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My Ántonia - Willa Cather 1918

A New York lawyer remembers his boyhood in Nebraska and his friendship with a pioneer Bohemian girl.

Manners Maketh Man - Nella Henney 2017-07-06

"Friends and Good Manners Will Carry You Where Money Won't Go" -Margaret Walker- "Wearing the Correct Dress for Any Occasion is a Matter of Good Manners" -Loretta Young- "The Hardest Job Kids Face Today is Learning Good Manners Without Seeing Any" -Fred Astaire- The Complete Book of Business Etiquette and Good Manners is an Is an intelligently written guide to polite usage for all social functions which brings back good moral memories of the traditional business atmosphere - the very foundation of our society which governs how we interact with each other. Best yet, they can still be applied to today's world to help you become a distingused individual. This is a great reference book for those wanting to perfect their skills in communications, dress, and sales attitudes.

Charmed Circle - James R. Mellow 2003-05-01

Avant-garde Paris comes to life in this "meticulous and loving reconstruction of the period" (The New York Times Book Review) On almost every Saturday of the first half of the twentieth century, Gertrude Stein would open her door to the likes of Picasso and Matisse, Hemingway and Fitzgerald, Cocteau and Apollinaire, welcoming them into a salon alive with vivid avant-garde paintings and sparkling intellectual conversation. In Charmed Circle, James R. Mellow has re-created this fascinating world and the complex woman who dominated it. His engaging narrative illuminates Stein's writing—now celebrated along with the work of such literary giants as Joyce and Woolf—including her difficult early periods, which adapted cubism and abstraction to the written word. Rich with detail and insight, it conveys both the serene rhythms of daily life with her devoted partner, Alice B. Toklas, and the radical pulse and dramatic upheavals of her exciting era. Spanning the years from 1903, when Stein first arrived in Paris, to her final days at the end of the Second World War, Charmed Circle is a penetrating and lively account of a writer at the heart of modernity.

Big Big Love, Revised - Hanne Blank 2011-09-20

Love, Romance, and Great Big Sexuality for Everyone Big Big Love is the only one-stop-shopping handbook on relationships, sexuality, and big sexy confidence for people of all genders, sizes, and sexual orientations who know that a fantastic love life doesn't necessarily have anything to do with the number on the bathroom scale. Covering everything from dating to sex toys to getting on top, this guide also features tips on navigating tricky topics like making peace with your belly, coping with weight-related prejudice, and creating a happy, satisfying sex life in a culture where no body is ever perfect enough. This freshly illustrated update of the 2000 cult classic features new interviews with body-acceptance activists, health coaches, psychologists, and more, plus hundreds of quotes from fat folks and those who love them selected from a survey conducted exclusively for the book. From taking your clothes off to BDSM to fat admiration to tips for successful long-term relationships, Big Big Love's savvy, sane advice can help you tackle every hot-button issue you may confront in the bedroom and in love.

Eliot Ness - Douglas Perry 2015-03-31

The story of Eliot Ness, the legendary lawman who led the Untouchables, took on Al Capone, and saved a city's soul As leader of an unprecedented crime-busting squad, twenty-eight-year-old Eliot Ness won fame

for taking on notorious mobster Al Capone. But the Untouchables' daring raids were only the beginning of Ness's unlikely story. This new biography grapples with the charismatic lawman's complicated, largely forgotten legacy. Perry chronicles Ness's days in Chicago as well as his spectacular second act in Cleveland, where he achieved his greatest success: purging the profoundly corrupt city and forging new practices that changed police work across the country. He also faced one of his greatest challenges: a mysterious serial killer known as the Torso Murderer. Capturing the first complete portrait of the real Eliot Ness, Perry brings to life an unorthodox man who believed in the integrity of law and the power of American justice.

The Dictator's Handbook - Bruce Bueno de Mesquita 2011-09-27

Explains the theory of political survival, particularly in cases of dictators and despotic governments, arguing that political leaders seek to stay in power using any means necessary, most commonly by attending to the interests of certain coalitions.

