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At Home A Short History Of Private Life

**A history from
writers from
Western Samoa,
examining**

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**thematically the
influences of
European settlers,
the churches,
German and NZ
colonialism and the
background to
Western Samoa's
independence. This
short history is
written for the
general reader and**

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**for senior high
school and
university students
seeking an
overview of
Samoan history.
First published in
1987 and last
reprinted in 2003.
This is a reissue of
the 2003 edition for
2018.**

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One of Australia's leading geologists writes for a non-scientific audience about the history of our planet and solar system, and demonstrates how much we depend on the range of evidence found in the study of rocks

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**to piece this history
together.**

**“The wonderful
cathedral of Notre-
Dame de Paris, one
of the greatest
achievements of
European
civilization, was on
fire. The sight
dazed and
disturbed us**

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**profoundly. I was
on the edge of
tears. Something
priceless was dying
in front of our eyes.
The feeling was
bewildering, as if
the earth was
shaking.” —Ken
Follett “[A]
treasure of a
book.” —The New**

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**Yorker In this
short, spellbinding
book, international
bestselling author
Ken Follett
describes the
emotions that
gripped him when
he learned about
the fire that
threatened to
destroy one of the**

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**greatest cathedrals
in the world—the
Notre-Dame de
Paris. Follett then
tells the story of the
cathedral, from its
construction to the
role it has played
across time and
history, and he
reveals the
influence that the**

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**Notre-Dame had
upon cathedrals
around the world
and on the writing
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most famous and
beloved novels, The
Pillars of the
Earth. Ken Follett
will donate his
proceeds from this
book to the charity**

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**La Fondation du
Patrimoine.**

**In A Short History
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States, National
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Remini offers a
much-needed,
concise history of
our country. This
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**lively volume
contains the
essential facts
about the
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settlement, growth,
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including the
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**migration of Native
Americans, the
founding of a
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Constitution, the
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United States as a
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outbreak of
terrorism here and
abroad, the Obama
presidency, and**

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**everything in
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**This is the
story of life
in Ireland - a
story half a
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**With its
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crannogs and**

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Ireland is a
land where
history looms
large, but the
saga of life
on this island
dates back
millions of
years before
the first
people set

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foot here. In
Life in
Ireland, Conor
O'Brien guides
the reader on
a journey
around the
island to
explore the
history of
natural life
here, from the

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Jurassic Coast
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of Antrim to
the great Ice
Age bone-beds
of Cork. Along
the way, we'll
meet some of
the
astonishing
creatures to
have called
Ireland home

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through the
ages: shelled
monsters; huge
marine
lizards;
armoured
dinosaurs;
giant deer;
mighty
mammoths.

Vital strands
in the story

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of life on
Earth have
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including some
of the first
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crawl onto
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to the wing.
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journey will

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take us from
the first
fossils to the
present day,
to see how our
wildlife has
adapted to the
human age and
explore what
the future
might hold for
life in

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they got that

way. Bill

Bryson and his

family live in

a Victorian

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England where
nothing of any
great
significance
has happened
since the
Romans
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one day, he
began to

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consider how
very little he
knew about the
ordinary
things of life
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that
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home. To
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he formed the
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about his
house from
room to room
to "write a
history of the
world without
leaving home."
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provides the
occasion for a
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hygiene; the
bedroom, sex,
death, and
sleep; the
kitchen,
nutrition and
the spice
trade; and so
on, as Bryson
shows how each
has figured in
the evolution

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of private
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life. Whatever
happens in the
world, he
demonstrates,
ends up in our
house, in the
paint and the
pipes and the
pillows and
every item of
furniture.

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of odd and
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span both time
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O'Neill**

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**history of rules in
the Western
world Rules order
almost every
aspect of our
lives. They set
our work hours,
dictate how we
drive and set the
table, tell us
whether to offer
an extended hand
or cheek in**

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**greeting, and
organize the rites
of life, from birth
through death.**

**We may chafe
under the rules
we have, and
yearn for ones we
don't, yet no
culture could do
without them. In
Rules, historian
Lorraine Daston**

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**traces their
development in
the Western
tradition and
shows how rules
have evolved from
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examples,
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**cookbooks,
military manuals,
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regulations, and
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Daston
demonstrates
that while the
content of rules
is dazzlingly
diverse, the forms
that they take are
surprisingly few**

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and long-lived.

