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With a blizzard immobilizing New York City, Ruby Murphy seeks solace for her boyfriend's abandonment in the company of apprentice jockey Attila Johnson, but she soon discovers, after Attila is nearly killed while out running on the beach, that he is a man with a price on his head. By the author of *Hex*. Original. 12,500 first printing.

Starting from a kinase of interest, AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK) has gone far beyond an average biomolecule. Being expressed in all mammalian cell types and probably having a counterpart in every eukaryotic cell, AMPK has attracted interest in virtually all areas of biological research. Structural and biophysical insights have greatly contributed to a molecular understanding of this kinase. From good old protein biochemistry to modern approaches, such as systems biology and advanced microscopy, all disciplines have provided important information. Thus, multiple links to cellular events and subcellular localizations have been established. Moreover, the crucial involvement of AMPK in human health and disease has been evidenced. AMPK accordingly has moved from an interesting enzyme to a pharmacological target. However, despite our extensive current knowledge about AMPK, the growing community is busier than ever. This book provides a snapshot of recent and current AMPK research with an emphasis on work providing molecular insight, including but not limited to novel physiological and pathological functions, or regulatory mechanisms. Up-to-date reviews and research articles are included.

Award-winning illustrator Fifi Kuo celebrates the artist that lives within each and every child--and the many ways of creating art. Whether kids want to draw people or scenes, choose color or black and white, use a scissors or their toes, the important thing is to find out what they love best. Then they can happily draw, draw, draw!

The author of the bestselling *Blowback Trilogy* reflects on America's waning power in a masterful collection of essays. In his prophetic book *Blowback*, published before 9/11, Chalmers Johnson warned that our secret operations in Iraq and elsewhere around the globe would exact a price at home. Now, in a brilliant series of essays written over the last three years, Johnson measures that price and the resulting dangers America faces. Our reliance on Pentagon economics, a global empire of bases, and war without end is, he declares, nothing short of "a suicide option." *Dismantling the Empire* explores the subjects for which Johnson is now famous, from the origins of blowback to Barack Obama's Afghanistan conundrum, including our inept spies, our bad behavior in other countries, our ill-fought wars, and our capitulation to a military that has taken ever more control of the federal budget. There is, he proposes, only one way out: President Obama must begin to dismantle the empire before the Pentagon dismantles the American Dream. If we do not learn from the fates of past empires, he suggests, our decline and fall are foreordained. This is Johnson at his best: delivering both a warning and an urgent prescription for a remedy.

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A quote from the novel, motion picture, and theatrical musical, "Once Upon a Mattress." The play was written as an adaptation of the Hans Christian Andersen fairytale "The Princess and the Pea." *** This journal alternates between 9 LINED pages for writing and 1 BLANK page for sketching throughout - Size 5.2" x 0.2" x 8" with 110 pages total. *** It can be used for show notes, as a simple diary, a mini class notebook, prayer

journal, a place to write goals, dreams, and milestones, and more. Make the book even more special by tucking tickets, a gift card, or a little cash in the folds. When you want to wrap something that is more personal than a greeting card, this book does the trick. Check out our other selection of witty blank journals, musical theater quotes, and gag gifts all available at amazon.com at writerunbooks.com. Related terms: Prince Dauntless, Princess Winnifred, Lady Larken, King Sextimus, Cinderella, Snow White, princes and princesses, royal wedding, fairytale, Carol Burnett and Ken Berry (1972), Queen Aggravain, Wizard, Jester, Ladies-in-Waiting, the Minstrel. On the BACK COVER: Novel, Motion Picture, and Broadway Musical: "Once Upon a Mattress" ---- A musical comedy with music by Mary Rodgers, lyrics by Marshall Barer, and book by Jay Thompson, Dean Fuller, and Marshall Barer. "Many moons ago in a far-off place..." ***** Also Available from WriteRunBooks.com ***** ---- "I want some happily ever after to happen to me" ISBN-13: 978-1729620304 ---- "I want some happily ever after to happen to me" ISBN-13: 978-1729622025 ---- "Goodbye, good luck, and get out!" ISBN-13: 978-1729622162 ---- "Cinderella Had Outside Help" .ISBN-13: 978-1729622421 ---- "Once Upon a Mattress" ISBN-13: 978-1729622681 ---- "Then Who Sir? Where Sir and When Sir?" ISBN-13: 978-1729631386