Back from the Shadow of Death - Marwin Strong 2020-06-05

Marwin Strong should not be alive today. He died 17 years ago, and was reborn a remarkably transformed man. Marwin Strong's message is: Achieving dreams is possible for everyone," though he admits it will not be easy. With his unique life and message, Marwin shows that moving into the light of self-fulfilling dreams and success is a choice and a journey worth making."Born in the small, rural town of Muncie, Indiana, Marwin grew up in an inner-city neighborhood rife with poverty, drugs, violence and discrimination. After a near fatal attack by an unknown assailant, Marwin made a dramatic comeback from his former life by starting his own in-the-trenches war against drugs and violence. His experiences in the streets, and his unique speaking style due to his trauma, help him communicate with those in the community as well as those still in the drug game. With frequent frustration, but also courage and hope, Marwin shows this kind of transformation can happen to anyone. Though his experience is told from a uniquely Christian perspective, Marwin's is a story for any person, from any religion, even for those who claim no religion at all. It is a story of hope for an America ravaged by overdoses from the opioid epidemic, suicide, homicide and depression.

A Brief History of Chemistry - Michael S Ridenour

The Art Of Seduction - Robert Greene 2010-09-03

Which sort of seducer could you be? Siren? Rake? Cold Coquette? Star? Comedian? Charismatic? Or Saint? This book will show you which. Charm, persuasion, the ability to create illusions: these are some of the many dazzling gifts of the Seducer, the compelling figure who is able to manipulate, mislead and give pleasure all at once. When raised to the level of art, seduction, an indirect and subtle form of power, has toppled empires, won elections and enslaved great minds. In this beautiful, sensually designed book, Greene unearths the two sides of seduction: the characters and the process. Discover who you, or your pursuer, most resembles. Learn, too, the pitfalls of the anti-Seducer. Immerse yourself in the twenty-four manoeuvres and strategies of the seductive process, the ritual by which a seducer gains mastery over their target. Understand how to 'Choose the Right Victim', 'Appear to Be an Object of Desire' and 'Confuse Desire and Reality'. In addition, Greene provides instruction on how to identify victims by type. Each

fascinating character and each cunning tactic demonstrates a fundamental truth about who we are, and the targets we've become - or hope to win over. The Art of Seduction is an indispensable primer on the essence of one of history's greatest weapons and the ultimate power trip. From the internationally bestselling author of The 48 Laws of Power, Mastery, and The 33 Strategies Of War.

Your Next Level Life - Karen Arrington 2019-05-15

How Big Do You Want to Live? Channel your black girl magic: If you're feeling stuck or trapped by other people's expectations of what you can achieve, it's time to stop playing small and start redefining what success can mean for you. It's time to get that upgrade. Karen Arrington—founder of the Miss Black USA Pageant, creator of the Next Level Women's Summit, and mentor to thousands of confident, successful young black women—is your guide to getting your next level life. Leave a legacy of black excellence: With the seven simple rules, you'll learn how to bring your career, income, and lifestyle to that next level. Don't settle for a life of invisibility and mediocrity. Set ambitious goals, reach for bigger opportunities, and know that you are brave enough to get what you deserve. The rules of success in *Your Next Level Life* will show you how to:

- Create all the money you need
- Position yourself like a star
- Connect with other powerful women

Give a gift of confidence: For anyone looking for inspirational gifts for women in their lives, *Your Next Level Life* is unlike other self-help books for women. It's a guide to opportunity that recognizes and celebrates the true magic of ambitious black women. *Your Next Level Life* is where Gay Hendricks's *The Big Leap* meets Shonda Rhimes's *Year of Yes*. If you liked personal development books like *Believe Bigger* and *Don't Settle for Safe*, you'll love *Your Next Level Life: 7 Rules of Power, Confidence, and Opportunity for Black Women in America*.

