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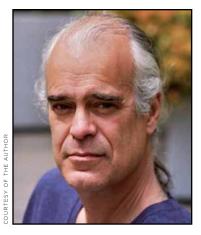


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MARK ALLEN SMITH

who lives in New York
City, has worked for many
years in both movies and
television as a screenwriter,
investigative news producer,
and documentary filmmaker.
This is his first novel.

A note from the author:

In writing *The Inquisitor*, my primary goal was to write a twisty, riveting thriller with a fresh, topical feel. I've worked as a screenwriter and documentary producer and director for more than twenty-five years, and I understand the craft of good storytelling. I've always been a student of genres, and what I love most, as a writer, is working within a classic structure and seeing how I can change it and stretch it so that the story delivers more than the reader or viewer expects. What I hope makes *The Inquisitor* a powerful and surprising novel is the way raw emotion and depth of character enhance the reader's involvement with a hard-driving plot.

There is much in the book that will shock and surprise, beginning with the protagonist, Geiger—a torturer by profession and a man without a past. The challenge I set myself was to create a character so dark and mysterious that when we first meet him he is both disturbing and compelling. Geiger doesn't understand why he does what he does or why he is so good at it—and though we don't understand him either, for some reason we want to. By slowly revealing his character and his past, I've tried to make it possible for the reader finally to embrace him. My guess is that few people have met someone like Geiger before, and my hope is that the readers of *The Inquisitor* won't soon forget him.

An excerpt from The Inquisitor:

When the client and Geiger had finally met, the first thing he'd noticed was that Geiger hardly ever blinked. The client prided himself on his cool, but Geiger had put him on edge. The silky, even tone of his voice and his physical stillness added to his affect. He had elliptic gray eyes in a sharp, angular face. His body looked lean and hard, perhaps because he was a runner or a practitioner of some form of martial arts. And he had a slight tilt to his posture, as if his skeleton accommodated gravity in a unique way.

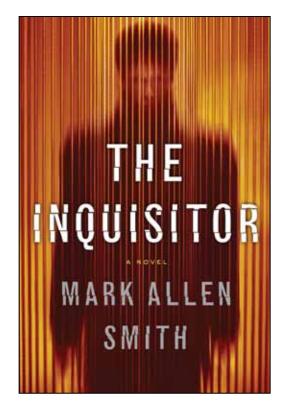
There was something truly strange about him—but then, what could you expect from someone in Geiger's line of work? The client had heard all kinds of stories. Geiger was a head case who'd done hard time; Geiger was a rogue from the NSA; Geiger was a twisted scion who didn't need the money and did it for the rush. The only common thread was that he had no equal. When they had shaken hands, the client had said:

"They say you're the best, and we hope it's true. The specs we think Matthew stole are worth millions."

Geiger had stared back at him, expressionless.

"I don't deal in hope here," he'd said.

A spectacularly original thriller about a professional torturer who has a strict code, a mysterious past, and a dangerous conviction that he can save the life of an innocent child



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THE INQUISITOR

A Novel

Mark Allen Smith

Geiger has a gift: he knows a lie the instant he hears it. And in his business—called "information retrieval" by its practitioners—that gift is invaluable, because truth is the hottest thing on the market.

Geiger's clients count on him to extract the truth from even the most reluctant subjects. Unlike most of his competitors, Geiger rarely sheds blood, but he does use a variety of techniques—some physical, many psychological—to push his subjects to a point where pain takes a backseat to fear. Because only then will they finally stop lying.

One of Geiger's rules is that he never works with children. So when his partner, former journalist Harry Boddicker, unwittingly brings in a client who demands that Geiger interrogate a twelve-year-old boy, Geiger responds instinctively. He rescues the boy from his captor, removes him to the safety of his New York City loft, and promises to protect him from further harm. But if Geiger and Harry cannot quickly discover why the client is so desperate to learn the boy's secret, they themselves will become the victims of an utterly ruthless adversary.

Mesmerizing and heart-in-your-throat compelling, *The Inquisitor* is a completely unique thriller that introduces both an unforgettable protagonist and a major new talent.



