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The Way of a Man with a Maid - Anonymous 2017-01-15

"The Way of a Man with a Maid" is a classic erotic novel, published in 1908. It contains graphic sexual descriptions and themes. "The Way of a Man with a Maid" is one of the most popular erotic masterpieces. Jack, the narrator, converts a room into a veritable torture chamber, named 'The Snuggery', equipped with beds to which women can be strapped and held helpless and which is soundproofed to make their screams unheard. "The Way of a Man with a Maid" consists of 4 volumes. This book contains: Volume I: The Tragedy Volume II: The Comedy

Jason - Justus Miles Forman 1909

This emotionally resonant love story is set into motion by a heinous crime: the kidnapping of a young American heir. His family is understandably distraught about the sudden disappearance, and French aristocrat Jason steps in to play the amateur sleuth--motivated in part by his interest in the missing man's sister.

Behind Closed Doors - Lauren Fremont 2016-01-17

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A Man with a Maid, Part III - Anonymous 2008-03

This is the third and final volume of the long-suppressed Victorian erotic classic A man with a maid, in which Mr. Jack recounts his further amorous adventures with the women he gradually draws into his "harem." Readers of the first two volumes will recall the Snuggery, his specially designed love-nest, as well as the mouth-watering girls who met their sexual fate there--and revelled in it. New readers will be delighted by the stimulating turn of events when sweet Alice's marriage to Jack, one of the most liberated unions in all literature, develops into an exciting menage a huit--Mr. Jack amid seven curiously wild and beautiful young women!

Disciplined by the Duke - Alyson Chase 2017-08-15

"This unconventional, sexy tale—featuring a dominant duke with a fondness for rulers—brims with sensuality on every page. If you like a heavy dose of spice in your Regency romance, you'll love DISCIPLINED BY THE DUKE." - Joanna Shupe The day her sister murdered their abusive father, Elizabeth Wilcox stopped being a gentleman's daughter. Willing to do anything to save her sister from the hangman's noose, now she is a spy... A servant. A liar. A thief. A submissive. Masquerading as a parlor maid and entrenched in the Duke of Montague's estate, Liz is willing to risk all to uncover the secrets that would save her sister. But submitting to the duke's peculiar brand of discipline surprises her with a heady mixture of pleasure and pain. Eager to relinquish control of her messy life, Liz soon craves the rough hands of Montague and his powerful, passionate attentions. Can she succumb to the hot sting of his hand and the gentleness of his kisses without revealing her true identity and darkest secrets? And what punishment will she face when he realizes her betrayal?

Fear (the Copper Horse Book 1) (Gay Dark Romance BdsM) - K. Merikan 2018-02-10

London 1907, twenty years into the zombie Plague >br>Reuben is a baker living in the slums of London, sharing a room with his father and an extended family of cockroaches. Poor, uneducated, and repressing all his sexual desires, he leads a life of misery, only sometimes sprinkled with gin and a rough tumble in a filthy back alley. But when he is abducted into Bylondon to be the slave of a wealthy crime family member named Erik Dal, his values are put to the test. His new master is obsessed with all things equestrian, and Reuben soon learns that if he obeys and performs well as Erik's horse, he might just get everything he

yearns for: pampering, foods he never even dreamed of, and shameless sex with a demonically handsome young man in leather riding boots. As Copper, Erik's treasured dun stallion, Reuben must submit to his new master's obscene fancy of possessing another man completely. That is, if he yearns for treats and not the lick of a riding crop. Fake tails, harnesses, and a new haircut to his ginger mane help Reuben transform into Copper, but the fear of losing his dignity in the eyes of society might just prove to be a bigger restraint than any bit, bridle, or handcuffs. All that for the small price of his freedom. Though at times, Reuben feels it's his soul that Erik is after instead. Genre: m/m erotic romance, bdsm Themes: class differences, slavery, steampunk, alternative lifestyle, Victorian, master/servant, captivity, ponyplay, animalization, kink, organized crime, violence Erotic content: explicit m/m erotic scenes (including ponyplay) Length: ~95.000 words

