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THE NICKEL BOYS

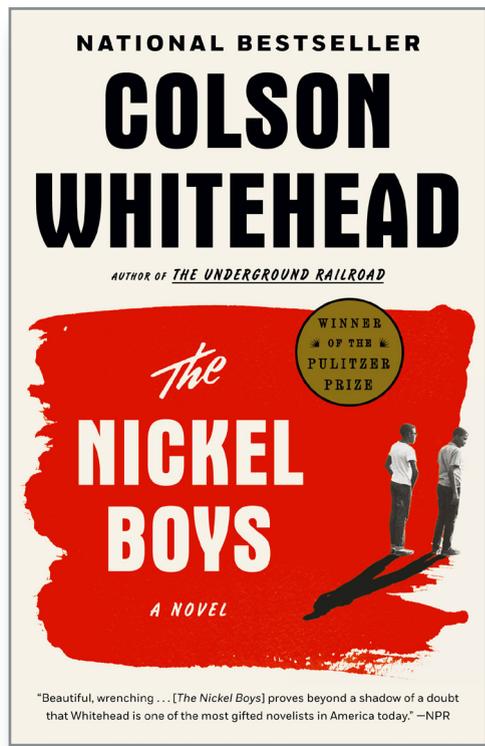
By Colson Whitehead

NOW IN PAPERBACK

Colson Whitehead brings American history to life in *THE NICKEL BOYS*, a novel based on the real story of a reform school in Florida that warped the lives of thousands of children.

Elwood is about to enroll in the local black college. But for a black boy in the Jim Crow South of the early 1960s, one innocent mistake is enough to destroy the future. Elwood is sentenced to a juvenile reformatory called the Nickel Academy, whose mission statement says it provides “moral training” so the delinquent boys in their charge can become “honorable and honest men.” In reality, the Nickel Academy is a grotesque chamber of horrors controlled by corrupt officials and a sadistic staff.

Elwood tries to hold onto Dr. King’s assertion: “Throw us in jail and we will still love you.” His friend Turner will do whatever it takes to survive, no matter the cost. The boys’ fates will be determined by what they endured at the Nickel Academy.



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WINNER OF THE PULITZER PRIZE FOR FICTION
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“*The Nickel Boys* is in conversation with works by James Baldwin, Ralph Ellison, and especially Martin Luther King. . . . It shreds our easy confidence in the triumph of goodness and leaves in its place a hard and bitter truth about the ongoing American experiment.”
—THE WASHINGTON POST

“[Examines] the process by which Americans undermine, distort, hide or ‘neatly erase’ the stories he is driven to tell. . . . A writer like Whitehead . . . has rarely seemed more essential.”
—THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW

COLSON WHITEHEAD is the author of *The Underground Railroad*, which in 2016 won the Pulitzer Prize in Fiction and the National Book Award. He is also a recipient of the MacArthur and Guggenheim Fellowships. He lives in New York City.



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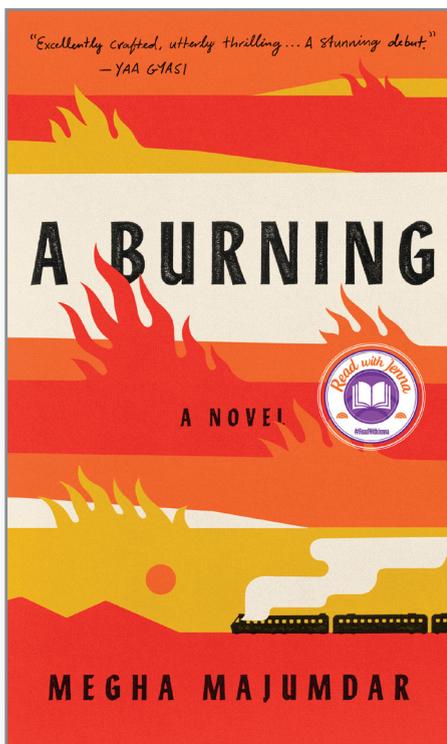
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A BURNING

By Megha Majumdar

NEW

A BURNING is a novel about three unforgettable characters who find their lives entangled in the wake of a catastrophe in contemporary India.

Jivan is a Muslim girl from the slums, determined to move up in life, who is accused of committing a terrorist attack because of a careless comment on Facebook. PT Sir is an opportunistic gym teacher who hitches his aspirations to a right-wing political party, and finds that his own ascent becomes linked to Jivan’s fall. Lovely—an irresistible outcast whose exuberant voice and dreams of glory fill the novel with warmth and hope and humor—has the alibi that can set Jivan free, but it will cost her everything she holds dear.

Megha Majumdar writes on complex themes: class, fate, corruption, justice, and what it feels like to face profound obstacles and yet nurture big dreams in a country spinning toward extremism.

“ LONGLISTED FOR THE NATIONAL BOOK AWARD ”

“Powerful. . . . This is a book to relish for its details, for the caress of the writer’s gaze against the world. . . . The interplay of choice and circumstance has always been the playing field of great fiction, and on this terrain, a powerful new writer stakes her claim.”

—PARUL SEHGAL, *THE NEW YORK TIMES*

“Immersive. . . . Masterly. . . . *A Burning* has a similar urgency of appeal [to Faulkner’s *As I Lay Dying*]. Its characters are at the very front of the stage, and we can feel their breath. . . . Her spare plot moves with arrowlike determination. . . . It’s only at the end of this brief, brave novel that one becomes fully aware of how broad its judgments have been, how fierce and absolute its condemnations.”

—JAMES WOOD, *THE NEW YORKER* ”

MEGHA MAJUMDAR was born and raised in Kolkata, India. She moved to the United States to attend college at Harvard University, followed by graduate school in social anthropology at Johns Hopkins University. She works as an editor at Catapult, and lives in New York City. Follow her on Twitter @MeghaMaj and Instagram @megha.maj



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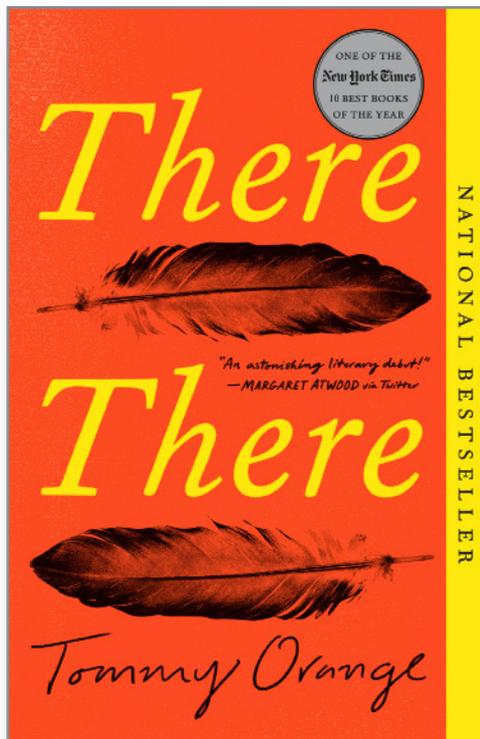
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THERE THERE

By Tommy Orange

Tommy Orange's shattering novel follows twelve characters from Native communities: all traveling to the Big Oakland Powwow, all connected to each other in ways they may not yet realize. There is Jacquie Red Feather, newly sober and working to make it back to the family she left behind; Dene Oxendene, who is pulling his life back together after his uncle's death, has come to work at the powwow to honor his memory; fourteen-year-old Orvil has come to perform traditional dance for the very first time.

Together, this chorus of voices tells of the plight of the urban Native American—grappling with a complex and painful history, with an inheritance of beauty and spirituality, with communion and sacrifice and heroism. **THERE THERE** captures a collection of unique voices and stories, expanding the literary representation of Native Americans.



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WINNER OF THE NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE
JOHN LEONARD PRIZE

“*There There* has so much jangling energy and brings so much news from a distinct corner of American life that it’s a revelation.”
—THE NEW YORK TIMES

“With a literary authority rare in a debut novel, [*There There*] places Native American voices front and center before readers’ eyes.”
—NPR, FRESH AIR

TOMMY ORANGE is a graduate of the MFA program at the Institute of American Indian Arts. An enrolled member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, he was born and raised in Oakland, California.



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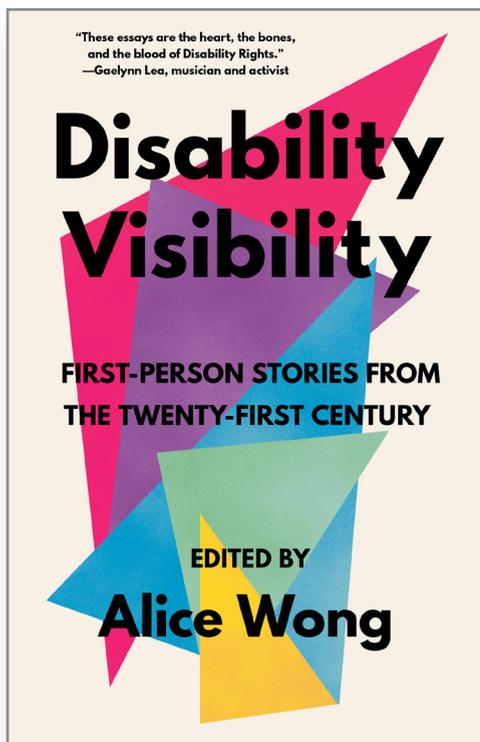
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DISABILITY VISIBILITY

*First-Person Stories from the
 Twenty-First Century*

Edited by Alice Wong

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Activist Alice Wong brings together an urgent, galvanizing collection of contemporary essays by disabled people.

From Harriet McBryde Johnson's account of her debate with Peter Singer over her own personhood to original pieces by authors like Keah Brown and Haben Girma; from blog posts, manifestos, and eulogies to Congressional testimonies, and beyond: this anthology gives a glimpse into the rich complexity of the disabled experience, highlighting the passions, talents, and everyday lives of this community which are currently underrepresented in media and popular culture. The book invites readers to question their own understandings and celebrates and documents disability culture in the now.

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“To Alice Wong, words like ‘diversity’ and ‘intersectionality’ aren’t just buzzwords. They are marching orders. In this book, she has collected a staggering array of stories from writers who experience disability in vastly different ways. This isn’t meant to be THE DEFINITIVE BOOK on disability. It is a doorway, and Alice is inviting us all to go through the doorway and continue our learning process. She even ends the collection with a bibliography that extends far beyond your standard reading list.” —**W. KAMAU BELL, HOST OF UNITED SHADES OF AMERICA**

“If we’re going to talk about diversity in earnest then we must acknowledge the contributors in Alice Wong’s anthology and how their essays encapsulate intersectional dialogue, intellectual thought, and intimate details. Disability Visibility is the perfect name for this collection because the authors words resound loudly and deserve to be heard. . . . This book is a celebration and a source of deep education for many to bear witness (and feel seen by) the vastness of disabled stories, voices, and backgrounds.” —**JENNIFER BAKER, EDITOR OF EVERYDAY PEOPLE: THE COLOR OF LIFE—A SHORT STORY ANTHOLOGY**

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ALICE WONG is a disabled activist, media maker, and research consultant based in San Francisco, California. She is the founder and director of the Disability Visibility Project, an online community dedicated to creating, sharing, and amplifying disability media and culture. Alice is also the host and co-producer of the *Disability Visibility* podcast and co-partner in a number of collaborations such as #CripTheVote and Access Is Love. From 2013 to 2015, Alice served as a member of the National Council on Disability, an appointment by President Barack Obama. You can follow her on Twitter: @Sfdirewolf. For more: disabilityvisibilityproject.com.

