New Books in the Mellon Library in December

FICTION

FIC ABR

After a knee injury destroys sixteen-year-old Cody's college hopes, he drops out of high school and gets a job in his small Montana town; but when his ex-girlfriend disappears from her Vermont boarding school, Cody travels cross-country to join the search.

FIC ALM

Led to an abandoned baby by a raven, fourteen-year-old Liam seems fated to meet two foster children who have experienced the world's violence in very different ways as he struggles to understand war, family problems, and friends who grow apart.

FIC BOR

Four suicidal teenagers go on a "celebrity suicide road trip," visiting the graves of famous people who have killed themselves, with the intention of ending their lives in Death Valley, California.

FIC BOW

A fourteen-year-old British street person with extraordinary powers of observation and self-control must face murderous thugs connected with a past he has tried to forget, when his skills with a knife earned him the nickname, Blade.

FIC BRA

Cameron Smith, a disaffected sixteen-year-old diagnosed with mad cow disease, sets off on a road trip with a death-obsessed, video-gaming dwarf he meets in the hospital in an attempt to find a cure.

FIC BRO

Sixteen-year-old Valerie, whose boyfriend Nick committed a school shooting at the end of their junior year, struggles to cope with integrating herself back into
MIDDLE SCHOOL FICTION

M FIC AND

Jasper Dash--Boy Technonaut--travels with his friends Lily Gefelty and Katie Mulligan into the mist-shrouded heart of the forbidden mountainous realm of Delaware to try unraveling a terrible mystery.

M FIC BAK

Emma and Eadric travel to Upper Montevista to ask his parents to bless their upcoming marriage and discover that Eadric's younger brother has been kidnapped by trolls.

M FIC BAN

A boastful hamster with exceptional talent as an escape artist recounts his experiences chewing, wriggling, or squeezing his way out of various closed areas in his quest for the great Outside.

M FIC BOS

Cassandra and Max find a missing magician's notebook and start to investigate the fire which burnt down his house and his mysterious "symphony of smells."

M FIC BOS

Cass's mom is kidnapped by the evil dessert chef, Señor Hugo, who requests the legendary tuning fork as ransom, leading Cass and Max-Ernest to try finding the magical instrument in time.

M FIC DAN

Beginning in 1490, Anacaona keeps a record of her life as a possible successor to the supreme chief of Xaragua, as wife of the chief of Maguana, and as a warrior battling the first white men to arrive in the West Indies, ravenous for gold.

M FIC DAV
Graphic Novels

741.5 KIB

Kibuishi, Kazu, 1978-. Amulet. 1st ed. New York : Graphix, 2009. Emily and her brother, Navin, head for Kanalis in order to find the antidote for the poison that has sickened their mother.

741.5 SHA

McDonald, John. Romeo and Juliet : the graphic novel. Plain text version. Towcester : Classical, 2009. This full colour graphic novel presents Shakespeare's 'Romeo and Juliet' in modern English verse-for-verse. If you find the original Shakespearean language rather cryptic then this is for you.

741.5 SHA

McDonald, John. Romeo and Juliet : the graphic novel. Original text version. Towcester : Classical, 2009. This full colour graphic novel presents 'Romeo and Juliet' just as Shakespeare intended in its original and unabridged format. This is ideal for purists, students and readers who will appreciate the unaltered text.

741.5 SMI

Smith, Jeff, 1960 Feb. 27-. Bone : Rose. 1st Scholastic ed. New York : Graphix, 2009. Princess Rose musters up courage to face the dragon that threatens the small towns in the Northern Valley, only to discover the dragon is actually the Lord of the Locusts; and meanwhile, her sister, Princess Briar, embarks on a more sinister quest.

Professional Teaching Materials

PRO 372.35 DUS

PRO 372.35 VAS

What effective teachers of science know and are able to do. What does the research say? -- What is inquiry science? -- Linking literacy development and science -- Probing children's thinking -- Designing and delivering effective science instruction -- Supporting all learners -- Administrative support for effective elementary science. Offers advice on being an effective kindergarten through eighth grade science teacher that discusses inquiry science, linking literacy development, probing children's thinking, designing and delivering instruction, and administrative support.

