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Thirteen Ways of Looking at the Novel - Jane Smiley 2005

The author celebrates the art of fiction as she looks at one hundred very different examples of the novel, ranging from the classics to little-known gems, and discusses the evolution of the novel and the practice of novel-writing.

Haiku Holiday - Jason Flick 2014-06-26

What happens when a struggling author and student is being followed by the cops at the end of his probation? He takes a Haiku Holiday, and spends a week at home in his underwear drinking beer, smoking cigars, and writing haikus. Will he pass his class? Will he find love on the internet? Will he sell his car so he can pay his bills? Will he succeed at gaining his freedom? Will he finally do his dishes? Find out what happens when one man takes a journey of self-discovery on a... Haiku Holiday.

This book is a work of adult humor and haiku poetry. It is based on the very esteemed and academic Mortimer Adlers Great Books Movement. Haiku Holiday combines lowbrow humor with the highbrow works of classical literature and considers a new approach to classical ideas.

The School of Freedom - Anthony O'Hear 2013-11-26

Liberal education is not a theory. It is the tradition by which Western civilisation has preserved and enriched its inheritance for two and a half thousand years. Yet liberal education is a term that has fallen from use in Britain, its traditional meaning now freely confused with its opposite. This book is intended to correct that misapprehension, through the presentation of original source material from the high points in the liberal education tradition with particular focus on the British experience. Section 1: Origins (c. 450 BC to c. 450 AD) Section 2: The British Tradition (c. 750 to 1950) Section 3: After Tradition (1950 onward) Section 4: Liberal Education Redux (America)

The Lifetime Reading Plan - Clifton Fadiman 1988

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Preaching and Teaching with Imagination - Warren W. Wiersbe 1997-02-01

No more dreary three-point sermon outlines! Wiersbe coaches preachers to creatively proclaim the living Word so hearers experience God's truth changing their lives.

For the Love of Books - Ronald B. Shwartz 1999

Writers, including Robert Bly, Rita Mae Brown, Bruce Jay Friedman, Edward Hoagland, John Irving, S.P. Kinsella, Michael Ondaatje, P.J. O'Rourke, Grace Paley, Robert Pirsig, Reynold Price, and Geoffrey Wolff, describe their favorite books

Good Books Lately - Ellen Moore 2004-03-16

Provides an authoritative guide to creating and maintaining an entertaining, stimulating book group, with practical suggestions on how to start a group, keep it going, and avoid potential pitfalls; advice on how to select the right book and stimulate conversation among members; and annotated thematic lists of recommended books. Original.

How to be Well Read - John Sutherland 2014-05-08

As the annual flood of published novels grows ever greater, it's a hard a

job to keep up, let alone sort the wheat from the chaff. Fortunately, literary sleuth and academic John Sutherland is on hand to do precisely that. In the course of over 500 wittily informative pieces he gives us his own very personal take on the most rewarding, most remarkable and, on occasion, most shamelessly enjoyable works of fiction ever written - the perfect reading list for the would-be literary expert. His taste is impressively eclectic. An appreciation of Apuleius's *The Golden Ass* - arguably the first-ever novel - is followed by a consideration of Ian Fleming's *Goldfinger*. *The Handmaid's Tale* is followed by *Hangover Square*, *Jane Eyre* by *Jaws*. There are imposing Victorian novels, entertaining contemporary thrillers and everything in between, from dystopian works to romance. The flavour of each is brilliantly evoked and its relative merits or demerits assessed. At the same time, John Sutherland shows how the work fits into a broader context - whether that of the author's life or of other books from the same genre or period. And he offers endless snippets of intriguing information: did you know, for example, that the Nazis banned *Bambi* or that William Faulkner wrote *As I Lay Dying* on an upturned wheelbarrow; that Voltaire completed *Candide* in three days, or that Anna Sewell was paid £20 for *Black Beauty*? Encyclopedic and entertaining by turns, this is a wonderful dip-in book, whose opinions will inform and on occasion, no doubt, infuriate. It is also effectively a history of the novel in 500 or so bite-sized pieces.