The long-awaited final volume of Chalmers Johnson's bestselling Blowback trilogy confronts the overreaching of the American empire and the threat it poses to the republic. In his prophetic book Blowback, Chalmers Johnson linked the CIA's clandestine activities abroad to disaster at home. In *The Sorrows of Empire*, he explored the ways in which the growth of American militarism and the garrisoning of the planet have jeopardized our stability. Now, in *Nemesis*, he shows how imperial overstretch is undermining the republic itself, both economically and politically. Delving into new areas—from plans to militarize outer space to Constitution-breaking presidential activities at home and the devastating corruption of a toothless Congress—*Nemesis* offers a striking description of the trap into which the dreams of America's leaders have taken us. Drawing comparisons to empires past, Johnson explores in vivid detail just what the unintended consequences of our dependence on a permanent war economy are likely to be. What does it mean when a nation's main intelligence organization becomes the president's secret army? Or when the globe's sole "hyperpower," no longer capable of paying for the vaulting ambitions of its leaders, becomes the greatest hyper-debtor of all times? In his stunning conclusion, Johnson suggests that financial bankruptcy could herald the breakdown of constitutional government in America—a crisis that may ultimately prove to be the only path to a renewed nation.

The human rights records of more than ninety countries and territories are put into perspective in Human Rights Watch's signature yearly report. Reflecting extensive investigative work undertaken in 2016 by Human Rights Watch staff, in close partnership with domestic human rights activists, the annual World Report is an invaluable resource for journalists, diplomats, and citizens, and is a must-read for anyone interested in the fight to protect human rights in every corner of the globe.

The author of books for children describes her life, experiences as a single parent, and love for the natural world

Mesenchymal stem cell-derived exosomes are at the forefront of research in two

of the most high profile and funded scientific areas – cardiovascular research and stem cells. Mesenchymal Stem Cell Derived Exosomes provides insight into the biofunction and molecular mechanisms, practical tools for research, and a look toward the clinical applications of this exciting phenomenon which is emerging as an effective diagnostic. Primarily focused on the cardiovascular applications where there have been the greatest advancements toward the clinic, this is the first compendium for clinical and biomedical researchers who are interested in integrating MSC-derived exosomes as a diagnostic and therapeutic tool.

Introduces the MSC-exosome mediated cell-cell communication Covers the major functional benefits in current MSC-derived exosome studies Discusses strategies for the use of MSC-derived exosomes in cardiovascular therapies

In an updated rendition of her classic guide to Spanish cookery, the author of ¡Delicioso! and The Foods and Wines of Spain furnishes a variety of recipes, both old and new, for Spanish-style appetizers, sauces, pâtés, salads, and pastries, and includes menus and serving suggestions. 25,000 first printing.

Charles Napier has been a Hollywood actor for over 40 years. Square Jaw and Big Heart is the fascinating story of his life as a film and TV performer. Jim Carrey, Anthony Hopkins, Alfred Hitchcock, Gregory Peck, Tom Hanks, John Belushi, James Franco, Jack Nicholson, Sylvester Stallone are among some of the great personalities who pass through the chapters of this book. This book gives an inside look at the film and TV industry that you won't read about anywhere else.

Sam's peaceful existence in his wilderness home is disrupted when his sister runs away and his pet falcon is confiscated by a conservation officer.

