

The Electric Kool Aid Acid Test

Si dice che chi ricorda gli anni Sessanta non li ha veramente vissuti. Tom Wolfe non solo li ha vissuti, ma li ha anche saputi raccontare con acume e immediatezza: in questo memorabile e ormai classico reportage pubblicato nel 1968, uno dei più riusciti esempi di “new journalism”, lo scrittore ripercorre il “Magical Mystery Tour” di Ken Kesey attraverso gli Stati Uniti, dalla California a New York a bordo del “Furthur”, un bizzarro autobus dipinto in colori sgargianti guidato nemmeno che da Neal Cassady, reduce dall’epopea Beat. Tra una manifestazione contro la guerra in Vietnam e un arresto per possesso di marijuana, Kesey, autore di Qualcuno volò sul nido del cuculo, e i suoi Merry Pranksters, un eterogeneo gruppo di artisti, sperimentavano le potenzialità creative delle droghe organizzando festini a base di Lsd noi come Acid Test. Ma soprattutto fomentavano la rivoluzione, trascinando l’America su una via pericolosamente allegra. Taccuino in mano, Tom Wolfe gentilmente declinava l’offerta di Lsd e annotava, raccontando al mondo la nascita della controcultura hippy, dell’arte psichedelica, e di tutto ciò che ha fatto degli anni Sessanta un momento di eccezionale ispirazione.

Immortalizzato as Dean Moriarty by Jack Kerouac in his epic novel, On the Road, Neal Cassady was infamous for his unstoppable energy and his overwhelming charm, his savvy hustle and his devil-may-care attitude. A treasured friend and traveling companion of Kerouac, Allen Ginsberg, William Burroughs and Ken Kesey, to name just some of his cohorts on the beatnik path, Cassidy lived life to the fullest, ready for inspiration at any turn. Before he died in Mexico in 1968, just four days shy of his forty-second birthday, Cassidy had written the jacket blurb for this book: “Seldom has there been a story of a man so balled up. No doubt many readers will not believe the veracity of the author, but I assure these doubting Thomases that every incident, as such, is true.” As Ferlinghetti writes in his editor’s note, Cassidy was “an early prototype of the urban cowboy who a hundred years ago might have been an outlaw on the range.” Here are his autobiographical writings, the rambling American saga of a truly free individual. Neal Cassady (1926-1968) was a key figure and writer during the Beat Generation and is known as the inspiration for Jack Kerouac’s immortalizing character Dean Moriarty. In 1946, Cassidy traveled to New York City where he met famous Beat poets and writers such as Jack Kerouac, William S. Burroughs and Allen Ginsberg. Cassidy’s works were never published during his lifetime.

From Bill Minutaglio and Steven L. Davis, authors of the PEN Center USA award-winning Dallas 1963, comes a madcap narrative about Timothy Leary’s daring prison escape and run from the law. On the moonlit evening of September 12, 1970, an ex-Harvard professor with a genius IQ, studies a twelve-foot high fence topped with barbed wire. A few months earlier, Dr. Timothy Leary, the High Priest of LSD, had been running a gleeful campaign for California governor against Ronald Reagan. Now, Leary is six months into a ten-year prison sentence for the crime of possessing two marijuana cigarettes. Aided by the radical Weather Underground, Leary’s escape from prison is the counterculture’s union of “dope and dynamite,” aimed at sparking a revolution and overthrowing the government. Inside the Oval Office, President Richard Nixon drinks his way through sleepless nights as he expands the war in Vietnam and plots to unleash the United States government against his ever-expanding list of domestic enemies. Antirwar demonstrators are massing by the tens of thousands; homemade bombs are exploding everywhere; Black Panther leaders are threatening to burn down the White House; and all the while Nixon obsesses over tracking down Timothy Leary, whom he has branded “the most dangerous man in America.” Based on freshly uncovered primary sources and new firsthand interviews, THE MOST DANGEROUS MAN IN AMERICA is an American thriller that takes readers along for the gonzo ride of a lifetime. Spanning twenty-eight months, President Nixon’s careening, global manhunt for Dr. Timothy Leary winds its way among homegrown radicals, European aristocrats, a Black Panther outpost in Algeria, an international arms dealer, hash-smuggling hippies from the Brotherhood of Eternal Love, and secret agents on four continents, culminating in one of the trippiest journeys through the American counterculture.

