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When a meteorite lands in Surrey, the locals don't know what to make of it. But as Martians emerge and begin killing bystanders, it quickly becomes clear—England is under attack. Armed soldiers converge on the scene to ward off the invaders, but meanwhile, more Martian cylinders land on Earth, bringing reinforcements. As war breaks out across England, the locals must fight for their lives, but life on Earth will never be the same. This is an unabridged version of one of the first fictional accounts of extraterrestrial invasion. H. G. Wells's military science fiction novel was first published in book form in 1898, and is considered a classic of English literature.

Humanity pushed its way to the stars - and encountered the Gbaba, a ruthless alien race that nearly wiped us out. Earth and her colonies are now smoldering ruins, and the few survivors have fled to distant, Earth-like Safehold, to try to rebuild. But the Gbaba can detect the emissions of an industrial civilization, so the human rulers of Safehold have taken extraordinary measures: with mind control and hidden high technology, they've built a religion in which every Safeholdian believes, a religion designed to keep Safehold society medieval forever. 800 years pass. In a hidden chamber on Safehold, an android from the

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far human past awakens. This "rebirth" was set in motion centuries before, by a faction that opposed shackling humanity with a concocted religion. Via automated recordings, "Nimue" - or, rather, the android with the memories of Lieutenant Commander Nimue Alban - is told her fate: she will emerge into Safeholdian society, suitably disguised, and begin the process of provoking the technological progress which the Church of God Awaiting has worked for centuries to prevent. Nothing about this will be easy. To better deal with a medieval society, "Nimue" takes a new gender and a new name, "Merlin." His formidable powers and access to caches of hidden high technology will need to be carefully concealed. And he'll need to find a base of operations, a Safeholdian country that's just a little more freewheeling, a little less orthodox, a little more open to the new. And thus Merlin comes to Charis, a mid-sized kingdom with a talent for naval warfare. He plans to make the acquaintance of King Haarahld and Crown Prince Cayleb, and maybe, just maybe, kick off a new era of invention. Which is bound to draw the attention of the Church...and, inevitably, lead to war. It's going to be a long, long process. And David Weber's epic *Off Armageddon Reef* is can't-miss sci-fi.

Safehold Series 1. *Off Armageddon Reef* 2. *By Schism Rent Asunder* 3. *By Heresies Distressed* 4. *A Mighty Fortress* 5. *How Firm A Foundation* 6. *Midst Toil and Tribulation* 7. *Like A Mighty Army* 8. *Hell's Foundations* Quiver 9. *At the Sign*

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Reexamines the events that led to European conquest and domination of the Americas and the decimation of aboriginal cultures as rich in myth as European culture was barren

A radical reappraisal of Charles Darwin from the bestselling author of *Victoria: A Life*. With the publication of *On the Origin of Species*, Charles Darwin—hailed as the man who "discovered evolution"—was propelled into the pantheon of great scientific thinkers, alongside Galileo, Copernicus, and Newton. Eminent writer A. N. Wilson challenges this long-held assumption. Contextualizing Darwin and his ideas, he offers a groundbreaking critical look at this revered figure in modern science. In this beautifully written, deeply erudite portrait, Wilson argues that Darwin was not an original scientific thinker, but a ruthless and determined self-promoter who did not credit the many great sages whose ideas he advanced in his book. Furthermore, Wilson contends that religion and Darwinism have much more in common than it would seem, for the acceptance of Darwin's theory involves a pretty significant leap of faith. Armed with an extraordinary breadth of knowledge, Wilson explores how Darwin and his theory were very much a product of their place and time. The "Survival of the Fittest" was really the

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Survival of Middle Class families like the Darwins—members of a relatively new economic strata who benefited from the rising Industrial Revolution at the expense of the working classes. Following Darwin's theory, the wretched state of the poor was an outcome of nature, not the greed and neglect of the moneyed classes. In a paradigm-shifting conclusion, Wilson suggests that it remains to be seen, as this class dies out, whether the Darwinian idea will survive, or whether it, like other Victorian fads, will become a footnote in our intellectual history. Brilliant, daring, and ambitious, Charles Darwin explores this legendary man as never before, and challenges us to reconsider our understanding of both Darwin and modern science itself.

