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**In The Measure of a  
Mountain, Seattle writer**

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**Bruce Barcott sets out to know Rainier. His method is exploratory, meandering, personal. He begins by encircling it, first by car then on foot. He finds that the**

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**mountain is a complex of  
moss-bearded hemlocks  
and old-growth firs,  
high meadows that  
blossom according to a  
precise natural  
timeclock, sheets of**

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**crumbling pumice,  
fractured glaciers, and  
unsteady magma. Its snow  
fields bristle with bug  
life, and its marmots  
chew rocks to keep their  
teeth from overgrowing.**

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**Rainier rumbles with seismic twitches and jerks—some one-hundred-thirty earthquakes annually. The nightmare among geologists is the unstoppable wall of mud**

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**that will come rolling  
down its slopes when a  
hunk of mountain falls  
off, as it does every  
half century (and we're  
fifty years overdue).  
Rainier is both an**

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**obsession and a temple  
that attracts its own  
passionate acolytes:  
scientists, priests,  
rangers, and mountain  
guides. Rainier is also  
a monument to death:**

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**every year someone  
manages just to  
disappear on its flanks;  
imperiled climbers and  
their rescuers perish on  
glaciers; a planeload of  
Marines remains lodged**



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**in ice since they  
crashed into the  
mountain in 1946.**

**Referred to by locals as  
simply "the mountain,"  
it is the single largest  
feature of the Pacific**

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**Northwest**

**landscape—provided it  
isn't hidden in clouds.  
Visible or not, though,  
it's presence is  
undeniable.**

**Presents the stories of**

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**the sharps who have  
acted as expert  
consultants to  
Westerners climbing the  
Himalayas, focusing in  
particular on Chhiring  
Dorje Sherpa and Pasang**

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**Lama, who survived when  
11 other climbers died  
on K2 in August 2008.  
15,000 first printing.  
A history of Mount  
Everest expedition is  
intertwined with the**

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**disastrous expedition  
the author was a part  
of, during which five  
members were killed by a  
hurricane-strength  
blizzard. When Jon  
Krakauer reached the**

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**summit of Mt. Everest in  
the early afternoon of  
May 10, 1996, he hadn't  
slept in fifty-seven  
hours and was reeling  
from the brain-altering  
effects of oxygen**

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**depletion. As he turned  
to begin his long,  
dangerous descent from  
29,028 feet, twenty  
other climbers were  
still pushing doggedly  
toward the top. No one**

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**had noticed that the sky  
had begun to fill with  
clouds. Six hours later  
and 3,000 feet lower, in  
70-knot winds and  
blinding snow, Krakauer  
collapsed in his tent,**



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**freezing, hallucinating  
from exhaustion and  
hypoxia, but safe. The  
following morning he  
learned that six of his  
fellow climbers hadn't  
made it back to their**

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**camp and were in a  
desperate struggle for  
their lives. When the  
storm finally passed,  
five of them would be  
dead, and the sixth so  
horribly frostbitten**

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**that his right hand  
would have to be  
amputated. Krakauer  
examines what it is  
about Everest that has  
compelled so many people  
- including himself - to**

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**throw caution to the  
wind, ignore the  
concerns of loved ones,  
and willingly subject  
themselves to such risk,  
hardship, and expense.  
Written with emotional**

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**clarity and supported by  
his unimpeachable  
reporting, Krakauer's  
eye-witness account of  
what happened on the  
roof of the world is a  
singular achievement.**

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**“No Way Down is both a gripping read and a clear-eyed investigation of the hubris, politics, and bad luck that brought on one of the worst disasters in**

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**modern mountaineering  
history.” – Michael  
Kodas, author of High  
Crimes: The Fate of  
Everest in an Age of  
Greed “Graham Bowley’s  
No Way Down does a great**

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**job of putting you on  
the mountain. It is a  
refreshingly unadorned  
account of the true  
brutality of climbing  
K2, where heroes emerge  
and egos are stripped**



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**down, and the only thing  
achieving immortality is  
the cold ruthless  
mountain.” – Norman  
Ollestad, author of  
Crazy for the Storm In  
the tradition of Into**

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**Thin Air and Touching  
the Void, No Way Down by  
New York Times reporter  
Graham Bowley is the  
harrowing account of the  
worst mountain climbing  
disaster on K2, second**

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**to Everest in height...  
but second to no peak in  
terms of danger. From  
tragic deaths to  
unbelievable stories of  
heroism and survival, No  
Way Down is an amazing**

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**feat of storytelling and  
adventure writing, and,  
in the words of explorer  
and author Sir Ranulph  
Fiennes, “the closest  
you can come to being on  
the summit of K2 on that**

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**fateful day.”**

**Under the Banner of  
Heaven**

**A Story of Violent Faith  
Running the Amazon  
The True Story of  
Everest's Most**

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**Controversial Season  
Rape and the Justice  
System in a College Town  
Touching My Father's  
Soul**

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harrowing tale of the perils  
of high-altitude climbing, a  
story of bad luck and worse  
judgment and of  
heartbreaking heroism."