**Daston uncovers
three enduring
kinds of rules:
the algorithms
that calculate and
measure, the laws
that govern, and
the models that
teach. She vividly
illustrates how
rules can
change—how**

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**Life
supple rules
stiffen, or vice
versa, and how
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regulations
become everyday
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for almost every
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activity and range
from meticulous
regulations to the**

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laws of nature.

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investigate when
rules work and
when they don't,
and why some
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problems about
rules are as
ancient as
philosophy itself**

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**while others are
as modern as
calculating
machines. Rules
offers a wide-
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guide
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know it or not.
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provides an**

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book shows how
policing - in the**

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**sense of crime
control and order
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has come to be
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which the police
do, even though
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**police. This book
will be essential
reading for
anybody
interested in the
history of
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romp through
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space. Gee ' s grand
tour enthusiastically

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details the narrative
underlying life ' s
erratic and often
whimsical
exploration of
biological form and
function. ” —Adrian
Wolfson, The
Washington Post In
the tradition of
Richard Dawkins,
Bill Bryson, and
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Winchester—An entertaining and uniquely informed narration of Life's life story. In the beginning, Earth was an inhospitably alien place—in constant chemical flux, covered with churning seas, crafting its landscape through

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incessant volcanic eruptions. Amid all this tumult and disaster, life began. The earliest living things were no more than membranes stretched across microscopic gaps in rocks, where boiling hot jets of mineral-rich water gushed out from cracks in

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the ocean floor.

Although these membranes were leaky, the environment within them became different from the raging maelstrom beyond. These havens of order slowly refined the generation of energy, using it to

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form membrane-bound bubbles that were mostly-faithful copies of their parents—a foamy lather of soap-bubble cells standing as tiny clenched fists, defiant against the lifeless world. Life on this planet has continued in much

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Life
the same way for
millennia, adapting
to literally every
conceivable setback
that living organisms
could encounter and
thriving, from these
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beginnings to the
thrilling and unlikely
story of ourselves.

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Earth, Henry Gee
zips through the last
4.6 billion years with
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latest scientific
understanding and
writing in a clear,
accessible style, he
tells an enlightening
tale of survival and

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Life
persistence that
illuminates the
delicate balance
within which life has
always existed.

Each time history
repeats itself, so it's
said, the price goes
up. The twentieth
century was a time
of runaway growth
in human
population,

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consumption, and technology, placing a colossal load on all natural systems, especially earth, air, and water — the very elements of life. The most urgent questions of the twenty-first century are: where will this growth lead? can it be consolidated or

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sustained? and
what kind of world is
our present
bequeathing to our
future? In his #1
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Ronald Wright
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modern
predicament is as
old as civilization, a
10,000-year

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experiment we have
Life participated in but
seldom controlled.

Only by
understanding the
patterns of triumph
and disaster that
humanity has
repeated around the
world since the
Stone Age can we
recognize the
experiment's

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inherent dangers,
and, with luck and
wisdom, shape its
outcome.

From one of the
most beloved and
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in the English
language, a vivid,
nostalgic and utterly
hilarious memoir of
growing up in the
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States in the middle of the last century. A book that delivers on the promise that it is “ laugh-out-loud funny. ” Some say that the first hints that Bill Bryson was not of Planet Earth came from his discovery, at the age of six, of a woollen jersey of

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rare fineness.

Across the moth-holed chest was a golden thunderbolt. It may have looked like an old college football sweater, but young Bryson knew better. It was obviously the Sacred Jersey of Zap, and proved that he had been

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placed with this
innocuous family in
the middle of
America to fly,
become invisible,
shoot guns out of
people ' s hands from
a distance, and
wear his underpants
over his jeans in the
manner of
Superman. Bill
Bryson ' s first travel

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book opened with the immortal line, “ I come from Des Moines. Somebody had to. ” In this hilarious new memoir, he travels back to explore the kid he once was and the weird and wonderful world of 1950s America. He modestly claims that

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this is a book about
not very much:
about being small
and getting much
larger slowly. But for
the rest of us, it is a
laugh-out-loud book
that will speak
volumes –
especially to anyone
who has ever been
young.

