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Paranormal romance is a supernatural force to be reckoned with. Although packed with a menagerie of werewolves, shapeshifters and assorted demons, its undisputed king is none other than our favourite centuries-old bloodsucker - the vampire. We're now living in a post-Buffy world of dark urban fantasy à la Laurell K. Hamilton's Anita Blake, Sherrilyn Kenyon's irresistible Dark Hunters and the blood-lusting soul mates of Christine Feehan. But it doesn't stop there. This Mammoth collection opens a vein to reveal the mind-boggling scope of the supercharged phenomenon created when vampires met romance. Let the biggest and brightest names in the paranormal romance business take you hot on the haemoglobin trail of the sexiest creatures of the night. Witness the bewildering array of complex vampire codes of conduct, dark ritual and dating practices, as they chat up the locals and engage in the most erotic encounters you will sink your teeth into this side of un-Death. These ain't your mother's vampires!

Now fully revised and updated, this book argues that we are witnessing the formation of a global mélange culture through processes of cultural mixing. Jan Nederveen Pieterse's historically deep and geographically wide approach to globalization is essential reading as we face the increasing spread of conflicts bred by cultural misunderstanding.

This comprehensive and leading textbook has been revised and reworked building on the themes of the first edition. As before it covers all aspects of the nature of mind, and is ideal for anyone coming to philosophy of mind for the first time.

Regan Keller fell in love with a wealthy and powerful man once. He was her boss. When that turbulent relationship ended, she swore she'd never again date someone she worked with. That was before she literally fell into her new boss's lap. Zachary Benson is the head of a successful empire and used to getting what he wants in the boardroom and outside of it – and what he wants is Regan Keller. He's determined to convince Regan that even though he's her boss, they can share a life together. However, when Regan's past threatens to destroy the architectural firm Zach has invested his entire career in, he has to make an executive decision whether to choose his business or fight for the woman he loves.

When her husband's ex-girlfriend arrives on their doorstep, Shelby Tomlinson--a mother pregnant with her second child--finally learns about her husband's secrets and lies.

Developers who want to access USB devices from their embedded systems will find a helpful resource in *USB Embedded Hosts: The Developer's Guide*. This new book from the author of *USB Complete* shows how small systems can take advantage of the same wealth of USB devices available to conventional PCs. The book begins with a review of USB host communication protocols. Readers then learn which USB host requirements are relaxed for embedded systems and what new requirements some embedded systems must meet. To help in selecting a development platform, the book explores available hardware and software for USB host communications in small systems. The heart of the book focuses on communicating with USB devices. The topics (with example code) include USB drives, keyboards, virtual serial ports, network bridges, mics, speakers, video cameras, and printers, plus devices that don't fit defined USB classes. Also discussed are systems that support both USB host and device functions. The example code is written for the BeagleBoard-xM open development board using a distribution of Linux targeted to small systems. Also covered is how to use Linux commands and utilities to learn about, monitor, and debug communications with USB devices.

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