—PEOPLE A bank of clouds  
was assembling on the not-

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so-distant horizon, but  
journalist-mountaineer Jon  
Krakauer, standing on the  
summit of Mt. Everest, saw  
nothing that "suggested that  
a murderous storm was  
bearing down." He was



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wrong. The storm, which claimed five lives and left countless more--including Krakauer's--in guilt-ridden disarray, would also provide the impetus for Into Thin Air, Krakauer's epic account

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of the May 1996 disaster. By writing Into Thin Air, Krakauer may have hoped to exorcise some of his own demons and lay to rest some of the painful questions that still surround the event. He

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takes great pains to provide a balanced picture of the people and events he witnessed and gives due credit to the tireless and dedicated Sherpas. He also avoids blasting easy targets

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such as Sandy Pittman, the wealthy socialite who brought an espresso maker along on the expedition. Krakauer's highly personal inquiry into the catastrophe provides a great deal of

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insight into what went wrong. But for Krakauer himself, further interviews and investigations only lead him to the conclusion that his perceived failures were directly responsible for a

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fellow climber's death.

Clearly, Krakauer remains  
haunted by the disaster, and  
although he relates a  
number of incidents in  
which he acted selflessly  
and even heroically, he

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seems unable to view those instances objectively. In the end, despite his evenhanded and even generous assessment of others' actions, he reserves a full measure of vitriol for

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himself. This updated trade paperback edition of Into Thin Air includes an extensive new postscript that sheds fascinating light on the acrimonious debate that flared between



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Krakauer and Everest guide  
Anatoli Boukreev in the  
wake of the tragedy. "I have  
no doubt that Boukreev's  
intentions were good on  
summit day," writes  
Krakauer in the postscript,

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dated August 1999. "What disturbs me, though, was Boukreev's refusal to acknowledge the possibility that he made even a single poor decision. Never did he indicate that perhaps it

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wasn't the best choice to  
climb without gas or go  
down ahead of his clients."

As usual, Krakauer supports  
his points with dogged  
research and a good dose of  
humility. But rather than

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continue the heated  
discourse that has raged  
since Into Thin Air's  
denouncement of guide  
Boukreev, Krakauer's tone is  
conciliatory; he points most  
of his criticism at G. Weston

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De Walt, who coauthored  
The Climb, Boukreev's  
version of events. And in a  
touching conclusion,  
Krakauer recounts his last  
conversation with the late  
Boukreev, in which the two

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weathered climbers agreed to disagree about certain points. Krakauer had great hopes to patch things up with Boukreev, but the Russian later died in an avalanche on another

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Himalayan peak, Annapurna  
I. In 1999, Krakauer  
received an Academy Award  
in Literature from the  
American Academy of Arts  
and Letters--a prestigious  
prize intended "to honor

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writers of exceptional  
accomplishment." According  
to the Academy's citation,  
"Krakauer combines the  
tenacity and courage of the  
finest tradition of  
investigative journalism with



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the stylish subtlety and  
profound insight of the born  
writer. His account of an  
ascent of Mount Everest has  
led to a general reevaluation  
of climbing and of the  
commercialization of what

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was once a romantic,  
solitary sport; while his  
account of the life and death  
of Christopher McCandless,  
who died of starvation after  
challenging the Alaskan  
wilderness, delves even

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more deeply and  
disturbingly into the  
fascination of nature and the  
devastating effects of its  
lure on a young and curious  
mind."

A New York Times Bestseller

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“A smart, edge-of-your-seat story with plot twists you’ll never see coming. Stacy Willingham’s debut will keep you turning pages long past your bedtime.” —Karin Slaughter  
When Chloe Davis

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was twelve, six teenage girls went missing in her small Louisiana town. By the end of the summer, her own father had confessed to the crimes and was put away for life, leaving Chloe and the

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rest of her family to grapple with the truth and try to move forward while dealing with the aftermath. Now twenty years later, Chloe is a psychologist in Baton Rouge and getting ready for

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her wedding. While she finally has a fragile grasp on the happiness she's worked so hard to achieve, she sometimes feels as out of control of her own life as the troubled teens who are her

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patients. So when a local teenage girl goes missing, and then another, that terrifying summer comes crashing back. Is she paranoid, seeing parallels from her past that aren't



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actually there, or for the second time in her life, is Chloe about to unmask a killer? From debut author Stacy Willingham comes a masterfully done, lyrical thriller, certain to be the

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launch of an amazing career.  
A Flicker in the Dark is  
eerily compelling to the very  
last page.

With a new preface by the  
author • As featured in the  
upcoming motion picture

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Everest, starring Jason  
Clarke, Josh Brolin, John  
Hawkes, Robin Wright,  
Emily Watson, Keira  
Knightley, Sam  
Worthington, and Jake  
Gyllenhaal "I can tell you

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that some force within me  
rejected death at the last  
moment and then guided  
me, blind and  
stumbling—quite literally a  
dead man walking—into  
camp and the shaky start of

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my return to life.” In 1996  
Beck Weathers and a  
climbing team pushed  
toward the summit of Mount  
Everest. Then a storm  
exploded on the mountain,  
ripping the team to shreds,

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forcing brave men to scratch  
and crawl for their lives.

