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Ant Colony - Michael DeForge 2014-01-28

From its opening pages, *Ant Colony* immerses the reader in a world that is darkly existential, with false prophets, unjust wars, and corrupt police officers, as it follows the denizens of a black ant colony under attack from the nearby red ants. On the surface, it's the story of this war, the destruction of a civilization, and the ants' all too familiar desire to rebuild. Underneath, though, *Ant Colony* plumbs the deepest human concerns--loneliness, faith, love, apathy, and more. All of this is done with humor and sensitivity, exposing a world where spiders can wreak unimaginable amounts of havoc with a single gnash of their jaws.

Without You - Anthony Rapp 2006-10-31

The story of the actor who portrayed Mark Cohen in "Rent" covers such topics as his Broadway successes, his grief at the death of the production's creator, and his struggles with his mother's life-threatening illness.

Race Against Time - Keith Boykin 2021-09-14

A Cold Civil War has engulfed the nation. After a deadly pandemic, shocking incidents of police brutality, a racial justice crisis, and the fall of a dangerous demagogue, America remains more divided than at any time in decades. At the heart of this national crisis is the fear of a darkening America—a country in which there is no longer a predominant white

majority. As the Republican Party has lost the popular vote in seven of the last eight presidential elections, its leaders have incited white Americans in a last-ditch race against time to stop the advance of a new, multiracial emerging majority. Keith Boykin, long time political commentator, has watched this white resentment consume the GOP over the course of a life in politics, activism, and journalism. He has also observed the divisions among Democrats, as white progressives have postponed demands for full racial equity, while Black voters have often been too forgiving of party leaders who have failed to deliver. America can no longer avoid its long overdue reckoning with the past, Boykin argues. With the familiarity of personal experience and the acuity of historical insight, Boykin urges us to fight racism, sexism, xenophobia, and homophobia, and save the union, not just by making Black lives matter, but by making Black lives equal.

The Bear - Claire Cameron 2014-02-11

A powerful suspense novel narrated by a young girl who must fend for herself and her little brother after a brutal bear attack. While camping with her family on a remote island, five-year-old Anna awakes in the night to the sound of her mother screaming. A rogue black bear, three hundred pounds of fury, is attacking the family's campsite -- and pouncing on her parents as prey. At her dying mother's faint urging, Anna manages to get

her brother into the family's canoe and paddle away. But when the canoe runs aground on the edge of the woods, the sister and brother must battle hunger, the elements, and a wilderness alive with danger. Lost and completely alone, they find that their only hope resides in Anna's heartbreaking love for her family, and her struggle to be brave when nothing in her world seems safe anymore. This is a story with a small narrator and a big heart. Cameron gracefully plumbs Anna's young perspective on family, responsibility, and hope, charting both a tragically premature loss of innocence and a startling evolution as Anna reasons through the impossible situations that confront her. Lean and confident, and told in the innocent and honest voice of a five-year-old, *The Bear* is a transporting tale of loss -- but also a poignant and surprisingly funny adventure about love and the raw instincts that enable us to survive.

The Cult of We - Eliot Brown 2022-03-15

WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER • A FINANCIAL TIMES, FORTUNE, AND NPR BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR • “The riveting, definitive account of WeWork, one of the wildest business stories of our time.”—Matt Levine, Money Stuff columnist, Bloomberg Opinion The definitive story of the rise and fall of WeWork (also depicted in the upcoming Apple TV+ series *WeCrashed*, starring Jared Leto and Anne Hathaway), by the real-life journalists whose Wall Street Journal reporting rocked the company and exposed a financial system drunk on the elixir of Silicon Valley innovation. LONGLISTED FOR THE FINANCIAL TIMES AND MCKINSEY BUSINESS BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARD WeWork would be worth \$10 trillion, more than any other company in the world. It wasn't just an office space provider. It was a tech company—an AI startup, even. Its WeGrow schools and WeLive residences would revolutionize education and housing. One day, mused founder Adam Neumann, a Middle East peace accord would be signed in a WeWork. The company might help colonize Mars. And Neumann would become the world's first trillionaire. This was the vision of Neumann and his primary cheerleader, SoftBank's Masayoshi Son. In hindsight, their ambition for the company, whose primary business was subletting desks in slickly designed offices, seems like madness. Why did so many intelligent people—from venture capitalists to Wall Street elite—fall for

the hype? And how did WeWork go so wrong? In little more than a decade, Neumann transformed himself from a struggling baby clothes salesman into the charismatic, hard-partying CEO of a company worth \$47 billion—on paper. With his long hair and feel-good mantras, the six-foot-five Israeli transplant looked the part of a messianic truth teller. Investors swooned, and billions poured in. Neumann dined with the CEOs of JPMorgan and Goldman Sachs, entertaining a parade of power brokers desperate to get a slice of what he was selling: the country's most valuable startup, a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and a generation-defining moment. Soon, however, WeWork was burning through cash faster than Neumann could bring it in. From his private jet, sometimes clouded with marijuana smoke, he scoured the globe for more capital. Then, as WeWork readied a Hail Mary IPO, it all fell apart. Nearly \$40 billion of value vaporized in one of corporate America's most spectacular meltdowns. Peppered with eye-popping, never-before-reported details, *The Cult of We* is the gripping story of careless and often absurd people—and the financial system they have made.