The Disappearing Spoon - Sam Kean 2010-07-12

From New York Times bestselling author Sam Kean comes incredible stories of science, history, finance, mythology, the arts, medicine, and more, as told by the Periodic Table. Why did Gandhi hate iodine (I, 53)? How did radium (Ra, 88) nearly ruin Marie Curie's reputation? And why is gallium (Ga, 31) the go-to element for laboratory pranksters? *The Periodic Table is a crowning scientific achievement, but it's also a treasure trove of adventure, betrayal, and obsession. These fascinating tales follow every element on the table as they play out their parts in human history, and in the lives of the (frequently) mad scientists who discovered them. *THE DISAPPEARING SPOON* masterfully fuses science with the classic lore of invention, investigation, and discovery—from the Big Bang through the end of time. *Though solid at room temperature, gallium is a moldable metal that melts at 84 degrees Fahrenheit. A classic science prank is to mold gallium spoons, serve them with tea, and watch guests recoil as their utensils disappear.

Timeless - Gail Carriger 2012-03-01

Alexia Tarabotti, Lady Maccon, has settled into domestic bliss. Of course, being Alexia, such bliss involves integrating werewolves into London High society, living in a vampire's second best closet, and coping with a precocious toddler who is prone to turning supernatural willy-nilly. Until, that is, she receives a summons that cannot be ignored. With husband, child, and Tunstells in tow, Alexia boards a steamer to cross the Mediterranean. But Egypt may hold more mysteries than even the indomitable Lady Maccon can handle. What does the vampire Queen of the Alexandria Hive really want from her? Why is the God-Breaker Plague suddenly expanding? And how has Ivy Tunstell suddenly become the most popular actress in all the British Empire? *TIMELESS* is the final book of the Parasol Protectorate series: a comedy of manners set in Victorian London, full of werewolves, vampires, dirigibles, and tea-drinking. The Parasol Protectorate Soulless Changeless Blameless Heartless Timeless For more from Gail Carriger, check out: *The Custard Protocol* *Prudence* *Imprudence* *Finishing School (YA)* *Etiquette & Espionage* *Curtsies & Conspiracies* *Waistcoats & Weaponry* *Manners & Mutiny*

The Art of Manliness - Brett McKay 2009-09-17

Man up and discover the practical and inspirational information all men should know! While it's definitely more than just monster trucks, grilling, and six-pack abs, true manliness is hard to define. The words macho and manly are not synonymous. Taking lessons from classic gentlemen such as Benjamin Franklin and Theodore Roosevelt, authors Brett and Kate McKay have created a collection of the most useful advice every man needs to know to live life to its full potential. This book contains a wealth of information that ranges from survival skills to social skills to advice on how to improve your character. Whether you are

braving the wilds with your friends, courting your girlfriend, or raising a family, inside you'll find practical information and inspiration for every area of life. You'll learn the basics all modern men should know, including how to:

- Shave like your grandpa
- Be a perfect houseguest
- Fight like a gentleman using the art of bartitsu
- Help a friend with a problem
- Give a man hug
- Perform a fireman's carry
- Ask for a woman's hand in marriage
- Raise resilient kids
- Predict the weather like a frontiersman
- Start a fire without matches
- Give a dynamic speech
- Live a well-balanced life

So jump in today and gain the skills and knowledge you need to be a real man in the 21st century.

Correction Officer Exam Study Guide - Correctional Officer Test Prep Team 2017-08-23

Correction Officer Exam Study Guide: Test Prep Book & Practice Test Questions for the Corrections Officer Exam Developed for test takers trying to achieve a passing score on the corrections exam, this comprehensive study guide includes:

- Quick Overview
- Test-Taking Strategies
- Introduction
- Reading Comprehension
- Mathematics
- Verbal Reasoning
- Vocabulary
- Reasoning
- Memory
- Understanding and Applying Correctional Directives, Procedures, and Regulations
- Legal Definitions and Policies Pertaining to Correctional Facilities
- Practice Questions
- Detailed Answer Explanations

Each section of the test has a comprehensive review that goes into detail to cover all of the content likely to appear on the corrections exam. The practice test questions are each followed by detailed answer explanations. If you miss a question, it's important that you are able to understand the nature of your mistake and how to avoid making it again in the future. The answer explanations will help you to learn from your mistakes and overcome them. Understanding the latest test-taking strategies is essential to preparing you for what you will expect on the exam. A test taker has to not only understand the material that is being covered on the test, but also must be familiar with the strategies that are necessary to properly utilize the time provided and get through the test without making any avoidable errors. Anyone planning to take the corrections exam should take advantage of the review material, practice test questions, and test-taking strategies contained in this study guide.