Rescuers who reached

Weathers saw that he was  
dying, and left him. Twelve  
hours later, the inexplicable  
occurred. Weathers

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appeared, blinded,  
gloveless, and caked with  
ice—walking down the  
mountain. In this powerful  
memoir, now featuring a  
new Preface, Weathers  
describes not only his

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escape from hypothermia  
and the murderous storm  
that killed eight climbers,  
but the journey of his life.  
This is the story of a man's  
route to a dangerous sport  
and a fateful expedition, as



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well as the road of recovery  
he has traveled since; of  
survival in the face of  
certain death, the  
reclaiming of a family and a  
life; and of the most  
extraordinary adventure of

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all: finding the courage to say yes when life offers us a second chance. Praise for Left for Dead “Riveting . . . [a] remarkable survival story . . . Left for Dead takes a long, critical look at

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climbing: Weathers is particularly candid about how the demanding sport altered and strained his relationships.”—USA Today  
“Ultimately, this engrossing tale depicts the difficulty of

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a man's struggle to reform  
his life."—Publishers Weekly  
The voyage began in the  
lunar terrain of the Peruvian  
Andes, where coca leaf is  
the only remedy against  
altitude sickness. It

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continued down rapids so fierce they could swallow a raft in a split second. It ended six months and 4,200 miles later, where the Amazon runs gently into the Atlantic. Joe Kane's personal

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account of the first  
expedition to travel the  
entirety of the world's  
longest river is a riveting  
adventure in the tradition of  
Joseph Conrad, filled with  
death-defying encounters:

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with narco-traffickers and Sendero Luminoso guerrillas and nature at its most unforgiving. Not least of all, Running the Amazon shows a polyglot group of urbanized travelers

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confronting their wilder  
selves -- their fear and  
egotism, selflessness and  
courage.

Jon Krakauer's Into Thin Air  
The Extraordinary Story of  
the Sherpa Climbers on K2's



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Deadliest Day

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Girls in Trouble

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*"gripping book about this  
extraordinary man who lived  
passionately and died unnecessarily"  
(USA Today) in post-9/11  
Afghanistan, from the bestselling  
author of Into the Wild and Into Thin  
Air. In 2002, Pat Tillman walked*

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*away from a multimillion-dollar NFL contract to join the Army and became an icon of American patriotism. When he was killed in Afghanistan two years later, a legend was born. But the real Pat Tillman was much more remarkable, and considerably more complicated than*

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*the public knew. Sent first to Iraq—a war he would openly declare was “illegal as hell” —and eventually to Afghanistan, Tillman was driven by emotionally charged, sometimes contradictory notions of duty, honor, justice, and masculine pride, and he was determined to serve his entire*

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*three-year commitment. But on April 22, 2004, his life would end in a barrage of bullets fired by his fellow soldiers. Though obvious to most of the two dozen soldiers on the scene that a ranger in Tillman's own platoon had fired the fatal shots, the Army aggressively maneuvered to*

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*keep this information from Tillman's family and the American public for five weeks following his death.*

*During this time, President Bush used Tillman's name to promote his administration's foreign policy. Long after Tillman's nationally televised memorial service, the Army*

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*grudgingly notified his closest relatives that he had “probably” been killed by friendly fire while it continued to disassemble about the details of his death and who was responsible. Drawing on Tillman’s journals and letters and countless interviews with those who knew him*

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*and extensive research in  
Afghanistan, Jon Krakauer chronicles  
Tillman's riveting, tragic odyssey in  
engrossing detail highlighting his  
remarkable character and  
personality while closely examining  
the murky, heartbreaking  
circumstances of his death. Infused*



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*with the power and authenticity readers have come to expect from Krakauer's storytelling, Where Men Win Glory exposes shattering truths about men and war. This edition has been updated to reflect new developments and includes new material obtained through the*

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*Freedom of Information Act.*

*In the tradition of Jon Krakauer's  
Into Thin Air, Nick Heil recounts the  
harrowing story of the deadly and  
controversial 2006 climbing season  
on Everest. In early May 2006, a  
young British climber named David  
Sharp lay dying near the top of*

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*Mount Everest while forty other climbers walked past him on their way to the summit. A week later, Lincoln Hall, a seasoned Australian climber, was left for dead near the same spot. Hall's death was reported around the world, but the next day he was found alive after spending the*

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*night on the upper mountain with no food and no shelter. If David Sharp's death was shocking, it was not singular: despite unusually good weather, ten others died attempting to reach the summit that year. In this meticulous inquiry into what went wrong, Nick Heil tells the full story*