PRO 372.35 YAG

Provides fourteen, standards-based, science programs for elementary school teachers and includes commentary on teaching strategies, assessment, professional development, and content.

PRO 507.1 INQ

A comprehensive guide providing detailed examples and case studies of various forms of science-related inquiry that helps students develop positive attitudes about learning.

PRO 507.12 SCI

Presents a guide to helping students develop their science literacy by increasing the depth of their content knowledge, mental habits, and critical reasoning skills for application in various science classes and for helping teachers incorporate inquiry-centered practices in the classroom.

PRO 507.12 YAG

Contains fifteen essays in which high school teachers share the stories of their success in planning content, improving teaching, and assessing learning since the release of the National Science Education Standards in 1996.

PRO 507.1273 YAG

A collection of fifteen essays in which science teachers in grades five through eight share their strategies for balancing National Science Education Standards and student learning in the classroom.

000—Computers

004 BEY

Presents a biography of twentieth-century American computer engineer and programming pioneer Grace Hopper, covering her work in academia, the military, and research, and her rebellious and collaborative personality.

100—Philosophy/Psychology

200—Religion

231.7 LIE

Identity: fundamentalist foundations -- Mobilization: activists and organizations -- Framing: the campaign against the colleges -- Alignment: debating Darwinism -- Opportunities: storming the state legislatures -- Staging: the drama at Dayton -- Climax: completing the cycle of contention -- Renewal: the continuing re-creation of creationism. Analyzes social theory and original sources to examine the
history of the creation vs. evolution debate, beginning with the establishment of fundamentalism in the early twentieth century and ending with speculations on the role the controversy will play in politics during the twenty-first century.

280.209 BRO

The modern Catholic and Orthodox worlds -- The origins of the Catholic and Orthodox churches -- The history of the Catholic and Orthodox churches -- Catholicism and Orthodox Christianity: their basic beliefs and practices -- The influence of the Catholic and Orthodox churches -- Catholicism and Orthodox Christianity facing new challenges. Presents a survey of the rituals, traditions, and values of Catholicism and Orthodox Christianity and discusses its basic tenets, influence on other religions, sacred sites, geographical distribution, and more.

294.3 WAN

The modern Buddhist world -- The life of the Buddha -- The spread of Buddhism -- The varieties of Buddhism -- The literature of Buddhism -- The arts and Buddhism -- The year in Buddhism -- Buddhism today. Presents a survey of the rituals, traditions, and values of Buddhism and discusses its basic tenets, influence on other religions, sacred sites, geographical distribution, and more.

294.5 WAN

The modern Hindu world -- The roots of Hinduism -- The late Vedic period and the Upanishadic period -- The gods and religious devotion -- Political and social change -- The Hindu temple, icons, and worship -- Social duty and rites of passage -- Innovations and modern Hinduism. Presents a survey of the rituals, traditions, and values of Hinduism and discusses its basic tenets, influence on other religions, sacred sites, geographical distribution, and more.

296 MOR

The modern Jewish world -- Early history of the Jews and Judaism -- The restoration to the present -- The Hebrew Bible: an overview -- Branches of Judaism and their basic beliefs -- Rites of passage -- The impact of Judaism -- Judaism facing the future. Presents a survey of the rituals, traditions, and values of Judaism and discusses its basic tenets, influence on other religions, sacred sites, geographical distribution, and more.
The modern Islamic world -- Muhammad and the founding of Islam -- The spread of Islam -- Quran, hadith, and the law -- The variety of religious life in Islam -- Muslim ritual life -- The patterns of Islamic life -- Islam and the modern world. Presents a survey of the rituals, traditions, and values of Islam and discusses its basic tenets, influence on other religions, sacred sites, geographical distribution, and more.

A series of essays that express various perspectives on the nature of Islam, its stance on human rights, and its current challenges.

300—Social Sciences

Scale, scope, stakes, speed -- City planet -- Urban promise -- New nukes -- Green genes -- Gene dreams -- Romantics, scientists, engineers -- It's all gardening -- Planet craft. Argues that climate change, urbanization, and biotechnology are forcing environmentalists to reevaluate their approach to saving the environment and limiting the devastating impact of those three factors.