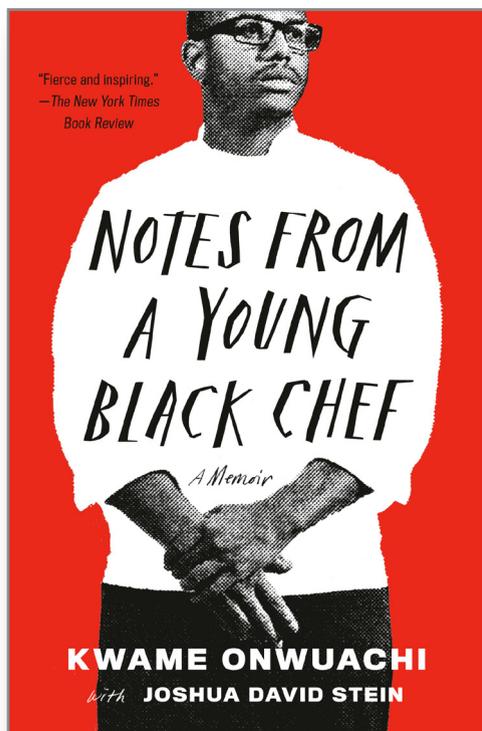
NOTES FROM A YOUNG BLACK CHEF

By Kwame Onwuachi
with Joshua David Stein

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By the time he was twenty-seven years old, Kwame Onwuachi had opened—and closed—one of the most talked about restaurants in America. He had launched his own catering company with twenty thousand dollars that he made from selling candy on the subway, yet he'd been told he would never make it on television because his cooking wasn't "Southern" enough. In this inspiring memoir about the intersection of race, fame, and food, he shares the remarkable story of his culinary coming-of-age.

From the Bronx to Nigeria to fine dining restaurants in Manhattan, Onwuachi's love of food and cooking remained a constant in his life. But as a young chef, he was forced to grapple with just how unwelcoming the world of fine dining can be for people of color. **NOTES FROM A YOUNG BLACK CHEF**, is the inspiring tale of one man's pursuit of his passions, despite the odds.



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Finalist for the James Beard Foundation Award for Literature and Writing

“Onwuachi’s memoir should be required reading, not just for future chefs, but for anyone who wants a glimpse into one man’s tale of what it’s like to be young, black and ambitious in America.”

—THE WASHINGTON POST

“Chef Kwame Onwuachi is a living example of bouncing back when hit with challenges and obstacles. . . . Inspiring.”

—EDUARDO JORDAN, CHEF/OWNER OF SALARE,
JUNEBABY, AND LUCINDA GRAIN BAR

KWAME ONWUACHI is a James Beard Award-winning chef based in Washington, D.C. He was born on Long Island and raised in New York City, Nigeria, and Louisiana. Onwuachi was first exposed to cooking by his mother, in the family’s modest Bronx apartment. From toiling in the bowels of oil cleanup ships to working at some of the best restaurants in the world, he has seen and lived his fair share of diversity. Onwuachi trained at the Culinary Institute of America and has opened five restaurants before turning thirty. A former *Top Chef* contestant and a current judge, and former executive chef at Kith and Kin, he has been named one of *Food & Wine*’s Best New Chefs and a 30-Under-30 honoree by both Zagat and Forbes.



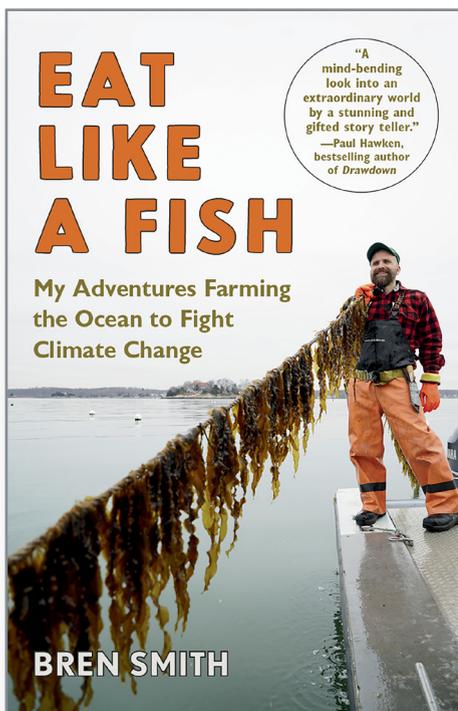
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EAT LIKE A FISH

My Adventures Farming the Ocean to Fight Climate Change

By Bren Smith

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Easy to grow, sustainable, and a solution to climate change, ocean vegetables are plentiful, nutritious, and delicious. In **EAT LIKE A FISH**, Bren Smith—former commercial fisherman turned restorative ocean farmer—shares a bold new vision for the future of food. He encourages students to reimagine their ideas about ocean eating, while taking them on a journey from his childhood in Newfoundland to his early years on the high seas, from pioneering new forms of ocean farming to surfing the frontiers of the food movement.

Written with the humor and swagger of a fisherman telling a late-night tale, this is a monumental work of memoir-turned-food policy that will change the way students think about what they eat, and inspire them to find creative ways to make their impact on the world.

WINNER OF THE JAMES BEARD AWARD FOR WRITING

“Part memoir, part treatise on the life of a professional fisherman, part manual for the future of eating worldwide, this unique book cannot help but make readers think long and hard about the fate of the earth as it faces the challenges of global warming.”

—BOOKLIST

“A perfect balance between personal storytelling and blueprint for a new way to harvest our seas.”

—FORBES

“[Written] with a wry joy that left me (more than usually) hopeful about our future.”

—BILL McKIBBEN, AUTHOR OF *EAARTH*

BREN SMITH is a former commercial fisherman turned ocean farmer who pioneered the development of restorative 3D ocean farming. Born and raised in Newfoundland, he left high school at the age of 14 to work on fishing boats from the Grand Banks to the Bering Sea. His writing has appeared in *The New York Times*, *National Geographic*, and elsewhere, his ocean farm won the Buckminster Fuller Challenge for ecological design, and, in 2017, was named one of *Time* magazine’s Best Inventions. He is the owner of Thimble Island Ocean Farm, and Executive Director of the non-profit Greenwave. Find more information at Greenwave.org.



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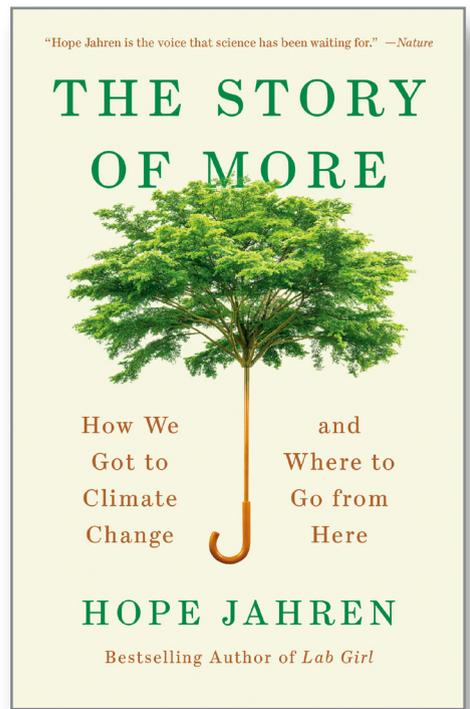
THE STORY OF MORE

How We Got to Climate Change and Where to Go from Here

By Hope Jahren

NEW IN PAPERBACK

In *THE STORY OF MORE*, Hope Jahren illuminates the link between human habits and the imperiled planet. In concise, highly readable chapters, she explains the science behind the key inventions—from electric power to large-scale farming to automobiles—that release greenhouse gases into the atmosphere like never before. She explains the current and projected consequences of global warming—from superstorms to rising sea levels—and the actions that individuals can take to fight back. At once an explainer on the mechanisms of global change and a lively, personal narrative, *THE STORY OF MORE* is the essential pocket primer on climate change that will leave an indelible impact on everyone who reads it.



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“Hope Jahren asks the central question of our time: how can we learn to live on a finite planet? *The Story of More* is thoughtful, informative, and—above all—essential.” —ELIZABETH KOLBERT, AUTHOR OF *THE SIXTH EXTINCTION*

“*The Story of More* is a superb account of the deadly struggle between humanity and what may prove the only life-bearing planet within ten light years, written in a brilliantly sardonic and conversational style.” —E. O. WILSON

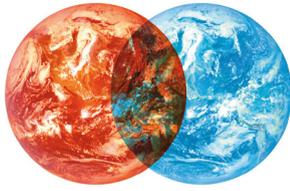
“[Hope Jahren] leads us on a journey across time and space, outlining thoughts and beliefs from Mesopotamia to her tiny Minnesota hometown. Along the way she discusses the impact of everything from population growth to Norwegian fishing to nuclear power. She takes this approach in order to present climate change as a result of broader dysfunctions having to do with consumption habits that, she says, don’t even make us happy.” —*THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW*

HOPE JAHREN is an award-winning scientist who has been pursuing independent research in paleobiology since 1996. Recognized by *Time* in 2016 as one of the one hundred most influential people in the world, she is the recipient of three Fulbright Awards and served as a tenured professor at the University of Hawaii in Honolulu from 2008 to 2016, where she built the isotope geobiology laboratories. She currently holds the J. Tuzo Wilson professorship at the University of Oslo, Norway.



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THE FUTURE WE CHOOSE



Surviving the Climate Crisis

Christiana Figueres and
Tom Rivett-Carnac

Architects of the 2015 Paris Agreement

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THE FUTURE WE CHOOSE

Surviving the Climate Crisis

By Christiana Figueres and
Tom Rivett-Carnac

NEW

In *THE FUTURE WE CHOOSE*, Christiana Figueres and Tom Rivett-Carnac—who led negotiations for the United Nations during the historic Paris Agreement of 2015—have written a cautionary but optimistic book about the world’s changing climate and the fate of humanity. The authors outline two possible scenarios for our planet. In one, they describe what life on Earth will be like by 2050 if we fail to meet the Paris climate targets. In the other, they lay out what it will be like to live in a carbon neutral, regenerative world. They argue for confronting the climate crisis head-on, with determination and optimism. *THE FUTURE WE CHOOSE* presents options and explains what governments, corporations, and each of us can and must do to fend off disaster.

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“The Paris Agreement was a landmark for humankind. In this timely and important book, two of the principal creators of that agreement show us why and how we can now realize its promise. I hope it is widely read and acted on.” —**JANE GOODALL**,
AUTHOR OF *IN THE SHADOW OF MAN*

“There could not be a more important book.” —**RICHARD BRANSON**

“Figueres and Rivett-Carnac dare to tell us how our response can create a better, fairer world.” —**NAOMI KLEIN**

“This is one of the most inspiring books I have ever read. . . . I hope we all take this message to heart.” —**YUVAL HARARI**, AUTHOR OF
SAPIENS AND 21 LESSONS FOR THE 21st CENTURY

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CHRISTIANA FIGUERES and **TOM RIVETT-CARNAC** are the cofounders of Global Optimism, an organization focused on bringing about environmental and social change. They have worked closely with key campaigners supporting efforts to ameliorate the consequences of climate change, among them Greta Thunberg, Al Gore, Leonardo DiCaprio, His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Jane Goodall, David Attenborough, and Robert Redford.



