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Recounts the author's experiences with the reclusive Tarahumara Indians, whose techniques allow them to run long distances with ease, and describes his training for a fifty-mile race with the tribe and a number of ultramarathoners.

The Heart of the Jedi Darth Vader and the Emperor are no more. The Alliance has officially become the New Republic. As Han Solo, Princess Leia, and the new Chief-of-State Mon Mothma emerge triumphant against the diminishing Empire, the Imperial Remnant fights on until the long-silent Imperial Senate rises up to call for peace. But not everyone wants peace, and High Admiral Tharkus has made plans to ensure the Empire will reemerge under his rule. At his side stands the mysterious Dioskouroi, beings of rare and deadly powers! For Luke Skywalker, exhausted from years of fighting, the time has come to depart upon a journey of discovery, a journey that will lead him to a secret long ago hidden by Obi-Wan Kenobi. ??? The Heart of the Jedi, Kenneth C. Flint's lost Star Wars novel, commissioned and approved by Lucasfilm, and set to be released in 1993, disappeared without a trace. For many years fans wondered what became of the book and why it was never published, and so it was chalked up to yet

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another tragic "lostworlds" story that no one would ever get to read or enjoy... or so we thought! Kenneth C. Flint's complete novel *The Heart of the Jedi* has at last been unearthed! Published on [StarWarsTimeline.net](http://www.starwartimeline.net), it has been edited to fit into the existing Expanded Universe, taking place a short time after *The Truce at Bakura* and the end of issue #107 of the *Marvel* series, but before the *X-Wing* comic-book series. Reprinted here in paperback for the first time, this is a non-profit listing for private collectors only. The downloadable PDF is freely available here: <http://www.starwartimeline.net/The%20Heart%20of%20the%20Jedi.htm> Find other books by Kenneth Flint at: <http://www.amazon.com/Kenneth-C.-Flint/e/B001HPFIWC> \*\*\* Note: I'd like to clear a few things up. This is an unofficial fan printing of an unofficial fan story. IE: Bootleg Fanfiction. Disney owns *Star Wars*©, not *The Heart of the Jedi*. I am not making money off this venture. This is being printed AT COST only. The price paid is merely to Amazon for printing charges. There was a fan printing briefly available in 2015. I, and most others, missed that one. Some time ago, I decided I wanted a copy of "The Heart of the Jedi" for my bookshelf. I downloaded the PDF, formatted it for paperback, sized it so it would fit in with other MMPs, and did some Photoshop work for a Batam-era appropriate cover. I put it on Amazon, ordered my copy, and was done. Then, quite frankly, I forgot about it. The increase in copies sold has lead to a few rumors. I'd like to address some of them: The increase in copies sold has lead to a few rumors. I'd like to address some of them: I am not Ken Flint. I am not Joe Bongiorno. I am

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not affiliated with Disney. This book is not outselling Disney Star Wars. The way the Amazon Ranking algorithm works is based on sales per hour, not lifetime sales. I am not Timothy Zahn. I know him. He is an amazing mentor and an inspiration to me. I would never try and sabotage his work or steal his thunder. Everyone go buy Thrawn. I want to say everyone go buy MY book! But at this point, I think anonymity is safer than infamy. EU fans, stop trying to stick a thumb in Disney's eye. We're not going to change anything. Disney fans, just ignore the EU fans and let them have their silly little book. Stop tattling to Disney. Finally, I would like to publicly apologize to Ken for any appearance that I might be stealing his work. That was not the intent. --A Star Wars Fan

This unique book closes the gap between psychology books and the research that made them possible. Its journey through the “headline history” of psychology presents 40 of the most famous studies in the history of the science, and subsequent follow-up studies that expanded their findings and relevance. Readers are granted a valuable insider's look at the studies that continue to be cited most frequently, stirred up the most controversy when they were published, sparked the most subsequent related research, opened new fields of psychological exploration, and changed most dramatically our knowledge of human behavior. For individuals with an interest in an introduction to psychology.

Zelie Adebola remembers when the soil of Or sha hummed with magic. Burners ignited flames, Tiders

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beckoned waves, and Zelig's Reaper mother summoned forth souls. But everything changed the night magic disappeared. Under the orders of a ruthless king, maji were killed, leaving Zelig without a mother and her people without hope.

CMH 30-15. Army Historical Series. 2nd of three planned volumes on the history of Army domestic support operations. This volume encompasses the period of the rise of industrial America with attendant social dislocation and strife. Major themes are: the evolution of the Army's role in domestic support operations; its strict adherence to law; and the disciplined manner in which it conducted these difficult and often unpopular operations.