Examines myths and folk tales from around the world in an attempt to understand the symbolism of the hero as it appears in the mythologies and religions of mankind.

“The General Zapped an Angel was written for fun, and offers me a chance to smile at the absurdity of human existence. Therefore, these stories of fantasy and science fiction are among the most serious writing I have done.” —Howard Fast Nearly forty years after the publication of his first story, “The Wrath of Purple,” in the science fiction magazine *Amazing Stories*, Howard Fast returned to the genre with a set of nine supremely entertaining tales. In this collection, a

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Vietnam general shoots down what appears to be an angel, a man sells his soul to the devil for a copy of the next day's Wall Street Journal, and a group of alien beings bestow a mouse with human thought and emotion. Fast, one of the bestselling authors of the twentieth century, skewers war hawks, oil speculators, and profit-at-all-costs capitalism, issues that are still relevant today. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Howard Fast including rare photos from the author's estate.

Mankind and Mother Earth A Narrative History of the World New York : Oxford University Press

Fiver could sense danger. Something terrible was going to happen to the warren - he felt sure of it. So did his brother Hazel, for Fiver's sixth sense was never wrong. They had to leave immediately, and they had to persuade the other rabbits to join them. And so begins a long and perilous journey of a small band of rabbits in search of a safe home. Fiver's vision finally leads them to Watership Down, but here they face their most difficult challenge of all... Watership Down is an epic journey, a stirring tale of adventure, courage and survival against the odds.

The late German historian considers all forms and movements of human affairs as he predicts the inevitable eclipse of Western civilization, in an abridged edition of the classic study, first published more than eighty years ago. Reprint.

Balances science with spirituality in a study of human evolution, from the appearance of

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reflective consciousness to modern communications, and proposes three additional stages to be realized

From the oceans to continental heartlands, human activities have altered the physical characteristics of Earth's surface. With Earth's population projected to peak at 8 to 12 billion people by 2050 and the additional stress of climate change, it is more important than ever to understand how and where these changes are happening. Innovation in the geographical sciences has the potential to advance knowledge of place-based environmental change, sustainability, and the impacts of a rapidly changing economy and society. Understanding the Changing Planet outlines eleven strategic directions to focus research and leverage new technologies to harness the potential that the geographical sciences offer.

The continuing success of this series, highly regarded by scholars and the general reader alike, has prompted The Japan Society to commission this fourth volume, devoted as before to the lives of key people, both British and Japanese, who have made significant contributions to the development of Anglo-Japanese relations. The appearance of this volume brings the number of portraits published to over one hundred. The portraits cover diplomats (from Mori Arinori to Sir Francis Lindley), businessmen (from William Keswick to Lasenby Liberty), engineers and teachers (from W. E. Ayrton to Henry Spencer Palmer), scholars and writers (from Sir Edwin Arnold to Ivan Morris), as well as journalists, judo masters and the aviator Lord Semphill. In all,

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there are a total of 34 contributions.

The main purpose of this set of mission focused Commentaries is to fill a large gap. At least to my limited knowledge, a set of Bible Commentaries that has this same mission focus does not exist. It may be that I am uninformed since I served the Church as a foreign missionary in Nigeria my entire career from 1964-1997; and I had very little contact with developments in the field of Biblical studies during that period of time. Yet, this gap surprises me, since the entire Bible reveals, in many beautiful and carefully planned details, how God's mission-heart has always been busy carrying out his gracious mission-plan to lost mankind. I have, therefore, attempted to describe in my Commentaries some aspect of God's mission-plan in every verse of the New Testament, beginning with the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. All of Scripture reveals the mission-heart of God and his mission-plan. God is love (1 Jn 4:16), and therefore, he has a most gracious mission-heart. And mankind is the crown of his creation and the main object of his love; therefore, he has always longed to live together with all human beings in perfect relationships in a perfect world forever (Ezek 18:32; 1 Tim 2:4). That was and still is his eternal plan. However, he also created mankind with the freedom to choose whether they would return his love or not, since it would not be true love if he forced anyone to love him. After Adam and Eve bore children, the question is: did they tell them and others about God's love for them? The Old Testament gives us only a few clues that they must have done so. In spite of the fact that the early chapters of Genesis record many, many years of human history, we read about only a few people, such as Enoch (Gen 5:24) and Noah (Gen 6:9) who loved and worshipped God-but very few indeed! Then, after many years, God continued to develop his mission-plan by calling Abraham to be the father of a new nation, the nation of

