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The Kaisho - Eric Van Lustbader 2015-02-03
From New York Times bestselling author Eric Lustbader, the suspense mastermind behind the smash bestsellers featuring Robert Ludlum's™ Jason Bourne, comes a blockbuster thriller of one man's debt of honor—and his ultimate destiny. Years ago,

Nicholas Linnear, a.k.a. "the Ninja," made a promise to his father: If a man named Mikio Okami ever sought his help, he would respond without question, no matter the cost. Now the time has come to fulfill his pledge. Okami is the Kaisho—the boss of bosses of the Yakuza, the Japanese underworld—and in his Venice

headquarters, he realizes that he has been marked for death. But the identity of the assassin and the inexorable compulsion that drives him are shrouded in mysticism and madness. Honor bound to protect Okami, Linnear is prepared to make the ultimate sacrifice: a descent into a chasm of knowledge so potent, of dangers so unfathomable, that even if he survives, he will emerge changed forever.

The Road to Jerusalem LP -

Jan Guillou 2009-04-21

For power. For passion. For glory. The epic story of the knights templar. Born in 1150 to a noble family in the Kingdom of Western Götaland, young Arn Magnusson is marked early on by a miraculous and fateful event. When the boy inexplicably recovers after falling from the parapet of his ancestral home, his mother finds herself beholden to a promise made in a moment of prayer. Arn, second-born son of Magnus Folkesson, will live his life in the service of God—sent from his family to do holy work and

to prepare for a position in the priory. At Varnhem monastery, Arn comes of age under the tutelage of Father Henri, a Cistercian monk devoted to his aristocratic pupil's education. However, grammar, math, and logic are not the only lessons: Brother Guilbert, the monastery blacksmith and former Knight Templar, finds Arn adept at training of a very different kind. Observing the boy's extraordinary talent with horse, sword, and bow, Father Henri, trusting in God's will, sends his charge into the world to fulfill a destiny that lies beyond the cloister walls. Returning home, Arn finds his monastic habits at odds with his clan's old and tested ways. Yet his family soon discovers that Arn has learned more than poetry and farm work, and he proves himself useful at a time when he is needed most. The murder of a king has brought Western Götaland into a whirlwind of intrigue, and cunning lords from East and West are vying for power. And, when Arn meets the lovely Cecilia, he discovers this new

and dangerous world holds other surprises too. Before he can claim her hand, however, the headstrong and naïve noble makes a fateful mistake that will wrench him from his love and send him to a foreign war—to the Holy Land to battle infidels for twenty years. From the frozen landscapes of Northern Europe to the bloody battlefields of the Middle East, Arn will face brave knights, powerful queens, and treacherous kings. The first book in the international bestselling Crusades Trilogy, this thrilling epic of betrayal, faith, blood, and love sets "a Shakespearian quest for power" (Corriere della Sera, Italy) against the backdrop of the Holy Wars, witnessed through a vibrant, unorthodox lens.

The Confidant - Helene Gremillon 2012-10-30
"A gripping first novel" (Le Figaro Littéraire) and an award-winning international sensation as haunting and unforgettable as Suite Française Paris, 1975. Camille sifts through letters of

condolence after her mother's death when a strange, handwritten missive stops her short. At first she believes she received it by mistake. But then, a new letter arrives each week from a mysterious stranger, Louis, who seems intent on recounting the story of his first love, Annie. They were separated in the years before World War II when Annie befriended a wealthy, barren couple and fell victim to a merciless plot just as German troops arrive in Paris. But also awaiting Camille's discovery is the other side of the story, which will call into question Annie's innocence and reveal the devastating consequences of jealousy and revenge. As Camille reads on, she begins to realize that her own life may be the next chapter in this tragic story.

The Daughter of Siena - Marina Fiorato 2011-05-10
As the wards of the city of Siena in 1729 Tuscany prepare for an annual horse race where rivalries run high, young Pia Tolomei nurtures a secret, forbidden love for a rider of an

opposing ward. By the best-selling author of *The Botticelli Secret* and *The Glassblower of Murano*. 75,000 first printing.