They say crime doesn't pay, but some people in the west set out to prove that wrong, the outlaws. Roy wasn't one of those men. He took it upon himself personally to prove those murderous fugitives wrong, and he was there to collect his payments. And being the fastest draw in the west he never had much trouble. That was until he met up with the heartless killer Diamondback and his ruthless gang.

This "immensely stimulating story of true crime down the ages" tells the history of human violence, from Peking Man to the Mafia (The Times, London). This landmark work offers a completely new approach to the history and psychology of human violence. Its sweep is broad, its research meticulous and detailed. Colin Wilson explores the bloodthirsty sadism of the ancient Assyrians and the mass slaughter by the armies led by Genghis Khan, Tamerlane, Ivan the Terrible, and Vlad the Impaler. He delves into modern history, exploring the genocides

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practiced by Stalin and Hitler. He then takes a chilling look into the sex crimes and mass murders that have become symbols of the neuroses and intensity of modern life. With breathtaking audacity and stunning insight, Wilson puts criminality firmly in a wide, illuminating historical context. “A work of massive energy, compulsively readable, splendidly informative . . . it establishes Wilson in a European tradition of thought that includes H. G. Wells, Sartre and Shaw.” —Time Out London “A tremendous resource for crime buffs as well as a challenging exposition for some of the more subtle criminological thinking of our time.” —Kirkus Reviews

The vivid account of a charming rogue who evaded capture for thirteen years as an international fugitive from U.S. law enforcement after being set up by a childhood friend for a crime he didn't commit.

Amazing true stories about Shakespeare, Hiawatha, Homer, George Washington, and more. If you like to think of Shakespeare only as a brilliant bard, or prefer only to know Pythagoras by his math skills, then you might want to put this book down. Seriously. Because this book is about to change your idea of history. But if you like a little controversy, or want to impress your parents and friends with some little-known tidbits of historical drama, then *Famous Phonies: Legends, Fakes, and Frauds Who Changed History* is for you. Over the centuries, plenty of scandals, swindles, and skeletons have passed under history's radar and missed out on being included in your textbook. (We're looking at you, George “I cannot tell a lie” Washington.) Some of the biggest names in history can be found between these pages—and the light isn't flattering. These figures are lucky that prime-time TV and all-access internet didn't exist in Ancient Greece, Renaissance

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Europe, medieval England, or Revolutionary America, or else they could have kissed their sterling reputations goodbye.

Famous Phonies: Legends, Fakes, and Frauds Who Changed History explores the underbelly of history, making you question everything you thought you knew about history's finest. Follow the fake lives of these twelve history-changers to uncover the fabrications of the famous and the should-be-famous! So, if you can handle it, take a peek at inside. Some of the famous "phonies" covered in this book include: George Washington Pythagoras Hiawatha Gilgamesh Confucius Major William Martin William Shakespeare Pope Joan Homer Prester John Huangdi The Turk

"A remarkably assured fantasy debut that mixes of the inventiveness of China Miéville with the fast paced heroics of David Gemmell."—Anthony Ryan, New York Times bestselling author of The Legion of Flame Set on a postapocalyptic frontier, *Blackwing* is a gritty fantasy debut about a man's desperate battle to survive his own dark destiny... Hope, reason, humanity: the Misery breaks them all. Under its cracked and wailing sky, the Misery is a vast and blighted expanse, the arcane remnant of a devastating war with the immortals known as the Deep Kings. The war ended nearly a century ago, and the enemy is kept at bay only by the existence of the Engine, a terrible weapon that protects the Misery's border. Across the corrupted no-man's-land teeming with twisted magic and malevolent wraiths, the Deep Kings and their armies bide their time. Watching. Waiting. Bounty hunter Ryhalt Galharrow has breathed Misery dust for twenty bitter years. When he's ordered to locate a masked noblewoman at a frontier outpost, he finds himself caught in the middle of an attack by the Deep Kings, one that signifies they may no longer fear the Engine. Only a formidable show of power from the very woman he is seeking, Lady Elizabeth

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Tanza, repels the assault. Elizabeth is a shadow from Galharrow's grim past, and together they stumble onto a web of conspiracy that threatens to end the fragile peace the Engine has provided. Galharrow is not ready for the truth about the blood he's spilled or the gods he's supposed to serve...

