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This title recognizes the importance of offering stabilization strategies that afford students a better regulated body, often enabling students with classic autism to increase their time in school, most of them working up to full-day participation.

In 1945, Germany experienced the greatest outburst of deadly violence that the world has ever seen. Germany 1945 examines the country's emergence from the most terrible catastrophe in modern history. When the Second World War ended, millions had been murdered; survivors had lost their families; cities and towns had been reduced to rubble and were littered with corpses. Yet people lived on, and began rebuilding their lives in the most inauspicious of circumstances. Bombing, military casualties, territorial loss, economic collapse and the processes of denazification gave Germans a deep sense of their own victimhood, which would become central to how they emerged from the trauma of total defeat, turned their backs on the Third Reich and its crimes, and focused on a transition to relative peace. Germany's return to humanity and prosperity is the hinge on which Europe's twentieth century turned. For years we have concentrated on how Europe slid into tyranny, violence, war and genocide; this book describes how humanity began to get back out.

The authorized biography of Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Wendy Wasserstein. In *Wendy and the Lost Boys* bestselling author Julie Salamon explores the life of playwright Wendy Wasserstein's most expertly crafted character: herself. The first woman playwright to win a Tony Award, Wendy Wasserstein was a Broadway titan. But with her high-pitched giggle and unkempt curls, she projected an image of warmth and familiarity. Everyone knew Wendy Wasserstein. Or thought they did. Born on October 18, 1950, in Brooklyn, New York, to Polish Jewish immigrant parents, Wendy was the youngest of Lola and Morris Wasserstein's five children. Lola had big dreams for her children. They didn't disappoint: Sandra, Wendy's glamorous sister, became a high-ranking corporate executive at a time when Fortune 500 companies were an impenetrable boys club. Their brother Bruce became a billionaire superstar of the investment banking world. Yet behind the family's remarkable success was a fiercely guarded world of private tragedies. Wendy perfected the family art of secrecy while cultivating a densely populated inner circle. Her friends included theater elite such as playwright Christopher Durang, Lincoln Center Artistic Director André Bishop, former New York Times theater critic Frank Rich, and countless others. And still almost no one knew that Wendy was pregnant when, at age forty-eight, she was rushed to Mount Sinai Hospital to deliver Lucy Jane three months premature. The paternity of her daughter remains a mystery. At the time of Wendy's tragically early death less than six years later, very few were aware that she was gravely ill. The cherished confidante to so many, Wendy privately endured her greatest heartbreaks alone. In *Wendy and the Lost Boys*, Salamon assembles the fractured pieces, revealing Wendy in full. Though she lived an uncommon life, she spoke to a generation of women during an era of vast change. Revisiting Wendy's works—*The Heidi Chronicles* and others—we see Wendy in the free space of the theater, where her many selves all found voice. Here Wendy spoke in the most intimate of terms about everything that matters most: family and love, dreams and devastation. And that is the Wendy of Neverland, the Wendy who will never grow old.

Now a Bride is what fans of New York Times bestselling author Mary Balogh's *Mistress* series have been clamoring for: more passion and more drama featuring the Dudley siblings. In anticipation of the enticing third book in the *Mistress* trilogy, *The Secret Mistress*, here are never-before-published scenes from *More than a Mistress* and *No Man's Mistress*—plus Mary Balogh's new epilogue for the series. • **JOCELYN AND JANE:** Three new scenes—"The Proposal," "The Wedding," and "Return to Acton Park"—spark more fiery passion from charmingly arrogant Jocelyn and spirited Jane. • **FERDINAND AND VIOLA:** Two unpublished scenes—"The Wedding" and "Home to Pinewood Manor"—prove once again that this unlikely but perfect couple is made for each other. • **THE REUNION: FIVE YEARS LATER:** Enjoy a brand-new chapter that reunites readers with all three Dudley couples and their children and answers every fan's biggest question: What happened after the last page was turned? **NEW:** The enchanting prequel to the *Mistress* series! Readers get to know madcap Angeline and straitlaced Edward through the romantic adventures of the Dudley brothers. But Angeline and Edward have their own story of passion to tell in *The Secret Mistress*. **BONUS:** This eBook includes an excerpt from Mary Balogh's *The Secret Mistress*.