The Mammoth Hunters -

Jean M. Auel 1986-11-01

Once again Jean M. Auel opens the door of a time long past to reveal an age of wonder and danger at the dawn of the modern human race. With all the consummate storytelling artistry and vivid authenticity she brought to *The Clan of the Cave Bear* and its sequel, *The Valley of Horses*, Jean M. Auel continues the breathtaking epic journey of the woman called Ayla. Riding Whinney with Jondalar, the man she loves, and followed by the mare's colt, Ayla ventures into the land of the Mamutoi--*The Mammoth Hunters*. She has finally found the Others she has been seeking. Though Ayla must learn their different customs and language, she is adopted because of her remarkable hunting ability, singular healing skills, and uncanny fire-making technique. Bringing back the single pup of a lone wolf she has killed, Ayla

shows the way she tames animals. She finds women friends and painful memories of the Clan she left behind, and meets Ranec, the dark-skinned, magnetic master carver of ivory, whom she cannot refuse--inciting Jondalar to a fierce jealousy that he tries to control by avoiding her. Unfamiliar with the ways of the Others, Ayla misunderstands, and thinking Jondalar no longer loves her, she turns more to Ranec. Throughout the icy winter the tension mounts, but warming weather will bring the great mammoth hunt and the mating rituals of the Summer Meeting, when Ayla must choose to remain with Ranec and the Mamutoi, or to follow Jondalar on a long journey into an unknown future.

Frida's Bed - Slavenka

Drakulic 2008-08-26

A beautifully imagined story of the last days of Frida Kahlo's life A few days before Frida Kahlo's death in 1954, she wrote in her diary, "I hope the exit is joyful and I hope never to return." Diagnosed with polio at the age of six and

plagued by illness and injury throughout her life, Kahlo's chronic pain was a recurrent theme in her extraordinary art. In *Frida's Bed*, Slavenka Drakulić explores the inner life of one of the world's most influential female artists, skillfully weaving Frida's memories into descriptions of her paintings, producing a meditation on the nature of chronic pain and creativity. With an intriguing subject whose unusual life continues to fascinate, this poignant imagining of Kahlo's thoughts during her final hours by another daringly original and uncompromising creative talent will attract readers of literary fiction and art lovers alike.

Loving Che - Ana Menendez
2007-12-01

In this "evocative first novel," an elderly woman looks back on the world of revolutionary Cuba as she recalls her intimate, secret love affair with Ernesto "Che" Guevara (Publishers Weekly). A young Cuban woman has been searching in vain for details of

her birth mother. All she knows of her past is that her grandfather fled the turbulent Havana of the 1960s for Miami with her in tow, and that pinned to her sweater—possibly by her mother—were a few treasured lines of a Pablo Neruda poem. These facts remain her only tenuous links to her history, until a mysterious parcel arrives in the mail. Inside the soft, worn box are layers of writings and photographs. Fitting these pieces together with insights she gleaned from several trips back to Havana, the daughter reconstructs a life of her mother, her youthful affair with the dashing, charismatic Che Guevara and the child she bore by the enigmatic rebel. *Loving Che* is a brilliant recapturing of revolutionary Cuba, the changing social mores, the hopes and disappointments, the excitement and terror of the times. It is also an erotic fantasy, a glimpse into the private life of a mythic public figure, and an exquisitely crafted meditation on memory, history, and storytelling.

Finally, *Loving Che* is a triumphant unveiling of how the stories we tell about others ultimately become the story of ourselves. "A moving novel from a writer to watch."

—Publishers Weekly "Inventive and hypnotic . . . [An] artful and restless examination of the exile soul." —Los Angeles Times "[Menendez] captures Cuba's potential, its desperation and decay, and also its dark humor." —The New York Times "The writing is consistently beautiful. Highly recommended." —Library Journal

A Novel of London Milos Crnjanski 2020-04-14

Here at long last in English, almost five decades after the publication of the original, is the classic of European modernism that established Serbian writer Milos Crnjanski as one of the great voices of the 20th century. The novel follows an aging Russian émigré, Nikolai Repnin, as he attempts to make a life in the British capital in the 1940s.

