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How does the US make sense of its elite educational system, given that it seems to be at odds with core American values, such as equality of opportunity or upward mobility? Sophie Spielers explores scholarly and journalistic investigations, self-representational texts, and fictional narratives revolving around the Ivy League and its peers in order to understand elite education and its peculiar position in American cultural discourse. Among the book's most surprising and groundbreaking insights is the tenacity and adaptability of meritocratic ideology across all three sub-discourses, despite its fundamental incompatibility with the American educational system.

One of the Top 10 Politics and Current Events Books of Fall 2019 (Publishers Weekly)
An incisive cultural history that captures a fractious nation through the prism of television and the rattled mind of a celebrity president. Television has entertained America, television has ensorcelled America, and with the election of Donald J. Trump, television has conquered America. In *Audience of One*, New York Times chief television critic James Poniewozik traces the history of TV and mass media from the Reagan era to today, explaining how a volcanic, camera-hogging antihero merged with America's most powerful medium to become our forty-fifth president. In the tradition of Neil Postman's masterpiece *Amusing Ourselves to Death*, *Audience of One* shows how American media have shaped American society and politics, by interweaving two

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crucial stories. The first story follows the evolution of television from the three-network era of the 20th century, which joined millions of Americans in a shared monoculture, into today's zillion-channel, Internet-atomized universe, which sliced and diced them into fractious, alienated subcultures. The second story is a cultural critique of Donald Trump, the chameleonic celebrity who courted fame, achieved a mind-meld with the media beast, and rode it to ultimate power. Braiding together these disparate threads, Poniewozik combines a cultural history of modern America with a revelatory portrait of the most public American who has ever lived. Reaching back to the 1940s, when Trump and commercial television were born, Poniewozik illustrates how Donald became "a character that wrote itself, a brand mascot that jumped off the cereal box and entered the world, a simulacrum that replaced the thing it represented." Viscerally attuned to the media, Trump shape-shifted into a boastful tabloid playboy in the 1980s; a self-parodic sitcom fixture in the 1990s; a reality-TV "You're Fired" machine in the 2000s; and finally, the biggest role of his career, a Fox News-obsessed, Twitter-mad, culture-warring demagogue in the White House. Poniewozik deconstructs the chaotic Age of Trump as the 24-hour TV production that it is, decoding an era when politics has become pop culture, and vice versa. Trenchant and often slyly hilarious, *Audience of One* is a penetrating and sobering review of the raucous, raging, farcical reality show—performed for the benefit of an insomniac, cable-news-junkie "audience of one"—that we all came to live in, whether we liked it or not.

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GONE GIRL - THE ADDICTIVE No.1 US BESTSELLER THAT EVERYONE IS TALKING ABOUT Who are you? What have we done to each other? These are the questions Nick Dunne finds himself asking on the morning of his fifth wedding anniversary when his wife Amy suddenly disappears. The police suspect Nick. Amy's friends reveal that she was afraid of him, that she kept secrets from him. He swears it isn't true. A police examination of his computer shows strange searches. He says they weren't made by him. And then there are the persistent calls on his mobile phone. So what really did happen to Nick's beautiful wife?

SHARP OBJECTS - When two girls are abducted and killed in Missouri, journalist Camille Preaker is sent back to her home town to report on the crimes. Long-haunted by a childhood tragedy and estranged from her mother for years, Camille suddenly finds herself installed once again in her family's mansion, reacquainting herself with her distant mother and the half-sister she barely knows. As Camille works to uncover the truth about these violent crimes, she finds herself identifying with the young victims - a bit too strongly. Clues keep leading to dead ends, forcing Camille to unravel the psychological puzzle of her own past to get at the story. Dogged by her own demons, Camille will have to confront what happened to her years before if she wants to survive this homecoming

DARK PLACES - Libby Day was just seven years old when her older brother massacred her family while she hid in a cupboard. Her evidence helped put him away. Ever since then she has been drifting, surviving for over 20 years on the proceeds of the 'Libby Day fund'. But now the money

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is running out and Libby is desperate. When she is offered \$500 to do a guest appearance, she feels she has to accept. But this is no ordinary gathering. The Kill Club is a group of true-crime obsessives who share information on notorious murders, and they think her brother Ben is innocent. Was Ben capable of murder? Libby must delve into her family's past to uncover the truth - no matter how painful...

