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The Common Reads team at Penguin Random House is excited to present our latest book recommendations for your common reading program. In this catalog you will discover new titles such as: Ibram X. Kendi's bracingly original approach to understanding and uprooting racism and inequality in *How to Be an Antiracist*; actor/author/activist George Takei's graphic memoir, *They Called Us Enemy*, recounting his childhood imprisoned within American concentration camps during World War II; mathematician and former NFL player John Urschel's story of a life balanced between two passions in *Mind and Matter*; a profound call to action about what our world could look like in fifty years in David Wallace-Wells's *The Uninhabitable Earth: Life After Warming*; and Chris Wilson's inspiring, instructive, and ultimately triumphant tale of how he used hard work to turn a life sentence into a second chance in *The Master Plan*. The list could easily go on.

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HC = Hardcover

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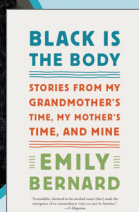
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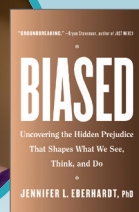
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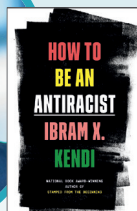
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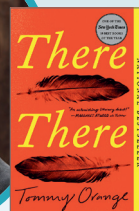
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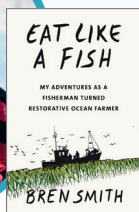
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2020 FYE® Events

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST Dinner



Susan Fowler
WHISTLEBLOWER
(Viking)



Ibram X. Kendi
HOW TO BE AN ANTIRACIST
(One World)



Kwame Onwuachi
NOTES FROM A YOUNG
BLACK CHEF
(Knopf)



Adib Khorram
DARIUS THE GREAT
IS NOT OKAY
(Penguin Young Readers)

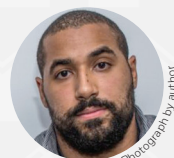
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND Luncheon



Jennifer L. Eberhardt
BIASED
(Viking)



Diane Smith
SALT IN MY SOUL
by Mallory Smith
(Random House)



John Urschel
MIND AND MATTER
(Penguin Press)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND Cocktails and Conversation



Bina Venkataraman
THE OPTIMIST'S TELESCOPE
(Riverhead)



David Wallace-Wells
THE UNINHABITABLE EARTH
(Tim Duggan Books)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD Luncheon



Carolyn A. Forché
WHAT YOU HAVE HEARD
IS TRUE
(Penguin)



Brandon Hobson
WHERE THE DEAD SIT TALKING
(Soho Press)



Chris Wilson
THE MASTER PLAN
(Putnam)



Bren Smith
EAT LIKE A FISH
(Knopf)



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Consider the power of the spoken word to make the First-Year/Common Reading Experience More Inclusive

Increase participation in the common reading experience by integrating audiobooks into your lesson plans to better engage struggling readers or to simply enhance the reading experience. In the ever-changing technological landscape, the art of listening is an essential component in developing literate, critical thinkers.

WHY AUDIOBOOKS?

- 30% of people are auditory learners—processing information best through listening.
- 85% of what we learn, we learn by listening. For students, listening is **THE** dominant learning medium, fundamental to grasping all other language arts: reading, writing, and speaking.
- Audiobooks promote a sense of intimacy and human connection—we listened to stories long before we read them. Audiobooks reinforce good storytelling, an important tradition in human history.

AUDIOBOOK STATS

According to the 2019 Audio Publishers Association consumer survey, more people are listening to audiobooks than ever before:

- 50% of Americans ages 12+ have listened to an audiobook.
- The average American listens 4 hours a day, 23% of that time to spoken word.
- 56% of those who both listen to and read books agree that audiobooks are the preferred format to get through books quickly.
- Digital audiobook circulation is on the rise. Nearly half of audiobook listeners downloaded an audiobook from a library last year.

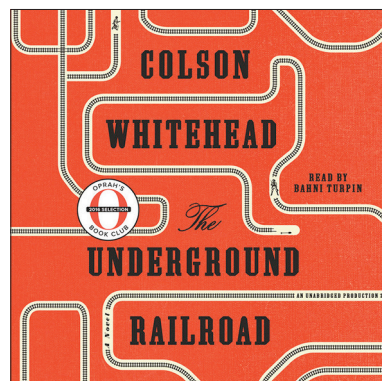
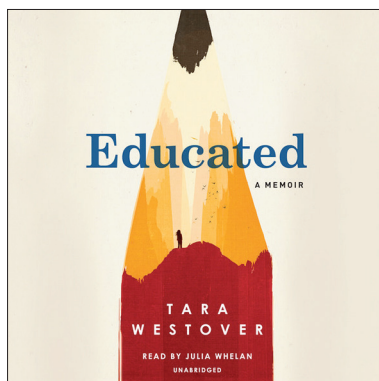
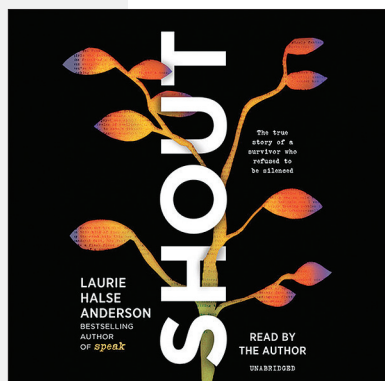
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Becoming

By Michelle Obama



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Pomona

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EB: 9781524763152



**Winner of the NAACP Image Award for
Outstanding Literary Work**

Michelle Robinson Obama

served as First Lady
of the United States
from 2009 to 2017.

A graduate of Princeton University and Harvard Law School, Mrs. Obama started her career as an attorney at the Chicago law firm Sidley & Austin, where she met her future husband, Barack Obama. She later worked in the Chicago mayor's office, at the University of Chicago, and at the University of Chicago Medical Center. Mrs. Obama also founded the Chicago chapter of Public Allies, an organization that prepares young people for careers in public service. The Obamas currently live in Washington, DC, and have two daughters, Malia and Sasha.



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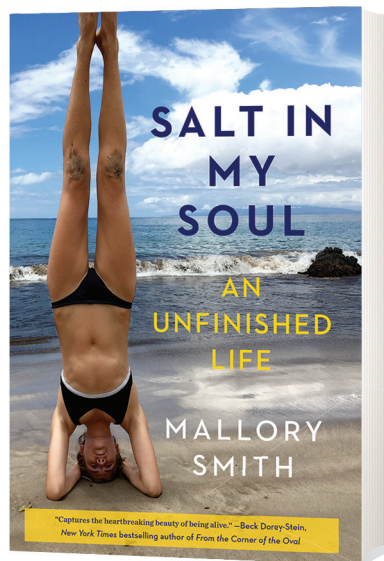
In a life filled with meaning and accomplishment, Michelle Obama has emerged as one of the most iconic and compelling women of our era. As First Lady of the United States of America—the first African American to serve in that role—she helped create the most welcoming and inclusive White House in history, while also establishing herself as a powerful advocate for women and girls in the U.S. and around the world, dramatically changing the ways that families pursue healthier and more active lives, and standing with her husband as he led America through some of its most harrowing moments. Along the way, she showed us a few dance moves, crushed Carpool Karaoke, and raised two down-to-earth daughters under an unforgiving media glare.

In her memoir, a work of deep reflection and mesmerizing storytelling, Michelle Obama invites readers into her world, chronicling the experiences that have shaped her—from her childhood on the South Side of Chicago to her years as an executive balancing the demands of motherhood and work, to her time spent at the world's most famous address. With unerring honesty and lively wit, she describes her triumphs and her disappointments, both public and private, telling her full story as she has lived it—in her own words and on her own terms. Warm, wise, and revelatory, *Becoming* is the deeply personal reckoning of a woman of soul and substance who has steadily defied expectations—and whose story inspires us to do the same.

Salt in My Soul

An Unfinished Life

By Mallory Smith



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320 pp. | \$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

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320 pp. | \$26.00 / \$35.00 Can.

EB: 9781984855435



Mallory Smith, who grew up in Los Angeles, was a freelance writer and editor specializing in environmental issues, social justice, and healthcare-related communications. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Stanford University. Smith died at the age of twenty-five on November 15, 2017, two months after receiving a double-lung transplant.



Website: tiny.cc/SaltinMySoulFYE

The diaries of a remarkable young woman who was determined to live a meaningful and happy life despite her struggle with cystic fibrosis and a rare superbug—from age fifteen to her death at the age of twenty-five.

Diagnosed with cystic fibrosis at the age of three, Mallory Smith grew up to be a determined, talented young woman who inspired others even as she privately raged against her illness. Despite the daily challenges of endless medical treatments and a deep understanding that she'd never lead a normal life, Mallory was determined to “Live Happy,” a mantra she followed until her death. Mallory worked hard to make the most out of the limited time she had, graduating Phi Beta Kappa from Stanford University, becoming a cystic fibrosis advocate well known in the CF community, and embarking on a career as a professional writer. Along the way, she cultivated countless intimate friendships and ultimately found love.

For more than ten years, Mallory recorded her thoughts and observations about struggles and feelings too personal to share during her life, leaving instructions for her mother to publish her work posthumously. She hoped that her writing would offer insight to those living with, or loving someone with, chronic illness.

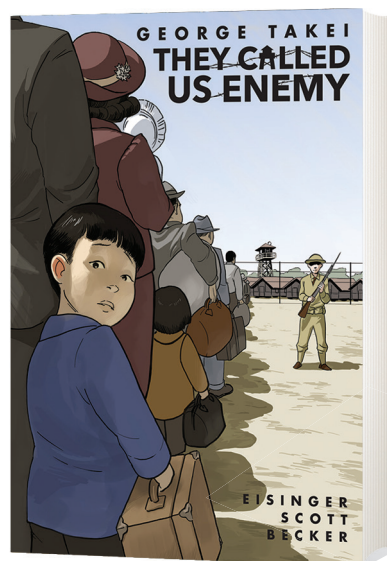
What emerges is a powerful and inspiring portrait of a brave young woman and blossoming writer who did not allow herself to be defined by disease. Her words offer comfort and hope to readers, even as she herself was facing death. *Salt in My Soul* is a beautifully crafted, intimate, and poignant tribute to a short life well lived—and a call for all of us to embrace our own lives as fully as possible.

“This is a deeply moving book full of wisdom about health, life, and love—and about the importance of finding happiness wherever and whenever we can. *Salt in My Soul* broke my heart but also inspired me to make the most of every day.”

—Will Schwalbe, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The End of Your Life Book Club*

They Called Us Enemy

By George Takei; Justin Eisinger; Steven Scott; Harmony Becker



Top Shelf Productions
TR | 978-1-60309-450-4
208 pp. | \$19.99 / 25.99Can.

New York Times Bestseller

A stunning graphic memoir recounting actor, author, and activist George Takei's childhood imprisoned within American concentration camps during World War II.

George Takei has captured hearts and minds worldwide with his captivating stage presence and outspoken commitment to equal rights. But long before he braved new frontiers in *Star Trek*, he woke up as a four-year-old boy to find his own birth country at war with his father's—and their entire family forced from their home into an uncertain future.

In 1942, at the order of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, every person of Japanese descent on the west coast was rounded up and shipped to one of ten "relocation centers," hundreds or thousands of miles from home, where they would be held for years under armed guard.

They Called Us Enemy is Takei's firsthand account of those years behind barbed wire, the joys and terrors of growing up under legalized racism, his mother's hard choices, his father's faith in democracy, and the way those experiences planted the seeds for his astonishing future.

What does it mean to be an American? Who gets to decide? When the world is against you, what can one person do? To answer these questions, George Takei joins co-writers Justin Eisinger and Steven Scott and artist Harmony Becker in a graphic memoir that earns its place amongst other pivotal texts such as Marjane Satrapi's *Persepolis*, John Lewis' *March* trilogy, and Art Spiegelman's *Maus*.

"*They Called Us Enemy* is truly beautiful—moving, thoughtful, important, engaging, and stunningly rendered. I am so excited to see this book's impact on the world."—Jacqueline Woodson, National Ambassador for Young People's Literature and National Book Award-winning author of *Brown Girl Dreaming*

George Takei is known around the world for his founding role as Hikaru Sulu, helmsman of the *Starship Enterprise*, in the acclaimed television series *Star Trek*. But Takei's story goes where few stories have gone before. From a childhood spent with his family wrongfully imprisoned in Japanese American internment camps during World War II, to becoming one of the country's leading figures in the fight for social justice, LGBTQ rights, and marriage equality, Mashable named Takei the #1 most-influential person on Facebook, with 10.4 million likes and 2.8 million followers on Twitter.



Justin Eisinger is Editorial Director, Graphic Novels & Collections for IDW Publishing, where he has spent more than twelve years immersed in graphic storytelling.



Steven Scott has worked regularly in comics since publishing his debut book in 2010, most notably as a publicist. His writing has appeared in publications by Archie Comics, Arcana Studios, and *Heavy Metal* magazine.



Harmony Becker is an artist and illustrator. She is the creator of the comics *Himawari Share*, *Love Potion*, and *Anemone and Catharus*. She is a member of a multicultural family and has spent time living in South Korea and Japan. Her work often deals with the theme of the language barrier and how it shapes people and their relationships.



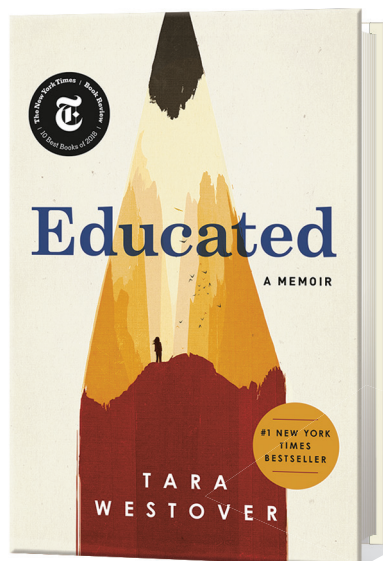
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Educated

A Memoir

By Tara Westover



Selected for Common Reading at:
Emory University; Illinois College;
Middle Tennessee State University;
Seton Hall University; University of
Texas – Tyler; West Virginia University;
and more.

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**A #1 New York Times Bestseller; Winner of the
ALA Alex Award; Finalist for the National Book
Critics Circle's Award in Autobiography; Finalist
for the National Book Critics Circle's John
Leonard Prize for Best First Book**

Tara Westover was born in
Idaho in 1986. She
received her BA from
Brigham Young
University in 2008 and
was subsequently



awarded a Gates Cambridge
Scholarship. She earned an MPhil
from Trinity College, Cambridge, in
2009, and in 2010 was a visiting
fellow at Harvard University. She
returned to Cambridge, where she
was awarded a PhD in history in
2014. *Educated* is her first book.

Website: tiny.cc/WestoverFYE

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An unforgettable memoir about a young girl who, kept out of school, leaves her survivalist family and goes on to earn a PhD from Cambridge University.

Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Her family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when one of Tara's older brothers became violent. When another brother got himself into college, Tara decided to try a new kind of life. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge University. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home.

"A subtle, nuanced study of how dysfunction of any kind can be normalized even within the most conventional family structure, and of the damage such containment can do."—*Financial Times*

"Westover's one-of-a-kind memoir is about the shaping of a mind. . . . In briskly paced prose, she evokes a childhood that completely defined her. Yet it was also, she gradually sensed, deforming her."—*The Atlantic*

"A coming-of-age memoir reminiscent of *The Glass Castle*."—*O: The Oprah Magazine*

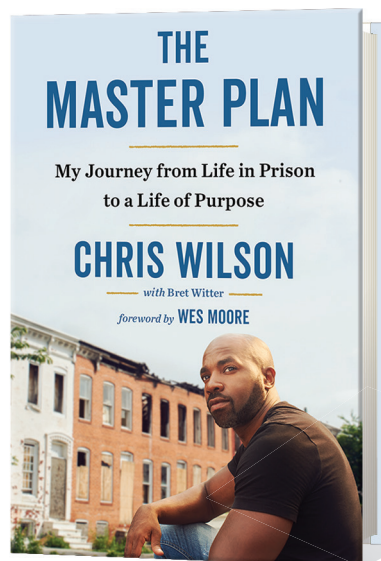
"Westover has somehow managed not only to capture her unsurpassably exceptional upbringing, but to make her current situation seem not so exceptional at all, and resonant for many others."

—*The New York Times Book Review*

The Master Plan

My Journey from Life in Prison to a Life of Purpose

By Chris Wilson with Bret Witter; Foreword by Wes Moore



A 2020 FYE® Guest Speaker

Selected for Common Reading at:
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Chris Wilson lives in Baltimore, Maryland, and is the owner and founder of the Barclay Investment Corporation, a multi-service social enterprise specializing in residential and commercial contracting work. Barclay works closely with local workforce and social service providers to connect unemployed Baltimore City residents with clients who are in need of services. His other business ventures include the House of DaVinci, a high-end furniture restoration and design company, and Master Plan Productions, a social impact content development company.



Video: tiny.cc/ChrisWilsonVideo

Growing up in a tough Washington, D.C., neighborhood, Chris Wilson was so afraid for his life he wouldn't leave the house without a gun. One night, defending himself, he killed a man. At eighteen, he was sentenced to life in prison with no hope of parole.

But what should have been the end of his story became the beginning. Deciding to make something of his life, Chris embarked on a journey of self-improvement—reading, working out, learning languages, even starting a business. He wrote his Master Plan: a list of all he expected to accomplish or acquire. He worked his plan every day for years, and in his mid-thirties he did the impossible: he convinced a judge to reduce his sentence and became a free man. Today Chris is a successful social entrepreneur who employs returning citizens; a mentor; and a public speaker. He is the embodiment of second chances, and this is his unforgettable story.

“This is a brave book, full of thought-provoking insight on criminal justice, the modern prison system, and the possibility of redemption. . . . Thank you, Chris Wilson, for taking us into the cave, so that we can better understand the light.”
—Beth Macy, bestselling author of *Dopesick* and *Factory Man*

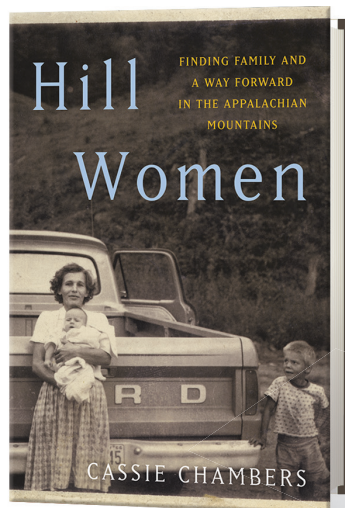
“The Master Plan is less of a roadmap and more of a philosophy that we should all take to heart: we are all better than our worst decision, our sense of justice should honor the redemptive possibilities inherent in every person, and our destinies are truly intertwined.”

—Wes Moore,
author of *The Other Wes Moore*

Hill Women

Finding Family and a Way Forward in the Appalachian Mountains

By Cassie Chambers



Ballantine Books | HC | 978-1-9848-1891-1
304 pp. | \$27.00 / \$36.00 Can.

EB: 9781984818928



Nestled in the Appalachian mountains, Owsley County is one of the poorest counties in both Kentucky and the country. Buildings are crumbling and fields sit vacant, as tobacco farming and coal mining decline. But strong women are finding creative ways to subsist in their hollers in the hills.

Cassie Chambers grew up in these hollers and, through the women who raised her, she traces her own path out of and back into the Kentucky mountains. Chambers's Granny was a child bride who rose before dawn every morning to raise seven children. Despite her poverty, she wouldn't hesitate to give the last bite of pie or vegetables from her garden to a struggling neighbor. Her two daughters took very different paths: strong-willed Ruth—the hardest-working tobacco farmer in the county—stayed on the family farm, while spirited Wilma—the sixth child—became the first in the family to graduate from high school.

Cassie would spend much of her childhood with Granny and Ruth in the hills of Owsley County, both while Wilma was in college and after. With her “hill women” values guiding her, Cassie went on to graduate from Harvard Law. But while the Ivy League gave her knowledge and opportunities, its privileged world felt far from her reality, and she moved back home to help her fellow rural Kentucky women by providing free legal services.

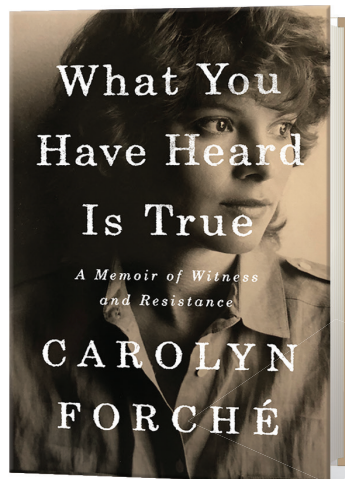
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Theme: Service & Altruism

What You Have Heard Is True

A Memoir of Witness and Resistance

By Carolyn Forché



Penguin Press | HC | 978-0-525-56037-1
400 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.00 Can.

Paperback available February 11, 2020

EB: 9780525560388



Written by one of the most gifted poets of her generation, *What You Have Heard Is True* is the story of Carolyn Forché's fateful encounter with an intriguing man who invites her to visit and learn about his country, El Salvador. Captivated for reasons she doesn't fully understand, she accepts and becomes enmeshed in something beyond her comprehension.

In a country on the verge of war, the two meet with high-ranking military officers, impoverished farm workers, and clergy desperately trying to assist the poor and keep the peace. As priests and farm-workers are murdered and protest marches attacked, the man is determined to save his country, and Forché is swept up in his work. *What You Have Heard Is True* is a devastating, lyrical, and visionary memoir about a young woman's brave choice to engage with horror in order to help others.

“Forché vividly evokes her complex relationship with her mentor and with organizers, laborers, and religious leaders whose courage in the face of atrocity taught her that ‘resistance to oppression begins when people realize deeply within themselves that something better is possible.’”—*The New Yorker*

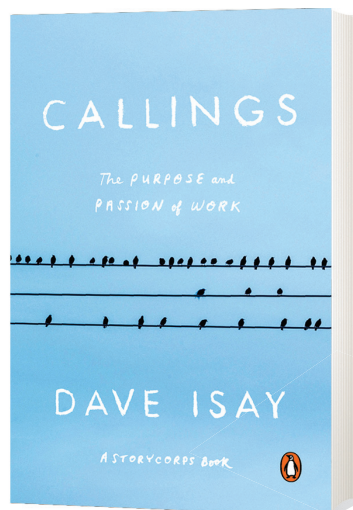
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Callings

The Purpose and Passion of Work

By Dave Isay



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288 pp. | \$16.00 / \$22.00 Can.

EB: 9781101980859

Also Available: Ties That Bind 9780143125969;
Listening Is an Act of Love 9780143114345

StoryCorps founder Dave Isay presents unforgettable stories from people doing what they love. Some found their paths at very young ages, others later in life; some overcame great odds or upturned their lives in order to pursue what matters to them.

We meet a man from the barrios of Texas whose harrowing experiences in a family of migrant farmers inspired him to become a public defender. We meet a long-time waitress who takes pride in making regulars and newcomers alike feel at home in her Nashville diner. We meet a young man on the South Side of Chicago who became a teacher in order to help at-risk teenagers like the ones who killed his father get on the right track. We meet a woman from Little Rock who helps former inmates gain the skills and confidence they need to rejoin the workforce.

Callings is an inspiring tribute to rewarding work and the American pursuit of happiness.

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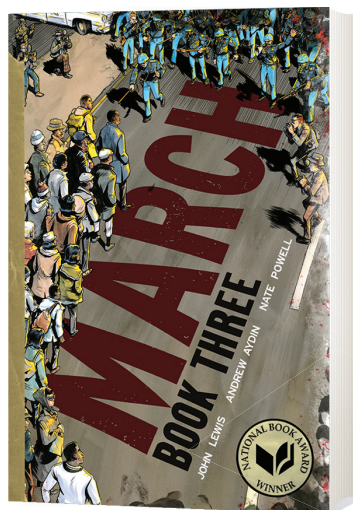
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Disciplines: History; Political Science

Theme: Race & Identity

March: Book Three

By John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell



Top Shelf Productions | TR | 978-1-60309-402-3
256 pp. | \$19.99 / \$25.99 Can.

Also Available: March: Book Two 9781603094009

Welcome to the stunning conclusion of the award-winning and best-selling *MARCH* trilogy. By the fall of 1963, the Civil Rights Movement has penetrated deep into the American consciousness, and as chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, John Lewis is guiding the tip of the spear.

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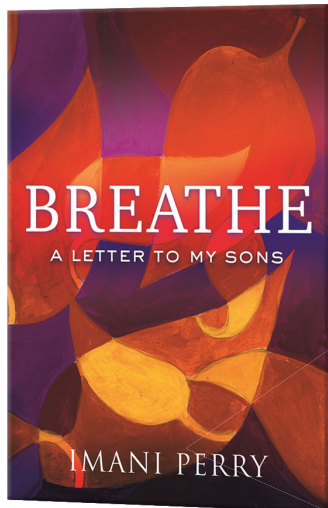
March: Book One, Two, and Three have been selected for common reading at more than 30 colleges, including: Michigan State University; Georgia State University; George Mason University; University of Maryland; University of Utah and more.

To view the complete list, go to: tiny.cc/MarchFYEdoptions

Breathe

A Letter to My Sons

By Imani Perry



Beacon Press | HC | 978-0-8070-7655-2
184 pp. | \$18.00 / \$24.00 Can.