Knock, knock. Who's there? Olive. Olive who? Olive you! Belly Laugh Jokes for Kids is packed with both classic and original knock-knock jokes to make readers keel over in laughter. Developed to meet the needs of the millions of children eternally hungry for joke books, this collection is complete with 350 hilarious knock-knock jokes for kids. This unique volume is complemented by witty line drawings created by talented illustrator Bethany Straker. Its seemingly endless supply of fresh content and splashy, engaging design make this book a sure source of fun for young readers as well as parents, siblings, and friends! Perfect for long car rides and rainy days, this book is sure to bring laughter and fun into your home.

Lily has grown up believing she accidentally killed her mother when she was four. She not only has her own memory of holding the gun, but her father's account of the event. Now fourteen, she yearns for her mother, and for forgiveness. Living on a peach farm in South Carolina with her father, she has only one friend: Rosaleen, a black servant whose sharp exterior hides a tender heart. South Carolina in the sixties is a place where segregation is still considered a cause worth fighting for. When racial tension explodes one summer afternoon, and Rosaleen is arrested and beaten, Lily is compelled to act. Fugitives from justice and from Lily's harsh and unyielding father, they follow a trail left by the woman who died ten years before. Finding sanctuary in the home of three beekeeping sisters, Lily starts a journey as much about her understanding of the world, as about the mystery

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surrounding her mother.

A world made by the Eight Creators on which to play out their games of passion and power, Paradise is a sprawling, diverse, often brutal place. Men and women live on Paradise as do dogs, cats, ferrets, goats, and horses. But dinosaurs predominate: wildlife, monsters, beasts of burden and of war. Colossal plant-eaters like Brachiosaurus; terrifying meat-eaters like Allosaurus, and the most feared of all, Tyrannosaurus rex. Giant lizards swim warm seas. Birds (some with teeth) share the sky with flying reptiles that range in size from bat-sized insectivores to majestic and deadly Dragons.

For the past three decades, many history professors have allowed their biases to distort the way America's past is taught. These intellectuals have searched for instances of racism, sexism, and bigotry in our history while downplaying the greatness of America's patriots and the achievements of "dead white men." As a result, more emphasis is placed on Harriet Tubman than on George Washington; more about the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II than about D-Day or Iwo Jima; more on the dangers we faced from Joseph McCarthy than those we faced from Josef Stalin. A Patriot's History of the United States corrects those doctrinaire biases. In this groundbreaking book, America's discovery, founding, and development are reexamined with an appreciation for the elements of public virtue, personal liberty, and private property that make this nation uniquely successful. This book offers a long-overdue acknowledgment of America's true and proud history.

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE •** Look for special features inside. Join the Random House Reader's Circle for author chats and more. In boyhood, Louis Zamperini was an incorrigible delinquent. As a teenager, he channeled his defiance into



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running, discovering a prodigious talent that had carried him to the Berlin Olympics. But when World War II began, the athlete became an airman, embarking on a journey that led to a doomed flight on a May afternoon in 1943. When his Army Air Forces bomber crashed into the Pacific Ocean, against all odds, Zamperini survived, adrift on a foundering life raft. Ahead of Zamperini lay thousands of miles of open ocean, leaping sharks, thirst and starvation, enemy aircraft, and, beyond, a trial even greater. Driven to the limits of endurance, Zamperini would answer desperation with ingenuity; suffering with hope, resolve, and humor; brutality with rebellion. His fate, whether triumph or tragedy, would be suspended on the fraying wire of his will. Appearing in paperback for the first time—with twenty arresting new photos and an extensive Q&A with the author—Unbroken is an unforgettable testament to the resilience of the human mind, body, and spirit, brought vividly to life by Seabiscuit author Laura Hillenbrand. Hailed as the top nonfiction book of the year by Time magazine • Winner of the Los Angeles Times Book Prize for biography and the Indies Choice Adult Nonfiction Book of the Year award “Extraordinarily moving . . . a powerfully drawn survival epic.”—The Wall Street Journal “[A] one-in-a-billion story . . . designed to wrench from self-respecting critics all the blurbby adjectives we normally try to avoid: It is amazing, unforgettable, gripping, harrowing, chilling, and inspiring.”—New York “Staggering . . . mesmerizing . . . Hillenbrand’s writing is so ferociously cinematic, the events she describes so incredible, you don’t dare take your eyes off the page.”—People “A meticulous, soaring and beautifully written account of an extraordinary life.”—The Washington Post “Ambitious and powerful . . . a startling narrative and an inspirational book.”—The New York Times Book Review “Magnificent . . . incredible . . . [Hillenbrand] has crafted another masterful blend of sports, history and overcoming

