against the law which he might by no means commit. Can he transparent his acceptance and tie up the free ends which may endanger him within the future? not like lots of the Burke series, during this tale, the reader does not particularly care. My rating: 3/10, comprehensive 10/19/12.

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