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Global Education Monitoring Report 2020 - UNESCO 2020-07-07

This publication assesses progress towards Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG 4) on education and its ten targets, as well as other related education targets in the SDG agenda. It addresses inclusion in education, drawing attention to all those excluded from education, because of background or ability. The report is motivated by the explicit reference to inclusion in the 2015 Incheon Declaration, and the call to ensure an inclusive and equitable quality education in the formulation of SDG 4, the global goal for education. It reminds us that, no matter what argument may be built to the contrary, we have a moral imperative to ensure every child has a right to an appropriate education of high quality.

The Precautionary Principle - Marco Martuzzi 2004

The purpose of this publication is to provide the background rationale and support for WHO's working paper Dealing with uncertainty - how can the precautionary principle help protect the future of our children?, prepared for the Fourth Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health held in Budapest, Hungary, in June 2004. The debate around the precautionary principle has provided many insights into how to improve public health decision-making under conditions of uncertainty. This publication should further support approaches to attaining the concurrent goals of protecting adults, children and future generations and the ecosystems on which we depend and enhancing economic development, sustainability and innovation in science, research and policy. [Ed.]

The Ares Virus - A. Bateman 2015-03-27

At a US research facility funded by the military and clandestine agencies a super-virus has been created as a first strike military weapon. During its conception the anti-virus has furthered the possibilities of medical research by decades. Such is its potential, treachery has struck from within. If the virus is released, then the anti-virus will be worth billions to the pharmaceutical industry. Isobel Bartlett worked on the project and knows its potential. After the suspicious death of her mentor, and upon hearing part of an audacious plan to make money from the project she flees the facility with the information needed to culture the viruses to seek help from a contact with the FBI. Up against rogue government forces, she is helped by Agent Rob Stone of the Secret Service who has been tasked by the president to investigate a disbanded assassination program after his investigation led him to the bio research facility. The two are hunted mercilessly by an assassin from Washington to the streets of New York. Only when the hunt reaches the wild forests of Vermont can ex-special forces soldier Stone take the fight to the enemy.

Infinite Jest - David Foster Wallace 2009-04-13

A gargantuan, mind-altering comedy about the Pursuit of Happiness in America Set in an addicts' halfway house and a tennis academy, and featuring the most endearingly screwed-up family to come along in recent fiction, Infinite Jest explores essential questions about what entertainment is and why it has come to so dominate our lives; about how our desire for entertainment affects our need to connect with other people; and about what the pleasures we choose say about who we are. Equal parts philosophical quest and screwball comedy, Infinite Jest bends every rule of fiction without sacrificing for a moment its own entertainment value. It is an exuberant, uniquely American exploration of the passions that make us human - and one of those rare books that renew the idea of what a novel can do. "The next step in fiction...Edgy, accurate, and darkly witty...Think Beckett, think Pynchon, think Gaddis. Think." --Sven Birkerts, The Atlantic

Breakout - A P Bateman 2019-02-04

Incarcerated in a prison hidden from society, an all but broken man has a terrifying secret. In a lifetime spent plotting against the West, former KGB General Vladimir Zukovsky has done many unthinkable things. His captors know what he has done, have tortured it out of him, but they do not know everything. All he needs to do to bring down the Western World is hold out for long enough. Still reeling from a CIA double-cross, MI5 need their prisoner back. They have intelligence on America's secret

prison, but there is only one way they can get an agent in place. Alex King accepts a mission of unparalleled risk. But first, he must commit a crime that will see him treated outside the US legal system and get to a prisoner who can destroy or save mankind with the knowledge he holds. For King, the risk to his life is worth the gamble. He knows the penalty if he does not act. But getting into America's secret prison to snatch back an asset is nothing compared to breaking out...

The Policewoman - Justin W. M. Roberts 2017-10-06

Narcoterrorism wreaks havoc on the world as drug cartels operate as dominating, murderous dictatorships. The powerful Irish Drug Cartel has set up drug manufacturing plants around the world and they will kill anyone who gets in their way. Sarah is an ambitious policewoman from an antiterrorist unit. She's also smart, beautiful, and extremely good at her job, which is why she is assigned to an Interpol Incident Response Team in Manchester, set up to find and stop The Cartel. Alongside colleagues from the United Kingdom's SAS, she must quickly learn new Close Quarters Battle tactics and apply them to a vengeful and threatening battlefield. Sarah's investigation appears to be going well until the fight turns personal. She must now struggle to save her friends, family, and even herself. Spanning the globe with a keen knowledge of special forces tactics and some genuinely shocking twists, this book warns of a bloody, drug-addled future we may soon face.