England's Mistress - Kate Williams 2009-06-03

She was the most famous woman in England—the beautiful model for society painters Joshua Reynolds and George Romney, an icon of fashion, the wife of an ambassador, and the mistress of naval hero Horatio Nelson. But Emma Hamilton had been born to the poverty of a coal-mining town and spent her teenage years working as a prostitute. From the brothels of London to the glittering court of Naples and the pretentious country estate of the most powerful admiral in England, British debut historian Kate Williams captures the life of Emma Hamilton with all its glamour and heartbreak. In lucid, engaging prose, Williams brings to life a complex and intelligent woman. Emma is sensuous, generous, artistic, at once shamelessly seductive and recklessly ambitious. Willing to do anything for love and fame, she sets out to make herself a star—and she succeeds beyond even her wildest dreams. By the age of twenty-six, she leaves behind the precarious life of a courtesan to become Lady Hamilton, wife of Sir William Hamilton—the aging, besotted, and probably impotent British ambassador to the court of Naples. But everything changes when Lord Nelson steams into Naples harbor fresh from his triumph at the Battle of the Nile and literally falls into Emma's adoring arms. Their all-consuming romance—conducted amid the bloody tumult of the Napoleonic Wars—makes Emma an international celebrity, especially when she returns to England pregnant with Nelson's baby. With a novelist's flair and an historian's eye for detail, Williams conjures up the world that Emma Hamilton conquered by the sheer force of her charisma. All but inventing the art of publicity, Emma turned herself into a kind of flesh-and-blood goddess—celebrated by wits and artists, adored by thousands, and, for a time, very rich. Yet Emma was willing to throw it all away for the man she adored. After four years of archival research and making use of hundreds of previously undiscovered letters and documents, Kate Williams sets the record straight on one of the most fascinating and ravishing women in history. *England's Mistress* captures the relentless drive, the innovative style, and the burning passion of a true heroine.

A Book for All Readers - Ainsworth Rand Spofford 1900

Premiere - Sylvia Day 2015-02-09

From Romance Writers of America comes a never-before-published collection of tales that showcases the breadth and complexity of the world's most popular genre of fiction! New York Times bestselling authors Cindy Gerard and Allison Brennan bring the thrills in their tales of romantic suspense. New York Times bestselling authors Sabrina Jeffries and Courtney Milan take you on a trip back in time with lush

stories of historical romance. New York Times bestselling authors Vicki Lewis Thompson and Joan Johnston show the wonder of contemporary romance, while New York Times bestselling authors Monica Murphy and Laura Kaye's New Adult romances delve into the evolving Millennial perspective. And editor and #1 New York Times bestselling author Sylvia Day's tale of angels and sizzling desire takes readers to the edge with paranormal romance. From the first love of Young Adult romance to tales of second chances, LGBT romance to the realms of the supernatural, contemporary to historical, suspense to inspirational, the genre of romance has a story for every reader and this blockbuster inaugural collection from Romance Writers of America showcases it all! Plus tales from: Lila Bell T. L Costa Diane Kelly Amber Lin Katy Regnery Erica Ridley Regina Scott Harper St. George Lex Valentine

Prince of Ice - Emma Holly 2006-11-07

"Emma Holly loves to take a walk on the wild side," (Best Reviews) and here she ventures into a sensuous and dangerous world where a human courtesan becomes the flesh and blood property of a demon prince. Soulmates, lovers - and victims of an unnatural desire that could drive them both insane.

A Weekend Visit - Anonymous 1988

A Weekend Visit is an anonymously written erotic novel about a gentleman who visits his lover at her country home. There they enter into a weekend full of all kinds of sex--with her mother and her young ward gleefully joining in.

Lust and Lace ~ A Victorian Romance and Erotic Short Story Collection. Vol. I - Lady T L Jennings 2015-04-14

"Lust and Lace" is a short story collection of eight newly written Victorian romantic and sensual erotic short stories. Author's note: These short stories includes erotic themes for adult readers only, e.g. submission, debauchery, threesome, exhibitionism, mild ravishment, voyeurism, adultery, gay and lesbian erotic scenes. Reviews: "I loved this! Descriptive, sensual and a very pleasant read. I enjoyed it very much." - www.short-fiction.co.uk - "...It's a lovely story..." - www.oystersandchocolate.com - Rated four stars by readers' reviews. - www.shortstories101.com - Extracts from the stories: "...Not responsible for my actions..." she whispered slowly and stood up, tip-toe, and kissed him. He was too surprised to draw back and when he tried, she had already placed her unexpectedly strong arms around his neck and he lacked the strength to pry them away. In fact, he felt strangely helpless, like it was someone else who acted instead of him, as he kissed her back. His hands involuntarily reached her waist and pulled her closer." - From the short story "View of a cemetery" "This, this is not really happening, is it?" Agnes whispered, breathless as Catherine started to undo her corset. "No, of course it is not," Catherine agreed, suppressing a small moan of delight as she pulled down the upper part of the linen undergarment and very attentively and experimentally kissed Agnes' soft round breasts. - From the short story "Wildflowers" "No, no, none of that..." he said teasingly, but reluctantly, as he moved her hands away. "Not yet," he added and smiled roguish at her disappointed sigh. I stayed petrified in front of the window as the scene continued before me. I felt feverish and out of breath myself, wishing with all my heart that someone would make love to me like that, but also keenly aware of that I was watching something entirely private and that it was both wicked and wrong of me to stay and look. - From the short story "Booklover" Product details: #9 on the Top 10 list of Victorian Erotica Romance (Amazon US) #86 on the Top 100 list of Erotica Fiction (Amazon UK) Category: Victorian Romance and Erotica Format: Kindle eBook Written and published: 2011 Length: ~ 20800 words (each story is short and sweet ~2500 words) Proofread by Nicolas Ambrose Publisher: My Secret Quill About the author: Lady T. L. Jennings is a shy writer who loves the Victorian era and afternoon tea. She lives on the outskirts of Oxford in England, and writes Victorian erotica and romance with a dash of gothic mystique in longhand with a fountain pen. She collects books, corsets, and lovers (all with varying levels of success).