Chances - Jackie Collins
2012-06-05

"Contains... all the goodies that make today's bestsellers." - New York Post In the internationally bestselling first book of the iconic Lucky Santangelo series, smart, sexy and savvy Lucky Santangelo finds running her family's criminal empire exhilarating. She will do whatever it takes to ensure her self-made mob boss father, Gino, doesn't return from his self-imposed exile. But of course, Gino has other plans. Lucky tries to enlist the help of Costa Zennocotti, her father's right-hand man but quickly learns his loyalty lies only with Gino. . . at least for now. As Lucky impressively plots to keep control, suspense builds through a series of interwoven stories, past and present, that create a rich tantalizing tapestry of intrigue involving an unforgettable cast of characters. There's Lucky's younger brother, Dario, who's being terrorized by his manipulative male lover. There's Steven Berkely, the charismatic lawyer Lucky gets trapped with in an elevator during the New York City

blackout of 1977. And then there's Steven's mother, Carrie, the elegant society wife, who's being blackmailed to keep the shocking events of her past concealed—and by an adversary that may hit too close to home. As secrets old and new are revealed, Jackie Collins's masterful storytelling sweeps readers from the height of the family's power in the 1970s, to the streets of 1920s New York City, where the crime enterprise first originated, from the playgrounds of Europe to the glittering gambling palaces of Las Vegas, in a steamy, sensual, page-turning epic saga that builds to a stunning climax and leaves you yearning for more. Adapted in the 90s into a highly successful NBC mini-series, the Santangelo novels are currently being developed for TV once again by Working Title Productions and the updated series is set to be compulsive, sexy and totally binge-worthy! hr "Chances should be called The Godfather goes to bed." - CNN "Chances starts out with a bang - and

never lets up for over 600 sex-packed pages." - Variety hr Read the whole Lucky Santangelo series! 1. Chances 2. Lucky 3. Lady Boss 4. Vendetta: Lucky's Revenge 5. Dangerous Kiss 6. Drop Dead Beautiful 7. Poor Little Bitch Girl 8. Goddess of Vengeance 9. Confessions of a Wild Child - Lucky: The Early Years 10. The Santangelos 11. A Santangelo Story hr Lost in America - Isaac Bashevis Singer 1981 Autobiographical. **Embers of Heaven** - Alma Alexander 2019-08-29 The International Bestselling Sequel to The Secrets of Jin-shei Four hundred years after the events in The Secrets of Jin-shei, the Syai Empire is on the brink of civil war. A new voice preaching equality promises hope for the downtrodden, but the ensuing people's revolution brings terror, reeducation camps, and a chance of brutal retribution or even death to anyone seen as embracing the old ways. An outsider and a child of two worlds, Amais searches her

ancestral home, the land of Syai, for the lost magical bond of jin-shei, the women's oath. Her quest will bring her to the very man who may destroy her and her family... and who has an improbable hold on her heart. As individuals, they are antagonists, even enemies—and yet, as two halves of a whole, they are the last hope for the survival of Syai...

Quietly in Their Sleep -

Donna Leon 2009-02-24

A nun has left her convent after a series of suspicious deaths: "Leon's novels are always a pleasure." —The Washington Post In Venice, Italy, Commissario Guido Brunetti comes to the aid of a young Catholic sister, who has left her convent after five of her nursing home patients died unexpectedly. In the course of his inquiries, Brunetti encounters an unusual cast of characters, but discovers nothing that seems criminal. The police detective must determine whether the nun is simply creating a smoke screen to justify abandoning her

vocation—or if she has stumbled onto something very real and very sinister that places her own life in imminent danger. "Leon's books shimmer in the grace of their setting and are warmed by the charm of their characters." —The New York Times Book Review Also published under the title *The Death of Faith*