For students of U.S. history, *The Reagan Revolution* explores how a Hollywood upstart and eventual conservative leader became one of the most successful and influential presidents in U.S. history—one whose presidency helped to define the end of the Cold War. This book covers Ronald Reagan's long rise to the presidency and the conservative political revolution he brought about in the 1980s. Spurning the moderate values and policies Republicans had previously championed, Reagan's revolution continues to play an outsized role in America's political life. This important reference book gives browsers and readers alike an opportunity to focus on many of the intertwined issues of the 1980s: abortion, gay rights, law and order, the Cold War, tax cuts, de-industrialization, the Religious Right, and the political divisions that made Reagan's legislative victories possible. The book opens with a concise biography covering Reagan's rise from radio personality and actor to governor and president. Subsequent chapters cover politics and policy. Chapters also include an important review of Reagan's legendary public relations operations ("morning in America" and the perfection of the television photo op) and the ways in which 1980s popular culture

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influenced and was influenced by his presidency. This section portrays Reagan as a product of Hollywood who keenly understood the importance of public opinion and creating a positive image. Explains the making of foreign and public policy, including the political dynamic that shapes it, in an easy-to-understand manner Serves as a rich trove of primary source documents, including policy documents and such presidential and pre-presidential speeches as Reagan's 1964 speech supporting Barry Goldwater and his first California gubernatorial inaugural address Provides an overview of the evolution of presidential power Outlines a chronological narrative of Ronald Reagan's life Includes four narrative chapters on foreign policy, economic policy, social policy, and presidential public relations and popular culture Assesses the legacies of the Reagan Revolution in the conclusion

Can you differentiate between the Amish and the Hasidic Jew? Do you know the single, shocking difference between the Redneck and the Appalachian? Can you successfully identify -- and avoid -- the Charismatic, Verbose Nigerian Cabdriver or the Honda-Driving UCLA Korean Gangster Wannabe? If the answer is "no" to any of the above, then Hechinger's Field Guide to Ethnic Stereotypes is the book for you. Home to people from over 168 nations, the burgeoning ethnic melting pot we call America can be a frightening and disorienting place for the uninitiated. In order to successfully navigate this culturally rocky terrain, it's essential that one understand the ethnic landscape we inhabit. Hechinger's Field Guide to Ethnic Stereotypes, by world renowned cultural

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anthropologists Kevin and Curtis Hechinger, is a comprehensive, groundbreaking, and painstakingly assembled collection of everything you need to know about this puzzling world in which we live. Whether tracking the migratory pattern of the Northeastern Jew, cataloging the breeding habits of the Passive Asian Male, or highlighting the almost imperceptible differences between Cubans and Dominicans, these two fearless naturalists have devoted their lives to the study of human variety. An instant classic and invaluable tool for the professional cultural anthropologist, the amateur enthusiast, or anyone lost on the subway, Hechinger's Field Guide to Ethnic Stereotypes will reshape the scientific community just as surely as it will settle the age-old question of whether Vodka-Loving Stalin Haters can out-drink Irish-American Firemen. Are we very different? Or are we exactly the same? For the answers to these and other probing questions that may well be all that stand between happiness and de-spair, read Hechinger's Field Guide to Ethnic Stereotypes. Now.