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SUPERMAN'S NOT COMING

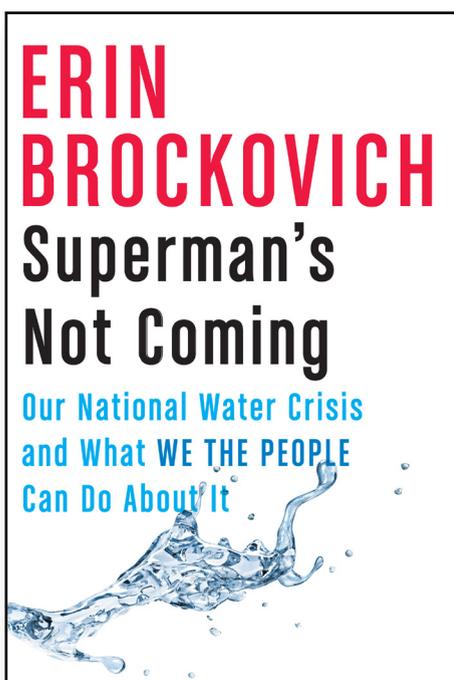
Our National Water Crisis and What We the People Can Do About It

By Erin Brockovich
with Suzanne Boothby

NEW

From environmental activist, renowned crusader, champion fighter, maverick—Erin Brockovich looks at our present situation with water and shows us how we can each take action to make changes in our cities, towns, and villages, before it is too late.

The need to act is now. From Michigan to Missouri to New Jersey, residents are suffering from undrinkable water. Recent research has shown that drinking water for more than six million Americans contains unsafe levels of industrial chemicals linked to cancer and other health issues. According to one study, the number of people exposed may be even higher than one hundred million people. This book will inspire students to join in the fight for the protection of our natural resources and the betterment of our society.



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“The celebrated environmental activist details her continuing fight to keep chemicals out of groundwater, highlighting the stakes and offering advice to concerned citizens.”

—THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW

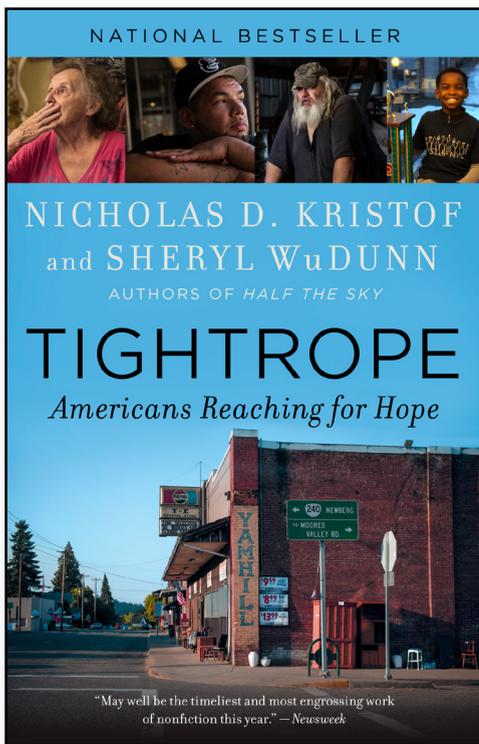
“Brockovich shows how bad things are, but she never gives in or despairs. Instead, she wants to educate people about their options, to give them the tools to start asking for changes. . . . An impeccably researched book that brings science, court cases, depositions, interviews, history, and personal experience to the table to make strong points about the dire state of many of our water systems—and the consequences of it. —GABINO IGLESIAS, NPR

ERIN BROCKOVICH is the president of Brockovich Research & Consulting and the founder of the Erin Brockovich Foundation, a nonprofit organization created to educate and empower communities in their fight for clean water. She hosts her own show on PodcastOne. She lives in Southern California. Visit Brockovich.com and follow her on Twitter: @ErinBrockovich for more information on her mission.



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Coauthor **SUZANNE BOOTHBY** is a journalist and writer focused on health, food politics, and eco-conscious stories. She is the author of *The After Cancer Diet*.



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TIGHTROPE

Americans Reaching for Hope

By Nicholas D. Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn

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Deeply personal and told through the lives of real Americans, **TIGHTROPE** addresses the crisis in working-class America, while focusing on solutions to mend a half century of governmental failure.

The authors tell this story, in part, through the lives of some of the children with whom Kristof grew up, in rural Yamhill, Oregon, an area that prospered for much of the twentieth century but has been devastated in the last few decades as blue-collar jobs disappeared. While these particular stories unfolded in one corner of the country, they are representative of many places the authors write about, ranging from the Dakotas and Oklahoma to New York and Virginia. Among them are also stories about resurgence.

“A deft and uniquely credible exploration of rural America, and of other left-behind pockets of our country. One of the most important books I’ve read on the state of our disunion.”

—TARA WESTOVER, AUTHOR OF *EDUCATED*

“This is an unflinching book that illustrates the central, confounding American paradox—in a country that purports to root for the underdog, too often we exalt the rich and we punish the poor. With thorough reporting and extraordinary compassion, Kristof and WuDunn tell the stories of those who fall behind in the world’s wealthiest country.”

—DAVE EGGERS, AUTHOR OF *THE CIRCLE*



NICHOLAS D. KRISTOF and **SHERYL WUDUNN**,

the first husband and wife to share a Pulitzer Prize for journalism, have coauthored four previous books: *A Path Appears*, *Half the Sky*, *Thunder from the East*, and *China Wakes*. They were awarded a Pulitzer in 1990 for their coverage of China, as well as the 2009 Dayton Literary Peace Prize for Lifetime Achievement. Now an op-ed columnist for *The New York Times*, Kristof was previously bureau chief in Hong Kong, Beijing, and Tokyo. He won

his second Pulitzer in 2006 for his columns on Darfur. WuDunn worked at the *Times* as a business editor and foreign correspondent in Tokyo and Beijing, and now works in finance and consulting. They live near New York City.

WHEN TRUTH IS ALL YOU HAVE

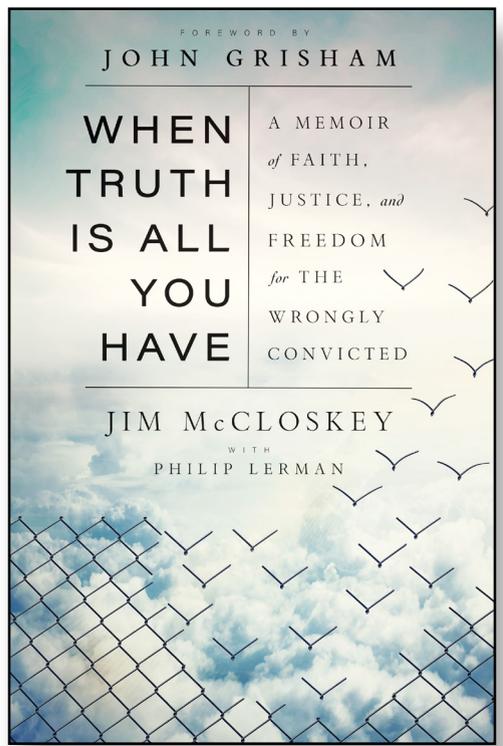
A Memoir of Faith, Justice, and Freedom for the Wrongly Convicted

By Jim McCloskey and Philip Lerman

NEW

In 1980, at age 37, Princeton Theological seminarian, Jim McCloskey established Centurion Ministries, the first group in America devoted to overturning wrongful convictions. Together with his staff and a team of forensic experts, lawyers, and volunteers—through tireless investigation and an unflagging dedication to justice—Centurion has freed sixty three innocent prisoners who had been sentenced to life or death.

WHEN TRUTH IS ALL YOU HAVE is McCloskey's inspirational story, as well as those of the unjustly imprisoned for whom he has fought. Spanning the nation, it is a chronicle of faith and doubt; of triumphant success and shattering failure. It candidly exposes a life of searching and struggle, uplifted by McCloskey's certainty that he had found what he was put on earth to do. Filled with generosity, humor, and compassion, it is the soul-bearing account of a man who has redeemed innumerable lives—and incited a movement—with nothing more than his unshakeable belief in the truth.



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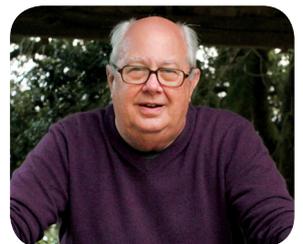
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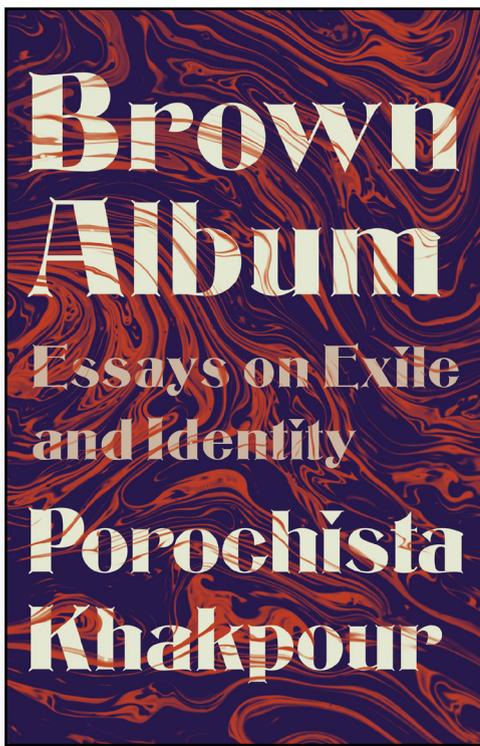
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JIM McCLOSKEY is the founder of Centurion Ministries. He served in the U.S. Navy, patrolling rivers in the Mekong Delta of Vietnam, and spent twelve years in international consulting. Today McCloskey is retired from active oversight of Centurion, though he continues to pursue cases.

PHILIP LERMAN has been the national editor of *USA Today*, co-producer of “America's Most Wanted,” and executive producer of PBS's “Made in Spain.” He is the author of *Dadditude* and the co-author of numerous nonfiction books. A native of the Bronx, New York, he lives in Washington, DC.



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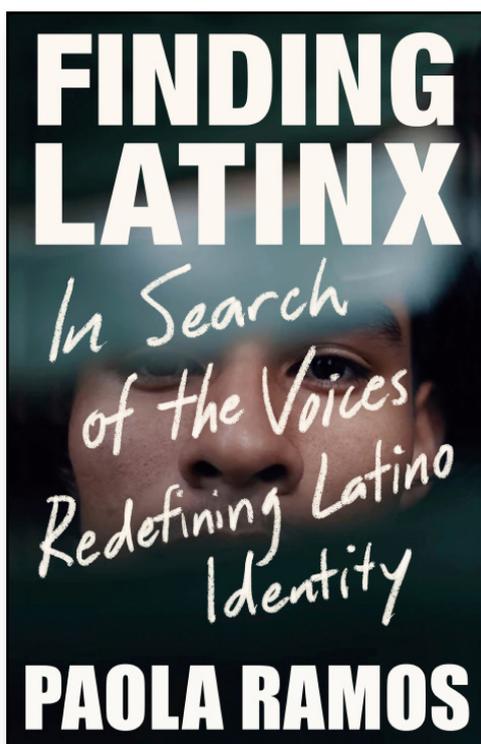
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On Becoming an Activist