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*of the deadliest year on Everest since the infamous season of 1996. He introduces Russell Brice, the outfitter who has done more than anyone to provide access to the summit via the mountain's north side—and who some believe was partially responsible for Sharp's*

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*death. As more climbers attempt the summit each year, Heil shows how increasingly risky expeditions and unscrupulous outfitters threaten to turn Everest into a deadly circus. Written by an experienced climber and outdoor writer, Dark Summit is both a riveting account of a notorious*

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*climbing season and a troubling investigation into whether the pursuit of the ultimate mountaineering prize has spiralled out of control.*

*A thrilling chronicle of the tragedy-ridden history of climbing the world's most difficult and unpredictable*

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*mountain, by the bestselling authors of The Mountain and No Shortcuts to the Top “Gripping . . . reveals a good deal about the rarefied noble-gonzo world of high-altitude mountaineering.”—The New York Times Ed Viesturs, one of the world's premier high-altitude mountaineers,*



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*explores the remarkable history of K2 and of those who have attempted to conquer it. At the same time, he probes the mountain's most memorable sagas in order to illustrate lessons about the fundamental questions mountaineering raises—questions of*

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*risk, ambition, loyalty to one's teammates, self-sacrifice, and the price of glory. Viesturs knows the mountain firsthand. He and renowned alpinist Scott Fischer climbed it in 1992 and got caught in an avalanche that sent them sliding to almost certain death before Ed*

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*managed to get into a self-arrest position with his ice ax and stop both his fall and Scott's. Focusing on seven of the mountain's most dramatic campaigns, from his own troubled ascent to the 2008 tragedy, Viesturs crafts an edge-of-your-seat narrative that climbers and armchair*

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*travelers alike will find unforgettably compelling. With photographs from Viesturs's personal collection and from historical sources, this is the definitive account of the world's ultimate mountain, and of the lessons that can be gleaned from struggling toward its elusive summit.*

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*Krakauer's page-turning bestseller explores a famed missing person mystery while unraveling the larger riddles it holds: the profound pull of the American wilderness on our imagination; the allure of high-risk activities to young men of a certain cast of mind; the complex, charged*

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*bond between fathers and sons.*

*"Terrifying... Eloquent... A heart-  
rending drama of human yearning."*

*—New York Times In April 1992 a  
young man from a well-to-do family  
hitchhiked to Alaska and walked  
alone into the wilderness north of  
Mt. McKinley. He had given \$25,000*

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*in savings to charity, abandoned his car and most of his possessions, burned all the cash in his wallet, and invented a new life for himself. Four months later, his decomposed body was found by a moose hunter. How Christopher Johnson McCandless came to die is the unforgettable story*

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*of Into the Wild. Immediately after graduating from college in 1991, McCandless had roamed through the West and Southwest on a vision quest like those made by his heroes Jack London and John Muir. In the Mojave Desert he abandoned his car, stripped it of its license plates, and*



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*burned all of his cash. He would give himself a new name, Alexander Supertramp, and, unencumbered by money and belongings, he would be free to wallow in the raw, unfiltered experiences that nature presented. Craving a blank spot on the map, McCandless simply threw the maps*

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*away. Leaving behind his desperate parents and sister, he vanished into the wild. Jon Krakauer constructs a clarifying prism through which he reassembles the disquieting facts of McCandless's short life. Admitting an interest that borders on obsession, he searches for the clues to the drives*

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*and desires that propelled McCandless. When McCandless's innocent mistakes turn out to be irreversible and fatal, he becomes the stuff of tabloid headlines and is dismissed for his naiveté, pretensions, and hubris. He is said to have had a death wish but wanting to*

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*die is a very different thing from being compelled to look over the edge. Krakauer brings McCandless's uncompromising pilgrimage out of the shadows, and the peril, adversity, and renunciation sought by this enigmatic young man are illuminated with a rare understanding--and not*

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*an ounce of sentimentality.*

*Mesmerizing, heartbreaking, Into the Wild is a tour de force. The power and luminosity of Jon Krakauer's stoytelling blaze through every page.*

*K2*

*1996: Everest's Worst Disaster - One Survivor's Personal Journey to*

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*Uncover the Truth*

*Everest*

*My Monticello*

*The Other Side of Everest*

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just not in such a tragic way. Sam  
thinks he's responsible for Ellie's  
death, and when he discovers she's  
alive, she doesn't greet him with  
open arms. The relentless fight for  
her dignity and career threatens to  
end their passionate reunion. They**

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first Funspot mystery and are up to  
their necks in this one, too. Daisy  
doesn't seem to have an enemy in  
the world; no one has a bad word to  
say about her. So who in Bayport  
wants this girl gone?**

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**subject from the unique and memorable perspective of one who has battled peaks like K2, Denali, Everest, and, of course, the Eiger. Always with a keen eye, an open heart, and a hunger for the ultimate experience, he gives us unerring portraits of the mountaineering**

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**experience. Yet Eiger Dreams is more about people than about rock and ice—people with that odd, sometimes maniacal obsession with mountain summits that sets them apart from other men and women. Here we meet Adrian the Romanian, determined to be the**



