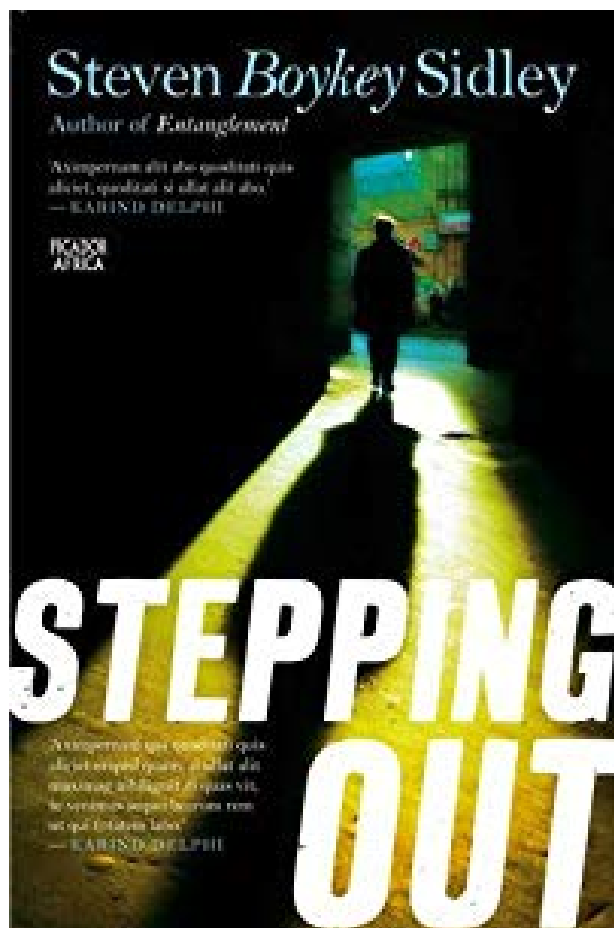


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Harold Cummings has led a good life – honest, cautious, prudent. Now retired, financially secure and terminally bored, he asks himself – where are my rewards? When his wife Millie is called away for a few days Harold slowly begins to unravel. Starting with small incidents of risky and uncharacteristic behaviour, he quickly spirals into a no-holds-barred encounter with the seamy underworld of the city he calls home. Harold careens shockingly and comically into a world without handrails, one that he finds terrifying but strangely compelling. As he is drawn into the ambit of a young hooker and her child, and into encounters with drug dealers and a violent pimp, Harold is forced to confront his demons head on. He must find the means to reverse his slide into self-destruction and rediscover grace in the choices he has made. By turns funny, sad, chilling and provocative, *Stepping Out* continues the dark and humorous intellectual explorations of Sidley's acclaimed debut novel, *Entanglement*.