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In her memoir, Imani Perry explores the terror, grace, and beauty of coming of age as a Black person in contemporary America and what it means to parent our children in a persistently unjust world.

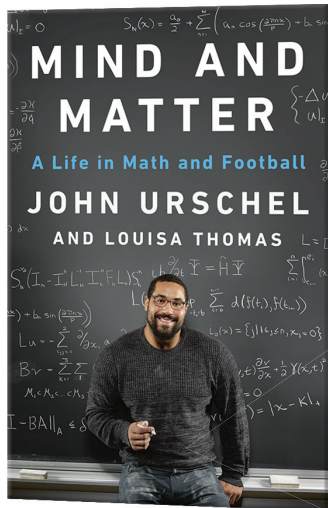
Emotionally raw and deeply reflective, she issues an unflinching challenge to society to see Black children as deserving of humanity. She admits fear and frustration for her African American sons in a society that is increasingly racist and at times seems irredeemable. However, as a mother, feminist, writer, and intellectual, Perry offers an unfettered expression of love—finding beauty and possibility in life—and she exhorts her children and their peers to find the courage to chart their own paths and find steady footing and inspiration in Black tradition.

Perry draws upon the ideas of figures such as James Baldwin, W. E. B. DuBois, Emily Dickinson, Toni Morrison, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Ida B. Wells. She shares vulnerabilities and insight from her own life and from encounters in places as varied as the West Side of Chicago; Birmingham, Alabama; and New England prep schools.

Mind and Matter

A Life in Math and Football

By John Urschel and Louisa Thomas



Penguin Press | HC | 978-0-7352-2486-5
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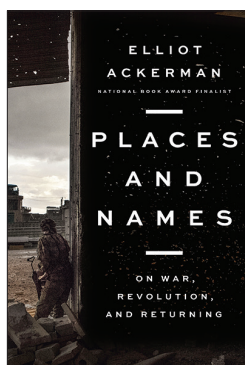


Against the odds, John Urschel found a way to manage his double life as both a scholar and an athlete. While he was an offensive lineman for the Baltimore Ravens, he simultaneously pursued his PhD in mathematics at MIT. Equally at home discussing Georg Cantor's work on infinities and Bill Belichick's playbook, Urschel reveals how each challenge—whether on the field or in the classroom—has brought him closer to understanding the two different halves of his own life, and how reason and emotion, the mind and the body, are always working together. “So often, people want to divide the world into two,” he observes. “Matter and energy. Wave and particle. Athlete and mathematician. Why can't something (or someone) be both?”

“A charming memoir on the joys of solving puzzles and pushing yourself past your so-called limits. It's not every day that you read a book by an NFL lineman who's working on a math PhD at MIT, and John Urschel reminds us that a full life depends on exercising both your brain and your body.”—Adam Grant, author of *Originals*

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Theme: Being Connected

Places and Names

On War, Revolution, and Returning

By *Elliot Ackerman*

Moving back and forth between his recent experiences on the ground as a journalist in Syria and his past in Iraq and Afghanistan, veteran Elliot Ackerman reckons with the nature of combat and the human cost of war.

"Elliot Ackerman brings a novelist's skill with language, a reporter's eye for detail, and his life experience as a highly decorated Marine veteran of five deployments to bear in this unique and powerful meditation on violence, heroism, and the fracturing of the Middle East."—Phil Klay, author of *Redeployment*

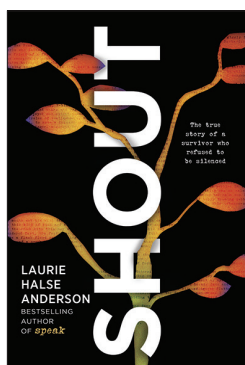
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978-0-525-55996-2
256 pp. | \$26.00 / \$35.00 Can.

EB: 9780525559979



Also Available:
Waiting for Eden 9781101971567;
Dark at the Crossing 9781101971550



Theme: Gender

SHOUT

By *Laurie Halse Anderson*

Inspired by her fans and enraged by how little in our culture has changed since her groundbreaking novel *Speak* was first published twenty years ago, Laurie Halse Anderson has written a poetry memoir that is as vulnerable as it is rallying, as timely as it is timeless. Searing and soul-searching, this important memoir is a denouncement of our society's failures and a love letter to all the people with the courage to say #MeToo and #TimesUp, whether aloud, online, or only in their own hearts.

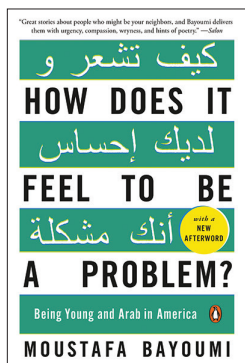
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Viking Books for Young Readers | HC
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Also Available: *Speak* 9780141310886



Theme: Race & Identity

How Does It Feel to Be a Problem?

Being Young and Arab in America

By *Moustafa Bayoumi*

An eye-opening look at how young Arab- and Muslim-Americans are forging lives for themselves in a country that often mistakes them for the enemy. Now with a new afterword from the author.

"Required reading for Americans . . . In a series of fascinating narratives about the horrors and conflicts young Muslim-Americans faced after 9/11, Bayoumi has written a work that is passionate, yet measured, humorous, and above all enlightening."—Geneive Abdo, author of *Mecca*

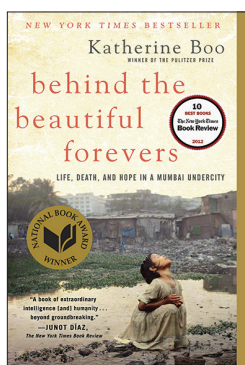
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Selected for Common Reading at: Rider College; University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; South Dakota State University; Salem State University; Carlow University; Northern Kentucky University; and more.

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Theme: Inequality

Behind the Beautiful Forevers

Life, death, and hope in a Mumbai undercity

By *Katherine Boo*

In this brilliant, breathtaking book by Pulitzer Prize winner Katherine Boo, a bewildering age of global change and inequality is made human through the dramatic story of families striving toward a better life in the slums of Mumbai.

"Katherine Boo's visit to campus was very exciting for our students, and her interactions with them—including her evening lecture—were consistently stimulating and provocative. She provided the perfect coda for our First Year Reading program."—Janet G. Casey, Director, First Year Experience, Skidmore College

Winner of the National Book Award

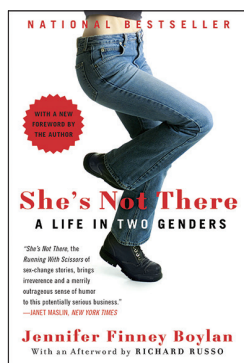
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Selected for Common Reading at: Concordia University; Indiana University; Michigan State University; Northeastern University; University of California – Berkeley; University of North Carolina–Greensboro; and more.

Random House | TR
978-0-8129-7932-9
288 pp. | \$18.00 / \$24.00 Can.

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Theme: Gender

She's Not There

A Life in Two Genders

By Jennifer Finney Boylan

The provocative bestseller *She's Not There* is the winning, utterly surprising story of a person changing genders. Author Jennifer Finney Boylan explores the territory that lies between men and women, examines changing friendships, and rejoices in the redeeming power of family.

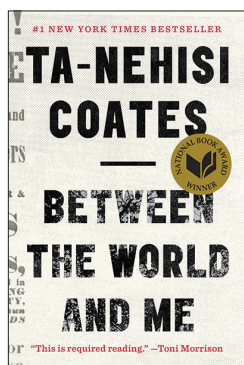
"Jennifer Finney Boylan is an exquisite writer with a fascinating story, and this combination has resulted in one of the most remarkable, moving and unforgettable memoirs in recent history."—Augusten Burroughs, author of *Running with Scissors* and *Dry*

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352 pp. | \$16.00 / \$21.00 Can.

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Theme: Race & Identity

Between the World and Me

By Ta-Nehisi Coates

In a profound work that pivots from the biggest questions about American history and ideals to the most intimate concerns of a father for his son, Ta-Nehisi Coates offers a powerful new framework for understanding our nation's history and current crisis.

"This is required reading."—Toni Morrison

"Eloquent . . . in the tradition of James Baldwin with echoes of Ralph Ellison's *Invisible Man* . . . an autobiography of the black body in America."—*The Boston Globe*

Winner of the National Book Award; Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize

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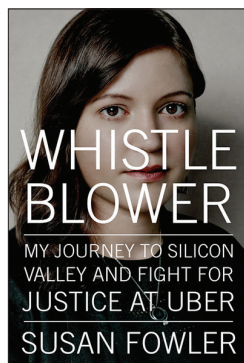
Selected for Common Reading at: Amherst College; Brooklyn College; Davidson College; Jackson State University; New York University; Pacific Lutheran College; University of California – Los Angeles; University of Oregon; and more.

Spiegel & Grau | HC
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176 pp. | \$26.00 / \$35.00 Can.



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Theme: Resilience

Whistleblower

My Journey to Silicon Valley and Fight for Justice at Uber

By Susan Fowler

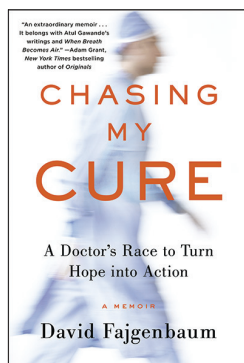
At 25, Susan Fowler began work at Uber, where she discovered a pervasive culture of sexism, harassment, racism, and abuse. When Uber told Fowler that she was the problem, she banded together with other women to try to make change. And when that didn't work, she went public. Fowler could never have anticipated the impact her words would have on Silicon Valley—and the world. This moving story of a woman's lifelong fight to do what she loves—despite repeatedly being told no or treated as less-than—is a source of inspiration for all.

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

Chasing My Cure

A Doctor's Race to Turn Hope into Action: A Memoir

By David Fajgenbaum

The powerful memoir of a young doctor and former college athlete diagnosed with a rare disease who spearheaded the search for a cure—and became a champion for a new approach to medical research.

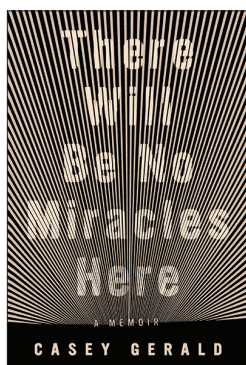
"An extraordinary memoir . . . It belongs with Atul Gawande's writings and *When Breath Becomes Air*."—Adam Grant, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Originals*

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Theme: Race & Identity

There Will Be No Miracles Here

A Memoir

By Casey Gerald

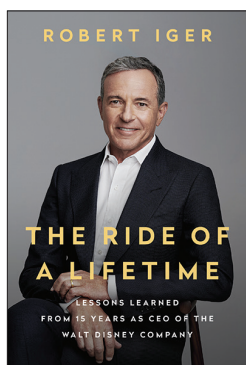
When Casey is recruited to play football at Yale, he enters a world he's never dreamed of. Looking from the inside out, Casey sees how the world crushes those who live at its margins, and, even more painfully, how his own ascension is part of the scheme.

"Undeniably inspirational . . . a literary and often dark look at the effects the national virtue of self-reliance can have on the people who live according to it, with particularly moving passages about the atmosphere of stress, pain, and racial divides on college campuses."—*Vanity Fair*

Website: www.caseygerald.com
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Theme: Life Skills

The Ride of a Lifetime

Lessons Learned from 15 Years

as CEO of the Walt Disney Company

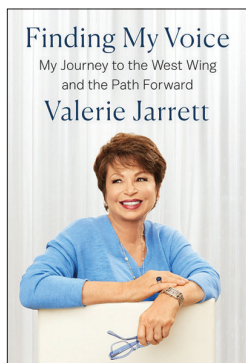
By Robert Iger with Joel Lovell

A grand vision defined: The CEO of Disney, one of *TIME*'s most influential people of 2019, shares the ideas and values he embraced to reinvent one of the most beloved companies in the world and inspire the people who bring the magic to life.

"The ideas in this book strike me as universal" Iger writes. "Not just to the aspiring CEOs of the world, but to anyone wanting to feel less fearful, more confidently themselves, as they navigate their professional and even personal lives."

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Theme: Resilience

Finding My Voice

My Journey to the West Wing and the Path Forward

By Valerie Jarrett

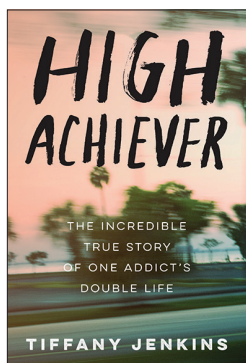
When Valerie Jarrett interviewed a promising young lawyer named Michelle Robinson in July 1991 for a job in Chicago city government, neither knew that it was the first step on a path that would end in the White House. Now, Jarrett, the longest-serving senior advisor in the Obama White House, shares her journey as a lawyer, business leader, and public servant.

"The world would feel a lot better if there were more people like Valerie blazing the trail for the rest of us."—Michelle Obama

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

High Achiever

The Incredible True Story of One Addict's Double Life

By Tiffany Jenkins

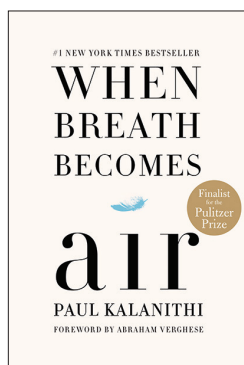
An up-close portrait of the mind of an addict and a life unraveled by narcotics—a memoir of captivating urgency and surprising humor that puts a human face on the opioid crisis. With heart-racing urgency and unflinching honesty, Jenkins takes the reader inside the grips of addiction and the desperate decisions it breeds. But the true surprise is her path to recovery. Tiffany breaks through the stigma and silence to offer hope and inspiration to anyone battling the disease—whether it's a loved one or themselves.

Website: tiny.cc/JenkinsFYE

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

When Breath Becomes Air

By Paul Kalanithi

At the age of 36, on the verge of completing a decade's worth of training as a neurosurgeon, Paul Kalanithi was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. And just like that, the future he and his wife had imagined evaporated.

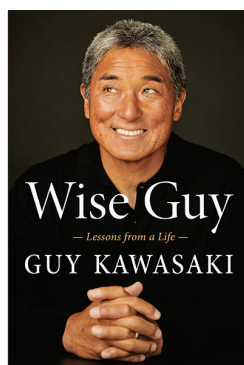
A deeply humane, inspiring memoir by a young neurosurgeon faced with a terminal diagnosis that attempts to answer the questions: given that all organisms die, what makes a meaningful life? And, as a doctor, what does it mean to hold mortal—and moral—responsibility for another person's identity?

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Video: tiny.cc/KalanithiVideo

Selected for Common Reading at: Utah State University

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256 pp. | \$25.00 / \$33.00 Can.

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Theme: Life Skills

Wise Guy

Lessons from a Life

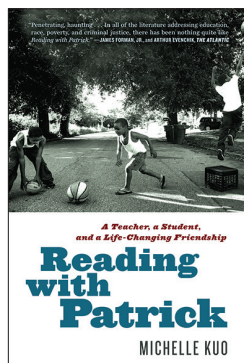
By Guy Kawasaki

Guy Kawasaki has been a fixture in the tech world since he was part of Apple's original Macintosh team in the 1980s. But before that, he was just a middle-class kid in Hawaii, a grandson of Japanese immigrants, who loved football and got a C+ in 9th grade English. *Wise Guy* is about his surprising journey to becoming a Silicon Valley icon.

Website: tiny.cc/GuyKawasakiFYE
Video: tiny.cc/GuyKawasakiVideo

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Theme: Inequality

Reading with Patrick

A Teacher, a Student, and a Life-Changing Friendship

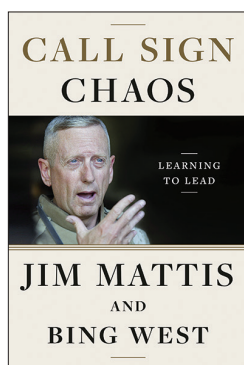
By Michelle Kuo

Recently graduated from Harvard University, Michelle Kuo arrived in the rural town of Helena, Arkansas, as a Teach for America volunteer, bursting with optimism and drive. But she soon encountered the jarring realities of life in one of the poorest counties in America, still disabled by the legacy of slavery and Jim Crow. In this stirring memoir, Kuo, the child of Taiwanese immigrants, shares the story of her complicated but rewarding mentorship of one student, Patrick Browning, and his remarkable literary and personal awakening.

Website: tiny.cc/KuoFYE
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Theme: Life Skills

Call Sign Chaos

Learning to Lead

By Jim Mattis and Bing West

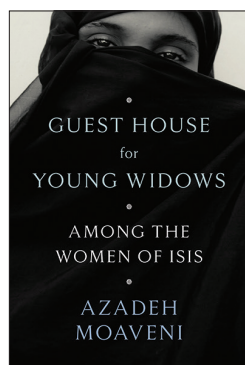
A clear-eyed account of learning how to lead in a chaotic world, by General Jim Mattis—the former Secretary of Defense and one of the most formidable strategic thinkers of our time—and Bing West, a former assistant secretary of defense and combat Marine.

“In this magnificent memoir, Jim Mattis details many important events in his career, but he also does much more: He explains how he is informed by his experiences in a way that teaches you how to learn from your own. Read, enjoy, and learn.”—George Shultz

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Theme: Gender

Guest House for Young Widows

Among the Women of ISIS

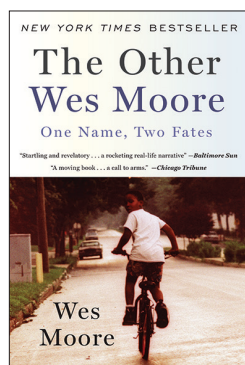
By Azadeh Moaveni

Based on years of immersive reporting, *Guest House for Young Widows* is a gripping account of thirteen women who joined, endured, and, in some cases, escaped life in the Islamic State. Pulitzer Prize finalist Azadeh Moaveni's exquisite sensitivity and rigorous reporting makes these forgotten women indelible and illuminates the turbulent politics that set them on their paths.

Website: tiny.cc/MoaveniFYE

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978-0-399-17975-4
352 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.00 Can.

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Theme: Race & Identity

The Other Wes Moore

One Name, Two Fates

By Wes Moore

Two kids named Wes Moore were born blocks apart within a year of each other. Both grew up fatherless in similar Baltimore neighborhoods and had difficult childhoods; both hung out on street corners with their crews; both ran into trouble with the police. How, then, did one grow up to be a Rhodes Scholar, decorated veteran, White House Fellow, and business leader, while the other ended up a convicted murderer serving a life sentence? Wes Moore, the author of this fascinating book, sets out to answer this profound question.

Video: tiny.cc/WesMooreVideo

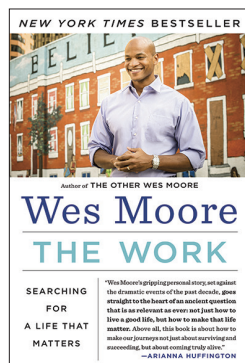
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Young Adult Adaptation:
Discovering Wes Moore
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Theme: Service & Altruism

The Work

Searching for a Life That Matters

By Wes Moore

The acclaimed author of *The Other Wes Moore* continues his inspirational quest for a meaningful life and shares the powerful lessons—about self-discovery, service, and risk-taking—that led him to a new definition of success for our times.

“An intriguing follow-up to his bestselling *The Other Wes Moore* . . . Moore makes a convincing case that work has the most value if it's built on a foundation of service, selflessness, courage, and risk-taking.”—*Publishers Weekly*

“A beautifully philosophical look at the expectation that work should bring meaning to our lives.”—*Booklist*

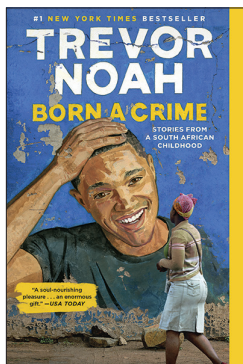
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Selected for Common Reading at: High Point University; Kent State University; Marietta College; Montana State University; Somerset Community College

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Theme: Race & Identity

Born a Crime

Stories from a South African Childhood

By Trevor Noah

Born a Crime is Trevor Noah's compelling, inspiring, and comically sublime coming of age memoir, set during the twilight of apartheid and the tumultuous days of freedom that followed.

"*Born a Crime* is not just an unnerving account of growing up in South Africa under apartheid, but a love letter to the author's remarkable mother."—Michiko Kakutani, *The New York Times*

Winner of the Thurber Prize

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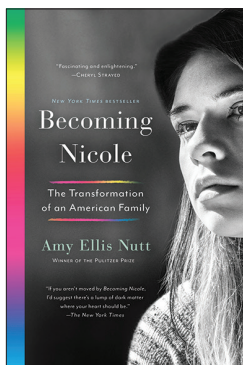


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Young Adult Adaptation:

It's Trevor Noah: Born a Crime

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Theme: Gender

Becoming Nicole

The inspiring story of transgender actor-activist

Nicole Maines and her extraordinary family

By Amy Ellis Nutt

The inspiring true story of transgender actor and activist Nicole Maines, whose identical twin brother, Jonas, and ordinary American family join her on an extraordinary journey to understand, nurture, and celebrate the uniqueness in us all.

"Fascinating and enlightening."—Cheryl Strayed

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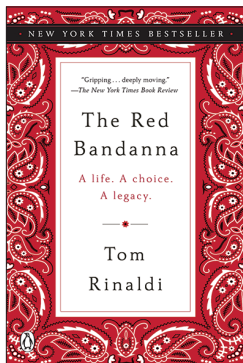
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Theme: Service & Altruism

The Red Bandanna

A Life. A Choice. A Legacy.

By Tom Rinaldi

Journalist Tom Rinaldi tells the story of real-life hero Welles Crowther, a young man who worked in the South Tower of the World Trade Center on 9/11 and sacrificed his own life to save countless others.

"*The Red Bandanna* could very well become one of those classic books that are handed down through generations, for more than any book I have read in a very long time it convincingly tells the story of how great men and women become great—how cultural, community, and spiritual drives can develop that inner character that will make the world a better place."—Dennis Smith, retired FDNY firefighter

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Selected for Common Reading at: University of Saint Mary; Thomas College; Boston College/Woods College

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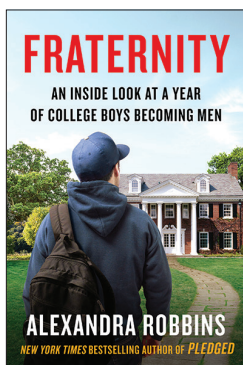
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Also Available: *The Red Bandanna*

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Theme: Gender

Fraternity

An Inside Look at a Year of College Boys Becoming Men

By Alexandra Robbins

Alexandra Robbins weaves together psychology, current events, neuroscience, and interviews to explore the state of masculinity today from inside a fraternity house. For one year, she follows a freshman pledge and a chapter president as they candidly discuss sex, friendship, social media, drinking, peer pressure, and gender roles.

"The ideal book for First-Year Reading and other college reading . . . easily could lead to a safer, healthier campus culture. A must read for administrators, students, faculty, and parents."—Alison Kiss Dougherty, former Executive Director of the Clery Center

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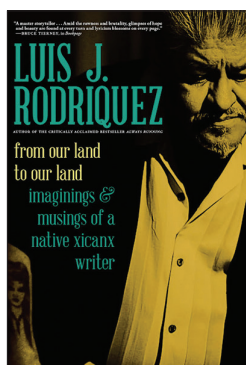
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Theme: Race & Identity

From Our Land to Our Land

Imaginings and Musings of a Native Xicanx Writer

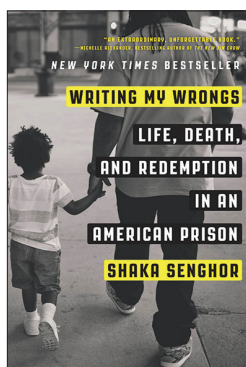
By Luis J. Rodriguez

A collection of powerful pieces on race, culture, identity and belonging and what these all mean and should mean in the volatile climate of our nation. Rodriguez writes about current political and cultural unrest, and about his vision for America's future. Ultimately, the book posits that we must come together. He reminds us in the first essay, "The End of Belonging," *"I'm writing as a Native person. I'm writing as a poet. I'm writing as a revolutionary working class organizer and thinker who has traversed life journeys from which incredible experiences, missteps, plights, and victories have marked the way . . . I belong anywhere."*

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Theme: Race & Identity

Writing My Wrongs

Life, Death, and Redemption in an American Prison

By Shaka Senghor

The story of Shaka Senghor's 19-year prison sentence is a narrative of forgiveness and redemption as well as a testament to the need for reform in the face of America's mass incarceration epidemic.