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**first of his countrymen to solo  
Denali; John Gill, climber not of  
great mountains but of house-sized  
boulders so difficult to surmount  
that even demanding alpine climbs  
seem easy; and many more  
compelling and colorful characters.  
In the most intimate piece, “The**

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**Fearing the Black Body**

**A Novel**

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The May 1996 climbing season on Mount Everest will go down in infamy. Its story has been recounted in David Breashears's gripping IMAX film, Jon Krakauer's bestseller Into Thin Air, and this NG film companion

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book, now updated with brilliant  
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facing hazards of their own,  
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rescue effort that brought some -  
but not all - of their companions  
down from the mountain alive.  
Added to the classic main text  
are fascinating updates: brief  
portraits of those who lived  
through the tragedy; a time line

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of subsequent climbing events on Everest, up to 2014; and never-before-published detailed panoramics of Everest and the Himalaya. The new feature film, starring Jake Gyllenhaal, Josh Brolin, Keira Knightley, and

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Moments away from finally becoming mortal, twelfth-century



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Jon Krakauer's Into Thin Air is the true story of a 24-hour period on Everest, when members of three separate expeditions were caught in a storm and faced a battle against hurricane-force winds, exposure, and the effects

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of altitude, which ended in the worst single-season death toll in the peak's history. In March 1996, Outside magazine sent veteran journalist and seasoned climber Jon Krakauer on an expedition led by celebrated

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Everest guide Rob Hall. Despite the expertise of Hall and the other leaders, by the end of summit day, eight people were dead. Krakauer's book is at once the story of the ill-fated adventure and an analysis of the

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factors leading up to its tragic end. Written within months of the events it chronicles, Into Thin Air clearly evokes the majestic Everest landscape. As the journey up the mountain progresses, Krakauer puts it in

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context by recalling the triumphs and perils of other Everest trips throughout history. The author's own anguish over what happened on the mountain is palpable as he leads readers to ponder timeless questions. One

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of the inspirations for the major motion picture Everest, starring Jake Gyllenhaal and Keira Knightley. 'Into Thin Air ranks among the great adventure books of all time.' - Wall Street Journal 'A harrowing tale of the

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perils of high-altitude climbing, a story of bad luck and worse judgment and of heartbreaking heroism.' - People

Acquaintance rape is a crime like no other. Unlike burglary or embezzlement or any other



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felony, the victim often comes under more suspicion than the alleged perpetrator. This is especially true if the victim is sexually active, if she had been drinking prior to the assault--and if the man she accuses plays on

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a popular sports team. For a woman in this situation, the pain of being forced into sex against her will is only the beginning of her ordeal. If she decides to go to the police, undertrained officers sometimes ask if she has

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a boyfriend, implying that she is covering up infidelity. She is told rape is extremely difficult to prove and repeatedly asked if she really wants to press charges. If she does want to charge her assailant, district

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attorneys frequently refuse to prosecute. If the assailant is indicted, even though a victim's name is supposed to be kept confidential, rumors start in the community and on social media, labeling her a slut, unbalanced,

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an attention-seeker. The vanishingly small but highly publicized incidents of false accusations are used to dismiss her claims in the press. If the case goes to trial, the woman's entire personal life often

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becomes fair game for the defense attorneys. This brutal reality goes a long way toward explaining why acquaintance rape is the most underreported crime in America. In addition to physical trauma, its victims often

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suffer devastating psychological damage that leads to feelings of shame, emotional paralysis, and stigmatization. In Missoula, Krakauer chronicles the experiences of several women in Missoula--the nights when they

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were raped, their fear and self-doubt in the aftermath; the way they were treated by the police, prosecutors, defense attorneys; the public vilification and private anguish; their bravery in pushing forward and what it cost them.



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The Perfect Storm

Tragic Ambitions on Everest

Buried in the Sky

Where Men Win Glory

The Odyssey of Pat Tillman

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Krakauer's Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mt. Everest Disaster By writing Into Thin Air, Krakauer may have hoped to exorcise some of his own demons and lay to rest some of the painful questions

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that still surround the event. He takes great pains to provide a balanced picture of the people and events he witnessed and gives due credit to the tireless and dedicated Sherpas. He also avoids blasting easy targets

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such as Sandy Pittman, the wealthy socialite who brought an espresso maker along on the expedition. Krakauer's highly personal inquiry into the catastrophe provides a great deal of insight into what went

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wrong. But for Krakauer himself, further interviews and investigations only lead him to the conclusion that his perceived failures were directly responsible for a fellow climber's death. Clearly, Krakauer remains

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haunted by the disaster, and although he relates a number of incidents in which he acted selflessly and even heroically, he seems unable to view those instances objectively. In the end, despite his evenhanded and

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even generous assessment of others' actions, he reserves a full measure of vitriol for himself. When Jon Krakauer reached the summit of Mt. Everest in the early afternoon of May 10, 1996, he hadn't slept in fifty-seven