By Sister Helen Prejean

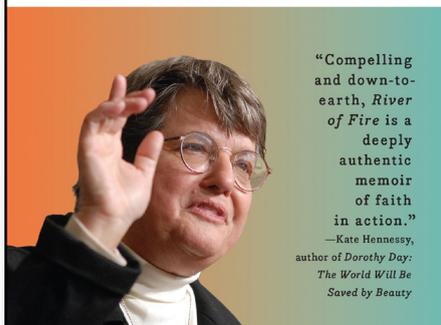
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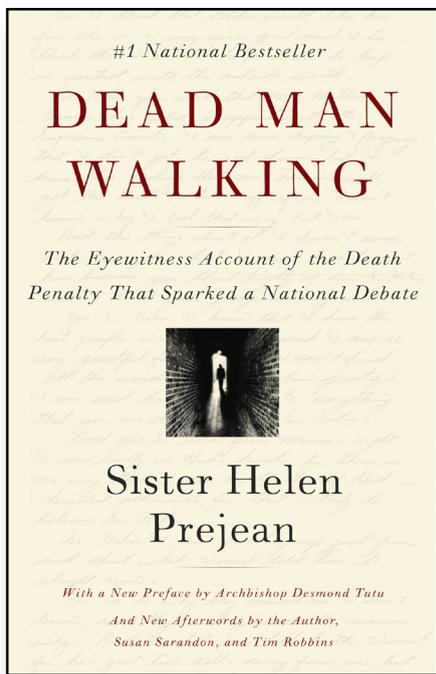
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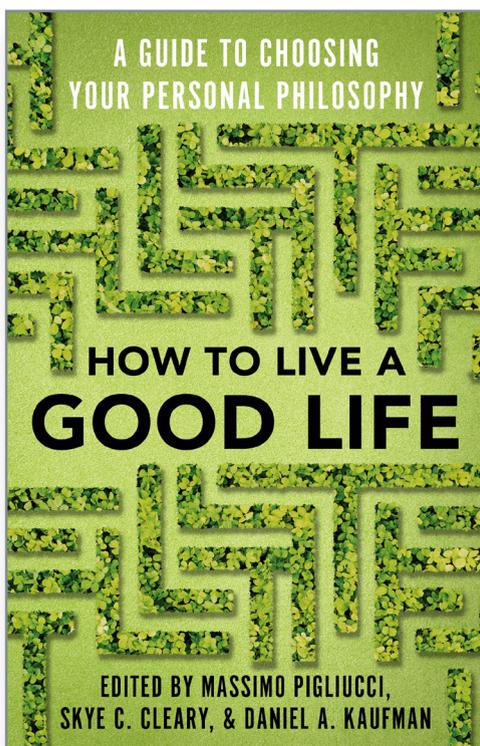
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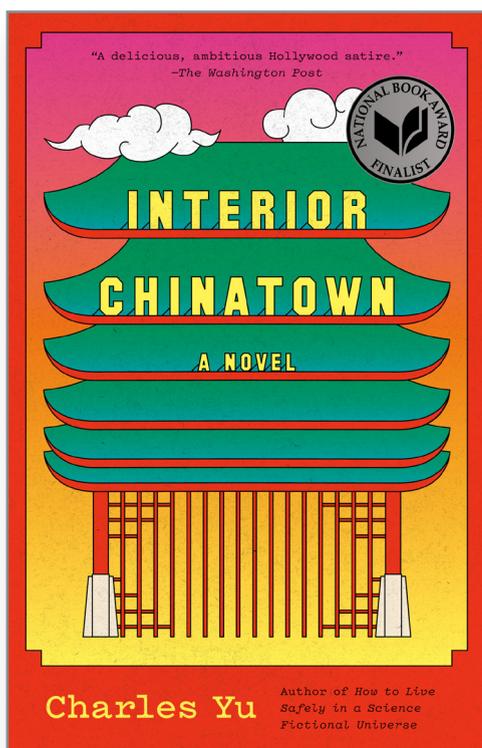
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CHARLES YU is the author of three books, including the novel *How to Live Safely in a Science Fictional Universe*. He received the National Book Foundation's 5 Under 35 Award and was nominated for two Writers Guild of America Awards for his work on the HBO series, *Westworld*. He has also written for shows on FX, AMC, and HBO. His fiction and non-fiction have appeared in *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *Wired*, among other publications.



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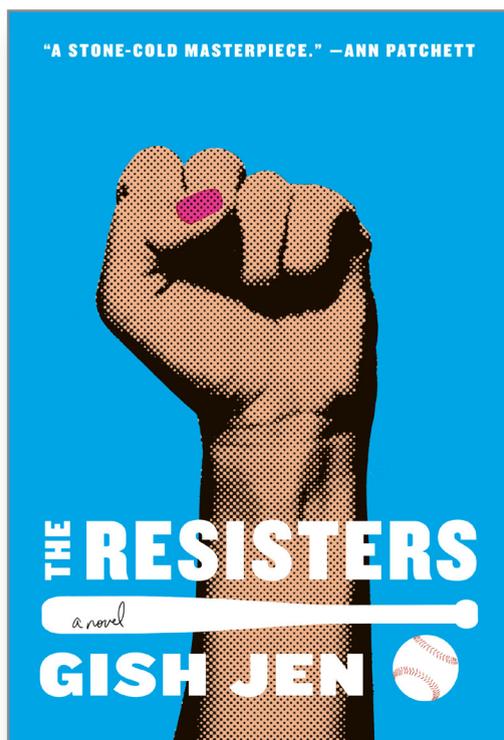
By Gish Jen

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The time is not so long from now in a place called AutoAmerica where the land is half under water. The Internet is one-part artificial intelligence, one-part surveillance technology. The people are divided as the angel-fair “Netted” who literally occupy the high ground and the “Surplus,” who live on swampland if they’re lucky, on water if they’re not.

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GISH JEN is the author of four previous novels, a story collection, and two works of nonfiction, the latest of which was *The Girl at the Baggage Claim: Explaining the East-West Culture Gap*. Her honors include the Lannan Literary Award for fiction and the Mildred and Harold Strauss Living Award from the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. She lives with her husband and two children in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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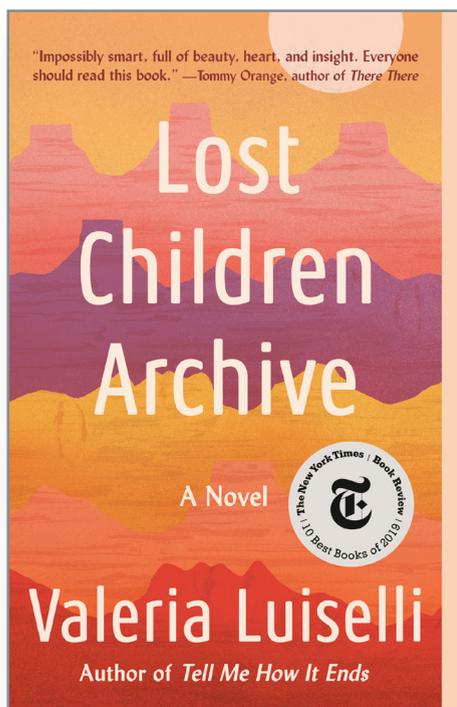
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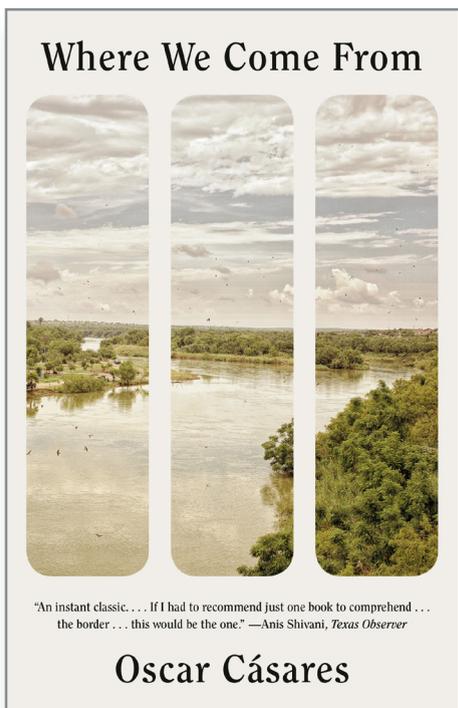
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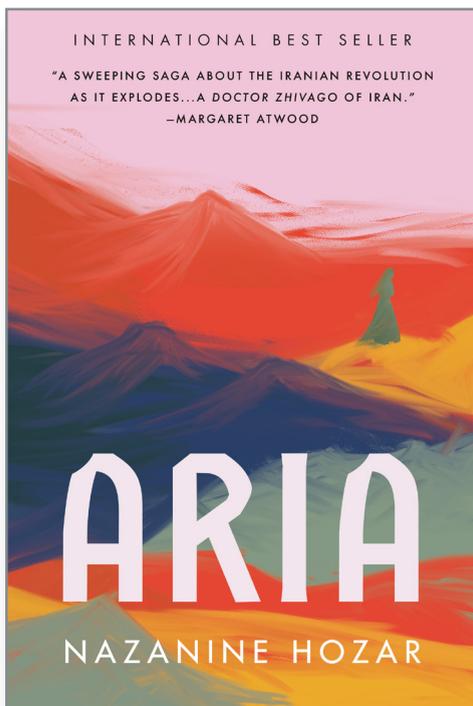
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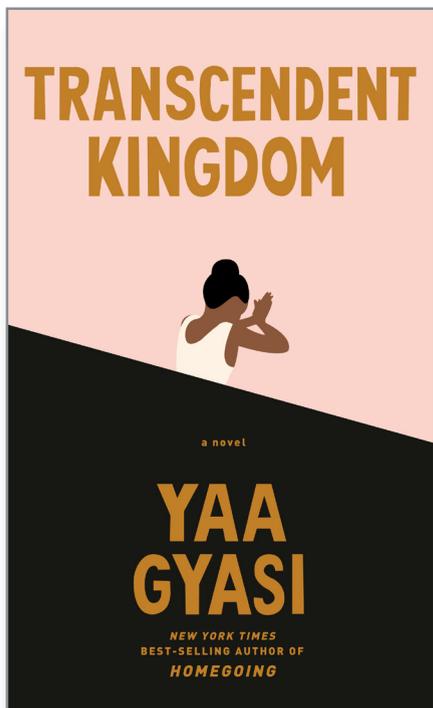
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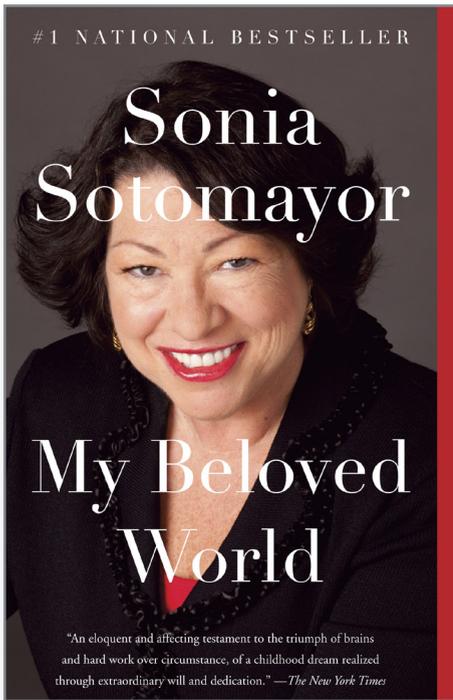
Gifty is a sixth-year PhD candidate in neuroscience at the Stanford University School of Medicine. Her brother, Nana, was a gifted high school athlete who died of a heroin overdose after an ankle injury left him hooked on OxyContin. Her suicidal mother is living in her bed. Gifty is determined to discover the scientific basis for the suffering she sees all around her. But even as she turns to the hard sciences to unlock the mystery of her family's loss, she finds herself hungering for her childhood faith and grappling with the evangelical church in which she was raised. *TRANSCENDENT KINGDOM* is a deeply moving portrait of a family of Ghanaian immigrants ravaged by depression and addiction and grief.

