

I AM THE MESSENGER Markus Zusak

Ed Kennedy, 19, is a cab driver who gets no respect (and actually feels like he doesn't deserve any). He lives in a shack with a stinky, coffee-drinking seventeen-year-old dog named the Doorman. He's in love with his friend Audrey but she refuses to love anyone and won't sleep with Ed because she "likes him too much."

Ed becomes a hero when he points a gun at the most incompetent bank robber the world has ever seen. Soon after, he receives his first message --- an Ace of Diamonds playing card with three addresses and times written on it. Ed realizes that this is more than an invitation; it's an assignment, and he feels compelled to respond. Ed knows he's been chosen, to care and to act. But how? And by whom?

1. What would you do if you received the following card?

