

Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About The Tudors But Were Afraid To Ask

Whatever its faults, the Indian bureaucracy cannot be accused of bias when it comes to confounding those who have to deal with it. Veteran insiders who return to it with their petitions after retirement are as clueless about how it functions as freshly minted supplicants. Outsiders in any case have little knowledge of who is responsible for what and why or how to navigate that critical proposal through the treacherous shoals of the secretariat. At the top of the heap is the fast-tracked elite civil servant, who belongs to a group of generalist and specialized services selected through a competitive examination. The aura of the Indian Administrative Service has remained intact over the years. Lack of awe, bordering on civilized disrespect, is a most effective learning tool. In this humorous, practical book, T.R. Raghunandan aims to deconstruct the structure of the bureaucracy and how it functions, for the understanding of the common person and replaces the anxiety that people feel when they step into a government office with a healthy dollop of irreverence.

Explore the facts, myths, science, history, and more behind infectious diseases from around the world with this ultimate trivia collection that will have you equally freaked out and fascinated. Taking a friendly approach to a serious subject, *The Big Book of Infectious Disease Trivia* answers all of your questions about pandemics, epidemics, and diseases—plus, it covers all of the bizarre questions you never thought to ask! From familiar diseases like influenza to ancient diseases like leprosy to oddly named diseases like mad cow disease, this

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trivia book tackles the mind-blowing facts and obscure details about many infectious diseases—past, present, and future. Get ready to broaden your understanding of humanity's many illnesses, from survivable to deadly, with answers to questions like: What is the difference between an epidemic and a pandemic? What is the oldest known infectious disease? How is COVID-19 different from the flu and pneumonia? Who invented the face mask? What is herd immunity? What does it take to have an infectious disease declared "eradicated"? And more! With historical facts along with pop culture references, *The Big Book of Infectious Disease Trivia* is a must-have for anyone fascinated by infectious diseases.

The Universe is a beautiful, awe-inspiring place - from glowing nebulae to the sweeping majesty of the Milky Way, from complex cloud patterns on Jupiter to the rippling curtains of aurorae. But many of us struggle to grasp the complex ideas and science behind it all, or to see how it relates to our everyday lives. In this mind-expanding book, Professor Andrew Newsam draws on his vast expertise to show us what's going on beyond the limits of our planet, from our solar system to distant galaxies - and what this tells us about our own place in this vast expanse called 'the Universe'. Will our explorations of our neighbouring planets reveal life or a new place to settle? What happens inside black holes? Is dark matter real? Would a solar flare have a devastating effect on our planet? Could we do anything to prevent being wiped out by an approaching asteroid? What can observations of stars reveal about our origins - and our future? *Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about the Universe* is a brilliantly vivid and entertaining guide to the incredible phenomena of outer space - and to ourselves.

A psychiatrist and a pediatrician present an information-packed, objective study for parents on how to understand

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their children's sexuality, from infancy to the teen years and beyond, covering every key stage in a child's sexual development, explaining how to address youngsters' questions, and discussing such topics as abstinence, love, sex, and more. Reprint. 20,000 first printing.

A Best Memoir of 2015, "This memoir is compulsively readable and full of humor and heart."—AdoptiveFamilies.com "A punk rock Scheherazade" (Margaret Cho) shares the zigzagging path that took her from harem member to PTA member... In her younger years, Jillian Lauren was a college dropout, a drug addict, and an international concubine in the Prince of Brunei's harem, an experience she immortalized in her bestselling memoir, *SOME GIRLS*. In her thirties, Jillian's most radical act was learning the steadying power of love when she and her rock star husband adopt an Ethiopian child with special needs. After Jillian loses a close friend to drugs, she herself is saved by her fierce, bold love for her son as she fights to make him—and herself—feel safe and at home in the world. Exploring complex ideas of identity and reinvention, *Everything You Ever Wanted* is a must-read for everyone, especially every mother, who has ever hoped for a second act in life.