The Lady and the Unicorn -

Tracy Chevalier 2004-12-28

A tour de force of history and imagination, *The Lady and the Unicorn* is Tracy Chevalier's answer to the mystery behind one of the art world's great masterpieces—a set of bewitching medieval tapestries that hangs today in the Cluny Museum in Paris. They appear to portray the seduction of a unicorn, but the story behind their making is unknown—until now. Paris, 1490. A shrewd French nobleman commissions six lavish tapestries celebrating his rising status at Court. He hires the charismatic, arrogant, sublimely talented Nicolas des Innocents to design them. Nicolas creates havoc among the women in the

house—mother and daughter, servant, and lady-in-waiting—before taking his designs north to the Brussels workshop where the tapestries are to be woven. There, master weaver Georges de la Chapelle risks everything he has to finish the tapestries—his finest, most intricate work—on time for his exacting French client. The results change all their lives—lives that have been captured in the tapestries, for those who know where to look. In *The Lady and the Unicorn*, Tracy Chevalier weaves fact and fiction into a beautiful, timeless, and intriguing literary tapestry—an extraordinary story exquisitely told.

A Sultan in Palermo - Tariq Ali 2013-10-15

An ailing king attempts to unify the Christian and Muslim worlds of medieval Sicily in this “marvelously paced and boisterously told novel of intrigue” (*The Guardian*). Amid the chaos and misery of the Middle Ages, Sicily proved to be an island in more ways than one. Even after Christians reconquered the island, the

citizens retained their Muslim culture. One ruler became a bridge between worlds, speaking Arabic fluently, maintaining a harem, and even taking on the dual titles of King Roger of Sicily and Sultan Rujari of Siqilliya. Aiding Rujari is the Muslim cartographer Muhammad al-Idrisi. As the Sicilian leader descends into old age and the island is pulled toward European values, al-Idrisi is caught between his friendship with Rujari and the plots of resistance brewing among his fellow Muslims. Pride and friendship collide with greed and lust in Tariq Ali’s rich novel of medieval Sicily.

Losi ng Jul i-Jonathan Hull 2012-02

During World War I, Patrick bonds with Daniel, but it is Daniel’s lover, Julia, who changes Patrick forever. Daniel shares his letters from Julia with Patrick, and soon, Patrick feels Julia’s presence wherever he is. Ten years later Patrick and Julia meet in France, and after a brief encounter, Patrick makes a fateful choice.

Second Childhood - Clifford D. Simak 2016-03-10

Achieving immortality is only half of the problem. The other half is knowing how to live with it once it's been made possible—and inescapable!

Knjiga Adema Kahrimana - Nedžad Ibrišimović 1994

So Vast the Prison - Assia Djebar 2011-01-04

So Vast the Prison is the double-threaded story of a modern, educated Algerian woman existing in a man's society, and, not surprisingly, living a life of contradictions. Djebar, too, tackles cross-cultural issues just by writing in French of an Arab society (the actual act of writing contrasting with the strong oral traditions of the indigenous culture), as a woman who has seen revolution in a now post-colonial country, and as an Algerian living in exile. In this new novel, Djebar brilliantly plays these contradictions against the bloody history of Carthage, a great civilization the Berbers were once

compared to, and makes it both a tribute to the loss of Berber culture and a meeting-point of culture and language. As the story of one woman's experience in Algeria, it is a private tale, but one embedded in a vast history. A radically singular voice in the world of literature, Assia Djebar's work ultimately reaches beyond the particulars of Algeria to embrace, in stark yet sensuous language, the universal themes of violence, intimacy, ostracism, victimization, and exile.

Bridget Jones Mid About the Boy - Helen Fielding 2013-10-16

When Helen Fielding first wrote Bridget Jones's Diary, charting the life of a 30-something singleton in London in the 1990s, she introduced readers to one of the most beloved characters in modern literature. The book was published in 40 countries, sold more than 15 million copies worldwide, and spawned a best-selling sequel, Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason. The two books were turned into

major blockbuster films starring Renée Zellweger, Hugh Grant and Colin Firth. With her hotly anticipated third instalment, *Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy*, Fielding introduces us to a whole new enticing phase of Bridget's life set in contemporary London, including the challenges of maintaining sex appeal as the years roll by and the nightmare of drunken texting, the skinny jean, the disastrous email cc, total lack of twitter followers, and TVs that need 90 buttons and three remotes to simply turn on. An uproariously funny novel of modern life, *Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy* is a triumphant return of our favourite Everywoman.

