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This book is for anyone interested in experimenting with alternative ways of organising teaching and learning.

During the last decade, national and international scientific organizations have become increasingly engaged in considering how to respond to the biosecurity implications of developments in the life sciences and in assessing trends in science and technology (S&T) relevant to biological and chemical weapons nonproliferation. The latest example is an international workshop, Trends in Science and Technology Relevant to the Biological Weapons Convention, held October 31 - November 3, 2010 at the Institute of Biophysics of the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Beijing. Life Sciences and Related Fields summarizes the workshop, plenary, and breakout discussion sessions held during this convention. Given the immense diversity of current research and development, the report is only able to provide an overview of the areas of science and technology the committee believes are potentially relevant to the future of the Biological and Toxic Weapons Convention (BWC), although there is an effort to identify areas that seemed particularly ripe for further exploration and analysis. The report offers findings and conclusions organized around three fundamental and frequently cited trends in S&T that affect the scope and operation of the convention: The rapid pace of change in the life sciences and related fields; The increasing diffusion of life sciences research capacity and its applications, both internationally and beyond traditional research institutions; and The extent to which additional scientific and technical disciplines beyond biology are increasingly involved in life sciences research. The report does not make recommendations about policy options to respond to the implications of the identified trends. The choice of such responses rests with the 164 States Parties to the Convention, who must take into account multiple factors beyond the project's focus on the state of the science.

Stroll through any public park in Brooklyn on a weekday afternoon and you will see black women with white children at every turn. Many of these women are of Caribbean descent, and they have long been a crucial component of New York's economy, providing childcare for white middle- and upper-middleclass families. Raising Brooklyn offers an in-depth look at the daily lives of these childcare providers, examining the important roles they play in the families whose children they help to raise. Tamara Mose Brown spent three years immersed in these Brooklyn communities: in public parks, public libraries, and living as a fellow resident among their employers, and her intimate tour of the public spaces of gentrified Brooklyn deepens our understanding of how these women use their collective lives to combat the isolation felt during the workday as a domestic worker. Though at first glance these childcare providers appear isolated and exploited—and this is the case for many—Mose Brown shows that their daily interactions in the social spaces they create allow their collective lives and cultural identities to flourish. Raising Brooklyn demonstrates how these daily interactions form a continuous expression of cultural preservation as a weapon against difficult working conditions, examining how this process unfolds through the use of cell phones, food sharing, and informal economic systems. Ultimately, Raising Brooklyn places the organization of domestic workers within the framework of a social justice movement, creating a dialogue between workers who don't believe their exploitative work conditions will change and an organization whose members believe change can come about through public displays of solidarity.

Joyous "noels" resound in this bright, festive holiday celebration from gifted composer Victor Johnson. Contrasting legato sections add to the musical interest and help to spell success in this excellent programming choice for young and developing choirs.

One more website about cooking? Good! Okay ! But Visions Gourmandes has a specific vocation ... Art in the presentation and dressing of a beautiful plate! We all admire the beautiful presentations that make us great Chefs of the French gastronomy. We all would like to impress our guests with superb dishes artistically decorated. We all want our guests to feast first watching our plates before serving . This is what offers to make this site! The art and techniques of dressing a plate in the manner of artists and Chefs of the world wide gastronomy. Learn to master the tools , techniques, and basic graphic rules for staging your favorite culinary delights. Tell us your ideas, your achievements, your tips, your technology, your photos, your infos. Together, we will gather and share our experiences for the same page to help us bluff our guests! So enjoy this page and bon appétit !...

This book explores how the Spanish kingdoms were highly influenced by the arrival of the Dominican and Franciscan friars in the thirteenth century. The Dominicans and the Franciscans, who were already very active in the Peninsula in the life of their founder, Francis of Assisi, were particularly prominent. The Dominican and Franciscan friars were to have an enormous impact, pervading almost every aspect of the society of late medieval Spain. In a revolutionary break from the Church's past these religious were heavily involved in the world, in preaching the message of the Gospel to the laity, while in education, they produced many of the greatest scholars of the age. Likewise, they transformed urban life, becoming an essential part of the fabric of the late medieval city. Equally the friars transformed the hierarchy of the Church, often taking up major positions in the episcopate. The friars were to the fore in the establishment of the Inquisition in the Crown of Aragon and, for very similar reasons, played the major part in attempting to teach the Gospel message to the Muslims as the Christian kingdoms expanded to the south. They greatly influenced the policies of monarchs such as that of James I of Aragon and Ferdinand III of Castile. Their missions in the towns and their educational role, as well as their strong associations with the papacy and the crown, often lead them into conflict with other religious and with secular society. They also suffered internal tensions and major splits. They were to be both widely admired and the subject of biting literary satire. Francisco García-Serrano ultimately argues how the story of medieval Spain cannot possibly be told without these important groups of friars.