An eye-catching, conversation-sparking book that answers all your questions on sexuality, seduction, and sex by the editors of *GOOP*. A beautifully illustrated, gift-y, sometimes shocking, fact-filled book that explores everything we've always wondered about sex and relationships, but may have been too shy to bring up. Broken into five sections, *GOOP* editors introduce the experts they rely on for sex tips, and dive into focused Q&A's that explore the ins and outs of sexual health, pleasure, and how to have the kind of sex you really want—while feeling good about doing it. Part 1, *Seduction*: Goes beyond the clichés to help the reader explore the inner and outer art of seduction—with advice on attracting new partners,

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reigniting the flame once it's gone out, and navigating online dating, unconventional relationship scenarios, the sex toy aisle, and more. Part 2, Sexuality: What sexuality means, looks, and feels like today, and how we can better tap into our sexual power—including a chapter on strengthening your libido, simple tantric tricks to up sexual energy, and fun ideas for exploring your own kinks. Part 3, Sexual Health: Covers the essentials (like clean lube and condoms, and how to reset your hormones), easy exercises for strengthening the pelvic floor, as well as a path for redefining porn—all with the goal of getting real joy from sex, as opposed to just avoiding the potential calamities. Part 4, Orgasm: Busts enduring sex myths, with expert advice on closing the orgasm gap, doing away with the pressure to perform, and the many benefits of self-pleasure. Part 5: Doing It: The antidote to bedroom boredom, the psychology of oral sex, how to ask for what you want—and play out your greatest fantasies. Throughout the book you'll find endcaps on the reality of everything from plain vanilla to ménage à trois, sidebars of mind-blowing stats culled from goop readers, and personal quotes and anecdotes (i.e. the first time I had sex...) from the GOOP team.

This is the puberty book written by the cool, older brother--that takes boys from their first armpit hair to their first wet dream—and beyond. Facts about developmental changes to tween and teen boys' bodies and brains are spelled out in fun, familiar, boy-speak and illustrated in edgy graphic novel format. So boys 10 and up can learn about health, hygiene, sexuality, and more in a way that's not embarrassing or tedious, but real, engaging, and enlightening. A recurring "Puberty Goggles" feature pokes gentle fun at the way a testosterone-tormented tween views himself and the world around him. The book also explores current hot-button topics from social media and cyberbullying to respecting women.

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"Portions of this book first appeared in An intelligent person's guide to the classics which was published in Great Britain in 1999 by Gerald Duckworth & Co. Ltd."--Title page verso.

An engaging compendium of all things zombie explores the phenomenon's recent popularity as well as its various mythologies, providing coverage of such topics as the characteristics of modern zombies, the science of zombies and zombies in popular culture. Original. 50,000 first printing. One of the world's most beloved and bestselling writers takes his ultimate journey -- into the most intriguing and intractable questions that science seeks to answer. In *A Walk in the Woods*, Bill Bryson trekked the Appalachian Trail -- well, most of it. In *In A Sunburned Country*, he confronted some of the most lethal wildlife Australia has to offer. Now, in his biggest book, he confronts his greatest challenge: to understand -- and, if possible, answer -- the oldest, biggest questions we have posed about the universe and ourselves. Taking as territory everything from the Big Bang to the rise of civilization, Bryson seeks to understand how we got from there being nothing at all to there being us. To that end, he has attached himself to a host of the world's most advanced (and often obsessed) archaeologists, anthropologists, and mathematicians, travelling to their offices, laboratories, and field camps. He has read (or tried to read) their books, pestered them with questions, apprenticed himself to their powerful minds. *A Short History of Nearly Everything* is the record of this quest, and it is a sometimes profound, sometimes funny, and always supremely clear and entertaining adventure in the realms of human knowledge, as only Bill Bryson can render it. Science has never been more involving or entertaining.

Presents information about some of the places, trends, notable events, entertainment venues, foods, individuals, sports, and tourist attractions associated with the city.

