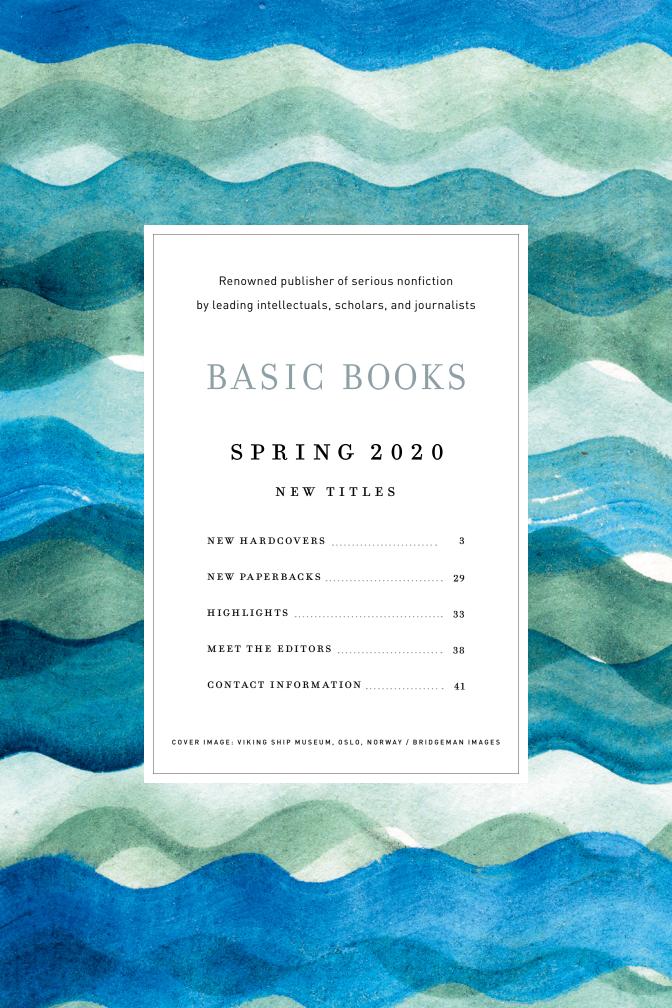
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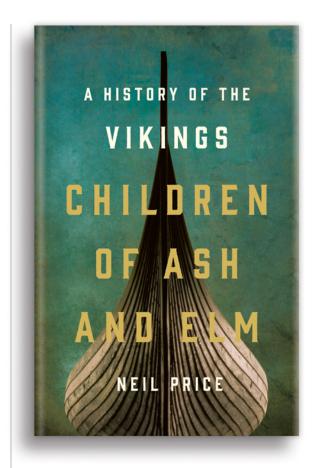
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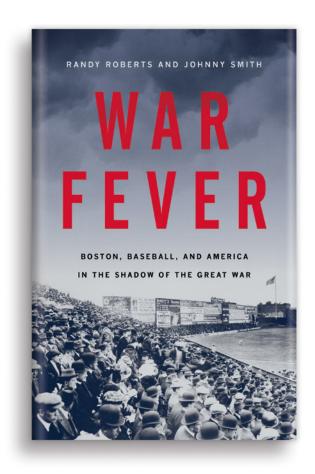
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Boston, Baseball, and America in the Shadow of the Great War

In the fall of 1918, a fever gripped Boston. The streets emptied as paranoia about the deadly Spanish flu spread. Newspapermen and vigilante investigators sought to discredit anyone who looked or sounded German. And as the war raged on, the enemy seemed to be lurking everywhere: prowling in submarines off the coast, arriving on ships in the harbor, or disguised as radicals stirring up trouble.

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MICHAEL McCULLOUGH

THE KINDNESS OF STRANGERS

How a Selfish Ape Invented a New Moral Code

ow did humans, a species of self-centered apes, come to care about others? Since Darwin, scientists have tried to answer this question using evolutionary theory. In *The Kindness of Strangers*, psychologist Michael McCullough shows why they have failed and offers a new explanation instead. From the moment nomadic humans first settled down until the aftermath of the Second World War, our species has confronted repeated crises that we could only survive by changing our behavior. As McCullough argues, these choices weren't enabled by an evolved moral sense, but with moral invention—driven not by evolution's dictates but by reason.