The Betrayers - Harold Robbins 2005-07-10

Luz had nighthead, the sensuous quality in a woman that makes men ache with desire. Nick loved and lusted for her the first time he saw her. But what he didn't know was that Luz had secrets--that beneath the glamour and sex appeal was a woman determined to turn her back on

wealth and challenge a corrupt political system. Even if doing so meant her life. Nick started out dirt poor--as a child, he survived the war-torn frozen hell of the siege of Leningrad and saw his mother starve to death as fat-cat bureaucrats ate well. He learned early that there were the haves and have-nots in this world. He was going to get everything rich people had--and more. From a brutal Soviet orphanage to a plantation in the steamy jungles of the Caribbean, from sultry, violent Havana to the dangerous streets of Santo Domingo, Nick battled men who controlled and exploited the wealth of nations. With bootleg vodka and exotic rum, he built a business empire that would one day bring him into conflict with the most brutal dictator in the Caribbean--and a struggle for the love and life of the only woman he ever truly loved. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Vita Brevis - Jostein Gaarder

2010-11-25

A playful and inventive work from the bestselling author of SOPHIE'S WORLD. A box of Latin manuscripts comes to light in an Argentine flea market. An apocryphal invention by some 17th or 18th century scholar, or a transcript of what it appears to be - a hitherto unheard of letter to St Augustine to a woman he renounced for chastity? VITA BREVIS is both an entrancing human document and a fascinating insight into the life and philosophy of St. Augustine. Gaarder's interpretation of Floria's letter is as playful, inventive and questioning as SOPHIE'S WORLD.

Lovers - Judith Krantz

2011-07-13

Lovers is pure Krantz, an intoxicating dance of love lost, stolen, and found among women and men who lure each other with potent combinations of money, talent, ambition, and passion. Chief among them is irresistible Gigi Orsini, the high-spirited, merry, adventurous creature who grew up into enchanting

womanhood in Scruples Two.

Now Gigi is working as a copywriter in a new Los Angeles advertising agency, with her creative "teammate," David Melville, a brilliant young art director who joins her in seeking new accounts. The agency is headed by dashing Archie Rourke, humorous Byron Bernheim and the severely difficult beauty, Victoria Frost, daughter of the famed Millicent Frost Caldwell who, with her husband Angus Caldwell, owns one of New York's largest advertising agencies. Ben Winthrop, a proper Bostonian and an enormously successful mall builder, attempts to capture Gigi's quicksilver affections, although his fierce contenders for the same prize include both David Melville and the dominating film director, Zach Nevsky. Meanwhile, Billy Winthrop Ikehorn Orsini Elliott, the unforgettably impulsive heroine of Scruples, and her new husband, the great charmer, Spider Elliott, are busy with their own fascinating lives, as are Gigi's

father, canny film producer Vito Orsini, and her best friend, the ravishing Sasha Nevsky, none of whom can be forgotten from *Scruples* and *Scruples Two*. *Lovers* completes all the stories set in motion in the first two novels, yet it stands entirely on its own as a slice of life in the exciting years of 1983 and 1984.

The Plains of Passage (with Bonus Content)- Jean M. Auel
2010-10-06

Ayla, the heroine first introduced in *The Clan of the Cave Bear*, is known and loved by millions of readers. Now, in *The Plains of Passage*, Ayla's story continues. Ayla and Jondalar set out on horseback across the windswept grasslands of Ice Age Europe. To the hunter-gatherers of their world--who have never seen tame animals--Ayla and Jondalar appear enigmatic and frightening. The mystery surrounding the woman, who speaks with a strange accent and talks to animals with their own sounds, is heightened by her uncanny control of a large, powerful wolf. The tall, yellow-