Developing an Outstanding Core Collection - Peggy Johnson 2010-02-26

Carol Alabaster focuses on developing a collection with high-quality materials while saving time and money.

The Fictional 100 - Lucy Pollard-Gott, PhD 2010-01-13

Some of the most influential and interesting people in the world are fictional. Sherlock Holmes, Huck Finn, Pinocchio, Anna Karenina, Genji, and Superman, to name a few, may not have walked the Earth (or flown, in Superman's case), but they certainly stride through our lives. They influence us personally: as childhood friends, catalysts to our dreams, or even fantasy lovers. Peruvian author and presidential candidate Mario Vargas Llosa, for one, confessed to a lifelong passion for Flaubert's *Madame Bovary*. Characters can change the world. Witness the impact of Solzhenitsyn's Ivan Denisovich, in exposing the conditions of the Soviet Gulag, or Harriet Beecher Stowe's *Uncle Tom*, in arousing anti-slavery feeling in America. Words such as quixotic, oedipal, and herculean show how fictional characters permeate our language. This list of the Fictional 100 ranks the most influential fictional persons in world literature and legend, from all time periods and from all over the world, ranging from Shakespeare's *Hamlet* [1] to Toni Morrison's *Beloved* [100]. By tracing characters' varied incarnations in literature, art, music, and film, we gain a sense of their shape-shifting potential in the culture at large. Although not of flesh and blood, fictional characters have a life and history of their own. Meet these diverse and fascinating people. From the brash Hercules to the troubled Holden Caulfield, from the menacing plots of *Medea* to the misguided schemes of *Don Quixote*, *The Fictional 100* runs the gamut of heroes and villains, young and old, saints and sinners. Ponder them, fall in love with them, learn from their stories the varieties of human experience--let them live in you.

The English Record - 2005

About the Author - Alfred Glossbrenner 2000

Introduces the life and work of 125 notable authors from all major genres, recommending which work to read first, similar works by other authors, biographies, and sources of literary criticism.

1,000 Books to Read Before You Die - James Mustich 2018-10-02

"The ultimate literary bucket list." —THE WASHINGTON POST

Celebrate the pleasure of reading and the thrill of discovering new titles in an extraordinary book that's as compulsively readable, entertaining,

surprising, and enlightening as the 1,000-plus titles it recommends. Covering fiction, poetry, science and science fiction, memoir, travel writing, biography, children's books, history, and more, 1,000 Books to Read Before You Die ranges across cultures and through time to offer an eclectic collection of works that each deserve to come with the recommendation, You have to read this. But it's not a proscriptive list of the "great works"—rather, it's a celebration of the glorious mosaic that is our literary heritage. Flip it open to any page and be transfixed by a fresh take on a very favorite book. Or come across a title you always meant to read and never got around to. Or, like browsing in the best kind of bookshop, stumble on a completely unknown author and work, and feel that tingle of discovery. There are classics, of course, and unexpected treasures, too. Lists to help pick and choose, like Offbeat Escapes, or A Long Climb, but What a View. And its alphabetical arrangement by author assures that surprises await on almost every turn of the page, with Cormac McCarthy and The Road next to Robert McCloskey and Make Way for Ducklings, Alice Walker next to Isaac Walton. There are nuts and bolts, too—best editions to read, other books by the author, "if you like this, you'll like that" recommendations, and an interesting endnote of adaptations where appropriate. Add it all up, and in fact there are more than six thousand titles by nearly four thousand authors mentioned—a life-changing list for a lifetime of reading. "948 pages later, you still want more!" —THE WASHINGTON POST