Guide to running's fastest growing endurance and adventure sport. Everything You Need to Know About Equipment * Finding Trails * Nutrition * Hill Strategy * Racing * Avoiding Injury * Training * Weather * Safety

A revelatory exploration of fashion through the ages that asks what our clothing reveals about ourselves and our society. Dress codes are as old as clothing itself. For centuries, clothing has been a wearable status symbol; fashion, a weapon in struggles for social change; and dress codes, a way to maintain political control. Merchants who

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dressed like princes and butchers' wives wearing gem-encrusted crowns were public enemies in medieval societies structured by social hierarchy and defined by spectacle. In Tudor England, silk, velvet, and fur were reserved for the nobility and ballooning pants called "trunk hose" could be considered a menace to good order. The Renaissance era Florentine patriarch Cosimo de Medici captured the power of fashion and dress codes when he remarked, "One can make a gentleman from two yards of red cloth." Dress codes evolved along with the social and political ideals of the day, but they always reflected struggles for power and status. In the 1700s, South Carolina's "Negro Act" made it illegal for Black people to dress "above their condition." In the 1920s, the bobbed hair and form-fitting dresses worn by free-spirited flappers were banned in workplaces throughout the United States and in the 1940s the baggy zoot suits favored by Black and Latino men caused riots in cities from coast to coast. Even in today's more informal world, dress codes still determine what we wear, when we wear it—and what our clothing means. People lose their jobs for wearing braided hair, long fingernails, large earrings, beards, and tattoos or refusing to wear a suit and tie or make-up and high heels. In some cities, wearing sagging pants is a crime. And even when there are no written rules, implicit dress codes still influence opportunities and social mobility. Silicon Valley CEOs wear t-shirts and flip flops, setting the tone for an entire industry: women wearing fashionable dresses or high heels face ridicule in the tech world and some venture capitalists refuse to invest in any company run by someone

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wearing a suit. In *Dress Codes*, law professor and cultural critic Richard Thompson Ford presents an insightful and entertaining history of the laws of fashion from the middle ages to the present day, a walk down history's red carpet to uncover and examine the canons, mores, and customs of clothing—rules that we often take for granted. After reading *Dress Codes*, you'll never think of fashion as superficial again—and getting dressed will never be the same.

The *Straight-Talking Student's Guide to the Best Colleges in the US* With this new edition, *The Insider's Guide to the Colleges* has been, for 40 years, the most relied-upon resource for high school students looking for honest reports on USA colleges from their fellow students. Having interviewed hundreds of their peers on more than 330 university and college campuses, and by getting the inside scoop on everything from the nightlife and professors to the newest dorms and wildest student organizations, the reporters at the *Yale Daily News* have created the most candid college choice guide available. In addition to the well-rounded profiles, this edition has been updated to include: Essential statistics for every school, from acceptance rates to popular majors A "College Finder" to help students pick the perfect school FYI sections with student opinions and outrageous off-the-cuff advice, to further help in college selection. *The Insider's Guide to the Colleges* cuts through the glossy college brochures to get to the things that matter most to students trying to select a college, and by staying on top of trends, it gives those students and their parents the straightforward information they need to choose the school that's right for them.

This unique four-volume encyclopedia examines the historical significance of fashion trends,

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revealing the social and cultural connections of clothing from the precolonial times to the present day. • Covers the fashions of all economic levels of Americans from the indigent to the very wealthy, from T-shirts to architecturally sculptured gowns and suits • Includes hundreds of illustrations, sidebars, and primary documents to illuminate important areas of interest and encourage active learning • Addresses topics such as the formal wear of the Belle Epoque era, hairstyles of the Empire Revival, haute couture, and the evolution of clothes for teenagers • Presents four full-color photographic essays of clothing styles throughout American history A facetious guide to emulating the look, speech patterns, thinking, and lifestyle of those who attend prep schools and are a part of high society