haired man who rides by her side is also held in awe, not only for the magnificent stallion he commands, but also for his skill as a crafter of stone tools, and for the new weapon he devises, the spear-thrower. In the course of their cross-continental odyssey, Ayla and Jondalar encounter both savage enemies and brave friends. Together they learn that the vast and unknown world can be difficult and treacherous, but breathtakingly beautiful and enlightening as well. All the pain and pleasure bring them closer to their ultimate destination, for the orphaned Ayla and the wandering Jondalar must reach that place on earth they can call home. As sweeping and spectacular as the land she creates, Jean M. Auel's *The Plains of Passage* is an astonishing novel of discovery, danger, and love, a triumph for one of the world's most original and popular authors. This eBook includes the full text of the novel plus the following additional content: • An Earth's Children® series sampler

including free chapters from the other books in Jean M. Auel's bestselling series • A Q&A with the author about the Earth's Children® series

Long Spoon Lane - Anne Perry 2011-10-04

"[Anne] Perry has once again delivered the tasty concoction her readers have come to expect . . . and presents us with moral and political puzzles that are all too close to our own."—Los Angeles Times Book Review After bombs explode during an anarchist attack in Long Spoon Lane, two of the culprits are captured and the leader is shot . . . but by whom? As Thomas Pitt of the Special Branch delves into the case, he finds that there's more to the terrorism than the brutality of misguided idealists. Clues suggest that Inspector Wetrton is the mastermind. As the shadowy leader of the Inner Circle, Wetrton is using his influence with the press to stir up fears of more attacks and to rush a bill through Parliament that would severely curtail civil liberties. To defeat Wetrton, Pitt must run in

harness with his old enemy, Sir Charles Voisey. The unlikely allies are joined by Pitt's clever wife, Charlotte, and her great aunt, Lady Vespasia Cumming-Gould. As they strive to prevent future destruction, nothing less than the fate of the British Empire hangs in precarious balance.

Arlington Park - Rachel Cusk 2007

Follows a single rainy day in the lives of the inhabitants of Arlington Park in the English suburbs, as they live out the dubious accomplishments of their lives in a world rife with contentment and anxiety, but empty of belief.

The Writing on My Forehead LP - Nafisa Haji 2009-03-03

From childhood, willful, intelligent Saira Qader broke the boundaries between her family's traditions and her desire for independence. A free-spirited and rebellious Muslim-American of Indo-Pakistani descent, she rejected the constricting notions of family, duty, obligation, and fate, choosing instead to become a journalist, the world

her home. Five years later, tragedy strikes, throwing Saira's life into turmoil. Now the woman who chased the world to uncover the details of other lives must confront the truths of her own. In need of understanding, she looks to the stories of those who came before—her grandparents, a beloved aunt, her mother and father. As Saira discovers the hope, pain, joy, and passion that defined their lives, she begins to face what she never wanted to admit—that choice is not always our own, and that faith is not just an intellectual preference.

Plum Island - Nelson DeMille
2003-06-01

#1 NEW YORK TIMES
BESTSELLER CELEBRATING
THE 20th ANNIVERSARY
WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY
THE AUTHOR Wounded in the
line of duty, NYPD homicide
detective John Corey
convalesces in the Long Island
township of Southold, home to
farmers, fishermen -- and at
least one killer. Tom and Judy
Gordon, a young, attractive
couple Corey knows, have been

found on their patio, each with
a bullet in the head. The local
police chief, Sylvester Maxwell,
wants Corey's big-city
expertise, but Maxwell gets
more than he bargained for.
John Corey doesn't like
mysteries, which is why he
likes to solve them. His
investigations lead him into the
lore, legends, and ancient
secrets of northern Long Island
-- more deadly and more
dangerous than he could ever
have imagined. During his
journey of discovery, he meets
two remarkable women,
Detective Beth Penrose and
Mayflower descendant Emma
Whitstone, both of whom
change his life irrevocably.
Ultimately, through his
understanding of the murders,
John Corey comes to
understand himself. Fast-paced
and atmospheric, marked by
entrancing characters,
incandescent storytelling, and
brilliant comic touches, Plum
Island is Nelson DeMille at his
thrill-inducing best.