The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man - James Weldon Johnson 2021-01-26

A gifted musician's decision to navigate society as a white man causes an internal debate about anti-blackness and the explicit nature of intent versus impact. James Weldon Johnson presents a distinct conflict driven by a person's desires and overwhelming fear. The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man follows the story of an unnamed narrator and his unique experience as a fair-skinned Black person. As a child, he is initially unaware of his race, but his mother soon clarifies their family's ancestry. The young man's ability to pass for white allows him to negate the harsh and discriminatory treatment most Black people face. This leads to a series of events that significantly shape the way he views his place in society. James Weldon Johnson delivers a captivating tale of identity politics in the U.S. and abroad. The main character is living a life of omission that provides public gain at a personal cost. This story maintains its relevance as a critical examination of race in society. With an eye-catching new cover, and professionally typeset manuscript, this edition of The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man is both modern and readable.

Crop ecology, cultivation and uses of cactus pear - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations 2018-06-05

Cactus plants are precious natural resources that provide nutritious food for people and livestock, especially in dryland areas. Originally published in 1995, this extensively revised edition provides fresh insights into the cactus plant's genetic resources, physiological traits, soil preferences and vulnerability to pests. It provides invaluable guidance on managing the resource to support food security and offers tips on how to exploit the plant's culinary qualities.

The Spirit Level - Richard Wilkinson 2011-05-03

It is common knowledge that, in rich societies, the poor have worse health and suffer more from almost every social problem. This book explains why inequality is the most serious problem societies face today.

The Congo Contract - A. P. Bateman 2021-10

"Alex King is unstoppable, a force to be reckoned with..." Stephen Leather - Sunday Telegraph bestselling author *From the editor: New to Alex King? Don't worry, this prequel novel is a great place to start. Timeline: Twenty years ago. A delegation of OPEC executives and intelligence operatives working deep undercover are taken hostage in Angola and moved across the border into the Congo. The region is recovering from thirty years of civil and tribal war and international oil contracts are up for grabs, but only if the area can be deemed stable. The standoff must be ended quickly but the newly appointed Angolan

government will not grant Britain permission to deploy the SAS and has charged the woefully under-skilled defence force with rescuing the hostages. Alex King has much to prove. His first mission to halt a coup by a splinter cell of the IRA and London criminals was deemed a failure and his mentor Peter Stewart is having second thoughts about training him for the field. The brief is simple: Avoid an international incident and bring home the hostages. The reality is altogether more deadly. A small force of mercenaries led by Stewart and King must cross into the Congo and take on the Southside Boys - a gang of tribal rebels and boy soldiers, high on drugs and violence, who have made kidnapping, rape and murder their way of life.

Order of Battle of the United States Land Forces in the World War - 1931

21st Century Technologies Promises and Perils of a Dynamic Future - OECD 1998-09-25

This book reviews the extraordinary promise of technological advances over the next twenty years or so, and assesses some of the key issues -- economic, social, environmental, ethical -- that decision-makers in government, business and society will face in the decades ahead.

Hell's Mouth - A. P. Bateman 2017-07-19

Recuperating in Cornwall after being injured in a terrorist attack, DCI Ross O'Bryan discovers a dark secret. An unthinkable crime that has been covered up. Tasked with investigating, it soon becomes apparent he has found himself immersed in a world of deception, police corruption and organised crime. O'Bryan has his own dark secrets too. In a place where he has no alliances and is viewed with suspicion, it is only a matter of time before he is found out. For so many years the dramatic and rugged coastline of Cornwall had been the scene to smuggling, deception and murder, now O'Bryan will find out how little has changed.