"The source of the Tea Party movement is a vast intellectual reserve of understanding and respect for America's founding principles, a reserve that turned out to be deeper and more intense than anyone ever guessed . . . And now the Tea Parties are the most powerful factor in American politics."

-The Intellectual Activist

COURTESY OF THE AUTHOR

MARK MECKLER and

JENNY BETH MARTIN

are the co-founders and national organizers of the Tea Party Patriots, Inc. They have appeared as commentators and have been interviewed on ABC, CBS, PBS, BBC, NPR, Fox News, and CNN. Most recently, Time magazine named Martin the fifteenth most influential world leader of 2010.

An excerpt from Tea Party Patriots:

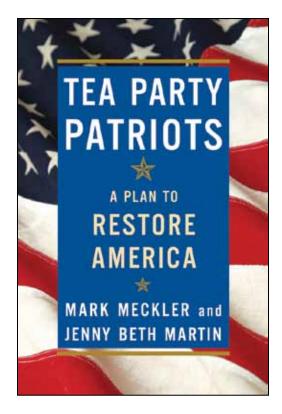
This book is the story of the Second American Revolution; a revolution that is being fought every day across this country not with muskets and rifles, but with laptops and telephones, by an army of twenty million everyday Americans who are every bit as patriotic as those who gave their lives at Lexington and Concord to ensure that all of us could enjoy our God-given rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

It is a call to arms for those who remember how great America once was to stop what they're doing, pay attention, and join the movement that will ultimately restore America to its place as the greatest country the world has ever seen.

This is the story of all of us. This is what we need to do to take our country back.

- With more than 2,800 affiliated organizations, the Tea Party Patriots has the capacity to reach a membership audience in excess of 20 million.
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The definitive history of one of the most radical, revolutionary movements the country has ever seen, from those who started it all



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TEA PARTY PATRIOTS

A Plan to Restore America

Mark Meckler and Jenny Beth Martin

In 2009, an unemployed mother of two and a politically inexperienced northern California attorney met on a conference call that would end up starting one of the largest grassroots political organizations in American history, the Tea Party Patriots. Fueled by the fires of passion and patriotism, Mark Meckler and Jenny Beth Martin have become the faces of the most powerful political movement in the country, empowering their more than twenty million members by using both high-tech advances and the time-tested American tradition of rallying in public. Promoting the basic principles of the Tea Party Movement—free market, limited government, and fiscal responsiblity—the Tea Party Patriots have become the largest tea party organization in the world. With unparalleled access to the inner workings of the movement, Meckler and Martin hope to explain how the Tea Party came to be, what it is and is not, and perhaps most important, provide the first comprehensive, forward-looking document outlining a plan to restore America to its prior greatness.

Never before has there been such an audience for this material. Americans of all political stripes have been waiting for a thorough and informative account of this movement. Straight from the cofounders themselves, Tea Party Patriots promises to be the definitive source for a political revolution.



Early in his career DAVID SNODIN

was William Shakespeare's script editor. He worked on the BBC's epic series of Shakespeare's plays, and his award-winning television production credits also include Jane Austen's Persuasion, Dostoyevsky's Crime and Punishment, and Thomas Hardy's Tess of the D'Urbervilles. He lives in London and Crete.

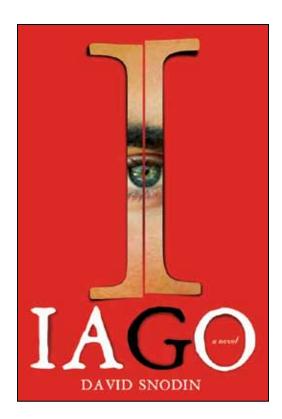
An excerpt from Iago:

On a disconcertingly mild February afternoon, some fifteen hundred and twenty years after Christ, two lords of Venice and a Florentine labored up a peak in the string of mountains that dominates much of the northern coast of the island of Cyprus. To the south a never-ending flatland, thickly forested, glimmered under a cloudless sky. Their destination remained far above them; they could not see it yet, because the peak was forested too.