[My Lifetime Reading](#) - Prof. Suvasish Mukhopadhyay 2019-10-16

The book entitled 'MY LIFETIME READING' is the outcome and resultant of the lifetime reading of Prof. Suvasish Mukhopadhyay. He is a voracious reader and in his life time he went through nearly seventy books from cover to cover. He has a unique habit of preparing a note from each of the books which are read by him in different time in his life. This book bridges the extreme two end of the English Literature right from 'Discovery of India' to 'Three Mistakes of my Life'. This book is nothing but the collection of vocabularies, phrases, good constructions, quotations and adages which are collected by the author while reading all these books. Out of all the books under consideration there are more than forty books which received the BOOKER PRIZE and rest of the books are also world famous books and accepted whole heartedly by the readers across the globe. The author has nothing new to say, only he took years together to compile his total reading and in this world he is the only person who is having this collection, only for that reason he keeps the copyright of this collection with him. In the reference the titles of all the books are given along with the names of the authors. This book will be nothing but a made easy for the budding authors who are in quest of good words, phrases and sentences. This book will save the time of the readers who are in search of good vocabularies, phrases and well constructed sentences. It is the staunch belief of the author that millions of readers across the globe will be benefited through this book and this book will enrich their level of English language to a great extent due to its uniqueness.

Live Like a Millionaire (Without Having to Be One) - Vicky Oliver 2015-01-13

The wealthier few get invited to glitzier parties, live in swankier homes, drive faster cars, and date hotter people. But why should life's perks accrue to only the fantastically rich? In a world where social standing is determined by perception, Live Like a Millionaire (Without Having to Be One) will show you what it takes to mingle with millionaires, party with plutocrats, and attain the lavish lifestyle on a stipend. Vicky Oliver will teach you how to: Dress to impress, even if the emperor (you) has no clothes. Skimp on the items no one will notice anyway. Achieve millionaire hair for pennies. Develop frugalista fashion flair. Amass a \$64 million vocabulary. Use your conversational charm and social media moxie to schmooze your way into the Inner Circle. Attain the trappings of luxury? no matter your net worth!

[A Lifetime's Reading](#) - Philip Ward 1985-05-01

Offers a guide to five hundred of the world's greatest books available in English, including a variety of literary masterpieces representing a multitude of languages and cultures

Beyond Wealth - Alexander Green 2011-05-03

It's not all about the money; the key to true riches Leo Tolstoy said, "Nobody knows where the human race is going. The highest wisdom, then, is to know where you are going." Yet many today chase the false rabbits of success: status, luxury, reputation and material possessions. In the quest to "have it all," our lives often lack real meaning and purpose. Beyond Wealth is the antidote. New York Times bestselling author Alexander Green takes things right down to brass tacks: We are here for a short time. Knowledge is limitless. Therefore, the most critical

knowledge is not any particular skill but rather wisdom about "how to live." Fortunately, men and women have had several thousand years to think about what it means to live "the good life." And the answers found here, from Plato and Aristotle to Mahatma Gandhi and Stephen Hawking, will both surprise and delight you. Beyond Wealth provides insightful commentary on the most important aspects of our lives: love, work, honor, trust, freedom, death, fear, truth, beauty and other timeless issues. The book is both a thought provoking read and the ideal gift, guaranteed to ennoble, uplift and inspire.

Whole Earth - 2002

The Great Books - Anthony O'Hear 2011-09-20

A journey through two-and-a-half millennia of books as powerful, thrilling, erotic, politically astute, and awe-inspiring as any modern bestseller.

The Economy of Prestige - James F. ENGLISH 2009-06-30

This is a book about one of the great untold stories of modern cultural life: the remarkable ascendancy of prizes in literature and the arts. James F. English documents the dramatic rise of the awards industry and its complex role within what he describes as an economy of cultural prestige.

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[The Lie That Tells a Truth: A Guide to Writing Fiction](#) - John Dufresne 2004-08-17

"This is the most practical, hard-nosed, generous, direct, and useful guide to writing fiction." —Brad Watson Finally, a truly creative—and hilarious—guide to creative writing, full of encouragement and sound advice. Provocative and reassuring, nurturing and wise, The Lie That Tells a Truth is essential to writers in general, fiction writers in particular, beginning writers, serious writers, and anyone facing a blank page. John Dufresne, teacher and the acclaimed author of Love Warps the Mind a Little and Deep in the Shade of Paradise, demystifies the writing process. Drawing upon the wisdom of literature's great craftsmen, Dufresne's lucid essays and diverse exercises initiate the reader into the tools, processes, and techniques of writing: inventing compelling characters, developing a voice, creating a sense of place, editing your own words. Where do great ideas come from? How do we recognize them? How can language capture them? In his signature comic voice, Dufresne answers these questions and more in chapters such as "Writing Around the Block," "Plottery," and "The Art of Abbreviation." Dufresne demystifies the writing process, showing that while the idea of writing may be overwhelming, the act of writing is simplicity itself.

