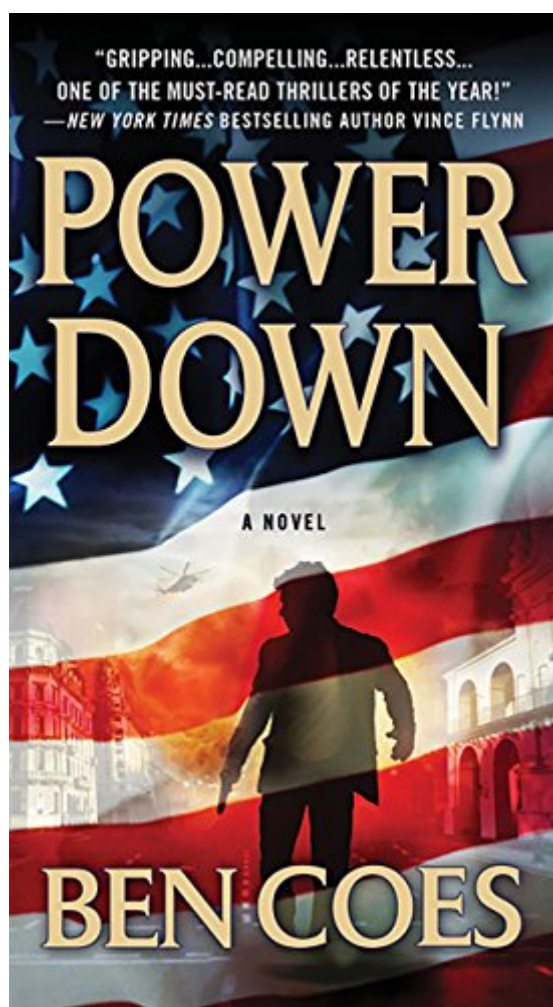


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It seems that since Tom Clancy took a major vacation from writing (although in fairness he is releasing his first full novel co-written with another author later this year), there has been a large chunk of new authors who have stepped up hoping to assume the crown as the new Techno-Thriller King. Since Clive Cussler has resorted to co-writing these days as well, it isn't him...many can make a good argument that Brad Thor or Vince Flynn are in the running (and in all honesty, my money is on Brad) along with the likes of Jack DuBrul, and AJ Tata certainly ought to be considered, too (although IMO Mr. Tata has earned the title free & clear)...now comes Ben Coes out of virtually nowhere with a new twist on an otherwise quite tired and oft-used premise of America being attacked (again) by terrorists. So how is this one different? First off we get an attack on an off-shore oil rig, right there we see a pretty different change of scenery (however in all fairness, Jack DuBrul had a similar attack on a rig in Charon's Landing), and not just a change, but a very relevant and realistic one, too. From the detailed description of weapons, technology and character development, I see a very bright future indeed for Mr Coes. 9/11 taught us that coordinated attacks on America or our interests not only CAN happen, but will continue--if not for the tireless work of those in intelligence gathering and of course, our brave men & women serving to protect our freedoms all over the world. But what if, against all odds, an attack actually happened as described here in Power Down? I was blown away at how utterly plausible this story was--and more than a little frightening, too.

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