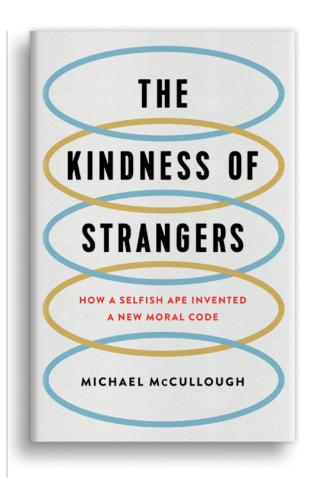
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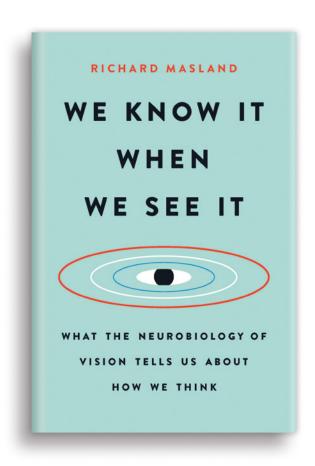
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WE KNOW IT WHEN WE SEE IT

What the Neurobiology of Vision Tells Us About How We Thinks

potting a face in a crowd is so easy, you take it for granted. But how you do it is one of science's great mysteries. And vision is involved in nearly one-third of everything a brain does. Explaining how it works reveals more than just how you see. In We Know It When We See It, Harvard neuroscientist Richard Masland tackles vital questions about how the brain processes information—how it perceives, learns, and remembers—through a careful study of the inner life of the eye.

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BJORN LOMBORG

FALSE ALARM

How Climate Change Panic Costs Us Trillions, Hurts the Poor, and Fails to Fix the Planet

urricanes batter our coasts. Wildfires rage across the American West. Glaciers collapse in the Arctic. Politicians, activists, and the media espouse a common message: climate change is destroying the planet, and we must take drastic action immediately to stop it. Children panic about their future, and adults wonder if it is even ethical to bring new life into the world.

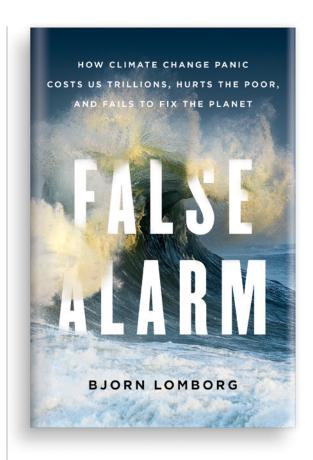
Enough, argues bestselling author Bjorn Lomborg. Climate change is real, but it's not the apocalyptic threat that we've been told it is. Projections of Earth's imminent demise are based on bad science and even worse economics. In panic, world leaders have committed to wildly expensive but largely ineffective policies that hamper growth and crowd out more pressing investments in human capital, from immunization to education.

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BJORN LOMBORG is the author of *The Skeptical Envi*ronmentalist and *Cool It*. He's a visiting professor at Copenhagen Business School and the

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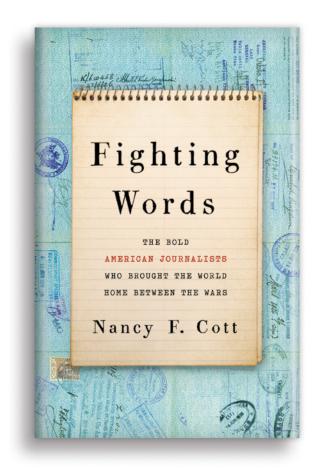
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PETER FRITZSCHE