[Fantasia Mathematica](#) - Clifton Fadiman 1997-04-01

Clifton Fadiman's classic collection of mathematical stories, essays and anecdotes is now once again available. Ranging from the poignant to the comical via the simply surreal, these selections include writing by Aldous Huxley, Martin Gardner, H.G. Wells, George Gamow, G.H. Hardy, Robert Heinlein, Arthur C. Clarke, and many others. Humorous, mysterious, and always entertaining, this collection is sure to bring a smile to the faces of mathematicians and non-mathematicians alike.

[You Mean I'm Not Lazy, Stupid or Crazy?!](#) - Kate Kelly 2006-04-25

An updated edition of the classic self-help book for people with Attention Deficit Disorder! With over a quarter million copies in print, You Mean I'm Not Lazy, Stupid or Crazy?! is one of the bestselling books on attention deficit disorder (ADD) ever written. There is a great deal of literature about children with ADD. But what do you do if you have ADD and aren't a child anymore? This indispensable reference—the first of its kind written for adults with ADD by adults with ADD—focuses on the experiences of adults, offering updated information, practical how-tos and moral support to help readers deal with ADD. It also explains the diagnostic process that distinguishes ADD symptoms from normal lapses in memory, lack of concentration or impulsive behavior. Here's what's

new: -The new medications and their effectiveness -The effects of ADD on human sexuality -The differences between male and female ADD—including falling estrogen levels and its impact on cognitive function -The power of meditation -How to move forward with coaching And the book still includes advice about: -Achieving balance by analyzing one's strengths and weaknesses -Getting along in groups, at work and in intimate and family relationships—including how to decrease discord and chaos -Learning the mechanics and methods for getting organized and improving memory -Seeking professional help, including therapy and medication

The Oxford Guide to Library Research - Thomas Mann 1998

Required reading for students, scholars, information-seeking professionals, and laypersons."--BOOK JACKET.

The Pleasures of Reading in an Age of Distraction - Alan Jacobs 2011-05-26

In recent years, cultural commentators have sounded the alarm about the dire state of reading in America. Americans are not reading enough, they say, or reading the right books, in the right way. In this book, Alan Jacobs argues that, contrary to the doomsayers, reading is alive and well in America. There are millions of devoted readers supporting hundreds of enormous bookstores and online booksellers. Oprah's Book Club is hugely influential, and a recent NEA survey reveals an actual uptick in the reading of literary fiction. Jacobs's interactions with his students and the readers of his own books, however, suggest that many readers lack confidence; they wonder whether they are reading well, with proper focus and attentiveness, with due discretion and discernment. Many have absorbed the puritanical message that reading is, first and foremost, good for you—the intellectual equivalent of eating your Brussels sprouts. For such people, indeed for all readers, Jacobs offers some simple, powerful, and much needed advice: read at whim, read what gives you delight, and do so without shame, whether it be Stephen King or the King James Version of the Bible. In contrast to the more methodical approach of Mortimer Adler's classic *How to Read a Book* (1940), Jacobs offers an insightful, accessible, and playfully irreverent guide for aspiring readers. Each chapter focuses on one aspect of approaching literary fiction, poetry, or nonfiction, and the book explores everything from the invention of silent reading, reading responsively, rereading, and reading on electronic devices. Invitingly written, with equal measures of wit and erudition, *The Pleasures of Reading in an Age of Distraction* will appeal to all readers, whether they be novices looking for direction or old hands seeking to recapture the pleasures of reading they first experienced as children.

Mrs. Dalloway - Virginia Woolf 2021-01-01

Mrs. Dalloway said she would buy the flowers herself. For Lucy had her work cut out for her. The doors would be taken off their hinges; Rumpelmayer's men were coming. And then, thought Clarissa Dalloway, what a morning—fresh as if issued to children on a beach.