Neither of the Signors had made so precipitous a trek in their long lives, though one was a soldier of great experience. They were wearing thick cloaks, as they would have in their home city a thousand leagues north, so were hot and irritable. They had ridden hard for the best part of three hours to the base of the mountain, had endured an almost inedible lunch at an inn, and because the trail could not accommodate horses, had been offered a couple of bony, malodorous mules. They regretted declining them.

In strong contrast to their darkening humor, the Florentine seemed sprightly. His ascent was less arduous than theirs, not on account of his youth but because he was being carried by a pair of burly retainers in a chair strapped between two poles, for he only had one leg. The lords of Venice, fifty-seven and sixty-five years of age respectively but with both legs intact, envied him. The ease of his passage, not to mention his high spirits, made him, in their opinion, less than endearing.

An unforgettable adventure beginning where Shakespeare's *Othello* leaves off



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IAGO A Novel David Snodin

Wounded in love, tormented by his past, Shakespeare's most complex villain is brought magnificently to life in this tale of two adversaries—one an accused killer; the other, one of the most powerful men in Venice. Having escaped from Cyprus, accused of the murders of the governor, known as the Moor, and his lovely young wife, Iago is now locked in battle with Annibale Malipiero, known as Il Terribile, the chief inquisitor of Italy's greatest city.

Malipiero is repelled by the more brutal tasks of the *interrogante*. His obsession is with the very nature of evil. What makes a man into a murderer, he longs to know? Is Iago a lone psychopath, or does he lie at the heart of a more widespread Ottoman conspiracy? Malipiero knows that torture will not provide him with the answers he seeks. But there is, perhaps, a more audacious and unusual route to the truth...

Exuberantly inventive and thrillingly complex, *Iago* will captivate fans already familiar with Shakespeare and appeal to anyone who loves a rich historical novel. *Iago* marks the emergence of a remarkable new literary voice.



ANDREW MARR.

a bestselling author and award-winning journalist, hosts *The Andrew Marr Show* on BBC. His best-known book, *A History of Modern Britain*, was accompanied by a BBC television series that won one of British television's most prestigious prizes. He and his wife live in London with their three children.

 ANNIVERSARY TIE-IN to the Diamond Jubilee, which will celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of Elizabeth II's accession to the throne. The celebration begins on February 6, 2012, and will continue for months.

Praise for Andrew Marr:

"As in the days when he was the BBC's chief political editor, it is the clarity of his judgments, the arresting insights and the irrepressible wit that keeps us hanging on to his words . . . Marr is the ideal history teacher that most people never had at school."

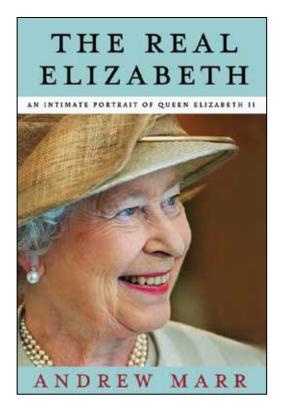
-Literary Review

An excerpt from The Real Elizabeth:

Queen Elizabeth II is a kind of anti-celebrity, a woman happiest in scarf, old coat and rubber boots, out with her dogs or horses. She is one of the wealthiest women on the planet but eats frugally, keeping her breakfast cereals in plastic boxes and switching out unnecessary lights as she passes through rooms. Though she has a wonderful smile when she chooses to use it, her face falls naturally into a rubbery solemnity that she herself has likened to Miss Piggy. Her formal power is very small, and she has never played to the cameras. To a remarkable degree, then, the Queen is about as out of step from modern life as it's possible to be.

What few people understand is that the Queen believes, quite literally, that she has a vocation—that her function is a religious calling that cannot be denied or shrugged off. When she was anointed with a secret recipe of oils at her Coronation in 1953—the last monarch to follow a tradition going back to ancient Jewish custom—she took on a life-long position that can more easily be compared to religious service than to modern politics. She is, in fact, a shy person who can still get a little shaky with nerves before making a speech: consider what that means for a woman who spends most of her life meeting strangers and making speeches. Her outspoken husband has said it is a job that nobody in their right mind would choose.