The Dilbert Future - Scott Adams 1998-10-07

Step aside, Bill Gates! Here comes today's real technology guru and his totally original, laugh-out-loud New York Times bestseller that looks at the approaching new millennium and boldly predicts: more stupidity ahead. In *The Dilbert Principle* and *Dogbert's Top Secret Management Handbook*, Scott Adams skewered the absurdities of the corporate world. Now he takes the next logical step, turning his keen analytical focus on how human greed, stupidity and horniness will shape the future. Featuring the same irresistible amalgam of essays and cartoons that made Adams previous works so singularly entertaining, this uproariously funny, dead-on-target tome offers half-truthful, half-farcical predictions that push all of today's hot buttons - from business and technology to society and government. Children - they are our future, so we're pretty much hosed. Tip: Grab what you can while they're still too little to stop us. Human Potential - we'll finally learn to use the 90 percent of the brain we don't use today, and find out that there wasn't anything in that part. Computers - Technology and homeliness will combine to form a powerful type of birth

control. In *The Dilbert Principle and Dogbert's Top Secret Management Handbook*, Scott Adams skewered the absurdities of the corporate world. Now he takes the next logical step, turning his keen analytical focus on how human greed, stupidity and horniness will shape the future. Featuring the same irresistible amalgam of essays and cartoons that made Adams previous works so singularly entertaining, this uproariously

Kim Kardashian West and Kanye West - Monique Vescia 2019-07-15

Kim Kardashian West and Kanye West may be the world's most ambitious power couple. Kim was already a reality star and successful businesswoman when her relationship with Kanye hit the tabloids. His talent as a rap artist and songwriter has earned Kanye many awards. Together they have amassed billions of dollars and dominated social media by courting controversy, and kept their global fan base fascinated and entertained. In this engaging and illuminating biography, readers will discover how Kim and Kanye leveraged beauty, talent, ego, and sheer audacity to become two of the most talked about people on the planet.

Raising Kanye - Donda West 2007-05-08

As the mother of hip-hop superstar Kanye West, Donda West has watched her son grow from a brilliant baby boy with all the intimations of fame and fortune to one of the hottest rappers on the music scene. And she has every right to be proud: she raised her son with strong moral values, teaching him right from wrong and helping him become the man he is today. In *Raising Kanye*, Donda not only pays homage to her famous son but reflects on all the things she learned about being his mother along the way. Featuring never-before-seen photos and compelling personal anecdotes, Donda's powerful and inspiring memoir reveals everything from the difficulties she faced as a single mother in the African-American community to her later experiences as Kanye's manager as he rose to superstardom. Speaking frankly about her son's reputation as a "Mama's Boy," and his memorable public outbursts about gay rights and President George W. Bush, Donda supports her son without exception, and here she shares the invaluable wisdom she has taken away from each experience -- passion, tolerance, patience, and above all, always telling the truth. Ultimately, she not only expresses what her famously talented son has

meant to her but what he has meant to music and an entire generation.
Hotels of North America - Rick Moody 2015-11-10

A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR: NPR, National Post BEST BOOKS FOR GIFTING 2015: Vanity Fair "This is Moody's best novel in many years...a book of irony and wit and heartbreak." --Dwight Garner, New York Times From the acclaimed Rick Moody, a darkly comic portrait of a man who comes to life in the most unexpected of ways: through his online reviews. Reginald Edward Morse is one of the top reviewers on RateYourLodging.com, where his many reviews reveal more than just details of hotels around the globe--they tell his life story. The puzzle of Reginald's life comes together through reviews that comment upon his motivational speaking career, the dissolution of his marriage, the separation from his beloved daughter, and his devotion to an amour known only as "K." But when Reginald disappears, we are left with the fragments of a life--or at least the life he has carefully constructed--which writer Rick Moody must make sense of. An inventive blurring of the lines between the real and the fabricated, *Hotels of North America* demonstrates Moody's mastery ability to push the bounds of the novel.

The Best Kind of People - Zoe Whittall 2017-09-19

A local schoolteacher is arrested, leaving his family to wrestle with the possibility of his guilt, in this exquisite novel about loyalty, truth, and happiness. The Woodburys cherish life in the affluent, bucolic suburb of Avalon Hills, Connecticut. George is a beloved science teacher at the local prep school, a hero who once thwarted a gunman, and his wife, Joan, is a hardworking ER nurse. They have brought up their children in this thriving town of wooded yards and sprawling lakes. Then one night a police car pulls up to the Woodbury home and George is charged with sexual misconduct with students from his daughter's school. As he sits in prison awaiting trial and claiming innocence, Joan vaults between denial and rage as friends and neighbors turn cold. Their daughter, seventeen-year-old Sadie, is a popular high school senior who becomes a social outcast—and finds refuge in an unexpected place. Her brother, Andrew, a lawyer in New York, returns home to support the family, only to confront unhappy memories from his past. A writer tries to exploit their story, while

an unlikely men's rights activist group attempts to recruit Sadie for their cause. Provocative and unforgettable, *The Best Kind of People* reveals the cracks along the seams of even the most perfect lives and the unraveling of an American family. GILLER PRIZE FINALIST • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY THE NEW YORK POST "A compelling exploration of the ways a crime implicates all of us."—Kaitlyn Greenidge, author of *We Love You, Charlie Freeman* "I am obsessed with this book."—Samantha Irby, author of *We Are Never Meeting in Real Life* "In our post-Harvey Weinstein world [this book] feels more timely and urgent than ever. . . . It draws an elegant line between rape culture, patriarchy, and privilege."—Claire Cameron, *The Millions* "Every character is fully rounded, flawed, and achingly human. It puts me in mind of a twenty-first-century Ordinary People."—Kate Harding, author of *Asking for It* "Sure to provoke debate and send book discussion groups into overtime."—Library Journal (starred review) "A powerful page-turner."—*Cosmopolitan*