Modern medicine has unprecedented power to heal human beings of physical and mental disease, to keep them health, and even to improve the human race. This power can be used to humanize life or to dehumanize and destroy it. It can be used justly to benefit all, or it can be used to benefit the few at the expense of the many. How to use such power is a question of values and, therefore, of individual and group decisions which are not merely technical but ethical. Two reasons have induced us to add to the already extensive literature on medical-ethical and bioethical topics. First, too much of this literature focuses on a few controversial but sometimes minor topics, while neglecting the broader and major issues affecting human health and the health care professions. Second, we want to assist Christian, and especially Catholic, health care professionals and health care facilities faced with the difficult and often puzzling responsibility of giving witness to a long tradition of humanistic health care, while working with other professionals and government agencies committed to diverse value systems. -from Introduction.

Against the background of concern about ministerial responsibility for the health of prisoners in Europe, the members of the WHO European Network on Prison and Health asked the WHO Regional Office for Europe to provide a document on the governance of prison health. A special Expert Group for the Stewardship of Prison Health and

members of the WHO European Network on Prison and Health have contributed to this document. The Expert Group concluded, with regard to institutional arrangements for prison health, that: (i) managing and coordinating all relevant agencies and resources contributing to the health and well-being of prisoners is a whole-of-government responsibility, and (ii) health ministries should provide and be accountable for health care services in prisons and advocate healthy prison conditions. The Expert Group considers that such governance of prison health is in accordance with and supportive of the new European policy for health, Health 2020, and will lead to better health and well-being of prisoners as part of better public health.

This book discusses different aspects of trauma surgery, ranging from the various types of trauma and their management, infection, sepsis and inflammation to tissue injury and repair in trauma. It discusses cellular, molecular and genetic research findings and their role in pathogenesis in trauma and injury. In addition, it highlights the translational application of advanced theories and technologies in the management of trauma patients. This book is a valuable resource for anyone involved in the management of severe trauma damage to tissues wanting to reduce early mortality and improve patients' quality of life.

From climate change to GM foods, we are increasingly confronted with complex, interconnected social and environmental problems that span disciplines, knowledge bases and value systems. This book offers a transdisciplinary, open approach for those working towards resolving these 'wicked' problems and highlights the crucial role of this 'transdisciplinary imagination' in addressing the shift to sustainable futures. Tackling Wicked Problems provides readers with a framework and practical examples that will guide the design and conduct of their own open-ended enquiries. In this approach, academic disciplines are combined with personal, local and strategic understanding and researchers are required to recognise multiple knowledge cultures, accept the inevitability of uncertainty, and clarify their own and others' ethical positions. The authors then comment on fifteen practical examples of how researchers have engaged with the opportunities and challenges of conducting transdisciplinary inquiries. The book gives those who are grappling with complex problems innovative methods of inquiry that will allow them to work collaboratively towards long-term solutions.

Create must-have applications for the latest Android OS The Android OS is a popular and flexible platform for many of today's most in-demand mobile devices. This full-color guide offers you a hands-on introduction to creating Android applications for the latest mobile devices. Veteran author Wei Meng Lee accompanies each lesson with real-world examples to drive home the content he covers. Beginning with an overview of core Android features and tools, he moves at a steady pace while teaching everything you need to know to successfully develop your own Android applications. Explains what an activity is and reviews its lifecycle Zeroes in on customizing activities by applying styles and themes Looks at the components of a screen, including LinearLayout, AbsoluteLayout, and RelativeLayout, among others Details ways to adapt to different screen sizes and adjust display orientation Reviews the variety of views such as TextView, ProgressBar, TimePicker, and more Beginning Android Application Development pares down the most essential steps you need to know so you can start creating Android applications today.