Separate spheres : law, faith, tradition -- Fashioning a better world -- Seneca Falls -- The woman's movement begins, 1850-1860 -- War, disillusionment, division -- Friction and reunification, 1870-1890 -- Epilogue : make the world better. Offers a comprehensive overview of key developments in the women's rights movement from 1840 to 1890, focusing on the work of four women, Lucretia Mott, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucy Stone, and Susan B. Anthony, who made astonishing advances in the quest for equal rights for women during that time.

Examines the growing segment of the professional population who relocate every
few years for their careers, considering how their civic participation compares with longtime residents of the areas to which they move, as well as how the lifestyle affects the families they bring along.

305.896 BLA

Describes the "Age of Neoslavery" in the U.S., a period between the Civil War and World War II during which tens of thousands of African-Americans were arbitrarily arrested and forced into labor to pay inordinately large fines.

323.119 PAR

Recounts the three months of protest that took place before Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s landmark march from Selma, Alabama, to Montgomery to promote equal rights and help African-Americans earn the right to vote.

325 HER

Discusses the lives and forty-year rivalry of Winston Churchill and Mohandas Gandhi as they led their respective nations through two world wars and as Gandhi attempted, through passive resistance, to free India from British rule.

327.1241 AND

This book reveals the precise role of the Security Service in 20th-century British history, from its foundation by Captain Kell of the British Army in October 1909, through two world wars, up to and including its present roles in counter-espionage and counter-terrorism.

327.73 IRA

A series of controversial essays that debate various issues associated with the tense relations between Iran and the United States including the subject of nuclear weapons.
330 LEV

The authors explore the economics of real-world issues often viewed as insignificant, such as the odds of someone with both a Muslim first and last name being a terrorist, if eating kangaroo can save the planet, and if it is safer to drive or walk drunk.

333.792 NUC

Collects sixteen essays that provide varying perspectives on issues related to nuclear power, debating if it is a green energy source, its danger, and if it can be used for terrorism.

345.73 KOW

On the seventh day -- In the beginning -- A road paved with good intentions -- Brought to trial -- The consequences -- Inherit the Wind -- Judgment. Discusses the Scopes "monkey" trial that put evolution on trial in 1925, including the key figures in the court case, the final judgment, and the debate over teaching evolution in U.S. schools.

355.409 GRE

Provides an accessible, highly-illustrated introduction to 30 of history's most famous battle, including Marathon, Hastings, Agincourt, Saratoga, Trafalgar, Waterloo, Gettysburg, the Somme, Stalingrad, D-Day and many, many more.

363.25 BEC

Introduces young readers to forensic science through creative, step-by-step projects that focus on the examination of biological evidence, and encourages the reader to investigate dirt samples, hair, and other organic materials in order to solve crimes.

363.25 BEC
Fun with forensics -- Cool CSI journal -- Safe science -- Crime scene basics: securing the crime scene -- Make a CSI kit -- Map it! -- More map fun -- Pattern makes perfect -- Stage a crime scene. Introduces young readers to forensic science through creative, step-by-step projects that promote the basic skills and techniques applied by forensic scientists to collect and analyze evidence from crime scenes.

363.25 BEC

Fun with forensics -- Cool CSI journal -- Safe science -- Cool eyewitness encounters: how's your memory? -- Now you see it, now you don't! -- Listen up! - - You must remember this! -- Everyone's an eyewitness -- What's your alibi?.
Introduces young readers to forensic science through creative, step-by-step projects that emphasize memory skills, which forensic scientists rely upon to solve crimes.

363.739 BRI

Discusses how people use Earth's resources, such as air, energy, and water, and what can be done to protect each, and examines how various human activities, such as the burning of fossil fuels and clearing of forests, contributes to greenhouse gas emissions in the atmosphere.

363.739 GEI

Discusses how people use Earth's resources, and what can be done to protect them, and examines technological developments for recycling and water desalinating to help people around the world enjoy clean water.

371.823 SAX

The riddle -- The first factor: changes at school -- The second factor: video games -- The third factor: medications for ADHD -- The fourth factor: endocrine disruptors -- End result: failure to launch -- The fifth factor: the revenge of the forsaken gods -- Detox. Analyzes the potential causes of the growing number of
unmotivated and underachieving males, including video games, teaching methods, prescription drugs, endocrine disrupters, and the devaluation of masculinity; and provides advice for parents on how to help their sons achieve.