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Leading activist and essayist Brynn Tannehill tells you everything you ever wanted to know about transgender issues but were afraid to ask. The book aims to break down deeply held misconceptions about trans people across all aspects of life, from politics, law and culture, through to science, religion and mental health, to provide readers with a deeper understanding of what it means to be trans. The book walks the reader through transgender issues, starting with "What does transgender mean?" before moving on to more complex topics including growing up trans, dating and sex, medical and mental health, and debates around gender and feminism. Brynn also challenges deliberately deceptive information about transgender people being put out into the public sphere. Transphobic myths are debunked and biased research, bad statistics and bad science are carefully and clearly refuted. This important and engaging book enables any reader to become informed the most critical public conversations around transgender people, and become a better ally as a result.

A compendium of facts, myths, and surprising secrets of the most infamous British royal family

For people with truly enquiring minds, *Everything You Always Wanted to Know* explodes a few myths, and tells the true story and little-known facts about the history of toilet paper, the evolution of the pretzel, how pet rats came into being, the first president to have a bathtub, the use of dogs in war, where and when the birthday cake originated, and other interesting arcana. Includes 84 historic illustrations, photos, bibliographies, index.

Lonely Planet: The world's leading travel guide publisher*
This is not a guidebook. And it's definitely 'not-for-parents'. It is the real inside story about one of the world's most exciting continents - Africa. In this book you'll hear fascinating tales about Dogon warriors, fearless explorers, Nollywood film

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stars, crazy coffins, Egyptian tombs and witch doctors. Check out cool stories about Tuareg nomads, the world's biggest diamond, killer crocodiles, and eccentric dictators. You'll find thumb pianos and mummified monkeys, camel caravans, a golden death mask, a seriously tough desert race, and history galore. This book shows you an Africa your parents probably don't even know about. Authors: Written and researched by Lonely Planet, Clive Gifford About Lonely Planet: Started in 1973, Lonely Planet has become the world's leading travel guide publisher with guidebooks to every destination on the planet, as well as an award-winning website, a suite of mobile and digital travel products, children's books, and a dedicated traveller community. Lonely Planet's mission is to enable curious travellers to experience the world and to truly get to the heart of the places where they travel. TripAdvisor Travellers' Choice Awards 2012 and 2013 winner in Favorite Travel Guide category 'Lonely Planet guides are, quite simply, like no other.' - New York Times 'Lonely Planet. It's on everyone's bookshelves; it's in every traveller's hands. It's on mobile phones. It's on the Internet. It's everywhere, and it's telling entire generations of people how to travel the world.' - Fairfax Media (Australia) *#1 in the world market share - source: Nielsen Bookscan. Australia, UK and USA. March 2012-January 2013

Everything you've ever wanted is on the other side of fear. This is a lined journal (lined front and back). Simple and elegant. 120 pages, high quality cover and (6 x 9) inches in size. Perfect as a gift.

Janice Miller knows this: she loves her husband, her two spirited daughters and the beautiful home in which she has raised her family. But what she doesn't know is how to stay afloat when a devastating discovery tears that familiar world apart.

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It is only once the damage has been done that she finally realises how distant her daughters have become - and that schoolgirl Lizzie and 28-year-old Margaret now have dark secrets of their own. After years of following separate lives, they are reluctantly drawn back together under the same roof. It's the outside world that has unravelled their dreams, but what they all fear most now is each other. Yet it's there, in the family home, that they are forced to confront their crises - and where, slowly, each of them begins to heal.

Presents information about the physical features, behavior, habitats, and geographical distribution of wild and feral cats throughout the world, and the dangers they face from humans and changes to their environment.