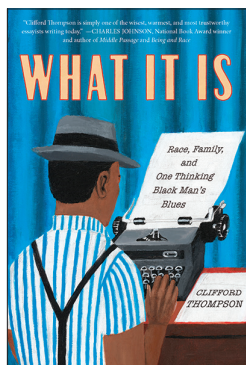
"This beautiful and compelling story of recovery and redemption offers all of us powerful truths and precious insights as we seek recovery from decades of over-incarceration and excessive punishment."—Bryan Stevenson, founder of the Equal Justice Initiative and author of *Just Mercy*

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Theme: Race & Identity

What It Is

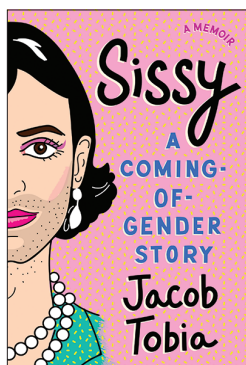
Race, Family, and One Thinking Black Man's Blues

By Clifford Thompson

In the tradition of James Baldwin's *The Fire Next Time* and Ta-Nehisi Coates's *Between the World and Me* comes Clifford Thompson's *What It Is*. As a middle-aged, happily married father of biracial children, Thompson finds himself questioning his most deeply held convictions when Donald Trump ascends to the presidency. In the grip of contradictory emotions, Thompson turns to the wisdom of writers he admires while knowing that the answers to his questions about America ultimately lie in America itself. Through interviews with a small but varied group of Americans, he hears sharply divergent opinions about what is happening in the country while trying to find his own answers.

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Theme: Gender

Sissy

A Coming-of-Gender Story

By Jacob Tobia

As a naturally sensitive and creative child, Jacob Tobia was given the label "sissy." Twenty years later, Tobia revisits the stereotypes they faced in childhood, inviting us to rethink gender and offering a blueprint for a trans-inclusive feminism free from gender-based trauma.

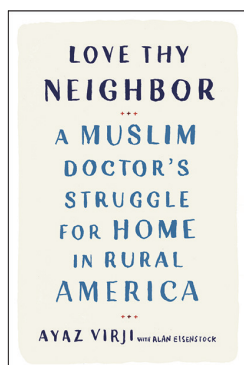
"A necessary read about gender, society, and the very real costs of prejudice and ignorance. . . . An honest, funny, and poignant memoir that will completely make you rethink the construct of gender."—*Bustle*

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Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

Love Thy Neighbor

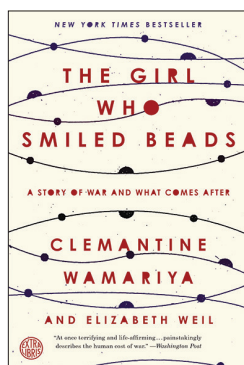
A Muslim Doctor's Struggle for Home in Rural America

By Ayaz Virji with Alan Eisenstock

In 2013, Ayaz Virji moved to a small town in Minnesota to address the shortage of doctors in rural America. When the county swung for Donald Trump in 2016, he watched in horror as his children faced anti-Muslim remarks. Virji wanted out until a local pastor invited him to speak at her church and he began to see how his story could change hearts and minds. Virji's narrative demonstrates the human consequences of our toxic politics and the potential for a renewal of understanding in America's heartland.

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Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

The Girl Who Smiled Beads

A Story of War and What Comes After

By Clemantine Wamariya and Elizabeth Weil

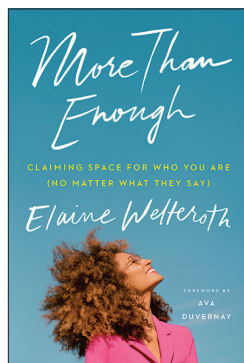
Clemantine Wamariya was six years old when she fled the Rwandan massacre. She spent the next six years migrating through seven African countries, eventually obtaining refugee status in the United States. In this memoir, Clemantine looks beyond the label of "victim" and recognizes the power of the imagination to transcend even the most profound injuries in order to construct a life on one's own terms.

"[A] powerful coming-of-age story in which a girl explores her identity in the wake of a brutal war that destroyed her family and home."—*Publishers Weekly* (starred review)

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Theme: Gender; Race & Identity

More Than Enough

Claiming Space for Who You Are

(No Matter What They Say)

By Elaine Welteroth

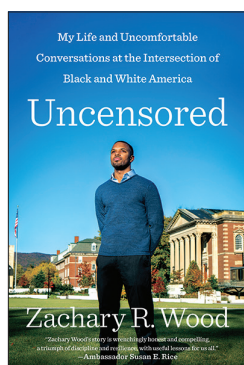
Elaine Welteroth, as a young boss and often the only Black woman in the room, had enough of the world telling her—and all women—they're not enough. In this part-manifesto, part-memoir, the revolutionary editor who infused social consciousness into the pages of *Teen Vogue* explores what it means to come into your own, on your own terms.

"*More Than Enough* is a guide for young people who want to find their voice, a crash course for those who want to challenge the status quo, and an adventure story for all of us."—Malala Yousafzai

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Theme: Being Connected

Uncensored

My Life and Uncomfortable Conversations at the Intersection of Black and White America

By Zachary R. Wood

There's no one Zach Wood refused to debate or engage with during his time as president of Uncomfortable Learning at Williams College—no matter how vehemently he disagreed with them. In *Uncensored*, Zach makes a compelling argument for a new way of interacting with others, both on campus and beyond.

"Zachary Wood is an American hero for standing up on the front line of the fight for free speech on college campuses. . . . An incredible story."—Juan Williams, author of *Eyes on the Prize*

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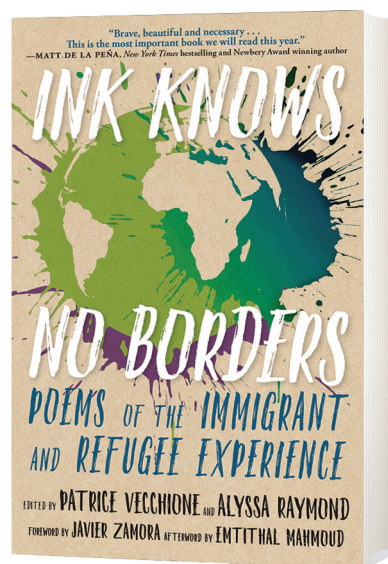


Ink Knows No Borders

Poems of the Immigrant and Refugee Experience

Edited by Patricia Vecchione and Alyssa Raymond

Foreword by Javier Zamora; Afterword by Emtithal Mahmoud



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Poet, nonfiction writer and teacher **Patrice Vecchione** has edited several highly acclaimed anthologies for young adults including *Truth & Lies*, *Revenge & Forgiveness*, and *Faith & Doubt*. For many years, Patrice has taught poetry and creative writing to young people (often working with migrant children) through her program, “The Heart of the Word: Poetry and the Imagination.” She is also a columnist for her local daily paper, *The Monterey Herald*.



Alyssa Raymond is a freelance editor of adult and YA fiction and nonfiction. She hails from Massachusetts and Colorado, where she taught writing and rhetoric at the University of Colorado at Boulder and was a veteran bookseller at her favorite independent bookstore, the Boulder Book Store.



This collection of sixty-four poems by poets who come from all over the world shares the experience of first- and second-generation young adult immigrants and refugees. Whether it's cultural and language differences, homesickness, social exclusion, racism, stereotyping, or questions of identity, the Dreamers, immigrants, and refugee poets included here encourage readers to honor their roots as well as explore new paths, offering empathy and hope. Many of the struggles described are faced by young people everywhere: isolation, self-doubt, confusion, and emotional dislocation. But also joy, discovery, safety, and family. This is a hopeful, beautiful, and meaningful book for any reader.

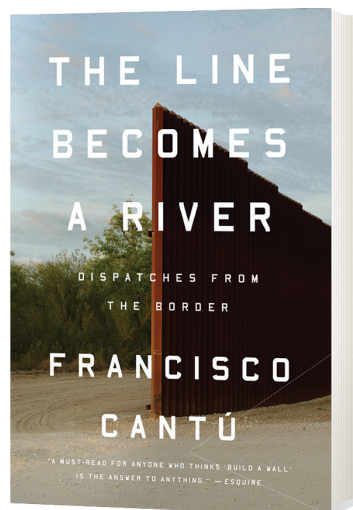
Authors include: **Elizabeth Acevedo** (author of *New York Times* Bestseller *The Poet X*), **Samira Ahmend** (author of *New York Times* Bestseller *Love, Hate, & Other Filters*), **Emitithal Mahmoud** (Winner of the 2015 Individual World Poetry Slam Championship), **Ocean Vuong** (author of *New York Times* Bestseller *On Earth, We're Briefly Gorgeous*), and many others.

“I was moved again and again by the poems in this brave, beautiful and necessary collection. I found echoes of myself in many of the pieces, and I know so many young immigrants and Americans will find themselves, too. But it goes beyond that. I wish this book would be taught in homogenous communities, too, so readers with little understanding of immigration will have the chance to see its humanity. This is the most important book we will read this year.”—Matt de la Peña, *New York Times* bestselling and Newbery Award winning author

The Line Becomes a River

Dispatches from the Border

By *Francisco Cantú*



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For Francisco Cantú, the border is in the blood. His mother, a second-generation Mexican American, raised him in Arizona's desert scrublands and the national parks where she worked as a ranger.

Haunted by the landscape of his youth, Cantú joins the Border Patrol. He detains the exhausted, the parched, huddled children yearning for their families. He hauls in the bodies from where they have fallen.

Plagued by nightmares, Cantú abandons the Patrol for civilian life. But when a friend, a regular at the café where he works, travels back to Mexico to visit his dying mother and does not return, Cantú discovers that the border and its stories have migrated with him.

"In a courageous endeavor to comprehend the complex issues that characterize America's border with Mexico, Francisco Cantú joined the US Border Patrol. His story, and intelligent and humane perspective, should mortify anyone who ever thought building a wall might improve our lot. The bilingual Mr. Cantú advocates here for clarity and compassion in place of xenophobia and uninformed rhetoric."—Barry Lopez

Winner of the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize in Current Interest; Finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Nonfiction Award

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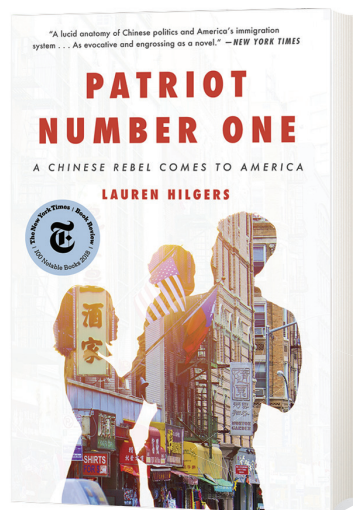
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Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

Patriot Number One

A Chinese Rebel Comes to America

By *Lauren Hilgers*



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Under the alias Patriot Number One, Zhuang Liehong stoked a series of pro-democracy protests in Southern China, hoping to change his home for the better. Instead, sensing an impending crackdown, Zhuang and his wife, Little Yan, left their infant son with relatives and traveled to America. With few contacts and only a shaky grasp of English, they had to start from scratch. With a novelist's eye for character and detail, Hilgers captures the joys and indignities of building a life in a new country—and the stubborn allure of the American dream.

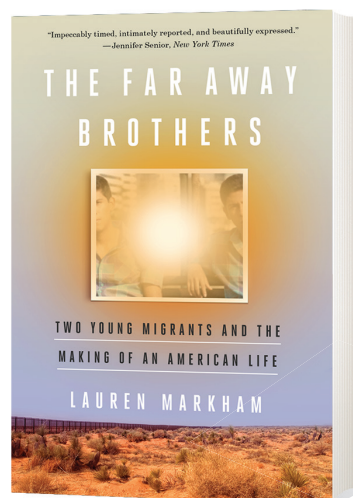
"A penetrating profile of a man and much more besides: an indelible portrait of his wife and their marriage; a canny depiction of Flushing, Queens; a lucid anatomy of Chinese politics and America's immigration system. . . . Hilgers observes all this with a sharp eye and an open heart."—*New York Times*

Finalist for the PEN Jacqueline Bograd Weld Biography Award; Shortlisted for the J. Anthony Lukas Book Prize

The Far Away Brothers

Two Young Migrants and the Making of an American Life

By Lauren Markham



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Young Adult Adaptation: The Far Away Brothers:
Two Teenage Immigrants Making a Life in America
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The deeply reported story of identical twin brothers who escape El Salvador's violence to build new lives in California—fighting to survive, to stay, and to belong.

Growing up in rural El Salvador in the wake of the civil war, the United States was a distant fantasy to identical twins Ernesto and Raul Flores—until, at age 17, a deadly threat from the region's brutal gangs forces them to flee the only home they've ever known. In this urgent chronicle of contemporary immigration, journalist Lauren Markham follows the Flores twins as they make their way across the Rio Grande and the Texas desert, into the hands of immigration authorities, and from there to their estranged older brother in Oakland, CA.

Soon these unaccompanied minors are navigating school in a new language, working to pay down their mounting coyote debt, and facing their day in immigration court, while also encountering the triumphs and pitfalls of teenage life with only each other for support. With intimate access and breathtaking range, Markham offers an unforgettable testament to the migrant experience.

Finalist for Los Angeles Times Book Prize; Shortlisted for the J. Anthony Lukas Book Prize

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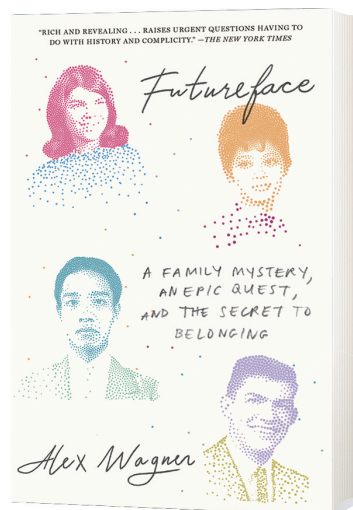
Discipline: Sociology

Theme: Race & Identity

Futureface

A Family Mystery, an Epic Quest, and the Secret to Belonging

By Alex Wagner



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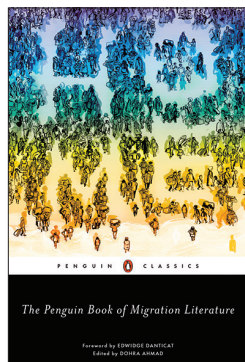
The daughter of a Burmese mother and a white American father, Alex Wagner grew up thinking of herself as a "futureface"—an avatar of a mixed-race future when all races would merge into a brown singularity. But when one family mystery leads to another, Wagner's post-racial ideals fray as she becomes obsessed with the specifics of her own family's racial and ethnic history.

Drawn into the wild world of ancestry, she embarks upon a quest around the world—and into her own DNA—to answer the ultimate questions of who she really is and where she belongs. The journey takes her from Burma to Luxembourg, from ruined colonial capitals with records written on banana leaves to Mormon databases, genetic labs, and the rest of the twenty-first-century genealogy complex. But soon she begins to grapple with a deeper question: Does it matter? Is our enduring obsession with blood and land, race and identity, worth all the trouble it's caused us?

Wagner weaves together fascinating history, genetic science, and sociology but is really after deeper stuff than her own ancestry: in a time of conflict over who we are as a country, she tries to find the story where we all belong.

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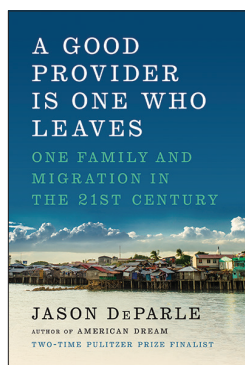
The Penguin Book of Migration Literature

Departures, Arrivals, Generations, Returns

*Edited with an Introduction by Dohra Ahmad;
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Every year, three to four million people move to a new country. From war refugees to corporate expats, migrants constantly reshape their places of origin and arrival. With thirty carefully selected poems, short stories, and excerpts spanning three hundred years and twenty-five countries, *The Penguin Book of Migration Literature* conveys the intricacy of worldwide migration patterns and the diversity and commonalities of immigrant experiences.

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A Good Provider Is One Who Leaves

One Family and Migration in the 21st Century

By Jason DeParle

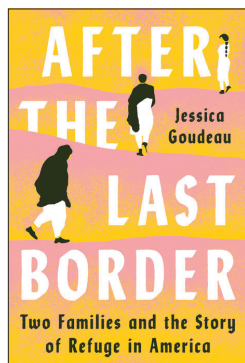
New York Times reporter Jason DeParle paints a portrait of an unforgettable family across three generations. At the heart of the story is Rosalie, who escapes poverty in the Philippines by becoming a nurse, and lands jobs in Jeddah, Abu Dhabi, and, finally, Texas—joining the record forty-four million immigrants in the United States.

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“One of the best books on immigration written in a generation.”—Matthew Desmond, author of *Evicted*



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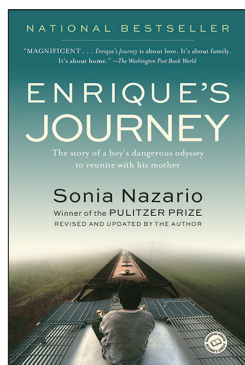
After the Last Border

By Jessica Goudeau

Writer and activist Jessica Goudeau tracks the human impacts of America's ever-shifting refugee policy with this intimate look at the lives of two women settling as refugees in Austin, Texas. Mu Naw, a Christian from Myanmar, was accepted at a time when America was at its most open to displaced families; and Hasna, a Muslim from Syria, agrees to relocate as a last resort for the safety of her family—only to be cruelly separated from her children by the travel ban.

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Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

Enrique's Journey

The Story of a Boy's Dangerous Odyssey

to Reunite with His Mother

By Sonia Nazario

Enrique's Journey recounts the unforgettable quest of a Honduran boy looking for his mother, eleven years after she is forced to leave her starving family to find work in the United States. Braving unimaginable peril, often clinging to the sides and tops of freight trains, Enrique travels through hostile worlds full of thugs, bandits, and corrupt cops. But he pushes forward, relying on his wit, courage, hope, and the kindness of strangers.

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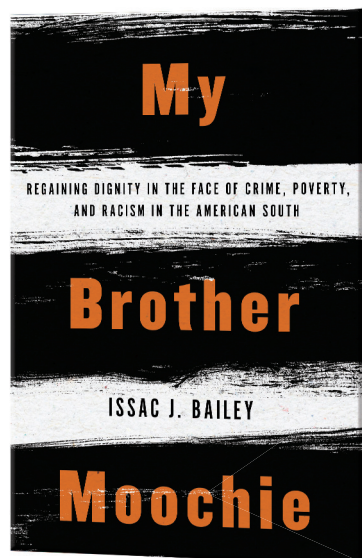


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My Brother Moochie

Regaining Dignity in the Face of Crime, Poverty, and Racism in the American South

By Issac J. Bailey



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Issac J. Bailey holds a degree in psychology from Davidson College in North Carolina.

Having trained at the prestigious Poynter Institute for journalists in St. Petersburg, Florida, he has been a professional journalist for twenty years. He has taught applied ethics at Coastal Carolina University and, as a Nieman Fellow at Harvard, has taught journalism at Harvard Summer School. Bailey has won numerous national, state, and local awards for his writings.



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At nine years old, Issac J. Bailey saw his hero, his oldest brother, taken away in handcuffs, not to return from prison until 32 years later. Bailey tells the story of their relationship and of his experience living in a family suffering from the guilt and shame of being associated with criminals.

Drawing on sociological research as well as his expertise as a journalist, he seeks to answer the crucial question of why Moochie and many other young black men — including half of the ten boys in his own family — end up in the criminal justice system. What role did poverty, race, and faith play? What effect did their environment, living in the South along the Bible Belt, have? And why is their experience understood as a narrative trope for black men, while white criminals are never seen in this generalized way?

My Brother Moochie provides a wide-ranging yet intensely intimate view of crime and incarceration in the United States, and the devastating effects they have on those who commit crimes, their loved ones, their victims, and society as a whole. It also offers hope for families caught in the incarceration trap: though the Bailey family's lows have included prison and bearing the responsibility for multiple deaths, their highs have included Harvard University, the White House, and a renewed sense of pride and understanding that presents a path forward.

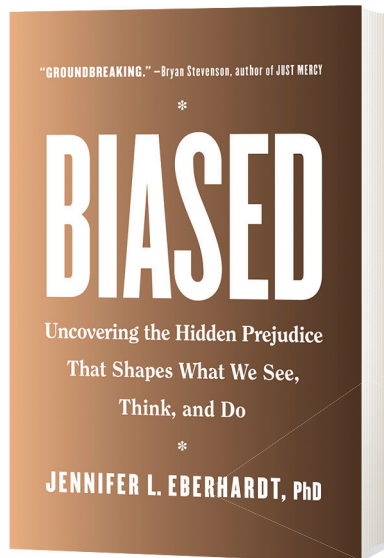
“With a keen understanding of systemic racism ... *My Brother Moochie* delves into a rarely explored side of the criminal justice system: the families of the perpetrators ... powerful.”

—*New York Times Book Review*

Biased

Uncovering the Hidden Prejudice That Shapes What We See, Think, and Do

By Jennifer L. Eberhardt, PhD



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Dr. Jennifer Eberhardt

is a professor of psychology at Stanford and a recipient of a 2014 MacArthur Genius Grant. She has been elected to the National Academy of Sciences, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and was named one of *Foreign Policy's* 100 Leading Global Thinkers. She is co-founder and co-director of SPARQ (Social Psychological Answers to Real-World Questions), a Stanford Center that brings together researchers and practitioners to address significant social problems.



You don't have to be racist to be biased. Unconscious bias can be at work without our realizing it, and ingrained stereotypes can infect our visual perception, attention, memory, and behavior. In *Biased*, with a perspective that is at once scientific, investigative, and informed by personal experience, Jennifer Eberhardt offers us insights into the dilemma and a path forward.

Eberhardt works extensively as a consultant to law enforcement and as a psychologist at the forefront of this new field. Her research takes place in courtrooms and boardrooms, in prisons, on the street, and in classrooms and coffee shops. She shows us the subtle—and sometimes dramatic—daily repercussions of implicit bias. Eberhardt's work and her book are both influenced by her own life, and the personal stories she shares emphasize the need for change. She has helped companies that include Airbnb and Nextdoor address bias in their business practices and has led anti-bias initiatives for police departments across the country. Here, she offers practical suggestions for reform and new practices that are useful for organizations as well as individuals.

Unblinking about the tragic consequences of prejudice, Eberhardt addresses how racial bias is not the fault of nor restricted to a few “bad apples” but is present at all levels of society in media, education, and business. The good news is that we are not hopelessly doomed by our innate prejudices. In *Biased*, Eberhardt reminds us that racial bias is a human problem—one all people can play a role in solving.

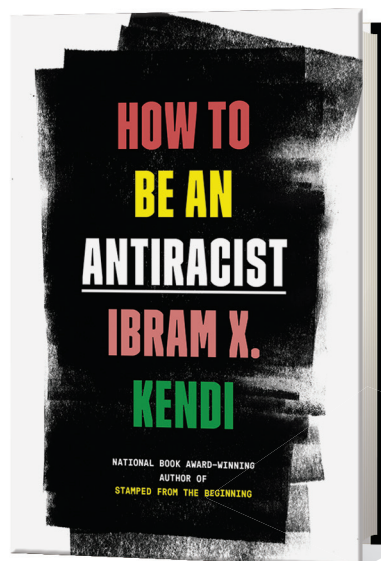
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“The hope for progress is greatly increased by Jennifer Eberhardt’s groundbreaking new book on implicit bias. *Biased* presents the science of bias with rare insight and accessibility, but it is also a work with the power and craft to make us see why overcoming racial bias is so critical.”

—Bryan Stevenson, author of *Just Mercy*

How to Be an Antiracist

By Ibram X. Kendi



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Ibram X. Kendi is a New York *Times* bestselling author and the founding director of the Antiracist Research and Policy Center at American University. A professor of history and international relations and a frequent public speaker, Kendi is a columnist at *The Atlantic*. He is the author of *Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America*, which won the National Book Award for Nonfiction, and *The Black Campus Movement*, which won the W.E.B. Du Bois Book Prize. Kendi lives in Washington, D.C.



From the National Book Award–winning author of *Stamped from the Beginning* comes a bracingly original approach to understanding and uprooting racism and inequality in our society—and in ourselves.

“The only way to undo racism is to consistently identify and describe it—and then dismantle it.”

Ibram X. Kendi’s concept of antiracism reenergizes and reshapes the conversation about racial justice in America—but even more fundamentally, points us toward liberating new ways of thinking about ourselves and each other. In *How to Be an Antiracist*, Kendi asks us to think about what an antiracist society might look like, and how we can play an active role in building it.

In this book, Kendi weaves an electrifying combination of ethics, history, law, and science, bringing it all together with an engaging personal narrative of his own awakening to antiracism. *How to Be an Antiracist* is an essential work for anyone who wants to go beyond an awareness of racism to the next step: contributing to the formation of a truly just and equitable society.

“Kendi methodically examines racism through numerous lenses: power, biology, ethnicity, body, culture, and so forth. . . . If Kendi is justifiably hard on America, he’s just as hard on himself. . . . This unsparing honesty helps readers, both white and people of color, navigate this difficult intellectual territory. Not an easy read but an essential one.”—Kirkus Reviews (starred review)

“In this sharp blend of social commentary and memoir . . . Kendi is ready to spread his message, his stories serving as a springboard for potent explorations of race, gender, colorism, and more. . . . With *Stamped From the Beginning*, Kendi proved himself a first-rate historian. Here, his willingness to turn the lens on himself marks him as a courageous activist, leading the way to a more equitable society.”—Library Journal (starred review)

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Unapologetic

A Black, Queer, and Feminist Mandate for Radical Movements

By Charlene Carruthers



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A manifesto from one of America's most influential activists which disrupts political, economic, and social norms by reimagining the Black Radical Tradition.