381 HER

Herman, Edward S. Manufacturing consent : the political economy of the mass media. New York : Pantheon Books, c2002. Presents a propaganda model that illuminates the forces that might cause the mass media to play a propaganda role, the processes by which they mobilize bias, and the patterns of news choices that ensue; and applies the propaganda model to the actual performance of the media in the U.S.

384 KNO

Knopper, Steve, 1969-. Appetite for self-destruction : the spectacular crash of the record industry in the digital age. 1st Free Press hardcover ed. New York : Free Press, 2009. Chronicles the rise and fall of the recording industry since the 1980s, drawing from interviews with over two hundred music industry sources to discuss how the success of the CD transformed the music business, and how the failure to recognize the impact of file sharing has put labels in danger of becoming obsolete.

391 ELG


391 ELG

Elgin, Kathy. The medieval world. New York : Chelsea House, c2009. Explores how men and women dressed in their daily lives and for special occasions in the medieval world, describing the way clothing was made, how men, women, and children dressed for everyday life and special occasions, and what textiles were used.

394.2663 SEL

400—Language

418.4019 WOL

Maryanne Wolf explores the brain's near-miraculous ability to arrange and re-arrange itself in response to external circumstances.

470.9 OST

Chronicles the history of the Latin language, exploring the reasons why the dialect of Rome survived when other languages died out, discussing its spread throughout Europe and the Americas, and looking at its continued use in the modern world.

500 – Science (including mathematics)

500 CAR

Carlson, Dale Bick. *Cosmic calendar: from the Big bang to your consciousness*. A graphic guide to modern science that covers natural history, physical laws, evolution and the origins of life, and basic physics with regard to the human mind and body, the planet, and the universe.

508 CAR

Discusses the expeditions and scientific adventures of important naturalists that have resulted in the advancement of knowledge on human and biological evolution, and describes the work of Charles Darwin, Charles Walcott, Roy Chapman Andrews, and others.

508.8 WOO

An interactive account of Charles Darwin's voyage aboard the "Beagle" from 1831 to 1836 during which he developed his ideas on evolution, featuring excerpts from Darwin's diaries, photographs and illustrations, and facsimile letters, pamphlets, and other documents.
Holmes, Richard, 1945-. The age of wonder : how the Romantic generation discovered the beauty and terror of science. London : HarperPress, 2008. 'The Age of Wonder' is Richard Holmes' first major work of biography for a decade. It has been inspired by the scientific ferment that swept through Britain at the end of the 18th century, and which Holmes now radically redefines as 'the revolution of Romantic Science'.

Potter, Christopher. You are here : a portable history of the universe. London : Hutchinson, 2009. This is the story of the Universe told as if the Universe were the subject of a biography. Like all biographies should, this story begins with a birth and ends with a death.

Swan, Robert. Antarctica 2041 : my quest to save the earth's last wilderness. 1st ed. New York : Broadway Books, c2009. Robert Swan reveals the incredible environmental crisis that could arise in 2041, when the international treaty protecting Antarctica can be modified, allowing the region to be mined and exploited and endangering all its native wildlife.

Turner, Pamela S. The frog scientist. Boston : Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2009. Discusses the work of Tyrone Hayes and his efforts to study and protect frogs, and follows Hayes into the field with his students to perform experiments with various types of frogs.

Richardson, Kevin. Part of the pride : my life among the big cats of Africa. New York : St. Martin's Press, c2009. Kevin Richardson, an animal custodian in a South African animal park, tells the story of his life and work, and explains how he developed his methods for getting to know the animals and earning their trust.
600 – Technology

612 DRA

The body -- Back -- Thorax -- Abdomen -- Pelvis and perineum -- Lower limb -- Upper limb -- Head and neck. Text and over one thousand illustrations describe and explain features of the human anatomy, covering the back, thorax, abdomen, pelvis and perineum, lower and upper limbs, and head and neck, and includes clinical cases and questions.

614.5 CUN

Ever-changing virus -- Early history -- "Spanish flu" -- The pandemic -- Sneezing ferrets and swine flu -- H5N1 -- Surveillance and preparation. Provides a comprehensive overview of the history of influenza, discussing how it is spread, its symptoms, pandemics, vaccines, and other related topics.