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Israel, whom he chose to be his special people (Deu 7:7). He graciously gave Abraham faith in himself, and blessed him and his descendants, so that they would be able to be a blessing to all other nations by telling them about God's love for them (Gen 12:1-3). Then, "when the fullness of time had come" (Gal 4:4), God revealed the very heart of his mission-plan by sending his own Son, Jesus to be born into the nation of Israel as the only true God/man, in order to rescue all of lost mankind from sin (Lk 1:31-33). And then, after Jesus' ascension, God began to carry out the final stages of his mission-plan in a new era by beginning to create a new nation of Israel, the Church. He did so by sending his Holy Spirit to empower the mission-hearts of the faithful believers on Pentecost Day (Acts 1:8). Thus, the new Israel includes both a remnant of his chosen people from the old Israel as well as Gentiles from every nation on earth who trust in Jesus as their Lord (Rom 11:25-26). Furthermore, the Holy Spirit then also continued to inspire men to write down his holy Word in the New Testament, so that he can use both the Old and the New testaments to strengthen his Church, in order to prepare them to go and tell the Gospel to the lost people of all nations (Rom 10:17; Gen 12:1-3). And this last part of his mission-plan will not be complete until the Lord Jesus returns on the Last Day. And on that Last Day, God will finally fulfill his original plan by bringing together his new nation of Israel in order to live with them in a perfect new world forever (Rev 21:1-2).

The second of Roberts's epic novels of the American Revolution, *Rabble in Arms* was hailed by one critic as the greatest historical novel written about America upon its publication in 1933. Love, treachery, ambition, and idealism motivate an unforgettable cast of characters in a magnificent novel renowned not only for the beauty and horror of its story but also for its historical accuracy.



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This is the classic tale of "Frankenstein," first published in 1818 by Mary Shelley. It tells the story of Victor Frankenstein, a young scientist who creates a grotesque creature. The book is written in the form of letters and narratives by multiple narrators.

Thucydides of Athens, one of the greatest of historians, was born about 471 BCE. He saw the rise of Athens to greatness under the inspired leadership of Pericles. In 430, the second year of the Peloponnesian War, he caught and survived the horrible plague which he described so graphically. Later, as general in 423 he failed to save Amphipolis from the enemy and was disgraced. He tells about this, not in volumes of self-justification, but in one sentence of his history of the war—that it befell him to be an exile for twenty years. He then lived probably on his property in Thrace, but was able to observe both sides in certain campaigns of the war, and returned to Athens after her defeat in 404. He had been composing his famous history, with its hopes and horrors, triumphs and disasters, in full detail from first-hand knowledge of his own and others. The war was really three conflicts with one uncertain peace after the first; and Thucydides had not unified them into one account when death came sometime before 396. His history of the first conflict, 431–421, was nearly complete; Thucydides was still at work on this when the war spread to Sicily and into a conflict (415–413) likewise complete in his awful and brilliant record, though not fitted into the whole. His story of the final conflict of 413–404 breaks off (in the middle of a sentence) when dealing with the year 411. So his work was left unfinished and as a whole unrevised. Yet in brilliance of description and depth of insight this history has no superior. The Loeb Classical Library edition of Thucydides is in four volumes. Aldo Leopold's *A Sand County Almanac* has enthralled generations of nature lovers and conservationists and is indeed revered by everyone seriously interested in protecting the

