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A literary sensation in Hungary, Gyorgy Spiro's *Captivity* is set in the tumultuous first century A.D., between the year of Christ's death and the outbreak of the Jewish War. It follows the adventures of the feeble-bodied, bookish Uri, a young Roman Jew. Frustrated with his hapless son, Uri's father sends the young man to the Holy Land to regain the family's prestige. In Jerusalem, Uri is imprisoned by Herod and meets two thieves and (perhaps) Jesus before their crucifixion. Later he has an awakening in cosmopolitan Alexandria, and then returns home to an unexpected inheritance.

"There's no such thing as chance...only injustice." From the winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature for "writing that

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upholds the fragile experience of the individual against the barbaric arbitrariness of history..." The acclaimed Hungarian Holocaust survivor Imre Kertész continues his investigation of the malignant methodologies of totalitarianism in a major work of fiction. In a mysterious middle-European country, a man identified only as "the commissioner" undertakes what seems to be a banal trip to a nondescript town with his wife—a brief detour on the way to a holiday at the seaside—that turns into something ominous. Something terrible has happened in the town, something that no one wants to discuss. With his wife watching on fearfully, he commences a perverse investigation, rudely interrogating the locals, inspecting a local landmark with a frightening intensity, traveling to an outlying factory where he confronts the proprietors ... and slowly revealing a past he's been trying to suppress. In a limpid translation by Tim Wilkinson, this haunting tale lays bare an emotional and psychological landscape ravaged by totalitarianism in one of Kertész's most devastating examinations of the responsibilities of and for the Holocaust. Translated into English at last, *Fiasco* joins its companion volumes *Fatelessness* and *Kaddish for an Unborn Child* in telling an epic story of the author's return from the Nazi death camps, only to find his country taken over by another totalitarian government. *Fiasco* as Imre Kertész himself has said, "is fiction founded on reality"—a Kafka-like account that is surprisingly funny in its unrelentingly pessimistic clarity, of the Communist takeover of his homeland. Forced into the army and assigned to escort military prisoners, the protagonist decides to feign insanity to be released from duty. But meanwhile, life under the new regime is portrayed almost as an uninterrupted continuation of life in the Nazi concentration camps—which, in turn, is depicted as a continuation of the patriarchal dictatorship of joyless childhood. It is, in short, a searing extension of Kertész'

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At the age of 14 Georg Koves is plucked from his home in a Jewish section of Budapest and without any particular malice, placed on a train to Auschwitz. He does not understand the reason for his fate. He doesn't particularly think of himself as Jewish. And his fellow prisoners, who decry his lack of Yiddish, keep telling him, "You are no Jew." In the lowest circle of the Holocaust, Georg remains an outsider. The genius of Imre Kertesz's unblinking novel lies in its refusal to mitigate the strangeness of its events, not least of which is Georg's dogmatic insistence on making sense of what he witnesses—or pretending that what he witnesses makes sense. Haunting, evocative, and all the more horrifying for its rigorous avoidance of sentiment, *Fatelessness* is a masterpiece in the traditions of Primo Levi, Elie Wiesel, and Tadeusz Borowski.

What happens when true love is interrupted, in a world where it is guaranteed? Welcome to the *Fated Tales*. Hasley Jeweler and Arsenio Trader were meant to meet-but their fating was derailed by the building of the impenetrable wall surrounding Ashkadance. Little do they know that love finds a way, and Hasley's journey as a *Fateless* will teach her that order isn't always the answer... that sometimes, rules are meant to be broken. *Hasley Fateless* should be read after *Ember Dragon Daughter* to avoid spoilers. In book 1.5 of the *Fated Tales Series*, we follow Hasley as she listens to a mysterious voice in her head after her best friend is discovered to be the lost princess of the dragon kingdom of Ashkadance. Where will it lead? Who will she meet? And what happens when all the walls surrounding her and their kingdom fall down? Get clues into the world beyond Ashkadance in the *Fated Tales Series*, the highly anticipated

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new release Hasley Fateless. Topics in the Novel: Ember Dragon Daughter is book one of the Fated Tales Series, an epic YA dark fantasy series teens and young adults will enjoy. Hasley Fateless should be read after Ember Dragon Daughter to avoid spoilers. Ember Dragon Daughter is just under 90,000 words and 35 chapters. Hasley Fateless is a quick romantic fantasy read with just over 20,000 words. The sequel, Ember Dragon Savior, is set to come to the series in 2021. This book for teens covers topics such as inclusion, LGBTQ+ characters, adoption, true love, responsibility, and loving and accepting yourself. The Fated Tales Series Reading Order: Ember Dragon Daughter Hasley Fateless Ember Dragon Savior