The Painted Word

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Conversations with Tom Wolfe

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The Complete Guide to the Legendary Trip of Ken Kesey and the Merry Pranksters and the Birth of the Counterculture

Strategies for Architectural Practice

The magnificent second novel from the legendary author of One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest Following the astonishing success of his first novel, One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest, Ken Kesey wrote what Charles Bowden calls “one of the few essential books written by an American in the last half century.” This wild-spirited tale tells of a bitter strike that rages through a small lumber town along the Oregon coast. Bucking that strike out of sheer cussedness are the Stammers. Out of the Stamper family’s rivalries and betrayals Ken Kesey has crafted a novel with the mythic impact of Greek tragedy. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

At Dupont University, an innocent college freshman named Charlotte Simmons learns that her intellect alone will not help her survive.

Following the leader of the notorious “Merry Pranksters” from his birth in Colorado to his literary success and the cross-country journey that inspired the “Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test,” this candid biography chronicles the life and times of 1960s cultural icon Ken Kesey. Presenting an incisive analysis of the author who described himself as “too young to be a beatnik, and too old to be a hippie,” this account conducts a mesmerizing journey from author Mark Christensen’s point of view, who grew up in Southern California and migrated to Oregon to be part of the Kesey “flock.” From interviews with family members and those within his inner circle, this exploration reveals the bestselling author of One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest in his many forms, placing him within the framework of his time, his generation, and the zeitgeist of the psychedellic era.

A Novel

Timothy Leary, Richard Nixon and the Hunt for the Fugitive King of LSD

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Demon Box

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The Somewhat Private Life of Allen Ginsberg

A Penguin Classics Deluxe Edition of a counterculture classic, and the inspiration for the new Netflix original series Ratched, with a foreword by Chuck Palahniuk Boisterous, ribald, and ultimately shattering, Ken Kesey’s 1962 novel has left an indelible mark on the literature of our time. Now in a new deluxe edition with a foreword by Chuck Palahniuk and cover by Joe Sacco, here is the unforgettable story of a mental ward and its inhabitants, especially the tyrannical Big Nurse Ratched and Randle Patrick McMurphy, the brawling, fun-loving new inmate who resolves to oppose her. We see the struggle through the eyes of Chief Bromden, the seemingly mute half-Indian patient who witnesses and understands McMurphy’s heroic attempt to do battle with the powers that keep them all imprisoned. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

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Amerika in den frühen Sechzigerjahren: LSD-Experimente, San Francisco, Blumenkinder. Und eine Busreise, wie es sie nie zuvor gegeben hat und nie mehr geben wird. 1968 beschrieb Tom Wolfe die Reise von Ken Kesey und seinen „Merry Pranksters“ in seinem legendären Klassiker. Ein Buch, welches längst als Neues Testament der Hipster-

Mythologie gilt.

50th Anniversary Edition

Summary of Tom Wolfe’s The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test

The Doors of Perception and Heaven and Hell

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Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test

Acid Dreams

"An excellent book by a genius," said Kurt Vonnegut, Jr., of this now classic exploration of the 1960s from the founder of new journalism. "This is a book that will be a sharp pleasure to reread years from now, when it will bring back, like a falcon in the sky of memory, a whole world that is currently jetting and jazzing its way somewhere or other."--Newsweek In his first book, The Kandy-Kolored Tangerine-Flake Streamline Baby (1965) Wolfe introduces us to the sixties, to extravagant new styles of life that had nothing to do with the "elite" culture of the past.

Please note: This is a companion version & not the original book. Sample Book Insights: #1 The city of San Francisco is bouncing down the hill, and thousands of people are looking at the crazed truck that is carrying Kesey and his friends. They are terrified of the law, and they are sitting up in plain view of thousands of already startled citizens. #2 I knew little about Kesey at the time, other than that he was a highly regarded 31-year-old novelist and in a lot of trouble over drugs. He wrote One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest in 1962, which was made into a play in 1963. He was always included with Philip Roth and Joseph Heller and Bruce Jay Friedman as one of the young novelists who might go all the way. #3 I began asking around about where I could find Young Novelist Real-Life Fugitive. Everyone I talked to knew for certain that he was in Puerto Vallarta. I flew to San Francisco and went to the San Mateo County jail, where I met with a waiting room full of cheerful anticipation. #4 I was allowed to visit Kesey in jail. He was standing up with his arms folded over his chest and his eyes focused on the wall. He had a big neck and massive jaws. He looked like Paul Newman except that he was more muscular and had thicker skin.

Tom Wolfe’s second collection (1968) takes it title from a redoubtable surfing elite, many of whom abandoned the beach for the psychedelic indoor sports of the late sixties. Wolfe here continues his fieldwork among noble savages, from La Jolla to London.