FUNNY: THE BOOK - EVERYTHING YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT COMEDY

Growing up may be normal but doesn't mean it's easy! Do you have a million questions about periods? Or can't you even bear to think about them? Talking about this subject can be really difficult - so here's a guide based on real questions, that thousands of real girls have already asked. Girls are maturing at a younger age and this book will be an invaluable guide for anyone from eight to eighteen. It covers: -How do you know when your periods are about to start? -What will it really be like? -Who do you tell? -What do you use? -Are you

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different once your periods start? -Common questions and problems, and much more. The authors have been listening to what girls really want to know for many years. Dr Fiona Finlay and Dr Rosemary Jones are both consultant paediatricians, and Tricia Kreitman is an experienced advice columnist. This eminently qualified trio have written a highly readable, accessible and reassuring guide, which has received the approval of the Family Planning Association.

The story of a southern belle gone wrong presents the shocking tale of Patricia Vann Radcliffe Taylor Allanson, who tried to murder members of her own family to get what she wanted

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • In this riveting novel from the #1 bestselling author of *Something Borrowed* and *First Comes Love*, three very different people must choose between their families and their most deeply held values. . . . “An unpredictable page-turner that unfolds in the voices of three superbly distinct characters.”—The Atlanta Journal-

Constitution • “A gripping, thought-provoking journey.”—Jodi Picoult **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY THE SKIMM** Nina

Browning is living the good life after marrying into Nashville’s elite. More recently, her husband made a fortune selling his tech business, and their adored son has been accepted to Princeton. Yet sometimes the middle-class small-town girl in Nina wonders if

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she's strayed from the person she once was. Tom Volpe is a single dad working multiple jobs while struggling to raise his headstrong daughter, Lyla. His road has been lonely, long, and hard, but he finally starts to relax after Lyla earns a scholarship to Windsor Academy, Nashville's most prestigious private school. Amid so much wealth and privilege, Lyla doesn't always fit in—and her overprotective father doesn't help—but in most ways, she's a typical teenaged girl, happy and thriving. Then, one photograph, snapped in a drunken moment at a party, changes everything. As the image spreads like wildfire, the Windsor community is instantly polarized, buzzing with controversy and assigning blame. At the heart of the lies and scandal, Tom, Nina, and Lyla are forced together—all questioning their closest relationships, asking themselves who they really are, and searching for the courage to live a life of true meaning. *Praise for All We Ever Wanted* “Page-turning . . . Timely and thought-provoking, it's Giffin's best yet.”—People “Giffin's novel has style and substance . . . Truly excellent.”—The Washington Post “If you're looking for a book club selection, *All We Ever Wanted* is bound to spark meaningful and meaty discussions.”—The Augusta Chronicle “A page-turning exploration of wealth and privilege.”—Entertainment Weekly **Instant #1 New York Times Bestseller & Wall Street Journal Bestseller In The Obstacle Is the Way and**

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Ego Is the Enemy, bestselling author Ryan Holiday made ancient wisdom wildly popular with a new generation of leaders in sports, politics, and technology. In his new book, Stillness Is the Key, Holiday draws on timeless Stoic and Buddhist philosophy to show why slowing down is the secret weapon for those charging ahead. All great leaders, thinkers, artists, athletes, and visionaries share one indelible quality. It enables them to conquer their tempers. To avoid distraction and discover great insights. To achieve happiness and do the right thing. Ryan Holiday calls it stillness--to be steady while the world spins around you. In this book, he outlines a path for achieving this ancient, but urgently necessary way of living. Drawing on a wide range of history's greatest thinkers, from Confucius to Seneca, Marcus Aurelius to Thich Nhat Hanh, John Stuart Mill to Nietzsche, he argues that stillness is not mere inactivity, but the doorway to self-mastery, discipline, and focus. Holiday also examines figures who exemplified the power of stillness: baseball player Sadaharu Oh, whose study of Zen made him the greatest home run hitter of all time; Winston Churchill, who in balancing his busy public life with time spent laying bricks and painting at his Chartwell estate managed to save the world from annihilation in the process; Fred Rogers, who taught generations of children to see what was invisible to the eye; Anne Frank, whose journaling

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and love of nature guided her through unimaginable adversity. More than ever, people are overwhelmed. They face obstacles and egos and competition. Stillness Is the Key offers a simple but inspiring antidote to the stress of 24/7 news and social media. The stillness that we all seek is the path to meaning, contentment, and excellence in a world that needs more of it than ever.