HITLER'S FIRST HUNDRED DAYS

When Germans Embraced the Third Reich

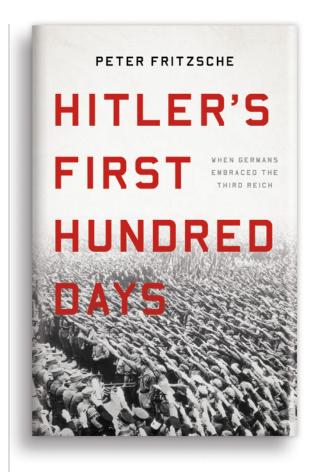
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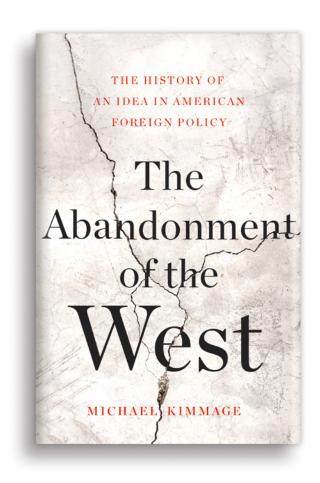
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THE ABANDONMENT OF THE WEST

The History of an Idea in American Foreign Policy

hroughout the twentieth century, many Americans saw themselves as part of Western civilization, and Western ideals of liberty and self-government guided American diplomacy. But today, other ideas fill this role: on one side, a technocratic "liberal international order," and on the other, the illiberal nationalism of "America First."

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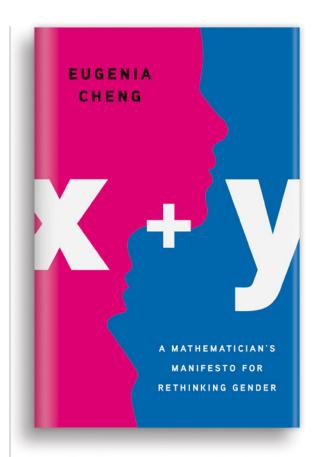
A Mathematician's Manifesto for Rethinking Gender

hy are men in charge? After years in the male-dominated field of mathematics and in the femaledominated field of art, Eugenia Cheng has heard the question many times. In x + y, Cheng argues that her mathematical specialty-category theory-reveals why. Category theory deals more with context, relationships, and nuanced versions of equality than with intrinsic characteristics. Category theory also emphasizes dimensionality: much as a cube can cast a square or diamond shadow, depending on your perspective, so too do gender politics appear to change with how we examine them. Because society often rewards traits that it associates with males, such as competitiveness, we treat the problems those traits can create as male. But putting competitive women in charge will leave many unjust relationships in place. If we want real change, we need to transform the contexts in which we all exist, and not simply who we think we are.



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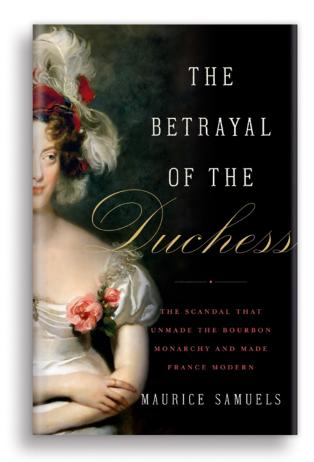
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THE BETRAYAL OF THE DUCHESS

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In July 1830, the French royal family went into exile. From a drafty Scottish castle, the Duchesse de Berry hatched a plot to restore the dynasty and, after two years of careful planning, she set out to reclaim the throne for her son. For months, she commanded a guerilla army and evaded capture by disguising herself as a man. But she was soon sold out by her most trusted advisor, a convert from Judaism named Simon Deutz. France's response to the betrayal was intense, the duchess's plight became a cause célèbre for Bourbon loyalists, and the affair became a blueprint for anti-Semitic stereotypes and rhetoric.