What is behind the events that seem out of our control? Are they out of our control? Can we change the minds of those who change us? *Fateful And Fateless* is a flash fiction anthology by founder of the Experience Clarity Network, Elijah Kennedy. Read the stories and let your imagination wonder: why do we do what we do? Each story can be read in the same time as many blog posts and newspaper articles, but they will all tie together in your thinking mind. Question everything and enjoy this set of flash fiction stories by Elijah Kennedy.

Autobiographical writings have been a major cultural genre from antiquity to the present time. General questions of the literary as, e.g., the relation between literature and reality, truth and fiction, the dependency of author, narrator, and figure, or issues of individual and cultural styles etc., can be studied preeminently in the autobiographical genre. Yet, the tradition of life-writing has, in the course of literary history, developed manifold types and forms. Especially in the globalized age, where the media and other technological / cultural factors

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contribute to a rapid transformation of lifestyles, autobiographical writing has maintained, even enhanced, its popularity and importance. By conceiving autobiography in a wide sense that includes memoirs, diaries, self-portraits and autofiction as well as media transformations of the genre, this three-volume handbook offers a comprehensive survey of theoretical approaches, systematic aspects, and historical developments in an international and interdisciplinary perspective. While autobiography is usually considered to be a European tradition, special emphasis is placed on the modes of self-representation in non-Western cultures and on inter- and transcultural perspectives of the genre. The individual contributions are closely interconnected by a system of cross-references. The handbook addresses scholars of cultural and literary studies, students as well as non-academic readers.

Noah is a young man, struggling to care for both himself and his ailing mother. That is, until he tries fighting back against a demon. He loses his mother, his home, and the very clothes off his back. All he has left is his life. Snow considers herself a Fateless. But according to the Church, she is a soulless demon that doesn't deserve to live. When she sees Noah being attacked, she thinks she has finally found another like her. Someone who understands how hard it is to be an outcast. Lance is the son of a Crusader. He was trained his whole life to join the Church. But there is one problem; Lance hates fighting. With his older brother soon to inherit the family farm, he decides to leave everything behind and discover his destiny. But life isn't easy, especially when all you

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know is war. Continued on back... Snow quickly realizes that she was wrong. Noah is just another normal human, and one with a vendetta against demons. But she wasn't the only one mistaken. The Church believes that Noah was the one who killed his mother, and will do anything to bring him to justice. Every night, Noah mourns the loss of his old life, and the mother he couldn't protect. Every day, Snow falls deeper in love with a man who would hate her, if he only knew what she truly was. Every step brings Lance closer to understanding who he is, and one step closer to the destiny he isn't ready to face.

The final book in USA Today bestselling author Meli Raine's newest trilogy. Description to come.

'A sophisticated and brilliant dissection of nihilistic power' Times Literary Supplement From his prison cell, Antonio Martens, an interrogator for the recently fallen dictatorship, awaits execution. His charge? Multiple counts of murder; the murder of those disappeared by the state. Bereft of authority, and unable to avoid the consequences of his actions any longer, Martens turns his story to his involvement in the assassination of the high-profile Salinas family, and with it peers into the murderous mechanics of a regime bent on achieving its ends - no matter the means.

Karin Tilmans is an historian, and academic coordinator of the Max Weber Programme at the European University Institute, Florence. Frank van Vree is an historian and professor of journalism at the University of Amsterdam. Jay M. Winter is the Charles J. Stille Professor of History at Yale. --

Reverberations of Nazi Violence in Germany and

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Beyond explores the complex and diverse reverberations of the Second World War after 1945. It focuses on the legacies that National Socialist violence and genocide perpetrated in Europe continue to have in German-speaking countries and communities, as well as among those directly affected by occupation, terror and mass murder. Furthermore it explores how those legacies are in turn shaped by the present. The volume also considers conflicting, unexpected and often dissonant interpretations and representations of these events, made by those who were the witnesses, victims and perpetrators at the time and also by different communities in the generations that followed. The contributions, from a range of disciplinary perspectives, enrich our understanding of the complexity of the ways in which a disturbing past continues to disrupt the present and how the past is in turn disturbed and instrumentalized by a later present.