Home Learning Year by Year, Revised and Updated - Rebecca Rupp 2020-01-21

A comprehensive guide to designing homeschool curriculum, from one of the country's foremost homeschooling experts—now revised and updated! Homeschooling can be a tremendous gift to your children—a personalized educational experience tailored to each kid's interests, abilities, and learning styles. But what to teach, and when, and how? Especially for first-time homeschoolers, the prospect of tackling an annual curriculum can be daunting. In *Home Learning Year by Year*, Rebecca Rupp presents comprehensive plans from preschool through high school, covering integral subjects for each grade, with lists of topics commonly presented at each level, recommended resource and reading lists, and suggestions for creative alternative options and approaches. Included, along with all the educational basics, are techniques and resources for teaching everything from philosophy to engineering, as well as suggestions for dealing with such sensitive topics as sex education. Now revised throughout with all-new updates featuring the most effective and up-to-date methods and reading guides to homeschool your child at all ages, *Home Learning Year by Year* continues to be the definitive book for the homeschooling parent.

Lit Up - David Denby 2016-02-02

An inspiring firsthand investigation into the crucial challenge of turning teenagers into lifelong readers It's hardly a secret that millions of American kids, caught up in social media, television, movies, and games, don't read seriously--that is, they associate serious reading with duty or work, not with pleasure. This indifference has become a grievous loss to our standing as a great nation--and a personal loss, too, for millions of teenagers who may turn into adults with limited understanding of

themselves and others. Can this be changed? Can teenagers be turned on to literature? What kind of teachers can do it, and what books? To find out, Denby sat in on a tenth-grade English class in a New York public school for an entire academic year, and made frequent visits to an inner-city public school in New Haven and to a respected public school in Westchester county. He read all the stories, poems, plays, and novels that the kids were reading, and here combines a chronicle of what he observed with fresh and inspiring encounters with the books themselves, including *The Scarlet Letter*, *Brave New World*, 1984, *The Alchemist*, *Slaughterhouse Five*, *The Kite Runner*, *Long Way Gone* and many more. Denby's book is a dramatic narrative that traces awkward and baffled beginnings but also exciting breakthroughs and the emergence of pleasure in reading. In a sea of bad news about education and the fate of the book, David Denby reaffirms the power of great teachers and the importance and inspiration of great literature.

The Little Guide to Your Well-read Life - Steve Leveen 2005

Steve Leveen draws on his own quest for a well-read life to offer book lovers a variety of successful and time-tested strategies for finding time to read and getting more from written materials.

The Joy of Reading - Charles Van Doren 2008-04-01

"Charles Van Doren has laid a feast before all of us that is irresistible." - Mortimer J. Adler This engaging love letter to reading follows the great authors and classics that transformed the world: from Aristotle and Herodotus in ancient Greece to Salinger and Heinlein in 20th century America. Like a professor whose enthusiasm enwraps his students, Van Doren explains what's wonderful in the books you've missed and awakens your desire to reopen the books you already know. Divided chronologically by the periods in which these classics were written, each book is put in its historical context and brought to life by Van Doren's brilliant analysis. *The Joy of Reading* delves into a wide range of genres—fiction, poetry, drama, children's books, philosophy, history and science. This is the one book that brings together everything you need to know about the classics you missed and ignites your passion to read and reread the greatest books the world has ever known. This book is the fruit of a lifelong love affair. Reading, I believe, is my favorite thing to do; books and I have been inseparable almost as long as I can remember ...

