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All of these eight wonderful stories are about what people will do for love, and the unexpected routes their passion will force them to take. An old landlady in Vancouver who alarms the just-married narrator with her prim advice about married life – and “the peculiar threat” of a china cabinet that must be washed once a month – is shown to have conspired when young in a crime of passion. A young mother, at the mercy of the “radiant explosion” that comes when she thinks of her secret life, abandons her baby and four-year old to be with her lover in the story “The Children Stay.” A gruff old country doctor in the 1960s is discovered by his daughter to be helping desperate women, his “special patients.” An impetuous young woman meets a visiting Indian student and conceives on a train from Vancouver to Toronto because of “the fact that you couldn’t get condoms around the Calgary station, not for love or money.” An Ontario farm wife’s affair drives her husband to commit a murder; its discovery, years later, will act as a negotiating point for a new, presumably satisfactory, marriage. The book is clear-eyed about the imperfections of marriage, the clutter of our emotional lives, and the impermanence of love: “Not that that was the end. For we did make up. But we didn’t forgive each other.” Even the shared memories of earlier times prove to be a minefield, and many of the stories track the changes that time brings over generations to families, lovers, and even to friends who share old, intimate secrets about “the prostration of love.” As always these stories by Alice Munro are shot through with humour, and are as rich as novels. As always the characters in the stories are easily, sometimes uncomfortably, recognizable as people like us. One quote summarizes the delightful surprises that await the reader: “Did you ever think that people’s lives could be like that and end up like this? Well, they can.”

There is nothing new about evil; it has been with us since time immemorial. But there is something new about the kind of evil that characterizes our contemporary liquid-modern world. The evil that characterized earlier forms of solid modernity was concentrated in the hands of states claiming monopolies on the means of coercion and using the means at their disposal to pursue their ends ends that were at times horrifically brutal and barbaric. In our contemporary liquid-modern societies, by contrast, evil has become altogether more pervasive and at the same time less visible. Liquid evil hides in the seams of the canvass woven daily by the liquid-modern mode of human interaction and commerce, conceals itself in the very tissue of human cohabitation and in the course of its routine and day-to-day reproduction. Evil lurks in the countless black holes of a thoroughly deregulated and privatized social space in which cutthroat competition and mutual estrangement have replaced cooperation and solidarity, while forceful individualization erodes the adhesive power of inter-human bonds. In its present form evil is hard to spot, unmask and resist. It seduces us by its ordinariness and then jumps out without warning, striking seemingly at random. The result is a social world that is comparable to a minefield: we know it is full of explosives and that explosions will happen sooner or later but we have no idea when and where they will occur. In this new

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book, the sequel to their acclaimed work *Moral Blindness* Zygmunt Bauman and Leonidas Donskis guide the reader through this new terrain in which evil has become both more ordinary and more insidious, threatening to strip humanity of its dreams, alternative projects and powers of dissent at the very time when they are needed most. Ancient cultures have left written evidence of a variety of scientific texts. But how can/should they be translated? Is it possible to use modern concepts (and terminology) in their translation and which consequences result from this practice? Scholars of various disciplines discuss the practice of translating ancient scientific texts and present examples of these texts and their translations.

"The work of Giorgio Caproni has been translated into French, German, and Chinese, among others, but this collection is his first book-length English publication. His works are finely tuned to modern man's preoccupations with existence in a world deprived of certainties (for example, the existence or inexistence of God). Most are touched by experiences such as the Second World War and its atrocities, the Resistance Movement, or the death of loved ones, events that represent the conviction of a subject that will do its best to survive all adversity, uncompromised" -- from the Introduction by Pasquale Verdicchio

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Steps forward in mathematics often reverberate in other scientific disciplines, and give rise to innovative conceptual developments or find surprising technological applications. This volume brings to the forefront some of the proponents of the mathematics of the twentieth century, who have put at our disposal new and powerful instruments for investigating the reality around us. The portraits present people who have impressive charisma and wide-ranging cultural interests, who are passionate about defending the importance of their own research, are sensitive to beauty, and attentive to the social and political problems of their times. What we have sought to document is mathematics' central position in the culture of our day. Space has been made not only for the great mathematicians but also for literary texts, including contributions by two apparent interlopers, Robert Musil and Raymond Queneau, for whom mathematical concepts represented a valuable tool for resolving the struggle between 'soul and precision.'

Here in one volume, are the essential writings in the 34 notebook's Cioran left behind at his death, not a journal but a sort of exercise manual, in which he tries out his formulations, perfects the expression of his obsessions and whims. The Notebooks are rich in anecdotes, accounts of meetings, portraits of friends and enemies, descriptions of excursions and sleepless nights. Here are the lists, day after day, of failures, sufferings, anxieties, terrors, rages, and humiliations, curiously at odds with the daytime Cioran, so mocking and tonic, so comical and various. These brief entries constitute a backstage glimpse of a tormented mind, wise in its very torments, solitary in its wisdom.