"The storytelling has vitality and a spirit of rebellion, giving us hope for the future of all

those bad girls with dirty faces and bad boys on bikes."—The New York Times "There is about Maggie Estep's work a directness, a clear determination—a drive to cut through, to break through, to claw through—that is impressive."—A.M. Homes, author of *The Mistress's Daughter* "Maggie Estep is the bastard daughter of Raymond Chandler and Anaïs Nin. Her prose is hard-boiled and sexy; she turns a good phrase and shows some leg."—Jonathan Ames, author of *Wake Up, Sir!* Alice Hunter is a thirty-six-year-old professional gambler living in Queens, New York. She is modestly successful as a horseplayer and enjoys her work. Though avidly pursued by her lover, Clayton, who she refers to as The Big Oaf, Alice's closest companion is Candy, a small spotted dog, and Alice likes it that way. When Clayton's overzealousness leads Alice to ask one of her racetrack cronies to intimidate Clayton into leaving her, a few things go wrong and Alice turns to her half-sister Eloise, a toy maker, whose own lover has just been killed in a freak accident. There is fierce love between Alice, Eloise, and Kimberly (their unconventional mother), but it takes Alice's accidental discovery of an awful secret Kimberly has been keeping to truly bring three eccentric women, seventeen dogs, and assorted lovers together. Maggie Estep has published six books, including *Hex*, a New York Times Notable Book of 2003. Her work has appeared in many magazines and anthologies including: *Brooklyn Noir*, *Queens Noir*, *Aloud: Voices from the Nuyorican Poets Café*, *The Best American Erotica*, and *The Outlaw Bible of American Poetry*. She has performed her work in a wide variety of venues ranging from Lincoln Center to Lollapalooza, Charlie Rose, and HBO's Def Poetry Jam. She lives in Woodstock, New York.

In *ALLOCATING HEALTH CARE RESOURCES*, leading authorities and researchers expose the basic philosophical, ethical, and economic issues underlying the current health care debate. The contributors wrestle with such complicated issues as whether it is ethical to ration health care, the morality of the worldwide bias against children in allocating health care resources, whether sin taxes can be defended morally, and how to achieve a just health care system. The book also includes an insightful analysis of the Clinton health care reform plan. *ALLOCATING HEALTH CARE RESOURCES* will be of interest to philosophers, health policy experts, medical ethicists, health professionals, and concerned citizens. It serves to clarify and illuminate the logic and rhetoric of health care reform, and so to help us all achieve a fair and equitable distribution of these precious resources.

In a hilarious collection of essays, rants, poems, stories, and observations, the author of *Diary of an Emotional Idiot* shares her thoughts on her own life, offers her opinionated portraits of characters ranging from Iggy Pop to jockey Chris Antley, and presents a selection of short fiction, including "The Applebaum and Dwyer Letter," an original tale written in collaboration with Rick Moody. Original. 15,000 first printing.

The voice of Atlanta Braves baseball for more than 30 seasons, the author recalls his life in and out of the broadcast booth, including his childhood in upstate New York; his job calling some the Braves's best games ever; and the sudden death of his colleague and friend Skip Caray, the son of Harry Caray.

Having drifted through thirty-three years of life, Ruby Murphy has put down roots in a rootless place: Coney Island. A recovering alcoholic who is fanatical in her love for animals and her misanthropic friends, Ruby lives above a furniture store and works at the musty Coney Island Museum. One day, Ruby is on the subway heading into

Manhattan when the train stalls between stations. An elegant blond woman with a scarred face strikes up a conversation, and a misunderstanding between the two women leads to an offer Ruby decides she can't refuse. The woman needs her boyfriend followed, and she thinks Ruby is the woman to do it—and do it right. Ruby's life has been flat and painful lately. The Coney Island Museum isn't doing much business, Ruby's live-in boyfriend has moved out, and her best friend Oliver is battling cancer. Ruby agrees to follow the woman's boyfriend, Frank, a man who works at Belmont Racetrack and seems to hang out in odd places with bad company. Ruby soon finds herself pushed headfirst into horse racing's seamy underbelly. This is a dangerous world where nothing is as it appears, and people and horses seem to have limited life spans. When Ruby finds herself staring down the barrel of a loaded gun, she begins to have second thoughts. Only now it's far too late.