America now is

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home to approximately five million Hindus and Jains. Their contribution to the economic and intellectual growth of the country is unquestionable.

Dharma in America aims to explore the role of Hindu and Jain Americans in

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ongoing issues and
challenges these
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religious groups
face in America
today.

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woven through John
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*concise history of
the twentieth century
are inseparable
from the author's
own intellectual
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continuing
democratization of
the globe, and the
limitations of
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to magnificent
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for the great
houses—from
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end of the*

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eighteenth century.

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history, illustrated
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James Peill consider*

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*a broad range of
topics, including a
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influence of Irish
craftsmen in the
colonies of America.
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different types of
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*including chairs,
stools, baroque
sideboards, elegant
tea and games
tables, bookcases,
and mirrors. The
book also features
an index of Irish
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and craftsmen of
the eighteenth
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almost every aspect
of our history. It
involves indigenous*

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era, slavery, the
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suburbia, the
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gender roles. It encompasses every region and demographic group. It is entwined with our politics and tangled up with our race relations. Jim Auchmutey follows the delicious and contentious history of barbecue in

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the global
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the roles of race and
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culture, and the
many ways barbecue
has been portrayed
in our art and*

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looking at the First
and Second World
Wars as well as*

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cultural understandings of conflict have lasting consequences in societies across the world. Weaponry, Black argues, has had a fundamental impact on modes of war: it created war in the air and transformed it at

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*sea. Today, as
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Black examines
what the future of
warfare looks like.*

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As Eugene Wigner stressed, mathematics has proven unreasonably effective in the physical sciences and their technological applications. The role

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of mathematics in the biological, medical and social sciences has been much more modest but has recently grown thanks to the simulation capacity offered by modern computers. This book traces the history of population dynamics---a theoretical subject

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closely connected to genetics, ecology, epidemiology and demography---where mathematics has brought significant insights. It presents an overview of the genesis of several important themes: exponential growth, from Euler and Malthus to the

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Chinese one-child
policy; the
development of
stochastic models,
from Mendel's laws
and the question of
extinction of family
names to percolation
theory for the spread
of epidemics, and
chaotic populations,
where determinism
and randomness

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intertwine. The reader of this book will see, from a different perspective, the problems that scientists face when governments ask for reliable predictions to help control epidemics (AIDS, SARS, swine flu), manage renewable resources (fishing quotas, spread

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of genetically
modified organisms)
or anticipate
demographic
evolutions such as
aging.

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(unfortunately) the
ways it can fail. Full
of extraordinary facts
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of the miracle that is

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pass our existence
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central role famine has played in the economic and political histories of places"--From publisher description. The idea that 'home' is a special place, a separate place, a place where we can be our true selves, is so obvious to us today that we barely pause

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to think about it. But, as Judith Flanders shows in her best and most ambitious work to date, "home" is a relatively new idea. In *The Making of Home*, Flanders traces the evolution of the house from the sixteenth to the early twentieth century across northern Europe and

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America, showing how the homes we know today bear only a faint resemblance to homes though history. What turned a house into the concept of home? Why did northwestern Europe, a politically unimportant, sociologically underdeveloped

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region of the world,
suddenly became the
powerhouse of the
Industrial Revolution,
the capitalist crucible
that created
modernity? While
investigating these
important questions,
Flanders uncovers the
fascinating
development of
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items--from cutlery,
chairs and curtains, to
the fitted kitchen,
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windows--while also
dismantling many
domestic myths. In
this prodigiously
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India's unfolding story, from the ancient Hindu dynasties to the coming of Islam, from the Mughal Empire to the present day India has always been a land of great contradictions.