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hours and was reeling from the brain-altering effects of oxygen depletion. As he turned to begin the perilous descent from 29,028 feet (roughly the cruising altitude of an Airbus jetliner), twenty other climbers were still pushing



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doggedly to the top, unaware that the sky had begun to roil with clouds... Into Thin Air is the definitive account of the deadliest season in the history of Everest by the acclaimed Outside journalist and author of

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the bestselling Into the Wild.  
Taking the reader step by step  
from Katmandu to the  
mountain's deadly pinnacle,  
Krakauer has his readers  
shaking on the edge of their seat.  
Beyond the terrors of this

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account, however, he also peers deeply into the myth of the world's tallest mountain. What is it about Everest that has compelled so many people--including himself--to throw caution to the wind, ignore

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the concerns of loved ones, and willingly subject themselves to such risk, hardship, and expense? Written with emotional clarity and supported by his unimpeachable reporting, Krakauer's eyewitness account

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of what happened on the roof of the world is a singular achievement. In 1999, Krakauer received an Academy Award in Literature from the American Academy of Arts and Letters--a prestigious prize intended "to

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honor writers of exceptional accomplishment." According to the Academy's citation, "Krakauer combines the tenacity and courage of the finest tradition of investigative journalism with the stylish

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subtlety and profound insight of the born writer. His account of an ascent of Mount Everest has led to a general reevaluation of climbing and of the commercialization of what was once a romantic, solitary sport;

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while his account of the life and death of Christopher McCandless, who died of starvation after challenging the Alaskan wilderness, delves even more deeply and disturbingly into the fascination of nature and



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the devastating effects of its lure on a young and curious mind."

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pages. You get the main summary along with all of the benefits and lessons the actual book has to offer. This summary is intended to be used with reference to the original book. A New York Times Editor's

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Choice 1924. George Mallory is arguably the last great British explorer, having twice tried—and failed—to conquer Mount Everest. The mountain has haunted him, but his attempts have captivated the hearts of a nation desperate

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to restore its former glory after World War I. Yet George has sworn to his wife, Ruth, that he will not mount a third attempt. He will remain with her and their three children instead of again challenging the unreachable

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peak. Then, one afternoon, Ruth reads a telegram addressed to George: "Glad to have you aboard again." And with this one sentence, the lives of the Mallorys, and the face of the nation, are irrevocably changed.

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Smith Book Awards A young woman descended from Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings driven from her neighborhood by a white militia. A university professor studying racism by conducting a secret social

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experiment on his own son. A single mother desperate to buy her first home even as the world hurtles toward catastrophe. Each fighting to survive in America. Tough-minded, vulnerable, and brave, Jocelyn Nicole Johnson's

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precisely imagined debut  
explores burdened inheritances  
and extraordinary pursuits of  
belonging. Set in the near future,  
the eponymous novella, "My  
Monticello," tells of a diverse  
group of Charlottesville

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neighbors fleeing violent white supremacists. Led by Da'Naisha, a young Black descendant of Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings, they seek refuge in Jefferson's historic plantation home in a desperate attempt to

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outlive the long-foretold racial and environmental unravelling within the nation. In "Control Negro," hailed by Roxane Gay as "one hell of story," a university professor devotes himself to the study of racism and the

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development of ACMs (average American Caucasian males) by clinically observing his own son from birth in order to “painstakingly mark the route of this Black child too, one whom I could prove was so strikingly

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decent and true that America could not find fault in him unless we as a nation had projected it there." Johnson's characters all seek out home as a place and an internal state, whether in the form of a Nigerian widower who

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immigrates to a meager  
existence in the city of  
Alexandria, finding himself adrift;  
a young mixed-race woman who  
adopts a new tongue and name  
to escape the landscapes of rural  
Virginia and her family; or a



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single mother who seeks salvation through "Buying a House Ahead of the Apocalypse." United by these characters' relentless struggles against reality and fate, My Monticello is a formidable book

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that bears witness to this country's legacies and announces the arrival of a wildly original new voice in American fiction.

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Gibson, bestselling author of Neuromancer Cayce Pollard has been flown to London. She's a 'coolhunter' - her services for hire to global corporations desperate for certainty in a capricious and uncertain world.

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heroine searching for meaning  
and consolation in a post-  
everything world' Daily



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Gibson, bestselling author of  
Neuromancer 'Fast, witty and  
cleverly politicized' Guardian  
Ventures Among Men and  
Mountains

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and memoir is among the best  
ways to teach students to  
appreciate nonfiction  
reading.