Drawing on Black intellectual and grassroots organizing traditions, including the Haitian Revolution, the US civil rights movement, and LGBTQ rights and feminist movements, *Unapologetic* challenges all of us engaged in the social justice struggle to make the movement for Black liberation more radical, more queer, and more feminist. This book provides a vision for how social justice movements can become sharper and more effective through principled struggle, healing justice, and leadership development. It also offers a flexible model of what deeply effective organizing can be, anchored in the Chicago model of activism, which features long-term commitment, cultural sensitivity, creative strategizing, and multiple cross-group alliances. And *Unapologetic* provides a clear framework for activists committed to building transformative power, encouraging young people to see themselves as visionaries and leaders.

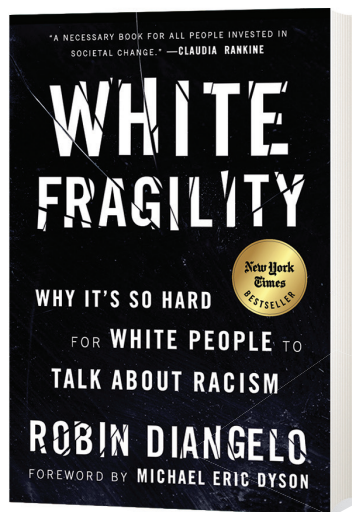
Selected for Common Reading at: University of Pennsylvania

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White Fragility

Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism

By Robin DiAngelo



Beacon Press | TR | 978-0-8070-4741-5
192 pp. | \$16.00 / \$22.00 Can.

EB: 9780807047422



The *New York Times* best-selling book exploring the counterproductive reactions white people have when their assumptions about race are challenged, and how these reactions maintain racial inequality.

In this vital and necessary book, antiracist educator Robin DiAngelo deftly illuminates the phenomenon of white fragility and "allows us to understand racism as a practice not restricted to 'bad people'" (Claudia Rankine). Referring to the defensive moves that white people make when challenged racially, white fragility is characterized by emotions such as anger, fear, and guilt, and by behaviors including argumentation and silence. These behaviors, in turn, function to reinstate white racial equilibrium and prevent any meaningful cross-racial dialogue. In this in-depth exploration, DiAngelo examines how white fragility develops, how it protects racial inequality, and what we can do to engage more constructively.

A *New York Times* bestseller

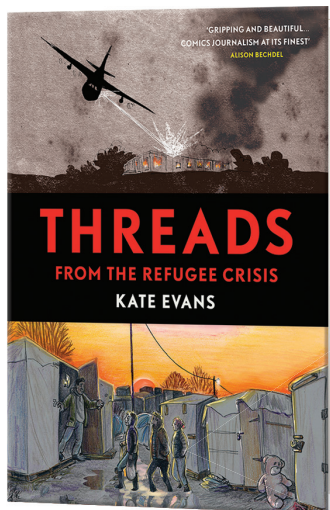
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Threads

From the Refugee Crisis

By Kate Evans



Verso | HC | 978-1-78663-173-2
176 pp. | \$24.95 / \$33.00 Can.

EB: 9781786631763

In the French port town of Calais, famous for its historic lace industry, a city within a city arose. This new town, known as the Jungle, was home to thousands of refugees, mainly from the Middle East and Africa, all hoping, somehow, to get to the UK. Into this squalid shantytown of shipping containers and tents, full of rats and trash and devoid of toilets and safety, the artist Kate Evans brought a sketchbook and an open mind. Combining the techniques of eyewitness reportage with the medium of comic-book storytelling, Evans has produced this unforgettable book, filled with poignant images—by turns shocking, infuriating, wry, and heartbreaking.

Accompanying the story of Kate's time spent among the refugees—the insights acquired and the lives recounted—is the harsh counterpoint of prejudice and scapegoating. *Threads* addresses one of the most pressing issues of modern times to make a compelling case, through intimate evidence, for the compassionate treatment of refugees and the free movement of peoples.

"Through Kate Evans's firsthand report from the Calais Jungle we meet the refugees, get a vivid look at their living conditions, and witness the impressive resourcefulness of the volunteer operation that sprang up to help...Evans both captures the wrenching reality of a seemingly intractable problem and makes an eloquent argument for its solution: open borders."—Alison Bechdel, author of *Are You My Mother?* and *Fun Home*

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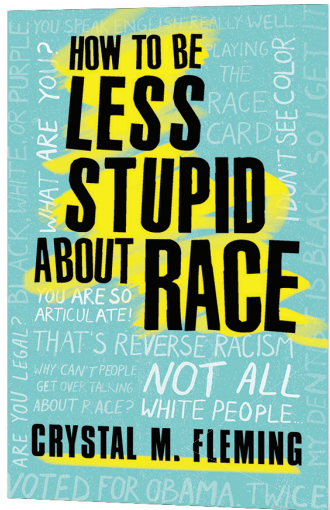
Discipline: Sociology

Theme: Race & Identity

How to Be Less Stupid About Race

On Racism, White Supremacy, and the Racial Divide

By Crystal M. Fleming



Beacon Press | TR | 978-0-8070-3984-7
256 pp. | \$14.95 / \$19.95 Can.

EB: 9780807050781

How to Be Less Stupid About Race is your essential guide to breaking through the half-truths and ridiculous misconceptions that have thoroughly corrupted the way race is represented in the classroom, pop culture, media, and politics.

Combining no-holds-barred social critique, humorous personal anecdotes, and analysis of the latest interdisciplinary scholarship on systemic racism, sociologist Crystal M. Fleming provides a fresh, accessible, and irreverent take on everything that's wrong with our "national conversation about race." Drawing upon critical race theory, as well as her own experiences as a queer black millennial college professor and researcher, Fleming unveils how systemic racism exposes us all to racial ignorance—and provides a road map for transforming our knowledge into concrete social change.

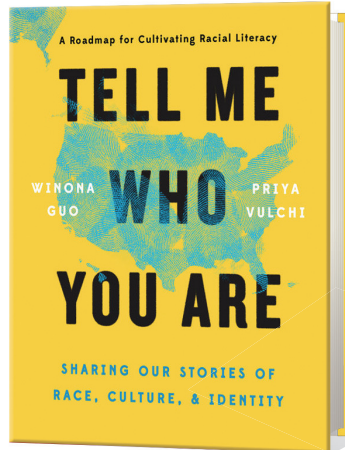
Website: www.crystalfleming.com/



Tell Me Who You Are

Sharing Our Stories of Race, Culture, & Identity

By Winona Guo and Priya Vulchi



TarcherPerigee | HC | 978-0-525-54112-7
400 pp. | \$25.00 / \$34.00 Can.

EB: 9780525541134



Spurred by the realization that they had nearly completed high school without hearing any substantive discussion about racism in school, Winona Guo and Priya Vulchi deferred college admission for a year to collect first-person accounts of how racism plays out in this country every day. Featuring interviews with over 150 Americans accompanied by their photographs, this toolkit offers a deep examination of racism and strategies for effecting change.

“In *Tell Me Who You Are*, Priya Vulchi and Winona Guo do exactly that—tell us who they are, how they have come to thinking so carefully, so deeply about race, and how they want to create change. . . . This book is at once hopeful, raw, and brimming with curiosity, engagement and youthful energy. Through the conversations these women have with people from all walks of life, we see that the key to any kind of progress begins with letting people tell us who they are. If you want to have richer, more fruitful discussions about race, gender, all the things that comprise our identities, this book will give you a necessary vocabulary. All you have to do is turn the page.”—Roxane Gay, author of *Bad Feminist*

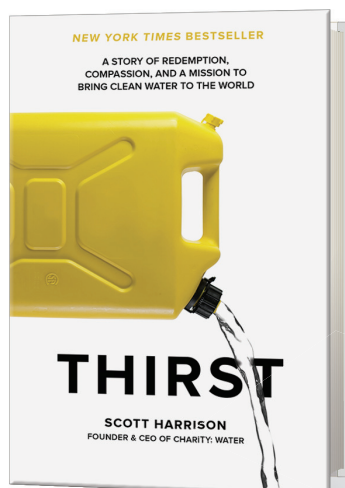
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Thirst

A Story of Redemption, Compassion, and a Mission to Bring Clean Water to the World

By Scott Harrison; contribution by Lisa Sweetingham



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336 pp. | \$27.00 / \$36.00 Can.



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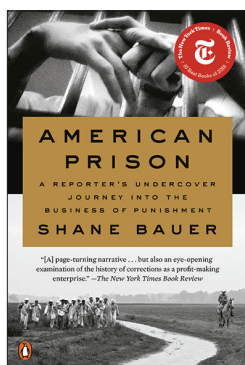
At 28 years old, Scott Harrison had it all. A top nightclub promoter in New York City, his life was an endless cycle of drugs, booze, models—repeat. But 10 years in, desperately unhappy and morally bankrupt, he walked away from everything. In 2006, with no money and less than no experience, Harrison founded charity: water. Today, his organization has raised over \$300 million to bring clean drinking water to more than 8.2 million people around the globe.

In *Thirst*, Harrison recounts the twists and turns that built charity: water into one of the most trusted and admired nonprofits in the world. Renowned for its 100% donation model, bold storytelling, imaginative branding, and radical commitment to transparency, charity: water has disrupted how social entrepreneurs work while inspiring millions of people to join its mission of bringing clean water to everyone on the planet within our lifetime.

“In sharing his own remarkable journey, Scott shows us how to find the extraordinary in the ordinary, how to find hope in despair, and how simple acts of generosity can transform everything from what we believe about ourselves to how we connect with each other.”—Brené Brown, PhD, author of *Braving the Wilderness*

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Theme: Inequality

American Prison

A Reporter's Undercover Journey into the Business of Punishment
By Shane Bauer

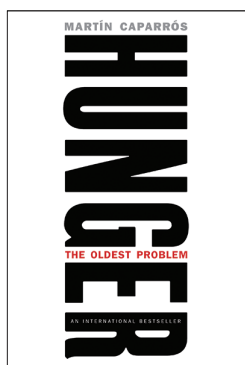
In 2014, investigative journalist Shane Bauer spent four months working as a prison guard in Winnfield, Louisiana—in *American Prison*, he weaves a deep reckoning with his experiences together with a thoroughly researched history of for-profit prisons in America, which became entrenched in the South as part of a systemic effort to keep an African-American labor force in place in the aftermath of slavery.

Winner of the Helen Bernstein Book Award for Excellence in Journalism

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Theme: Inequality

Hunger

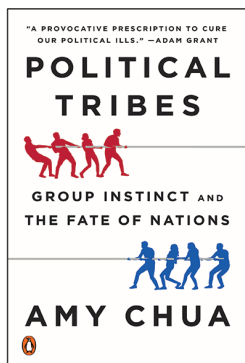
The Oldest Problem
By Martín Caparrós

There are now over 800 million starving people in the world. An average of 25,000 men, women, and children perish from hunger or malnutrition every single day. Yet we produce enough food to feed the entire human population one-and-a-half times over. So why is it that world hunger remains?

In this crucial and galvanizing work, Martín Caparrós travels the globe in search of an answer. His investigation brings him to Africa and the Indian subcontinent where he witnesses starvation, to Chicago where he documents the greed of corporate food distributors, and to Buenos Aires where he accompanies trash scavengers in search of something to eat.

Melville House | HC
978-1-61219-804-0
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Theme: Being Connected

Political Tribes

Group Instinct and the Fate of Nations
By Amy Chua

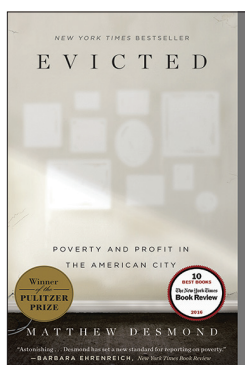
Yale Law School professor Amy Chua examines the role of group identities—ethnic, religious, sectarian, and clan-based—in political violence and conflict around the globe and at home, arguing that a misunderstanding of political tribalism lies at the heart of many of our foreign policy failures as well as domestic partisan strife.

“Amy Chua presents a provocative prescription to cure our political ills. She challenges us to cross the chasm between groups—not by denying differences, but by celebrating them.”—Adam Grant, author of *Originals*

Website: www.amychua.com
Video: tiny.cc/AmyChuaVideo

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Theme: Inequality

Evicted

Poverty and Profit in the American City
By Matthew Desmond

In *Evicted*, Princeton sociologist and MacArthur “Genius” Matthew Desmond follows eight families in Milwaukee as they struggle to keep a roof over their heads. Desmond transforms our understanding of poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving one of 21st-century America’s most devastating problems. Its unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible.

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize for General Nonfiction; Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction; PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award for Nonfiction; National Book Critics Circle Award for Nonfiction

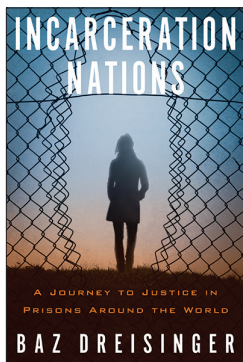
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Selected for Common Reading at: Michigan State University; Southern Methodist University; University of Wisconsin–Madison; Virginia Commonwealth University; and more.

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448 pp. | \$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

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Theme: Inequality

Incarceration Nations

A Journey to Justice in Prisons Around the World

By Baz Dreisinger

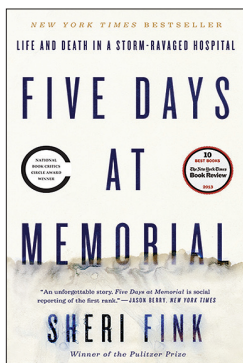
Beginning in Africa and ending in Europe, *Incarceration Nations* is a first-person odyssey through the prison systems of the world.

“[Baz Dreisinger’s] maternal turmoil when her students are denied parole, rearrested, shot, deprived of opportunity or go missing, as well as her teacherly pride in their successes, is the genuine heart of [this] story . . . The hopeful note on which this book ends . . . seems in no small part due to the wish that even our harsh system of punishment can explore connections to the world in ways that can push us for the better.”—*The New York Times Book Review*

Selected for Common Reading at: California State University – Bakersfield

Other Press | TR | 978-1-59051-899-1
336 pp. | \$16.95 / \$22.95 Can.

Washington Post
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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

Five Days at Memorial

Life and Death in a Storm-Ravaged Hospital

By Sheri Fink

Pulitzer Prize winner Sheri Fink’s landmark investigation of patient deaths at a New Orleans hospital ravaged by Hurricane Katrina draws readers into the lives of those who struggled to survive and maintain life amid chaos.

“What we have here is masterly reporting and the glow of fine writing.”—Sherwin B. Nuland, *New York Times Book Review*

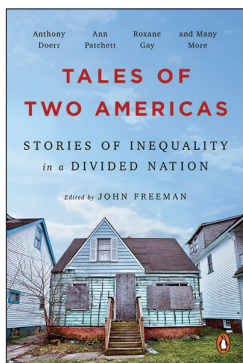
Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award; PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award for Nonfiction; Los Angeles Times Book Prize; Named One of the New York Times Ten Best Books of the Year

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Selected for Common Reading at: Cabrini College; Georgia Highlands College; Grand Valley State University; Notre Dame of Maryland University; Northeastern University; University of Mississippi Medical Center; and more.

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Theme: Inequality

Tales of Two Americas

Stories of Inequality in a Divided Nation

Edited by John Freeman

Thirty-six major contemporary writers examine life in a deeply divided America—including Roxane Gay, Rebecca Solnit, Anthony Doerr, Ann Patchett, Hector Tobar, Joyce Carol Oates, Edwidge Danticat, Richard Russo, Eula Biss, Karen Russell, and many more. Their stories, essays, and poems demonstrate how boundaries break down when experiences are shared, and that sharing our stories can help to alleviate a suffering that touches so many people.

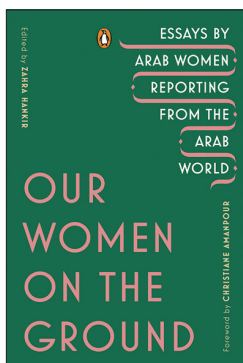
“Poignant and profound, *Tales of Two Americas* . . . unites a multiplicity of voices into a powerful rallying cry.”—NPR.org

Video: tiny.cc/JohnFreemanVideo

Selected for Common Reading at: Alfred University; Allegheny College; University of Kansas; University of San Diego; Hiram College

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Theme: Gender

Our Women on the Ground

Essays by Arab Women Reporting from the Arab World

Edited by Zahra Hankir;

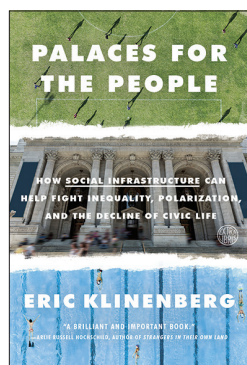
Foreword by Christiane Amanpour

In *Our Women on the Ground*, nineteen Arab women journalists tell us, in their own words, about what it’s like to report on conflicts that (quite literally) hit close to home. Their daring and heartfelt stories, told here for the first time, shatter stereotypes about the region’s women and provide an urgently needed perspective on a part of the world that is frequently misunderstood.

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Theme: Being Connected

Palaces for the People

How Social Infrastructure Can Help Fight Inequality, Polarization, and the Decline of Civic Life

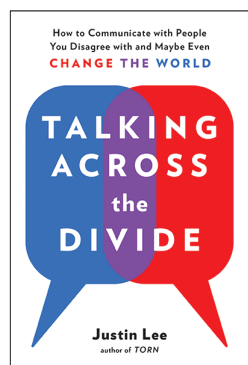
By *Eric Klinenberg*

An eminent sociologist and bestselling author offers an inspiring blueprint for rebuilding our fractured society. In *Palaces for the People*, Eric Klinenberg suggests a way forward. He believes that the future of democratic societies rests not simply on shared values but on shared spaces: the libraries, childcare centers, bookstores, churches, synagogues, and parks where crucial, sometimes life-saving connections, are formed.

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Theme: Being Connected

Talking Across the Divide

How to Communicate with People You Disagree with and Maybe Even Change the World

By *Justin Lee*

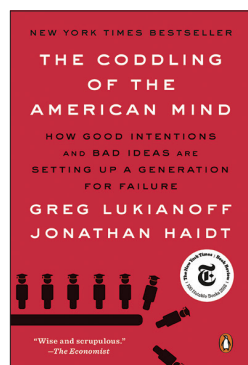
In a time when every conversation quickly becomes a battlefield, social justice activist Justin Lee explains how to break through the barriers that make people resist differing opinions. With a combination of psychological research, pop-culture references, and anecdotes from Justin's many years of experience mediating contentious conversations, this book will help you understand people on the other side of the argument and give you the tools you need to change their minds.

Website: tiny.cc/JustinLeeFYE
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Selected for Common Reading at: Pueblo Community College

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272 pp. | \$16.00 / \$22.00 Can.

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Theme: Life Skills

The Coddling of the American Mind

How Good Intentions and Bad Ideas Are Setting Up a Generation for Failure

By *Greg Lukianoff and Jonathan Haidt*

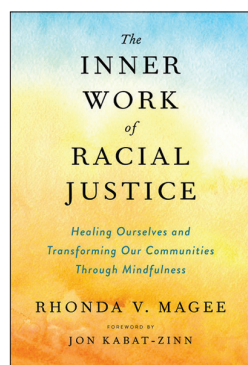
First Amendment expert Greg Lukianoff and social psychologist Jonathan Haidt show how the new problems on campus have their origins in three terrible ideas that have become increasingly woven into American childhood and education: *What doesn't kill you makes you weaker; always trust your feelings; and life is a battle between good people and evil people.*

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Selected for Common Reading at: University of New England (ME)

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Theme: Life Skills

The Inner Work of Racial Justice

Healing Ourselves and Transforming Our Communities Through Mindfulness

By *Rhonda V. Magee; Foreword by Jon Kabat-Zinn*

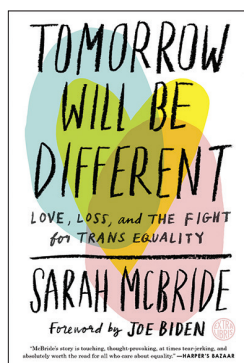
Law professor and mindfulness practitioner Rhonda Magee shows that the work of racial justice begins with ourselves. When conflict and division are everyday realities, our instincts tell us to close ranks, to find the safety of our own tribe, and to blame others. But the practice of mindfulness—paying attention to our thoughts, feelings, and physical sensations—increases our emotional resilience, helps us to recognize our unconscious bias, and gives us the space to choose how we respond to injustice.

Video: tiny.cc/RhondaMageeVideo

TarcherPerigee | HC
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Theme: Gender

Tomorrow Will Be Different

Love, Loss, and the Fight for Trans Equality

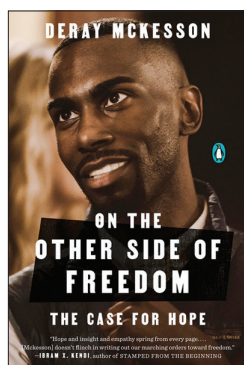
By Sarah McBride

Foreword by Joe Biden

Before she became the first transgender person to speak at a national political convention in 2016, Sarah McBride found her first love and future husband, Andy, a trans man and fellow activist, who complemented her in every way . . . until cancer tragically intervened. Informative, heartbreaking, and profoundly empowering, *Tomorrow Will Be Different* is McBride's story of love and loss and a powerful entry point into the LGBTQ community's battle for equal rights.

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Theme: Race & Inequality

On the Other Side of Freedom

The Case for Hope

By DeRay Mckesson

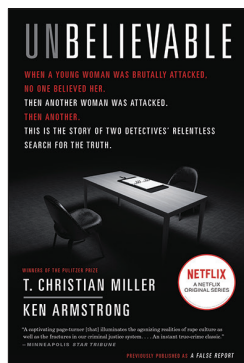
DeRay Mckesson has seen unrest sweep across America, from the streets of Ferguson to every corner of the country. Drawing from his experiences as an organizer, educator, and public official, Mckesson continues a conversation about activism and resistance as he dissects how deliberate oppression persists, how racial injustice strips our lives of promise, and how technology has added a new dimension to mass action and social change.

"An inspiring reminder that hope is vital to any political change, and it's the driving force for any successful attempt at social justice."—*Esquire*

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240 pp. | \$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

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Theme: Gender

Unbelievable

The Story of Two Detectives' Relentless Search for the Truth

By T. Christian Miller and Ken Armstrong

Two Pulitzer Prize-winning journalists tell the riveting true story of Marie, a teenager who was charged with lying about having been raped, and the detectives who followed a winding path to arrive at the truth.

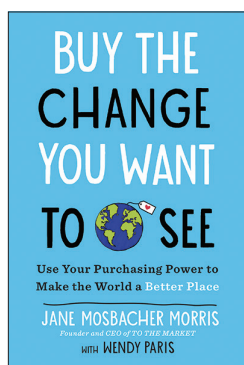
"America has never adequately addressed sexual violence, a tragedy made worse by many who employ their own hierarchy of victimization, leaving many women and vulnerable people unaided. This meticulously researched, powerful exposé eliminates ignorance as a defense. This is a devastating but necessary read, composed by masters of investigative journalism."—Bryan Stevenson, author of *Just Mercy*

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Theme: Service & Altruism

Buy the Change You Want to See

Use Your Purchasing Power

to Make the World a Better Place

By Jane Mosbacher Morris with Wendy Paris

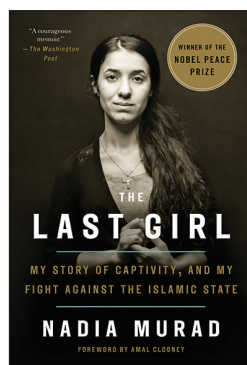
Consumers are paying more attention than ever to how their goods are made; and retailers—large and small—are responding by investing in ethical and eco-friendly production. Yet figuring out which brands to support can feel overwhelming. Jane Mosbacher Morris has devoted her career to creating economic opportunities for vulnerable communities around the world, and in this valuable book, she shares her passion and insights on how we, as consumers, can create positive change too.

Video: tiny.cc/JaneMosbacherMorrisVideo

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Theme: Gender

The Last Girl

My Story of Captivity, and My Fight Against the Islamic State

By *Nadia Murad*

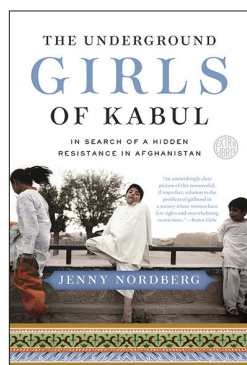
Nadia Murad's story—as a witness to the Islamic State's brutality, a survivor of rape, a refugee, a Yazidi—has forced the world to pay attention to the ongoing genocide in Iraq. It is a call to action, a testament to the human will to survive, and a love letter to a lost country, a fragile community, and a family torn apart by war.

"A devastating yet ultimately inspiring memoir that doubles as an urgent call to action."—*Kirkus Reviews*

From the winner of the Nobel Peace Prize

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Theme: Gender

The Underground Girls of Kabul

In Search of a Hidden Resistance in Afghanistan

By *Jenny Nordberg*

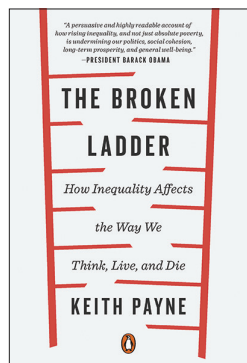
In Afghanistan, the birth of a boy is cause for celebration and the arrival of a girl is viewed as a misfortune. A bacha posh—meaning “dressed up like a boy”—is a girl temporarily raised as a boy. Investigative journalist Jenny Nordberg constructs a powerful and moving account of those who live as the socially favored gender through childhood and puberty, only to be later forced into marriage and childbirth.