Brideshead Revisited - Evelyn Waugh 1978

'Tis the Season - Jan Ashton 2021-10-21

'Tis the Season is a collection of stories inspired by the beloved characters of Jane Austen in *Pride and Prejudice*. HEART ENOUGH by Amy D'Orazio WHEN ELIZABETH BENNET REASSURES Lady Catherine de Bourgh that she is not trying to ensnare her nephew, Darcy loses all hope of romance with her, and proposes to his cousin. Two years later, they meet again, both unmarried and both still cherishing tender feelings for one another, but will they have heart enough to love this time? A YULETIDE DREAM by Julie Cooper FOLLOWING THE UNTIMELY

DEATH of his aunt, Lady Catherine de Bourgh, Fitzwilliam Darcy decides that his interests in Rosings Park should be inducement enough to marry his cousin Anne. However, his resolution is challenged by a series of Yuletide apparitions who will open his eyes and change his determination to undoing his past wrongs with a certain lady in Hertfordshire. IN THE SPIRIT INTENDED by Jan Ashton A YEAR AFTER THEY LAST MET, Mr Darcy and Elizabeth Bennet are reunited for Christmas at the Bingleys' London home. In that year, he has travelled, while she has refused another offer of marriage, but as they gather with family, including two unexpected visitors, they will celebrate the holiday and unwrap old wounds. STRANDED AT PEMBERLEY by Jenetta James AFTER A DEVASTING CARRIAGE ACCIDENT IN DERBYSHIRE, at in Christmas 1810, Elizabeth Bennet and the Gardiners are stranded at Pemberley while Mrs Gardiner recovers. She soon finds that the halls of the great house are filled with secret and sorrows but Christmas cheer will prevail, and perhaps romance along with it. CHRISTMAS AT BLACKTHORN MANOR by Lucy Marin ELIZABETH AND MR DARCY FIND THEMSELVES brought together at a house party at Blackthorn Manor following a sixteen month separation. Will they learn the truth about what has kept them apart before the festive celebrations end, or will they go their separate ways once again? CALL IT HOPE by Susan Adriani CHRISTMAS APPROACHES AND DARCY is doomed to spend it under lock and key at Rosings Park. Will his relations and their antics drive him to Bedlam, or will he be rewarded with the one gift he always hoped to receive, but doubted he would ever attain? WELCOME HOME by Mary Smythe DARCY IS AMAZED when he discovers Elizabeth Bennet at Pemberley, living contentedly as his wife and mistress of the house. He will be forced to consider what is real and what is not, and what this Christmas miracle means for his life thereafter. THE PINK DAFFODIL by Elizabeth Rasche CHRISTMAS MIGHT MEAN FESTIVITY AND FUN for some, but for Mary Bennet it is just another occasion for displaying her piety and promoting her new charity, the Meryton Widows and Orphans Society. Then she finds herself drawn to a new gentleman who has arrived to stay at Netherfield Park, and soon finds his attractions threaten to mar more than just her Christmas charity. MISGIVINGS & MISTLETOE by KaraLynne Mackrory FORCED TOGETHER BY SNOW and the well intentions of their friends and family, Fitzwilliam Darcy and Elizabeth Bennet must hide agonizing lost hopes. Even with mistletoe abounding around them, the two must find their way through misgivings and snow storms to rediscover love.