A surprising and very personal biography of a woman who may be the world's last great queen, published to coincide with the sixtieth anniversary of her reign



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THE REAL ELIZABETH

An Intimate Portrait of Queen Flizabeth II

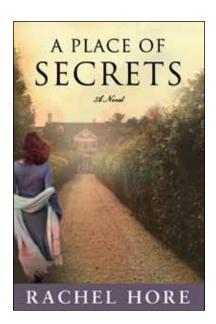
Andrew Marr

Elizabeth II, one of England's longest-reigning monarchs, is an enigma. In public, she confines herself to optimistic pieties and guarded smiles; in private, she is wry, funny, and an excellent mimic. Now, for the first time, one of Britain's leading journalists and historians gets behind the mask and tells us the fascinating story of the real Elizabeth.

Born shortly before the Depression, Elizabeth grew up during World War II and became queen because of the shocking abdication of her uncle and the early death of her father. Only twenty-five when she ascended to the throne, she has been at the apex of the British state for nearly six decades. She has entertained and known numerous world leaders, including every U.S. president since Harry Truman. Brought up to regard family values as sacred, she has seen all but one of her children divorce; her heir, Prince Charles, conduct an adulterous affair before Princess Diana's death; and a steady stream of family secrets poured into the open. Yet she has never failed to carry out her duties, and she has never said a word about any of the troubles she has endured.

Andrew Marr, who enjoys extraordinary access to senior figures at Buckingham Palace, has written a revealing and essential book about a woman who has managed to remain private to the point of mystery throughout her reign.

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A PLACE OF SECRETS

A Novel

Rachel Hore

The night before it all begins, Jude has the same nightmare that haunted her as a child: running through a dark forest, crying for her mother. Now her six-year-old niece, Summer, is having the same dream, and Jude is frightened for her.

A successful auctioneer, Jude is struggling to come to terms with the death of her husband. When she's asked to value a collection of scientific instruments and manuscripts belonging to Anthony Wickham, a lonely eighteenth-century astronomer, she leaps at the chance to escape London for the untamed beauty of Norfolk, where she grew up. As Jude untangles Wickham's tragic story, she discovers threatening links to the present.

What do Summer's nightmares to have do with Starbrough folly, the eerie crumbling tower in the forest from which Wickham and his adopted daughter, Esther, once viewed the night sky? With the help of Euan, a local naturalist, Jude searches for answers in the wild, haunting splendor of the Norfolk woods. Dare she leave behind the sadness in her own life and learn to love again?

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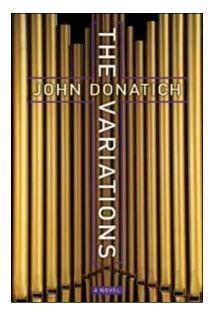
-The Independent

"Sumptuous prose, deft plotting, lush settings, troubling personal histories, tragedy, heady romance and even a smattering of 18th Century scientific wonderment mark Hore's fourth novel as her most accomplished and enthralling yet."

-Daily Mirror

RACHEL HORE is the author of four novels including the critically acclaimed *The Glass Painter's Daughter* and *The Memory Garden*. She worked in London publishing for many years before moving with her family to Norwich, where she teaches publishing at the University of East Anglia. She is married to the writer D. J. Taylor and they have three sons.

A compelling sympathy of the faiths that fill the gap between who we set out to be and who we ultimately become



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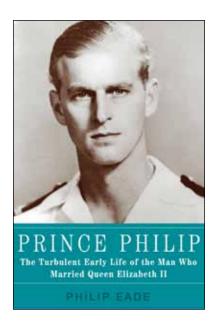
John Donatich

A powerful debut novel about a priest who has lost his church, his mentor, and, most upsetting, his ability to pray. How can Father Dominic protect or guide his parish when everything he loves falls away? How can he counsel Dolores, a troubled teenager prone to emotional panic and spiritual monomania? Or James, a promising African American pianist, struggling to realize his artistic ambitions by bringing his own voice to a piece that has been played by the world's most brilliant pianists, Bach's Goldberg Variations?