The History of Cinema - Geoffrey Nowell-Smith 2017

Geoffrey Nowell-Smith defines the field of cinema, and explores its fascinating history within the cultural and aesthetic sphere. Considering the influences of the other art forms from which it arose, he looks at how technological advances have opened up new horizons for the cinema industry.

Body Positive Power - Megan Jayne Crabbe 2018-09-11

A body-positive call to arms that's as inspirational as it is practical, from Instagram star Megan Jayne Crabbe For generations, women have been convinced that true happiness only comes when we hit that goal weight, shrink ourselves down, and change ourselves to fit a rigid and unrealistic beauty ideal. We've been taught to see our bodies as collections of problems that need to be fixed. Instagram star Megan Jayne Crabbe is determined to spread the word that loving the body you have is the real path to happiness. An international body positive guru with fans in all corners of the world, Megan spent years battling eating disorders and weight fluctuations before she found her way to body positivity. She quit dieting, discovered a new kind of confidence, and replaced all those old feelings of body shame and self-recrimination with everyday joy. Free of the pressure to fit in a size 2, her life became more satisfying than ever before. In her debut book, Megan shares her own struggles with self-acceptance and her path to body positivity. With whip-smart wit and a bold attitude that lights up her Instagram feed, Megan champions a new worldview for all of us: It's time to stop dieting and get on with your life.

Usher's Passing - Robert McCammon 2011-10-18

Poe's classic tale lives on in this gothic novel of ancestral madness in the mountains of modern-day North Carolina, from a New York Times bestselling author. Ever since Edgar Allan Poe looted a family's ignoble secret history for his classic story "The Fall of the House of Usher," living in the shadow of that sick dynasty has been an inescapable scourge for generations of Usher descendants. But not for horror novelist Rix Usher. Years ago, he fled the isolated family estate of Usherland in the menacing North Carolina hills to pursue his writing career. He promised never to return. But his father's impending death has brought Rix back home to assume the role of Usher patriarch—and face his worst fears. His arrival forces him to confront a devious and impassive family and his vulnerable sister's slow descent into insanity. Stirring memories of the grim folktales born out of the surrounding Briartop Mountains and the terrifying legends

of missing children, Rix knows that in the dark, twisted corridors of Usherland, that dreadful something he saw as a young boy is still there. It's waiting for him, as decayed and undying as the Usher heritage, and more depraved than anything Poe could have imagined. This eerie novel by the Bram Stoker Award-winning author of *Swan Song* and *Boy's Life* is "a frightening pleasure" and a worthy tribute to the master who inspired it (St. Louis Post-Dispatch).

The Cartiers - Francesca Cartier Brickell 2021-06-08

"A dynamic group biography studded with design history and high-society dash . . . [This] elegantly wrought narrative bears the Cartier hallmark."—The Economist The "astounding" (André Leon Talley) story of the family behind the Cartier empire and the three brothers who turned their grandfather's humble Parisian jewelry store into a global luxury icon—as told by a great-granddaughter with exclusive access to long-lost family archives "Ms. Cartier Brickell has done her grandfather proud."—The Wall Street Journal The Cartiers is the revealing tale of a jewelry dynasty—four generations, from revolutionary France to the 1970s. At its heart are the three Cartier brothers whose motto was "Never copy, only create" and who made their family firm internationally famous in the early days of the twentieth century, thanks to their unique and complementary talents: Louis, the visionary designer who created the first men's wristwatch to help an aviator friend tell the time without taking his hands off the controls of his flying machine; Pierre, the master dealmaker who bought the New York headquarters on Fifth Avenue for a double-stranded natural pearl necklace; and Jacques, the globe-trotting gemstone expert whose travels to India gave Cartier access to the world's best rubies, emeralds, and sapphires, inspiring the celebrated Tutti Frutti jewelry. Francesca Cartier Brickell, whose great-grandfather was the youngest of the brothers, has traveled the world researching her family's history, tracking down those connected with her ancestors and discovering long-lost pieces of the puzzle along the way. Now she reveals never-before-told dramas, romances, intrigues, betrayals, and more. The Cartiers also offers a behind-the-scenes look at the firm's most iconic jewelry—the notoriously cursed Hope Diamond, the Romanov emeralds, the classic panther pieces—and the long line of stars from the worlds of fashion, film, and royalty who wore them, from Indian maharajas and Russian grand duchesses to Wallis Simpson, Coco Chanel, and Elizabeth Taylor. Published in the two-hundredth anniversary year of the birth of the dynasty's founder, Louis-François Cartier, this book is a magnificent, definitive, epic social history shown through the deeply personal lens of one legendary family. *Crunch Time* - Rick Peterson 2017-01-23