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The Outbreak of World War II

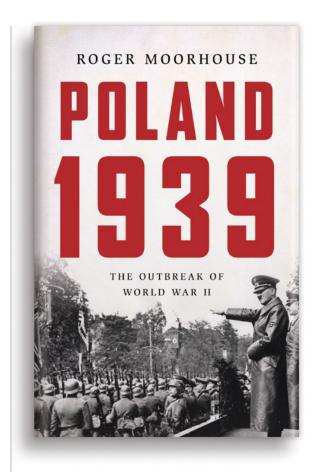
or Americans, World War II began in December of 1941, with the bombing of Pearl Harbor; but for Poland, the war began on September 1, 1939, when Hitler's soldiers invaded, followed later that month by Stalin's Red Army. The conflict that followed saw the debut of many of the features that would come to define the later war—blitzkrieg, the targeting of civilians, ethnic cleansing, and indiscriminate aerial bombing—yet it is routinely overlooked by historians.

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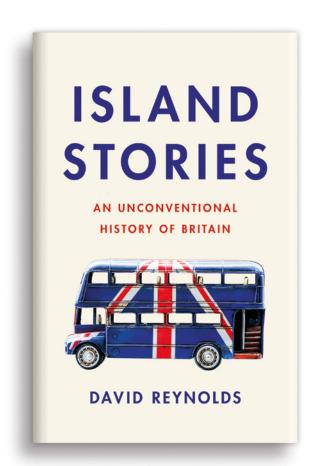
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WALTER JOHNSON

THE BROKEN HEART OF AMERICA

St. Louis and the Violent History of the United States

rom Lewis and Clark's 1804 expedition to the 2014 uprising in Ferguson, American history has been made in St. Louis. And as Walter Johnson shows in this searing book, the city exemplifies how imperialism, racism, and capitalism have persistently entwined to corrupt the nation's past.

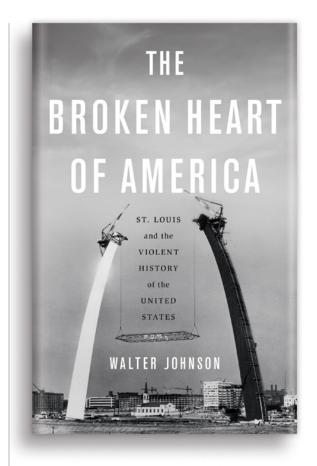
St. Louis was a staging post for Indian removal and imperial expansion, and its wealth grew on the backs of its poor black residents, from slavery through redlining and urban renewal. But it was once also America's most radical city, home to anti-capitalist immigrants, the Civil War's first general emancipation, and the nation's first general strike—a legacy of resistance that endures.

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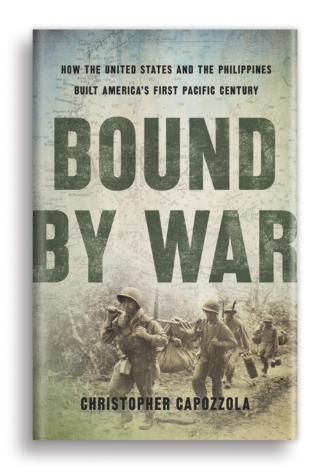
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BOUND BY WAR

How the United States and the Philippines Built America's First Pacific Century

ver since US troops occupied the Philippines in 1898, generations of Filipinos have served in and alongside the US armed forces. In *Bound by War*, historian Christopher Capozzola reveals this forgotten history, showing how war and military service forged an enduring, yet fraught, alliance between Americans and Filipinos.

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christopher capozzola is professor of history at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Author of the awardwinning *Uncle Sam Wants You*, he

is also a co-curator of "The Volunteers: Americans Join World War I, 1914–1919," a traveling exhibition to commemorate the centennial of the First World War. He lives in Boston, Massachusetts

ANDREW WHITBY

THE SUM OF THE PEOPLE

How the Census Has Shaped Nations, From the Ancient World to the Modern Age

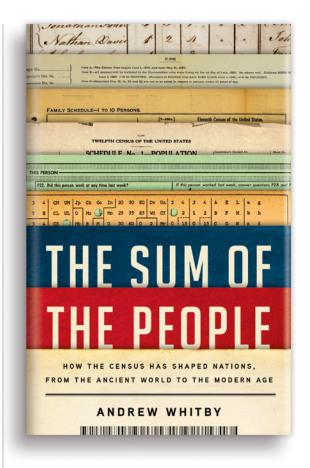
n April 2020, the United States will embark on what has been called "the largest peacetime mobilization in American history": the decennial population census. It is part of a tradition of counting people that goes back at least three millennia and now spans the globe.