May 1996 began like most  
other climbing seasons on  
Mount Everest. The arrival

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of spring brought the usual pre-monsoon period, with teams of hopeful mountaineers ready to reach for the roof of the world. Among the dozens of climbers were Jon Krakauer and Anatoli Boukreev (who would

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both later write their own accounts of what followed) and Matt Dickinson. But on May 10, with ten different expeditions strung out along the mountain, the usual turned deadly. Suddenly, the temperature dropped from

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merely frigid to 40 degrees below zero. A killer storm with howling winds swept in and climbers were soon blinded in white-out conditions. Before it was over, the blizzard would claim a dozen lives, the

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worst loss of life in the modern history of climbing on Everest. Dickinson, an adventure filmmaker, was part of an expedition challenging the treacherous North Face of Everest, on the Tibetan side. Of the

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nearly 700 people who have scaled Everest since the first ascent in 1953, barely 230 have managed to ascend via the colder and technically more difficult route up the North Face. In addition to climbing through



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the storm, which would test him beyond his imagining, Dickinson also filmed the ascent. He and his team watched in awe as violent clouds gathered over the mountain and swept them all up in a frightening white

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force. Dickinson was a relative novice who had never climbed at this crushing altitude, and the storm preyed on his mind, throwing into question his entire mission. Despite this uncertainty and the

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treacherous conditions,  
Dickinson and his partner  
Alan Hinkes continued their  
climb, compelled to reach  
the summit. Dickinson's  
first-person narrative--the  
only account of the killer  
storm written by a climber

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who was on the North  
Face--places the reader amid  
the swirl of the  
catastrophe, while providing  
rare insight into the very  
essence of mountaineering.  
The Other Side of Everest is  
a portrait of personal

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triumph set against the most  
disastrous storm to ever  
befall the world  
mountaineering community.  
Anyone who has ever pushed  
beyond familiar limits of  
physical and psychological  
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Norgay interweaves the story of his own ascent during the infamous May 1996 Mount Everest disaster with little-known stories from his father's historic climb and the spiritual life of the Sherpas, revealing a



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fascinating and profound  
world that few -- even many  
who have made it to the top  
-- have ever seen.

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Embodiment Best Publication  
Award, given by the American  
Sociological Association

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Honorable Mention, 2020

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Distinguished Book Award,

given by the American

Sociological Association How

the female body has been

racialized for over two

hundred years There is an

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obesity epidemic in this country and poor black women are particularly stigmatized as “diseased” and a burden on the public health care system. This is only the most recent incarnation of the fear of fat black women,

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which Sabrina Strings shows took root more than two hundred years ago. Strings weaves together an eye-opening historical narrative ranging from the Renaissance to the current moment, analyzing important works of

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art, newspaper and magazine articles, and scientific literature and medical journals—where fat bodies were once praised—showing that fat phobia, as it relates to black women, did not originate with medical

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findings, but with the Enlightenment era belief that fatness was evidence of “savagery” and racial inferiority. The author argues that the contemporary ideal of slenderness is, at its very core, racialized

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and racist. Indeed, it was not until the early twentieth century, when racialized attitudes against fatness were already entrenched in the culture, that the medical establishment began its

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crusade against obesity. An important and original work, *Fearing the Black Body* argues convincingly that fat phobia isn't about health at all, but rather a means of using the body to validate race, class, and gender



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The Racial Origins of Fat  
Phobia

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Mount Everest Disaster

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Mt. Everest Disaster Summary  
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In the spring of 1996, Lou  
Kasischke joined renowned climber  
Rob Hall's Mount Everest  
expedition. When he said goodbye

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to his wife, Sandy, he knew he faced major physical and mental challenges against rock, snow, ice, avalanches, and extreme high altitude to climb the highest mountain in the world. What Lou didn't know was that he also stood

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at the threshold of a living hell. Six weeks later near the top, things went wrong. Lou and his fellow climbers faced a challenge even greater than the mountain -- the internal struggle about what to do when you are close but out of time.

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There were no second chances. Decisions were made. Some lived. Some died. It was the worst tragedy in Mount Everest history. Lou wrote his account of the events 16 years ago in the aftermath of the tragedy, but only now is he ready to let it go.

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He tells two stories. One is about the historic events. His perspective and analysis about what happened and what went wrong have never been told, and his account differs markedly from what others have written. The truth in the story

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depends on who is telling it. Lou Kasischke believes that some of the truth may never be told. Lou also tells a very personal story about how he came back home. An inspiring story about where to go for inner strength when facing a tough

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Sandy's part in his survival. A story  
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summit, when a horrific accident mid-descent forced one friend to leave another for dead. Ambition, morality, fear and camaraderie are explored in this electronic edition of the mountaineering classic, with never before seen colour

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photographs taken during the trip  
itself.