Live the luxe life on less You're a Modern Girl embarking on a fabulous life in the city, working hard and playing even harder. Money may be an object, but you refuse to let it be an obstacle. That's because what you may lack in funds you make up for in daring and desire. Completely revised with more tips and tricks than ever, *City Chic* is your practical insiders' primer on how to creatively cheat at being chic. From food and drink to personal maintenance, and from fashion to home décor, *City Chic* covers everything a Modern Girl needs to know. Big idea decorating for small spaces Cash-saving culinary tips The best websites for scoring deals Go green: save the environment and your checking account Maximize your iPod for full party potential Establish your perfect signature cocktail PRAISE FOR CITY CHIC 'City Chic is constantly inventive, amazingly granular, and a blast to read.' Dany Levy, founder/chairman | Daily Candy, Inc. 'I love the book. If only I'd had it for the past ten years—it would've saved me lots of heartache, bad furniture, and most importantly, money... It gives you license to scrimp and pinch—and makes you feel more empowered to do so.' Gigi Guerra, brand marketing

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director of Madewell | former editor of Lucky magazine 'City chicks no longer need to turn tricks or sell dope in order to have a glamorous lifestyle— just read Nina's brilliant book.' Simon Doonan, creative director for Barneys New York | author of Confessions of a Window Dresser 'Being an 'it' girl has never been about how much cash you had in the bank, and now is the time to embrace your inner recessionista. Willdorf's book proves that being frugal and being fabulous are not mutually exclusive.' Lara Cohen, news director | Us Weekly

"Gillian Flynn is the real deal, a sharp, acerbic, and compelling storyteller with a knack for the macabre." —Stephen King This exclusive ebook collection brings together the three novels from bestselling author Gillian Flynn. A #1 New York Times bestseller, *Gone Girl* is an unputdownable masterpiece about a marriage gone terribly, terribly wrong. The Chicago Tribune proclaimed that Flynn's work "draws you in and keeps you reading with the force of a pure but nasty addiction." *Gone Girl*'s toxic mix of sharp-edged wit and deliciously chilling prose creates a nerve-fraying thriller that confounds you at every turn. Flynn's second novel, *Dark Places*, is an intricately orchestrated thriller that ravages a family's past to unearth the truth behind a horrifying crime. A New York Times bestseller and Weekend Today Top Summer Read, *Dark Places* solidified Flynn's status as one of the most critically acclaimed suspense writers of our time. In *Sharp Objects*, Flynn's debut novel, a young journalist returns home to cover a dark assignment—and to face her own damaged family history. With its taut, crafted writing, *Sharp Objects* is addictive, haunting, and unforgettable.

Smart. Funny. Fearless."It's pretty safe to say that *Spy* was the most influential magazine of the 1980s. It might have remade New York's cultural landscape; it definitely changed the whole tone of magazine journalism. It was cruel, brilliant, beautifully written and perfectly designed,

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and feared by all. There's no magazine I know of that's so continually referenced, held up as a benchmark, and whose demise is so lamented" --Dave Eggers. "It's a piece of garbage" --Donald Trump.

This is THE original 1960s-era pure preppy guide book, originally titled *Blue Blazer*, written by the etiquette consultant to the White House and covers a wide range of essential life skills in an appealing jaunty writing style with advice, like preppy style, that is timeless. A preppy is someone who "dresses perfectly without trying to ... [and] appears to do everything well without trying to," as defined by Erich Segal, author of *Love Story*. Preppy style is so much more than the 80s parody of turned up collars and monogrammed sweaters: Being preppy is all about timeless style, no better represented than in this original 1960s guide. This is the JFK generation: young men of wealth and opportunity living in an America of limitless potential, dominating the world stage and shooting for the moon. This book offers a wealth of instruction on essential topics on the road to manhood such as manners, good sportsmanship, dating protocols, how to conduct a meeting as a leader, "do's and don'ts" for grooming, how to navigate travel alone and, of course, classic preppy dress from blue blazers to button-down shirts to what goes best with madras!