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natural world. Hailed for prose that is "full of beauty and vigor and bite" (The New York Times), it is perhaps the finest example of nature writing since Thoreau's Walden. Now this classic work is available in a completely redesigned and lavishly illustrated gift edition, featuring over one hundred beautiful full-color pictures by Michael Sewell, one of the country's leading nature photographers. Sewell, whose work has graced the pages of Audubon and Sierra magazines, walked Leopold's property in Wisconsin and shot these photographs specifically for this edition, allowing readers to see Sand County as Leopold saw it. The resulting layout is spectacular. But the heart of the book remains Leopold's carefully rendered observations of nature. Here we follow Leopold throughout the year, from January to December, as he walks about the rural Wisconsin landscape, watching a woodcock dance skyward in golden afternoon light, or spying a rough-legged hawk dropping like a feathered bomb on its prey. And perhaps most important are Leopold's trenchant comments throughout the book on our abuse of the land and on what we must do to preserve this invaluable treasure. This edition also includes two of Leopold's most eloquent essays on conservation, "The Land Ethic" and "Marshland Elegy." With this gift edition of A Sand County Almanac, a new generation of readers can walk beside one of America's most respected naturalists as he conveys the beauty of a marsh before sunrise or the wealth of history to be found in an ancient oak.

Rod McBan 151st farms 'stroon', the immortality drug, and is the last scion of one of the oldest and most honourable families on Norstrilia, only source of stroon. But he's also a telepathic cripple and faces the ever-present risk of being culled under the government's draconian population laws. To protect himself, he uses his not-strictly-legal computer to play the market and amass an unimaginable fortune. But after he survives an assassination attempt, McBan

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discovers that having enough money to literally buy the Earth is no good if you're too dead to spend it . . .

Includes the Aerial Warfare In Europe During World War II illustrations pack with over 180 maps, plans, and photos. Gen Henry H. "Hap." Arnold, US Army Air Forces (AAF) Chief of Staff during World War II, maintained diaries for his several journeys to various meetings and conferences throughout the conflict. Volume 1 introduces Hap Arnold, the setting for five of his journeys, the diaries he kept, and evaluations of those journeys and their consequences. General Arnold's travels brought him into strategy meetings and personal conversations with virtually all leaders of Allied forces as well as many AAF troops around the world. He recorded his impressions, feelings, and expectations in his diaries. Maj Gen John W. Huston, USAF, retired, has captured the essence of Henry H. Hap Arnold—the man, the officer, the AAF chief, and his mission. Volume 2 encompasses General Arnold's final seven journeys and the diaries he kept therein.

"Highly informative and remarkably entertaining." —Elle From forest trails in Korea, to islands in Finland, to eucalyptus groves in California, Florence Williams investigates the science behind nature's positive effects on the brain. Delving into brand-new research, she uncovers the powers of the natural world to

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improve health, promote reflection and innovation, and strengthen our relationships. As our modern lives shift dramatically indoors, these ideas—and the answers they yield—are more urgent than ever.

Roseanne sold her soul to the devil in order to become famous--and now she wants it back. As controversial, original, and funny as ever, Roseanne returns to the page, honing her razor sharp observations on hypocrisy, hubris, tackling menopause, pharmaceuticals, and her grandkids, too. Bold, brash, and insightful, Roseanne discusses the humour of her everyday life alongside more serious topics as class warfare, feminism, the cult of celebrity, and Kabbalah. --On Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt: "They make about \$40 million a year in violent, psychopathic movies and give away three of it to starving children, trying to look as if they give a crap about humanity." --On depression meds: "Did you ever think maybe we're supposed to be depressed? The economy is in the crapper, there's a never ending war, our kids are ungrateful little bastards ... half the world is starving and the other half is trying to lose weight! Maybe we should be depressed."

Acknowledged as one of the greatest achievements of modern scholarship, Arnold Toynbee's *A Study of History* is a ten-volume analysis of the rise and fall of human civilizations. Contained in two volumes, D.C. Somervell's abridgement

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of this magnificent enterprise preserves the method, atmosphere, texture, and, in many instances, the very words of the original. First published in 1947 and 1957, these two volumes are themselves a great historical achievement. Volume 2, which abridges Volumes VII-X of Toynbee's study, includes sections on Universal States, Universal Churches, Heroic Ages, Contacts Between Civilizations in Space, Contacts Between Civilizations in Time, Law and Freedom in History, The Prospects of the Western Civilization, and the Conclusion. Of Somervell's work, Toynbee wrote, "The reader now has at his command a uniform abridgement of the whole book, made by a clear mind that has not only mastered the contents but has entered into the writer's outlook and purpose.