Slavery and the British Country House - Andrew Hann 2013

In 2007 English Heritage commissioned initial research into links with transatlantic slavery or its abolition amongst families who owned properties now in its care. This was part of the commitment by English Heritage to commemorate the bicentenary of the abolition of the British transatlantic slave trade with work that would make a real difference to our understanding of the historic environment in the longer term. The research findings and those of other scholars and heritage practitioners were presented at the 'Slavery and the British Country House' conference which brought together academics, heritage professionals, country house owners and community researchers from across Britain to explore how country houses might be reconsidered in the light of their slavery linkages and how such links have been and might be presented to visitors. Since then the conference papers have been updated and reworked into a cutting edge volume which represents the most current and comprehensive consideration of slavery and the British country house as yet undertaken.

Lady's Maid - Margaret Forster 2012-08-22

"Fascinating . . . The reader is treated to a revealing account of the passionate romance between Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning through the eyes of an intimate observer."—Booklist Young and timid but full of sturdy good sense and awakening sophistication, Lily Wilson arrives in London in 1844, becoming a lady's maid to the fragile, housebound Elizabeth Barrett. Lily is quickly drawn to her mistress' s gaiety and sharp intelligence, the power of her poetry, and her deep emotional need. It is a strange intimacy that will last sixteen years. It is Lily who smuggles Miss Barrett out of the gloomy Wimpole Street house, witnesses her secret wedding to Robert Browning in an empty church, and flees with them to threadbare lodgings and the heat, light, and colors of Italy. As housekeeper, nursemaid, companion, and confidante, Lily is with Elizabeth in every crisis—birth, bereavement, travel, literary triumph. As her devotion turns almost to obsession, Lily forgets her own fleeting loneliness. But when Lily's own affairs take a dramatic turn, she comes to expect the loyalty from Elizabeth that she herself has always given. Praise for Lady's Maid "[A] wonderful novel . . . fully imagined and

persuasive fiction.”—The New York Times Book Review “Absorbing . . . heartbreaking . . . grips the reader's imagination on every page . . . [Margaret] Forster paints a vivid picture of class, station, hypocrisy and survival in Victorian society.”—San Francisco Chronicle “Extremely readable . . . The author's sense of the nineteenth century seems innate.”—The New Yorker “Highly recommended . . . an engrossing novel of the colorful Browning ménage.”—Library Journal “Delightful . . . entertaining.”—Vogue

Dear Enemy - Jean Webster 1915

Dear Enemy is the 1915 sequel to Jean Webster's 1912 novel Daddy-Long-Legs. It was among the top 10 best sellers in the U.S. in 1916. The story is presented in a series of letters written by Sallie McBride, Judy Abbott's classmate and best friend in Daddy-Long-Legs. Among the recipients of the letters are Judy; Jervis Pendleton, Judy's husband and the president of the orphanage where Sallie is filling in until a new superintendent can be installed; Gordon Hallock, a wealthy Congressman and Sallie's later fiancé; and the orphanage's doctor, embittered Scotsman Robin 'Sandy' MacRae (to whom Sallie addresses her letters: "Dear Enemy"). Webster employs the epistolary structure to good effect; Sallie's choices of what to recount to each of her correspondents reveal a lot about her relationships with them. The novel is set in rural Dutchess County, New York, early in the 20th century. It examines a number of social issues: how to care for orphans (and for children in general), divorce, and the value of women's work. (The latter is a natural extension of the theme of women's education in Daddy-Long-Legs.) While volunteer work by women is widely accepted, women working in responsible positions for pay is still viewed with some hostility by some characters, such as Gordon Hallock, Sallie's friend and later fiancé, and the Honorable Cyrus Wykoff, a trustee of the John Grier Home. The Hon. Cy (as Sallie calls him) objects to the JGH paying a salary to Betsy, Sallie's assistant: "She's a woman, and her family ought to support her." Though the Hon. Cy makes it clear that he thinks Sallie is frivolous and unsuited to superintend an orphanage, Sallie is so devoted to the orphan's well-being that she turns even her social life—explicitly criticized by the Hon. Cy—into an opportunity to further her cause, recruiting volunteers, benefactors, and foster parents at dinner parties and afternoon teas. Webster also deals with women's life choices in a more subtle fashion. She contrasts the miserable marriage of Sallie's friend Helen with Sallie's fruitful life as she devotes herself to the demanding and strenuous task of running an orphanage. Sallie considers Judy Abbott, who married soon after completing college, an anomaly for her remarkably successful marriage with Jervis. Divorced from her unsuitable husband, Helen ultimately finds happiness in joining Sallie's cause at the orphanage, applying herself to work for the public good. Socialism applied to charitable causes is an underlying theme; the John Grier Home couldn't survive without the beneficence of the trustees and community. The novel also deals with the evolving ideas about how best to care for orphans at the turn of the century, with the institution-style establishments falling out of favor, in light of the modern 'cottage' approach. Care for the children's emotional and spiritual needs is considered paramount, as Sallie works with Dr. MacRae, Judy, and Jervis to enact her reforms. The reasons these are necessary at the John Grier Home is clearly outlined in the first novel, in Judy's miserable recollections of her old home. Concerns with the hereditary origins of 'feeble-mindedness' and alcoholism are expressed by Dr. MacRae and by Sallie. The doctor's anxieties prove to have an underlying basis in his experience, which is revealed towards the end of the novel. Although the themes are intense, the author generally deals with them in an amusing and light-hearted fashion. (wikipedia.org)

