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YA In the year 2000, a huge potato-shaped asteroid, nicknamed the Stone by Americans, appears in orbit around the earth. Exploration shows that it is divided into seven man-made, hollowed-out chambers, indicating that it had been inhabited. Scientists discover that it was built by Earth people, but in the far distant future, and that a nuclear war is imminent. It becomes crucial that theoretical mathematician Patricia Vasquez discover why the former habitants left and where they went. Although Eon is far too long, its story of futuristic cities and life forms stirs the imagination. Readers travel to worlds where humans may exist as memories in the City Memory Bank, corporeal representatives (ghosts) or incarnations. Other humanoid life forms also exist, and in an amazing array of shapes, from snake-like creatures to floating blobs. Bear's creativity provides a richness to an intricate, complex plot. It's unfortunate that the length may deter all but the most avid sci/fi fans. Pam Spencer, Mount Vernon High School Library, Fairfax, Va.
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Review

“Hard science and human interest intersect ingeniously in the prequel to Bea's *Eon* and *Eternity*....This is a stunning SF novel that extrapolates a scientifically complex future from the basic stuff of human nature.” ?*Publishers Weekly, starred review, on Legacy*

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“The ambitiousness of Greg Bear's *Eon* lies more in the mainstream of science fiction... its uniqueness arises from Bear's bold imagination. Bear is a writer of passionate vision. *Eon* is his grandest work yet.” ?*Locus on Greg Bear*

“Bear is one of our very best.” ?*New York Daily News on Greg Bear*

“If anyone is the complete master of the grand scale SF novel, it's Bear.” ?*Booklist on Greg Bear*

About the Author
Greg Bear is one of the world's leading hard SF authors. A multiple Hugo and Nebula award winner, he sold his first short story, at the age of fifteen, to Robert Lowndes's Famous Science Fiction. His novels Blood Music and Eon are both Gollancz Masterworks. A full-time writer, he lives in Washington with his family.

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