Howard Hughes: His Life and Madness - Donald L. Barlett 2011-04-11
The life that inspired the major motion picture *The Aviator*, starring Leonardo DiCaprio and directed by Martin Scorsese. Howard Hughes has always fascinated the public with his mixture of secrecy, dashing lifestyle, and reclusiveness. This is the book that breaks through the image to get at the man. Originally published under the title *Empire: The Life, Legend, and Madness of Howard Hughes*.

Die hypnotisierte Gesellschaft - Miryam Muhm 2021-12-13
Seit Jahrzehnten leben wir in einer Täuschungsblase. Eine globale Industrie der Irreführung produziert absichtlich Unwissenheit, zieht die Menschen mit Mitteln der Hypnose in ihren Bann und manipuliert ihr Denken und Urteilsvermögen durch gezielte Verbreitung von Falschinformationen, die als unumstößliche Wahrheiten dargestellt – und geglaubt werden. Miryam Muhm zeigt die biologischen Voraussetzungen für die Hypnotisierbarkeit von Menschen. Eindrucksvoll schildert sie, wie Politiker von Barak Obama bis Donald Trump Wähler beeinflussen, wie stark die Werbung unser Leben bestimmt und wie selbst Leitmedien uns in dieser Realitätsblase halten, indem sie Fakten unterdrücken oder Halbwahrheiten ständig wiederholen. Die User von Facebook und anderen

globalen Technikgiganten werden ohne ihr Wissen in eine bestimmte Verhaltensrichtung gelenkt, und sogar elitäre Institutionen wie Universitäten werden zu Akteuren, die dem Turbokapitalismus zuarbeiten. Eine mögliche Erklärung für diese Entwicklung besteht im Verlust von Spiritualität und in der Gier nach Geld und Macht, die uns alsbald wie Lemminge in einen tiefen Abgrund stürzen lassen –sofern wir nicht rechtzeitig erwachen.

Who's Eating Your Pie? - Erik Weir 2022-05-10

Whether you're just starting your career at twenty-two or quickly approaching retirement at sixty-two, *Who's Eating Your Pie?* will give you the tools you need to grow a bigger, sweeter financial pie than you ever thought possible—and keep everyone else's fingers out of it! "H-h-h-h-hello. M-m-my n-name is E-e-e-e-rik W-w-w-weir. H-how-how c-c-can I e-earn y-y-y-your b-b-business?" Believe it or not, that's the opening line that drove a young investment broker with a near-debilitating, lifelong stutter into a \$1-million-per-year income by age thirty. And that incredible level of success was just the beginning! In his debut book *Who's Eating Your Pie?* leader and speaker Erik Weir opens the playbook that's led him to unbelievable success as an entrepreneur, investor, film producer, and real estate developer. He tackles the tough questions today's young professionals are asking, such as: Can anyone build wealth, no matter where they're starting from? Is it moral for me to want to build wealth? What does it mean to be "rich"? How can I build real wealth as a salaried employee? How can I build wealth for myself and others as an entrepreneur? What steps should I take each day to ensure I'm moving forward toward my wealth-building goals? What is the stock market and how does it work? Can I get rich with just a 401(k)? How does real estate investing work? Where does philanthropic giving fit into my wealth-building plan? Erik Weir has helped some of the wealthiest people in the country answer these questions, from multi-Grammy-winning musical artists to CEOs of some of America's biggest companies to world-renowned professional athletes. Now, he wants to do the same for you, offering you the same advice and guidance he's given to millionaires and billionaires for the past three decades.

Ignition! - John Drury Clark 2018-05-23

This newly reissued debut book in the Rutgers University Press Classics Imprint is the story of the search for a rocket propellant which could be trusted to take man into space. This search was a hazardous enterprise carried out by rival labs who worked against the known laws of nature, with no guarantee of success or safety. Acclaimed scientist and sci-fi author John Drury Clark writes with irreverent and eyewitness immediacy about the development of the explosive fuels strong enough to negate the relentless restraints of gravity. The resulting volume is as much a memoir as a work of history, sharing a behind-the-scenes view of an enterprise which eventually took men to the moon, missiles to the planets, and satellites to outer space. A classic work in the history of science, and described as "a good book on rocket stuff...that's a really fun one" by SpaceX founder Elon Musk, readers will want to get their hands on this influential classic, available for the first time in decades.