Cosimo di Rondó, a young Italian nobleman of the eighteenth century, rebels against his parents by climbing into the trees and remaining there for the rest of his life. He adapts efficiently to an existence in the forest canopy—he hunts, sows crops, plays games with earth-bound friends, fights forest fires, solves engineering problems, and even manages to have love affairs. From his perch in the trees, Cosimo sees the Age of Enlightenment pass by and a new century dawn.

Il tema della presenza longobarda nel sud ha conosciuto nel tempo una minore fortuna archeologica, eccetto sporadiche eccezioni, rispetto a quanto è avvenuto nel centro-nord della penisola. Ci sono delle ragioni che spiegano questa situazione: il maggiore e più precoce radicamento dei Longobardi nell'Italia settentrionale; un'evidenza archeologica che, per

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quanto consegnata quasi alla sola dimensione funeraria, è senz'altro quantitativamente superiore. Tuttavia questa 'fortuna', seppure precoce, non ha aiutato nel passato a costruire un'archeologia medievale in Italia; e, nel contempo, questa maggiore attenzione ha ben poco contribuito a sviluppare nuovi modelli teorici di approccio allo studio dei contesti funerari, diversamente da quanto è avvenuto, a partire dagli anni '80 del secolo scorso, in molte altre regioni europee, a seguito dell'affermarsi del post-processualismo. Questo volume di oltre 500 pagine costituisce un testo estremamente utile per chi voglia affrontare, d'ora in avanti, lo studio del periodo longobardo nel sud della penisola. Un periodo che si presenta in forme certo meno chiare rispetto a quanto non sia possibile percepire, ad esempio, nel nord dell'Italia, dove l'unitarietà del Regno, per quanto non continua nel tempo, facilita e giustifica la possibilità di letture più generali. La creazione, nel sud, di ducati sostanzialmente autonomi, provoca quel senso di frammentazione che anche questo libro non nasconde, anzi tende in qualche modo ad enfatizzare. Si tratta di un approccio che va sicuramente condiviso e perseguito, anche per superare quelle declinazioni generalizzanti che rischiano di appiattire la lettura dei processi storici su alcune parole d'ordine come la 'militarizzazione' del territorio; oppure leggono la presenza longobarda quasi esclusivamente attraverso l'evidenza funeraria, legandola alla sola rappresentazione etnico-culturale.

The main theme of Giorgio Bassani's novels and short stories, which have earned him wide acclaim outside Italy, has been the advent of anti-Semitism in the provincial Italian city of Ferrara during World War II. Earlier he had a successful career as an editor with a major publishing house, being credited with helping to bring to public notice *The Leopard* by Tomasi Lampedusa. Bassani edited a literary magazine and was director of the Italian radio-television network. His first collection of short pieces was *A City on the Plain*, written under the pseudonym Giacomo Marchi. His volumes of poems were finally collected and published in 1963. The stories and novels that were to make him famous abroad began to appear in the 1950s. They include *A Prospect of Ferrara* (1960), and *The Gold Rimmed Spectacles* (1960). A film version of *The Garden of the Finzi-Continis* (1962) by Vittorio De Sica has become a public television classic.

Elsa Morante has long been recognized internationally as one of the most significant, innovative, and important writers of the 20th century Italy. Nonetheless, there has, to date, been no full-length study in English dedicated to her work. Critical perspectives on Morante's literary achievement have shifted dramatically in recent years, and while this volume proposes to offer the first comprehensive evaluation of Morante to appear outside Italy, it also aims to take into account modern critical and theoretical developments. The authors' aim is to underline Morante's centrality in a broader context which goes beyond Italian national frontiers and deserves critical attention across a range of transcultural disciplines, departing from the traditional realm of philological analysis to encompass approaches informed by cultural and interdisciplinary studies. This volume gives a comprehensive insight into current thinking on and understanding of Elsa Morante's work. This book places her work in a much wider context of European culture, and traces her influence on a younger generation of writers.

The Clothes They Stood Up In is Alan Bennett's first story. Like Charles Dickens' novels which were first published in magazines, it originally appeared in the *London Review of Books* - which the author says 'seems to me (and not just because I occasionally contribute to it) the liveliest, most serious and also the most radical literary periodical we have'.

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Covers the years 28 to 5 BC; includes Dio's discussion of the constitutional settlement of 27 BC and the imperial system it inaugurated.