The World Bank Participation Sourcebook - 1996

Presents case studies resulting from participation in the World Bank by developing countries such as Chad, Brazil, and Nigeria

The Town - A. P. Bateman 2016-08-04

Rob Stone is taking time out to climb in the mountains of Oregon. Taking a break, drinking coffee in a diner in a small mountain town he watches a helpless man humiliated. Stepping in to help, he sparks a confrontation. Within an hour somebody tries to kill him. A message has been sent, but Stone will not be pushed. As he starts to investigate what some people in the town do not want uncovered, the truth becomes unthinkable. Cruelty on a scale unimaginable, Stone is determined to shut it down and reclaim the town for its people. Outnumbered, hunted through the dense forest and mountain terrain, his enemy are unaware that they haven't gained the advantage. They have merely released him into his element. Murder, abduction, betrayal... Sometimes you can't see the woods for the trees...

Natural Liberty - Sage-Femme Collective 2008

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The Contract Man - A. P. Bateman 2015-10-02

When an MI6 agent is found to be keeping records of his missions to protect himself from betrayal he unwittingly makes himself a priority target. But how do you silence the most dangerous man imaginable? Send him into hell on earth... While Alex King is sent into Northern Iraq to tidy the loose ends of a botched mission, the archipelago of Indonesia is under communist threat from within its own military. A consortium of worried businessmen call for desperate measures and seek the services of an assassin. But what if MI6 could be duped into taking care of their problems for them? With secret links to China the communist contingent threatens Britain's trade initiatives with the largest mineral producing country on the planet. In the dark world of intelligence it seems that everybody has their price.

Cinder - Marissa Meyer 2013-01-08

As plague ravages the overcrowded Earth, observed by a ruthless lunar people, Cinder, a gifted mechanic and cyborg, becomes involved with handsome Prince Kai and must uncover secrets about her past in order to protect the world in this futuristic take on the Cinderella story.

Canine and Feline Gastroenterology - E-Book - Robert J. Washabau 2012-09-02

A comprehensive reference standard for the discipline, Canine and Feline Gastroenterology covers the biology, pathobiology, and diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the gastrointestinal, pancreatic, and hepatobiliary systems. An international team of experts, including 85 authors from 17 different countries, led by Robert Washabau and Michael Day, covers everything from minor problems such as adverse food reactions to debilitating inflammatory, infectious, metabolic, and neoplastic diseases of the digestive system. This authoritative text utilizes an evidence-based approach to reflect the latest science and

research, complemented by principles of problem solving, algorithms to improve clinical diagnoses, and extensive full-color illustrations. For generalists and specialists alike, this gastroenterology reference should be part of every serious practitioner's professional library. A comprehensive, 928-page reference standard covers the discipline of canine and feline gastroenterology. An international focus is provided by 85 authors from 17 different countries, including renowned experts in veterinary gastroenterology, internal medicine, pathology, clinical pathology, radiology, and infectious disease. Coverage of the entire breadth and depth of gastroenterology ranges from biology to pathobiology, as well as diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the gastrointestinal, pancreatic, and hepatobiliary systems. Current information on GI microflora, immunology, cellular growth, and systems integration provides a foundation for treating clinical problems. Coverage of diseases in dogs and cats includes the oral cavity, esophagus, stomach, small intestine, large intestine, colon, anorectum, liver and biliary tract, exocrine pancreas, peritoneum, and associated vasculature. A focus on patient management examines the full range of procedures and techniques essential to diagnosis and treatment from clinical signs and diagnosis to nutritional support and pharmacologic management of disease. Clear explanations of current diagnostic modalities include laboratory tests, molecular methods, diagnostic imaging, endoscopy, and histopathology, also showing how to interpret and utilize results. A strong clinical approach emphasizes need-to-know information for managing the common and not-so-common G.I. clinical problems of everyday practice. Full-color photographs and illustrations depict concepts, conditions, and procedures. An evidence-based medicine perspective reflects the latest research as well as the modern practice of veterinary medicine. Logical, coherent, and consistent internal organization makes this a reader-friendly edition. Problem-based algorithms help in diagnosing every G.I. clinical problem from A to Z. A stand-alone section on the pharmacologic approach to G.I. disease offers quick and easy drug reference.