Train your brain to be quicker, sharper and more acute by challenging yourself with these puzzles and games. This book does much more than give you the skills to tackle maths with confidence - instead it shows you how, by learning to solve practical problems and perfecting your mental arithmetic, you can strengthen all your key thinking skills and astonish your friends and family. This is the ultimate mental workout - and the only one to show you how these fun and diverting number games will actually make you smarter, quicker and more acute than any of your peers.

From the acclaimed author of *Conquistador* comes this thrilling account of one of history's greatest adventures of discovery. With cinematic immediacy and meticulous attention to historical detail, here is the true story of a legendary sixteenth-century explorer and his death-defying navigation of the Amazon—river of darkness, pathway to gold. In 1541, the brutal conquistador Gonzalo Pizarro and his well-born lieutenant Francisco Orellana set off from Quito in search of La Canela, South America's rumored Land of Cinnamon, and the fabled El Dorado, "the golden man." Driving an enormous retinue of mercenaries, enslaved natives, horses, hunting dogs, and other animals across the Andes, they watched their proud expedition begin to disintegrate even before they descended into the nightmarish jungle, following the course of a powerful river. Soon hopelessly lost in the swampy labyrinth, their numbers diminishing daily through disease, starvation, and Indian attacks, Pizarro and Orellana made a fateful decision to separate. While Pizarro eventually returned home barefoot and in rags, Orellana and fifty-seven men, in a few fragile craft, continued downriver into the unknown reaches of the mighty Amazon, serenaded by native war drums and the eerie cries of exotic predators. Theirs would be the greater glory. Interweaving eyewitness accounts of the quest with newly uncovered details, Buddy Levy reconstructs the seminal journey that has electrified adventurers ever since, as Orellana became the first European to navigate and explore the entire length of the world's largest river. Levy gives a long-overdue account of the native populations—some peaceful and welcoming, offering sustenance and life-saving guidance, others ferociously hostile, subjecting the invaders to gauntlets of unremitting attack and intimations of terrifying rituals. And here is the Amazon itself, a powerful presence whose every twist and turn held the promise of new wonders both natural and man-made, as well as the ever-present risk of death—a river that would hold Orellana in its irresistible embrace to the end of his life. Overflowing with violence and beauty, nobility and tragedy, *River of Darkness* is both riveting history and a breathtaking adventure that will sweep readers along on an epic voyage unlike any other.

Who is The Stig? Where did he come from? Why does he never speak? To answer these questions, award-winning biographer Simon du Beaumarche spent a year chasing The Stig and talking to those closest to him, including Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond, James May and leading figures from Formula 1, music, movies and the military. What he discovered is an explosive story of intrigue, influence and a sensational conspiracy that seeks to hide the truth about one of the 21st century's greatest icons. Get behind the visor of the man, the myth, the driver, the legend, THE STIG. This book contains adult humour and some themes that may be unsuitable for children.

When Sweetie (Monica Fuller) caught her fiancé in bed with another woman, she swore never to allow any man to get close enough to hurt her again. Celibacy and her adult "toy Box" had suited her fine until Gabriel Windahl called her office. Sinfully seductive, his voice aroused needs in her that no toy could fill. Since he was thousands of miles away, she thought it was safe to indulge in late night calls that left

her in a state of orgasmic euphoria. Then one morning he showed up in her office, and the real fun began.

Most of us recognize that organizations are everywhere. You meet them on every street corner in the form of families and shops, study in them, work for them, buy from them, pay taxes to them. But have you given much thought to where they came from, what they are today, and what they might become in the future? How and why do they have so much influence over us, and what influences them? How do they contribute to and detract from the meaningfulness of lives, and how might we improve them so they better serve our needs and desires? This Very Short Introduction addresses all of these questions and considers many more. Mary Jo Hatch introduces the concept of organizations by presenting definitions and ideas drawn from a variety of subject areas including the physical sciences, economics, sociology, psychology, anthropology, literature, and the visual and performing arts. Drawing on examples from prehistory and everyday life, from the animal kingdom as well as from business, government, and other formal organizations, Hatch provides a lively and thought provoking introduction to the process of organization. ABOUT THE SERIES: The Very Short Introduction series from Oxford University Press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area. These pocket-sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly. Our expert authors combine facts, analysis, perspective, new ideas, and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable.