The History of the Fabian Society - Edward Reynolds Pease 1916

Bloody Crossroads 2020 - Danny Goldberg 2021-11-02

A deep dive into the role that mass-appeal movies, television, videos, and music played in Donald Trump's failed reelection campaign, including brand-new interviews with some of the major players. "Bloody Crossroads 2020 is a riveting and thoughtful tour of the role artists played in resisting the horrors of the Trump presidency. Danny Goldberg provides a bracing and thorough recollection that is both a service and a reminder for artists to stay engaged and awake. To counter those who continually tell me to 'shut up and sing,' I will buy a couple of crates of this book and get my marching boots polished. Thank you, Danny, for reminding me how it went down, and where it might go." --Rosanne Cash "The people who produce our popular culture--the performers and makers of TV shows and movies and music and the rest--are nearly all on the political left. (Which drives the right crazy; crazier.) Danny Goldberg--impresario, activist, mensch--knowingly and passionately chronicles how and why more of his fellow culture-makers than ever enlisted in the fight to save American democracy in 2020. Our annus horribilis had a political happy ending, and

Bloody Crossroads 2020 is its star-studded souvenir program." --Kurt Andersen, author of *Evil Geniuses* and *Fantasyland* "Music and politics have been the twin engines driving Danny Goldberg for decades. In his latest work he explores how these culture-defining machines left a wannabe king in the dust." --Nelson George, author of *Hip Hop America* *Bloody Crossroads 2020* takes a deep dive into the role that mass-appeal movies, television, videos, and music played in America's political culture in the year of Donald Trump's failed reelection campaign. The book also explores the impact of entertainment celebrities in communications, fundraising, and campaigning to support the election of Joe Biden. Although there existed a decades-old tradition of "liberal Hollywood," Trump's ascension to the presidency in 2016 triggered an unprecedented level of engagement by artists and performers. Within days of the 2016 election, a critical mass of entertainers, from teenagers to the last survivors of the World War II generation--blockbuster movie stars, art-film auteurs, Broadway dramatists, comedians, and musicians from the worlds of classical, country, pop, rock, R&B, and hip-hop--all seemed to have heard the tom-tom beat of resistance at the same moment and amplified a moral alternative to Trumpism. That level of engagement intensified with rare passion and purpose in the period of 2020 chronicled in *Bloody Crossroads 2020*--the Democratic primaries, the COVID-19 pandemic, the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd, the conviction of sexual predator Harvey Weinstein, and the 2020 general election campaign--culminating in Trump's failed insurrection. Exhaustively researched, *Bloody Crossroads 2020* draws from brand-new interviews with Bruce Springsteen, John Legend, Rosanne Cash, David Simon, Adam McKay, Chuck D, David Corn, Mandy Patinkin, and many more. It also explores the important political activities of entertainers like Stephen Colbert, Trevor Noah, Taylor Swift, Cardi B, Alyssa Milano, Mark Ruffalo, Jane Fonda, Robert De Niro, Bette Midler, Steven Spielberg, Spike Lee, Ava DuVernay, Dave Chappelle, Chris Rock, and Wanda Sykes. *Bloody Crossroads 2020* expertly dissects and celebrates how the empowering actions of artists and entertainers helped a record turnout of everyday citizens realize a triumphant 2020 election.

The Car - Bryan Appleyard 2022-09-06

A spirited, insightful exploration of our favorite machine and its cultural impact on society over the past one hundred and fifty years. More than any other technology, cars have transformed American popular culture. Cars have created vast wealth as well as novel dreams of freedom and mobility. They have transformed our sense of distance and made the world infinitely more available to our eyes and our imaginations. They have inspired cinema, music and literature; they have, by their need for roads, bridges, filling stations, huge factories and global supply chains, re-engineered the world. Almost everything we now need, want, imagine or aspire to assumes the existence of cars in all their limitless power and their complex systems of meanings. This book celebrates the immense drama and beauty of the car, of the genius embodied in the Ford Model T, of the glory of the brilliant-red Mercedes Benz S-Class made by workers for Nelson Mandela on his release from prison, of Kanye West's 'chopped' Maybach, of the salvation of the Volkswagen Beetle by Major Ivan Hirst, of Elvis Presley's 100 Cadillacs, of the Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost and the BMC Mini and even of that harbinger of the end—the Tesla Model S and its creator Elon Musk. As the age of the car as we know it comes to an end, Bryan Appleyard's brilliantly insightful book tells the story of the rise and fall of the incredible machine that made the modern world what it is today.

I Wear the Black Hat - Chuck Klosterman 2013-07-09

One-of-a-kind cultural critic and New York Times bestselling author Chuck Klosterman “offers up great facts, interesting cultural insights, and thought-provoking moral calculations in this look at our love affair with the anti-hero” (New York magazine). Chuck Klosterman, “The Ethicist” for The New York Times Magazine, has walked into the darkness. In *I Wear the Black Hat*, he questions the modern understanding of villainy. When we classify someone as a bad person, what are we really saying, and why are we so obsessed with saying it? How does the culture of malevolence operate? What was so Machiavellian about Machiavelli? Why don't we see Bernhard Goetz the same way we see Batman? Who is more worthy of our vitriol—Bill Clinton or Don Henley? What was O.J. Simpson's second-worst

decision? And why is Klosterman still haunted by some kid he knew for one week in 1985? Masterfully blending cultural analysis with self-interrogation and imaginative hypotheticals, *I Wear the Black Hat* delivers perceptive observations on the complexity of the antihero (seemingly the only kind of hero America still creates). As the Los Angeles Times notes: “By underscoring the contradictory, often knee-jerk ways we encounter the heroes and villains of our culture, Klosterman illustrates the passionate but incomplete computations that have come to define American culture—and maybe even American morality.” *I Wear the Black Hat* is a rare example of serious criticism that's instantly accessible and really, really funny.