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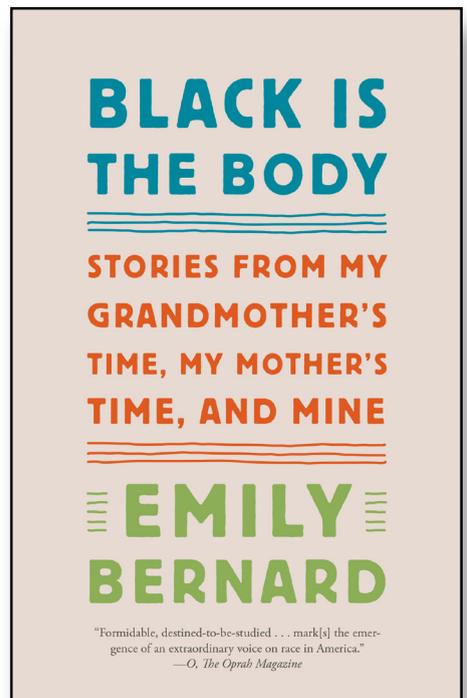
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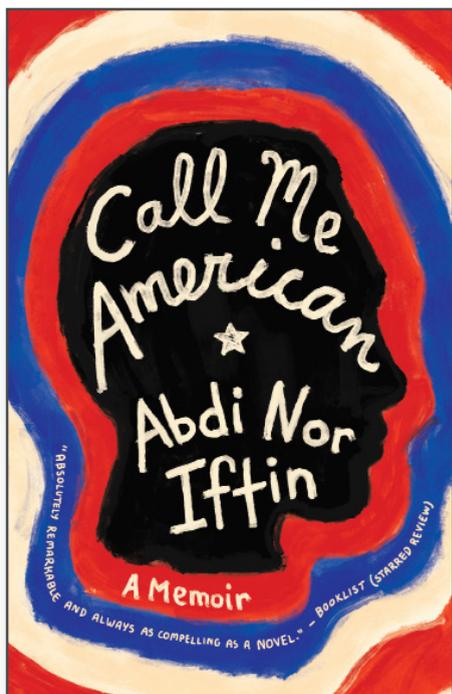
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CALL ME AMERICAN

By Abdi Nor Iftin

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Growing up in Somalia, Abdi Nor Iftin first fell in love with America from afar. As a child, he learned English by listening to American pop and watching action films—hoping for the day the Americans would come and defeat the warlords like the heroes in his favorite movies. But when the radical Islamist group al-Shabaab rose to power in 2006, it became dangerous to celebrate Western culture. Desperate to make a living, Abdi used his language skills to post secret dispatches, which found an audience of worldwide listeners on NPR and the BBC. In an amazing stroke of luck, Abdi won entrance to the U.S. in the annual visa lottery, though his route to America did not come easily. In Abdi's memoir *CALL ME AMERICAN*, his stories serve as a vivid reminder of why America still beckons to those looking to make a better life.

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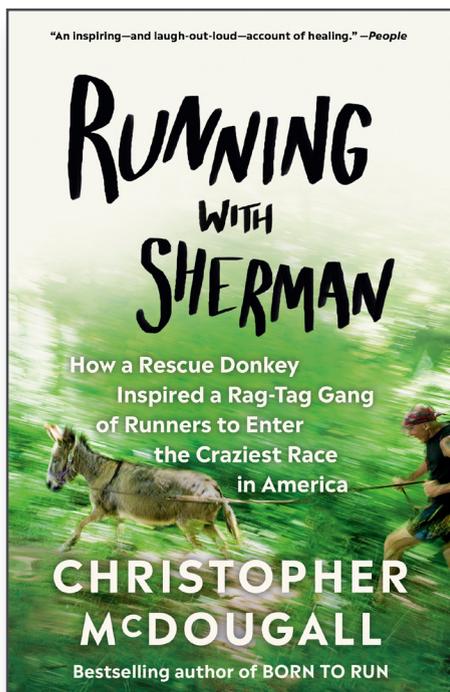
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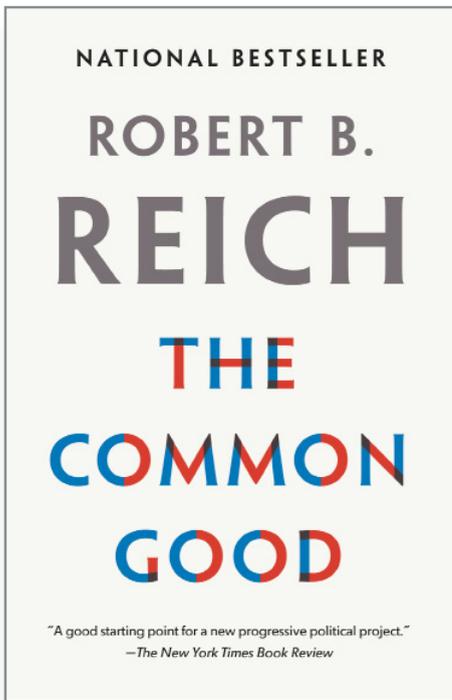
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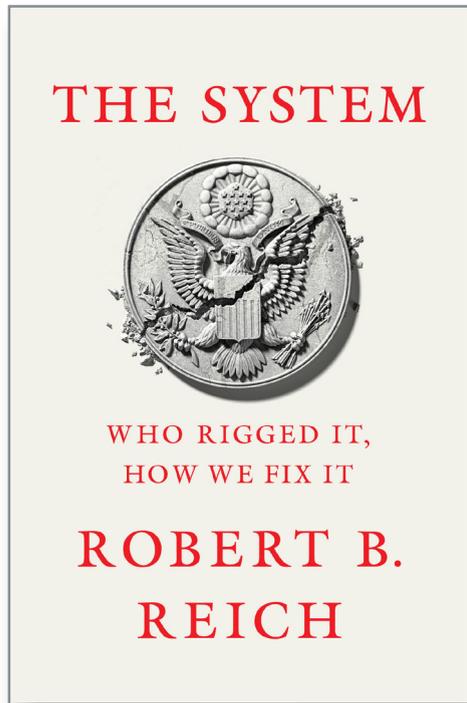
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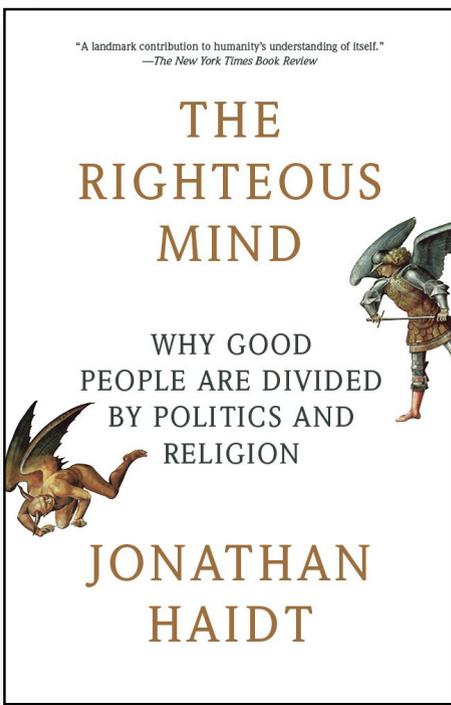
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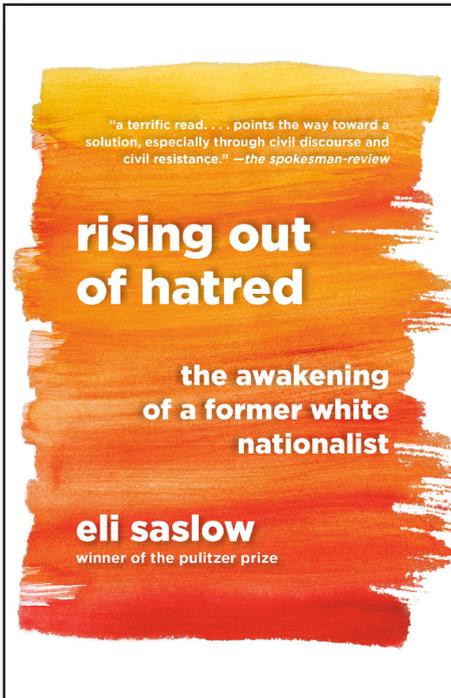
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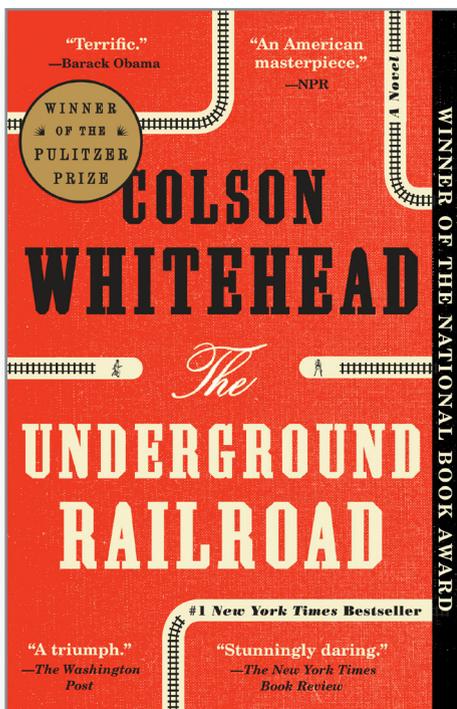
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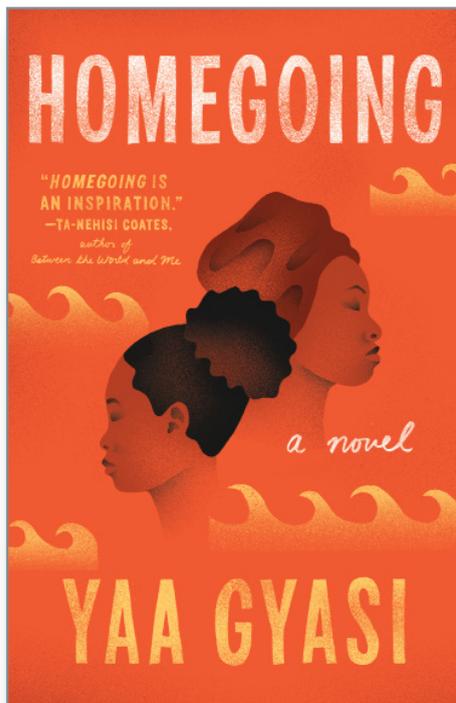
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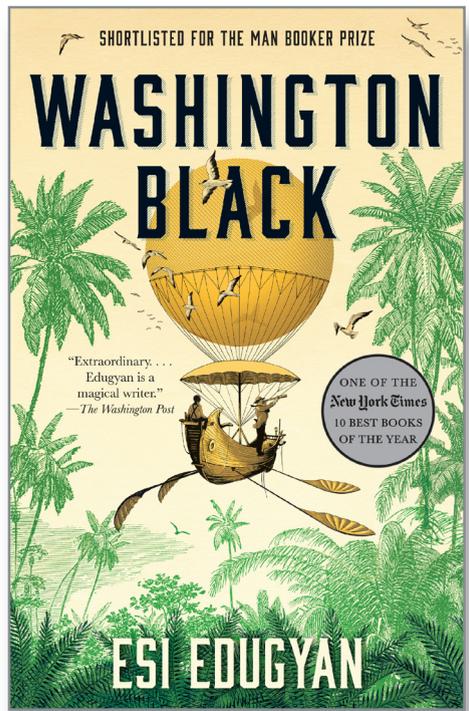
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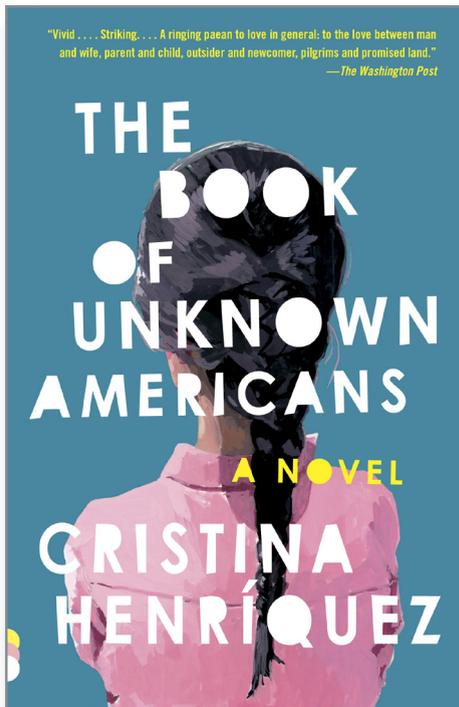