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Mercedes "Mercy" Thompson is a talented Volkswagen mechanic living in the Tri-Cities area of Washington. She also happens to be a walker, a magical being with the power to shift into a coyote at will. Mercy's next-door neighbor is a werewolf. Her former boss is a gremlin. And she's fixing a bus for a vampire. This is the world of Mercy Thompson, one that looks a lot like ours but is populated by those things that go bump in the night. And Mercy's connection to those things is about to get her into some serious hot water... Moon Called faithfully adapts New York Times bestselling author Patricia Briggs' first Mercy Thompson novel to comics. Prepare to see the fantastic characters and supernatural settings that have made her novels a hit with fans worldwide come to four-color life!

The three volumes of A Course in Mathematical Analysis provide a full and detailed account of all those elements of real and complex analysis that an undergraduate mathematics student can expect to encounter in the first two or three years of study. Containing hundreds of exercises, examples and applications, these books will become an invaluable resource for both students and instructors. Volume 1 focuses on the analysis of real-valued functions of a real variable. Volume 2 goes on to consider metric and topological spaces. This third volume develops the classical theory of functions of a complex variable. It carefully establishes the properties of the complex plane, including a proof of the Jordan curve theorem. Lebesgue measure is introduced, and is used as a model for other measure spaces, where the theory of integration is developed. The Radon–Nikodym theorem is proved, and the differentiation of measures discussed.

This book is geared toward cardiologists, trainees, and housestaff --anyone who rotates or practices in the CCU--who must grasp the subtleties when treating patients in a cardiac care unit. It is organized in a way to help you understand the simplified pathophysiology of the disease, the diagnosis modalities, the initial critical care management in the CCU, the clinical care in a step down unit and plan for discharge therapy. Dr. Herzog has developed unified pathways for the management of patients presenting with acute chest pain or its equivalent, acute heart failure, atrial fibrillation and flutter, syncope, cardiac arrest, hypertension and hyperglycemia. Algorithms and pathways for management are provided in each chapter for easy implementation in any health care system. In addition, because specialized units are frightening to the patients and their families, there is a section in each chapter on what the patient and family need to know, that encompasses a capsulated explanation of the condition and treatment management. A companion website accompanies the text that includes fully searchable text and patient information.

Toxicogenomics, the study of how genomes respond to exposure to toxicants, may ultimately hold the promise of detecting changes in the expression of a person's genes if he or she is exposed to these toxicants. As the technology rapidly develops, it is critical that scientists and the public communicate about the promises and limitations of this new field. Communicating technical information to the public about a developing science can be challenging, particularly when the applications of that science are not yet well understood. Communicating Toxicogenomics Information to Nonexperts is the summary of a workshop designed to consider strategies for communicating toxicogenomic information to the public and other non-expert audiences, specifically addressing the communication of some key social, ethical, and legal issues related to toxicogenomics and addressing how information related to the social implications of toxicogenomics might be perceived by nonexperts.

Jotting down your best recipes in this stylish blank cookbook. Creating and sharing your personal recipes with this Blank recipe book. This is a place to safely store those cherished recipes that have been passed down from family members and friends. 100 pages blank recipe book Size 6"x9" There are Areas for ingredients, directions, cook time, prep time, oven temperature and more. This recipe book makes the ideal gift for passing on to loved ones who need to learn how to cook your family recipes. Make your own recipe book today!

This is the ultimate guide to the ancient religion of Wicca by best-selling Pagan author, D. J. Conway. WICCA: THE COMPLETE CRAFT offers a comprehensive overview of Wiccan philosophy, dispels the common misconceptions, and is a useful primer for practicing Wicca as a spiritual lifestyle. Included are chapters on sacred space, ritual tools, holy days, meditations and visualizations, spells and the art of spell casting, as well as terminology.