Edible insects have always been a part of human diets, but in some societies there remains a degree of disdain and disgust for their consumption. Insects offer a significant opportunity to merge traditional knowledge and modern science to improve human food security worldwide. This publication describes the contribution of insects to food security and examines future prospects for raising insects at a commercial scale to improve food and feed production, diversify diets, and support livelihoods in both developing and developed countries. Edible insects are a promising alternative to the conventional production of meat, either for direct human consumption or for indirect use as feedstock. This publication

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will boost awareness of the many valuable roles that insects play in sustaining nature and human life, and it will stimulate debate on the expansion of the use of insects as food and feed.

Examines and compares how each succeeding Greek civilization, Helladic, Mycenaen, Hellenic, Byzantine, and modern, has looked at its predecessor

In this groundbreaking book, Arnold, a pastor for over forty years, provides fresh biblical insights into critical issues including the sacredness of sex, the struggle against temptation, the decision to remain single or to marry, child rearing, homosexuality, divorce and remarriage.

"Sex, God, and Marriage" offers healing to anyone who has known discouragement or failure and hope to anyone who is willing to take a bold new look at a topic of universal interest and concern. Unlike the vast majority of marriage books, "Sex, God, and Marriage" digs deeper than the usual issues and goes to the root: our relationship with God, and the defining power of that relationship over all others in our lives."

Shortlisted for the 2021 Booker Prize Longlisted for the 2021 National Book Award for Fiction A heartrending new novel from the Pulitzer Prize–winning and #1 New York Times best-selling author of *The Overstory*. Named one of the Most Anticipated Books of 2021 by Newsweek, Los Angeles Times, New York Magazine, Chicago Tribune, BuzzFeed, BookPage, Goodreads, Literary Hub, The Millions, New Statesman, and Times of London The astrobiologist Theo Byrne searches for life throughout the cosmos while single-handedly raising his unusual nine-year-old, Robin, following the death of his wife. Robin is a warm, kind boy who spends hours painting elaborate pictures of endangered animals. He's also about to be expelled from third

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grade for smashing his friend in the face. As his son grows more troubled, Theo hopes to keep him off psychoactive drugs. He learns of an experimental neurofeedback treatment to bolster Robin's emotional control, one that involves training the boy on the recorded patterns of his mother's brain... With its soaring descriptions of the natural world, its tantalizing vision of life beyond, and its account of a father and son's ferocious love, *Bewilderment* marks Richard Powers's most intimate and moving novel. At its heart lies the question: How can we tell our children the truth about this beautiful, imperiled planet?

Arnold J Toynbee was a historian whose 12-volume *A Study of History* had a huge impact on the thinking of his day. This epic, multi-volume work offered a grand synthesis of world history from the global perspective of the rise and fall of civilizations, rather than concentrating on the history of nation-states or of ethnic groups. For *Time* magazine Toynbee was 'an international sage' and certainly in the same bracket as 'Einstein, Schweitzer or Bertrand Russell'. Daisaku Ikeda is a figure of global stature, the spiritual leader of a worldwide lay Buddhist organisation devoted to the promotion of education, culture and peace. Between 1971 and 1974 Toynbee and Ikeda discussed many of the vital issues which confronted their societies in the early 1970s, all of which remain current and significant. Indeed, topics such as the problems of pollution, dwindling natural resources, conflict and war, the role of religion, and population growth, are even more pressing than they were thirty years ago. In this volume - which still reads as freshly as it did when it was first published, and which is now reissued for a new generation of readers - the inspiring challenge issued by both men is framed as follows: will humankind choose to salvage its destiny by a revolution in thinking and morals? Or will disaster ensue if it pursues its present course towards self-destruction and the despoliation of

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the environment? While recognising that our survival is threatened by the imbalance between human immaturity and technological achievement, the optimistic message of this classic Dialogue is that man-made evils have a man-made cure.

The final work of the preeminent world historian of our time presents a general, balanced narrative of the world's great civilizations, East and West, from ancient Sumerian to modern technological

Contains a new preface written for this revised impression in which the author answers criticism for his ideas and underlines the continuing implications of this theory for the future -- Back cover.

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