A watercolor instruction guide for both beginners and experienced painters discusses materials and preparation, color theory, painting techniques, textures and special effects, perspective, and landscape and figure painting

At an internment camp in Indonesia, forty-seven people are pronounced dead with acute hemorrhagic fever.

When epidemiologist Henry Parsons travels there on behalf of the World Health Organization to investigate, what he finds will have staggering repercussions.

Halfway across the globe, the deputy director of U.S. Homeland Security scrambles to mount a response to the rapidly spreading pandemic leapfrogging around the world, which she believes may be the result of an act of biowarfare. And a rogue experimenter in man-made diseases is preparing his own terrifying solution. As already-fraying global relations begin to snap, the virus slashes across the United States, dismantling institutions and decimating the population. With his own wife and children facing diminishing odds of survival, Henry travels from Indonesia to Saudi Arabia to his home base at the CDC in Atlanta, searching for a cure and for the

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origins of this seemingly unknowable disease.

Provides fun facts, quirky stories, and information about Asia and experiences to be had there.

A fun, illustrated history of the umbrella's surprising place in life and literature Humans have been making, using, perfecting, and decorating umbrellas for millennia--holding them over the heads of rulers, signalling class distinctions, and exploring their full imaginative potential in folk tales and novels. In the spirit of the best literary gift books, *Brolliology* is a beautifully designed and illustrated tour through literature and history. It surprises us with the crucial role that the oft-overlooked umbrella has played over centuries--and not just in keeping us dry. Marion Rankine elevates umbrellas to their rightful place as an object worthy of philosophical inquiry. As Rankine points out, many others have tried. Derrida sought to find the meaning (or lack thereof) behind an umbrella mentioned in Nietzsche's notes, Robert Louis Stevenson wrote essays on the handy object, and Dickens used umbrellas as a narrative device for just about everything. She tackles the gender, class, and social connotations of carrying an umbrella and helps us realize our deep connection to this most forgettable everyday object--which we only think of when we don't have one.

"Standing on the shoulders of C.S. Lewis", Kreeft provides a look at the nature of heaven. A refreshingly clear, theologically sound glimpse of the "undiscovered country". Kreeft speaks to the heart and the mind for an unexcelled look at one of the most popular, yet least understood, subjects in religion.

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Read along with Florence Welch this February and March as part of the Between Two Books book club 'Wry, beautiful, surprising and deeply moving' Rachel Seiffert, Guardian 'Captures so excellently the low level anxiety that hums through everyday life' Daily Telegraph

You wake up. You go to work. You have strategy meetings about how to use hashtags. After work you get so blackout drunk you can't remember the circumstances which have led you to waking up next to your colleague. The next day you stay in bed, scrolling through your social media feeds and wondering why everyone else seems to be achieving so much. Then you hear about Life on Nyx, a programme that offers the chance to move to another planet and start a new, meaningful way of life. But there's a caveat: if you go, you can never come back.

'An acute satire of our social media-dominated times and a haunting examination of depression and anxiety rendered in diamond sharp prose' i 'Sauma has the horrors of the workplace nailed with satirical precision' Sunday Times Culture 'Weird, wonderful and beautifully written' Daily Mail 'For fans of Black Mirror' Elle 'Millennial angst meets sci-fi' Stylist 'Uplifting, unputdownable and mordantly funny' Sharlene Teo, author of Ponti

"Originally published in Great Britain in 2017 by Viking."
"Sara Shepard delivers the perfect read....A brilliant storyteller." —Adriana Trigiani, bestselling author of Very Valentine and Brava, Valentine "[Written] with

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unflinching honesty and unstinting compassion.”