615.9 GRO

Investigates the field of green chemistry, introducing scientists who are working to free the world of toxic chemicals found in products used in everyday life.

616.07 EDL

The deadly dinner party -- Everywhere that Mary went -- The baby and the bathwater -- Rubbed the wrong way -- The forbidden fruit -- Two ticks from Jersey -- An airtight case -- Monday morning fever -- The case of the wide-eyed boy -- A study in scarlet -- The case of the overly hot honeymoon -- Feeling his oats -- The case of the unhealthy health food -- Little Luisa's blinding headache -- Too much of a good thing. Presents fifteen medical anecdotes about complex medical cases that are difficult to diagnose, covering a variety of symptoms and the subtle interactions between pathogens, humans, and the environment that can make diagnosis a puzzling dilemma.

621.8 SIL
An exploration of simple machines that discusses inclined planes, wedges, screws, levers, pulleys, and wheels and axles, and includes instructions for related experiments and activities.

623.4 REI

A history of swords, discussing their symbolism, their role in myth and mysticism, the beauty of the form of the sword, and their function.

629.454 BIZ

The first moon landing in July 1969 captured the imagination of the world in a way that no subsequent 'space spectacular' has succeeded in doing. This is a comprehensive, visual record of the mission using high-resolution images selected from the entire suite of Apollo 11's on-board film magazines.

636.7 FRA

Examines the origins, history, and uniqueness of the bond shared between humans and dogs, and also discusses dog behavior.

640 REC

One hundred children's book authors suggest ways in which individuals can help the environment, discussing one's home, school, community, and world.

641.3 LIF

Hilary Lifton chronicles her life-long obsession with candy and sugar, discussing how her love for sweets has carried her through all of life's milestones and letdowns.

649 FRA

Contains 101 story pages for recommended picture books, books for children in
grades two to five, and books for children in grades four to six and up, each with a synopsis, questions about who, what, when, and why, conversation starters, quotes, and a list of similar titles; and features questions parents may use to start conversations with their children on a variety of subjects.

659.1 OTH


700 – Arts and recreation

709 LIT

Little, Stephen, 1954-. Isms : understanding art. London : Herbert, 2004. This is an easy to use guide on a wide range of art 'isms' from the Renaissance to the present day that have shaped art history. For each 'ism' there is a definition, an introduction to the topic, lists of key artists, key words, and key works as well as suggestions for other 'isms' that may be of interest.

709.2 AND


709.32 GIB

Gibson, Clare K., 1964-. The hidden life of ancient Egypt : decoding the secrets of a lost world. Glasgow : Saraband, c2009. 'The Hidden Life of Ancient Egypt' explores how the art of this great empire can be the key to understanding the rites, thoughts, and daily life of ancient Egyptians.

711.42 GAI

Gaines, Jeremy and Jager, Stefan. Albert Speer & Partners: A Manifesto for Sustainable Cities : Think Local, Act Global. Munich, Germany : Prestel Verlag, 2009. For more than forty years, Albert Speer & Partners have been designing ecologically sensitive communities throughout the globe. Many of their trailblazing projects are discussed in this timely book look at what has been
accomplished in an effort to satisfy the array of social, economic, and environmental demands of the twenty-first century. The authors explore themes of redeveloping aging cities, resource conservation, urban density, zoning, and new technology. Focusing on projects in cities as wide-ranging as Shanghai, Baku, Cairo, Changchun, and Frankfurt, the book includes plans, renderings, drawings, and photographs of the sites, providing examples of sustainable urban planning.

720 FOS

Foster, Norman, 1935-. Reflections. Munich, Germany ; : Prestel, c2005. A collection of black-and-white photographs of the architecture of Norman Foster which provides an abstract view of his architectural themes and ideas.

720 KUH

Kuhl, Isabel. 50 buildings you should know. Munich ; : Prestel, c2007. Provides historical notes, descriptions, and photographs of fifty significant buildings from around the world, including Westminster Abbey, the Guggenheim Museum in New York, the Sydney Opera House, and others.