Eclipse Phase - Gatecrashing - Rob Boyle 2011-01-15

Hormonal Contraception and Post-menopausal Hormonal Therapy - IARC Working Group on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans 1999
Evaluates evidence for an increased risk of cancer in women using combined oral contraceptives, progestogen-only hormonal contraceptives, post-menopausal estrogen therapy, and post-menopausal estrogen-progestogen therapy. Although the carcinogenicity of these preparations has been extensively investigated, the book stresses the many complex methodological issues that must be considered when interpreting findings and weighing results. Evidence of an association between use of these preparations and positive effects on health, including a reduced risk of some cancers, is also critically assessed. The first and most extensive monograph evaluates evidence of an association between the use of combined oral contraceptives and cancer at nine sites. Concerning breast cancer, the evaluation concludes that, even if the association is causal, the excess risk for breast cancer associated with patterns of use that are typical today is very small. Studies of predominantly high-dose preparations found an increased risk of hepatocellular carcinoma in the absence of hepatitis viruses. Citing these findings, the evaluation concludes that there is sufficient evidence in humans for the carcinogenicity of combined oral contraceptives. The evaluation also found sufficient evidence for the carcinogenicity of some, but not all, combined preparations in animals. Combined oral contraceptives were classified as carcinogenic to humans. The evaluation also cites conclusive evidence that these agents have a protective effect against cancers of the ovary and endometrium. Progestogen-only contraceptives are evaluated in the second monograph, which considers the association with cancer at six sites. The evaluation found no evidence of an increased risk for breast cancer. Although the evaluation found sufficient evidence in animals for the carcinogenicity of medroxyprogesterone acetate, evidence for the carcinogenicity of progestogen-only contraceptives in humans was judged inadequate. Progestogen-only contraceptives were classified as possibly carcinogenic to humans. The third monograph, on post-menopausal estrogen therapy, considers evidence of an association with cancer at eight sites. Findings from a large number of epidemiological studies indicate a small increase in the risk of breast cancer in women who have used these preparations for five years or more. Studies consistently show an association between use of post-menopausal estrogen therapy and an increased risk for endometrial cancer. Data on the association with other cancers were either inconclusive or suggested no effect on risk. The evaluation

concludes that post-menopausal estrogen therapy is carcinogenic to humans. The final monograph evaluates the association between the use of post-menopausal estrogen-progestogen therapy and cancer at four sites. The evaluation of limited data on breast cancer found an increased relative risk observed with long-term use. Data were judged insufficient to assess the effects of past use and of different progestogen compounds, doses, and treatment schedules. For endometrial cancer, the evaluation found an increase in risk relative to non-users when the progestogen was added to the cycle for 10 days or fewer. Post-menopausal estrogen-progestogen therapy was classified as possibly carcinogenic to humans. Concerning post-menopausal therapy in general, the book notes that evidence of carcinogenic risks must be placed in perspective of potential benefits. The prevention of osteoporotic fractures is cited as the best-established benefit. Evidence also suggests that estrogen prevents heart disease and may prevent memory loss and dementia.

Yellowstone Bison - Patrick James White 2015-05

Surviving and Thriving in Uncertainty - Frederick Funston 2010-06-03

A new book to help senior executives and boards get smart about risk management. The ability of businesses to survive and thrive often requires unconventional thinking and calculated risk taking. The key is to make the right decisions—even under the most risky, uncertain, and turbulent conditions. In the new book, *Surviving and Thriving in Uncertainty: Creating the Risk Intelligent Enterprise*, authors Rick Funston and Steve Wagner suggest that effective risk taking is needed in order to innovate, stay competitive, and drive value creation. Based on their combined decades of experience as practitioners, consultants, and advisors to numerous business professionals throughout the world, Funston and Wagner discuss the adoption of 10 essential and practical skills, which will improve agility, resilience, and realize benefits: Challenging basic business assumptions can help identify "Black Swans" and provide first-mover advantage. Defining the corporate risk appetite and risk tolerances can help reduce the risk of ruin. Anticipating potential causes of failure can improve chances of survival and success through improved preparedness. Factoring in velocity and momentum can improve speed of response and recovery. Verifying sources and the reliability of information can improve insights for decision making and thus decision quality. Taking a longer-term perspective can aid in identifying the potential unintended consequences of short-term decisions.