Holocaust movies have become an important segment of world cinema and the de-facto Holocaust education for many. One quarter of all American-produced Holocaust-related feature films have won or been nominated for at least one Oscar. In fact, from 1945 through 1991, half of all American Holocaust features were nominated. Yet most Holocaust movies have fallen through the cracks and few have been commercially successful. This book explores these trends--and many others--with a comprehensive guide to hundreds of films and made-for-television movies. From Anne Frank to Schindler's List to Jojo Rabbit, more than 400 films are examined from a range of perspectives--historical, chronological, thematic,

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sociological, geographical and individual. The filmmakers are contextualized, including Charlie Chaplin, Sidney Lumet, Steven Spielberg and Roman Polanski.

Recommendations and reviews of the 50 best Holocaust films are included, along with an educational guide, a detailed listing of all films covered and a four-part index-glossary.

A monumental and groundbreaking biography of the architect of the Nazi's "Final Solution," and one of the icons of evil in our age. Adolf Eichmann was at the centre of the Nazi genocide against the Jews of Europe between 1941 and 1945. He was directly responsible for transporting over 2 million Jews to their deaths in Auschwitz-Birkenau and other death camps. Yet he was an obscure figure until his sensational capture by the Israeli Secret Service in Argentina in 1960, and his subsequent trial in Jerusalem. This study is the first account of Eichmann's life to appear since the aftermath of his trial. It is a groundbreaking biography of one of the most fascinating of the Nazi leaders. Drawing on recently unearthed documents, David Cesarani shows how Eichmann became the Nazi Security Service's "expert" on Jewish matters and reveals his initially cordial working relationship with Zionist Jews in Germany, despite his intense anti-Semitism. Cesarani explains how new research demonstrates that the massive ethnic cleansing Eichmann conducted in Poland in 1939-40 was the crucial bridge to his role in the deportation of the Jews. And he argues controversially that Eichmann was not necessarily predisposed to mass murder, exploring the remarkable, largely unknown period in Eichmann's career when he learned how to become a perpetrator of genocide.

Based on the movie of the same name, this is the story of a 12-year-old Jewish boy from Budapest who survives life in a

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succession of horrific concentration camps until his liberation by the Americans. Inspired by the original novel by Nobel Laureate Imre Kertész and the soul-stirring film directed by Oscar nominee Lajos Koltai, this is a gripping tale of survival and humanity.

The story is set in colonial Hong Kong and spans four decades from the late 1940s. Historic events that took place in that period have provided inspiration for much of the story background and some of the episodes. Wendy and Diana are childhood playmates in the 50s. From their early teens, their fates take divergent paths. They become life-long enemies Wendy trudges through a miserable childhood and youth in a broken home and the only solace in her early life is the friendship of Edward, Diana's kid brother. Stomaching one mischance after another, she promises herself that there's nothing she can't overcome by sheer will. Diana seems to have come to this world just to be pampered by luck, glamour and wealth. Her father, a property tycoon whose wealth began heaping in the pre-anti-corruption days, teaches her that there's nothing money can't buy. No one has stronger faith than she in her glorious destiny. As it turns out, Wendy and Diana are both proven wrong. Before they take their final bow in the story, their paths take life-altering twists and turns.....

When a man chooses to not complete his dark fate he finds himself lost between two destinations. He must wander the world, unseen and unheard. Hell is too disappointed to welcome him. Heaven is reluctant to allow such a potential agent of evil entrance. He is between. He is lost. He is fateless.

FatelessNorthwestern University Press

An exploration of the modern European novel from a renowned English literature scholar Reading the Modern European Novel since 1900 is an engaging, in-depth

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examination of the evolution of the modern European novel. Written in Daniel R. Schwarz's precise and highly readable style, this critical study offers compelling discussions on a wide range of major works since 1900 and examines recurring themes within the context of significant historical events, including both World Wars and the Holocaust. The author cites important developments in the evolution of the modern novel and explores how these paradigmatic works of fiction reflect intellectual and cultural history, including developments in painting and cinema. Schwarz focuses on narrative complexity, thematic subtlety, and formal originality as well as how novels render historical events and cultural developments. Discussing major works by Proust, Camus, Mann, Kafka, Grass, di Lampedusa, Bassani, Kertesz, Pamuk, Kundera, Saramago, Muller and Ferrante, Schwarz explores how these often experimental masterworks pay homage to their major predecessors--discussed in Schwarz's ground-breaking *Reading the European Novel to 1900*--even while proposing radical departures from realism in their approach to time and space, their testing the limits of language, and their innovative ways of rendering the human psyche. Written for teachers and students by a highly-acclaimed scholar and including valuable study questions, *Reading the Modern European Novel since 1900* offers a guide for a deeper understanding of how these original modern masters respond to both the past and present.