720.9 PFA

Pfammatter, Ulrich. Building the future : building technology and cultural history from the Industrial Revolution until today. Munich ; : Prestel, c2008. From greenhouse to 'high-tech' hothouse' - virtual experience space of industrial and communicative societies -- Building as an art or the art of building? Railway sheds, expo pavilions, terminals - spatial landscapes of the future -- How concrete became lighter - 100 years of concrete pioneers -- The 'liberated facade' - from wall to partition to skin -- Process thinking conquers construction - industrialization from the balloon frame to the skyscraper -- "Sustainable building design" - a future project -- Sir Ove Arup: the key search, 1970.

720.922 KUH

Kuhl, Isabel. 50 architects you should know. New ed. Munich ; : Prestel, c2009. Examines the lives and careers of fifty of history's greatest architects, each with examples of their work.

730.92 CRO

An exploration of the work of award-winning author and illustrator Maurice Sendak that discusses his aesthetic influences, recurring motifs, understanding of children, and more.

745.40941 DES

This text discusses the major figures that have led the way in all aspects of design and those who have turned it on its head. With each chapter written by an international expert in the field, it provides a comprehensive account of what it is that has given Britain a special place in design.

750.11 GIB


751.7 RUS


751.73 MAC

A guide that focuses on London street art, this pocket-sized guide showcases art and graffiti from the capital city.

759 HAG

The husband and wife team of Rainer and Rose-Marie Hagen present this volume of 'What Great Paintings Say', once again bringing their curiosity and intuition to bear on some of the world's most famous paintings.

770 STE

Stein, Sally. John Gutmann : the photographer at work. Tucson : Center for Creative Photography, the University of Arizona, 2009.
Provides information on the life and career of German-born photographer John Gutmann, discussing how his experiences as a German Jew who fled the Nazis
in 1933 influenced his work, and includes reproductions of a selection of his black-and-white photographs.

779 KAR


780 BEB


780 WOR

Worlds of music : an introduction to the music of the world's peoples. 5th ed., Student ed. Australia ; : Schirmer Cengage Learning, c2009. Examines the music of cultures around the world, including Native American, African, African-American, Central and Southeastern European, Indian, Indonesian, East Asian, Latin American, and Arabian, discussing issues of history and tradition, and providing examples of each.

781.64 FLE

Fletcher, Tony. All hopped up and ready to go : music from the streets of New York, 1927-77. 1st ed. New York : W. W. Norton, c2009. A detailed history of the music from the streets and neighborhoods of New York City covering a fifty-year period between 1927 and 1977, and featuring musicians including Bob Dylan, Dizzy Gillespie, and Tito Puente.

781.64 MCG


782.421 COH
Cohn, Jessica. *The electronic music scene: the stars, the fans, the music.* Berkeley Heights, NJ: Enslow, c2010. Photographs and text provide an overview of the music, stars, clothes, contracts, and world of electronic music. Includes a time line, a glossary, and suggestions for further reading.


*The sports book: the sports, the rules, the tactics, the techniques.* 2nd ed. London: Dorling Kindersley, 2009. This is the ultimate armchair companion to more than 200 of the world's great sports with all the latest information, facts and figures from the leading experts and sports governing bodies.

Drawing on first hand interviews from more than 60 British Lions tourists since the golden age of the 1950s, this book captures what it means to be a British Lions rugby player - the victories, the failures and the stories surrounding the icons of rugby such as Edwards, Bennett, Hastings, Guscott, Johnson and Dallaglio.

796.334 TOR

This is a pictorial autobiography of footballer Fernando Torres. It looks at his early life before going on to explore his successful career as a professional football player.

796.3346 OFF


796.342 AGA

He is one of the most gifted men ever to step onto a tennis court - but from early childhood Andre Agassi hated the game. Now, in his frank and revealing autobiography, Agassi tells the story of a life framed by triumphs, obsession and personal struggles.

796.522 VIE

Mountaineer Ed Viesturs details some of his more intense climbs, and discusses how his personal beliefs and camaraderie with other climbers help him with his efforts. Includes photographs.

796.62 CAV

'Boy Racer' steps behind the scenes of the Tour de France. It unMASKS the exotic, contradictory, hysterical and brutal world of professional cycling from the compellingly candid viewpoint of someone right in the thick of it.