To Alexander the Great, the country was a place of clever naked philosophers and

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*massive armies
mounted on elephants –
which eventually
forced his army to
retreat. To ancient
Rome, it was a source
of luxuries, mainly
spices and textiles, paid
for in gold—hence the
enormous numbers of
Roman gold coins
excavated in India. At
the height of the*

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*Mughal empire in
1700, India boasted 24
percent of the world
economy—a share
virtually equal to
Europe's 25 percent.
But then its economy
declined. Colonial
India was known for
its extremes of wealth
and poverty,
epitomized by the Taj
Mahal and famines,*

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*maharajas and
untouchables, and also
for its spirituality:
many-armed Hindu
gods and Buddhist
philosophy, Mahatma
Gandhi and
Rabindranath Tagore.
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places as much
emphasis on
individuals, ideas and
cultures as on the rise*

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and fall of kingdoms, political parties and economies. Anyone curious about a great civilization, and its future, will find this an ideal introduction, at times controversial, written by an author who has been strongly engaged with India for more than three decades.

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Having conquered the world's taste buds and established itself as a staple in our daily lives, coffee has mirrored the moods and movements of society for centuries - yet, how much do we know about its history? In his riveting new book, A Short History of Coffee, Gordon

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Kerr investigates the fascinating history behind the global obsession with coffee, from its Ethiopian origins, the legends, myths, geographical locations and somewhat eccentric characters that have helped make it the staple that it is today.

Proliferating high

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*streets, towns and cities
across Europe, coffee
has become
increasingly popular in
recent years, and has
succeeded in creating
new and exciting hubs
of commerce, news
and debate, where
deals could be done
and revolution could be
incited. Yet, despite
coffee's very modern*

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role, its origins stretch back to the days of intrepid travellers and merchants, who told tales of this new and exotic beverage that uplifted and enlivened the drinker. Following the growth in popularity through to the 21st century explosion of coffee shop culture, A Short

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History of Coffee lifts the Styrofoam lid on both the business of coffee, as well as the pleasures that it brings its drinkers. Gordon Kerr masterfully balances an exploration of the history of this iconic beverage, whilst also delving into the frothy brew of business,

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*politics, and money
that accompanies it.*

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Kerr 'Informative,
fascinating and
extremely well-
researched...Gordon
Kerr's book is a mini
masterpiece' - Rob
Minshull, ABC*

*Brisbane on A Short
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War 'Factual and even-*

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*handed, Kerr presents
a fair-minded*

*introduction of basic
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*Travelmag on A Short
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*Offers the story of a
young man with a*

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*passion for dance and
the changes he brings
to his Wisconsin family
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extraordinary Bill
Bryson takes us from
the Big Bang to the
dawn of science, and
everything in between.*

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*the centre of the planet
to the dawn of the
dinosaurs, and
everything in between.
And discover our own
incredible journey,
from single cell to
civilisation, including
the brilliant (and
sometimes very
bizarre) scientists who
helped us find out the
how and why. ******

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*Reviews for A Short
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Everything: 'It's the sort
of book I would have
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teenager. It might well
turn unsuspecting
young readers into
scientists.'* Evening

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a better book for the
layman about the
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as well as educational,
experience. Nobody
who reads it will ever
look at the world
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same way again' Daily

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and Cultural Revision
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then miraculously
pieces it back
together so it's
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Ng, author of
Everything I Never
Told You How can a
woman learn to let
go of the people she
loves the most?

Karen Neulander, a
successful New
York political
consultant and
single mother, has
always been fiercely
protective of her

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son, Jacob, now six.

She's had to be:

when Jacob's

father, Dave, found

out Karen was

pregnant and made

it clear that

fatherhood wasn't in

his plans, Karen

walked out of the

relationship, never

telling Dave her

intention was to

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raise their child alone. But now Jake is asking to meet his dad, and with good reason: Karen is dying. When she finally calls her ex, she's shocked to find Dave ecstatic about the son he never knew he had. First, he can't meet Jake fast enough,

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and then he can't seem to leave him alone. Karen quickly grows anxious as she watches Dave insinuate himself into Jake's life just as her own strength and hold on Jake grow more tenuous. As she struggles to play out her last days in the "right"

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way for Jake, Karen wrestles with the knowledge that the only thing she cannot bring herself to do for her son—let his father become a permanent part of his life—is the thing he needs from her the most. With heart-wrenching poignancy,

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unexpected wit, and mordant humor, Lauren Grodstein has created an unforgettable story about parenthood, sacrifice, and life itself.