Curationism - David Balzer 2014-10-14

Now that we 'curate' even lunch, what happens to the role of the connoisseur in contemporary culture?

The Anthology of Rap - Adam Bradley 2010-11-02

From the school yards of the South Bronx to the tops of the "Billboard" charts, rap has emerged as one of the most influential cultural forces of our time. This pioneering anthology brings together more than 300 lyrics written over 30 years, from the "old school" to the present day.

100 % Official Justin Bieber - Justin Bieber 2011

Join the world's hottest pop star on his rollercoaster ride to stardom. Justin tells of his amazing journey from small town school boy to global superstar. Stunningly designed and jam-packed full of exclusive unseen photos of Justin on and off the stage, plus private captured moments, the awesome story of Justin's phenomenal rise to superstardom is a must-have for any true fan.

Out of the Box - Elizabeth Semmelhack 2015-07-07

A groundbreaking traveling exhibition, *Out of the Box* showcases sneakers, from the mid-nineteenth century to sports performance breakthroughs, to present-day cultural icons. Drawn from the collection of the Bata Shoe Museum and significant private collectors, museums, and archives—including adidas AG, Converse Archives, Kosow Sneaker Museum, Nike Archives, Northampton Museums and Art Gallery, and Reebok Archives—this selection is richly contextualized with interviews

and essays by design innovators, sneaker collectors, and cultural historians, creating a backdrop of the technical innovation, fashion trends, social history, and marketing campaigns that shaped the form over the past two centuries. *Out of the Box* includes sneakers ranging from an 1860 spiked running shoe, a pair of 1936 track shoes, Air Jordans I-XX3, the original Air Force 1, and early Adidas Superstars to contemporary sneakers by prominent figures including Damien Hirst, Jeremy Scott, Jeff Staple, and Kanye West. The book also highlights sneakers and prototype drawings that span the career of Nike sneaker design legend Tinker Hatfield, making this the definitive illustrated history of sneaker culture. *"Wake Up, Mr. West"* - Joshua K. Wright 2022-01-14

Black celebrities in America have always walked a precarious line between their perceived status as spokespersons for their race and their own individual success--and between being "not black enough" for the black community or "too black" to appeal to a broader audience. Few know this tightrope walk better than Kanye West, who transformed hip-hop, pop and gospel music, redefined fashion, married the world's biggest reality TV star and ran for president, all while becoming one of only a handful of black billionaires worldwide. Despite these accomplishments, his polarizing behavior, controversial alliances and bouts with mental illness have made him a caricature in the media and a disappointment among much of his fanbase. This book examines West's story and what it reveals about black celebrity and identity and the American dream.

Ludicrous - Edward Niedermeyer 2019-08-20

Tesla is the most exciting car company in a generation . . . but can it live up to the hype? Tesla Motors and CEO Elon Musk have become household names, shaking up the staid auto industry by creating a set of innovative electric vehicles that have wowed the marketplace and defied conventional wisdom. The company's market valuation now rivals that of long-established automakers, and, to many industry observers, Tesla is defining the future of the industry. But behind the hype, Tesla has some serious deficiencies that raise questions about its sky-high valuation, and even its ultimate survival. Tesla's commitment to innovation has led it to reject the careful, zero-defects approach of other car manufacturers, even

as it struggles to mass-produce cars reliably, and with minimal defects. While most car manufacturers struggle with the razor-thin margins of mid-priced sedans, Tesla's strategy requires that the Model 3 finally bring it to profitability, even as the high-priced Roadster and Model S both lost money. And Tesla's approach of continually focusing on the future, even as commitments and deadlines are repeatedly missed, may ultimately test the patience of all but its most devoted fans. In *Ludicrous*, journalist and auto industry analyst Edward Niedermeyer lays bare the disconnect between the popular perception of Tesla and the day-to-day realities of the company—and the cars it produces. Blending original reporting and never-before-published insider accounts with savvy industry analysis, Niedermeyer tells the story of Tesla as it's never been told before—with clear eyes, objectivity and insight.

The Algebra of Happiness - Scott Galloway 2019-05-14

An unconventional book of wisdom and life advice from renowned business school professor and New York Times bestselling author of *The Four* Scott Galloway. Scott Galloway teaches brand strategy at NYU's Stern School of Business, but his most popular lectures deal with life strategy, not business. In the classroom, on his blog, and in YouTube videos garnering millions of views, he regularly offers hard-hitting answers to the big questions: What's the formula for a life well lived? How can you have a meaningful career, not just a lucrative one? Is work/life balance possible? What are the elements of a successful relationship? *The Algebra of Happiness: Notes on the Pursuit of Success, Love, and Meaning* draws on Professor Galloway's mix of anecdotes and no-BS insight to share hard-won wisdom about life's challenges, along with poignant personal stories. Whether it's advice on if you should drop out of school to be an entrepreneur (it might have worked for Steve Jobs, but you're probably not Steve Jobs), ideas on how to position yourself in a crowded job market (do something "boring" and move to a city; passion is for people who are already rich), discovering what the most important decision in your life is (it's not your job, your car, OR your zip code), or arguing that our relationships to others are ultimately all that matter, Galloway entertains, inspires, and provokes. Brash, funny, and

surprisingly moving, *The Algebra of Happiness* represents a refreshing perspective on our need for both professional success and personal fulfillment, and makes the perfect gift for any new graduate, or for anyone who feels adrift.