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Selected for Common Reading at: Northern Arizona University; Georgian Court University; and Illinois Wesleyan University

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384 pp. | \$16.00 / \$22.00 Can.

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Theme: Inequality

The Broken Ladder

How Inequality Affects the Way We Think, Live, and Die

By *Keith Payne*

Psychologist Keith Payne examines how inequality divides us not just economically, but also has profound consequences for how we think, how our cardiovascular systems respond to stress, how our immune systems function, and how we view moral ideas such as justice and fairness.

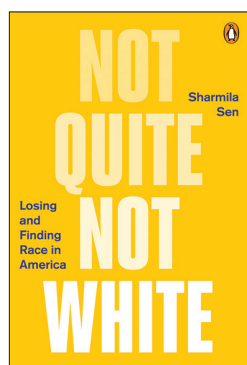
"The Broken Ladder's examination of the consequences of inequality . . . is as profound as it is revelatory."—Sonja Lyubomirsky, University of California, Riverside, author of *The How of Happiness*

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Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

Not Quite Not White

Losing and Finding Race in America

By *Sharmila Sen*

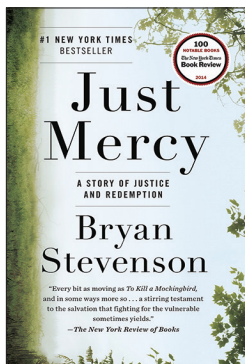
Part memoir, part manifesto, first-generation immigrant Sharmila Sen explores race and assimilation in the United States—a witty and sharply honest story of discovering that not-whiteness can be the very thing that makes us American.

"In this intimate, passionate look at race in America, Sen considers the price paid by nonwhite immigrants who try to become white, while always wearing a smiling face. Her provocative solution is for people like us to defiantly embrace not being white. That feels just right to me."—Viet Thanh Nguyen, author of *The Sympathizer*

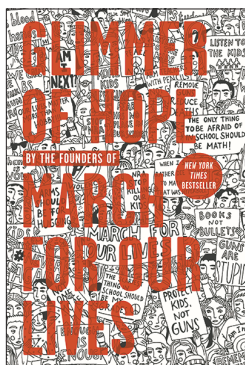
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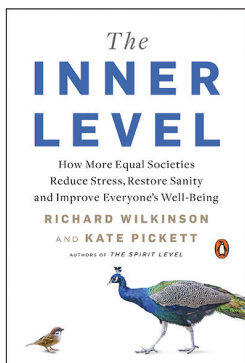
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Theme: Inequality



Theme: Being Connected



Theme: Inequality

Just Mercy

A Story of Justice and Redemption

By Bryan Stevenson

Bryan Stevenson was a young lawyer when he founded the Equal Justice Initiative, a legal practice dedicated to defending those most desperate and in need: the poor, the wrongly condemned, and women and children trapped in the farthest reaches of our criminal justice system. *Just Mercy* is at once an unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming-of-age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice.

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Glimmer of Hope

How Tragedy Sparked a Movement

By The March for Our Lives Founders

Glimmer of Hope tells the story of how a group of teenagers raced to channel their rage and sorrow into action, and went on to create one of the largest youth-led movements in global history. 100% of the authors' proceeds will benefit the March for Our Lives Foundation and the ongoing fight for sensible gun control legislation in the United States.

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The Inner Level

How More Equal Societies Reduce Stress, Restore Sanity and Improve Everyone's Well-Being

By Richard Wilkinson and Kate Pickett

Why are people more relaxed and at ease with each other in some countries than others? Why do we worry so much about what others think of us? Why is the American dream more of a reality in Denmark than the USA? The answer to all of these is inequality, which alters how we think, feel, and behave.

"As societies become more unequal, they become less healthy, happy, safe, and kind. . . . *The Inner Level* confront[s] many of our most urgent problems in a clear, compelling way, one that generates a sense of moral outrage at the damage wrought by inequality."—Robert Sapolsky, author of *Behave*

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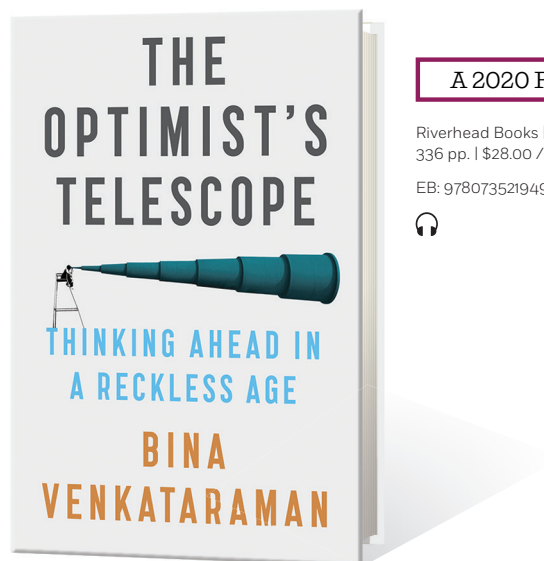
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The Optimist's Telescope

Thinking Ahead in a Reckless Age

By Bina Venkataraman



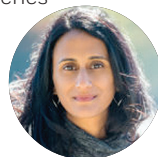
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Bina Venkataraman teaches in the program on Science, Technology, and Society at MIT and is a fellow at New America. A former journalist for *The New York Times* and *The Boston Globe* who also served as senior adviser for climate change innovation in the Obama White House, she is now director of Global Policy Initiatives at the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard.



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Instant gratification is the norm today—in our lives, our culture, our economy, and our politics. Many of us have forgotten (if we ever learned) how to make smart decisions for the long run. Whether it comes to our finances, our health, our communities, or our planet, it's easy to avoid thinking ahead.

The consequences of this immediacy are stark: Superbugs spawned by the overuse of antibiotics endanger our health. Companies that fail to invest stagnate and fall behind. Hurricanes and wildfires turn deadly for communities that could have taken more precaution. Today more than ever, all of us need to know how we can make better long-term decisions in our lives, businesses, and society.

Bina Venkataraman sees the way forward. A former journalist and adviser in the Obama administration, she helped communities and businesses prepare for climate change, and she learned firsthand why people don't think ahead—and what can be done to change that. In *The Optimist's Telescope*, she draws from stories she has reported around the world and new research in biology, psychology, and economics to explain how we can make decisions that benefit us over time. With examples from ancient Pompeii to modern-day Fukushima, she dispels the myth that human nature is impossibly reckless and highlights the surprising practices each of us can adopt in our own lives—and the ones we must fight for as a society. The result is a book brimming with the ideas and insights all of us need in order to forge a better future.

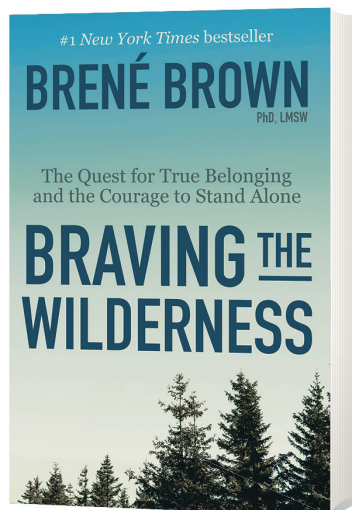
“The unknown can always be scary. But in this wise, eye-opening, and hopeful book, Bina Venkataraman shows us the ways we can think more clearly and strategically about the future—in our communities, our families, and in our own lives.”

—Arianna Huffington

Braving the Wilderness

The Quest for True Belonging and the Courage to Stand Alone

By Brené Brown, PhD, LMSW



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“True belonging doesn’t require us to change who we are. It requires us to be who we are.” Social scientist Brené Brown, PhD, LMSW, has sparked a global conversation about the experiences that bring meaning to our lives—experiences of courage, vulnerability, love, belonging, shame, and empathy. In *Braving the Wilderness*, Brown redefines what it means to truly belong in an age of increased polarization. With her trademark mix of research, storytelling, and honesty, Brown will again change the cultural conversation while mapping a clear path to true belonging.

“[Brown’s] research and work have given us a new vocabulary, a way to talk with each other about the ideas and feelings and fears we’ve all had but haven’t quite known how to articulate. . . . [She] empowers us each to be a little more courageous.”—*The Huffington Post*

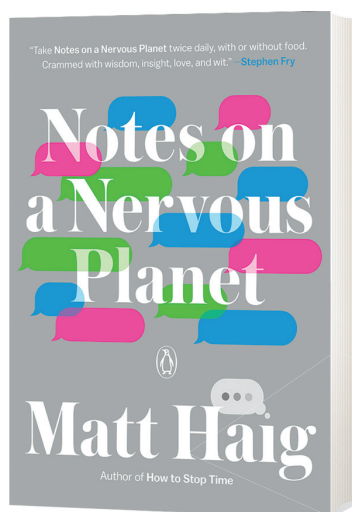
“It is inevitable—we will fall. We will fail. We will not know how to react or what to do. No matter how or when it happens, we will all have a choice—do we get up or not? Thankfully, Brené Brown is there with an outstretched arm to help us up.”—Simon Sinek, author of *Start with Why* and *Leaders Eat Last*

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Notes on a Nervous Planet

By Matt Haig



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When Matt Haig developed panic disorder, anxiety, and depression as an adult, it took him a long time to work out the ways the external world could impact his mental health in both positive and negative ways. *Notes on a Nervous Planet* collects his observations, taking a look at how the various social, commercial, and technological “advancements” that have created the world we now live in can actually hinder our happiness. Haig examines everything from broader phenomena like inequality, social media, and the news to things closer to our daily lives, like how we sleep, how we exercise, and even the distinction we draw between our minds and our bodies.

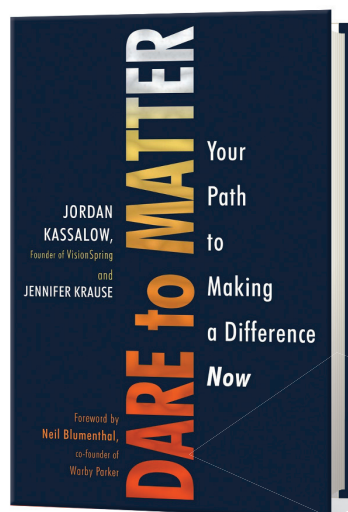
“*Notes on a Nervous Planet* contains lists, imagined conversations, essays, and personal stories that critique the damage that worry—about the environment, politics, the news, and everything else that demands our attention on a daily basis—wreaks on our ability to live a full life. Haig artfully, powerfully counters these challenges with battle-tested advice from his own hard-won experience.”—*Booklist*

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Dare to Matter

Your Path to Making a Difference Now

By Jordan Kassalow and Jennifer Krause



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We all want to make the world a better place, but with busy, demanding lives, most of us struggle with the where, when, and how. Dr. Jordan Kassalow, founder of VisionSpring, the groundbreaking venture that has restored eyesight and hope to millions of people across the globe, has the answers. Sharing his personal story of integrating real-world responsibilities with his desire to make a difference, Jordan offers you a practical way forward, custom-made for your unique talents and circumstances, to take you from thought to action.

By exploring key questions about your strengths and interests, personal resources, core beliefs, and most cherished values, Jordan will give you the motivation and the tools to start repairing the world in a way that is meaningful, fulfilling, and true to you. He will show you how working to create change in the lives of others can have a positive impact on your own outlook, well-being, and quality of life.

"An essential reminder that the greatest challenges of any age are no match for the good will, love, passion, and potential that abides in all human beings. I hope this superb book will inspire its readers to follow in Jordan's footsteps in making a difference for all."—Madeleine K. Albright, former Secretary of State

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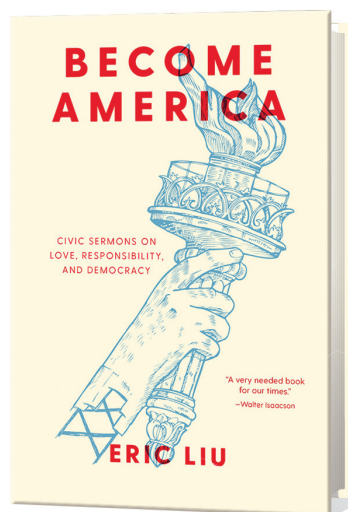
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Theme: Life Skills

Become America

Civic Sermons on Love, Responsibility, and Democracy

By Eric Liu



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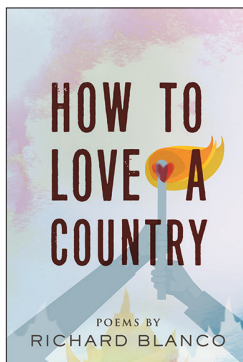
What does it mean to be an engaged American in today's divided political landscape, and how do we restore hope in our country? In a collection of "civic sermons" delivered at gatherings around the nation, popular advocate for active citizenship Eric Liu takes on these thorny questions and provides inspiration and solace in a time of anger, fear, and dismay over the state of the Union.

Here are 19 stirring explorations of current and timeless topics about democracy, liberty, equal justice, and powerful citizenship. This book will energize students to get involved, in ways both large and small, to help rebuild a country that they're proud to call home. *Become America* will challenge students to rehumanize our politics and rekindle a spirit of love in civic life.

"[This] collection is like a penetrating time-lapse movie of the American mind... [Liu's] great contribution is to show how to mix conviction on racial matters with humility and gentleness. Moreover, he is always pushing toward an American creed that moves beyond both the white monoculture and the fracturing multiculturalism. He is always pushing toward a national story large enough to contain all the hybrid voices."—David Brooks, *The New York Times*

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Theme: Race & Identity

How to Love a Country

Poems

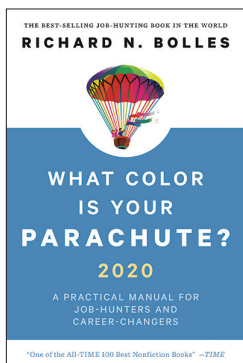
By Richard Blanco

Richard Blanco's poems form a mosaic of seemingly varied topics: the Pulse Nightclub massacre; an unexpected encounter on a visit to Cuba; the forced exile of 8,500 Navajos in 1868; a lynching in Alabama; the arrival of a young Chinese woman at Angel Island in 1938; the incarceration of a gifted writer; and the poet's abiding love for his partner, who he is finally allowed to wed as a gay man. But despite each poem's unique concern or occasion, all are fundamentally struggling with the overwhelming question of how to love this country.

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Theme: Life Skills

What Color Is Your Parachute? 2020

A Practical Manual for Job-Hunters and Career-Changers

By Richard N. Bolles

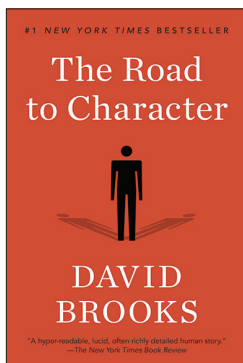
With more than 10 million copies sold in 28 countries, the world's most popular job-search book is updated for 2019 and tailors Richard Bolles's long-trusted guidance with up-to-the-minute information and advice for today's students and job-hunters.

"*What Color Is Your Parachute?* is about job-hunting and career-changing, but it's also about figuring out who you are as a person and what you want out of life."—*TIME*

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Theme: Life Skills

The Road to Character

By David Brooks

With the wisdom, humor, curiosity, and sharp insights that have brought millions of readers to his *New York Times* column and his previous bestsellers, David Brooks has consistently illuminated our daily lives in surprising and original ways. In *The Social Animal*, he explored the neuroscience of human connection and how we can flourish together. Now, in *The Road to Character*, he focuses on the deeper values that should inform our lives.

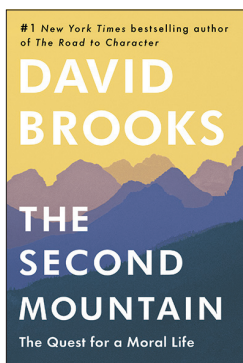
"A powerful, haunting book that works its way beneath your skin."—*The Guardian*

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Theme: Life Skills

The Second Mountain

The Quest for a Moral Life

By David Brooks

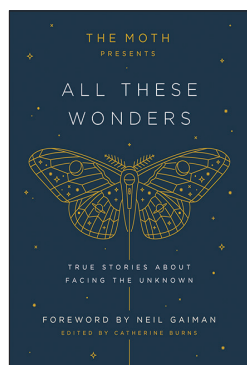
In *The Second Mountain*, David Brooks explores the four commitments that define a life of meaning and purpose: to a spouse and family, to a vocation, to a philosophy or faith, and to a community. Our personal fulfillment depends on how well we choose and execute these commitments. Brooks looks at a range of people who have lived joyous, committed lives, and who have embraced the necessity and beauty of dependence. He gathers their wisdom on how to choose a partner, how to pick a vocation, how to live out a philosophy, and how we can begin to integrate our commitments into one overriding purpose.

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Theme: Resilience

The Moth Presents All These Wonders

True Stories About Facing the Unknown
Edited by Catherine Burns
Foreword by Neil Gaiman

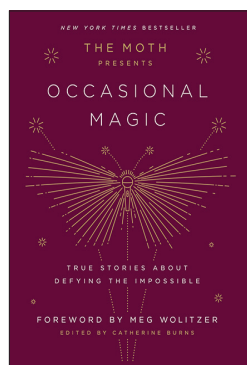
Celebrating the 20th anniversary of storytelling phenomenon The Moth, this print companion to the live show and podcast presents 45 unforgettable true stories about risk, courage, and facing the unknown. Carefully selected and adapted to the page by the creative minds at The Moth, *All These Wonders* features voices both familiar and new, celebrating the raw and transformative power of storytelling.

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Theme: Resilience

The Moth Presents Occasional Magic

True Stories About Defying the Impossible
Edited by Catherine Burns
Foreword by Meg Wolitzer

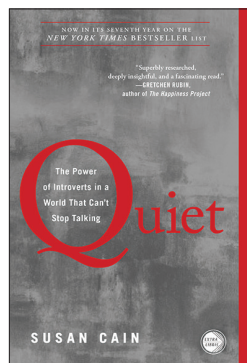
Carefully selected by the creative minds at The Moth, and adapted to the page to preserve the raw energy of live storytelling, *Occasional Magic* features voices familiar and new. Storytellers from around the world share times when, in the face of challenging situations, they found something—whether a power, strength, or passion—that they never knew they possessed. With courage and humor, they encourage us all to be more open, vulnerable, and alive.

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Theme: Life Skills

Quiet

The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking
By Susan Cain

At least one-third of the people we know are introverts, those who prefer listening to speaking; who innovate and create but dislike self-promotion; who favor working on their own over working in teams. It is to introverts—Rosa Parks, Chopin, Dr. Seuss, Steve Wozniak—that we owe many of the great contributions to society. In *Quiet*, Susan Cain argues that we dramatically undervalue introverts and shows how much we lose in doing so.

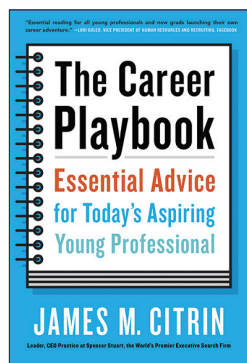
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Theme: Life Skills

The Career Playbook

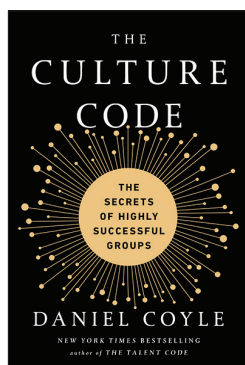
Essential Advice for Today's Aspiring Young Professional
By James M. Citrin

Based on an in-depth survey of thousands of graduates and young professionals, and hundreds of interviews with the world's top business and nonprofit leaders—not to mention James Citrin's decades of experience as a senior partner at the premier executive search firm Spencer Stuart—*The Career Playbook* offers aspiring young professionals actionable advice for excelling. Citrin provides an invaluable guide to the most urgent questions that are at the heart of every person's career deliberations.

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Theme: Life Skills

The Culture Code

The Secrets of Highly Successful Groups

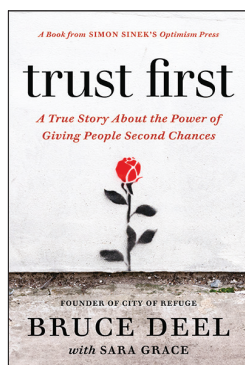
By Daniel Coyle

In *The Culture Code*, Daniel Coyle goes inside some of the world's most successful organizations—including the U.S. Navy's SEAL Team Six, IDEO, and the San Antonio Spurs—and reveals what makes them tick. Combining leading-edge science, on-the-ground insights from world-class leaders, and practical ideas for action, *The Culture Code* offers a roadmap for creating an environment where innovation flourishes, problems get solved, and expectations are exceeded.

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Theme: Service & Altruism

Trust First

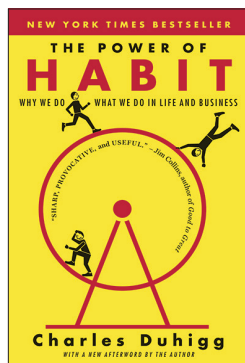
A True Story About the Power of Giving People Second Chances

By Bruce Deel with Sara Grace

When Pastor Bruce Deel founded City of Refuge, he believed the best way to improve outcomes for the marginalized and impoverished was to extend them trust—even if someone didn't yet trust themselves. Since then, he's helped over 20,000 people in Atlanta's toughest neighborhood escape the cycles of homelessness, joblessness, and drug abuse. Heartfelt, deeply personal, and inspiring, *Trust First* will break down your assumptions about whether anyone is ever truly a lost cause.

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Theme: Life Skills

The Power of Habit

Why We Do What We Do in Life and Business

By Charles Duhigg

In *The Power of Habit*, award-winning *New York Times* business reporter Charles Duhigg takes us to the thrilling edge of scientific discoveries that explain why habits exist and how they can be changed. With penetrating intelligence and an ability to distill vast amounts of information into engrossing narratives, Duhigg brings to life a whole new understanding of human nature and its potential for transformation.

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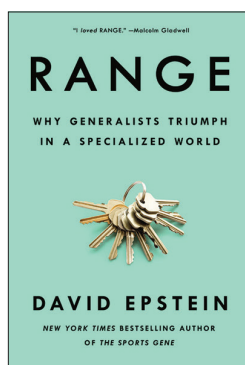
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Theme: Life Skills

Range

Why Generalists Triumph in a Specialized World

By David Epstein

When David Epstein examined the world's most successful athletes, artists, musicians, inventors, and scientists, he discovered that in most fields, generalists—not specialists—are primed to excel.

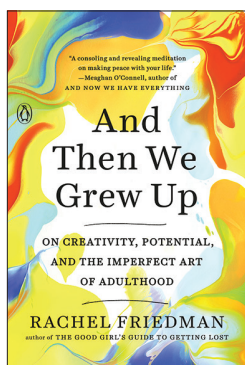
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“For too long, we’ve believed in a single path to excellence. Start early, specialize soon, narrow your focus, aim for efficiency. But in this groundbreaking book, David Epstein shows that in most domains, the way to excel is something altogether different.”—Daniel H. Pink, author of *A Whole New Mind*



Theme: Life Skills

And Then We Grew Up

On Creativity, Potential, and the Imperfect Art of Adulthood

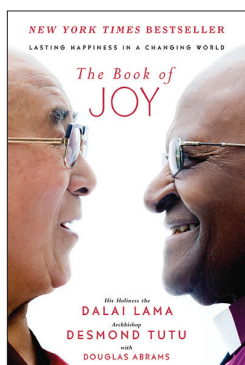
By Rachel Friedman

Rachel Friedman quit playing the viola in college, but she never stopped fantasizing about what her life might be like if she had never put down her bow. In search of answers, she decides to track down her childhood friends, aspiring actors, artists, dancers, and musicians, to find out how their early creative ambitions have translated in adulthood. Rachel's conversations spark nuanced revelations about creativity and being an artist: that it doesn't have to be all or nothing, that success isn't always linear, that sometimes it's okay to quit.

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

The Book of Joy

Lasting Happiness in a Changing World

By His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu with Douglas Abrams

Two spiritual masters share hard-won wisdom about living with joy even in the face of adversity, relating their own stories and teachings, the most recent findings in the science of deep happiness, and the daily practices that anchor their emotional and spiritual lives.

"It's a book that binds these two incredible souls. And it's a book that vividly probes the very nature of joy itself—the illusions that eclipse it, the obstacles that obscure it, the practices that cultivate it, and the pillars that sustain it."

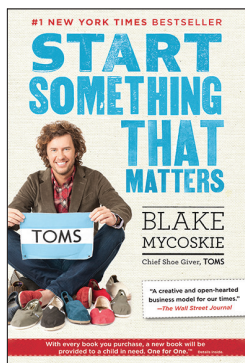
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Theme: Service & Altruism

Start Something That Matters

By Blake Mycoskie

TOMS Shoes melds profit-making with social action: for every pair of shoes purchased, the company donates a pair to a child. Although he had no prior fashion or retail experience, Mycoskie's business is profitable, even while giving shoes away. He shares his innovative approach to business, and the business of doing good.