796.75 BRO

'Ring of Fire' details the acclaim, the heroism and the pressures of riding
motorbikes at speeds of more than 200mph. The book covers the recent history of MotoGP, from American Nicky Hayden spectacularly overturning established champion Valentino Rossi in 2006, to one of the most closely-contested years of racing in 2008.

**800 – Literature**

808.85 WOR

*Words that ring through time : from Moses and Pericles to Obama fifty-one of the most important speeches in history and how they changed our world*. 1st ed. New York : Overlook Press, 2009.
Contains fifty-one significant speeches from throughout history, including orations by Mohammed, John F. Kennedy, Adolf Hitler, Barack Obama, and others, and includes historical context for each.

809 BEH

The author describes his experiences after leaving his job and moving back into his parents' Manhattan apartment where he set himself the task of reading all fifty-one volumes of the Harvard Classics Library, and shares some of the insights he gained from the literature about his personal struggles and circumstances.

809 ELI

This is Eliot's first collection of literary criticism and it contains some of his most influential early essays and reviews.

811 MER

A collection of poems by American writer W. S. Merwin in which he discusses memory, nature, and the nuances of time.

811 REY

Jason Reynolds and Jason Griffin, a collaborative team of artist and poet, chronicle their experiences upon moving to New York to pursue their art.

811 STO

An anthology of over three hundred poems by National Book Award-winning poet Ruth Stone.

812 ALL

A collection of thirty-one short comedy scenes for middle school and high school students based on real-life situations.

813 MCM

A memoir in which author Larry McMurtry discusses his lifelong engagement with books, telling of his experiences as a reader, writer, and collector.

821.1 CHA

From the bawdy Wife of Bath's tale to the riddle set by the Franklin, this complete collection of 'The Canterbury Tales' makes for an easily accessible, entertaining read.

821.8 LEA


822.914 BOL

This play charts the dramatic events leading to the execution of Sir Thomas More in 1535 and has been a modern stage classic since its first production in 1960. The author's previous plays include 'Flowering Cherry' and 'State of Revolution'.

The spike -- Clink -- A hanging -- Shooting an elephant -- Bookshop memories -- Marrakech -- My country right or left -- War-time diary -- England your England -- Dear Doktor Goebbels, your British friends are feeding fine! -- Looking back on the Spanish war -- As I please, 1 -- As I please, 2 -- As I please, 3 -- As I please, 16 -- Revenge is sour -- The case for the open fire -- The sporting spirit -- In defence of English cooking -- A nice cup of tea -- The moon under water -- In front of your nose -- Some thoughts on the common toad -- A good word for the vicar of Bray -- Why I write -- How the poor die -- Such, such were the joys. A collection of narrative essays written by George Orwell in the 1930s and 1940s on a variety of topics, including his boyhood in an English boarding school, and the Spanish Civil War.

900 – History, geography, and biography

914.10486 GRE


From historic treasures and charming villages to stunning national parks and traditional pubs, this guide to Great Britain should prove useful. The birds-eye-view maps and 3D models cover all the major sites. Also, it features the most comfortable places to stay as well as the best bars and restaurants.

914.40484 FRA


This guide features the most comfortable places to stay and the best bars and restaurants. Discover where the locals go, enjoy relaxing entertainment, amazing sites and retail therapy, exciting sports, scenic walks or drives, thematic tours and colorful festivals.

914.5 NES


A compact guide to visiting Florence and Tuscany that provides descriptions and contact information for places to see, restaurants, shops, and hotels, and includes fold-out maps and insider tips.
A compact guide to visiting Rome that provides descriptions and contact information for places to see, restaurants, shops, and hotels, and includes nine fold-out maps.

914.50493 ITA

Capture the essence of Italy with this guide. With listings on hotels and restaurants, and improved maps, it also provides practical information on where to go, what to take, how to get around, local specialties, main sight-seeing attractions and a complete area by area guide.

914.6 BAS

This guide, with web links, has all you need to get the most out of the city: where to stay, the sights not to miss, the coolest bars - in short, the best the city has to offer. Browse the 'ideas' section and plan your days, and use the 'places' section to explore the city district by district.

920 GOR

Discusses the story of the Hemingses, an American slave family that had blood ties to Thomas Jefferson, who had an intimate relationship with Sally Hemings, his slave, and covers how the family of Elizabeth Hemings and John Wayles came under ownership to Jefferson through his marriage to Martha Wayles.