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terrific odds; this is biography taken to the nth degree, a chronicle of a remarkable life lived through extraordinary times.”—The Dallas Morning News “An astonishing testament to the superhuman power of tenacity.”—Entertainment Weekly “A tale of triumph and redemption . . . astonishingly detailed.”—O: The Oprah Magazine “[A] masterfully told true story . . . nothing less than a marvel.”—Washingtonian “[Hillenbrand tells this] story with cool elegance but at a thrilling sprinter’s pace.”—Time “Hillenbrand [is] one of our best writers of narrative history. You don’t have to be a sports fan or a war-history buff to devour this book—you just have to love great storytelling.”—Rebecca Skloot, author of *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*

A tour de force in the tradition of Iain Pears’ international bestseller, *An Instance of the Fingerpost*, Stone’s *Fall* weaves a story of love and high finance into the fabric of a page-turning thriller. A novel to stand alongside *Atonement* and *The Remains of the Day*. A panoramic novel with a riveting mystery at its heart, *Stone’s Fall* is a quest, a love story, and a tale of murder – richly satisfying and completely engaging on many levels. It centres on the career of a very wealthy financier and the mysterious circumstances of his death, cast against the backdrop of WWI and Europe’s first great age of espionage, the evolution of high-stakes international finance and the beginning of the twentieth century’s arms race. *Stone’s Fall* is a major return to the thriller form that first launched Iain Pears onto bestseller lists around the world and that earned him acclaim as a mesmerizing storyteller.

Let’s say Charles Dickens challenges Mother Teresa to a lightsaber duel—they’re both equally fit, so will his superior artistry overcome her advantage in bravery and leadership? Or who wins

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karaoke—Nelson Mandela or Jane Austen? They certainly both have a way with words, but Mandela's over-the-top courage might take the day. Mixing and matching 100 historical figures in 50 competitive categories, from Ping-Pong to climbing Mount Everest, *Who Wins?* turns history into a compelling game, which means kids learn while having fun in the process. Each of the famous people is given a short bio and ranked in six categories—bravery, leadership, artistry, wealth, wisdom, and fitness. And because there are no right answers, the reader decides, and in the very act of deciding and justifying the answer, real learning has taken place. A 2017 YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers.

*Sethe*, an escaped slave living in post-Civil War Ohio with her daughter and mother-in-law, is haunted persistently by the ghost of the dead baby girl whom she sacrificed, in a new edition of the Nobel Laureate's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel. Reader's Guide available. Reprint. 60,000 first printing. Reprint. Originally published: c2002.

Attacked by a radioactive field mouse, Tiddles the cat awakens to find his life upended by his transformation into an undead kitty whose pursuit of brains and other delights is challenged by his steadily decomposing body.

As the son of famous Black Jack Valera, the best whaler on the eastern seaboard, thirteen-year-old Lucky Valera led a charmed life at sea, until his

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father dies and his estranged older half-brother, Fortuna, kidnaps him. Lucky's hopes of joining the crew of the whaling ship, Nightbird, are dashed as Fortuna forces him into servitude at the nearby mill. But when Lucky meets Emmeline, a spirited girl with abolitionist sympathies, and Daniel, a fugitive slave from the South, his dream to return to his old life seems to be within reach. That is, if he and his new friends can outwit and outrun Fortuna and an enraged slave trader, both of whom will stop at nothing to get back what they believe is their rightful property. Krista Russell's action-packed historical adventure, following a brave young protagonist willing to risk everything for his freedom, offers a glimpse into a unique historical time and setting and will leave readers on the edge of their seats.

In so doing, Machor takes us ever closer to understanding the particular and varying reading strategies of historical audiences and how they impacted authors' conceptions of their own readership.

This volume represents the first attempt to systematically compare organised crime concepts, as well as historical and contemporary patterns and control policies in thirteen European countries.

These include seven 'old' EU Member States, two 'new' members, a candidate country, and three non-EU countries. Based on a standardised research protocol, thirty-three experts from different legal and

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social disciplines provide insight through detailed country reports. On this basis, the editors compare organised crime patterns and policies in Europe and assess EU initiatives against organised crime.

Throughout history—and even today—the head honchos usually like things the way they are.

Rocking the boat does not make them happy—not one bit. They may even want your head for going against the grain. But that threat didn't stop the characters spotlighted in *Fantastic Fugitives* from changing history. They founded countries, won wars, and even ended empires—all while on the run!