In The Sum of the People, data scientist Andrew Whitby traces the remarkable history of the census, from ancient China and the Roman Empire, through revolutionary America and Nazi-occupied Europe, to the steps of the Supreme Court. Marvels of democracy, instruments of exclusion, and, at worst, tools of tyranny and genocide, censuses have always profoundly shaped the societies we've built. Today, as we struggle to resist the creep of mass surveillance, the traditional census—direct and transparent—may offer the seeds of an alternative.



ANDREW WHITBY is an economist and data scientist who worked on global development data at the World Bank. He holds a doctorate in economics

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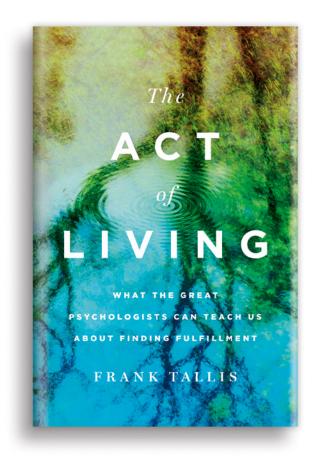
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THE ACT OF LIVING

What the Great Psychologists Can Teach Us About Finding Fulfillment

or most of us, the major questions of life continue to perplex: Who am I? Why am I here? How should I live? In the late nineteenth century, a class of thinkers emerged who made solving these problems central to their work. They understood that human questions demand human answers and that without understanding what it means to be human, there are no answers.

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FRANK TALLIS is a clinical psychologist and the author of over fifteen books, including The Incurable Romantic: And Other Tales of Madness and Desire. He

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NO MAN'S LAND

The Trailblazing Women Who Ran Britain's Most Extraordinary Military Hospital During World War I

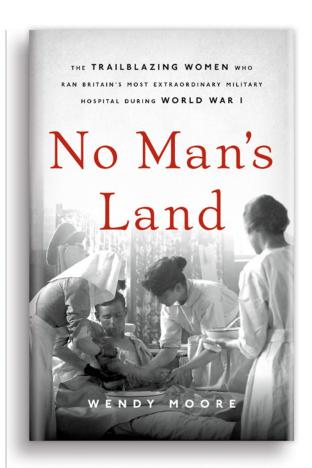
month after war broke out in 1914, doctors Flora Murray and Louisa Garrett Anderson set out for Paris, where they opened a hospital in a luxury hotel and treated hundreds of casualties plucked from France's battlefields. Although, prior to the war, female doctors were restricted to treating women and children, Flora and Louisa's work was so successful that the British Army asked them to set up a hospital in the heart of London. Nicknamed the Suffragettes' Hospital, the Endell Street Military Hospital soon became known for its lifesaving treatments and lively atmosphere.

In No Man's Land, Wendy Moore illuminates this turbulent moment when women were, for the first time, allowed to operate on men. Their fortitude and brilliance serve as powerful reminders of what women can achieve against all odds.



WENDY MOORE is a journalist and author of several previous books, including *How* to Create the Perfect Wife and Wedlock, a Sunday Times best-

seller. Her writing has appeared in the *Times*, the *Guardian*, the *Observer*, and the *Sunday Telegraph*. She lives in London.