An MLB pitching coach and a leadership expert share 6 strategies to help you handle pressure like elite athletes like Michael Jordan and Pedro Martinez. In his fifteen years as a major league pitching coach, with the "Moneyball" Oakland A's, New York Mets, Milwaukee Brewers, and Baltimore Orioles, Rick Peterson has coached Hall of Famers, Cy Young winners, and many other elite athletes. In this book, he and bestselling author and leadership expert, Judd Hoekstra make this skill available to everyone. From an insider's perspective, learn how you too can become a Crunch Time performer and perform your best in all situations. With fascinating behind-the-scenes examples from some of the top names in sports and business, Rick and Judd offer six powerful reframing strategies to help you see a pressure situation with a new perspective so that it shifts from a threat that can make you panic to an opportunity for you to shine. With a Forward by "Money Ball" Billy Beane, EVP, Oakland Athletics. 2017 Silver Nautilus Award Winner in the Psychology Category "Rick helped me unlock potential I didn't know I had. He has a knack for using humor and anecdotes to enhance his message. I have no doubt that Crunch Time will help you unlock your potential and help you perform at your best under pressure!" —Tom Glavine, Hall of Fame major league pitcher, World Series Champion, and 300 game winner "Rick and I had many conversations about process optimization and problem-solving. Thankfully he and Judd Hoekstra have now memorialized a practical method for getting out of our own way and easing into the flow that can be applied to any endeavor. Absolutely invaluable stuff. "—Steven Soderbergh, Palme d'Or winner at the Cannes Film Festival, Academy Award winner for Best Director

Idea Man - Paul Allen 2011-04-19

By his early thirties, Paul Allen was a world-famous billionaire—and that was just the beginning. In 2007 and 2008, Time named Paul Allen, the cofounder of Microsoft, one of the hundred most influential people in the world. Since he made his fortune, his impact has been felt in science, technology, business, medicine,

sports, music, and philanthropy. His passion, curiosity, and intellectual rigor—combined with the resources to launch and support new initiatives—have literally changed the world. In 2009 Allen discovered that he had lymphoma, lending urgency to his desire to share his story for the first time. In this classic memoir, Allen explains how he has solved problems, what he's learned from his many endeavors—both the triumphs and the failures—and his compelling vision for the future. He reflects candidly on an extraordinary life. The book also features previously untold stories about everything from the true origins of Microsoft to Allen's role in the dawn of private space travel (with SpaceShipOne) and in discoveries at the frontiers of brain science. With honesty, humor, and insight, Allen tells the story of a life of ideas made real.

Treating People Well - Lea Berman 2018-01-09

Two White House Social Secretaries offer "an essential guide for getting along and getting ahead in our world today...by treating others with civility and respect. Full of life lessons that are both timely and timeless, this is a book that will be devoured, bookmarked, and read over and over again" (John McCain, United States Senator). Former White House social secretaries Lea Berman, who worked for Laura and George Bush, and Jeremy Bernard, who worked for Michelle and Barack Obama, have learned valuable lessons about how to work with people from different walks of life. In *Treating People Well*, they share tips and advice from their own moments with celebrities, foreign leaders, and that most unpredictable of animals—the American politician. Valuable "guidance for finding success in both personal and professional relationships and navigating social settings with grace" (BookPage), this is not a book about old school etiquette. Berman and Bernard explain the things we all want to know, like how to walk into a roomful of strangers and make friends, what to do about a colleague who makes you dread work each day, and how to navigate the sometimes-treacherous waters of social media. Weaving "practical guidance into entertaining behind-the-scenes moments...their unique and rewarding insider's view" (Publishers Weekly) provides tantalizing insights into the character of the first ladies and presidents they served, proving that social skills are learned behavior that anyone can acquire. Ultimately, "this warm and gracious little book treats readers well, entertaining them with stories of close calls, ruffled feathers, and comic misunderstandings as the White House each day attempts to carry through its social life" (The Wall Street Journal).