Cuba - Rex A. Hudson 2002

"Describes and analyzes the economic, national security, political, and social systems and institutions of Cuba."--Amazon.com viewed Jan. 4, 2021.

The World of Words - Margaret Ann Richek 1995-07-01

This text aims to develop vocabulary skills by teaching students three basic strategies: dictionary skills, context clues, and word elements, all within an approach that links students' general knowledge to vocabulary and helps students see that vocabulary is relevant to their lives. Unifying themes for each chapter are central to the author's approach, as are the carefully paced lessons and exercise sequences. The text includes readings on subjects from across the disciplines and supplies information that is of use to students in their other or future coursework.

Edible Insects - Arnold van Huis 2013

Edible insects have always been a part of human diets, but in some societies there remains a degree of disdain and disgust for their consumption. Insects offer a significant opportunity to merge traditional knowledge and modern science to improve human food security worldwide. This publication describes the contribution of insects to food security and examines future prospects for raising insects at a commercial scale to improve food and feed production, diversify diets, and support livelihoods in both developing and developed countries. Edible insects are a promising alternative to the conventional production of meat, either for direct human consumption or for indirect use as feedstock. This publication will boost awareness of the many valuable roles that insects play in sustaining nature and human life, and it will stimulate debate on the expansion of the use of insects as food and feed.

Cress - Marissa Meyer 2014-02-04

Working to overthrow Queen Levana, a fugitive Cinder and her companions search for Rapunzel-like hacker Cress, who has been trapped on a satellite since childhood and who has received orders from Levana to foil Cinder's efforts. By the best-selling author of *Scarlet*.

Robert Ludlum's(TM) The Ares Decision - Kyle Mills 2011-10-04

With U.S. intelligence agencies wracked by internal power struggles and paralyzed by bureaucracy, the President was forced to establish his own

clandestine group--Covert-One--only activated as a last resort, when the threat is on a global scale and time is running out. In northern Uganda, an American special forces team is decimated by a group of normally peaceful farmers. Video of the attack shows even women and children possessing almost supernatural speed and strength, consumed with a rage that makes them immune to pain, fear, and all but the most devastating injuries. Covert-One's top operative, army microbiologist Colonel Jon Smith, is sent to investigate the attack and finds evidence of a parasitic infection that for centuries has been causing violent insanity and then going dormant. This time, though, it's different. The parasite had been purposely kept alive and crudely transmitted in acts of terrorism. Now the director of Iranian Intelligence is in Uganda trying to obtain this biological weapon to unleash it on the West. Smith and his team are ambushed and cut off from all outside support just as they begin to suspect that forces much more powerful than the Iranians are in play--forces that can be traced to Washington itself.

The World Book Encyclopedia - 2002

An encyclopedia designed especially to meet the needs of elementary, junior high, and senior high school students.

Genesis and Development of a Scientific Fact - Ludwik Fleck 2012-09-05

Originally published in German in 1935, this monograph anticipated solutions to problems of scientific progress, the truth of scientific fact and the role of error in science now associated with the work of Thomas Kuhn and others. Arguing that every scientific concept and theory—including his own—is culturally conditioned, Fleck was appreciably ahead of his time. And as Kuhn observes in his foreword, "Though much has occurred since its publication, it remains a brilliant and largely unexploited resource." "To many scientists just as to many historians and philosophers of science facts are things that simply are the case: they are discovered through properly passive observation of natural reality. To such views Fleck replies that facts are invented, not discovered. Moreover, the appearance of scientific facts as discovered things is itself a social construction, a made thing. A work of transparent brilliance, one of the most significant contributions toward a thoroughly sociological account of scientific knowledge."—Steven Shapin, *Science*

The Psychic Life of Power - Judith Butler 1997

Judith Butler's new book considers the way in which psychic life is generated by the social operation of power, and how that social operation of power is concealed and fortified by the psyche that it produces. It combines social theory, philosophy, and psychoanalysis in novel ways, and offers a more sustained analysis of the theory of subject formation implicit in her previous books.