Kayen is Fateless. A condition that makes the universe turn a blind eye to his existence, tempting him into a deal with a devil. Through Heaven and Hell, with the aid of a Succubus, Rage Demon and mythical figures wearing the bodies of deceased pop icons, he'll save all of reality.

The suicide of an acclaimed Hungarian writer who was born and survived the Auschwitz concentration camp

forces his colleagues and friends to confront their own identity, the Holocaust, and the rise and fall of Communist rule as they desperately try to understand their friend's death, in a novel by the 2002 winner of the Nobel Prize in Literature. Reprint. 12,500 first printing. Publisher Description

Philosophy, Society and the Cunning of History in Eastern Europe charts the intellectual landscape of twentieth century East-Central Europe under the unifying theme of 'precariousness' as a mode of historical existence. Caught between empires, often marked by catastrophic historic events and grand political failures, the countries of East-Central Europe have for a long time developed a certain intellectual self-representation, a culture that not only helps them make some sense of such misfortunes, but also protects them somehow from a collapse into nihilism. An interdisciplinary study of this sophisticated culture of survival and endurance has been long overdue. Not only is it charming and worth studying in its own right, but with the re-integration of the 'new Europe' into the 'old' one and the emergence on the 'Western' European intellectual scene of many authors from the 'East,' such a culture will also shape the European mind of the 21st century. This volume decodes and explores this culture of 'precariousness' from the complementary angles of philosophy, political theory, intellectual history and literary studies. Expert contributors look at a wide range of topics, from philosophical martyrdom to collective suffering to geographical fatalism, and explore the works of key authors in the field including Cioran, Ko?akowski,

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Kertész, Bauman and Žižek. This book was originally published as a special issue of *Angelaki: The Journal of the Theoretical Humanities*.

The first and only memoir from the Nobel Prize–winning author, in the form of an illuminating, often funny, and often combative interview—with himself Dossier K. is Imre Kertész's response to the hasty biographies and profiles that followed his 2002 Nobel Prize for Literature—an attempt to set the record straight. The result is an extraordinary self-portrait, in which Kertész interrogates himself about the course of his own remarkable life, moving from memories of his childhood in Budapest, his imprisonment in Nazi death camps and the forged record that saved his life, his experiences as a censored journalist in postwar Hungary under successive totalitarian communist regimes, and his eventual turn to fiction, culminating in the novels—such as *Fatelessness*, *Fiasco*, and *Kaddish for an Unborn Child*—that have established him as one of the most powerful, unsentimental, and imaginatively daring writers of our time. In this wide-ranging and provocative book, Kertész continues to delve into the questions that have long occupied him: the legacy of the Holocaust, the distinctions drawn between fiction and reality, and what he calls “that wonderful burden of being responsible for oneself.”

'Which writer today is not a writer of the Holocaust?' asked the late Imre Kertész, Hungarian survivor and novelist, in his Nobel acceptance speech: 'one does not have to choose the Holocaust as one's subject to detect the broken voice that has dominated modern European

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art for decades'. Robert Eaglestone attends to this broken voice in literature in order to explore the meaning of the Holocaust in the contemporary world, arguing, again following Kertesz, that the Holocaust will 'remain through culture, which is really the vessel of memory'. Drawing on the thought of Hannah Arendt, Eaglestone identifies and develops five concepts--the public secret, evil, stasis, disorientalism, and kitsch--in a range of texts by significant writers (including Kazuo Ishiguro, Jonathan Littell, Imre Kertesz, W. G. Sebald, and Joseph Conrad) as well as in work by victims and perpetrators of the Holocaust and of atrocities in Africa. He explores the interweaving of complicity, responsibility, temporality, and the often problematic powers of narrative which make up some part of the legacy of the Holocaust.