Rap and Religion: Understanding the Gangsta's God - Ebony A. Utley
2012-06-11

This book provides an enlightening, representative account of how rappers talk about God in their lyrics—and why a sense of religion plays an intrinsic role within hip hop culture. • A bibliography of cited sources on rap music and hip hop culture • An index of key terms and artists • A discography of rap songs with religious themes

Promises to Keep - Donald G. Nieman 2020-02-03

Widely considered the first history of US Constitutionalism that places African Americans at the center, *Promises to Keep* is a compelling overview of how conflict over African Americans' place in American society has shaped the Constitution, law, and our understanding of citizenship and rights. Both authoritative and accessible, this revised and expanded second edition incorporates key insights from the last three decades of scholarship and makes sense of recent developments in civil rights, from the War on Drugs to the rise of Black Lives Matter. *Promises to Keep* shows how African Americans have played a critical role in transforming the Constitution from a bulwark of slavery to a document that is truer to the nation's promise of equality. The book begins by examining debates about race from the Revolutionary Era at the Constitutional Convention and covers the establishment of civil rights protections during Reconstruction, the Jim Crow backlash, and the evolution of the civil rights movement, from the formation of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to legal victories and massive organized protests. Comprehensive in scope, this book moves from debates over slavery at the nation's founding to contemporary discussions of affirmative action, voting rights, mass incarceration, and police brutality. In the process, it provides readers with a historical perspective critical to understanding some of today's most important social and political issues.

Power Play - Tim Higgins 2021-08-03

A WALL STREET JOURNAL BUSINESS BESTSELLER • The riveting inside story of Elon Musk and Tesla's bid to build the world's greatest car—from award-winning Wall Street Journal tech and auto reporter Tim Higgins. “A deeply reported and business-savvy chronicle of Tesla's wild ride.” —Walter Isaacson, New York Times Book Review Tesla is the envy of the automotive world. Born at the start of the millennium, it was the first car company to be valued at \$1 trillion. Its CEO, the mercurial, charismatic Elon Musk has become not just a celebrity but the richest man in the world. But Tesla's success was far from guaranteed. Founded in the 2000s, the company was built on an audacious vision. Musk and a small band of Silicon Valley engineers set out to make a car that was quicker, sexier, smoother, and cleaner than any gas-guzzler on the road. Tesla would undergo a hellish fifteen years, beset by rivals—pressured by investors, hobbled by whistleblowers. Musk often found himself in the public's crosshairs, threatening to bring down the company he had helped build. Wall Street Journal tech and auto reporter Tim Higgins had a front-row seat for the drama: the pileups, breakdowns, and the unlikely outcome of all, success. A story of impossible wagers and unlikely triumphs, *Power Play* is an exhilarating look at how a team of innovators beat the odds—and changed the future.

Fortune - Henry Robinson Luce 2004

The Age of Ideas - Alan Philips 2018-11-08

Ian Schrager, Marcus Aurelius, Supreme, Kith, Rick Rubin, Kanye West, Soulcycle, Ikea, Sweetgreen, The Wu-Tang Clan, Danny Meyer, Tracy Chapman, Warren Buffett, Walt Disney, Jack's Wife Freda, Starbucks, A24, Picasso, In-N-Out Burger, Intel, Tom Brady, Mission Chinese, Nike, Masayoshi Takayama, Oprah, the Baal Shem Tov. What do they all have in common? They have discovered their purpose and unlocked their creative potential. We have been born into a time when all the tools to make our dreams a reality are available and, for the most part, affordable. We have the freedom to manifest our truth, pursue our own path, and along the way discover our best selves. Whether as individuals or as part of a group,

we can't be held back by anything except knowledge. The Age of Ideas provides that knowledge. It takes the reader on an incredible journey into a world of self-discovery, personal fulfillment, and modern entrepreneurship. The book starts by explaining how the world has shifted into this new paradigm and then outlines a step-by-step framework to turn your inner purpose and ideas into an empowered existence. Your ideas have more power than ever before, and when you understand how to manifest and share those ideas, you will be on the road to making an impact in ways you never before imagined. Welcome to the Age of Ideas.

Elon Musk - Sarah Machajewski 2017-07-15

Known for being the founder leader of SpaceX and many other enterprises, Elon Musk has been breaking the mold from a young age. Readers will learn many fascinating facts about this entrepreneur, engineer, and innovator, who has been working on such projects as reducing global warming, colonizing Mars, and developing technology for self-driving. An in-depth timeline and full-color photographs will spark readers' interest in the progression of Musk's trendsetting life.

Radicals & Visionaries - Thaddeus Wawro 2000

What has driven the 20th century's most revolutionary entrepreneurs--from Henry Ford to Bill Gates to Oprah Winfrey? Find out in this provocative collection of in-depth profiles that goes beyond the media hype and corporate PR to reveal the leaders' visions, drive, and desires. 72 photos.