Bound by Mr. Darcy - Rose Steele

When Mrs. Elizabeth Darcy finds scandalous drawings hidden in Pemberley's library, she is shocked... and intrigued. Mrs. Elizabeth Darcy is still adjusting to her life as mistress of Pemberley when she discovers a stash of illicit artwork in the library. Instead of frightened, Elizabeth feels compelled by the bound woman in the images. Do they reflect her husband's secret desires? And if so, does Elizabeth share them? Find out in Bound by Mr. Darcy, a steamy Pride and Prejudice variation that adds a little spice to ODC's undying love. This short book offers a tasty morsel meant to be savored over the course of an evening. Relax, pour a glass of tea or wine, and enjoy.

The Force of Things - Alexander Stille 2013-02-12

A masterpiece of literary memory—a powerful exploration of the intersections of family, history, and memory "One evening in May 1948, my mother went to a party in New York with her first husband and left it with her second, my father." So begins the passionate and stormy union

of Mikhail Kamenetzki, aka Ugo Stille, one of Italy's most celebrated journalists, and Elizabeth Bogert, a beautiful and charming young woman from the Midwest. The Force of Things follows two families across the twentieth century—one starting in czarist Russia, the other starting in the American Midwest—and takes them across revolution, war, fascism, and racial persecution, until they collide at mid-century. Their immediate attraction and tumultuous marriage is part of a much larger story: the mass migration of Jews from fascist-dominated Europe in the 1930s and 1940s. It is a micro-story of that moment of cross-pollination that reshaped much of American culture and society. There was an uneasy marriage between Europe and America, between Jew and WASP; their differences were a key to their bond yet a source of constant strife. Alexander Stille's The Force of Things is a powerful, beautifully written work with the intimacy of a memoir, the pace and readability of a novel, and the historical sweep and documentary precision of nonfiction writing at its best. It is a portrait of people who are buffeted about by large historical events, who try to escape their origins but find themselves in the grip of the force of things.

Trickery - Jaymin Eve 2017-02-28

Willa Knight: Dweller. Slave. Non-magical being. In Minatsol, being a dweller means that you are literally no better than dirt. In fact, dirt might actually be more useful than Willa. Her life will be one of servitude to the sols, the magic-blessed beings who could one day be chosen to become gods. At least her outer village is far removed from the cities of the sols, and she won't ever be forced to present herself to them... Until one small mistake changes everything, and Willa is awarded a position to serve at Blesswood, the top sol academy in the world—a position that she definitely did not earn. Under the sudden, watchful eye of the gods, she will be tasked to serve the Abcurse brothers, five sols built of arrogance, perfection and power. They are almost gods themselves, and under their service she is either going to end up sentenced to death, or else they are going to ruin her so badly that she will wish for it. Either way, she is in trouble. This is a full novel, 90,000 words. Book 1 of 5 in the Curse of the Gods Series

In Chancery - John Galsworthy 1920

Punishing His Ward - Golden Angel 2017-06-02

This is the third book in the Domestic Discipline Quartet. When Wesley Spencer, Earl of Spencer, arrives in Bath, his first encounter with his new ward is out in the street, when she's supposed to be in his mother's home, where she's indecently dressed (to his mind) and obviously rushing to get home. His mother's letters had prepared him for a hoyden, what they hadn't prepared him for was the astonishingly beautiful and sensual young woman who surprised every one of his expectations once he'd disciplined her. Cynthia Bryant loves to be told what not to do, because it always gives her the best ideas for mischief. She knows better than to kiss rakes, flirt with gentleman, or touch herself between her legs (even in private), but she does all of those things anyway because they're so much fun. Unfortunately the Earl isn't quite as easily put off as his mother - it seems like he's always watching her - and Cynthia finds a whole new area of exploration when she has the most shocking reaction to his spankings. She's also delighted to meet his friends Lord and Lady Hyde. While in Bath, Edwin and Eleanor find themselves reconnecting in a way they couldn't in London, and their relationship takes a gentler, warmer turn. Unfortunately Edwin still hasn't declared his feelings for her by the time she makes a life-altering discovery. In London, Irene and Hugh have declared their love, but there's lingering tension with Lord Brooke, who seems to be on the verge of forcing a reconciliation with his estranged wife. Be Warned: This book contains explicit erotic scenes, spankings, and some sexy alpha males who take their duties very seriously.

