

The Golem and the Jinni

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This novel takes place in late 19th Century America (specifically New York City) where a newly awakened golem whose master died en route and a newly released jinni must try to fit into different subcultures of New York City and not to draw attention to themselves. The novel delves into how each of them have trouble fitting in due to their different, supernatural natures. They do eventually encounter each other and learn how to interact with the other and eventually form a small group of people who they trust. This book is interesting because it adds another layer of caution to two people who are immigrants by turning them into supernatural creatures (a human passing, masterless golem, and a jinni respectively). They also must learn to conceal what they really are and adjust to life in a strange city and culture. This would also allow for some added anxiety and complications as they would adjust to their new situations in a new country that they had no choice in going to. The book allows for a look at how different people from a wide variety of cultures can interact with each other and can even find connections.