When people in First World countries think of tourists in the vast expanses of the Third World today, they typically think of pampered westerners, filling up the luxury hotels and imposing their Orientalist gazes on the teeming masses. As David Gladstone shows us in this fascinating and provocative book, such preconceptions are wrong. Coupling incisive and colorful ethnographic accounts

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of tourism in India and Mexico with sharp analysis, Gladstone demonstrates the amazing complexity of this industry, which now comprises close to ten percent of the world economy. As he also shows, the vast majority of tourists in the Third World are indigenous people with few resources-often making pilgrimages to religious shrines. From Pilgrimage to Package Tour is a fresh and entirely original account that stands tourism studies on its head and proves that this industry is far more complicated than it initially appears.

If you want to get published, read this book! Jeff Herman's Guide unmasks nonsense, clears confusion, and unlocks secret doorways to success for new and veteran writers! This highly respected resource is used by publishing insiders everywhere and has been read by millions all over the world. Jeff Herman's Guide is the writer's best friend. It reveals the names, interests, and contact information of thousands of agents and editors. It presents invaluable information about more than 350 publishers and imprints (including Canadian and university presses), lists independent book editors who can help you make your work more publisher-friendly, and helps you spot scams. Jeff Herman's Guide unseals the truth about how to outsmart the gatekeepers, break through the barriers, and decipher the hidden codes to getting your book published. Countless writers have achieved their highest aspirations by following Herman's outside-the-box

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strategies. If you want to reach the top of your game and transform rejections into contracts, you need this book! Jeff Herman's Guide will educate you, inspire you, and become your virtual entourage at every step along the exhilarating journey to publication. Ask anyone in the book business, and they will refer you to Jeff Herman's Guide. NEW for 2015: Comprehensive index listing dozens of subjects and categories to help you find the perfect publisher or agent.

Get to know "The Base" with the author of *The Hipster Handbook*, acclaimed by the secular elitist *New York Times* as "thoroughly entertaining." Gay-friendly cappuccino drinkers may not be attuned to the nuances of conservative evangelical culture, from bibles designed to look like glossy fashion magazines to mega-churches with ATMs, rock climbing walls, and in one case, a drive-thru McDonalds. But Robert Lanham has his roots in the Bible Belt, and has compiled a handy guide to the evangelical right for those of us who can expect to be left behind in the End of Days. Find out how today's evangelical leaders rank on the Fire and Brimstone Scale. Learn how to fit in at the church picnic with the most current evangelical slang. Meet real-life evangelicals, like Adrienne, a lesbian against gay marriage, and Ted Haggard, a mega-church pastor who speaks in tongues, not to mention with George Bush every Monday. Understand how this segment of the population came to have its own radio stations, its own

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nightclubs, its own news media, and its own president. Visit Colorado Springs—the “evangelical Vatican.” Discover why rock n’ roll can bring wayward souls to the light, but SpongeBob SquarePants is an agent of the Devil. And find out why even a growing number of evangelicals consider themselves Outsiders to the Evangelical Right.

The largest, most comprehensive, and most entertaining reference of its kind, The Dictionary of Clichés features more than four thousand unique clichés and common expressions. Author Christine Ammer explores the phrases and terms that enliven our language and uncovers expressions that have long been considered dead. With each entry, she includes a thorough definition, origin of the term, and an insightful example. Some of the clichés brought into the limelight include: • Blood is thicker than water • Monkey see, monkey do • Brass tacks • Burn the midnight oil • Change of heart • Moral fiber • By the book Whether clichés get under your skin or make you happy as a clam, The Dictionary of Clichés goes the extra mile to provide an essential resource for students, teachers, writers, and anyone with a keen interest in language. And that’s food for thought.