Lies and Retribution - A. P. Bateman 2016-04-18

MI5 agents have been executed and more agents have been abducted with no terms received from the kidnappers. An MI5 analyst is missing having accessed and downloaded prohibited security data. The trial of notorious radical cleric Mullah Al-Shaqqaf collapses, his extradition falls apart. A man known to have funded ISIS, recruit fighters for Syria and coerce teenagers to martyr themselves. Again he walks free. The hunt for a nuclear warhead stolen ten years ago has led Russian intelligence to London. One man connects them all... When retired MI6 operative Alex King is contacted by the deputy director of MI5 with a proposition, he feels compelled to act. His brief is illegal, his actions unprecedented. The law and the courts have failed. Time and events are against the nation's intelligence services and the battle can no longer be fought by the rules. Britain's enemies will soon find the game has changed. As MI5 agent Caroline Darby investigates with the help of a seasoned Scotland Yard detective she soon starts to look through the elaborate misdirection and discovers the horrifying truth... Author Bio A P Bateman is an Amazon #1 best selling author. Both of his novels have reached the top 4 positions in the paid top 100 categories, with *The Contract Man* reaching no 1. A P Bateman has previously worked as a private investigator and trained and worked in close protection with ex-military, police and special forces. He has studied karate most of his life and still enjoys training. Having trained on US SWAT ranges in the past with serving police officers gives him a unique insight into weapons and tactics which adds realism to his writing.

Fictitious & Symbolic Creatures in Art - John Vinycomb 1906

Station Eleven - Emily St. John Mandel 2014-09-09

NATIONAL BESTSELLER • An audacious, darkly glittering novel set in the eerie days of civilization's collapse—the spellbinding story of a Hollywood star, his would-be savior, and a nomadic group of actors roaming the scattered outposts of the Great Lakes region, risking

everything for art and humanity. Now an original series on HBO Max. Over one million copies sold! Kirsten Raymonde will never forget the night Arthur Leander, the famous Hollywood actor, had a heart attack on stage during a production of King Lear. That was the night when a devastating flu pandemic arrived in the city, and within weeks, civilization as we know it came to an end. Twenty years later, Kirsten moves between the settlements of the altered world with a small troupe of actors and musicians. They call themselves The Traveling Symphony, and they have dedicated themselves to keeping the remnants of art and humanity alive. But when they arrive in St. Deborah by the Water, they encounter a violent prophet who will threaten the tiny band's existence. And as the story takes off, moving back and forth in time, and vividly depicting life before and after the pandemic, the strange twist of fate that connects them all will be revealed. Look for Emily St. John Mandel's new novel, *Sea of Tranquility*, coming soon!

Poplars and Willows - Jud G. Isebrands 2014-02-12

Poplars and willows form an important component of forestry and agricultural systems, providing a wide range of wood and non-wood products. This book synthesizes research on poplars and willows, providing a practical worldwide overview and guide to their basic characteristics, cultivation and use, issues, problems and trends. Prominence is given to environmental benefits and the importance of poplar and willow cultivation in meeting the needs of people and communities, sustainable livelihoods, land use and development.

Shadows of Good Friday - A P Bateman 2017-03-04

In the last days before signing the peace agreement, an IRA splinter cell mounts an operation on the British mainland using English criminals. This unprecedented move intrigues MI6 and they assume command of MI5's surveillance operation. A career criminal is released from prison and aims to win back the wife and child his sentence has cost him, but before he can, he is forced back into his old world. The stakes have changed and his family have become leverage for the most ruthless people imaginable. A woman imprisoned in an abusive relationship, desperate to escape with her son and rekindle her past becomes the pawn in a deadly world of deception, violence and retribution. A clandestine wing of the secret intelligence service tests its newest recruit. Alex King has trained and operated in the shadowy world of intelligence and now he must kill for his country, but before he can, he needs to discover more about the men he has been sent to kill.