History's Most Wanted covered in this book include:

Spartacus Martin Luther Harriet Tubman John Dillinger Emmeline Pankhurst Nelson Mandela And six more!

The exciting second book in the *Changed History* series, *Fantastic Fugitives* lets you follow these historical figures' fast-paced stories to learn how anyone can change the world. Even you! Just make sure you have your running shoes on. This book is ideal for kids ages 8 and up, and is especially good for reluctant readers and those kids who think history reading is simply dry and boring.

There are many color illustrations, photographs, and maps included through the book and sidebars with fascinating facts break up larger chunks of text in each chapter. Teachers, librarians, and parents will like that this can be used as a good go-to book to inspire kids to become interested in history.

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Lies unravel and loyalties change when the chosen one dies. Not, it is up to his little sister to carry out his mission and save their people.

From the bestselling and award-winning master of suspense, the first novel in a thrilling new series, introducing Colter Shaw. "You have been abandoned." A young woman has gone missing in Silicon Valley and her father has hired Colter Shaw to find her. The son of a survivalist family, Shaw is an expert tracker. Now he makes a living as a "reward seeker," traveling the country to help police solve crimes and private citizens locate missing persons. But what seems a simple investigation quickly thrusts him into the dark heart of America's tech hub and the cutthroat billion-dollar video-gaming industry. "Escape if you can." When another victim is kidnapped, the clues point to one video game with a troubled past--The Whispering Man. In that game, the player has to survive after being abandoned in an inhospitable setting with five random objects. Is a madman bringing the game to life? "Or die with dignity." Shaw finds himself caught in a cat-and-mouse game, risking his own life to save the victims even as he pursues the kidnapper across both Silicon Valley and the dark 'net. Encountering eccentric game designers, trigger-happy gamers and ruthless tech titans, he soon learns that he isn't the only one on the hunt: someone is on his trail and closing fast. The Never

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Game proves once more why "Deaver is a genius when it comes to manipulation and deception" (Associated Press).

The Sicilian Mafia, or Cosa Nostra, is one of the most intriguing criminal phenomena in the world. It is an unparalleled organised criminal grouping that over almost two centuries has been able not only to successfully permeate licit and illicit economy, politics and civil society, but also to influence and exercise authoritative power over both the underworld and the upper-world. This criminal phenomenon has been a captivating conundrum for scholars of different disciplines who have tried to explain with various paradigms the reasons behind the emergence and consolidation of the mafia.

Challenging the Mafia Mystique provides an analysis of the changes the Sicilian mafia has undergone, from legitimisation to denunciation. Rino Coluccello highlights how, from the very emergence of the organised criminal groups in Sicily, a culture existed that was protective and tolerant of the mafia. He argues that the various conceptualisations of the mafia that dominated the public and scientific debate in the nineteenth and more than half of the twentieth century created a mystique, which legitimised the mafia and contributed to their success. This book will be of great interest to scholars and students of organised crime, Italian politics and Italian literature. Play is "an occasion of pure waste: waste of time,

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energy, ingenuity, skill, and often of money." It is also an essential element of human social and spiritual development. In this study, Roger Caillois defines play as a voluntary activity that occurs in a pure space, isolated and protected from the rest of life. Within limits set by rules that provide a level playing field, players move toward an unpredictable outcome by responding to their opponents' actions. Caillois qualifies types of games and ways of playing, from the improvisation characteristic of children's play to the disciplined pursuit of solutions to gratuitously difficult puzzles. He also examines the means by which games become part of daily life, ultimately giving cultures their most characteristic customs and institutions.

Caution: don't look for the good guys in here. What do Mother Theresa, Honest Abe, and Mahatma Gandhi have in common? They're all too good for this book, that's what. Sure, you'll find some familiar faces like Queen Elizabeth I and Thomas Edison in here, but you'll learn that behind their angelic smiles were cunning con artists who stole their way to gold and greatness. Follow the trail of twelve troublemakers to learn what really made the Mona Lisa the most iconic painting in the world, meet the most powerful pirate from history (it's probably not who you're expecting), and watch empires rise and fall with the theft of a simple tea plant. Turns out our world owes a lot to those who



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dabble on the dark side. If you're not scared of crooks and criminals, take a peek at this new side of history . . .