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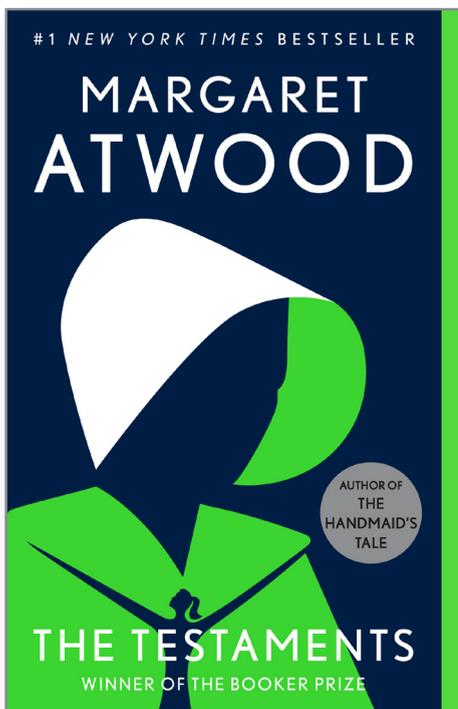
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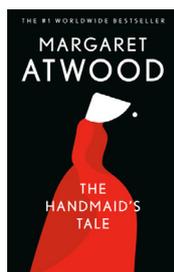
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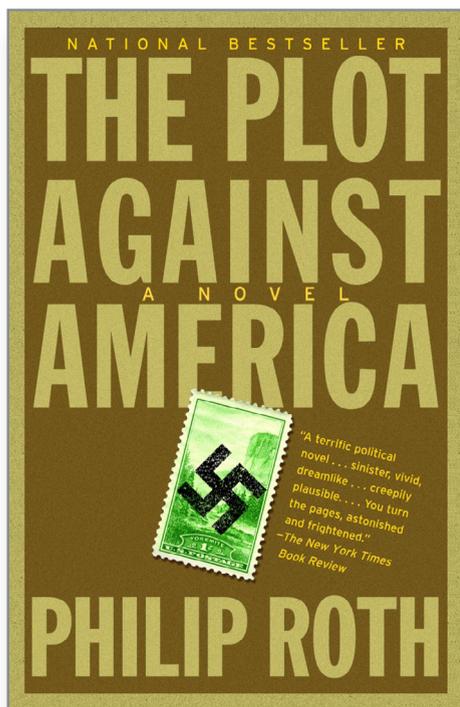
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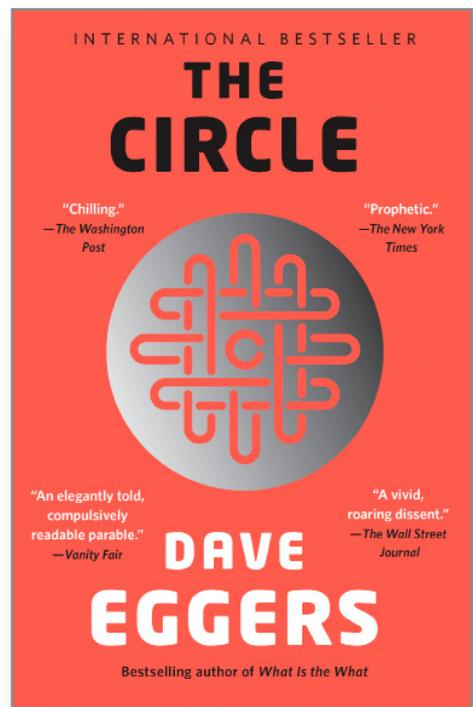
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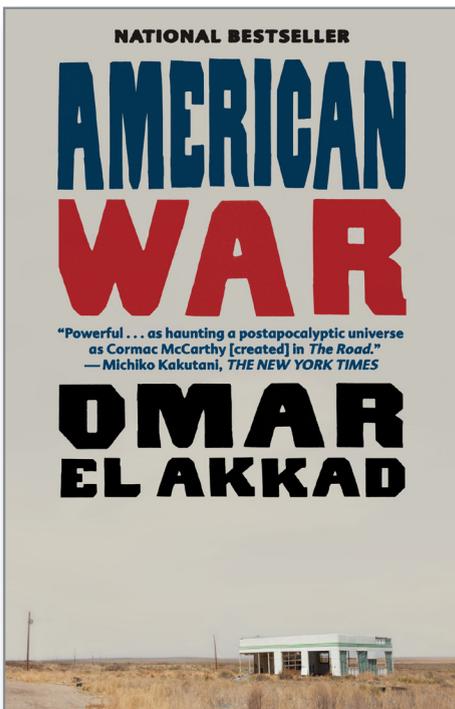


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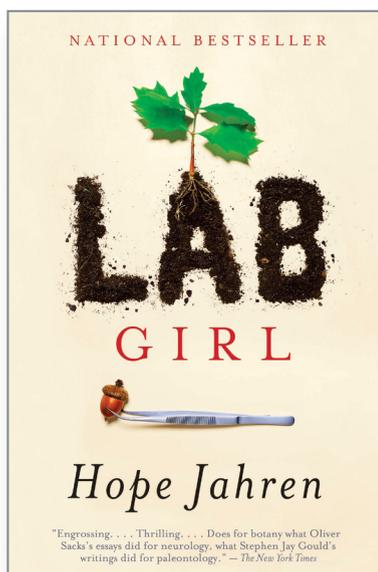
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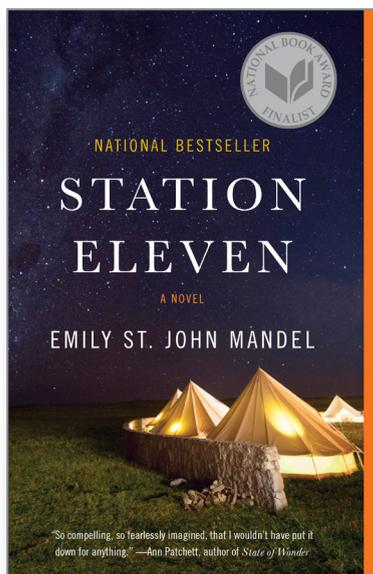
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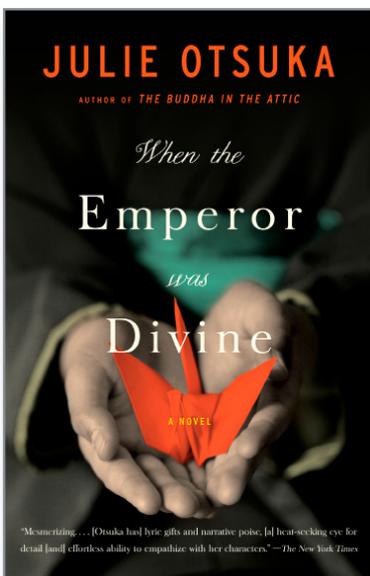
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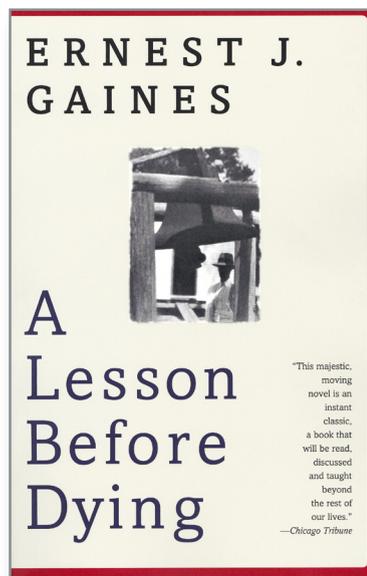
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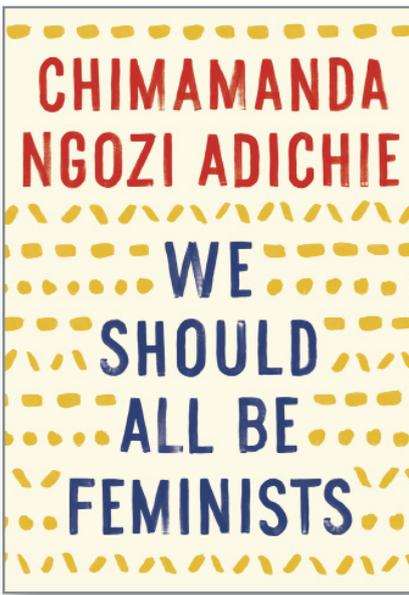
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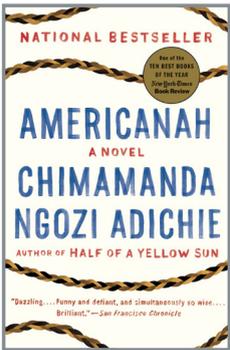
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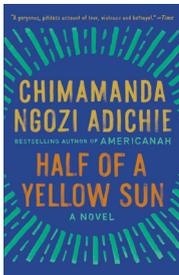


