



## The Fracking King (Hardback)

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By James Browning

New Harvest, United States, 2014. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 211 x 145 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. A striking debut novel about boarding school, hardcore Scrabble, and fracking a new kind of environmental novel by an important voice in the debate about fracking in America. When the tap water at the Hale Boarding School for Boys bursts into flames, people blame fracking. Life at Hale has always been fraught the swim test consists of being thrown into the pool with wrists and ankles tied, and a boy can be expelled if he and a girl keep fewer than three feet on the floor. But the sight of combustible drinking water and the possibility that fracking is making Hale kids sick turn one student into an unlikely hero in the fight to stop the controversial drilling practice. Winston Crwth, a Scrabble prodigy whose baffling last name rhymes with truth, knows what it's like to be fractured, having grown up with his father in Philadelphia and his mother in California. On Winston's comic journey to the Pennsylvania State Scrabble Championship, where he hopes to win an audience with beauty-queen-turned-governor Linda King LaRue, he matches wits with Thomasina Wodtke-Weir,...

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