To this day, I become distressed if I am anywhere without a book, a magazine, a newspaper, any scrap of paper to read I like the smell of books, certainly the feel of them. Life without books would be, for me, a vacant horror." -Charles Van Doren "Nothing recommends the joy of reading better than the communication of it by a person who has spent a lifetime enriched by the delights of reading. Charles Van Doren is that kind of reader. He has laid a feast before us that is irresistible." -

Mortimer J. Adler, author of *How to Read a Book* "Mr. Van Doren is that rarity, a truly well read man who reads not for professional purposes but for pleasure. His book spurs us on to explore more deeply and joyfully the infinitely varied terrain of good books." -Clifton Fadiman, author of *The New Lifetime Reading Plan: The Classical Guide to World Literature* *Faith Reads: A Selective Guide to Christian Nonfiction* - David Rainey 2008-07-30

At last—a resource for librarians who wish to build or develop their nonfiction collection and use it to better serve the needs of adult Christian readers. Covering the three major branches of Christianity (Roman Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox), the author organizes more than 600 titles into subject categories ranging from biography, the arts, and education, to theology, devotion, and spiritual warfare. Award-winning classics are noted. Introductory narrative frames the literature, and helps librarians better understand Christian literature; and learn how to establish selection criteria for building a Christian nonfiction collection.

100 One-Night Reads - David C. Major 2008-12-10

Readers everywhere know that nothing soothes the spirit like sinking into a really good book. If you're one of that happy band, you'll quickly recognize the authors of this inspired reading guide as kindred spirits. Here David and John Major have chosen one hundred books that can each be delightfully consumed in one quiet evening. Covering categories from fantasy to fiction, history to humor, mystery to memoir, this addictive volume features books to match all your moods—by both celebrated writers and gifted unknowns, including: • Russell Baker • Willa Cather • Raymond Chandler • F. Scott Fitzgerald • Graham Greene • Edith Hamilton • Dashiell Hammett • Helene Hanff • Ernest Hemingway • Patricia Highsmith • Shirley Jackson • Henry James • W. Somerset Maugham • Mary McCarthy • Walter Mosley • Vladimir Nabokov • Patrick O'Brian • Barbara Pym • Phillip Roth • Vikram Seth • Isaac Bashevis Singer • C. P. Snow • Dylan Thomas • Evelyn Waugh •

Edith Wharton • Laura Ingalls Wilder • Virginia Woolf Each selection contains an entertaining discussion of what makes the book special, from an adventurous writing style to a unique sense of humor. The Majors also share insights about the authors and literary anecdotes, as well as recommend other gems on a similar subject or by the same author. A literary companion to relish and refer to again and again, 100 One-Night Reads is a masterpiece in its own right!

The Thomas Wolfe Review - 1997

An Embarrassment of Riches - Alexander Green 2013-11-06

Tune into the news and you'll hear stories of war, disease, natural disasters, corruption, violence, poverty, crime, nuclear proliferation, terrorism and political dysfunction in Washington. Polls show many believe the American dream is fading, our children face limited opportunities, and the country is decidedly on the wrong track. Yet this dour perspective - one recycled 24/7 by the national media - is a gross distortion of the world we live in today. As national investment expert and bestselling author Alexander Green reveals in this engrossing and provocative new book, the human race has never had it so good. In the West today, we work shorter hours, have more purchasing power, enjoy goods and services in almost limitless supply, and have more leisure time than ever before. Living standards are the highest they have ever been. The human life span has nearly doubled over the past hundred years. Literacy and education levels - even I.Q.'s - are at all-time highs. Technology and medicine are revolutionizing our lives. All forms of pollution - with the exception of greenhouse gases - are in decline. Access to the arts has never been greater. Crime is in a long-term cycle of decline. And the risk of death by violence has never been smaller for most of humanity. By almost every measure, our lives today are wealthy beyond measure. We are all heir to an embarrassment of riches. Yet - thanks in large part the drumbeat of negative media coverage - most of us don't realize it. Green compares the average citizen to "a lottery winner whose ticket is lost in some upstairs drawer." The consequences of adopting the cynical but popular worldview are many, including needless pessimism, missed investment opportunities, and - surprisingly - even poorer health. Yet *An Embarrassment of Riches* provides a powerful antidote. Green begins with a robust survey of the many ways our lives are becoming longer, easier, safer, healthier and more prosperous. He then embarks on a wide-ranging exploration of the ideas and the many men and women - both living and dead - that are still enriching our lives today. Among the many subjects explored are American exceptionalism, the extraordinary power of economic freedom, the lifesaving role of medicine and technology, the life-extending benefits of optimism, the radical theology of Thomas Jefferson, the keys to civility and greatness, the wisdom of Confucius and Aristotle, the ability of beauty to enrich our lives, and even one artist's thought-provoking take on "how to defeat death." In *An Embarrassment of Riches*, New York Times bestselling author Alexander Green offers a holistic approach to wealth - and offers a welcome perspective that allows us to live fuller, richer lives.