The Shelters of Stone - Jean
M. Auel 2002
Ayla and Jondalar continue

their epic journey across Ice Age Europe to join Jondalar's people, the Zelandonii, confronting new hardships and perilous challenges along the way.

Lodgers - Nenad Veličković
2005-09-06

Published as the siege of Sarajevo ended, Lodgers is a hilarious, unsentimental report from the front lines of the Balkan wars of the 1990s. Detergent mixed with flour, museum relics sold to U.N. peacekeepers, the magic power of laminated accreditation-all of the folly and the horror of that time are revealed in the sarcastic report of the novel's teenage would-be authoress.

The Philosophy Steamer -
Lesley Chamberlain 2007

In 1922, Lenin personally drew up a list of some 160 undesirable intellectuals mostly philosophers, academics, scientists and journalists to be deported from the new Soviet State. Were going to cleanse Russia once and for all he wrote to Stalin, whose job it was to oversee the deportation. Two ships sailed

from Petrograd that autumn, taking Old Russias eminent men and their families away to what would become permanent exile in Berlin, Prague and Paris. Lesley Chamberlain creates a rich portrait of this chilling historical moment, evoked with immediacy through the journals, letters, and memoirs of the exiles.

A Century of War - F. William Engdahl 2012

This Book is a Gripping Account of the Murky World of the Anglo-American Oil Industry and its Hidden Role in World Politics. William Engdahl takes the reader through the history of how seven giant oil companies - five American and two British - developed a controlling grip on the world's economy unprecedented in history. This is no ordinary history of oil. It is a history of global politics, more precisely of global geopolitics - how control of strategic geographical pivot regions first British and later American interests to control in large part the world economy. The book sheds light for the first

time on such events as the 1973 oil shock - a sudden 400% rise in the price of the world's most essential commodity in a matter of weeks. What William Engdahl reveals, with flawless documentation, will shock most people. The implications are even more devastating. He also documents how oil played an essential role in the ultimate collapse of the Soviet Union, in the rise and fall of the Taliban in Afghanistan, in the US occupation of Iraq and countless other events not normally understood in such a light. Contents: Ch. 1. The Three Pillars of the British Empire. Ch. 2. The Lines are Drawn: Germany and the Geopolitics of the Great War. Ch. 3. A Global Fight for Control of Petroleum Begins. Ch. 4. Oil Becomes the Weapon, the Near East the Battleground. Ch. 5. Combined & Conflicting Goals: U.S. Rivals Britain. Ch. 6. The Anglo-Americans Close Ranks. Ch. 7. Oil and a New World Order of Bretton Woods. Ch. 8. A Sterling Crisis and the Adenauer-de Gaulle Threat. Ch.

9. Running the World Economy in Reverse: Who Made the 1970's Oil Shocks? Ch. 10. Europe, Japan and a Response to the Oil Shock. Ch. 11. Imposing the New World Order. Ch. 12. From Evil Empire to the Axis of Evil. Ch. 13. A New Millennium for Oil Geopolitics.

Martin and Hannah -

Catherine Clément 2001

Two women come together at the bedside of a dying man. One is his wife, one his mistress. A layered tale of undying love and never ending war.

East of the Sun Julia Gregson
2009-06-02

From award winner Julia Gregson, author of *Jasmine Nights*, this sweeping international bestseller brilliantly captures the lives of three young women on their way to a new life in India during the 1920s. As the *Kaisar-I-Hind* weighs anchor for Bombay in the autumn of 1928, its passengers ponder their fate in a distant land. They are part of the "Fishing Fleet"—the name given to the

legions of English women who sail to India each year in search of husbands, heedless of the life that awaits them. The inexperienced chaperone Viva Holloway has been entrusted to watch over three unsettling charges. There's Rose, as beautiful as she is naïve, who plans to marry a cavalry officer she has met a mere handful of times. Her bridesmaid, Victoria, is hell-bent on losing her virginity en route before finding a husband of her own. And shadowing them all is the malevolent presence of a disturbed schoolboy named Guy Glover. From the parties of the wealthy Bombay socialites to the poverty of Tamarind Street, from the sooty streets of London to the genteel conversation of the Bombay Yacht Club, *East of the Sun* takes us back to a world we hardly understand but yearn to know. This is a book that has it all: glorious detail, fascinating characters, and masterful storytelling.