The inspiring story of two pioneering suffragette doctors who ran the only military hospital staffed entirely by women during World War I—and who transformed medicine in the process

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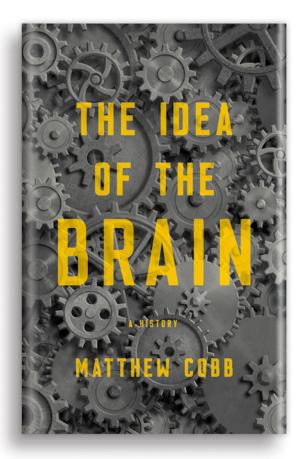
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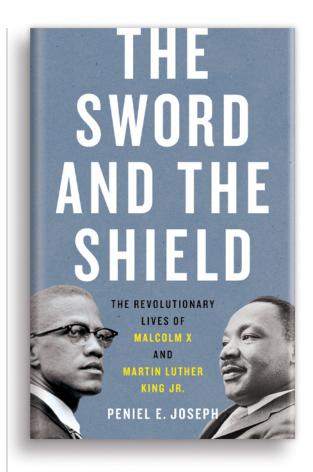
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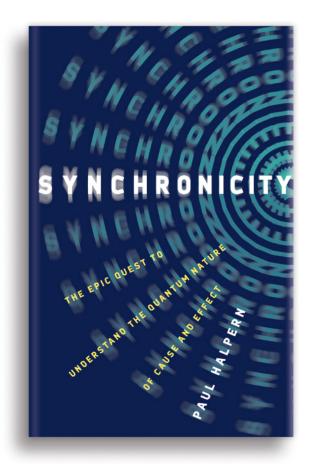
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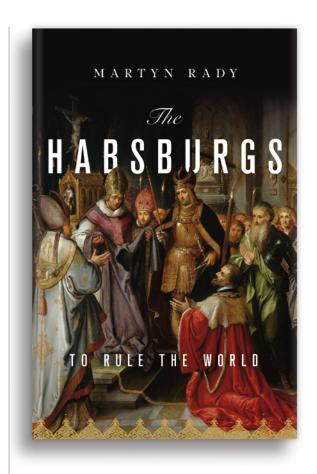
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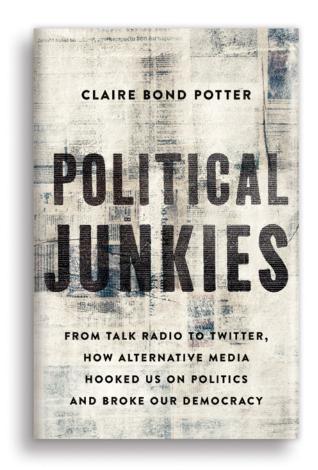
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Why Presidents Lie and Why Trump Is Worse

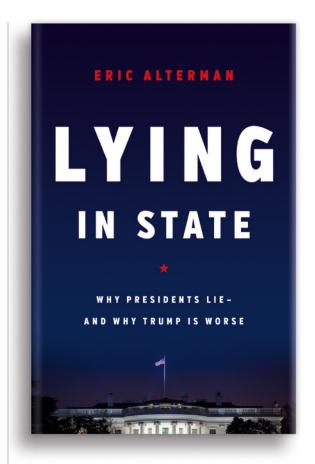
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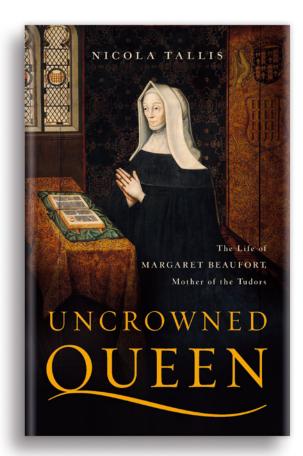
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DRESSED