Accelerando - Charles Stross 2005-07-05

The Singularity. It is the era of the posthuman. Artificial intelligences have surpassed the limits of human intellect. Biotechnological beings have rendered people all but extinct. Molecular nanotechnology runs rampant, replicating and reprogramming at will. Contact with extraterrestrial life grows more imminent with each new day. Struggling to survive and thrive in this accelerated world are three generations of the Macx clan: Manfred, an entrepreneur dealing in intelligence amplification technology whose mind is divided between his physical environment and the Internet; his daughter, Amber, on the run from her domineering mother, seeking her fortune in the outer system as an indentured astronaut; and Sirhan, Amber's son, who finds his destiny linked to the fate of all of humanity. For something is systematically dismantling the nine planets of the solar system. Something beyond

human comprehension. Something that has no use for biological life in any form...

Scandalous Passions - Nicola Davidson 2020-05-11

Scotland, 1504. Lady Janet Fraser didn't earn her reputation as Scotland's most notorious sinner by following the rules. A former mistress of King James IV, she's content to live her life from pleasure to pleasure. Even if those pleasures—and people—are forbidden. People like Sir Lachlan Ross, given the moniker The Highland Beast, a man as intimidating in battle as he is in size. A beast she discovers secretly wishes to be tamed and submit to her dominance. Or like her new ward, Lady Marjorie Hepburn, a convent-raised virgin with a desire to be taught all the sensual secrets of the marriage bed. Things that Janet is fully willing to teach her, again and again. There's much for her to learn. And forbidden pleasures like the three of them together in one bed. But Lachlan and Marjorie both have ties to the king. As wicked lusts are indulged and affection unexpectedly grows into love, breaking the rules this time could mean all of their undoing...

Training the Maid - Faye Valentine

Camryn owed her life to the Suttons for getting her off the streets and giving her a job even if it was as their maid, so when Alex took her to the dungeon for some kinky fun she was more than happy to oblige, but when the cane came out and her limits tested, she was faced with a choice. Accept it with grace and dignity, or give up pleasuring the Suttons for good.

Fire in the Minds of Men - James H. Billington 1999

This book traces the origins of a faith--perhaps the faith of the century. Modern revolutionaries are believers, no less committed and intense than were Christians or Muslims of an earlier era. What is new is the belief that a perfect secular order will emerge from forcible overthrow of traditional authority. This inherently implausible idea energized Europe in the nineteenth century, and became the most pronounced ideological export of the West to the rest of the world in the twentieth century. Billington is interested in revolutionaries--the innovative creators of a new tradition. His historical frame extends from the waning of the French Revolution in the late eighteenth century to the beginnings of the Russian Revolution in the early twentieth century. The theater was Europe of the industrial era; the main stage was the journalistic offices within great cities such as Paris, Berlin, London, and St. Petersburg. Billington claims with considerable evidence that revolutionary ideologies were shaped as much by the occultism and proto-romanticism of Germany as the critical rationalism of the French Enlightenment. The conversion of social theory to political practice was essentially the work of three Russian revolutions: in 1905, March 1917, and November 1917. Events in the outer rim of the European world brought discussions about revolution out of the school rooms and press rooms of Paris and Berlin into the halls of power. Despite his hard realism about the adverse practical consequences of revolutionary dogma, Billington appreciates the identity of its best sponsors, people who preached social justice transcending traditional national, ethnic, and gender boundaries. When this book originally appeared The New Republic hailed it as "remarkable, learned and lively," while The New Yorker noted that Billington "pays great attention to the lives and emotions of individuals and this makes his book absorbing." It is an invaluable work of history and contribution to our understanding of political life.