A look at the emotional side of medicine—the shame, fear, anger, anxiety, empathy, and even love that affect patient care. Physicians are assumed to be objective, rational beings, easily able to detach as they guide patients and families through some of life's most challenging moments. But doctors' emotional responses to the life-and-death dramas of everyday practice have a profound impact on medical care. And while much has been written about the minds and methods of the medical professionals who save our lives, precious little has been said about their emotions. In *What Doctors Feel*, Dr. Danielle Ofri has taken on the task of dissecting the hidden emotional responses of doctors, and how these directly influence patients. How do the stresses of medical life—from paperwork to grueling hours to lawsuits to facing death—affect the medical care that doctors can offer their patients? Digging deep into the lives of doctors, Ofri examines the daunting range of emotions—shame, anger, empathy, frustration, hope, pride, occasionally despair, and sometimes even love—that permeate the contemporary doctor-patient connection. Drawing on scientific studies, including some surprising research, Dr. Danielle Ofri offers up an unflinching look at the impact of emotions on health care. With her renowned eye for dramatic detail, Dr. Ofri takes us into the swirling heart of patient care, telling stories of caregivers caught up and occasionally torn down by the whirlwind life of doctoring. She admits to the humiliation of an error that nearly killed one of her patients and her forever fear of making another. She mourns when a beloved patient is denied a heart transplant. She tells the riveting stories of an intern traumatized when she is forced to let a newborn die in her arms, and of a doctor whose daily glass of wine to handle the frustrations of the ER escalates into a destructive addiction. But doctors don't only feel fear, grief, and frustration. Ofri also reveals that doctors tell bad jokes about “toxic sock syndrome,” cope through gallows humor, find hope in impossible situations, and surrender to ecstatic happiness when they triumph over illness. The stories here reveal the undeniable truth that emotions have a distinct effect on how doctors care for their patients. For both clinicians and patients, understanding what doctors feel can make all the difference in giving and getting the best medical care.

Will Hodgkinson dreamt of being a guitar legend but never got round to it. Now in his thirties and married with children, he still nurtures hopes of emulating his heroes. So he decides to learn the guitar from scratch, start a band and play a gig before it's too late. On his journey of discovery, he picks up tips along the way from Johnny Marr and the Byrds' Roger McGuinn, and attempts to play Davey Graham's 'Anji'. Will his debut gig

end in bum notes, 'musical differences' and disaster?

Publisher's description: This text advances the philosophy of its previous editions into new territory, recasting it in light of emerging ideas and interests in philosophy in general and in philosophy of music in particular. The foundational concept--that the values of music are gained through direct experiences with its meaningful sounds--remains intact, but is explained and applied in broader, more inclusive scope, with a synergistic philosophical stance as the basis.

In this poetry collection, Cries from the Ocean, Ojotisa is carving a place for himself in the literary fora, reminiscent of the second generation poets in Nigeria. The collection adopts the commoners' language but retains its mark in literary depth and deft. Here, the poet-persona is pre-occupied with the multifarious colours of death and incarnations, love and its ultimate fulfilment and, the spiritual cum physical struggles of the land and its peoples. This collection, assuredly, will leave readers filled with wonder and delight.

COOKIE HAS THE PERFECT LIFE UNTIL ONE DAY EVERYTHING GOES UPSIDE DOWN WHEN SHE IS SEPARATED FROM HER MOMMY AND GETS LOST. NOW SHE MUST FIND HER WAY BACK HOME. FOLLOW COOKIE THE POMERANIAN AS SHE STRUGGLES AGAINST ALL ODDS TO FIND HER HOME AND HER MOMMY AND HER TWIN SISTER

In recent years, gap junction research in the cardiovascular system has considerably improved the understanding of cardiac function and the vasculature in health and disease. The present book focuses on the communication of intercellular gap junctions in