[Essential Manners for Men 2nd Ed](#) - Peter Post 2012-05-08

"A helpful manners survival guide for figuring out those sticky everyday situations." —Joshua Piven, coauthor of *The WORST-CASE SCENARIO Survival Handbook* The completely revised and updated edition of the New York Times bestseller that addresses the topics men really need to know to succeed in business and in life. The name "Emily Post" is synonymous with etiquette, good manners, and decorum—and, with this newly revised and updated 2nd Edition of the New York Times bestseller *Essential Manners for Men*, Peter Post, Emily Post's great-grandson and director of The Emily Post Institute, Inc., once again does the great lady proud. In this invaluable handbook, Post addresses the topics men really need to master to succeed in business and in life—how to act and to conduct themselves in a plethora of common and not so common circumstances in the office, at a wedding, on social media, when dating, etc. *Essential Manners for Men*, 2nd Edition is a book that belongs on the shelves of every man and the woman who loves him.

Black Man on the Titanic - Serge Bile 2019-11-19

The true story of one of the black passengers on the Titanic, for history readers and fans of *Hidden Figures* and *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*. Joseph Laroche was an anomaly among the passengers of the Titanic. He was exceptionally well-educated in a time when few black men had access to an education—and when even fewer were able to travel on a luxurious ship in first or second class. So, who was Joseph Laroche? And where was he going? This biography recounts the life of Joseph Laroche, his part in the history of Haiti, and how he, as a 24-year-old father of two (soon to be three) children, ended up on the last ship of that era of glamorous travel. He was a direct descendant of the father of Haitian independence and related to two Haitian presidents. As an engineer, Laroche contributed to the construction of the Parisian railway and had a promising future ahead of him. Ivorian-French writer Serge Bilé offers a fresh perspective on the tragedy that still fascinates millions and has inspired dozens of books and films. With thorough research in Haiti and France, Bilé unearths the story of the intriguing figure of Joseph Laroche. This is an account of multi-cultural black history and of the political and natural forces that converged on one man. Praise for *Black Man on the Titanic* "A revelation."—Mitchell Kaplan, founder of Books & Books

“An absorbing and rewarding read.”—Leonard Carpenter, author of *Lusitania Lost* and *Conan the Savage*
Where Wizards Stay Up Late - Matthew Lyon 1999-08-19

Twenty five years ago, it didn't exist. Today, twenty million people worldwide are surfing the Net. *Where Wizards Stay Up Late* is the exciting story of the pioneers responsible for creating the most talked about, most influential, and most far-reaching communications breakthrough since the invention of the telephone. In the 1960's, when computers were regarded as mere giant calculators, J.C.R. Licklider at MIT saw them as the ultimate communications devices. With Defense Department funds, he and a band of visionary computer whizzes began work on a nationwide, interlocking network of computers. Taking readers behind the scenes, *Where Wizards Stay Up Late* captures the hard work, genius, and happy accidents of their daring, stunningly successful venture.

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks - Rebecca Skloot 2010-02-02