"The gripping articles collected in  
Classic Krakauer--originally  
published in magazines such as  
The New Yorker, Outside, and  
Smithsonian--show why he is

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considered a standard-bearer of modern journalism. Spanning an extraordinary range of subjects and locations, these pieces take us from a horrifying avalanche on Mount Everest to a volcano poised to obliterate a big chunk of Seattle;

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from a wilderness teen-therapy program run by apparent sadists to an otherworldly cave in New Mexico, studied by NASA to better understand Mars; from the notebook of one Fred Beckey, who catalogued the greatest unclimbed

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mountaineering routes on the planet, to the last days of legendary surfer Mark Foo. Rigorously researched and vividly written, marked by an unerring instinct for storytelling and scoop, these pieces are unified by the author's

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ambivalent love affair with unruly  
landscapes and his relentless  
search for truth"--

Presents a vivid account of a  
history-making storm that hit the  
New England coast in October  
1991 and the lives it changed,

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Everest, the major motion picture  
from Universal Pictures, is set for  
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(portrayed by Ingvar Sigurðsson in the film) and G. Weston DeWalt's compelling account of those fateful events on Everest. In May 1996 three expeditions attempted to climb Mount Everest on the Southeast Ridge route pioneered by Sir

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Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay in 1953. Crowded conditions slowed their progress. Late in the day twenty-three men and women-including expedition leaders Scott Fischer and Rob Hall-were caught in a ferocious blizzard.

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Disoriented and out of oxygen, climbers struggled to find their way down the mountain as darkness approached. Alone and climbing blind, Anatoli Boukreev brought climbers back from the edge of certain death. This new edition

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includes a transcript of the Mountain Madness expedition debriefing recorded five days after the tragedy, as well as G. Weston DeWalt's response to Into Thin Air author Jon Krakauer.

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the author of Into the Wild and Into Thin Air, this extraordinary work of investigative journalism takes readers inside America's isolated Mormon Fundamentalist communities. Defying both civil authorities and the Mormon

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establishment in Salt Lake City, the renegade leaders of these Taliban-like theocracies are zealots who answer only to God; some 40,000 people still practice polygamy in these communities. At the core of Krakauer's book are brothers Ron

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and Dan Lafferty, who insist they received a commandment from God to kill a blameless woman and her baby girl. Beginning with a meticulously researched account of this appalling double murder, Krakauer constructs a multi-layered,



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bone-chilling narrative of messianic delusion, polygamy, savage violence, and unyielding faith.

Along the way he uncovers a shadowy offshoot of America's fastest growing religion, and raises provocative questions about the

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nature of religious belief.

In this heart-wrenching story of an open adoption gone wrong, Caroline Leavitt's *Girls in Trouble* reveals the astonishing power of family bonds and maternal love. Sara is sixteen and pregnant. Her once-devoted

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boyfriend seems to have disappeared, so she decides her best and only option is an open adoption with George and Eva, a couple desperate for a child. After the birth it's clear Sara has a bond with the child that Eva can't seem to

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duplicate. When it seems that Sara cannot let go, Eva and George make a drastic decision, with devastating consequences for all of them.

Jon Krakauer's acclaimed account of a disastrous expedition on Mt Everest This is the true story of a

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24-hour period on Everest, when members of three separate expeditions were caught in a storm and faced a battle against hurricane-force winds, exposure, and the effects of altitude, which ended the worst single-season death toll in the

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peak's history. In March 1996,  
Outside magazine sent veteran  
journalist and seasoned climber Jon  
Krakauer on an expedition led by  
celebrated Everest guide Rob Hall.  
Despite the expertise of Hall and the  
other leaders, by the end of summit

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day eight people were dead.

Krakauer's book is at once the story of the ill-fated adventure and an analysis of the factors leading up to its tragic end. Written within months of the events it chronicles, Into Thin Air clearly evokes the majestic

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Everest landscape. As the journey up the mountain progresses, Krakauer puts it in context by recalling the triumphs and perils of other Everest trips throughout history. The author's own anguish over what happened on the



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mountain is palpable as he leads  
readers to ponder timeless questions.

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## Dangerous Mountain

### A Day to Die For

On the night of 10-11 May 1996,  
eight climbers perished in what  
remains the worst disaster in Everest's  
history. Following the tragedy,  
numerous accounts were published,

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with Jon Krakauer's Into Thin Air becoming an international bestseller. But has the whole story been told? A Day to Die For reveals the full, startling facts that led to the tragedy. Graham Ratcliffe, the first British climber to reach the summit of Mount Everest twice, was a first-hand

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witness, having spent the night on Everest's South Col at 26,000 ft, sheltering from the deadly storm. For years, he has shouldered a burden of guilt, feeling that he and his teammates could have saved lives that fateful night. His quest for answers has led to discoveries so important to

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an understanding of the disaster that he now questions why these facts were not made public sooner. History is dotted with high-profile disasters that both horrify and capture the attention of the public, but very rarely is our view of them revised to such devastating effect.

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It's late summer 1793, and the streets of Philadelphia are abuzz with mosquitoes and rumors of fever. Down near the docks, many have taken ill, and the fatalities are mounting. Now they include Polly, the serving girl at the Cook Coffeehouse. But fourteen-year-old Mattie Cook

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doesn't get a moment to mourn the passing of her childhood playmate. New customers have overrun her family's coffee shop, located far from the mosquito-infested river, and Mattie's concerns of fever are all but overshadowed by dreams of growing her family's small business into a

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thriving enterprise. But when the fever begins to strike closer to home, Mattie's struggle to build a new life must give way to a new fight-the fight to stay alive.

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