A year before retirement, Chief of Police Frank Murphy wants nothing more than to spend his golden years on HGTV marathons and endless tee-off times. What he gets is a string of abductions that makes

Ted Bundy look like an amateur. The Human Obsession is the sequel to Heath Sommer's 2009 breakout psychological thriller The Manufactured Identity, where Murphy and hapless lovers Addy and John Joe scramble against inhuman odds and unpredictable twists to solve the riddles of murder, obsession, and human weakness. Focusing on the trial of Cameron Bo, alleged murderer and loony from Sommer's The Grand Delusion, The Human Obsession takes readers even deeper into the minds of Sommers' beloved—and twisted—characters. In the end, no one could have seen why those meant to protect and serve may be in the greatest danger of all.

Tricks and advice from eBay experts to help the reader win more eBay auctions and make more money selling on eBay.

Trust, the second element of the triad, is the leader's key to achieving open communication and collaborative, committed action. Zand shows that the degree to which people trust a leader determines how much access they will give him or her to their knowledge and how well they will implement decisions. Power, the third element of the triad, is a leader's traditional right to make decisions and resolve conflicts. Although a leader can make decisions by command, Zand notes that in today's knowledge-driven organization with educated, informed employees, the effective leader rarely issues directives, but instead acts more as a consultant and a client. The Leadership Triad is a down-to-earth, powerful guide with many examples from the author's extensive consulting experience and from companies such as General Motors, Wal-Mart, and American Express and organizations in electronics, manufacturing, financial services, and health care.

Exposing and exploring the sinuous undercurrents of violence, anguish and love, A.L. Kennedy examines the nature of the individual, both in isolation and society, as characters define and deny their chosen identities. While showing us the unlikeliness of intimacy and the impossibility of communication, Kennedy also reveals the subversive liberation of impotence, the humour of discomfort as human beings chafe together, the crazed claustrophobia of the family and the wildly funny results of an eccentricity unleashed.

Hands-on troubleshooting methods on the most recent release of SQL Server The 2012 release of SQL Server is the most significant one since 2005 and introduces an abundance of new features. This critical book provides in-depth coverage of best practices for troubleshooting performance problems based on a solid understanding of both SQL Server and Windows internals and shows experienced DBAs how to ensure reliable performance. The team of authors shows you how to master the use of specific troubleshooting tools and how to interpret their output so you can quickly identify and resolve any performance issue on any server running SQL Server. Covers the core technical topics required to understand how SQL Server and Windows should be working Shares best practices so that you know how to proactively monitor and avoid problems Shows how to use tools to quickly gather, analyze, and effectively respond to the source of a system-wide performance issue Professional SQL Server 2012 Internals and Troubleshooting helps you to quickly become familiar with the changes of this new release so that you can best handle database performance and troubleshooting.

Clear, concise, and written by experts currently lecturing in the field, Organizational Behaviour focuses exclusively on what you need to know for success in your business course and today's global economy. The text brings together a vast range of ideas, models, and concepts on organizational behaviour from an array of fields, such as psychology, sociology, history, economics, and politics. This information is presented in bite-sized, digestible pieces to create an accessible and engaging style that makes it the perfect text for introductory courses covering organizations. Key features include: a clear and thought-provoking introduction to organizational behaviour relevant, cutting-edge case studies with global focus hot topics such as eOrganizations, ethics, and diversity, keeping you up-to-date with current business thinking further reading, summaries, activities, key theme boxes, and review questions to help reinforce your understanding This textbook will be a valuable resource for students of business and management studies, organization studies, psychology, and sociology.

Allen Carr's international bestseller, The Easy Way to Stop Smoking, has sold more than six million copies worldwide and helped to turn countless smokers into nonsmokers. The Little Book of Quitting crystallizes 120 key points of the Easyway™ method in a concise and readily accessible format. Carr's method can enable any smoker to quit easily, painlessly, and permanently without needing willpower, suffering withdrawal pangs, feeling deprived, or gaining weight. This is the perfect pocket refresher for those already applying Allen Carr's method, and a great starting point for all those who want to quit the Easyway™. Allen Carr discovered the Easyway™ to stop smoking in 1983—after his three-decade-long, 100-cigarette-a-day addiction had driven him to despair. First published in 1985, The Easy Way to Stop Smoking has sold over six million copies worldwide and has been translated into more than twenty languages. In addition to his books, Allen has established the Allen Carr clinics, now operating in countries around the world.