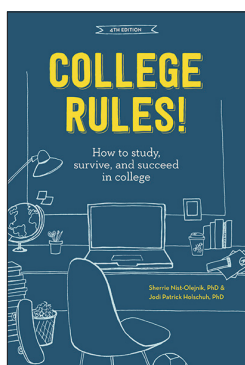
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Theme: Life Skills

College Rules!, 4th Edition

How to Study, Survive, and Succeed in College

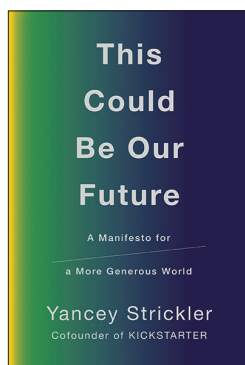
By Sherrie Nist-Olejnik, PhD, and Jodi Patrick Holschuh, PhD

College can be the most exciting time in one's life, but it also poses challenges, with new academic and social responsibilities often seeming impossible to juggle. *College Rules!* will save your students time and trouble, setting them up for academic success from the get-go. This updated classic gives students the tools they need to successfully transition from high school to college, avoid rookie mistakes, and set themselves up for academic success from day one.

Selected for Common Reading at: University of Wisconsin-Baraboo/Sauk County

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Theme: Being Connected

This Could Be Our Future

A Manifesto for a More Generous World

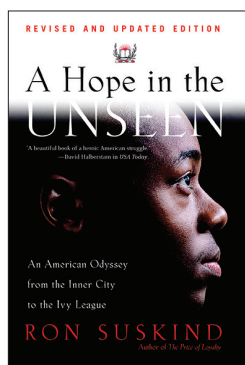
By Yancey Strickler

A cofounder of Kickstarter shares his vision for a more generous and fair future. While pursuing wealth has produced innovation and prosperity, it's also taught us that the right choice is whatever makes the most money. This short-sighted belief has led to environmental collapse, corruption, and inequality. But the answer isn't to get rid of money; it's to expand our concept of value to include things like community, purpose, and sustainability.

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Theme: Race & Identity

A Hope in the Unseen

An American Odyssey from the Inner City to the Ivy League

By Ron Suskind

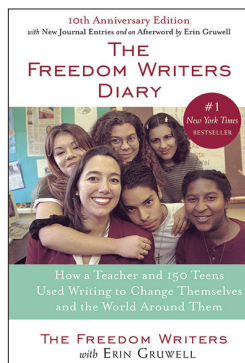
In 1993, Cedric Jennings was a bright and ferociously determined honor student at Ballou, a high school in one of Washington, DC's most dangerous neighborhoods. *A Hope in the Unseen* chronicles Cedric's odyssey during his last two years of high school and follows him through his difficult first year at Brown University. Eye-opening, sometimes humorous, and often deeply moving, *A Hope in the Unseen* weaves a crucial new thread into the rich and ongoing narrative of the American experience.

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Theme: Resilience

The Freedom Writers Diary

20th Anniversary Edition

By The Freedom Writers with Erin Gruwell

As an idealistic 23-year-old English teacher at Wilson High School in Long Beach, California, Erin Gruwell confronted a room of at-risk students who had been deemed "unteachable." Refusing to believe that any student was beyond help, Gruwell undertook a life-changing odyssey against intolerance and misunderstanding. With powerful entries from the students' own journals and a narrative text by Gruwell, *The Freedom Writers Diary* is an uplifting, unforgettable example of how hard work, courage, and the spirit of determination changed the lives of a teacher and her students.

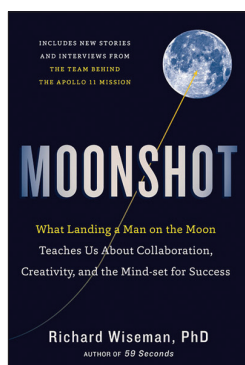
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Also Available: The Freedom Writers Diary Teacher's Guide
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Theme: Life Skills

Moonshot

What Landing a Man on the Moon Teaches Us About Collaboration, Creativity, and the Mind-set for Success

By Richard Wiseman, PhD

Inspired by the historic moon landings, psychologist Richard Wiseman brings together history, psychology, and inspiration in this unique and powerful guide to achieving the impossible. The result of intensive research, including interviews with surviving members of the Apollo mission-control team, *Moonshot* delivers eight key lessons on teamwork, leadership, persistence, creativity, and more, each one a vital part of the mindset for success.

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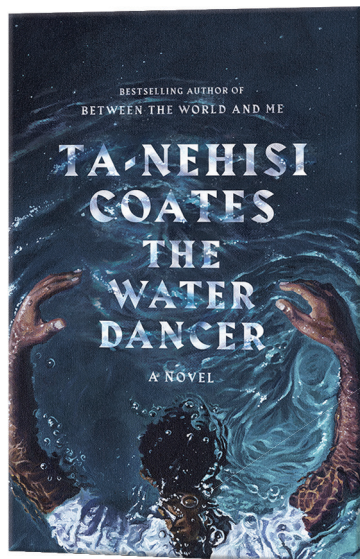
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The Water Dancer

A Novel

By Ta-Nehisi Coates



One World | HC | 978-0-399-59059-7
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EB: 9780399590603



Ta-Nehisi Coates is a national correspondent for *The Atlantic*. His book *Between the World and Me* (page 14) won the National Book Award in 2015. Coates is the recipient of a MacArthur Fellowship. He lives in New York City with his wife and son.



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In his boldly imagined first novel, Ta-Nehisi Coates, the National Book Award–winning author of *Between the World and Me*, brings home the most intimate evil of enslavement: the cleaving and separation of families.

Young Hiram Walker was born into bondage. When his mother was sold away, Hiram was robbed of all memory of her—but was gifted with a mysterious power. Years later, when Hiram almost drowns in a river, that same power saves his life. This brush with death births an urgency in Hiram and a daring scheme: to escape from the only home he's ever known.

So begins an unexpected journey that takes Hiram from the corrupt grandeur of Virginia's proud plantations to desperate guerrilla cells in the wilderness, from the coffin of the deep South to dangerously utopic movements in the North. Even as he's enlisted in the underground war between slavers and the enslaved, Hiram's resolve to rescue the family he left behind endures.

This is the dramatic story of an atrocity inflicted on generations of women, men, and children—the violent and capricious separation of families—and the war they waged to simply make lives with the people they loved. Written by one of today's most exciting thinkers and writers, *The Water Dancer* is a propulsive, transcendent work that restores the humanity of those from whom everything was stolen.

“Coates brings his considerable talent for racial and social analysis to his debut novel, which captures the brutality of slavery and explores the underlying truth that slaveholders could not dehumanize the enslaved without also dehumanizing themselves.

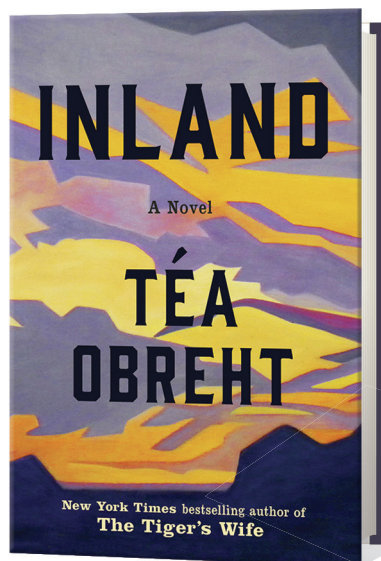
Beautifully written, this is a deeply and soulfully imagined look at slavery and human aspirations.”

—*Booklist* (starred review)

Inland

A Novel

By Téa Obreht



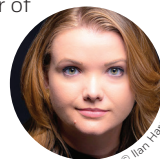
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Téa Obreht is the author of *The Tiger's Wife* (page 54), a finalist for the National Book Award.

She was born in Belgrade, in the former Yugoslavia, in 1985 and has lived in the United States since the age of twelve. She currently lives in New York City and teaches at Hunter College.



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The *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Tiger's Wife* returns with “a bracingly epic and imaginatively mythic journey across the American West” (*Entertainment Weekly*).

In the lawless, drought-ridden lands of the Arizona Territory in 1893, two extraordinary lives unfold. Nora is an unflinching frontierswoman awaiting the return of the men in her life—her husband, who has gone in search of water for the parched household, and her elder sons, who have vanished after an explosive argument. Nora is biding her time with her youngest son, who is convinced that a mysterious beast is stalking the land around their home.

Meanwhile, Lurie is a former outlaw and a man haunted by ghosts. He sees lost souls who want something from him, and he finds reprieve from their longing in an unexpected relationship that inspires a momentous expedition across the West. The way in which Lurie's death-defying trek at last intersects with Nora's plight is the surprise and suspense of this brilliant novel.

Mythical, lyrical, and sweeping in scope, *Inland* is grounded in true but little-known history. It showcases all of Téa Obreht's talents as a writer, as she subverts and reimagines the myths of the American West, making them entirely—and unforgettably—her own.

“Obreht brings her extraordinarily intricate worldview, psychological and social acuity, descriptive artistry, and shrewd, witty, and zestful storytelling to another provocative inquiry into the mysteries of place, nature, and human complexities. . . . Obreht inventively and scathingly dramatizes the delirium of the West—its myths, hardships, greed, racism, sexism, and violence—in a tor-nadic novel of stoicism, anguish, and wonder.”—*Booklist* (starred review)

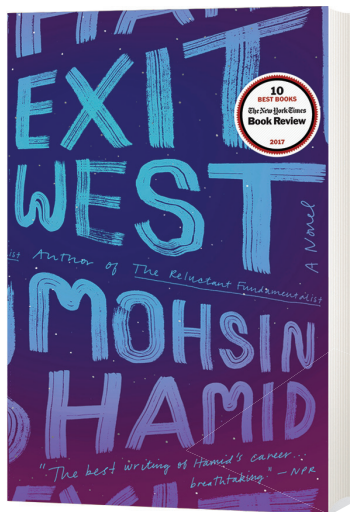
“A frontier tale [that] dazzles with camels and wolves and two characters who never quite meet . . . [Obreht] returns with a novel saturated in enough realism and magic to make the ghost of Gabriel García Márquez grin. . . . Will take your breath away.”

—*Kirkus Reviews* (starred review)

Exit West

A Novel

By Mohsin Hamid



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Nadia and Saeed meet in a country teetering on the brink of civil war. As the violence escalates, they decide to leave their homeland and their old lives behind. The love story that unfolds between these remarkable characters, across the rapidly changing face of a volatile world, forces them into an alien and uncertain future—both completely of our time and for all time.

“Hamid rewrites the world as a place thoroughly, gorgeously, and permanently overrun by refugees and migrants . . . But, still, he depicts the world as resolutely beautiful and, at its core, unchanged. The novel feels immediately canonical, so firm and unerring is Hamid’s understanding of our time and its most pressing questions.”—*The New Yorker*

Winner of the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize for Fiction;
Finalist for the Man Booker Prize and The National Book Critics Circle Award

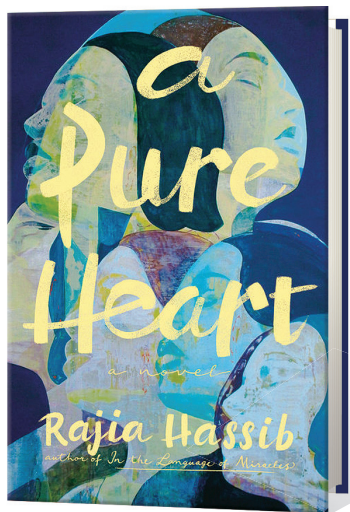
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A Pure Heart

A Novel

By Rajia Hassib



Viking | HC | 978-0-525-56005-0
320 pp. | \$27.00 / \$36.00 Can.

EB: 9780525560067

Also Available: In the Language of Miracles
9780143109150

Sisters Rose and Gameela Gubran could not have been more different. Rose, an Egyptologist, married an American journalist and immigrated to New York City, where she works in the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Gameela, a devout Muslim since her teenage years, stayed in Cairo. During the aftermath of Egypt’s revolution, Gameela is killed in a suicide bombing. When Rose returns to Egypt after the bombing, she sifts through the artifacts Gameela left behind, desperate to understand how her sister came to die, and who she truly was. Rajia Hassib’s *A Pure Heart* is a stirring and deeply textured novel that asks what it means to forgive, and considers how faith, family, and love can unite and divide us.

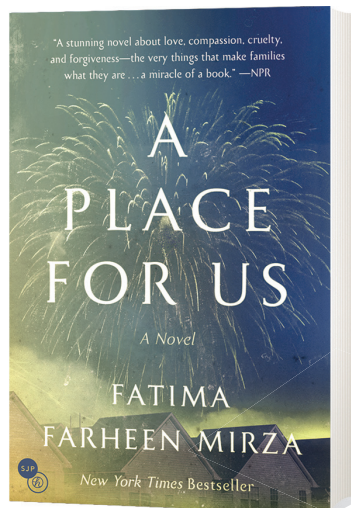
“A stunner of a book. Weaving through the lives of two sisters split by destiny, Hassib’s latest novel is a story of excavation: of countries and people. With the Egyptian revolution as backdrop, Hassib masterfully explores the loyalties, geographies and histories that can both partition and bind family.”—Hala Al-ayan, author of *Salt Houses*

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A Place for Us

A Novel

By Fatima Farheen Mirza



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Abounding with grace, insight, and psychological insight, *A Place for Us* is a richly drawn portrait of a contemporary Muslim Indian-American family in California. Parents Rafiq and Layla, immigrants whose own marriage was arranged, must reckon with their children's departures from tradition. Hadia, Huda, and Amar, meanwhile, forge their own paths, navigating the tension between their cultural heritage and their individual desires. Over the course of decades, acts of betrayal and the revelation of closely guarded secrets threaten to forever tear the family apart—and lead Amar, the only son, to break ties entirely.

With a nonlinear structure that reflects the movement of memory, Mirza occupies the point of view of these characters with astounding empathy, deftly weaving a full and deeply moving tale of belonging, sacrifice, and—most of all—family.

“As Marilynne Robinson has done with *Protestants* and Alice McDermott has done with *Catholics*, Mirza finds in the intensity of a faithful Muslim family a universal language of love and anguish that speaks to us all.”—Ron Charles, *Washington Post*

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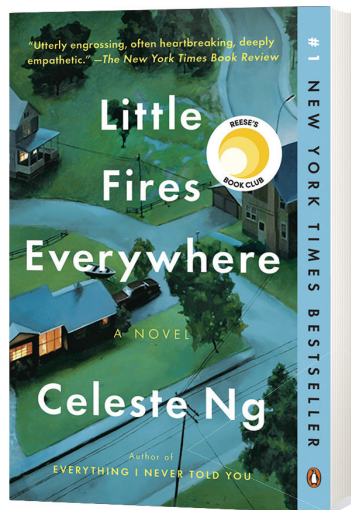
Discipline: English

Theme: Inequality

Little Fires Everywhere

A Novel

By Celeste Ng



Penguin Books | TR | 978-0-7352-2431-5
368 pp. | \$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

EB: 9780735224308

Also Available: *Everything I Never Told You*
9780143127550

From the author of *Everything I Never Told You*, a riveting novel that explores the weight of secrets, the nature of art and identity, the ferocious pull of motherhood, and the danger of believing that following the rules can avert disaster.

When single mother Mia Warren and her teenaged daughter, Pearl, arrive in the idyllic bubble of Shaker Heights and rent a house from the Richardsons, all four Richardson children are drawn to the pair. But Mia carries with her a mysterious past and a disregard for the status quo that threatens to upend the carefully ordered community.

“A pointed and persuasive social critique, teasing out the myriad forms of privilege and predation that stand between so many people and their achievement of the American dream.”—*The Boston Globe*

“Ng is a master at pushing us to look at our personal and societal flaws in the face and see them with new eyes. . . . If *Little Fires Everywhere* doesn't give you pause and help you think differently about humanity and this country's current state of affairs, start over from the beginning and read the book again.”—*San Francisco Chronicle*

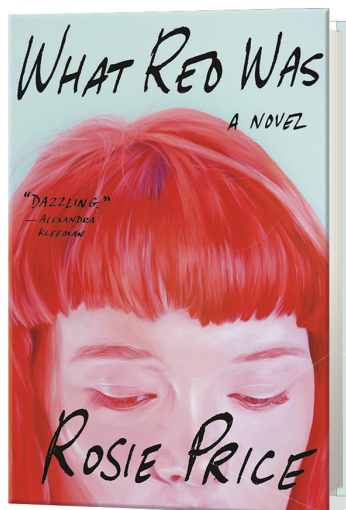
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What Red Was

A Novel

By Rosie Price



When Kate Quaile meets Max Rippon in the first week of university, so begins a life-changing friendship. Over the next four years, the two become inseparable. But knowing Max means knowing his wealthy family. She finds herself quickly drawn into their gilded lives, and the secrets that lie beneath. Until one evening, at the Rippsons home, just after graduation, her life is shattered apart in a bedroom while a party goes on downstairs.

What Red Was is an incisive and mesmerizing novel about power, privilege, and consent—one that fearlessly explores the effects of trauma on the mind and body of a young woman, the tyrannies of memory, the sacrifices involved in staying silent, and the courage in speaking out. And when Kate does, it raises this urgent question: Whose story is it now?

“Rosie Price has a dazzling gift for rendering the mechanisms of power and privilege viscerally real. With penetrating insight into the texture of trauma and enthralling prose, this is a book that succeeds in prying open our cultural moment and laying it bare for scrutiny.”—Alexandra Kleeman, author of *You Too Can Have a Body Like Mine*

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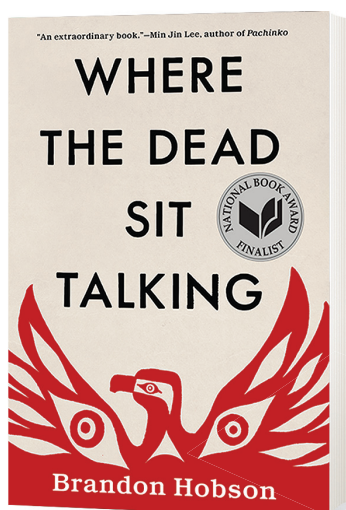


Discipline: Contemporary Literature

Theme: Race & Identity

Where the Dead Sit Talking

By Brandon Hobson



Set in rural Oklahoma during the late 1980s, *Where the Dead Sit Talking* is a stunning and lyrical Native American coming-of-age story.

With his single mother in jail, Sequoyah, a fifteen-year-old Cherokee boy, is placed in foster care with the Troutt family. Literally and figuratively scarred by his mother's years of substance abuse, Sequoyah keeps mostly to himself, living with his emotions pressed deep below the surface. At least until he meets seventeen-year-old Rosemary, a troubled artist who also lives with the family.

Sequoyah and Rosemary bond over their shared Native American background and tumultuous paths through the foster care system, but as Sequoyah's feelings toward Rosemary deepen, the precariousness of their lives and the scars of their pasts threaten to undo them both.

Finalist for the National Book Award for Fiction

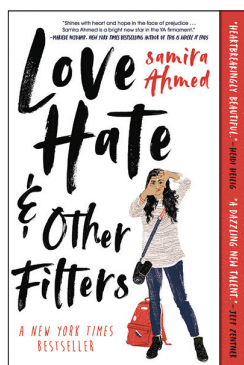
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Theme: Race & Identity

Love, Hate and Other Filters

By Samira Ahmed

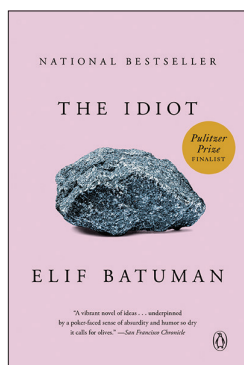
Seventeen-year-old Maya Aziz is torn between worlds. There's the one her parents expect for their good Indian daughter: attending a college close to their suburban Chicago home and being paired off with an older Muslim boy her mom deems "suitable." And then there is the world of her dreams: going to film school and living in New York City—and pursuing a boy she's known from afar since grade school. But in the aftermath of a horrific crime perpetrated hundreds of miles away, her life is turned upside down. The community she's known since birth becomes unrecognizable. Ultimately, Maya must find the strength within to determine where she truly belongs.

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Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

The Idiot

A Novel

By Elif Batuman

The year is 1995, and email is new. Selin, the daughter of Turkish immigrants, arrives for her freshman year at Harvard. She signs up for classes in subjects she has never heard of, befriends her charismatic and worldly Serbian classmate, Svetlana, and, almost by accident, begins corresponding with Ivan, an older mathematics student from Hungary. Selin may have barely spoken to Ivan, but with each email they exchange, the act of writing seems to take on new and increasingly mysterious meanings.

Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize

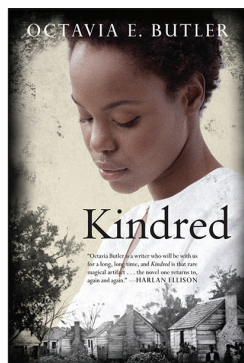
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Theme: Race & Identity

Kindred

By Octavia E. Butler

The visionary author's masterpiece pulls us—along with her Black female hero—through time to face the horrors of slavery and explore the impacts of racism, sexism, and white supremacy then and now.

Dana, a modern black woman, is celebrating her 26th birthday when she is transported to the antebellum South to save the drowning son of a plantation owner. Brought through time repeatedly, each stay grows more and more treacherous until it is uncertain whether Dana's life will end before it had the chance to begin.

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Theme: Alternate Worlds:
Speculative Fiction

Ready Player One

A Novel

By Ernest Cline

In the year 2044, reality is an ugly place. The only time teenage Wade Watts really feels alive is when he's jacked into the virtual utopia known as the OASIS. Wade's devoted his life to studying the puzzles hidden within the world's digital confines—puzzles that are based on their creator's obsession with the pop culture of decades past and that promise massive power and fortune to whoever can unlock them. But when Wade stumbles upon the first clue, he finds himself beset by players willing to kill to take the ultimate prize.

Winner of the ALA Alex Award; A School Library Journal "Best Adult Book 4 Teens"; Now a major motion picture

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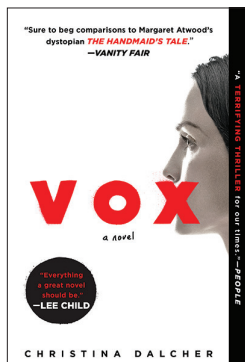
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Theme: Gender

Vox

By Christina Dalcher

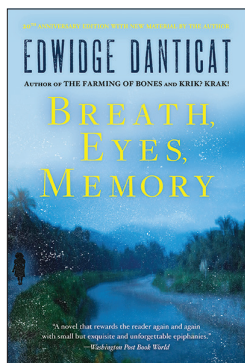
Set in a United States in which the government decrees that women are no longer allowed more than one hundred words per day, females no longer have a voice. Vox is the harrowing, unforgettable story of what one woman will do to protect herself and her daughter

"The names that come to mind are Margaret Atwood, George Orwell, and Aldous Huxley—had Orwell and Huxley had a taste of the information age. Vox is a book for the dystopic present. It woke me up."—Melissa Broder, author of *The Pisces*

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Berkley | TR | 978-0-440-00081-5
352 pp. | \$16.00 / \$22.00 Can.

EB: 9780440000822



Theme: Race & Identity

Breath, Eyes, Memory

By Edwidge Danticat

At the age of twelve, Sophie Caco is sent from her impoverished Haitian village to New York to be reunited with a mother she barely remembers. There she discovers secrets that no child should ever know, and a legacy of shame that can be healed only when she returns to Haiti. What ensues is a passionate journey through a landscape charged with the supernatural and scarred by political violence.

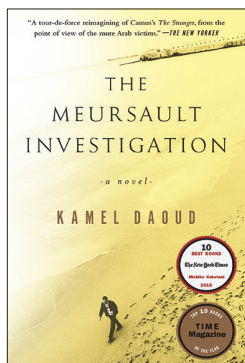
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The Meursault Investigation

A Novel

By Kamel Daoud

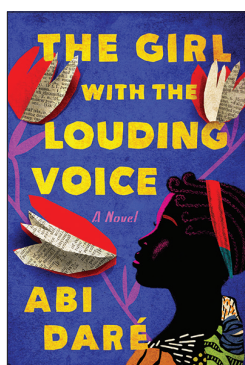
He was the brother of "the Arab" killed by the infamous Meursault, the antihero of Camus's classic novel *The Stranger*. Seventy years after that event, Harun, who has lived since childhood in the shadow of his sibling's memory, refuses to let him remain anonymous: he gives his brother a story and a name—Musa—and describes the events that led to Musa's casual murder on a dazzlingly sunny beach. *The Meursault Investigation* is not only a profound meditation on Arab identity and the disastrous effects of colonialism in Algeria, but also a stunning work of literature in its own right, told in a unique and affecting voice.

Selected for Common Reading at: Ursinus College

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New York Times Best 10 Books of 2016; TIME Top 10 Books of 2016



Theme: Resilience

The Girl with the Louding Voice

A Novel

By Abi Daré

Adunni is a fourteen-year-old Nigerian girl who knows what she wants: an education. This, her mother has told her, is the only way to get a "lounding voice"—the ability to speak for herself and decide her own future. So when her father sells her to be the third wife of a local man, Adunni runs away to the city. And when she realizes that she must stand up not only for herself, but for other girls, she finds the resolve to speak, however she can—in a whisper, in song, in broken English—until she is heard.