The novel tells the story of Zoey, a smut writer and receptionist at a dungeon in New York City. She is a self-described "emotional idiot." The chapters alternate between her life as a child, growing up with a father who was shattered in a parachuting accident turned horse trainer, and her life as an adult, where she writes smut and answers the phone for dominatrixes because she only possesses "a touch of sadism." The book cycles between different examples of sex and addiction. Zoey relates her representations of sex as a Catholic school-girl to her career as a pornographer. Her first kiss at age twelve, sweaty and struggling on the floor of a school bus on the return trip from summer camp, is a precursor to her messy, chaotic relationships with men as an adult. The novel never dips into the saccharine realm of compassion or redemption. Instead Estep portrays "emotional idiots" with deadpan honesty. Estep strips her characters of all defenses, so that by the end of the novel, the reader finds that they have been stripped as well.

The field of sexual behaviour has been notoriously neglected in social research and there has been no major survey of sexual behaviour since the Kinsey report in the late 1950s. Various social and health problems, including the AIDS epidemic and the increase in teenage pregnancies have recently underlined the need for an up to date and authoritative analysis of current sexual behaviour. Sexual Attitudes and Lifestyles is the result of a major statistical survey of the sexual behaviours and attitudes of 20,000 UK citizens, collected by written

questionnaires and face to face interviews. It is the most comprehensive and up to date source of information on human sexual behaviour available and the first official UK-based resource ever published.

Black's Medical Dictionary has been the best-selling medical dictionary for over 100 years. It is invaluable as a home reference and for all who need clear explanation of medical terms: nurses, health care professionals and students, health service management, actuaries, lawyers and journalists. It contains over 5000 definitions and descriptions of medical terms and concepts with over 1000 diagrams, drawings and colour illustrations. It also provides helpful appendices on common medical tests and procedures, travel and health, measurements in medicine, health economics, complementary and alternative medicine, and an address list of support professional organisations.

Who is the Ghost Rider, where did he come from? All this is answered and more in "Tale of the Ghost Rider." The Ghost Rider fights an insidious foe in "The Fire Ghost." With help from a friend, Ghost Rider becomes a transparent, bullet proof, crime fighter in "Spook Justice." A criminal thinks he can outsmart the Ghost Rider by hiding in his secret base in "A Trap for Nemesis." Ghost Rider is an exciting blend of horror and spaghetti-Western hero invented by Ray Krank and artist Dick Ayers in 1949. Ghost Rider is the original inspiration for a different, non-horror, comic where his horse was swapped for a motorcycle. These books are constantly updated with the best version Enjoy a nostalgic trip down memory lane with the best titles from the golden age of comics. Escamilla Comics has lovingly remastered these timeless classics with vivid color correction, image restoration and has also added an enhanced reading experience with Kindle Panel View The comic reprints from Calumet History and Hobby are reproduced from actual classic comics, and sometimes reflect the imperfection of books that are decades old.

From Maggie Estep, heralded author of *Diary of an Emotional Idiot*, comes this darkly funny collection of inter-connected stories. Jody Ray, a young psychiatrist, conceals her own nymphomania -- and a penchant for stiletto boots -- behind a conservative navy work suit. After Jody meets Rob and moves into his apartment, life for this nice, normal Jewish boy from Chicago will never be the same. Even without the speed she shoots to get through medical school, Jody's sexual and emotional demands would have pushed poor Rob to the suicide attempt that eventually turns him into one of her patients. Like Rob, the other men she meets cannot help but be caught and destroyed in the vortex she creates. Some flee to the relative safety of Jody's old acquaintance, Katie Murphy. Though a foul-mouthed former sex-phone operator, this lion tamer's daughter has come through life hopeful and intact. *Soft Maniacs* traces the interwoven lives of these two women as they struggle to make their way in an erratic world they can't quite get a grasp on. Through sharp, vigorous prose, underlaid with a piercing wit, Maggie Estep leads us on a roller coaster tour of the underbelly of their psyches, surprising and delighting us at every turn. At once

frightening and hilarious, heartbreaking and hopeful, Soft Maniacs is an unforgettable exploration of how people find one another in an accelerated world.
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