Over the past few years, increasing attention has been paid to the search for bioactive compounds from natural sources. The success of plant-derived products such as paclitaxel (Taxol) in tumor therapy or artemisinin in the treatment of malaria has provided the impetus for the introduction of numerous research programmes, especially in Industry. A great deal of effort is being expended in the generation of novel lead molecules of vegetable, marine and microbial origin by the use of high throughput screening protocols. When interesting hits are found, it is essential to have methods available for the rapid isolation of target compounds. For this reason, both industry and academia need efficient preparative chromatographic separation techniques and experience in their application. Purified natural products are required for complete spectroscopic identification and full characterization of new compounds, for biological testing and for the supply of pharmaceuticals, standards, and starting materials for synthetic work. Obtaining pure products from an extract can be a very long, tedious and expensive undertaking, involving many steps. Sometimes only minute amounts of the desired compounds are at hand and these entities may be labile. Thus it is an advantage to have access to as many different methods as possible in order to aid the isolation process. Although a certain amount of trial and error may be involved, nowadays there is the possibility of devising suitable rapid separation schemes by a judicious choice of the different techniques available.

The Relentless Warrior is Book Six in the Star-Crossed Series. Jericho Bentley is disillusioned by life. He feels lost in a world of peace and restless in a time threatened by war. He has given up on love, forgotten how to trust others and decided a lifetime of bachelorhood is all that remains for him. Olivia Taylor was struggling to find her way in a human world. Now taken from the only life she's ever known and changed on a molecular level, she is more lost than ever. With her sister struggling to survive the after effects of one of Dmitri Terletov's experiments, Olivia sets off with Jericho to find a cure for both herself and her sister. Together, Jericho and Olivia find more than vengeance and answers, they find a deep friendship that might teach them both to trust again. Maybe even to love again. As long as they can both put the hurt of their past behind them for good.

Following on the heels of the successful New Testament for Everyone commentaries by N. T. Wright, John Goldingay, an internationally respected Old Testament scholar, authors this ambitious Old Testament for Everyone series. Covering Scripture from Genesis to Malachi, Goldingay addresses the texts in such a way that even the most challenging passages are explained simply. Perfect for daily devotions, Sunday school preparation, or brief visits with the Bible, the Old Testament for Everyone series is an excellent resource for the modern reader. The fourth volume in the Old Testament for Everyone series, this book focuses on the biblical books of Numbers and Deuteronomy.

In a book that is at once a manifesto and a devotional guide, Trevethan vividly reminds us that holiness is an essential characteristic of the biblical Lord. Like few other books recently written, *The Beauty of God's Holiness* wakes readers from spiritual slumber and uncages the living God so often domesticated in our time.

Yearning to find a meaningful life in the outside world, nurse Miriam Kaufman strayed far from her Amish community. She also needed distance from Nick Bradley, the cop who had caused her so much pain. Back in Hope Springs to care for her ailing mother, Miriam needs Nick, now sheriff, to find the mother of Hannah, the baby abandoned on her porch. Nick is as wary of Miriam's intentions as she is of facing their past. Can two wounded hearts overcome their history to do what's best for little Hannah?

Months after his mysterious disappearance from a routine fishing trip, no one really expects over-the-hill Texas housewife Lory Latchley to find her missing husband-especially her husband. "The Manufactured Identity" is clinical psychologist Heath Sommer's ever-escalating immersion into the world of unlikely friends who each awaken to find their faithful companions missing without warning or reason. Desperate to find meaning in their pain, they are thrust by the auspices of fate into a common thread of mystery and human frailty. In the end, the fate of all may reside in the unstable hands of rookie pastor John Joe, but ultimately Lory and her newfound partners will uncover a truth so unnerving it makes even infidelity look palatable. 'Dr. Sommer's new book is a front row seat to excellence.... You won't be able to put this riveting new book down.' -Mountain West Book Review 'If you're a fan of psychological thrillers, I would definitely recommend this book.' -Mystery and Suspense Novel Review 'From start to finish, this novel is in one word: absorbing.' -Boutique Book Review <http://www.themanufacturedidentity.com/>