Great Books - David Denby 2013-06-18

THE NATIONAL BESTSELLER At the age of forty-eight, writer and film critic David Denby returned to Columbia University and re-enrolled in two core courses in Western civilization to confront the literary and philosophical masterpieces -- the "great books" -- that are now at the heart of the culture wars. In *Great Books*, he leads us on a glorious tour, a rediscovery and celebration of such authors as Homer and Boccaccio, Locke and Nietzsche. Conrad and Woolf. The resulting personal odyssey

is an engaging blend of self-discovery, cultural commentary, reporting, criticism, and autobiography -- an inspiration for anyone in love with the written word.

The Wine Lover's Daughter - Anne Fadiman 2017-11-07

In *The Wine Lover's Daughter*, Anne Fadiman examines—with all her characteristic wit and feeling—her relationship with her father, Clifton Fadiman, a renowned literary critic, editor, and radio host whose greatest love was wine. An appreciation of wine—along with a plummy upper-crust accent, expensive suits, and an encyclopedic knowledge of Western literature—was an essential element of Clifton Fadiman's escape from lower-middle-class Brooklyn to swanky Manhattan. But wine was not just a class-vaulting accessory; it was an object of ardent desire. *The Wine Lover's Daughter* traces the arc of a man's infatuation from the glass of cheap Graves he drank in Paris in 1927; through the Château Lafite-Rothschild 1904 he drank to celebrate his eightieth birthday, when he and the bottle were exactly the same age; to the wines that sustained him in his last years, when he was blind but still buoyed, as always, by hedonism. Wine is the spine of this touching memoir; the life and character of Fadiman's father, along with her relationship with him and her own less ardent relationship with wine, are the flesh. *The Wine Lover's Daughter* is a poignant exploration of love, ambition, class, family, and the pleasures of the palate by one of our finest essayists. *The Lifetime Learner's Guide to Reading and Learning* - Gary Hoover 2017-07-11

Romantic Rain - Jason Flick 2015-06-24

A struggling author receives notice that his new book has been accepted in the World's largest book fair, in New York City. Then he receives a delayed income tax refund of \$1000! Even though it is a forbidden journey, because he is on probation, and he only has two days to get there across the country, he decides to place his bet... and make the journey to see his new book in the world capital of book publishing... New York City. This fictional account of adult humor is the story of what happened on that trip. Did he make it on this 1000 mile/ \$1000 trip to see the world's largest book fair in New York City? What happened along the way? Did he survive the trip? Did he get caught? Did he find a publisher? Did he find inspiration and meaning to life along this trip... his last road trip before turning 40? Is democracy in America alive and well? These are some of the questions that will be answered if you have the courage to read

If Einstein Ran the Schools: Revitalizing U.S. Education - Thomas Armstrong Ph.D. 2019-10-31

Many world-class thinkers and creators have been concerned about the state of education in the United States. Discover their thoughts on how children really learn and what teachers must do to optimally tap children's latent abilities. Reveals what world-class thinkers and creators have said about how children really learn and what teachers must do to optimally tap their latent abilities Explains the twelve capacities emphasized by these thinkers and creators, including love of learning, creativity, curiosity, playfulness, imagination, wonder, tolerance, reverence for life, appreciation of beauty, honoring diversity, celebrating individuality, and developing compassion, and how these capabilities must serve as the foundation for any future educational reform efforts Provides examples of teachers and classrooms where the educational ideas of these thinkers and creators are currently being practiced, demonstrating that their prescriptions are not merely fanciful "pie in the sky" dreams Includes resources including organizations, books, magazines, websites, and videos that enable readers to take action