Leadership is critical to nursing and is displayed across a wide range of settings including the practice environment, management, education and research. As such, Clinical Leadership: Innovation into action is directed towards 'ground level' clinical staff, many of whom are, although they may not see it, clinical leaders in health care organisations. The book offers practical, research-based guidance and examples that will inspire, motivate, support and facilitate clinical leaders (or aspiring clinical leaders) in the application of clinical leadership skills. Written for health professionals who act principally in direct client/patient care, it describes the difference between leadership and management. It sets

out a new theory of leadership: congruent leadership, primarily focused on how nurses and other health professionals lead at the bedside. Containing case studies and activities, Clinical Leadership supports nursing students, nurse practitioners and health professionals as they strive to develop clinical leadership skills, and as such clinical excellence. The book aims not only to develop, but also support strong nursing leaders, equipping them with the skills needed to foster future nurses for generations to come.

Renowned economist and author of Big Business Tyler Cowen brings a groundbreaking analysis of capitalism, the job market, and the growing gap between the one percent and minimum wage workers in this follow-up to the New York Times bestseller The Great Stagnation. The United States continues to mint more millionaires and billionaires than any country ever. Yet, since the great recession, three quarters of the jobs created here pay only marginally more than minimum wage. Why is there growth only at the top and the bottom? Economist and bestselling author Tyler Cowen explains that high earners are taking ever more advantage of machine intelligence and achieving ever-better results.

Meanwhile, nearly every business sector relies less and less on manual labor, and that means a steady, secure life somewhere in the middle—average—is over. In Average is Over, Cowen lays out how the new economy works and identifies what workers and entrepreneurs young and old must do to thrive in this radically new economic landscape.

Sixteen-year-old Buddy Boyle makes a shattering discovery about his family in this powerful and poignant novel by award-winning author M. E. Kerr. Buddy Boyle lives with his parents and younger brother in a small house on a half-acre of land in undesirable Seaville, New York. Skye Pennington spends her summers on the opposite end of town on five acres with a view of the ocean. Buddy's dad is a police sergeant; Skye's is the head of a multi-million-dollar industry. But none of that stops Buddy and Skye from falling in love. To impress her, Buddy takes Skye to visit his aristocratic grandfather in Montauk. Frank Trenker is Buddy's mother's father, a man she never talks about. Just as Buddy feels he's getting to know his estranged grandfather, reporter Nicholas De Lucca shows up. For three years, he's been searching for a notorious Nazi war criminal known as Gentlehands. When De Lucca uncovers a shocking connection to Buddy's grandfather, Buddy refuses to believe the accusations. One of M. E. Kerr's very best novels, Gentlehands tells a spellbinding story of love, loyalty, and the family you thought you knew. This ebook features an illustrated personal history of M. E. Kerr including rare images from the author's collection.

This textbook provides students, researchers, and engineers in the area of electrical engineering with advanced mathematical optimization methods. Presented in a readable format, this book highlights fundamental concepts of advanced optimization used in electrical engineering. Chapters provide a collection that ranges from simple yet important concepts such as unconstrained optimization to highly advanced topics such as linear matrix inequalities and artificial intelligence-based optimization methodologies. The reader is motivated to engage with the content via numerous application examples of optimization in the area of electrical engineering. The book begins with an extended review of linear algebra that is a prerequisite to mathematical optimization. It then precedes with unconstrained optimization, convex programming, duality, linear matrix inequality, and intelligent optimization methods. This book can be used as the main text in courses such as Engineering Optimization, Convex Engineering Optimization, Advanced Engineering Mathematics and Robust Optimization and will be useful for practicing design engineers in electrical engineering fields. Author provided cases studies and worked examples are included for student and instructor use.

Many of the earliest books, particularly those dating back to the 1900's and before, are now extremely scarce and increasingly expensive. We are republishing these classic works in affordable, high quality, modern editions, using the original text and artwork.

Previously titled the Atlas of Clinical Gynecology a " Urogynecology, the new, four-color edition of the atlas is a comprehensive visual presentation of common gynecologic problems encountered in daily practice. Topics covered include anatomy, congenital anomalies, neurophysiology, pathophysiology, urinary incontinence and retention, overactive bladder, fecal incontinence, pelvic organ prolapse, genitourinary and rectovaginal fistulae and urethral diverticulae, and irritations and injuries to the genitourinary tract. This extensive collection of images, including photographs, charts, tables, algorithms, and diagrams, is an invaluable reference and teaching tool.

The LNCS series reports state-of-the-art results in computer science research, development, and education, at a high level and in both printed and electronic form. Enjoying tight cooperation with the R&D community, with numerous individuals, as well as with prestigious organizations and societies, LNCS has grown into the most comprehensive computer science research forum available. The scope of LNCS, including its subseries LNAI and LNBI, spans the whole range of computer science and information technology including interdisciplinary topics in a variety of application fields. In parallel to the printed book, each new volume is published electronically in LNCS Online.