Jessica and Elizabeth eagerly anticipate the arrival of their cousin, Robin, but when she comes to visit, Robin lands right in the middle of the twins' biggest fight ever. Original. Common Core Eureka Math for Grade 6, Module 6 Created by teachers, for teachers, the research-based curriculum in this series presents a comprehensive, coherent sequence of thematic units for teaching the skills outlined in the CCSS for Mathematics. With four-color illustrations, complete lesson plans, and reproducible student worksheets and assessments, this resource is uniquely designed to support teachers in developing content-rich, integrated learning experiences that adhere to established standards and encourage student engagement. Developed by Common Core, a non-profit advocacy group dedicated to producing content-rich liberal arts curricula for America's K-12 schools, Common Core Mathematics is the most comprehensive CCSS-based mathematics curriculum available today. The modules are sequenced and paced to support the teaching of mathematics as an unfolding story that follows the logic of mathematics itself. They embody the instructional "shifts" and the standards for mathematical practice demanded by the CCSS. Each module contains a sequence of lessons that combine conceptual understanding, fluency, and application to meet the demands of each topic in the module. Formative assessments are included to support data-driven instruction. The modules are written by teams of master teachers and mathematicians. This Module addresses Statistics. Common Core Learning Standards Addressed in Grade 6, Module 6: 6.SP.1, 6.SP.2, 6.SP.3, 6.SP.4, 6.SP.5

Discover sweet Amish stories from bestselling author Patricia Davids, part of the Brides of Amish Country series When an Amish woman returns home after years away, can she find forgiveness...and love? Yearning to find a meaningful life in the outside world, nurse Miriam Kaufman strayed far from her Amish community. She also needed distance from Nick Bradley, the cop who caused her so much pain. Back in Hope Springs to care for her ailing mother, Miriam needs Nick, now sheriff, to find the mother of the baby abandoned on her porch. Nick is as wary of Miriam's intentions as she is of facing their past. Can two wounded hearts overcome their history to do what's best for little Hannah? From Love Inspired: Uplifting stories of faith, forgiveness, and hope. Experience more Amish romances in the Brides of Amish Country series: Katie's Redemption The Doctor's Blessing An Amish Christmas The Farmer Next Door The Christmas Quilt A Hope Springs Christmas Plain Admirer Amish Christmas Joy The Shepherd's Bride The Amish Nanny An Amish Christmas Journey Amish Redemption Brides of Amish Country: Finding true love in the land of the Plain People.

When Mitchell's father gets a new job and his family moves, he and his sister go to a new school where they must make new friends and adjust to new routines.

Since the popular first edition was published more than a decade ago, the number of swine used in toxicity studies has increased as an alternative to commonly used non-rodent species, such as dogs and primates. A volume in the Laboratory Animal Pocket Reference Series, *The Laboratory Swine, Second Edition* maintains the high standard set by the previous edition and is poised to continue its legacy as the premier laboratory reference on the care and use of swine in the laboratory. Emphasizes Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Swine Addressing the biology, husbandry, management, veterinary care and research applications of both large and miniature swine, this color reference is a complete source of information on the species. It is thoroughly updated and includes a major revision to the anesthetics section. It also places a heightened focus on animal welfare and addresses important considerations related to genetically modified swine. The book is divided into six parts: Important Biological Features examines everything from different breeds and behavior, to anatomical and physiological features, as well as digestive, cardiovascular, and pulmonary systems Husbandry addresses housing, nutrition, sanitation, transportation, and more Management and Quality Assurance looks at the impact of infections on animal research using swine, zoonotic diseases, legal regulations, genetic monitoring, and more Veterinary Care covers a variety of topics, such as clinical examination, diseases, pain recognition, and post-operative management Experimental Techniques addresses restraint, sampling techniques, basic surgical procedures, and other issues Resources provides extensive references for further study, including handbooks, journals, and websites *The Laboratory Swine, Second Edition* is ideal for animal caretakers, technicians, investigators, and laboratory animal veterinarians as a single-source reference that contributes to the humane care and use of swine in research.