War Against the Mafia - Don Pendleton 2014-12-16

The first book in the classic vigilante action series from a "writer who spawned a genre" (The New York Times). Overseas, Mack Bolan was dubbed "Sgt. Mercy" for the compassion he showed the innocent. On the home front, they're calling him the Executioner for what he's doing to the guilty. In the jungles of Southeast Asia, American sniper Mack Bolan honed his skills. After twelve years, with ninety-five confirmed hits, he returns home to Massachusetts. But it's not to reunite with his family, it's to bury them—victims in a mass murder/suicide. Even though Bolan's own father pulled the trigger, he knows the old man was no killer. He was driven to madness by Mafia thugs who have turned his idyllic hometown into a new kind of war zone. Duty calls . . . Introducing an action hero "who would make Jack Reacher think twice," this is the first book in the iconic series of vigilante justice that has become a publishing phenomenon (Empireonline.com). With more than two hundred million Executioner books sold since its debut, the series continues to stimulate. Gerry Conway, cocreator of Marvel Comics' The Punisher, credits the Executioner as "my inspiration . . . that's what gave me the idea for the lone, slightly psychotic avenger." The series is also now in development as a major motion picture. *War Against the Mafia* is the 1st book in the Executioner series, but you may enjoy reading the series in any order.

Stormbound - A. P. Bateman 2018-10

Alex King knows he made a mistake, and as a result MI5 has been coerced into investigating the sudden and mysterious death of an MI6 operative. In the frozen wilds of Lapland at a point where Finland, Russia and Norway intersect, an isolated hotel becomes the only sanctuary from the most powerful Arctic storm in living memory. A Russian defector holds the key to a terrifying secret. Pursued by ruthless mercenaries, who will stop at nothing to silence them, the defector heads for the hotel, unaware that the man they mean to meet has been murdered. King must intercept the defector and get the deadly secrets they hold to safety. But who can he trust? And why, after all these years has King's past finally caught up with him here? Facing attack on all sides, and battling the frozen elements, King suspects that the fight most deadly is not always the one you can see.

Breakthrough - Homi Kharas 2022-01-25

Harnessing technology for a better future Looking into the future is always difficult and often problematic—but sometimes it's useful to imagine what innovations might resolve today's problems and make tomorrow better. In this book, 15 distinguished international experts examine how technology will affect the human condition and natural world within the next ten years. Their stories reflect major ambitions for what the future could bring and offer a glimpse into the possibilities for achieving the UN's ambitious Sustainable Development Goals. The authors were asked to envision future success in their respective fields, given the current state of technology and potential progress over the next decade. The central question driving their research: What are likely technological advances that could contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals at major scale, affecting the lives of hundreds of millions of people or substantial geographies around the globe. One overall takeaway is that gradualist approaches will not achieve those goals by 2030. Breakthroughs will be necessary in science, in the development of new products and services, and in institutional systems. Each of the experts responded with stories that reflect big ambitions for what the future may bring. Their stories are not projections or forecasts as to what will happen; they are reasoned and reasonable conjectures about what could happen. The editors' intent is to provide a glimpse into the possibilities for the future of sustainable development. At a time when many people worry about stalled progress on the economic, social, and environmental challenges of sustainable development, *Breakthrough* is a reminder that the promise of a better future is within our grasp, across a range of domains. It will interest anyone who wonders about the world's economic, social, and environmental future.

The Golden Fleece and the Heroes Who Lived Before Achilles - Padraic Colum 1921

The Golden Fleece and the Heroes Who Lived Before Achilles Greek History and Legend THE YOUTH JASON, KING PELIAS, THE GOLDEN FLEECE, THE ASSEMBLING OF THE HEROES AND THE BUILDING OF THE SHIP, THE ARGO, POLYDEUCES' VICTORY AND HERACLES' LOSS, KING PHINEUS, KING PHINEUS'S COUNSEL, THE LANDING IN LEMNOS, THE LEMNIAN MAIDENS, THE DEPARTURE FROM LEMNOS, THE PASSAGE OF THE SYMPLEGADES, THE MOUNTAIN CAUCASUS, KING AETES, MEDEA THE SORCERESS, THE WINNING OF THE GOLDEN FLEECE, THE SLAYING OF APSYRTUS, MEDEA COMES TO CIRCE, IN THE LAND OF THE PHAEACIANS, THEY COME TO THE DESERT LAND, THE CARRYING OF THE ARGO, NEAR TO IOLCUS AGAIN, ATALANTA THE HUNTRESS, PELEUS AND HIS BRIDE FROM THE SEA, THESEUS AND THE MINOTAUR, THE LIFE AND LABORS OF HERACLES, ADMETUS, HOW ORPHEUS THE MINSTREL WENT DOWN TO THE WORLD OF THE DEAD, JASON AND MEDEA,