The Pilot's Wife - Anita

Shreve 1998-05-06

When her husband, a pilot, dies

in an airplane crash off the Irish coast, Kathryn Lyons finds herself in the media spotlight as rumors abound of her husband's shocking secret past. By the author of *The Weight of Water*. 50,000 first printing. Tour.

The Ministry of Special Cases - Nathan Englander
2011-06-16

Kaddish Poznan chips the names off gravestones for a living, removing traces of disreputable ancestors for their more respectable kin. His wife Lillian works in insurance, earning money when people live longer than they fear. As Argentina's Dirty War unfolds around them, their sometimes hilarious misadventures are soon replaced by something much darker. A visit to the dreaded Ministry of Special Cases is only the start of Englander's stunning vision of a nation in the hold of corruption and torture, a place where absurdity, despair and hope are the end products of a bureaucracy run out of control. *The Shape of Snakes* Minette Walters 2009-04-02

A psychological thriller about race, family, and the brutal power of raw emotion. Mrs. Ranelagh has never stopped thinking about the dead body she found in the gutter twenty years ago, during Britain's Winter of Discontent. "Mad Annie," as she was known, was the only black resident of her West London neighborhood and openly despised by the community. The police called her death an accident, but Mrs. Ranelagh has always suspected it was murder. However, her pleas for an investigation were met with a vicious hate campaign that drove her and her husband from the country. Now, determined to uncover the truth, Mrs. Ranelagh has returned to England, where she quickly discovers a sordid trail of domestic violence, racism and adultery that shockingly could lead back to her own family.

Hollywood Wives - Jackie Collins 1987-08

Provides a glittering glimpse of the alluring luxury- and temptation-filled lives of the wives of Hollywood's "royalty"--

the wheelers and dealers and stars whose lives are patterned after the fantasies of their films. Reissue.

The Land of Painted Caves (with Bonus Content) - Jean

M. Auel 2011-03-29

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BESTSELLER • In this, the extraordinary conclusion of the ice-age epic series, Earth's Children®, Ayla, Jondalar, and their infant daughter, Jonayla, are living with the Zelandonii in the Ninth Cave. Ayla has been chosen as an acolyte to a spiritual leader and begins arduous training tasks.

Whatever obstacles she faces, Ayla finds inventive ways to lessen the difficulties of daily life, searching for wild edibles to make meals and experimenting with techniques to ease the long journeys the Zelandonii must take while honing her skills as a healer and a leader. And there are the Sacred Caves that Ayla's mentor takes her to see. They are filled with remarkable paintings of mammoths, lions, and bears, and their mystical aura at times overwhelms Ayla.

But all the time Ayla has spent in training rituals has caused Jondalar to drift away from her. The rituals themselves bring her close to death, but through them Ayla gains A Gift of Knowledge so important that it will change her world. **BONUS:** This edition contains a reading guide and an interview with Jean M. Auel. Sixth in the acclaimed Earth's Children® series.

My Family Right Or Wrong -

Ephraim Kishon 1983-01-01

A collection of short humorous stories involving the author and his family.

Fathers and Forefathers -

Slobodan Selenic 2011-06-08

A touching story of cultural difference and tested loyalties. Set in Belgrade before WWII, Fathers and Forefathers tells

the story of the marriage between a Steven, a Serb, and Elizabeth, an Englishwoman. After meeting at an English university they marry and leave England to build their life together. Steven's narrative and Elizabeth's letters home reveal two very different personal accounts of the difficulties this involves. Raised in Serbia their son, Mihajlo, is ashamed of his mixed parentage and rebels against his non-Serbian ancestry. On the eve of the war, Steven's loyalties are challenged when his counsel is sought by both the Serbian king and the opposition. He resolves to keep his distance from the conflict, but Mihajlo's more radical response forces him to become involved, and tragedy engulfs the family.