E. H. Gombrich's Little History of the World, though written in 1935, has become one of the

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treasures of
historical writing
since its first
publication in
English in 2005. The
Yale edition alone
has now sold over
half a million copies,
and the book is
available worldwide
in almost thirty
languages.

Gombrich was of

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course the best-known art historian of his time, and his text suggests illustrations on every page. This illustrated edition of the Little History brings together the pellucid humanity of his narrative with the images that may well have been in

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There are many

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theories about what caused the Great Depression, and the truth is that there is no simple answer. Rather, a perfect storm of events came together and changed the lives of millions of people. One of the first signs of this dark period was the stock

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market crash in
October 1929. In the
aftermath, the
country fell into the
Great Depression,
the longest and
most significant
economic
depression since
the Civil War.

Through most of the
1920s, the United
States economy

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was growing, and the stock market had reached new highs. People were making money in the stock market and having a grand time, so much so that few noticed the dark clouds forming on the horizon. By the end of the decade, industrial

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production had begun to decline, while unemployment was steadily rising. Stock market prices were plummeting from their peak in September 1929, and sales reached a crescendo in late October. On October 29, over sixteen million

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shares were traded
in just one day.
Billions of dollars
were lost, with
thousands of
investors wiped out,
and stock tickers
were running hours
behind because
they were simply
unequipped to
manage this
unprecedented

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amount of trading.

The crash was not the only cause of the Great Depression, but it was certainly a symptom of a larger set of problems.

Earlier in 1929, Herbert Hoover won the presidency under a wealth and prosperity platform.

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He made several
unsuccessful
attempts to prevent
the economy from
weakening during
his administration.
Despite his best
efforts, banks
continued to fail,
and more
Americans entered
the ranks of
unemployment. No

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one understood the extent of this economic downturn. But the election of 1932 brought Democrat Franklin D. Roosevelt into the White House by a landslide.

Roosevelt wasted no time, proposing extensive legislation called the New Deal

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to create new jobs, revitalize the banks, and give hope to the American people. Some of the New Deal programs were successful, while other fell short; but by the end of the 1930s, things had finally begun to improve. However, it would take the

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massive spending
required during
World War II for the
economy to return
to where it was a
decade before.

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sophistication in
both theology and
cultural history,
while also
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superior skills at
literary analysis.

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that address the role
of religion in
American fiction, let
alone ethnic

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American fiction.

None do so in so
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revisionary a way as
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Recalling Religions,
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demonstrates the
pervasive influence
of religion in the

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literature produced
by ethnic women
writers in late-
twentieth-century
America. Through
close readings of
works by Alice
Walker, Maxine
Hong Kingston,
Leslie Marmon
Silko, and Cynthia
Ozick, the author
shows how

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particular religious traditions have served as a resource for ethnic women, enabling them to sustain their communities in the face of oppression. Powers's analysis serves as an important corrective to earlier investigations of

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literature and religion. Too often, he argues, such studies have functioned with an abstract or individualistic notion of religion, thus downplaying the significance of ethnic traditions and practices. Other studies have

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emphasized the religious traditions of discrete groups but have failed to see the points of contact and common purpose between different ethnic experiences. By examining writers with disparate religious heritages, Powers

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introduces important
new insights. He
finds that even as
traditions and
cultural memories
have nurtured ethnic
women writers,
their works have
frequently rewritten
or recreated such
traditions for the
present
day--seeking, for

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instance, to overcome or transcend the sexism that may have characterized earlier periods. In its explorations of Walker, Kingston, Silko, and Ozick, *Recalling Religions* identifies broader trends that further our understanding

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of both American
literature and
religious culture.

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great Southern voices.

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archaeologists,
anthropologists,
psychologists,
physicists and
philosophers, and also
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Exploring the
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phenomena may be —
and that some most
likely are — objectively

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analysis of a
controversial subject,
in which these
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