Forbidden Surrender - Priscilla West 2013-08-23

A Romance Novel by USA Today Bestselling Author Priscilla West Note: This is the beginning of Vincent & Kristen's story. You DO NOT need to read any books in the Forever Series before enjoying this one. "What gives you a thrill Kristen?" The minute I saw Vincent Sorenson, I knew he was trouble. Arrogant. Controlling. Possessive. He was everything I craved, and nothing I needed. Unfortunately, I couldn't just avoid him. The higher ups at my company decided they needed his business, and I was on the team to bring him in. Vincent Sorenson didn't seem as interested in business as he was in me, but I knew that was a door better left unopened. If I got involved with him, it would only unearth the pain I spent years trying to bury. I thought I had it under control, but I seriously underestimated Vincent's seductive charm and silver-tongue. I would soon find out how delicious it would feel to let myself fall into this forbidden surrender. _____ Reading Order: The Forever series currently follows three different couples. You can choose which couple you start reading about, but each couple's story has an order. Forbidden Surrender (Vincent & Kristen 1) Secret Surrender (Vincent & Kristen 2) Beautiful Surrender (Vincent & Kristen 3) Wrecked (Hunter & Lorrie 1) Rescued (Hunter & Lorrie 2) Reckless (Jax & Riley 1) Fearless (Jax & Riley 2)

Life in Motion - Misty Copeland 2014-03-04

Profiles the life and career of the professional ballerina, covering from when she began dance classes at age thirteen in an after-school community center through becoming the only African American soloist dancing with the American Ballet Theatre.

Katarina's Return - Avery Gale 2018-10-02

Warning: For Mature Adult Audiences. Contains wording and actions some may find offensive. Sexual explicit content. MFM Please note this book is a re-release of the original 2012 book. The changes made are improved editing, story flow and beautiful new covers. ENJOY! Katarina "Kat" McKay narrowly escapes a BDSM encounter gone horribly wrong in Las Vegas before making her way home to Climax and into the arms of the only two men she'd ever loved. Alex and Zach Lamont's rejection of Kat as too young sent her running several years ago. Former Special Forces soldiers Alex and Zach Lamont, now run the ShadowDance Club, a wildly successful BDSM Club in the Colorado Rockies. They'd never stopped searching for Kat and are thrilled to have her back in their lives. The Lamonts have always known they would share a wife and are convinced Kat is perfect for them. But, can they protect her from the wealthy, tech-savvy sadist who fully intends to make her pay for humiliating him by slipping out of the club where he was publicly whipping her? Alex, Zach, and their crack security team of fellow former Special Forces operatives vow to keep Kat safe, Ultimately it all comes down to a split second decision... can the smart, sexy, and very sassy Katarina save herself and her men when her nemesis breaks into their home? Note: There is no sexual relationship or touching for titillation between or among siblings.

Road to Divorce - Lawrence Stone 1995

Lawrence Stone is one of the world's foremost historians. In such widely acclaimed volumes as *The Crisis of the Aristocracy*, *The Family, Sex and Marriage in England* and *The Open Society*, he has shown himself to be a provocative and engaging writer as well as a master chronicler of English family life. Now, with *Road to Divorce*, Stone examines the complex ways in which English men and women have used, twisted, and defied the law to deal with marital breakdown. Despite the infamous divorce of Henry VIII in 1529, Britons before the 20th century were predominantly, in Stone's words, "a non-divorcing and non-separating society." In fact, before divorce was legalized in 1857, England was the only Protestant country with virtually no avenue for divorce on the grounds of adultery, desertion, or cruelty. Yet marriages did fail, and in *Road to Divorce*, Stone examines a goldmine of court records--in which witnesses speak freely about love, sex, adultery, and marriage--memoirs, correspondence, and popular imaginative works to reveal how lawyers and the laity coped with marital discord. Equally important, in tracing the history of divorce, Stone has discovered a way to recapture the slow, irregular, and tentative evolution of moral values concerning relations between the sexes as well as the consequent shift from concepts of patriarchy to those of sexual equality. He thus offers a privileged, indeed almost unique, insight into the interaction of the public spheres of morality, religion, and the law. Written by the foremost historian of family life, *Road to Divorce* provides the first full study of a topic rich in historical interest and contemporary importance, one that offers astonishingly frank and intimate insights into our ancestors' changing views about what makes and breaks a marriage.

The Romance of Lust - Anonymous 2022-05-28

"The Romance of Lust, or Early Experiences" is a Victorian erotic novel by an anonymous author in four volumes during 1873-1876. The book tells about the sexual adventures of Charlie Roberts, from his sexual initiation as an adolescent to uncountable encounters and experiments with men and women during his adult life.

Please Daddy - Maggie Ryan 2017-03-03

She would be his.His lover.His submissive.His wife.His little girl. Colette has worked very hard to achieve her goals. As a woman, she has to be twice as tough as the other attorneys in her firm. Her tenacity and professionalism earns her respect but she pays the price. Stress and the need to constantly prove herself is exhausting. But, the moment she steps into her home, she sheds her responsibilities and lives a different life. She has fallen in love with Dalton Windsor. He becomes her husband, her daddy, and she becomes his little Coco. And what little Coco soon finds is there is nothing her daddy won't provide...including more avenues to explore in a dynamic that satisfies not only her heart, but her very soul.WARNING: This book is intended for adults only. It is the tale of a couple who embrace their choice to live the dynamic of ageplay. It is safe, sane and consensual. It is raw. It is dark. It is sexual. If any of these offend you, please do not buy this book. But, if reading

about a couple loving each other in all ways, unapologetic for their lifestyle or their kink, then please come along and enjoy the journey.