This landmark collection of essays by one of the world's greatest living authors makes Durs Grünbein's wide-ranging and multifaceted prose available in English for the first time, and is a welcome complement to *Ashes for Breakfast*, his first book-length collection of poetry in English. Covering two decades, *The Bars of Atlantis* unfurls the entire breadth and depth of Grünbein's essayistic genius. Memoiristic and autobiographical pieces that introduce Grünbein, the man and the author, and tell the story of the making of a poet and thinker toward the end of a century marked by global political strife, unprecedented human suffering, long decades of totalitarian rule, and, in its final quarter, the dawn of a new, post-Cold War world order; essays that focus on Grünbein's major philosophical and aesthetic concerns, such as the intersection of art and science, literature and biology; extended reflections on the existential, cultural, political, and ethical import of the poet's craft in the contemporary world; and, finally, explorations of the meaning of classical antiquity for the present—all contribute to making. This Is A New Release Of The Original 1895 Edition.

The first commentary to adopt an integrated approach to *Satire 6* by drawing together a multiplicity of different perspectives.

Epigraphic Evidence is an accessible guide to the responsible use of Greek and Latin inscriptions as sources for ancient history. It introduces the types of historical information supplied by inscriptional texts and the methods with which they can be used. It outlines the limitations as well as the advantages of the different types of evidence covered. *Epigraphic Evidence* includes a general introduction, a guide to the arrangement of the standard corpora inscriptions and individual chapters on local languages and native cultures, epitaphs and the ancient economy amongst others.

The masterpiece of travel writing that revolutionized the genre and made its author famous overnight An exhilarating look at a place that still retains the exotic mystery of a far-off, unseen land, Bruce Chatwin's exquisite account of his journey through Patagonia teems with evocative descriptions, remarkable bits of history, and unforgettable anecdotes. Fueled by an unmistakable lust for life and adventure and a singular gift for storytelling, Chatwin treks through "the uttermost part of the earth"—that stretch of land at the southern tip of South America, where bandits were once made welcome—in search of almost-forgotten legends, the descendants of Welsh immigrants, and the log cabin built by Butch Cassidy. An instant classic upon publication in 1977, *In Patagonia* is a masterpiece that has cast a long shadow upon the literary world. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

Fenoglio's last work, the short -partisan novel- entitled "A" "Private Matter, " was published in April of 1963, two months after the author's death. Had he been alive, Fenoglio would have been happy to witness the enthusiasm which greeted the publication of his book. Among those who read the novel and praised it most highly we find Italo Calvino: -And it was the most solitary of us who succeeded in writing the novel we all wanted to write about the war (...) Only now thanks to Fenoglio, we can say that a season was completed, and only now we are certain that it really existed: the season that goes from "Il sentiero dei nidi di ragno" (1947) to

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"Una questione privata" (1963).-

Hai mai pensato a cosa potrebbe succedere se domani, al tuo risveglio, aprendo la finestra e guardando fuori, ti accorgessi che la tua città è letteralmente invasa da una moltitudine brulicante di cervi, daini & c.? Un esilarante racconto di fanta-umorismo metropolitano.

Introduction, text and translation, detailed commentary and indices to Aeneid 2 are here offered on a scale not previously attempted and in keeping with the author's previous Virgil commentaries (Aeneid 3, 7 and 11); the volume is aimed primarily at scholars, rather than undergraduates.

Originally published in 1985, this book contains a full translation of Giovanni Boccaccio's L'Ameto, alongside textual notes. Giovanni Boccaccio is famous for his great collection of short stories, the Decameron, but his other literary accomplishments are generally less well-known. Yet he helped revive the Latin eclogue and epistle and fostered the study of Greek; he made the major Renaissance compilation of classical myths, established the pastoral romance, and began formal Dante criticism. Among his more minor works belongs the Ameto, the first modern pastoral romance, translated here.

A moving portrait of Sicilian fishermen who endure misfortune with humor and courage, this 1881 novel by an acclaimed realist writer offers a revealing look at life in post-revolutionary Italy.

The illegitimate son of a fortune teller, Ezio Comparoni (1920-52) never knew his father, rarely left his home town, and admitted no one to his home. His deliberate obscurity was compounded by his use of many pseudonyms, including Silvio d'Arzo, under which he wrote the remarkable novella and three stories collected in The House of Others. The novella The House of Others is among the rare perfect works of twentieth century fiction. In a desolate mountain village an old woman visits the parish priest, ostensibly to ask about dissolving a marriage. Gradually, as she probes for information on "special cases"--cases in which what is obviously wrong can also be irrefutably right--it becomes clear her true question is whether or not she might take her own life. The question is metaphysical, involving not only the woman's life but the priest's; and to it he has no answer.

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