Natasha Munro is your typical twenty eight year old girl, well your typical twenty eight year old English loud 'n' proud Geordie; curvy, fun and a whole load of fab-u-lous. Her life is all going to plan - good job, great friends, close family and a loving boyfriend - until an unexpected event stands everything on its head. Nursing a broken heart and decked head-to-toe in tasselled chaps and rhinestones, Natasha and her flamboyant fairy of a gay best friend, Tink, uproot from their North-Eastern nest, throw caution to the wind and embark on a new life together in Canada. Canada - Land of the Rocky Mountains, maple syrup; oh, and an 'in-between movies' Hollywood mega-star. Enter infamous bad-boy of the big screen, Tudor North - Tudor 'bloody' North! Tudor is towering, brooding and gorgeous, and he is harbouring a deep secret. His outward demeanour is cold and intimidating, and with it he successfully keeps everyone at arm's length; that is everyone except a certain Ms. Munro. It soon becomes clear; what with her smart mouth and lusciously ample arse, that Natasha proves more than a match for our emotionally-distant mega-star. Will Natasha settle into her new life in Canada? Will she ever find her fairytale happy ending? Can a movie star and an ordinary girl from England ever really make it work? Or will the secrets lurking in Tudor's past scupper their chance of happiness? Eternally North is addictive, funny and heart-warming; a fast paced comedic journey of self-discovery; unyielding friendship and, of course, it would not be complete without a generous sprinkling of good old-fashioned British 'slap-and-tickle'. **WARNING:** Contains a foul-mouthed voluptuous Brit; a self-confessed and self-promoted Friggin' Fantastic Fairy; and an abundance of tattoo-smothered muscles nicely wrapped up in one gorgeous bad-boy package. Blue Sky God interprets some new scientific theories with blue sky thinking to bring radical insights into God, Jesus and humanity, drawing also on some deep wells from the past in the writings of the early Christians. In an accessible style, it looks at science research and theories in areas such as quantum physics and consciousness, epigenetics, morphic resonance and the zero point field. From there, seeing God as the compassionate consciousness at the ground of being, it draws together strands to do with unitive consciousness and the Wisdom way of the heart. Throughout, it seeks to encourage an evolution in understanding of the Christian message by reinterpreting much of the theological language and meaning that has become 'orthodoxy' in the West. In doing so, it challenges many of the standard assumptions of Western Christianity. It outlines a spiritual path that includes elements from all of the world's great religions, is not exclusive, and yet has a place of centrality for Jesus the Christ as a Wisdom teacher of the path of transformative love.

In Dear Friend, you must change your life, we see some of the most fascinating thinkers in history at their most private and profound, reaching out to a friend, sharing, testing, confirming discoveries about the complexity of life, how to rise above its hardships and enjoy its pleasures. We see writers embrace the roots of philosophical thought afresh, by grappling with real, lived experience, giving us unique insight into their ideas and worldviews that their more polished, public work often does not provide. We see artists sound the foundations of their artistic and moral integrity. Ranging from Seneca and Marcus Aurelius to Flora Tristan and Walter Benjamin, to Elizabeth of Bohemia and Giacomo Leopardi, to Mahatma Gandhi and Maurice B ejart, we see how the philosophical letter as a form of thinking, and thinking freely, spans across the ages and often forms some of the most interesting and lively of philosophical writings. Each letter is given a contextualising preface by an expert that brings out the reason this particular letter is a philosophical letter for life. As such, Dear Friend, you must change your life provides a unique introduction to an array of thinkers throughout history as well as an argument for philosophy as conversation, a conversation which has been ongoing for centuries.

During the dreary winter, a baker decides to bring warmth to her town by baking bread as golden and glorious as the sun itself.

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A unique, arresting and versatile document of the traumatic earthquake which hit Haiti in 2010 and its aftermath. Encased in a cardboard box, the project comprises 16 unbound posters and a map page which draws attention to the epicentre and its rippling impact on the population of the island. The unique format allows the viewer to absorb each page individually or to hang the entire project. The visual testimony to the events of the the first days after the event are provided by award-winning photographer Ron Haviv and the essay by esteemed writer Simon Winchester.

Usage of the political keyword 'propaganda' by the Chinese Communist Party has changed and expanded over time. These changes have been masked by strong continuities spanning periods in the history of the People's Republic of China from the Mao Zedong era (1949–76) to the new era of Xi Jinping (2012–present). Redefining Propaganda in Modern China builds on the work of earlier scholars to revisit the central issue of how propaganda has been understood within the Communist Party system. What did propaganda mean across successive eras? What were its institutions and functions? What were its main techniques and themes? What can we learn about popular consciousness as a result? In answering these questions, the contributors to this volume draw on a range of historical, cultural studies, propaganda studies and comparative politics approaches. Their work captures the sweep of propaganda – its appearance in everyday life, as well as during extraordinary moments of mobilization (and demobilization), and its systematic continuities and discontinuities from the perspective of policy-makers, bureaucratic functionaries and artists. More localized and granular case studies are balanced against deep readings and cross-cutting interpretive essays, which place the history of the People's Republic of China within broader temporal and comparative frames. Addressing a vital aspect of Chinese Communist Party authority, this book is meant to provide a timely and comprehensive update on what propaganda has meant ideologically, operationally, aesthetically and in terms of social experience.

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