Fantastic Fugitives Criminals, Cutthroats, and Rebels Who Changed History (While on the Run!) Skyhorse Investigating the way Hollywood scoops up notorious criminals and turns them into legends, this entertaining who's-who guide provides thumbnail sketches of such killers as Ma Barker, Black Beard, Al Capone, John Wesley Hardin, and Charles Starkweather. Noting that some figures are glamorized in popular culture (Jesse James), while others are demonized (Charles Manson), this encyclopedic collection explores the legends' emotional truths as depicted in movies, stories, and songs. Facts of the real cases behind these notorious criminals are also presented, including the landmark rulings that pioneered new approaches to criminal justice.

John Steinbeck wrote *The Grapes of Wrath* during an astonishing burst of activity between June and October of 1938. Throughout the time he was creating his greatest work, Steinbeck faithfully kept a journal revealing his arduous journey toward its completion. The journal, like the novel it chronicles, tells a tale of dramatic proportions—of dogged determination and inspiration, yet also of paranoia, self-doubt, and obstacles. It records in intimate detail the conception and genesis of *The Grapes of Wrath*

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and its huge though controversial success. It is a unique and penetrating portrait of an emblematic American writer creating an essential American masterpiece.

Beautifully designed A-Z of the totality of revolutionary politics. This brand new Crimethinc book is the action guide - the direct action guide. From affinity groups to wheatpasting, coalition building, hijacking events, mental health, pie-throwing, shoplifting, stenciling, supporting survivors of domestic violence, surviving a felony trial, torches, and whole bunch more. Incredible design, and lots of graphics give it that hip situ feel. Loads to read, to think about, and to do. At 650 pages, you could always throw the damn book at a suitable target. What are you waiting for?

With a single shot from a pistol small enough to conceal in his hand, John Wilkes Booth catapulted into history on the night of April 14, 1865. The assassination of President Abraham Lincoln stunned a nation that was just emerging from the chaos and calamity of the Civil War, and the president's untimely death altered the trajectory of postwar history. But to those who knew Booth, the event was even more shocking-for no one could have imagined that this fantastically gifted actor and well-liked man could commit such an atrocity. In *Fortune's Fool*, Terry Alford provides the first comprehensive look at the life of an enigmatic figure whose life has been

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overshadowed by his final, infamous act. Tracing Booth's story from his uncertain childhood in Maryland, characterized by a difficult relationship with his famous actor father, to his successful acting career on stages across the country, Alford offers a nuanced picture of Booth as a public figure, performer, and deeply troubled man. Despite the fame and success that attended Booth's career--he was billed at one point as "the youngest star in the world"--he found himself consumed by the Confederate cause and the desire to help the South win its independence. Alford reveals the tormented path that led Booth to conclude, as the Confederacy collapsed in April 1865, that the only way to revive the South and punish the North for the war would be to murder Lincoln--whatever the cost to himself or others. The textured and compelling narrative gives new depth to the familiar events at Ford's Theatre and the aftermath that followed, culminating in Booth's capture and death at the hands of Union soldiers 150 years ago. Based on original research into government archives, historical libraries, and family records, Fortune's Fool offers the definitive portrait of John Wilkes Booth.

Final report of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks upon the United States.

Kafiristan, or "The Land of the Infidels," was a region of eastern Afghanistan where the inhabitants had retained their traditional pagan culture and religion

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and rejected conversion to Islam. The Kafirs of the Hindu-Kush is a detailed ethnographic account of the Kafirs, written by George Scott Robertson (1852-1916), a British administrator in India. With the approval of the government of India, Robertson made a preliminary visit to Kafiristan in October 1889, and then lived among the Kafirs for almost a year, from October 1890 to September 1891.

Robertson describes his journey from Chitral (in present-day Pakistan) to Kafiristan and the difficulties he encountered in traveling about the country and in gaining information about the Kafir culture and religion. The latter, he writes, "is a somewhat low form of idolatry, with an admixture of ancestor-worship and some traces of fire-worship also. The gods and goddesses are numerous, and of varying degrees of importance or popularity."

Robertson describes religious practices and ceremonies, the tribal and clan structure of Kafir society, the role of slavery, the different villages in the region, and everyday life and social customs, including dress, diet, festivals, sport, the role of women in society, and much else that he observed first-hand. The book is illustrated with drawings, and it concludes with a large fold-out topographical map, which shows the author's route in Kafiristan. In 1896 the ruler of Afghanistan, Amir 'Abd al-Rahman Khan (reigned 1880-1901), conquered the area and brought it under Afghan control. The Kafirs became

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Muslims and in 1906 the region was renamed Nuristan, meaning the "Land of Light," a reference to the enlightenment brought by Islam.

A richly informed and inspired description of our evolution from Australopithecus to the Homo Sapiens we are today.

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