A guide to life on and off the college campus includes insights into college slang, town atmosphere, facts for minorities, shopping, courses, and other aspects

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The Fashion Insiders' Guides are carefully curated compendiums of the current hotspots, classic haunts, and hidden gems of the world's greatest fashion destinations. A former Parisian living in New York, French Vogue correspondent Carole Sabas was often approached by friends and colleagues on their way to Paris for Fashion Week, looking for the best place for a quick facial, early morning yoga, or to meet a friend for a drink. So many people asked, in fact, that she produced a small guide filled with advice, which she gave out for free. Requests for more information and other cities came pouring in. Abrams is now making Sabas's Paris and New York guides available to everyone, with expanded content including chapters such as "Eating and Drinking," "Beauty," "Health," "Shopping," "Art," and an eclectic selection of odds and ends called "Might Be Useful One Day." Written with a light touch and in a friendly tone, each entry includes a description of the recommended spots with hints about when to go, who to ask for, and what to get, as well as location and contact information. The inclusion of additional advice from local fashion celebrities on their favorite places to frequent puts readers confidently in-the-know. Peppered throughout with drawings by a noted and local fashion illustrator, these beautifully designed guides will be the must-have accessories of the season. Praise for The Fashion Insiders' Guide to New York: "Hidden gems are finally unveiled in this

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posh and savvy guide for sophisticated visitors and newcomers to the Big City . . . this is one must-have guide for stylish New York travelers.” —Ambassador magazine

In deze bundel zitten drie psychologische thrillers, geschreven door vrouwen. Het verfilmde *Gone Girl* legt de geheimen in een modern huwelijk bloot. In *Na Delphine* delen acht vrienden samen lief en leed, totdat één van hen verdwijnt. De pyromaan die in *Later* een school in brand heeft gestoken lijkt erop uit om Grace en haar gezin te vernietigen. In deze bundel zijn de volgende titels opgenomen: Gillian Flynn - *Gone Girl* Siska Mulder - *Zus Rosamund* Lupton - *Later*

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beautiful wife? 'Flynn is a brilliantly accomplished psychological crime writer and this latest book is so dark, so twisted and so utterly compelling that it actually messes with your mind' DAILY MAIL 'A near-masterpiece. Flynn is an extraordinary writer who, with every sentence, makes words do things that other writers merely dream of' SOPHIE HANNAH, Sunday Express 'You think you're reading a good, conventional thriller and then it grows into a fascinating portrait of one averagely mismatched relationship...Nothing's as it seems - Flynn is a fabulous plotter, and a very sharp observer of modern life in the aftermath of the credit crunch' THE TIMES 'One of the most popular thrillers of the year is also one of the smartest... Flynn's book cleverly outpaces its neo-noir trappings and consistently surprises the reader.' FINANCIAL TIMES

This book describes the living-room artifacts, clothing styles, and intellectual proclivities of American classes from top to bottom

Comprehensive boarding school guide • What is boarding school really like? • What are my chances of getting into U.S. boarding schools? • How do I evaluate private schools vs. public schools? What is boarding school really like? U.S. boarding schools offer a superb preparation for college bound students, but they are not for everyone. American Prep is the only comprehensive guide for parents and students interested in investigating, applying to, and succeeding at these

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great schools. Meticulously researched and thoughtfully written, *American Prep* is an essential guide through the world of U.S. boarding schools – their history and culture, their resources and support systems, their opportunities and challenges – and the only book that leads you through the entire prep school experience. You will learn about:

- Why boarding schools are increasingly valuable in the 21st century
- The pros and cons of private school vs public school
- How to select a school that is right for your student and your family
- How to navigate the admission process – detailed insider advice
- The emotional challenges of prep school for students and families – what to expect and when
- How to secure generous financial aid for prep school
- Student success on campus – getting in is only the first step

An insider's perspective on U.S. boarding schools: Award winning writer/critic Ronald Mangravite has multiple perspectives on the American prep school world. An alumnus of the Lawrenceville School, he is a current prep school parent, an alumni class officer, and an admissions volunteer. His extensive teaching experience includes universities and private schools, with service on admissions and curricula committees. He holds degrees from the University of California, Berkeley and UCLA.