His Valet - S.M. LaViolette 2020-08-22

Stephen Chatham is everything Jo Leather ever wanted. Despite Stephen's tragic past, he's kind, brilliant, and the best employer Jo's ever had. Falling for him was easy. Stopping him from discovering that Jo is actually Josephine—and keeping him from hating her when the truth inevitably comes out? That will be infinitely more difficult. Stephen doesn't have much experience with love, but he's known enough betrayal to last two lifetimes. Emotion doesn't come easily to him. Neither does passion. But for reasons he can't fathom, his valet—his very male valet—stirs both in him. Is he losing his mind—or is he falling in love with his servant? Caught between their desire and society's expectations, can Jo and Stephen find their way to happily ever after? Or is the distance between their worlds—and hearts—simply too great to bridge? HIS VALET is an angsty, dark, standalone historical erotic romance novel featuring consensual BDSM and M/F, F/F, M/M/F, voyeurism, exhibitionism, explicit love scenes that will melt your kindle, and, YES, a happily ever after! This is EROTIC ROMANCE, not erotica. That means this book has a real story and lots of it. *****TRIGGER WARNING***** Sexual abuse, incest

Briefly, A Delicious Life - Nell Stevens 2022-07-19

An unforgettable debut novel from an award-winning writer: a lively, daring ghost story about a teenage ghost who falls in love with a writer who doesn't know she exists. In 1473, fourteen-year-old Blanca dies in a hilltop monastery in Mallorca. Nearly four hundred years later, when George Sand, her two children, and her lover Frederic Chopin arrive in the village, Blanca is still there: a spirited, funny, righteous ghost, she's been hanging around the monastery since her accidental death, spying on the monks and the townspeople and keeping track of her descendants. Blanca is enchanted the moment she sees George, and the magical novel unfolds as a story of deeply felt, unrequited longing—the impossible love of a teenage ghost for a woman who can't see her and doesn't know she exists. As George and Chopin, who wear their unconventionality, in George's case, literally on their sleeves, find themselves in deepening trouble with the provincial, 19th-century villagers, Blanca watches helplessly and reflects on the circumstances of her own death (which

involves an ill-advised love affair with a monk-in-training). Charming, original, and emotionally moving, this is a surprisingly touching story about romantic fixation and a powerful meditation on creativity.

Seduced by Destiny - Kira Morgan 2011-03-01

All her life, Josselin Ancrum has been trained for combat, hoping to exact vengeance for her heroic mother, who was killed fighting the English. When asked to spy for the Scottish Queen, Jossy joyfully accepts. But when a handsome stranger rescues her from sudden danger, his charm distracts her from her mission. On the surface, Drew MacAdam may appear to be nothing more than a carefree champion, but his heart harbors a dark secret: This Highland hero is actually a skilled English soldier with a hatred for war and for the Scottish. Yet from the moment he meets the feisty Jossy, he's captured by her fiercely loyal heart. He's determined the honey-haired lass will be his ultimate prize - until the tragedy of their entwined legacies is revealed. Are these star-crossed lovers to be divided by their pasts? Or will they be...seduced by destiny?

Wives and Daughters - Elizabeth Cleghorn Gaskell 1866

Thicker Than Water - Leonore Davidoff 2012

A pioneering new study of nineteenth-century kinship and family relations, focusing on the British middle class, and highlighting both the similarities and the differences in relations between brothers and sisters in the past and in the present.

Broken Lives - Lawrence Stone 1993

Case studies demonstrate how marriages were dissolved in England before the first Divorce Act became law in 1857

Character Sketches of Romance, Fiction and the Drama - Ebenezer Cobham Brewer 1892

The Time Traveler's Wife - Audrey Niffenegger 2021-04-30

A most untraditional love story, this is the celebrated tale of Henry DeTamble, a dashing, adventuresome librarian who inadvertently travels through time, and Clare Abshire, an artist whose life takes a natural sequential course. Henry and Clare's passionate affair endures across a sea of time and captures them in an impossibly romantic trap that tests the strength of fate and basks in the bonds of love. "Niffenegger's inventive and poignant writing is well worth a trip" (Entertainment Weekly).