Winner, 2002 Nobel Prize for Literature One of Publishers Weekly's Fifty Best Books of 1992 *Fateless* is a moving and disturbing novel about a Hungarian Jewish boy's experiences in German concentration camps and his attempts to reconcile himself to those experiences after the war. Upon his return to his native Budapest still clad in his striped prison clothes, fourteen-year-old George Kovacs senses the indifference, even hostility, of people on the street. His former neighbors and friends urge him to put the ordeal out of his mind, while a sympathetic journalist refers to the camps as "the lowest circle of hell." The boy can relate to neither cliché and is left to ponder the meaning of his experience alone. George's response to his experience is curiously ambivalent. In the camps he tries to adjust to his ever-worsening situation by imputing human motives to his

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inhumane captors. By imposing his logic--that of a bright, sensitive, though in many ways ordinary teenager - he maintains a precarious semblance of normalcy. Once freed, he must contend with the "banality of evil" to which he has become accustomed: when asked why he uses words like "naturally," "undeniably," and "without question" to describe the most horrendous of experiences, he responds, "In the concentration camp it was natural." Without emotional or spiritual ties to his Jewish heritage and rejected by his country, he ultimately comes to the conclusion that neither his Hungarianness nor his Jewishness was really at the heart of his fate: rather, there are only "given situations, and within these, further givens."

Relates the daily life of prisoners at a Nazi concentration camp through the eyes of a fifteen-year-old boy who is deported to the camp with his father.

A collection of thirteen poems that speak of the beginning, the end and every aspect of life in between. From the pains of losing to the joys of creation, this collection makes a journey from fantasy to realism. The poet satires with shameful events of history and glorifies the happiness of belonging to the world. The inevitability of death and the pleasure of simply existing within the universe to witness the wonders of creation is where "Fateless Thirteen" exists.

Anna Seghers's *Transit* is an existential, political, literary thriller that explores the agonies of boredom, the vitality of storytelling, and the plight of the exile with extraordinary compassion and insight. Having escaped from a Nazi concentration camp in Germany in 1937,

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and later a camp in Rouen, the nameless twenty-seven-year-old German narrator of Seghers's multilayered masterpiece ends up in the dusty seaport of Marseille. Along the way he is asked to deliver a letter to a man named Weidel in Paris and discovers Weidel has committed suicide, leaving behind a suitcase containing letters and the manuscript of a novel. As he makes his way to Marseille to find Weidel's widow, the narrator assumes the identity of a refugee named Seidler, though the authorities think he is really Weidel. There in the giant waiting room of Marseille, the narrator converses with the refugees, listening to their stories over pizza and wine, while also gradually piecing together the story of Weidel, whose manuscript has shattered the narrator's "deathly boredom," bringing him to a deeper awareness of the transitory world the refugees inhabit as they wait and wait for that most precious of possessions: transit papers.

The first word in this mesmerizing novel by the winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature is "No." It is how the novel's narrator, a middle-aged Hungarian-Jewish writer, answers an acquaintance who asks him if he has a child. It is the answer he gave his wife (now ex-wife) years earlier when she told him that she wanted one. The loss, longing and regret that haunt the years between those two "no"s give rise to one of the most eloquent meditations ever written on the Holocaust. As Kertesz's narrator addresses the child he couldn't bear to bring into the world he ushers readers into the labyrinth of his consciousness, dramatizing the paradoxes attendant on surviving the catastrophe of

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Auschwitz. Kaddish for the Unborn Child is a work of staggering power, lit by flashes of perverse wit and fueled by the energy of its wholly original voice.

Translated by Tim Wilkinson

Before the publication of this book, Alaine Polcz was widely recognized as a psychologist ministering to the needs of disturbed and incurably ill children and their families, as the author of numerous articles and several books on thanatology, and as the founder of the hospice movement in Hungary. The autobiographic account of the experiences of a woman, then 19-20, in the closing months of the Second World War. When it was first published, in 1991, the book was a revelation of past horrors in Hungary which, until then, had lingered on in the farthest reaches of the national memory as rumor and suspicion about the violent acts committed against women during a time of chaos, havoc, and savagery. The literary world quickly recognized the merits of this book: It was highly praised by Hungarian reviewers, awarded prizes, and has already been translated into French, Rumanian, Slovenian, and Serbian.

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