The dancing girls of Lahore inhabit the Diamond Market in the shadow of a great mosque. The twenty-first century goes on outside the walls of this ancient quarter but scarcely

registers within. Though their trade can be described with accuracy as prostitution, the dancing girls have an illustrious history: Beloved by emperors and nawabs, their sophisticated art encompassed the best of Mughal culture. The modern-day Bollywood aesthetic, with its love of gaudy spectacle, music, and dance, is their distant legacy. But the life of the pampered courtesan is not the one now being lived by Maha and her three girls. What they do is forbidden by Islam, though tolerated; but they are *gandi*, "unclean," and Maha's daughters, like her, are born into the business and will not leave it. Sociologist Louise Brown spent four years in the most intimate study of the family life of a Lahori dancing girl. With beautiful understatement, she turns a novelist's eye on a true story that beggars the imagination. Maha, a classically trained dancer of exquisite grace, had her virginity sold to a powerful Arab sheikh at the age of twelve; when her own daughter Nena comes of age and Maha cannot bring in the money she once did, she faces a terrible decision as the agents of the sheikh come calling once more.

A major biography—intimate, gripping, revelatory—of an artist who revolutionized American comedy. Richard Pryor may have been the most unlikely star in Hollywood history. Raised in his family's brothels, he grew up an outsider to privilege. He took to the stage, originally, to escape the hard-bitten realities of his childhood, but later came to a reverberating discovery: that by plunging into the depths of his experience, he could make stand-up comedy as exhilarating and harrowing as the life he'd known. He brought that trembling vitality to Hollywood, where his movie career—*Blazing Saddles*, the buddy comedies with Gene Wilder, *Blue Collar*—flowed directly out of his spirit of creative improvisation. The major studios considered him dangerous. Audiences felt plugged directly into the socket of life. Becoming Richard Pryor brings the man and his comic genius into focus as never before. Drawing upon a mountain of original research—interviews with family and friends, court transcripts, unpublished journals, screenplay drafts—Scott Saul traces Pryor's rough journey to the heights of fame: from his heartbreaking childhood, his trials in the Army, and his apprentice days in Greenwich Village to his soul-searching interlude in Berkeley and his ascent in the "New Hollywood" of the 1970s. Becoming Richard Pryor illuminates an entertainer who, by bringing together the spirits of the black freedom movement and the counterculture, forever altered the DNA of American comedy. It reveals that, while Pryor made himself a legend with his own account of his life onstage, the full truth of that life is more bracing still.

From the award-winning author of *East of the Sun*, a powerful love story set against the unstable and exotic cities of Cairo and Istanbul during the height of World War II. At twenty-three, Saba Tarcan knows her only hope of escaping the clamor of Cardiff Bay, Wales, lies in her voice. While traveling Britain, singing for wounded soldiers, Saba meets handsome fighter pilot Dom Benson, recovering from burns after a crash. When Saba auditions to entertain troops in far-off lands, Dom follows her to London. Just as their relationship begins to take root, Saba is sent to sing in Africa, and Dom is assigned a new mission in the Middle East. As Saba explores Cairo's bazaars, finding friendship among the troupe's acrobats and dancers, Dom returns to the cockpit once again, both thrilled and terrified to be flying above the desert floor. In spite of great danger, the two resolve to reunite. When Saba learns that her position makes her uniquely qualified for a secret mission of international importance, she agrees to help the British Secret Service, concealing her role from Dom. Her decision will jeopardize not only her safety but also the love of her life. Based on true accounts of female entertainers used as spies during World War II, *Jasmine Nights* is a powerful story of danger, secrets, and love, filled with the colors and sounds of the Middle East's most beautiful cities.

In April 2009, a modest middle-aged woman from a village in Scotland was catapulted to global fame when the YouTube video of her audition for Britain's *Got Talent* touched the hearts of millions all over the world. From singing karaoke in local pubs to a live performance with an eighty-piece orchestra in Japan's legendary Budokan Arena and a record-breaking debut album, Susan Boyle has become an international superstar. This astonishing transformation has not always been easy for her, faced with all the trappings of celebrity, but in the whirlwind of attention and expectation, she has always found calm and clarity in music. Susan was born to sing. Now, for the first time, she tells the story of her life and the challenges she has struggled to overcome with faith, fortitude, and an unflinching sense of humor.

A primer on load cells and strain gages. Interface has been the trusted world leader in force measurement for half a century. We lead by designing, manufacturing, and guaranteeing the highest performance and most accurate products available. Our engineers help provide force measurement solutions to our customers in all industries - from grams to millions of pounds - and hundreds of configurations.

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