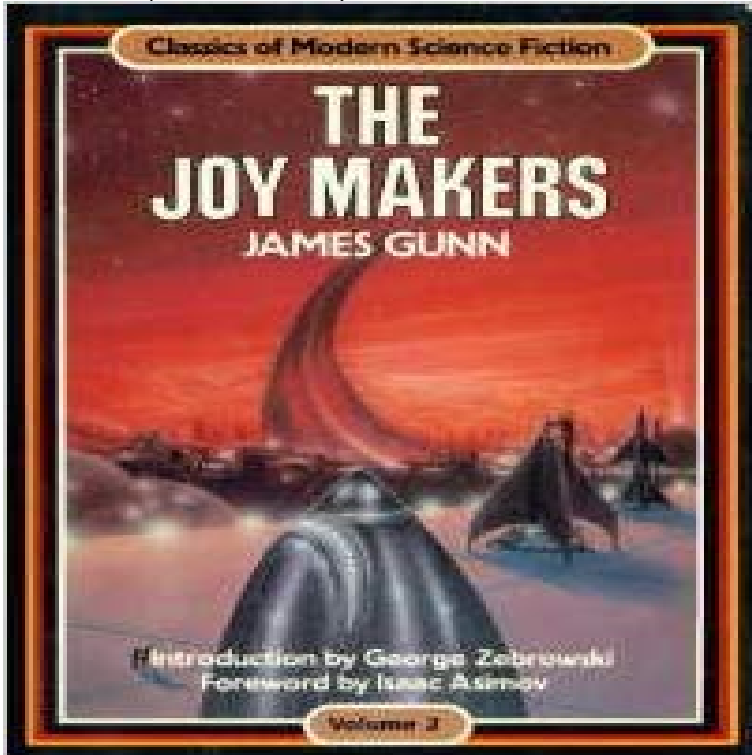


## The Joy Makers (Classics of modern science fiction #2)



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