

Imagine: You're in a school assembly, listening to some boring poet drone on and on. Someone leans over and whispers in your ear with a dare: He'll give you twenty dollars if you shout one six-letter word right now, in front of everyone. So you do it. You shout out the slur, and you're carted off to the principal's office. And now everyone who was at the assembly thinks you're a homophobe. But you're not. You swear you're not a bad kid . . . but are you?

Now imagine: You're in a school assembly, and suddenly one of your classmates stands up and shouts . . . that word. Did he shout it at you? You start hearing that word in the hallways, all around you. Is everyone talking about you? But you're not gay, you swear you're not gay. Maybe if you start boxing, maybe if you can control your body enough, you can prove it: You're not . . . that word.

Dayton and Farshid are on two sides of an incident that changes their high school lives forever. Now each of them has to decide: What kind of man will he become?

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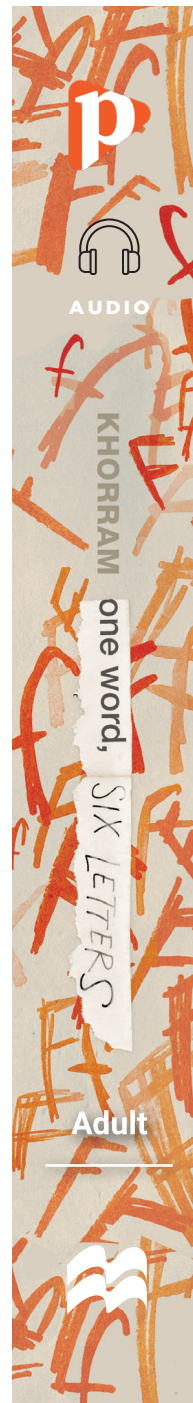
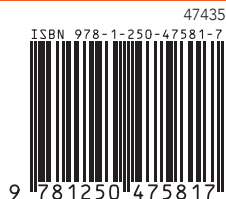
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