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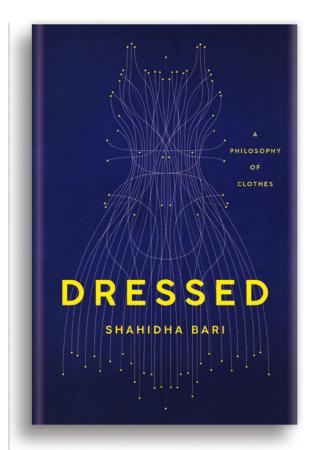
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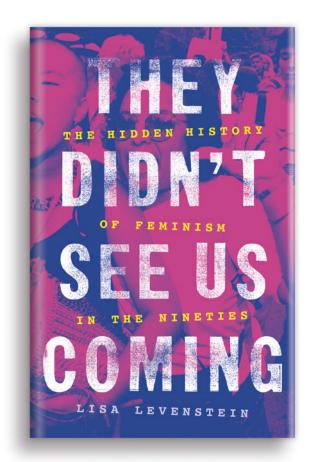
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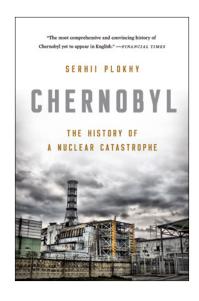
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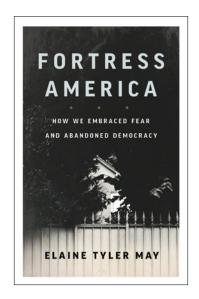
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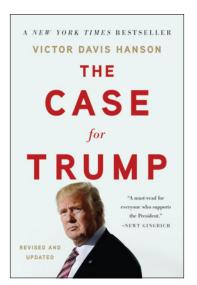




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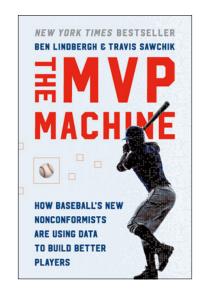
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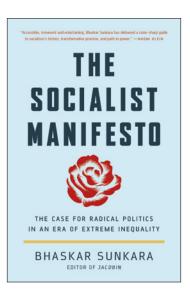




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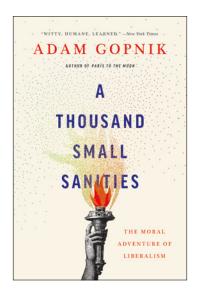
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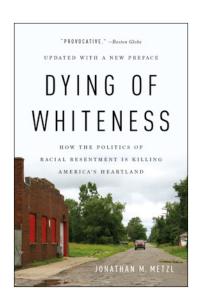




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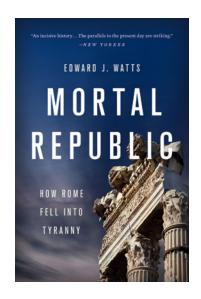


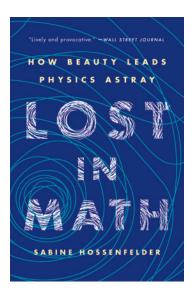
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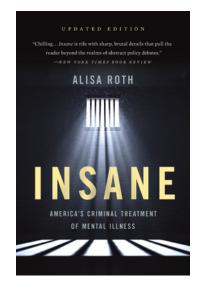


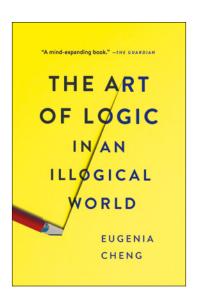
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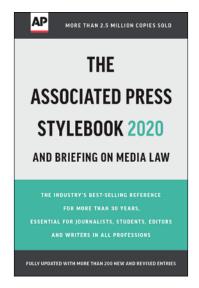
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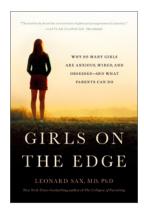
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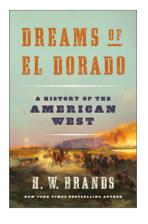