Into this malaise comes Andrea, a sophisticated New York editor attracted at first by Dom's blog and then by the man himself. Dom's journey from the cloth into the secular world will offer carnal knowledge, but also something deeper, a more resistant knowledge as life fails to offer happiness or redemption. In prose both searching and muscular, *The Variations* has located the right metaphor for our spiritual crisis in this story of one man's spiritual disillusion and ache for self-knowledge.

JOHN DONATICH is the director of the Yale University Press. His essays and occasional pieces have appeared in *Harper's* and the *The Atlantic Monthly*. This is his first novel.

"Rich in drama and tragedy" (*The Guardian*), here is a mesmerizing account of the extraordinary formative years of the man married to the most famous woman in the world



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PRINCE PHILIP

The Turbulent Early Life of the Man Who Married Queen Elizabeth II

Philip Eade

Before he met the young girl who became Queen Elizabeth II, Prince Philip had a tumultuous upbringing in Greece, France, Nazi Germany, and Britain. His mother, Princess Alice of Battenberg, was born deaf; she was committed to a psychiatric clinic when Philip was eight. His father, Prince Andrew of Greece, already traumatized by his exile from his home country, promptly shut up the family home and went off to live with his mistress, effectively leaving his young son an orphan.

Remarkably, Philip emerged from his difficult childhood a character of singular vitality and dash—self-confident, opinionated, and devastatingly handsome. Girls fell at his feet, and the princess who would become his wife was smitten from the age of thirteen. Yet alongside his considerable charm and intelligence, the young prince was also prone to volcanic outbursts, which would have profound consequences for his family and the future of the monarchy.

In this authoritative and wonderfully compelling book, acclaimed biographer Philip Eade brings to vivid life the storm-tossed early years of one of the most fascinating and mysterious members of the royal family.

"Highly readable . . . This balanced, sympathetic, engaging book deserves to take its place among the first rank of modern royal biographies."

-Dailv Mail

"The narrative is as suspenseful as any thriller. Truly, an excellent read."

-The Sunday Times

PHILIP EADE has worked as a criminal barrister, English teacher, and journalist. His first book, *Sylvia Queen of the Headhunters*, was a runner-up for the Biographers' Club Prize; his second, *Prince Philip*, became a *Sunday Times* bestseller. He lives in London.

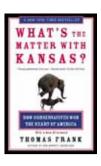
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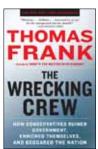


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-George F. Will, The Washington Post

An excerpt from Pity the Billionaire:

After the economic collapse of 2008, the polite-thinking world expected the Right to be humbled by the disasters of the Bush era, to confess their errors and make haste for the political center. The world expected penitence.

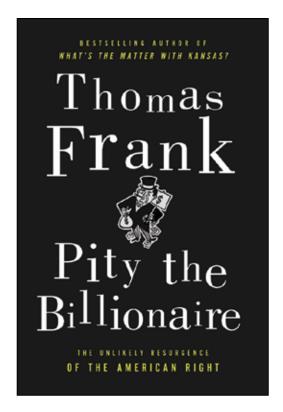
What it got was the opposite, delivered on the point of a bayonet. Conservative leaders solved the problem of the past eight years by excommunicating George W. Bush and renouncing his works. Instead of complying with the new speed limit, they hit the gas. Instead of tacking for the center, they sailed hard to the right, veering off on a quest for ideological purity. And instead of elevating their remaining centrists to positions of power, they purged them.

They doubled down on their catastrophic faith—and they won.

We are living through an era of privation that looks a lot like the Great Depression, yet the only really animated protest movement is one that demands precisely the opposite of what our ancestors demanded in the thirties. It gags on the unremarkable notion of "spreading the wealth around," insisting that the top-heavy manner in which wealth is currently distributed is the only truly American alternative. It revolts against the prospect of universal health care and it supports the harshest orthodoxy of the Hoover administration: "Let the failures fail." It even calls for the return of the gold standard.

We remember the 1930s as the heroic age of liberalism, but they were also a time when, in certain corners of the culture, "the will to believe often triumphed over the evidence of the senses," as one novelist put it. The politics of hard times are different today, but among the firebrands of the right, that old "will to believe" is with us once again.