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336 pp. | \$26.00 / \$35.00 Can.

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Theme: Gender

Sabrina & Corina

Stories

By Kali Fajardo-Anstine

Kali Fajardo-Anstine's magnetic story collection breathes life into her Latina characters of indigenous ancestry and the land they inhabit in the American West. Against the remarkable backdrop of Denver, Colorado—a place that is as fierce as it is exquisite—these women navigate the land the way they navigate their lives: with caution, grace, and quiet force.

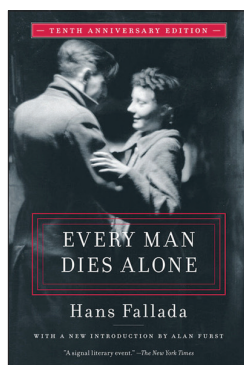
Sabrina & Corina is a moving narrative of unrelenting feminine power and an exploration of the universal experiences of abandonment, heritage, and an eternal sense of home.

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Theme: Race & Identity

Every Man Dies Alone

Special 10th Anniversary Edition

By Hans Fallada

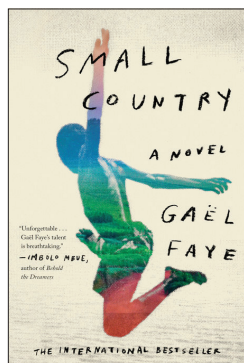
Based on a true story, this novel presents a richly detailed portrait of life in Berlin under the Nazis and tells the sweeping saga of one working-class couple who decides to take a stand when their only son is killed at the front. With nothing but their grief and each other against the awesome power of the Reich, they launch a simple, clandestine resistance campaign that soon has an enraged Gestapo on their trail, and a world of terrified neighbors and cynical snitches ready to turn them in.

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Theme: Race & Identity

Small Country

A Novel

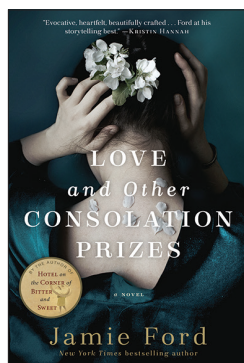
By Gaël Faye

Burundi, 1992. For 10-year-old Gabriel, life in his comfortable expatriate neighborhood is something close to paradise. These are carefree days of laughter and adventure, but dark clouds are gathering over this small country, and soon their peaceful existence will shatter when Burundi, and neighboring Rwanda, are brutally hit by civil war and genocide. A novel of extraordinary power and beauty, *Small Country* describes an end of innocence as seen through the eyes of a child caught in the maelstrom of history.

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Theme: Resilience

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A Novel

By Jamie Ford

From the bestselling author of *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* comes a powerful novel, inspired by a true story, about a boy whose life is transformed at Seattle's epic 1909 World's Fair.

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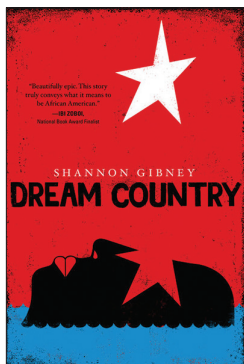
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Theme: Race & Identity

Dream Country

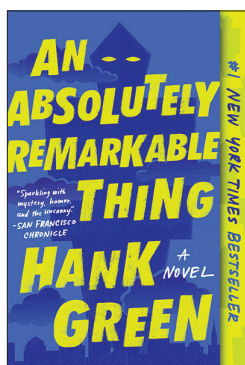
By Shannon Gibney

Spanning from modern-day Minneapolis to the Liberian Civil War and back to the American Colonization Society in 1827, *Dream Country* spins a riveting tale of five generations of an African-and-American family, and of how one determined young dreamer tries to break free and gain control of her destiny.

"Gibney has masterfully woven together the histories of America and Africa through the multigenerational journeys of young people in search of home and self. Beautifully epic, timely, and outstanding in its breadth and scope."—Ibi Zoboi, author of *American Street*

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Theme: Being Connected

An Absolutely Remarkable Thing

A Novel

By Hank Green

Hank Green—co-creator of Crash Course, Vlogbrothers, and SciShow—spins a cinematic tale that grapples with big themes, including how the social internet is changing fame, rhetoric, and radicalization; how our culture deals with fear and uncertainty; and how vilification and adoration spring from the same dehumanization that follows a life in the public eye.

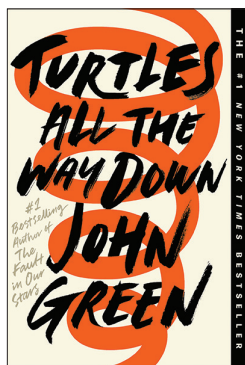
"The most interesting meditation on the internet and fame I've ever seen."—Joseph Fink, author of *Alice Isn't Dead*

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

Turtles All the Way Down

By John Green

Aza Holmes is trying. She is trying to be a good daughter, a good friend, a good student, and maybe even a good detective, while also living within the ever-tightening spiral of her own thoughts. When she is swept up in the mystery of a fugitive billionaire by her best friend, Aza learns to navigate her daily existence while the world feels out of control. *Turtles All the Way Down* is a brilliant novel of love, resilience, and the power of lifelong friendship.

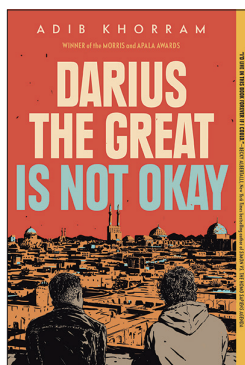
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Theme: Gender

Darius the Great Is Not Okay

By Adib Khorram

Darius Kellner speaks better Klingon than Farsi, and he knows more about Hobbit social cues than Persian ones. He's a Fractional Persian—half, his mom's side—and his first-ever trip to Iran is about to change his life.

Darius has never really fit in at home, and he's sure things are going to be the same in Iran. His clinical depression doesn't exactly help matters, and trying to explain his medication to his grandparents only makes things harder. Then Darius meets Sohrab, the boy next door, and everything changes.

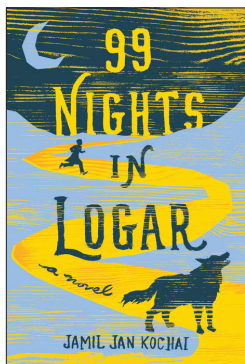
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Theme: Race & Identity

99 Nights in Logar

A Novel

By Jamil Jan Kochai

This coming-of-age story set across contemporary Afghanistan, an homage to *One Thousand and One Nights*, follows twelve-year-old Marwand as he tracks down his family's escaped guard dog—who happens to have just eaten one of Marwand's fingers.

"Kochai weaves together a tapestry of stories to present a captivating image of the country that has been called 'the graveyard of empires.' . . . Something like *One Thousand and One Nights* meets *The Sandlot*."—*TIME*

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

Everything Here Is Beautiful

A Novel

By Mira T. Lee

Everything Here Is Beautiful tells the story of two Chinese-American sisters: responsible, older sister Miranda and headstrong, unpredictable Lucia, who has started hearing voices. Mira T. Lee empathetically details a young woman's quest to live unconstrained by her illness and the sacrifices that must be made to truly love someone.

"Everything about this book is beautiful. It's a sisters story, an immigrant story, and, more than a story of one family, it's an unflinching reflection of the fast-changing American Family."—Ron Fournier, author of *Love That Boy*

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Theme: Alternate Worlds:
Speculative Fiction

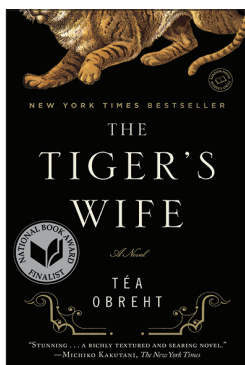
Watchmen (2019 Edition)

By Alan Moore

Who watches the Watchmen? Considered the greatest graphic novel in the history of the medium, the Hugo Award-winning story chronicles the fall from grace of a group of superheroes plagued by all-too-human failings. Along the way, the concept of the superhero is dissected as an unknown assassin stalks the erstwhile heroes.

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The Tiger's Wife

A Novel

By Téa Obreht

In a Balkan country mending from war, Natalia, a young doctor, is compelled to unravel the mysterious circumstances surrounding her beloved grandfather's recent death. Searching for clues, she turns to his worn copy of *The Jungle Book* and the stories he told her of his encounters over the years with "the deathless man." But most extraordinary of all is the story her grandfather never told her—the legend of the tiger's wife.

"Stunning . . . a richly textured and searing novel."
—Michiko Kakutani, *The New York Times*

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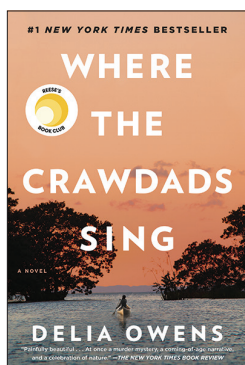
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Orange Prize Winner; Finalist for the National Book Award



Theme: Resilience

Where the Crawdads Sing

By Delia Owens

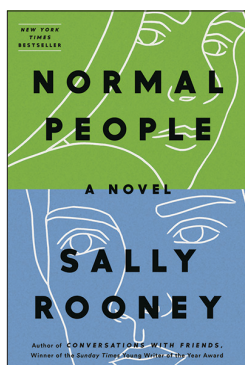
For years, rumors of the “Marsh Girl” have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand.

“A painfully beautiful coming-of-age narrative and a celebration of nature.”—*The New York Times Book Review*

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Normal People

A Novel

By Sally Rooney

Normal People traces the evolving bond between two teenagers from western Ireland—Connell, who is popular and lives with his working-class single mother, and Marianne, a loner from a wealthy yet neglectful family—from their school days through their university years at Trinity College in Dublin. As the strange and ineffable connection between them waxes and wanes, again and again drawing them magnetically back into one another's orbit, they ultimately must confront how far they are willing to go to save the other.

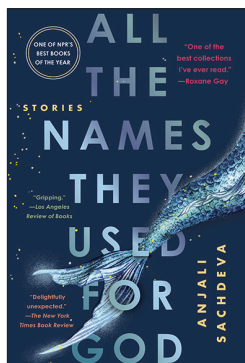
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Theme: Alternate Worlds:
Speculative Fiction

All the Names They Used for God Stories

By Anjali Sachdeva

A dystopian tale about genetically modified septuplets who are struck by a mysterious illness; a love story about a man bewitched by a mermaid; a stirring imagining of the lives of Nigerian schoolgirls in the aftermath of a Boko Haram kidnapping. The stories in *All the Names They Used for God* break down genre barriers—from science fiction to American Gothic to magical realism to horror—and are united by each character's brutal struggle with fate. Like many of us, the characters in this collection are in pursuit of the sublime. Along the way, they must navigate the borderland between salvation and destruction.

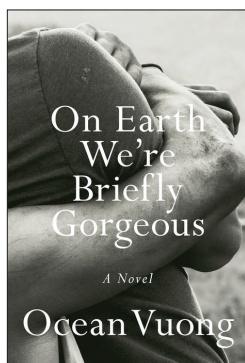
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Winner of the Chautauqua Prize;
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Theme: Race & Identity

On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous

A Novel

By Ocean Vuong

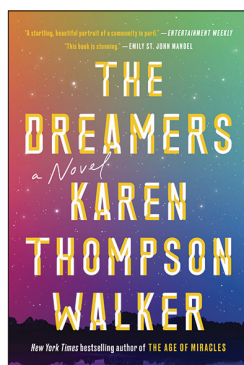
On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous is a letter from a son to a mother who cannot read. Written when the speaker, Little Dog, is in his late twenties, the letter unearths a family's history that began before he was born—a history whose epicenter is rooted in Vietnam—and serves as a doorway into parts of his life his mother has never known. At once a witness to the fraught love between a single mother and her son, it is also a brutally honest exploration of race, class, and masculinity.

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The Dreamers

A Novel

By Karen Thompson Walker

One night in an isolated college town in the hills of Southern California, a first-year student stumbles into her dorm room, falls asleep—and doesn't wake up. She sleeps through the morning, into the evening. Her roommate, Mei, cannot rouse her. Neither can the paramedics, nor the perplexed doctors at the hospital. When a second girl falls asleep, and then a third, Mei finds herself thrust together with an eccentric classmate as panic takes hold of the college and spreads to the town.

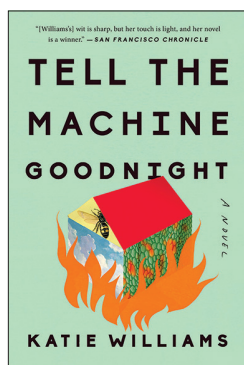
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Theme: Being Connected

Tell the Machine Goodnight

A Novel

By Katie Williams

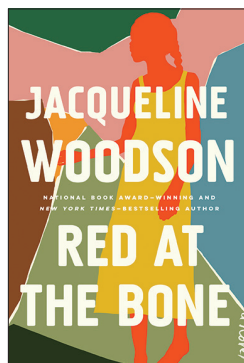
As a technician for the Apricity Corporation, with its patented happiness machine, Pearl's job is—quite literally—to make people happy. Meanwhile, Pearl's teenage son, Rhett, seems to find greater satisfaction in being unhappy. As his mother, Pearl wants nothing more than to help Rhett—but is it for his sake or for hers?

Told from an alternating cast of endearing characters from within Pearl and Rhett's world, *Tell the Machine Goodnight* delivers a smartly moving and entertaining story about the advance of technology and the ways that it can most surprise and define us.

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Theme: Race & Identity

Red at the Bone

A Novel

By Jacqueline Woodson

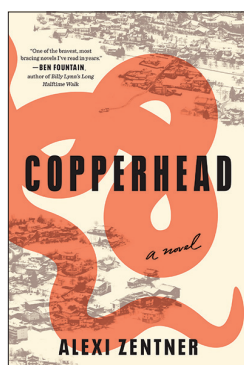
Two families from different social classes are joined together by an unexpected pregnancy. Moving forward and backward in time, Jacqueline Woodson's extraordinary new novel uncovers the role that history and community have played in the experiences, decisions, and relationships of these families, and in the life of this child.

"[A] beautifully imagined novel. . . . Woodson's nuanced voice evokes the complexities of race, class, religion, and sexuality in fluid prose and a series of telling details. This is a wise, powerful, and compassionate novel."—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

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Theme: Race & Identity

Copperhead

A Novel

Alexi Zentner

Jessup's stepfather gave him almost everything good in his life—a sober mother, a sister, a sense of home, and the game of football. But during the years that David John spent in prison for his part in a brutal hate crime, Jessup came to realize that his stepfather is also a source of lethal poison for his family. So when his stepfather is released from prison, Jessup is faced with an impossible choice: condemn the man who saved his family or accept his part in his family's legacy of bigotry.

"Excruciatingly honest and exceptionally brave."—*New York Journal of Books*

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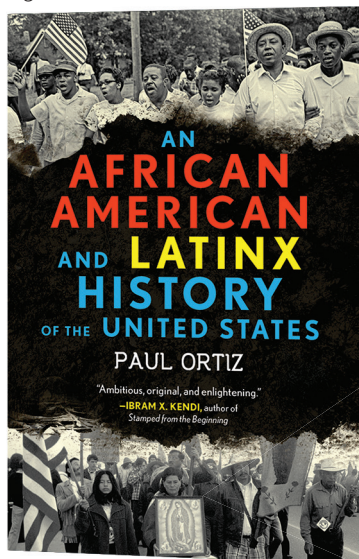
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An African American and Latinx History of the United States

By Paul Ortiz



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Winner of the PEN Oakland/Josephine Miles
Literary Award

Paul Ortiz is an associate professor of history and the director of the Samuel Proctor Oral History Program at the University of Florida. He is the author of *Emancipation Betrayed: The Hidden History of Black Organizing and White Violence from Reconstruction to the Bloody Election of 1920* and coeditor of the oral history *Remembering Jim Crow: African Americans Tell About Life in the Segregated South*. He lives in Gainesville, Florida.



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“An African American and Latinx History of the United States is a gift.”

—Ibram X. Kendi, National Book Award–winning author of *Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America*

Spanning more than two hundred years from the Haitian Revolution of the 1790s to the 2016 US Presidential election of Donald Trump, *An African American and Latinx History of the United States* is a revolutionary, politically charged narrative history, arguing that the “Global South” was crucial to the development of America as we know it. Scholar and activist Paul Ortiz challenges the notion of westward progress as exalted by widely taught formulations like “manifest destiny” and “Jacksonian democracy,” and shows how placing African American, Latinx, and Indigenous voices unapologetically front and center transforms US history into one of the working class organizing against imperialism.

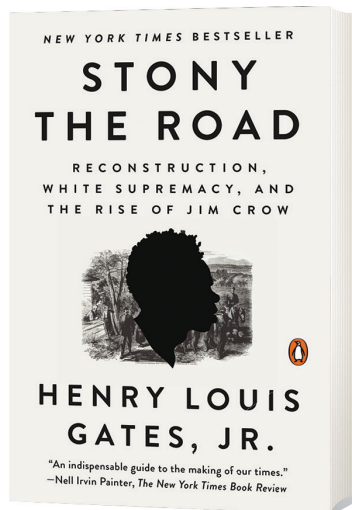
Drawing on rich narratives and primary source documents, Ortiz discusses such instances as: The Mexican War of Independence, the American Civil War, the Cuban Solidarity Movement, the government of American banks in the Global South, racial capitalism, and the eventual rebirth of the American working class. He draws links between events such as racial segregation in the Southwest that led to a powerful tradition of Mexican labor organizing and the more recent International Workers’ Day when migrant laborers unite in resistance for the “Day Without Immigrants.”

Ortiz wrote this incisive and timely history in direct response to students who sought to place the histories of Black and Latinx diasporas in dialogues and found that there was no text to guide this course of study.

Stony the Road

Reconstruction, White Supremacy, and the Rise of Jim Crow

By Henry Louis Gates, Jr.



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An essential tour through one of America's historical tragedies, *Stony the Road* tells the story of the struggle for equality during the century between the Civil War and the civil rights era. Henry Louis Gates, Jr., one of our leading chroniclers of the African-American experience, uncovers the roots of structural racism through a close reading of visual culture. While racist images reinforced a stark color line between white and black Americans, African Americans combatted it with a vision of a "New Negro" to force the nation to recognize their humanity. This battle took place during one of the most violent periods in our history, with thousands of black people murdered or lynched and many more afflicted by the degrading impositions of Jim Crow segregation. Gates tells a story of heroic resistance, as figures such as W. E. B. Du Bois and Ida B. Wells fought to create a counter-narrative and culture inside the lion's mouth.

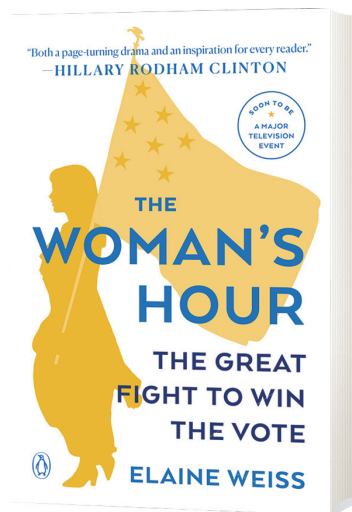
"Gates chronicles an American tragedy, the story of how white supremacy and Jim Crow became the South's—and white America's—brutal answer to Emancipation and Reconstruction."—Jill Lepore, author of *These Truths*

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The Woman's Hour

The Great Fight to Win the Vote

By Elaine Weiss



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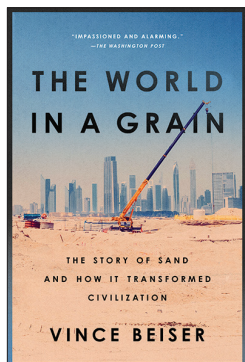
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Elaine Weiss takes readers through the nail-biting climax of one of the greatest political battles in American history: the ratification of the constitutional amendment that granted women the right to vote. After a seven-decade crusade, just one last state's vote was needed to ratify the Nineteenth Amendment. The suffragists faced vicious opposition from politicians, clergy, corporations, and racists who don't want black women voting. Not to mention the "Antis"—women who oppose their own enfranchisement, fearing suffrage will bring about the nation's moral collapse. In August 1920, they all converged for a confrontation, replete with booze and blackmail, betrayal and courage. *The Woman's Hour* follows a handful of remarkable suffragists through these final, critical moments in their battle for the right to vote.

"Elaine Weiss's unforgettable book tells the story of the female leaders who—in the face of towering economic, racial, and political opposition—fought for and won American women's right to vote. . . . Both a page-turning drama and an inspiration for everyone, young and old, male and female, in these perilous times. So much could have gone wrong, but these American women would not take no for an answer: their triumph is our legacy to guard and emulate." —Hillary Rodham Clinton

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The World in a Grain

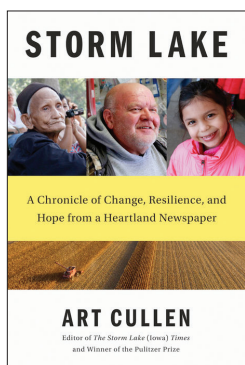
The Story of Sand and How It Transformed Civilization

By Vince Beiser

After water and air, sand is the natural resource that we consume more than any other—even more than oil. Every concrete building and paved road, every computer screen and silicon chip is made from sand. And, incredibly, we're running out of it. *The World in a Grain* is the compelling true story of this diminishing natural resource and of the people who mine it, sell it, and build with it.

"Vince Beiser shows, with great skill, that this key component of our fragile, over-consuming planet we need to better understand, conserve and protect."—Adam Hochschild

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Theme: Resilience

Storm Lake

Change, Resilience, and Hope in America's Heartland

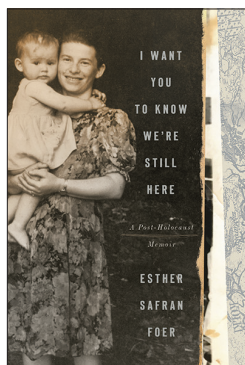
By Art Cullen

In this candid and timely book, 2017 Pulitzer-winning newspaperman Art Cullen describes how the rural prairies have changed dramatically over his career, as seen from the vantage point of a farming and meatpacking town of 15,000 in Northwest Iowa. An unsentimental ode to America's heartland as seen in small-town Iowa, politics, agriculture, the environment, and immigration are all themes in *Storm Lake*, a chronicle of a resilient newspaper, as much a survivor as its town.

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Theme: Race & Identity

I Want You to Know We're Still Here

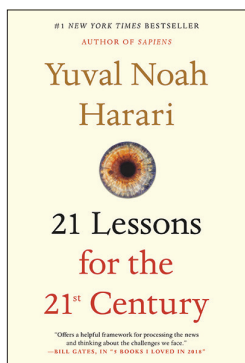
A Memoir

By Esther Safran Foer

Esther Safran Foer grew up in a family in which the Holocaust was always felt but never discussed—until an astonishing revelation shifts the foundations of her family history. Armed with only a black-and-white photo and hand-drawn map, Esther travels to Ukraine, determined to find the shtetl where her father hid during the war. What she finds not only reshapes her identity but gives her the long-denied opportunity to mourn the all-but-forgotten dead.

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21 Lessons for the 21st Century

By Yuval Noah Harari

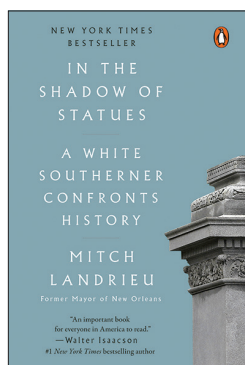
A probing and visionary investigation into today's most urgent issues as we move into the uncharted territory of the future. As technology advances faster than our understanding of it, hacking becomes a tactic of war, and the world feels more polarized than ever, Yuval Noah Harari addresses the challenge of navigating life in the face of constant and disorienting change and raises the important questions we need to ask ourselves in order to survive.

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Theme: Race & Identity

In the Shadow of Statues

A White Southerner Confronts History

By Mitch Landrieu

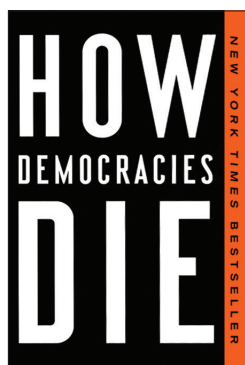
The New Orleans mayor who removed the Confederate statues confronts the racism that shapes us and argues for white America to reckon with its past. A passionate, personal, urgent book from the man who sparked a national debate.

“With a balance of humility and conviction, [Mayor Landrieu] recounts his path to a more profound understanding of racial justice and explains how this journey led him to remove the Confederate monuments in New Orleans. It’s an important book for everyone in America to read.”—Walter Isaacson, author of *Steve Jobs*

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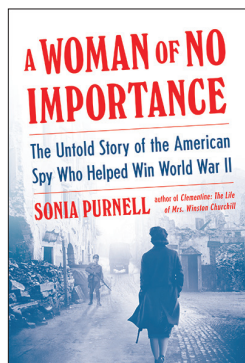
How Democracies Die

By Steven Levitsky and Daniel Ziblatt

Donald Trump’s presidency has raised a question that many of us never thought we’d be asking: Is our democracy in danger? Harvard professors Steven Levitsky and Daniel Ziblatt have spent more than twenty years studying the breakdown of democracies in Europe and Latin America, and they believe the answer is yes. The good news is that there are several exit ramps on the road to authoritarianism. The bad news is that, by electing Trump, we have already passed the first one.