Through the Wire - Kanye West 2009-11-10

This is a rare partnership between two geniuses at the top of their crafts -- Kanye West, who was named "the smartest man in hip-hop" by Time magazine, and Bill Plympton, an Academy Award-nominated animator, cartoonist, and illustrator. Through the Wire is a graphic memoir that illustrates the lyrics of twelve Kanye West songs to tell his story, from his decision to drop out of college to pursue his dreams in music, through his days spent folding chinos at the Gap while struggling at night to make a name as a producer, through the pivotal car accident that eventually set him on the course to stardom and the epiphany of realizing exactly who he had become: "...They say people in your life are like seasons And

anything that happens is for a reason..." Plympton illustrates each of the songs in detail, his vision of Kanye's world. The songs are annotated with explanations of the references in the songs, biographical components that illuminate the lyrics, and their meaning on a deeply personal level. The result is a one-of-a-kind book that initially grabs you and stays with you forever.

The Family Dinner - Laurie David 2010-11-03

The producer of *An Inconvenient Truth*, Laurie David's new mission is to help America's overwhelmed families sit down to a Family Dinner, and she provides all the reasons, recipes and fun tools to do so. Laurie David speaks from her own experience confronting the challenges of raising two teenage girls. Today's parents have lots to deal with and technology is making their job harder than ever. Research has proven that everything we worry about as parents--from drugs to alcohol, promiscuity, to obesity, academic achievement and just good old nutrition--can all be improved by the simple act of eating and talking together around the table. Laurie has written a practical, inspirational, fun (and, of course, green) guide to the most important hour in any parent's day. Chock-full chapters include: Over seventy-five kid approved fantastic recipes; tips on teaching green values; conversation starters; games to play to help even the shyest family member become engaged; ways to express gratitude; the family dinner after divorce (hint: keep eating together) and much more. Filled with moving memories and advice from the country's experts and teachers, this book will get everyone away from electronic screens and back to the dinner table.

Gehirn&Geist Dossier - Persönlichkeit - Spektrum der Wissenschaft 2021-03-26

Wir entwickeln uns ein Leben lang weiter – durch ein Wechsel–spiel von Genen und Erfahrungen. Nicht nur die ersten Lebens–jahre prägen uns, wie die Neurobiologin Nicole Strüber in ihrem Artikel ab S. 30 verdeutlicht. Auslandsaufenthalte oder neue soziale Rollen hinterlassen ebenfalls Spuren in unserer Persönlichkeit. Doch können wir uns auch gezielt verändern? Schließlich möchten die allermeisten Menschen laut Umfragen mindestens eine Eigenschaft an sich verbessern. Was

Selbstoptimierungsratgeber gern versprechen, wird erst seit Kurzem experimentell erforscht. Ab S. 40 stelle ich aktuelle Befunde dazu vor. Ersten Studien zufolge ist es möglich, sich in die gewünschte Richtung zu entwickeln. Das ist allerdings anstrengend und erfordert Übung und Disziplin, erklärt die Heidelberger Psychologin Cornelia Wrzus im Interview ab S. 47. Ob sich der Aufwand lohnt, muss jeder für sich selbst entscheiden. So viel sei von meinem eigenen Versuch verraten: Völlig strukturiert und ordentlich werde ich nie werden. Das ist nicht schlimm. Obgleich eine hohe Gewissenhaftigkeit hier zu Lande erstrebenswert erscheint, gibt es keine ideale Persönlichkeit, wie Cornelia Wrzus betont. Gerade die Vielfalt an Eigenschaften ist wichtig und bereichert die Gesellschaft. Wie sich diese Unterschiede und Gemeinsamkeiten am besten messen lassen, auch darum geht es in diesem Dossier. So stellt sich etwa die Frage, ob Datenspuren im Netz oder Tonschwingungen aus dem Alltag treffendere Rückschlüsse auf den Charakter liefern als klassische Selbstauskünfte (S. 14 und S. 20). Denn obwohl wir täglich Zeuge unseres Denkens und Handelns sind, sind wir nicht unbedingt gut darin, uns realistisch einzuschätzen. Eine verzerrte Selbstwahrnehmung ist weit verbreitet, wie die Beiträge ab S. 66 offenbaren. Nicht ganz richtig ist überdies die gängige Annahme, narzisstische Menschen seien besonders selbstverliebt. Vielmehr scheint ihr Selbstwertgefühl stark zu schwanken (S. 54). Darüber hinaus geht Corinna Hartmann im "Spezial Narzissmus" einer pathologischen Form nach, die lange übersehen wurde – und zu der vor allem Frauen neigen. Ein realistischer Blick auf sich selbst ist übrigens gar nicht unbedingt erstrebenswert. Stattdessen hat ein rosarotes Selbstbild durchaus Vorteile (ab S. 82). Seien Sie daher nachsichtig mit Ihren vermeintlichen Mängeln. Und bilden Sie sich ruhig etwas auf sich ein! Viel Vergnügen beim Lernen und Staunen über die vielen Facetten der Persönlichkeit wünscht Liesa Bauer, Redaktion Gehirn&Geist