From the bestselling author of What's the Matter with Kansas?, a wonderfully insightful and sardonic look at why the worst economy since the 1930s has brought about the revival of conservatism



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PITY THE BILLIONAIRE

The Unlikely Resurgence of the American Right

Thomas Frank

Economic catastrophe usually brings social protest and demands for change-or at least it's supposed to. But when Thomas Frank set out in 2009 to look for expressions of American discontent, all he could find were loud demands that the economic system be made even harsher on the recession's victims and that society's traditional winners receive even grander prizes. The American Right, which had seemed moribund after the election of 2008, was strangely reinvigorated by the arrival of hard times. The Tea Party movement demanded not that we question the failed system but that we reaffirm our commitment to it. Republicans in Congress embarked on a bold strategy of total opposition to the liberal state. And TV phenom Glenn Beck demonstrated the commercial potential of heroic paranoia and the purest libertarian economics.

In Pity the Billionaire, Frank, the great chronicler of American paradox, examines the peculiar mechanism by which dire economic circumstances have delivered wildly unexpected political results. Using firsthand reporting, a deep knowledge of the American Right, and a wicked sense of humor, he gives us the first full diagnosis of the cultural malady that has transformed collapse into profit, reconceived the Founding Fathers as heroes from an Ayn Rand novel, and enlisted the powerless in a fan club for the prosperous. The understanding Frank reaches is at once startling, original, and profound.



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-The New York Times Book Review

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-Los Angeles Times

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An excerpt from The Outsourced Self:

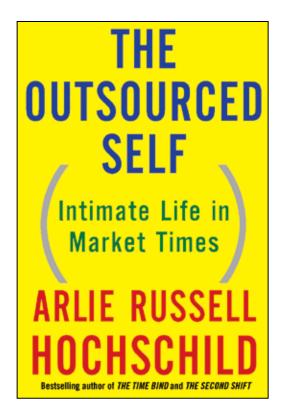
Laura and Trevor's wedding took place on the grounds of a majestic old mansion, bedecked with spring flowers. For this happiest of days, Chloe, the wedding planner, likes to develop a theme. "I ask a couple to tell me how they fell in love. They give me a casual story and I give it back as a theme."

One evening during their courtship, Trevor and Laura had passed a small lemon tree. "I'd really feel like a Californian if I had a lemon tree," Laura had said. Several months later, on Valentine's Day, she received one, encircled by a dozen yellow roses. Picking up on this passing tale, Chloe explained, she had asked Laura, "How about we make your theme the legend of the lemon tree?"

In the wedding tent, on each white-clothed table, the guests found a glass centerpiece filled with wheels of sliced lemons. On a large, gold-framed card next to each place setting was an image of lemons and a prose poem—drafted by Laura, approved by Trevor, and edited by Chloe—called "Legend of the Lemon Tree."

Legends typically grow slowly over centuries; they are seldom self-consciously created. This legend, of Laura and Trevor's lemon tree, was designed to represent the couple's devotion and convey the idea—in a country with the world's highest divorce rate—that their marriage was rooted in tradition. The tradition was professionally organized, and, in a sense, purchased. But it warmed everyone's heart.

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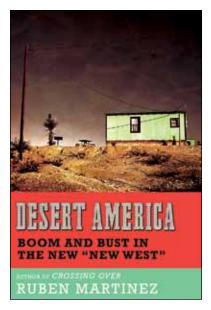
Arlie Russell Hochschild

The family has long been a haven in a heartless world, the one place immune to market forces and economic calculations, where the personal, the private, and the emotional hold sway. Yet as Arlie Russell Hochschild shows in *The Outsourced Self*, that is no longer the case: everything that was once part of private life—love, friendship, child rearing—is being transformed into packaged expertise to be sold back to confused, harried Americans.