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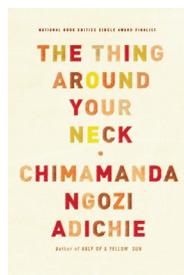
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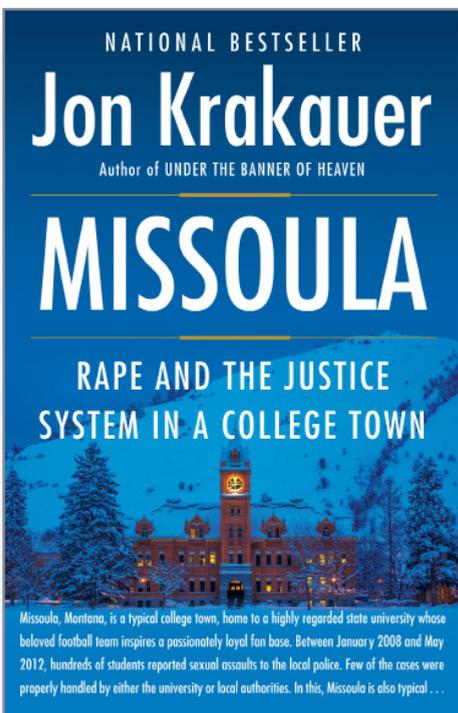
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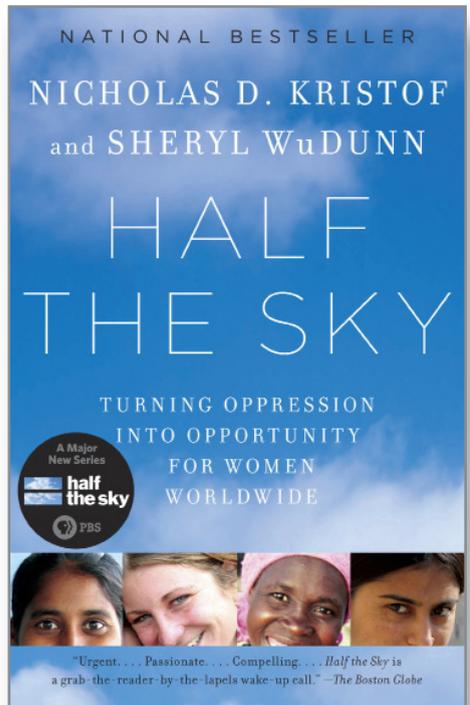
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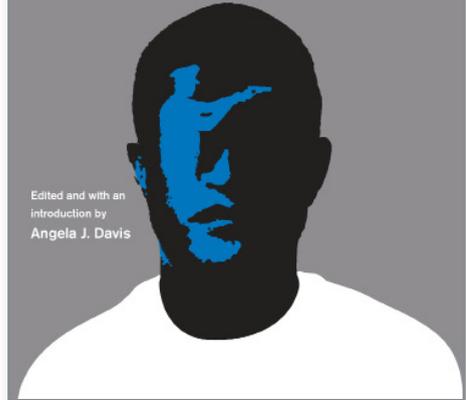
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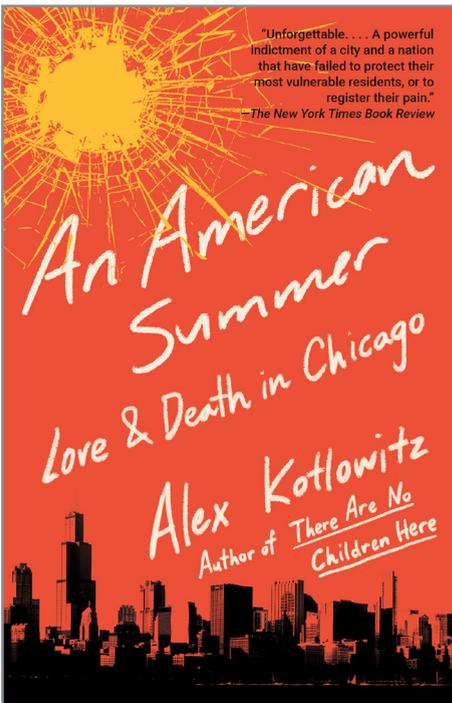
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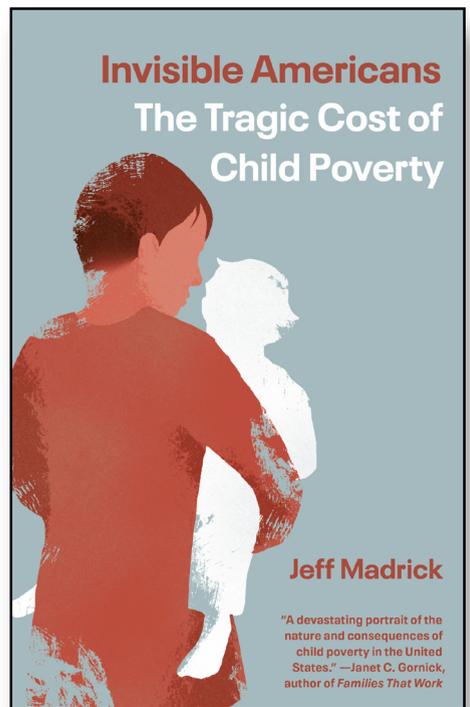
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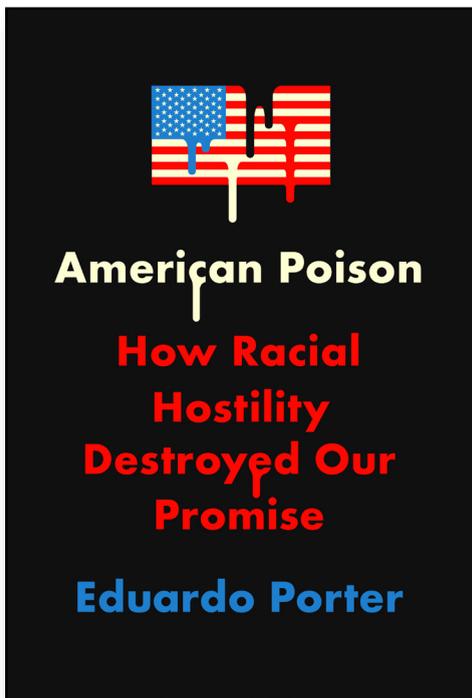
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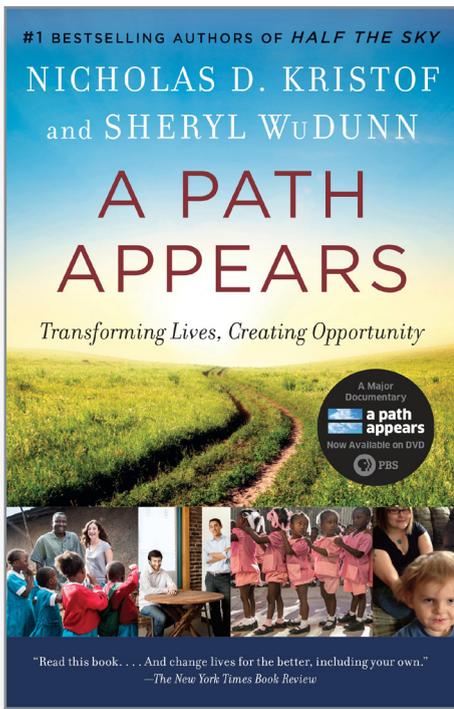
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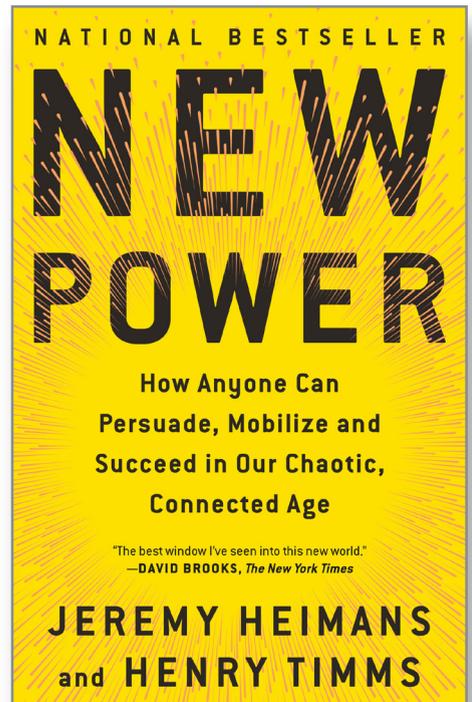
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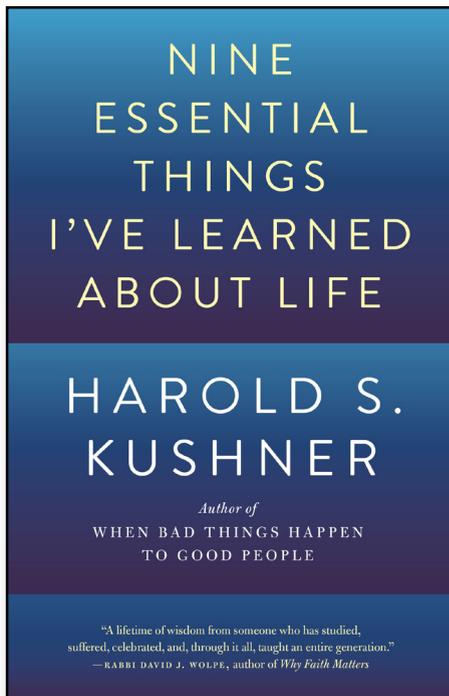
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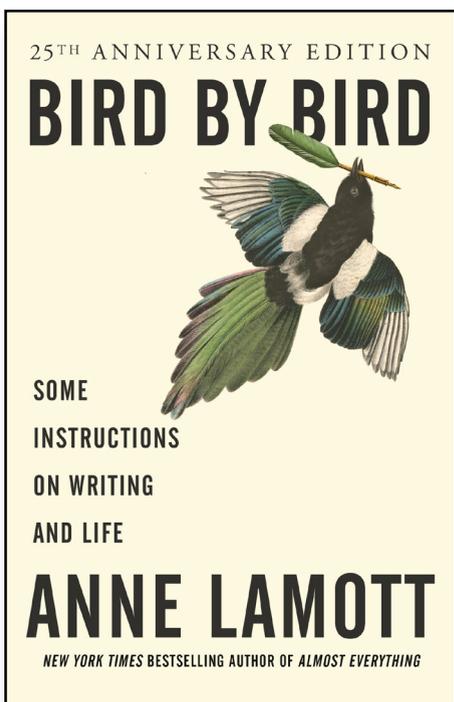
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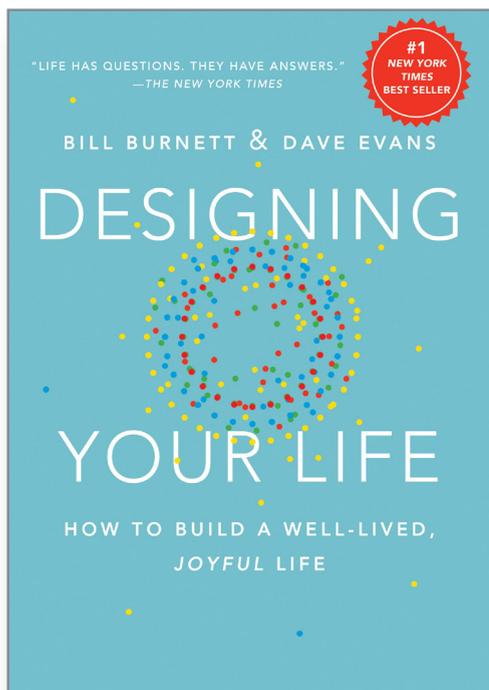
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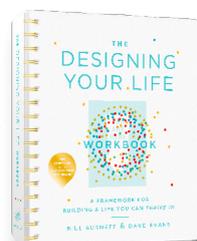
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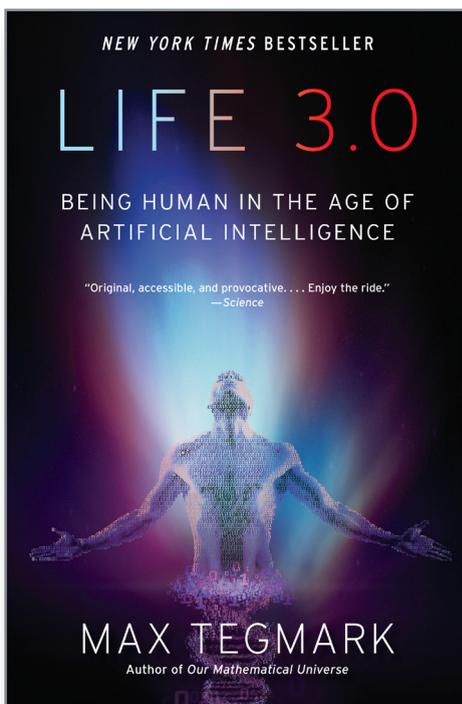