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De verslavende Amerikaanse nummer 1 bestseller waar iedereen over praat, eerder vertaald als Donker hartWie ben je?Wat hebben we elkaar aangedaan?Dat zijn de vragen die Nick Dunne zichzelf stelt op de morgen van zijn vijfde trouwdag, als zijn vrouw Amy plotseling verdwenen is. De politie verdenkt Nick. Amy's vrienden onthullen dat ze bang voor hem was en dingen voor hem verborgen hield. Hij zweert dat het niet waar is. Forensisch onderzoek van zijn computer onthult aparte googleresultaten. Hij zegt dat ze niet van hem zijn. En dan zijn er de verdachte oproepen op zijn mobiele telefoon.Wat is er

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gebeurd met Nicks mooie, intelligente vrouw?` Een boek waarvan je anderen smeekt om het te lezen zodat je er met hen over kunt discussiëren. Mail on Sunday

WITH A NEW INTRODUCTION BY RACHEL COOKE Reading *Shaking a Leg* is like spending time with the funniest, wisest friend you've ever had; a person whose breadth of interest ranges from food to feminism to science fiction, and everything in between; a person with an entirely unpredictable train of thought but whose exuberance, knowledge and insight sweeps you along. Bursting with ideas, culturally astute and sparkingly witty, this comprehensive volume of Angela Carter's journalism is the most down-to-earth and entertaining companion to latter twentieth-century thought you'll ever need.

The most trustworthy source of information available today on savings and investments, taxes, money management, home ownership and many other personal finance topics.

This book explores ideas about human physical appearance expressed in French novels of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, as well as the pseudoscience of physiognomy that influenced them. Physiognomy, which purports to "read" the body as an index to spiritual, intellectual, or moral qualities, had its greatest proponent in the eighteenth century Swiss theoretician Johann Caspar Lavater.

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In addition to closely reading the fictional narratives of Marivaux, Balzac, Gautier, and Zola, the author offers a critical reading of Lavater's work. He looks at some of the most compelling and explicit literary treatments of physiognomy in the French canon, suggesting that the ways authors use physiognomical ideas to render the world "hyper-significant" poses fundamental questions about the nature of narrative itself. He also shows how physiognomy serves almost invariably as a tool of sexism as it attempts to ascribe intellectual or moral qualities on the basis of corporal features. Linked by more than their physiognomical themes, these novels share similar dynamics of reading, rhetoric, and representation.

There is a way to dress better than you already do, without buying any new clothes! No matter your personal style or your pocketbook, you can be preppy. This is the look that gets you a promotion at work and respect on the street. In 5 easy chapters, North America's Youngest Etiquette Expert Konrad Philip covers the basics of: Properly wearing a suit, neckties, hat and sunglass etiquette, clothing maintenance and staying fresh, and dress code fundamentals. Hear the story of how perfectly creased pants may have helped one man become president, and what one perspiration prone TV legend did to stay cool in front of the cameras. Written especially for those who would never think of opening a

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long book on personal image, this concise guidebook is an excellent reference and a must-read for any aspirational man.

From Lisa Birnbach, the author of *The Official Preppy Handbook*, comes *True Prep*, which looks at how the old guard of natural-fiber-loving, dog-worshipping, G&T-soaked preppies adapts to the new order of the Internet, cell phones, rehab, political correctness, reality TV, and . . . polar fleece.

In the paradox between achieving your goals and achieving the Impossible Dream, which is preferable? Meanwhile, given a choice, should you opt for cathartic or therapeutic? *The Guest House* revives old acquaintances and reviews friendships that can't have a second life, while answering the question of whether it is ever too late to be part of your own coming of age novel. A Minsky Moment? Perhaps, but which Minsky? *The Guest House* examines the future through the looking glass of the past, without losing sight of the present. And I'm still convinced the inventor of the mute button deserves the Nobel Peace Prize.

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