—Jacquelyn Mitchard, author *The Deep End of the Ocean*
“This riveting, provocative and well-crafted family drama surprised and delivered at every turn. I could not put it down.” —Sarah Mlynowski, author of *Ten Things We Did (and Probably Shouldn't Have)*
Sara Shepard, the bestselling author of *Pretty Little Liars*, delivers a powerful novel of family dreams, lies, and delusions. *Everything We Ever Wanted* begins with a phone call with allegations that rock an upper crust Philadelphia family to its very foundations, unlocking years of secrets and scandals that expose the serious flaws in outwardly perfect lives. A moving, intelligent, and unforgettable novel, Shepard’s *Everything We Ever Wanted* is exceptional contemporary women’s fiction that will be embraced by book clubs everywhere.

Presents a collection of odd facts, fun trivia, and interesting attractions around South America.

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Adopting an alternative approach to painting, this book shows how, through a combination of Eastern philosophy and Western techniques, artists may be empowered to produce more thoughtful and creative work. It demonstrates how this effect can be achieved by meditation and exercises.

Get everything you ever wanted in 6 easy steps! Within you lies the secret of your dreams—powerful spiritual and intuitive reserves that allow you to achieve your goals and transform your life. Learn how you can begin immediately to manifest everything you want or need with the step-by-step approach presented by Dr. Caeabrese. Hundreds of her clients and students have achieved outstanding practical results using the methods in this book, which includes interactive workbook

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sections. Follow the sure-fire 6-step method for drawing whatever you want into your life Use any of the 60 affirmations to help you manifest your goals Discover your hidden talents and creative abilities, and use them to give your manifesting work a final blast of energy Learn ways to ensure that your request to the universe has been transmitted Love, money, cars, homes, even good health-discover how to get whatever you desire in 6 easy steps with How to Get Everything You Ever Wanted.

Caddyshack is the ultimate golfer's cult movie. Released in 1980 and starring Bill Murray, Chevy Chase, Rodney Dangerfield, Ted Knight, and others, the movie is unquestionably the raunchiest, funniest golf movie ever made. The Book of Caddyshack gives fans a behind-the-scenes look at this classic comedy and includes: Full descriptions of all scenes, with the main action plus what's going on in the background (and there's a lot going on!) Details on actors and others involved in the movie: movies and television shows in which they appeared before and after Caddyshack. Where are they now? Some went on to excellent careers, others crashed and burned. Key props, such as Rodney Dangerfield's Rolls Royce and his enormous golf bag. Where did they come from? Where are they now? How the script progressed from the original to the eventual. The original is in the Caddyshack restaurant in Ponte Vedra Beach near Jacksonville. Every possible bit of trivia about the movie and making the movie. PGA Tour stars' favorite movie moments. Essentially, as the subtitle says: Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About the Greatest Movie Ever Made Who doesn't love a great kiss? Whether it's your very first smooch or your umpteenth, whether it's a quick peck or a long, lingering kiss you wish would never end, nothing beats a sensational smooch. And everyone has a favorite kissing story, a favorite movie kiss, a kiss they wish had never

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happened, and a kiss they long for so much they can almost taste it. In short, every kiss is cause for celebration.

Answers such questions as "What actually happens when a needle is inserted?" "Do the needles hurt?" "What is Qi energy?" and "Can acupuncture cure the common cold?"

What would happen if the kids you went to school with decided to break out of their stereotypes? What if the smart kids took a walk on the wild side? Would it be fun and enlightening, or would it make their whole world fall apart? In *Everything You Wanted*, Wren Clements has spent her entire life trying to be perfect. Her high school career is about to end, and Wren wants nothing more than to live like a normal teenager for one crazy, lawless night. Willing to risk her A+ grades, extracurriculars, and even her spot at UPenn, Wren and her best friend, Rohit, decide to embark on an evening filled with things they would never do and quickly find there are two sides to everyone. But when someone she knows turns up dead the next morning, things begins to unravel. Could this star student be the perfect suspect, or could this be the perfect crime?

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