Physician Leadership - Karen J. Nichols 2021-08-31

You know how to practice medicine. Now learn how to lead with this insightful resource from one of medicine's most accomplished leaders. In Physician Leadership, renowned medical leader Dr. Karen J. Nichols

delivers a concise guide for busy physicians doing their best to successfully lead people and organizations. The book covers foundational leadership essentials that every physician needs to master to transform themselves from a highly motivated novice leader into an effective, skilled, and productive leader. Each chapter offers readers a summary of the crucial points found within, sample questions, exercises, and a bibliography of the relevant academic literature for further study. Ideal for doctors who don't have the time to peruse an unwieldy collection of the latest research and thought on organizational leadership, or to take a multi-day course on effective leadership, Physician Leadership distills the author's extensive research and personal experience into a short and practical handbook. Physician Leadership provides actionable, real-world advice for practicing and aspiring physicians: A thorough introduction to personal approach and style when interacting with patients, managers, boards, and committees An exploration of how to employ the principles of effective communication to achieve desired results and practical techniques for implementing those principles Practical discussions of the role that perspectives play in shaping an organization's culture and how those perspectives affect leadership efficacy In-depth examinations of approaches to decision-making that get buy-in from others and achieve results Perfect for doctors stepping into a leadership role for the first time, Physician Leadership also belongs on the bookshelves of experienced physician leaders seeking to improve their leadership abilities and improve the results of their organizations.

A Woman Makes a Plan - Maye Musk 2019-12-31

"Warm, honest and true--A Woman Makes A Plan is full of insight as well as a good dose of humor, offering readers a lifetime of hard-won advice." - Diane Von Furstenberg The international supermodel shares personal stories and lessons learned from a life of "living dangerously--carefully" Maye Musk is a fashionable, charming, jet-setting supermodel with a fascinating and tight-knit circle of family and friends--and is 71 years old. But things were not always so easy or glamorous--she became a single mom at 31, struggling through poverty to provide for her three children; dealt with weight issues as a plus-size model and overcame ageism in the

modeling industry; and established a lifelong career as a respected dietitian, all the while starting over in eight different cities across three countries and two continents. But she made her way through it all with an indomitable spirit and a no-nonsense attitude to become a global success at what she calls the "prime of her life." As everyone who follows her obsessively on social media knows, Maye is a fount of frank and practical advice on how the choices you make in every decade can pay off in surprising, exciting ways throughout your life. In *A Woman Makes a Plan*, Maye shares experiences from her life conveying hard-earned wisdom on career (the harder you work, the luckier you get), family (let the people you love go their own way), health (there is no magic pill), and adventure (make room for discovery, but always be ready for anything). You can't control all that happens in life, but you can have the life you want at any age. All you have to do is make a plan.

From Jim Crow to Jay-Z - Miles White 2011-11-14

This multilayered study of the representation of black masculinity in musical and cultural performance takes aim at the reduction of African American male culture to stereotypes of deviance, misogyny, and excess. Broadening the significance of hip-hop culture by linking it to other expressive forms within popular culture, Miles White examines how these representations have both encouraged the demonization of young black males in the United States and abroad and contributed to the construction of their identities. *From Jim Crow to Jay-Z* traces black male representations to chattel slavery and American minstrelsy as early examples of fetishization and commodification of black male subjectivity. Continuing with diverse discussions including black action films, heavyweight prizefighting, Elvis Presley's performance of blackness, and white rappers such as Vanilla Ice and Eminem, White establishes a sophisticated framework for interpreting and critiquing black masculinity in hip-hop music and culture. Arguing that black music has undeniably

shaped American popular culture and that hip-hop tropes have exerted a defining influence on young male aspirations and behavior, White draws a critical link between the body, musical sound, and the construction of identity.

The Kim Kardashian Principle - Jeetendr Sehdev 2017-03-21

In the instant *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal* and *Washington Post* bestseller, Jeetendr Sehdev inspires people everywhere to learn from the way celebrities engage their fan bases. In the space of five years, Jeetendr Sehdev has shaken up the world of entertainment by revealing how social media stars generate more obsession than the Hollywood A-list. What can he teach us about making our own ideas, products, and services break through? Sehdev shows why successful images today—the most famous being Kim Kardashian—are not photoshopped to perfection, but flawed, vulnerable, and in your face. This total transparency generates a level of authenticity that traditional marketing tactics just can't touch. From YouTube sensations like Jenna Marbles to billionaire tech mogul Elon Musk, *The Kim Kardashian Principle* reveals the people, products, and brands that do it best. After all, in a world where a big booty can break the Internet and the president is a reality TV star, self-obsession is a must-have. No posturing, no apologies, and no shying away from the spotlight. *The Kim Kardashian Principle* is a fresh, provocative, and eye-opening guide to understanding why only the boldest and baddest ideas will survive—and how to make sure yours is one of them.

Thank You and You're Welcome - Kanye West 2008

Kanye West teams up with co-author J Sakiya Sandifer to make his literary debut, an entertaining volume of 'Kanye-isms' -- the creative, humorous, and insightful philosophies and anecdotes used in creating his path to success. It captures the same wit, playful irony, and piercing insight found abundant in his lyrics. In this book Kanye delivers his personal message uncensored, without any five-second delay or media distortion. My book is a guide to creating then celebrating your moment! says Kanye.