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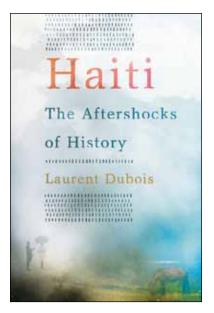
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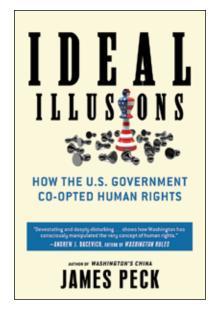
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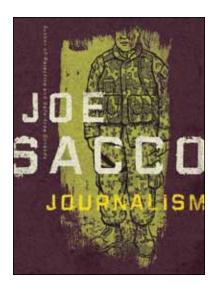
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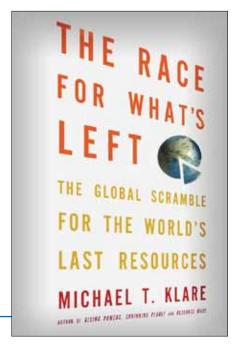
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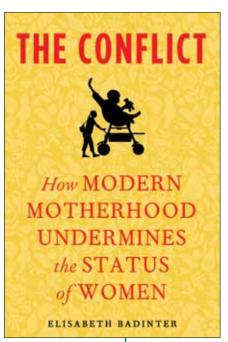
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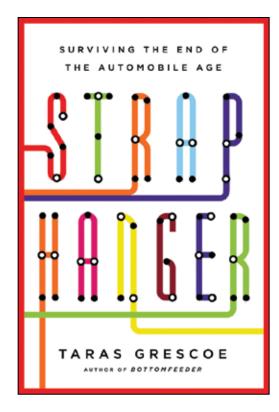
Well, I'm willing to admit it: I ride the bus.

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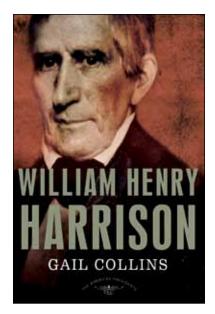
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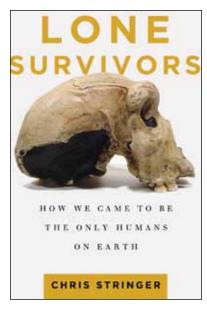
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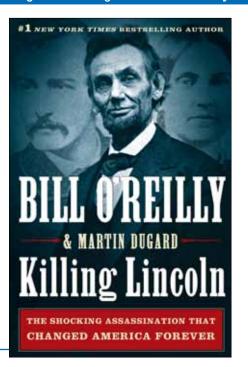
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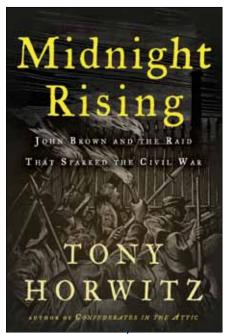
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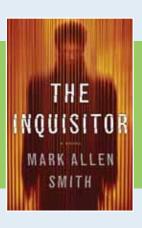
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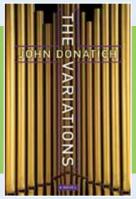


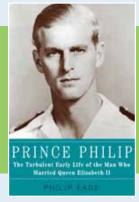




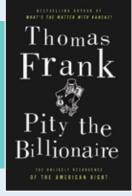


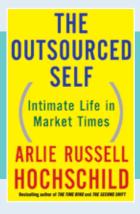


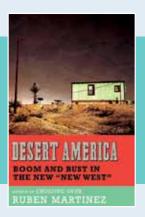


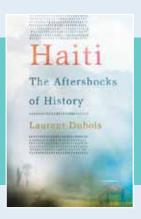


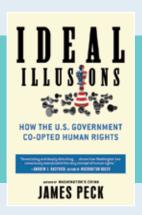
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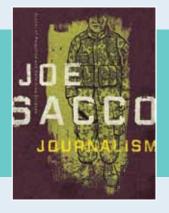




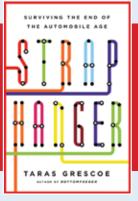


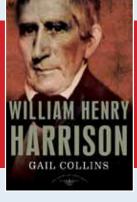


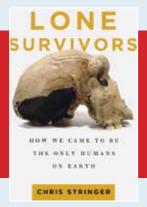




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