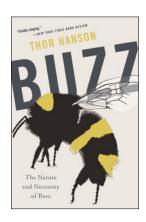




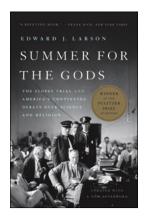
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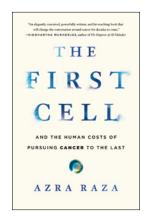
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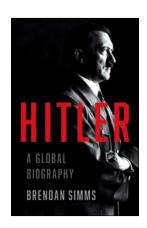
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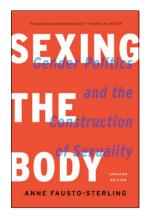
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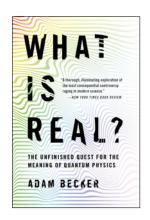
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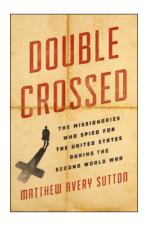
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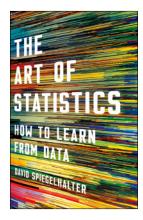
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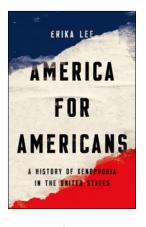
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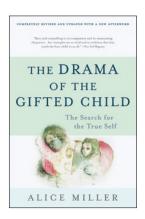
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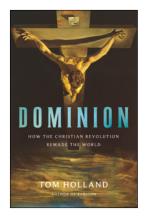
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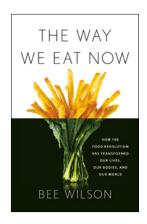
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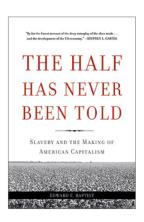
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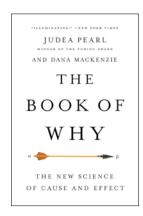
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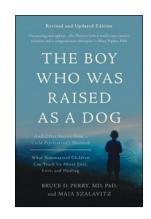
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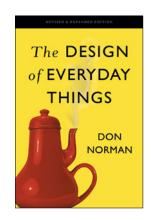
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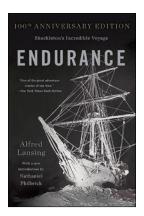
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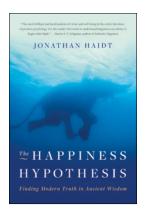
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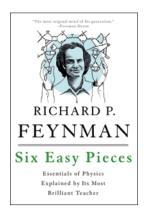
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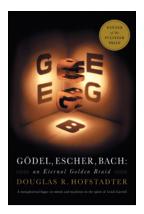
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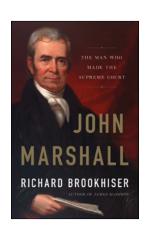
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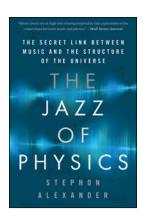
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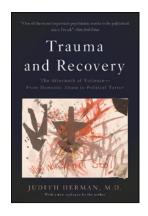
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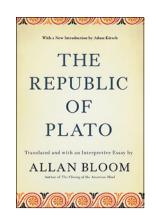
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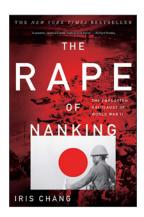
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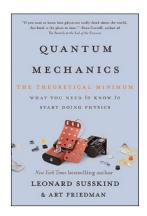
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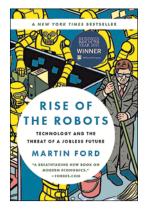
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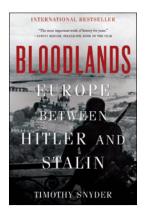
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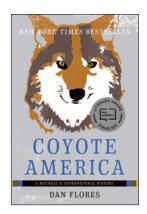
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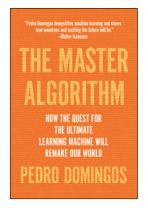
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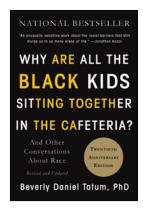
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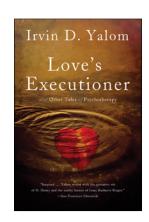
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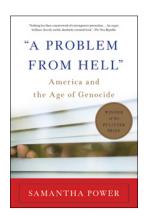
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