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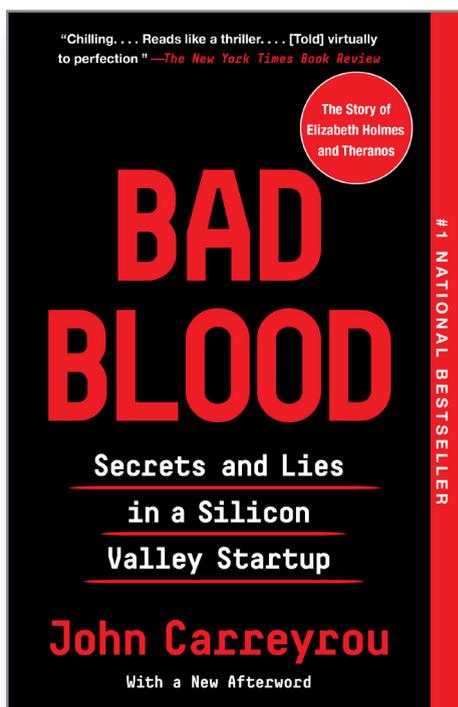
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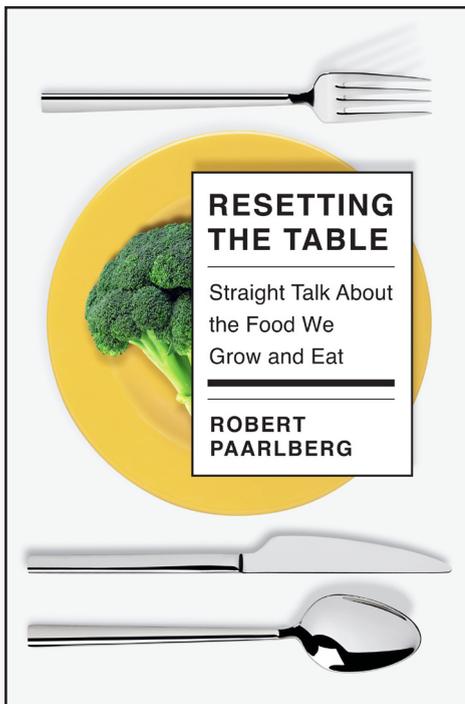
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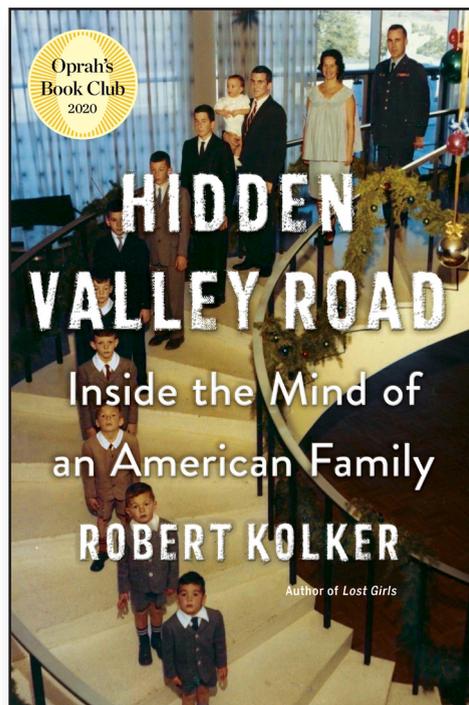
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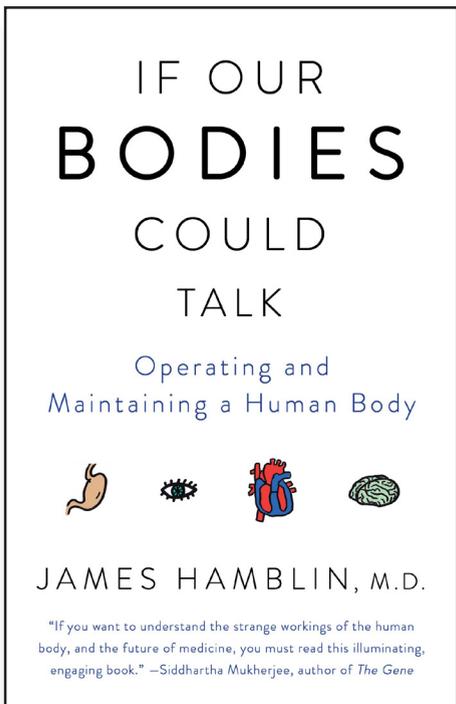
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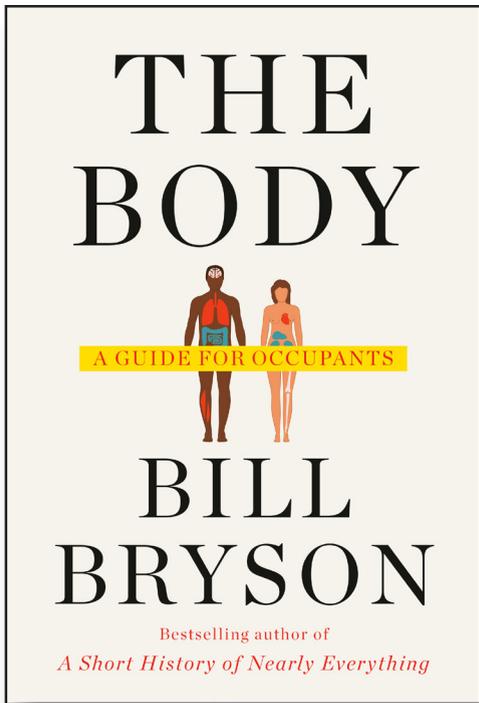
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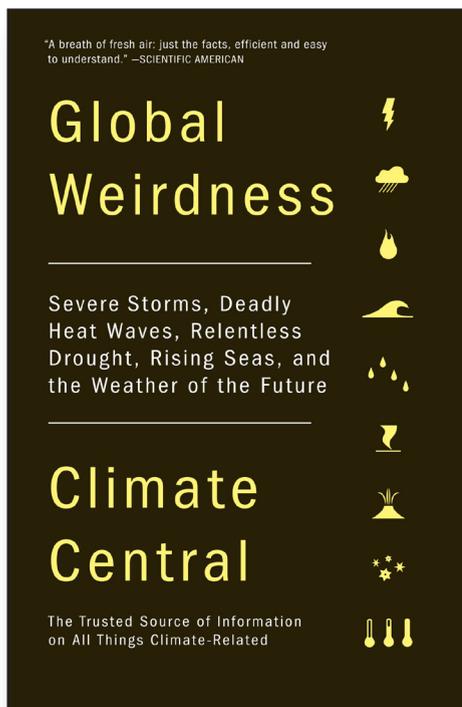
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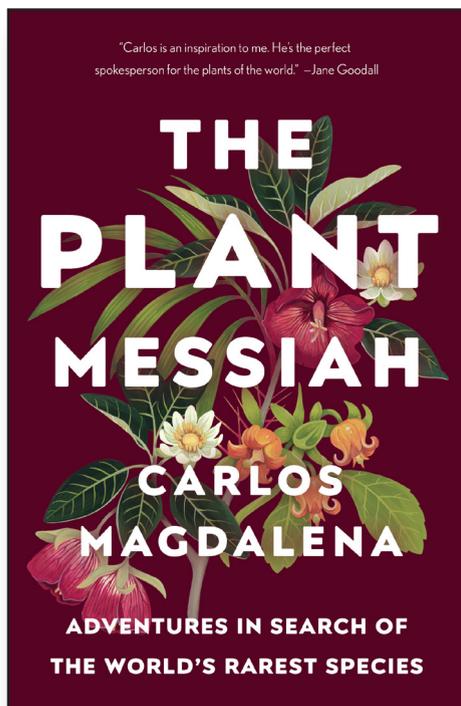
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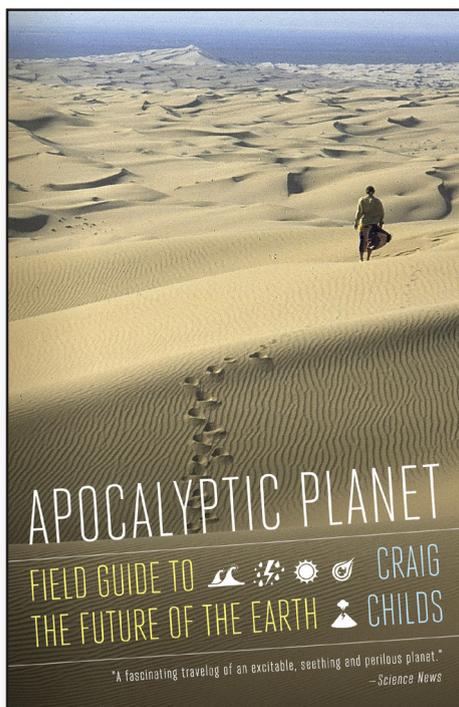
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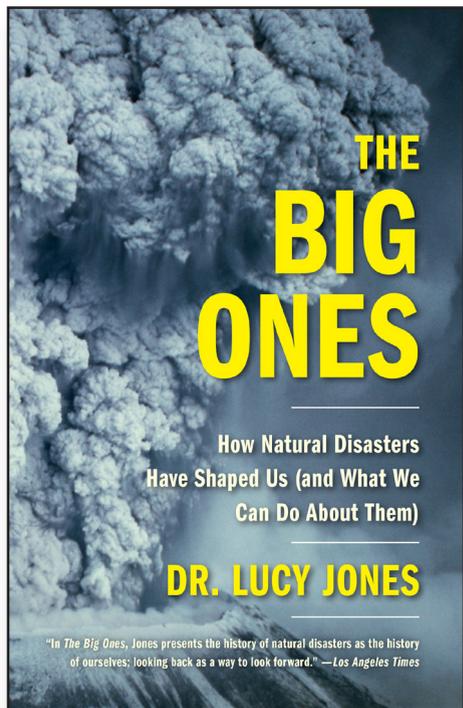
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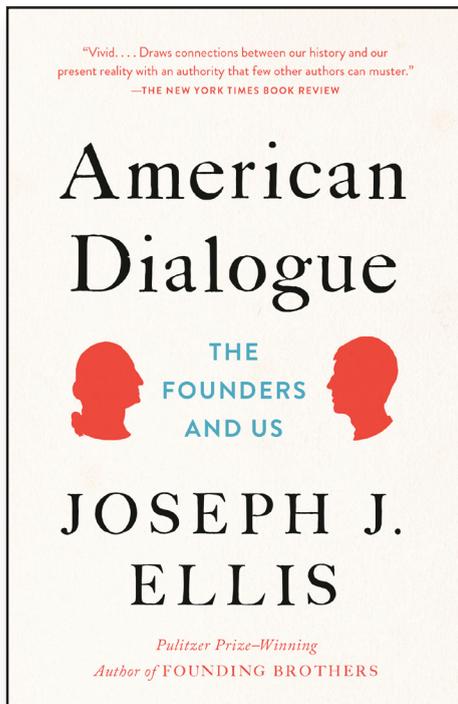
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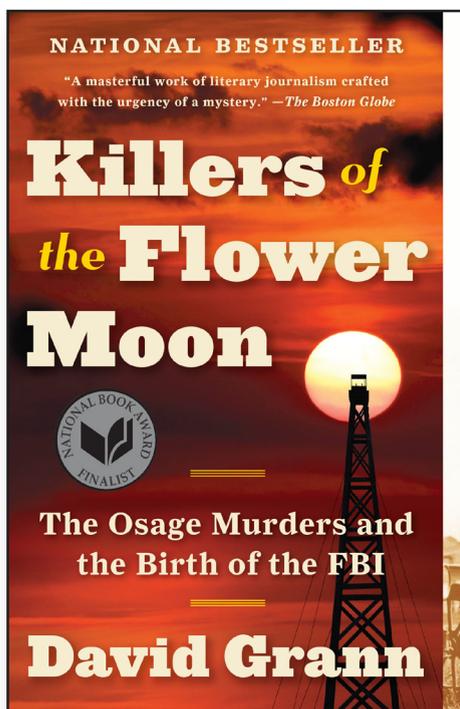
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By David Grann

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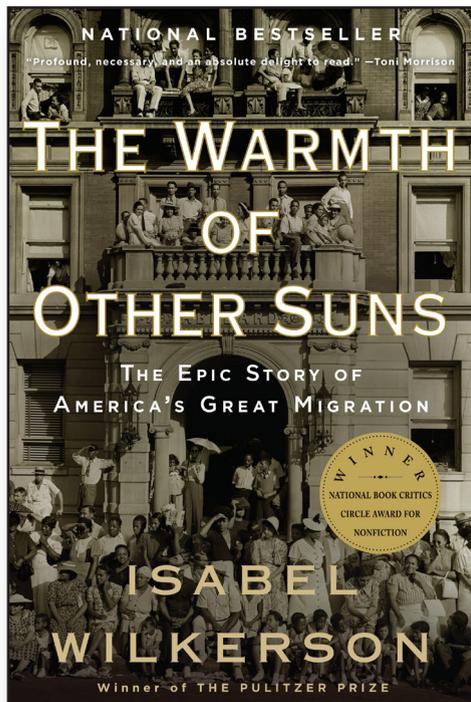
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