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • “The story of modern medicine and bioethics—and, indeed, race relations—is refracted beautifully, and movingly.”—Entertainment Weekly NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE FROM HBO® STARRING OPRAH WINFREY AND ROSE BYRNE • ONE OF THE “MOST INFLUENTIAL” (CNN), “DEFINING” (LITHUB), AND “BEST” (THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER) BOOKS OF THE DECADE • ONE OF ESSENCE’S 50 MOST IMPACTFUL BLACK BOOKS OF THE PAST 50 YEARS • WINNER OF THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE HEARTLAND PRIZE FOR NONFICTION NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review • Entertainment Weekly • O: The Oprah Magazine • NPR • Financial Times • New York • Independent (U.K.) • Times (U.K.) • Publishers Weekly • Library Journal • Kirkus Reviews • Booklist • Globe and Mail Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor Southern tobacco farmer who worked the same land as her slave ancestors, yet her cells—taken without her knowledge—became one of the most important tools in medicine: The first “immortal” human cells grown in culture, which are still alive today, though she has been dead for more than sixty years. HeLa cells were vital for developing the polio vaccine; uncovered secrets of cancer, viruses, and the atom bomb’s effects; helped lead to important advances like in vitro fertilization, cloning, and gene mapping; and have been bought and sold by the billions. Yet Henrietta Lacks remains virtually unknown, buried in an unmarked grave. Henrietta’s family did not learn of her “immortality” until more than twenty years after her death, when scientists investigating HeLa began using her husband and children in research without informed consent. And though the cells had launched a multimillion-dollar industry that sells human biological materials, her family never saw any of the profits. As Rebecca Skloot so brilliantly shows, the story of the Lacks family—past and present—is inextricably connected to the dark history of experimentation on African Americans, the birth of bioethics, and the legal battles over whether we control the stuff we are made of. Over the decade it took to uncover this story, Rebecca became enmeshed in the lives of the Lacks family—especially Henrietta’s daughter Deborah. Deborah was consumed with questions: Had scientists cloned her mother? Had they killed her to harvest her cells? And if her mother was so important to medicine, why couldn’t her children afford health insurance? Intimate in feeling, astonishing in scope, and impossible to put down, *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* captures the beauty and drama of scientific discovery, as well as its human consequences.

The Profiteers - Sally Denton 2017-02-14

The tale of the Bechtel family dynasty is a classic American business story. It begins with Warren A. 'Dad' Bechtel, who led a consortium that constructed the Hoover Dam. From that auspicious start, the family and its eponymous company would go on to 'build the world,' from the construction of airports in Hong Kong and Doha, to pipelines and tunnels in Alaska and Europe, to mining and energy operations around the globe. Today Bechtel is one of the largest privately held corporations in the world, enriched and empowered by a long history of government contracts and the privatization of public works, made possible by an unprecedented revolving door between its San Francisco headquarters and Washington

A Cultural History of the Disneyland Theme Parks - Sabrina Mittermeier 2020-11-10

When the first Disneyland opened its doors in 1955, it reinvented the American amusement park and transformed the travel, tourism and entertainment industries forever. Now a global vacation empire, the original park in Anaheim, California, has been joined by massive complexes in Florida, Tokyo, Paris, Hong Kong and Shanghai. Spanning six decades, three continents and five distinct cultures, Sabrina Mittermeier

presents an interdisciplinary examination of the parks, situating them in their proper historical context and exploring the distinct cultural, social and economic landscapes that defined each one at the time of its construction. She then spotlights the central role of class in the subsequent success or failure of each venture. The first comparative study of the Disney theme parks, this book closes a significant gap in existing research and is an important new contribution to the field, providing the first discussion of the Disney parks and what they reveal about the cultures they are set in. There has been a lack of focus on cross- and trans-cultural analyses of theme parks generally and Disney theme parks specifically, until now. It is also particularly interesting – and will be welcomed for it – for the non-United States context of the study. This is a thorough examination of all of the existing Disney Parks and how they function within their respective cultures. While Disney themes and characters attempt to be universal, the author does a good job of arguing for where this is not possible and how glocalization is crucial to the parks’ successes. The writing is academic, but it is not inaccessible. It will have wide disciplinary appeal within academia, as tourism studies cross into a variety of fields including history, American studies, fandom studies, performance studies and cultural studies. It will be invaluable to those working in the field of theme park scholarship and the study of Disney theme parks, theme parks in general and related areas like world’s expositions and spaces of the consumer and lifestyle worlds. It will also be of interest to Disney fans, those who have visited any of the parks or are interested to know more about the parks and their cultural situation and context. Dr. Sabrina Mittermeier and Dr. Tracey Mollett discuss the cultural histories of Disney's theme parks and fairy tales:

The History of Tom Jones - Henry Fielding 1780

Distributed Tracing in Practice - Austin Parker 2020-04-13

Most applications today are distributed in some fashion. Monitoring the health and performance of these distributed architectures requires a new approach. Enter distributed tracing, a method of profiling and monitoring applications—especially those that use microservice architectures. There’s just one problem: distributed tracing can be hard. But it doesn’t have to be. With this practical guide, you’ll learn what distributed tracing is and how to use it to understand the performance and operation of your software. Key players at Lightstep walk you through instrumenting your code for tracing, collecting the data that your instrumentation produces, and turning it into useful, operational insights. If you want to start implementing distributed tracing, this book tells you what you need to know. You’ll learn: The pieces of a distributed tracing deployment: Instrumentation, data collection, and delivering value Best practices for instrumentation (the methods for generating trace data from your service) How to deal with or avoid overhead, costs, and sampling How to work with spans (the building blocks of request-based distributed traces) and choose span characteristics that lead to valuable traces Where distributed tracing is headed in the future

Fashion in Film - Christopher Lavery 2020-09-29

"Fashion designers have been involved in movies since the early days of cinema. The result is some of the most eye-catching and influential costumes ever committed to film, from Ralph Lauren's trend-setting masculine style for Diane Keaton in *Annie Hall* to Audrey Hepburn's little black Givenchy dress for *Breakfast at Tiffany's*. 'Fashion in Film' celebrates the contributions of fashion designers to cinema with profiles of 50 designers, exploring key garments, what they mean in context of the narrative, and why they are so memorable. Illustrated with beautiful film stills and working sketches from designers, this book will appeal to lovers of both fashion history and cinema."--

Technopoly - Neil Postman 2011-06-01

In this witty, often terrifying work of cultural criticism, the author of *Amusing Ourselves to Death* chronicles our transformation into a Technopoly: a society that no longer merely uses technology as a support system but instead is shaped by it—with radical consequences for the meanings of politics, art, education, intelligence, and truth.

The Gentleman's Handbook - Aaron Shepard 2018-03-09

Gentlemen might be in short supply today, but this little book of wisdom could be a cure. If you're a young man who cares about the quality of his mark on the world -- or if you know such a young man -- the

fashion. The Chiffon Trenches offers a candid look at the who's who of the last fifty years of fashion. At once ruthless and empathetic, this engaging memoir tells with raw honesty the story of how André not only survived the brutal style landscape but thrived—despite racism, illicit rumors, and all the other challenges of this notoriously cutthroat industry—to become one of the most renowned voices and faces in fashion. Woven throughout the book are also André's own personal struggles that impacted him over the decades, along with intimate stories of those he turned to for inspiration (Diana Vreeland, Diane von Fürstenberg, Lee Radziwill, to name a few), and of course his Southern roots and faith, which guided him since childhood. The result is a highly compelling read that captures the essence of a world few of us will ever have real access to, but one that we all want to know oh so much more about.

A Confederacy of Dunces - John Kennedy Toole 2007-12-01

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize "A masterwork . . . the novel astonishes with its inventiveness . . . it is nothing less than a grand comic fugue."—The New York Times Book Review *A Confederacy of Dunces* is an American comic masterpiece. John Kennedy Toole's hero, one Ignatius J. Reilly, is "huge, obese, fractious,

fastidious, a latter-day Gargantua, a Don Quixote of the French Quarter. His story bursts with wholly original characters, denizens of New Orleans' lower depths, incredibly true-to-life dialogue, and the zaniest series of high and low comic adventures" (Henry Kisor, Chicago Sun-Times).

His Castilian Hawk - ANNA. BELFRAGE 2020-09-28

For the king's loyal man-at-arms, Robert FitzStephan, being given Eleanor d'Outremer's hand in marriage is an honour he could never dream of. For Eleanor, being obliged to wed the man responsible for the deaths of her father and brother is not quite as much of a fairy tale.

Machines as the Measure of Men - Michael Adas 1990

This new edition of what has become a standard account of Western expansion and technological dominance includes a new preface by the author that discusses how subsequent developments in gender and race studies, as well as global technology and politics, enter into conversation with his original arguments.