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A Woman of No Importance

The Untold Story of the American Spy

Who Helped Win World War II

By Sonia Purnell

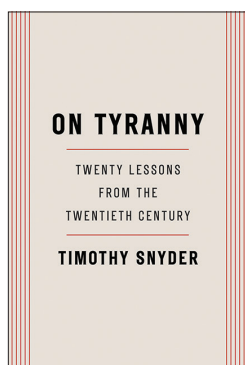
Based on new and extensive research, Sonia Purnell has for the first time uncovered the life of Virginia Hall, a Baltimore socialite who talked her way into Special Operations Executive, the spy organization dubbed Winston Churchill’s “Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare.” She became the first Allied woman deployed behind enemy lines and—despite her prosthetic leg—helped to light the flame of the French Resistance, revolutionizing secret warfare as we know it.

“A fitting and moving tribute to an amazing woman.”—*The Economist*

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On Tyranny

Twenty Lessons from the Twentieth Century

By Timothy Snyder

A historian of fascism offers a guide for surviving and resisting America’s turn towards authoritarianism. Today, our political order faces threats not unlike the totalitarianism of the 20th century. Our one advantage over the Europeans who saw democracy yield to fascism, Nazism, or communism is that we might learn from their experience.

“These unpretentious words remind us that political resistance isn’t a matter of action-movie heroics, but starts from a willingness to break from social expectations.”—Jeet Heer, *The New Republic*

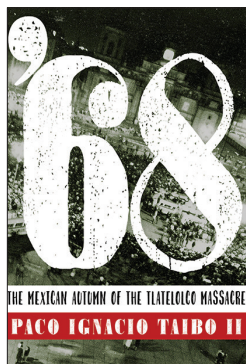
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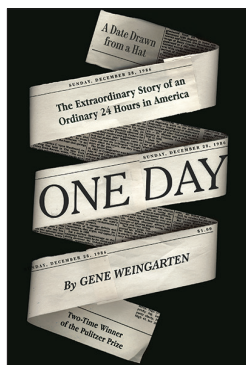
'68

The Mexican Autumn of the Tlatelolco Massacre

By Paco Ignacio Taibo II

In Mexico City on October 2, 1968, at least 200 students—among thousands protesting election fraud and campaigning for university reform—were shot dead by government troops. Yet these events are nowhere to be found in official histories: that night the bodies were collected and trucked away, and government denial of all involvement began. Still, no one has been held accountable. One member of the crowd that night, Paco Taibo, would become an international literary figure; '68 is his account of the events of October 2, and of the student movement that preceded them.

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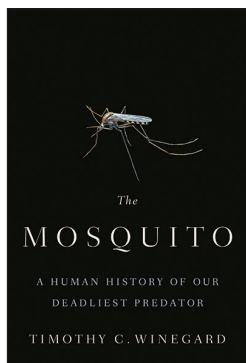
The Extraordinary Story of an Ordinary 24 Hours in America

By Gene Weingarten

Gene Weingarten documents the events of one day in America. That day—chosen completely at random—turned out to be filled with comedy, tragedy, kindness, cruelty, heroism, cowardice, genius, idiocy, prejudice, selflessness, coincidence, and startling moments of human connection.

“The people described in this book are wonderful and flawed, some of them evil, some of them impossibly good. But none of them have lived the kind of lives that normally get told in books, and in finally seeking them out and telling their stories, Gene has done them, and us, a priceless service.”—Peter Sagal, Host, NPR’s “Wait Wait . . . Don’t Tell Me!”

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The Mosquito

A Human History of Our Deadliest Predator

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Roughly the size and weight of a grape seed, the mosquito has determined the fates of empires and nations, razed and crippled economies, and decided the outcome of pivotal wars, killing nearly half of humanity along the way. In this book, Dr. Timothy C. Winegard reveals how the tiny mosquito has played a greater role in shaping our human story than any other living thing.

“An extremely well-researched work of narrative nonfiction. . . . As wildly entertaining as any epic narrative out there. . . . Winegard masterfully weaves historical facts and science to offer a shocking, informative narrative that shows how who we are today is directly linked to the mosquito.”—NPR.org

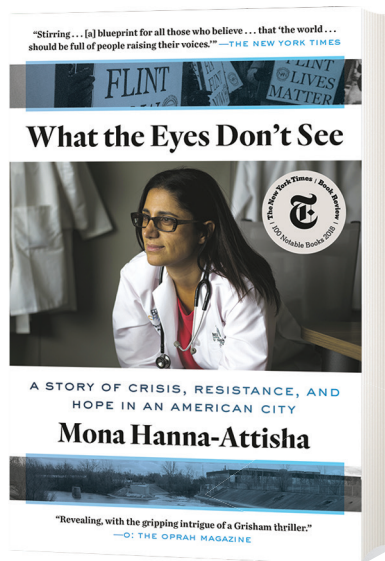
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What the Eyes Don't See

A Story of Crisis, Resistance, and Hope in an American City

By Mona Hanna-Attisha



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Mona Hanna-Attisha, MD, MPH, FAAP, is a

physician, scientist, and activist who has been called to testify twice before the United States Congress, awarded the Freedom of Expression Courage Award by PEN America, and named one of *TIME* magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World.



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Here is the inspiring story of how Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha, alongside a team of researchers, parents, friends, and community leaders, discovered that the children of Flint, Michigan, were being exposed to lead in their tap water—and then battled her own government and a brutal backlash to expose that truth to the world. Paced like a scientific thriller, *What the Eyes Don't See* reveals how misguided austerity policies, broken democracy, and callous bureaucratic indifference placed an entire city at risk. And at the center of the story is Dr. Mona herself—an immigrant, doctor, scientist, and mother whose family's activist roots inspired her pursuit of justice.

What the Eyes Don't See is a riveting account of a shameful disaster that became a tale of hope, the story of a city on the ropes that came together to fight for justice, self-determination, and the right to build a better world for their—and all of our—children.

"Gripping . . . entertaining . . . Her book has power precisely because she takes the events she recounts so personally. . . . Moral outrage present on every page."
—*The New York Times Book Review*

"Mona Hanna-Attisha's account of that urban man-made disaster reads both as a detective story and as an exposé of government corruption. . . . Her book's message is that we each have the power to fix things, to make the world safer by opening one another's eyes to problems. Her book reinforced my belief that the first step to becoming a citizen activist is seeing the world as it should be, not as it is given to you."—*The Seattle Times*

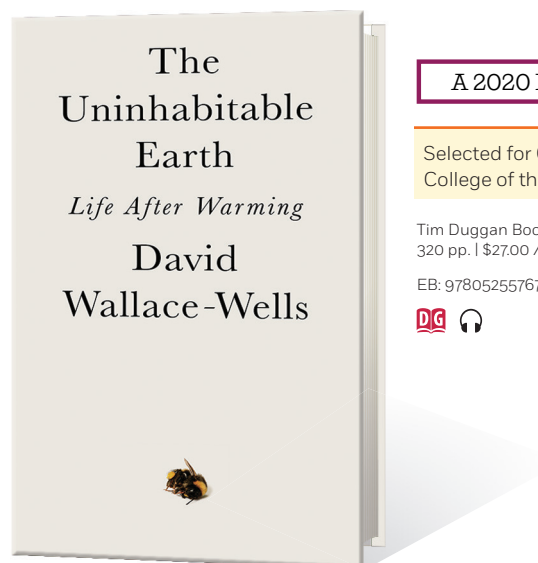
"Told with passion and intelligence, *What the Eyes Don't See* is an essential text for understanding the full scope of injustice in Flint and the importance of fighting for what's right."

—*Booklist* (starred review)

The Uninhabitable Earth

Life After Warming

By David Wallace-Wells



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David Wallace-Wells is a national fellow at the New America foundation and a columnist and deputy editor at *New York* magazine. He was previously the deputy editor of *The Paris Review*. He lives in New York City.



“The Uninhabitable Earth is the most terrifying book I have ever read. Its subject is climate change, and its method is scientific, but its mode is Old Testament. The book is a meticulously documented, white-knuckled tour through the cascading catastrophes that will soon engulf our warming planet.”

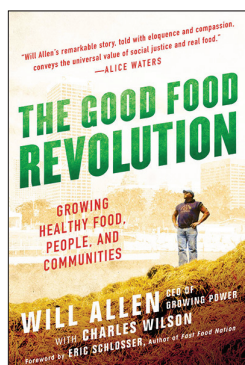
—Farhad Manjoo, *New York Times*

The climate columnist for *New York* magazine puts plainly the far-reaching, world-changing repercussions of climate change—from the scientific to the political to the sociological.

As deeply researched as it is accessible, *The Uninhabitable Earth* delves deep into both the science and the humanities of climate change. In it, Wallace-Wells eschews the partisan debate that has long colored the issue in favor of indisputable facts, and brings into stark relief the way in which the world will be remade by warming, transforming our politics, our culture, our relationship to technology, and our sense of history. From food shortages and refugee emergencies to countless other crises that will reshape the globe, the climate troubles that await will be all-encompassing, shaping and distorting nearly every aspect of human life as it is lived today.

This is only a preview of the changes to come. And they are coming fast. Without a revolution in how billions of humans conduct their lives, parts of the Earth could become close to uninhabitable, and other parts horrifically inhospitable, as soon as the end of this century.

Like *An Inconvenient Truth* and *Silent Spring* before it, *The Uninhabitable Earth* is both a meditation on the devastation we have brought upon ourselves and an impassioned call to action. For just as the world was brought to the brink of catastrophe within the span of a lifetime, the responsibility to avoid it now belongs to a single generation.



Theme: Service & Altruism

The Good Food Revolution

Growing Healthy Food, People, and Communities

By Will Allen

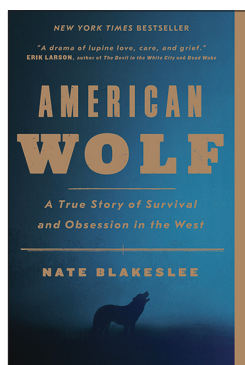
Despite financial challenges and daunting odds, Will Allen built the country's preeminent urban farm—showing how local food systems can help troubled youths, dismantle racism, create jobs, and improve public health. *The Good Food Revolution* is the story of a pioneering urban farmer pointing the way to a new food system that can feed—and heal—communities.

"Will Allen's remarkable story, told with eloquence and compassion, conveys the universal value of social justice and real food."—Alice Waters

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American Wolf

A True Story of Survival and Obsession in the West

By Nate Blakeslee

Once abundant in North America, wolves were hunted to near extinction by the 1920s. But recently conservationists have reintroduced wolves to the Rockies, igniting a battle over the soul of the West. *American Wolf* is the story of Yellowstone's most famous wolf, the threats she faces, and the struggle of those committed to restoring one of the country's most iconic landscapes.

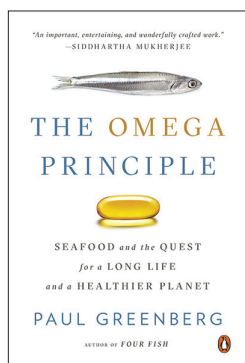
"O-Six's story [is] told with great immediacy and empathy in a tale that reads like fiction."—*Booklist* (starred review)

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

The Omega Principle

Seafood and the Quest for a Long Life and a Healthier Planet

By Paul Greenberg

An eye-opening investigation of the history and science behind omega-3 fatty acids, the "miracle compound" made from trillions of pounds of boiled down marine life—marine life that is essential to the survival of whales, penguins, and fish of all kinds—and a powerful argument for a more deliberate relationship with the oceans that sustain us.

"*The Omega Principle* encapsulates all the complexity and intricacies of our broken food system with the story of one (seemingly) simple supplement."—Dan Barber

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Theme: Being Connected

Trespassing Across America

One Man's Epic, Never-Done-Before (and Sort of Illegal) Hike Across the Heartland

By Ken Ilgunas

Both a travel memoir and a reflection on climate change, *Trespassing Across America* is a fascinating account of one man's remarkable journey along the proposed Keystone XL pipeline route and a meditation on climate change, the beauty of the natural world, and the extremes to which we can push ourselves.

"A timely and riveting book. . . written by a courageous young man struggling with the chaos he is inheriting from his elders. . . A welcome message of resistance and hope."—*The Huffington Post*

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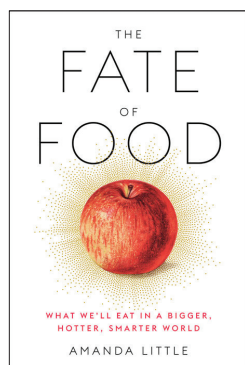
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The Fate of Food

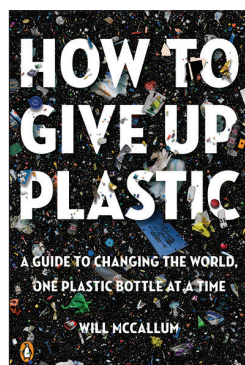
What We'll Eat in a Bigger, Hotter, Smarter World

By *Amanda Little*

Climate models show that global crop production will decline every decade for the rest of this century due to drought, heat, and flooding. Water supplies are in jeopardy. Meanwhile, the world's population is expected to grow another 30 percent by midcentury. So how, really, will we feed nine billion people sustainably in the coming decades? In the fascinating story of the sustainable food revolution, an environmental journalist and professor asks the question: Is the future of food looking bleak—or better than ever?

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How to Give Up Plastic

A Guide to Changing the World,

One Plastic Bottle at a Time

By *Will McCallum*

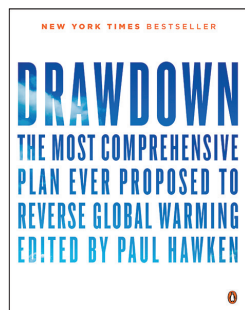
How to Give Up Plastic is a straightforward guide to eliminating plastic from our lives. Greenpeace activist Will McCallum teaches us how to spot disposable plastic items and find plastic-free, sustainable alternatives to each one. He also arms readers with a wealth of facts about global plastic consumption and tips for advocating to businesses and community leaders to commit to eliminating disposable plastics for good.

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Drawdown

The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed

to Reverse Global Warming

By *Paul Hawken, editor*

Foreword by *Tom Steyer*

Scientists, policymakers, and activists lay out the 100 most substantive solutions to reverse global warming, based on meticulous research by leading scientists and policymakers around the world. These measures promise cascading benefits to human health, security, prosperity, and well-being—giving us every reason to see this planetary crisis as an opportunity to create a just and livable world.

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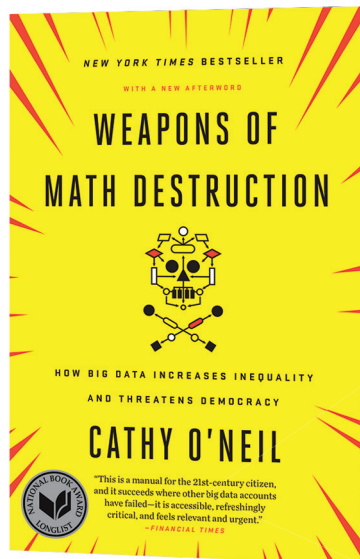
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Weapons of Math Destruction

How Big Data Increases Inequality and Threatens Democracy

By Cathy O'Neil



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Cathy O'Neil is a data scientist and author of the blog mathbabe.org. She earned a PhD in mathematics from Harvard and taught at Barnard College before moving to the private sector, where she worked for the hedge fund D. E. Shaw. She then worked as a data scientist at various start-ups, building models that predict people's purchases and clicks. O'Neil started the Lede Program in Data Journalism at Columbia and is the author of *Doing Data Science*. She is currently a columnist for *Bloomberg View*.



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We live in the age of the algorithm. Increasingly, the decisions that affect our lives—where we go to school, whether we get a car loan, how much we pay for health insurance—are being made not by humans, but by mathematical models. In theory, this should lead to greater fairness: Everyone is judged according to the same rules, and bias is eliminated.

But as Cathy O'Neil reveals in this urgent and necessary book, the opposite is true. The models being used today are opaque, unregulated, and uncontestable, even when they're wrong. Most troubling, they reinforce discrimination: If a poor student can't get a loan because a lending model deems him too risky (by virtue of his zip code), he's then cut off from the kind of education that could pull him out of poverty, and a vicious spiral ensues. Models are propping up the lucky and punishing the downtrodden, creating a "toxic cocktail for democracy." Welcome to the dark side of Big Data.

Tracing the arc of a person's life, O'Neil exposes the black box models that shape our future, both as individuals and as a society. These "weapons of math destruction" score teachers and students, sort résumés, grant (or deny) loans, evaluate workers, target voters, set parole, and monitor our health.

O'Neil calls on modelers to take more responsibility for their algorithms and on policy makers to regulate their use. But in the end, it's up to us to become more savvy about the models that govern our lives. This important book empowers us to ask the tough questions, uncover the truth, and demand change.

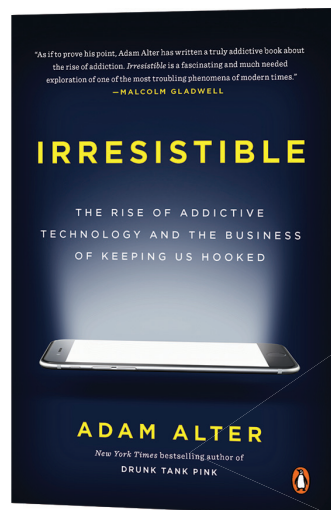
"Cathy O'Neil has seen Big Data from the inside, and the picture isn't pretty. *Weapons of Math Destruction* opens the curtain on algorithms that exploit people and distort the truth while posing as neutral mathematical tools. This book is wise, fierce, and desperately necessary."

—Jordan Ellenberg,
University of Wisconsin-Madison,
author of *How Not To Be Wrong*

Irresistible

The Rise of Addictive Technology and the Business of Keeping Us Hooked

By Adam Alter



Adam Alter, a professor of psychology and marketing at NYU, tracks the rise of behavioral addiction, and explains why so many of today's products are irresistible. Though these miraculous products melt the miles that separate people across the globe, their extraordinary and sometimes damaging magnetism is no accident. The companies that design these products tweak them over time until they become almost impossible to resist. By reverse engineering behavioral addiction, Alter explains how we can harness addictive products for the good—to improve how we communicate with each other, spend and save our money, and set boundaries between work and play—and how we can mitigate their most damaging effects on our well-being.

"A fascinating and much needed exploration of one of the most troubling phenomena of modern times."—Malcolm Gladwell

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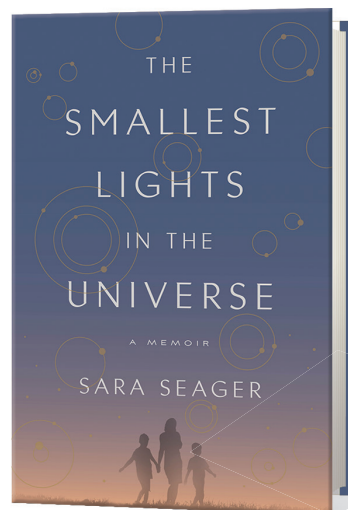
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Theme: Resilience

The Smallest Lights in the Universe

A Memoir

By Sara Seager



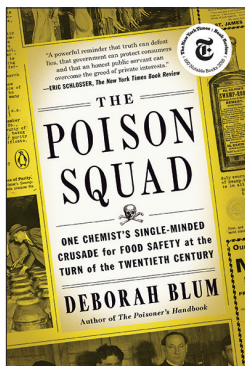
MIT astrophysicist Sara Seager has made it her life's work to peer into the spaces around stars—looking for exoplanets outside our solar system, hoping to find the one-in-a-billion world enough like ours to sustain life. But with the unexpected death of her husband, Seager's life became an empty, lightless space. She became painfully conscious of her Asperger's, which before losing her husband had felt more like background noise. She felt, for the first time, alone in the universe. In this probing, invigoratingly honest memoir, Seager tells the story of how, as she stumbled through the world of grief, she also kept looking for other worlds. At the same time, she discovers what feels every bit as wondrous: other people, reaching out across the space of her grief. This powerful memoir of cutting edge science, unexpected discoveries, and new beginnings is a light in the dark for anyone seeking meaning and solace.

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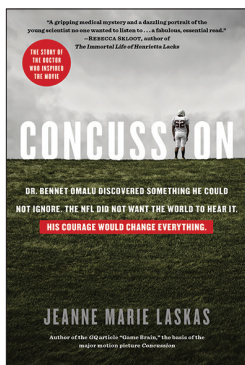
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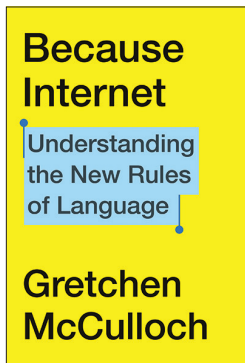




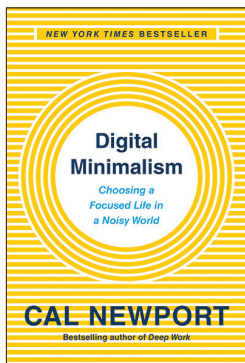
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The Poison Squad

One Chemist's Single-Minded Crusade

for Food Safety at the Turn of the Twentieth Century

By Deborah Blum

By the end of the nineteenth century, food manufacturers were knowingly selling harmful products to the public. In New York City alone, thousands of children were killed by "embalmed milk" that contained formaldehyde. Now, Deborah Blum tells the dramatic true story of the heroes who fought for food safety and consumer protection.

"Offers a powerful reminder that truth can defeat lies, that government can protect consumers and that an honest public servant can overcome the greed of private interests."—Eric Schlosser

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Concussion

By Jeanne Marie Laskas

The riveting, unlikely story of Dr. Bennet Omalu, the pathologist who first identified CTE in professional football players, a discovery that challenged the existence of America's favorite sport and put Omalu in the crosshairs of football's most powerful corporation: the NFL.

"The story of Dr. Bennet Omalu's battle against the NFL is classic David and Goliath stuff, and Jeanne Marie Laskas—one of my favorite writers on earth—makes it as exciting as any great courtroom or gridiron drama. A riveting, powerful human tale—and a master class on how to tell a story."—Charles Duhigg, author of *The Power of Habit*

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Because Internet

Understanding the New Rules of Language

By Gretchen McCulloch

Language is humanity's most spectacular open-source project, and the internet is making our language change faster and in more interesting ways than ever before. Internet linguist Gretchen McCulloch explains how the internet is changing the English language, why that's a good thing, and what our online interactions reveal about who we are.

"In prose at once scholarly and user-friendly, McCulloch unpacks the evolution of language in the digital age, providing a comprehensive survey of everything from the secret language of emojis to the appeal of animal memes."—*Esquire*

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Digital Minimalism

Choosing a Focused Life in a Noisy World

By Cal Newport

Drawing on a diverse array of real-life examples, from Amish farmers to Silicon Valley programmers, Newport identifies the common practices of digital minimalists: people who know exactly how much technology is just enough. He shows how digital minimalists are rethinking their relationship to social media and reconnecting with their inner selves.

"*Digital Minimalism* is a welcome invitation to reconsider how we want to use our screens rather than letting the screens (and the billionaires behind them) make the call."—KJ Dell'Antonia, author of *How to be a Happier Parent*

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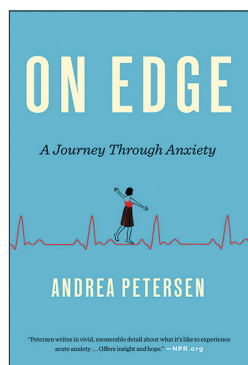
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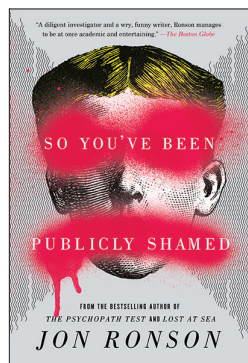
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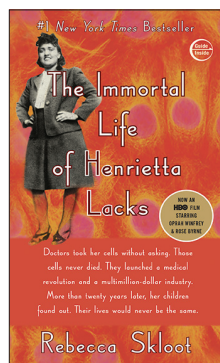
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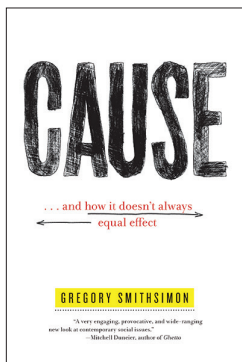
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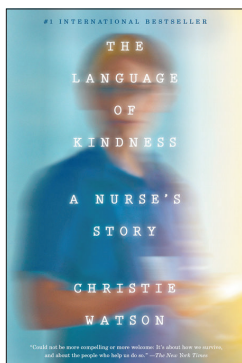
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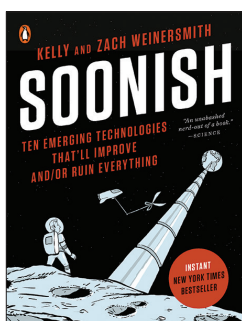
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