920 MCN

Examines the lives and actions of six men from the North and South who played key roles in the course of the Civil War and its aftermath, including Abraham Lincoln, Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee, Frederick Douglass, Ulysses S. Grant, and Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson.

920 SEY

Recounts the relationship between Jean-Paul Sartre and Simone de Beauvoir,
discussing their philosophical and political views, controversial ideas about love and sex, influence on one another's work, and other related topics.

920 THR


920 WAL

A classic tale of triumph over adversity, this is the story of one boy's struggle to escape from a secret world. Mikey was born into a Romany Gypsy family. Here he describes the vibrant and loyal culture he grew up in, and also the violence and grief which forced him to make the agonizing decision to leave.

938.07092 ALE

Offers a comprehensive overview of Alexander the Great's military career, discussing the development of his army, his careers and battles, the military strategies used during his time, and other related topics.

940.4 NEL

A comprehensive narrative that follows members of Company D of the 28th Infantry Regiment during World War I from their enlistment to the effort to recover the remains of those who died.

940.53 HIT

Recounts the experiences of the European people who were liberated from Nazi tyranny by Allied soldiers during World War II, revealing how the liberation cost many civilians their lives, livelihood, and families.
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944.04 MOO

Draws on memoirs and primary sources to explore the life of Henriette Lucie Dillon, discussing her childhood, her marriage to Frederic de la Tour du Pin, the deaths of her children, her exiles in various countries, and much more.

954 MEO

Collects more than two hundred photographs taken all across India that depicts Indian people, landscapes, architecture, celebrations, and more; and includes over thirty literary passages from R. K. Narayan, Nirad C. Chaudhuri, Manil Suri, and others.

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Highlights similar aspects of the lives of Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr, and examines how the two war heroes and founding fathers ended up in a duel that cost one of them his life.

973.7 MOU
Examines some of the factors that contributed to the hostilities between the North and South in the mid-nineteenth century that eventually led to civil war.

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Discusses the bloody battle of Antietam, in which General George B. McClellan faced off against General Lee's Army of Northern Virginia in Maryland in September of 1862.

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Provides an account of the destruction and burning of Atlanta, Georgia, during the Civil War, discussing the Confederate struggle to protect the city, and introducing some of the personalities involved in the fight.

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A biography of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the thirty-second president of the United States, discussing his formative years, the influence of his mother, his relationship with his wife Eleanor, his leadership during the Great Depression and World War II, and his legacy.

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Examines the progressive political climate in the United States during the 1960s, discusses the numerous government initiatives that were established, and explains why a time of such great change ended so quickly.

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Dan Balz and Haynes Johnson followed this campaign from the candidates' first forays into Iowa and New Hampshire to the historic night of Obama's victory celebration.
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The four Welch siblings--Amanda, Liz, Dan, and Diana--describe the hardships and struggles they faced during their childhoods, which culminated with the death of their actress mother, Ann, and resulted in their separation from one another.

978 MAR

Darkness at noon -- The Great Plains world -- Conquering the Great Plains -- The coming of the farmers -- In hard times -- Dust Bowl days -- Refugees in their own land -- The New Deal -- Future dust bowls. Examines the causes of the Dust Bowl, discusses its effects, and provides primary source quotes and photographs.

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Traces the life of Frederick Douglas from his childhood as a slave in Maryland, his escape North to freedom, why he returned to Maryland, and how he became a national spokesman for African-Americans.

B EAR

Describes Earhart's tomboy childhood, her early fascination with airplanes, the impact of Lindbergh's 1927 transatlantic flight on her life, and her disappearance in 1937.

B EIN

An exploration of the life and times of German-born theoretical physicist Albert Einstein, whose contributions to the field earned his a Nobel Prize.

B FRA

A photographic introduction to the life and experiences of Anne Frank, who along with her family and others lived in hiding from the Nazis in a secret annex from July 1942 until their capture in August 1944.

B FRI

Hannah Friedman shares the story of her early life, living with her parents and brother on a tour bus and being the target of middle school bullies, and tells how she transformed herself after being accepted on scholarship to a prestigious boarding school--with a perfect boyfriend, grade point average, and wardrobe--only to experience a devastating identity crisis and having to start all over again.
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