The Kandy-kolored Tangerine-flake Streamline Baby ; Radical Chic & Mau-mauing the Flak Catchers

Ken Kesey, LSD and the Politics of Ecstasy

The Complete Social History of LSD : the CIA, the Sixties, and Beyond

Back to Blood

Mauve Gloves and Madmen, Clutter and Vine

Weidenfeld and Nicolson

Traces the story of San Francisco in the latter half of the twentieth century, covering topics ranging from the civil rights movement and pop culture to the 49ers and famous crime cases.

In the first biography of Ginsberg since his death in 1997 and the only one to cover the entire span of his life, Ginsberg’s archivist Bill Morgan draws on his deep knowledge of Ginsberg’s largely unpublished private journals to give readers an unparalleled and finely detailed portrait of one of America’s most famous poets. Morgan sheds new light on some of the pivotal aspects of Ginsberg’s life, including the poet’s associations with other members of the Beat Generation, his complex relationship with his lifelong partner, Peter Orlovsky, his involvement with Tibetan Buddhism, and above all his genius for living.

"America’s nerviest journalist" (Newsweek) trains his satirical eye on Modern Art in this "masterpiece" (The Washington Post) Wolfe’s style has never been more dazzling, his wit never more keen. He addresses the scope of Modern Art, from its founding days as Abstract Expressionism through its transformations to Pop, Op, Minimal, and Conceptual. The Painted Word is Tom Wolfe "at his most clever, amusing, and irreverent" (San Francisco Chronicle).

I Celebrate Myself

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A Reader

The Pump House Gang

Sometimes a Great Notion

The Purple Decades

A.J. Liebling’s classic New Yorker pieces on the “sweet science of bruising” bring vividly to life the boxing world as it once was. It depicts the great events of boxing’s American heyday: Sugar Ray Robinson’s dramatic comeback, Rocky Marciano’s rise to prominence, Joe Louis’s unfortunate decline. Liebling never fails to find the human story behind the fight, and he evokes the atmosphere in the arena as distinctly as he does the goings-on in the ring—a combination that prompted Sports Illustrated to name The Sweet Science the best American sports book of all time.

“Ready or not, it’s high time to make BIM a part of your practice, or at least your vocabulary, and this book has as much to offer beginners as it does seasoned users of building information modeling software.” —Chicago Architect The first book devoted to the subject of how BIM affects individuals and organizations working within the ever-changing construction industry, BIM and Integrated Design discusses the implementation of building information modeling software as a cultural process with a focus on the technology’s impact and transformative effect—both potentially disruptive and liberating—on the social, psychological, and practical aspects of the workplace. BIM and Integrated Design answers the questions that BIM poses to the firm that adopts it. Through thorough research and a series of case study interviews with industry leaders—and leaders in the making out from behind the monitor—BIM and Integrated Design helps you learn. Effective learning strategies for fully understanding BIM software and its use Key points about integrated design to help you promote the process to owners and your team How BIM changes not only the technology, process, and delivery but also the leadership playing field How to become a more effective leader no matter where you find yourself in the organization or on the project team How the introduction of BIM into the workforce has significant education, recruitment, and training implications Covering all of the human

issues brought about or exacerbated by the advent of BIM into the architecture workplace, profession, and industry, BIM and Integrated Design shows how to overcome real and perceived barriers to its use. Ken Kesey (1935-2001) is the author of several works of well-known fiction and other hard-to-classify material. His debut novel, One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest, was a critical and commercial sensation that was followed soon after by his most substantial and ambitious book, Sometimes a Great Notion. His other books, including Demon Box, Sailor Song, and two children’s books, appeared amidst a life of astounding influence. He is maybe best known for his role as the charismatic and proto-hippie leader of the West Coast LSD movement that sparked “The Sixties,” as iconically recounted in Tom Wolfe’s The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test. In the introduction to “An Impolite Interview with Ken Kesey,” Paul Krassner writes, “For a man who says he doesn’t like to do interviews, Kesey certainly does a lot of them.” What’s most surprising about this statement is not the incongruity between disliking and doing interviews but the idea that Kesey could possibly have been less than enthusiastic about being the center of attention. After his two great triumphs, writing played a lesser role in Kesey’s life, but in thoughtful interviews he sometimes regrets the books that were sacrificed for the sake of his other pursuits. Interviews trace his arc through success, fame, prison, farming, and tragedy—the death of his son in a car accident profoundly altered his life. These conversations make clear Kesey’s central place in American culture and offer his enduring lesson that the freedom exists to create lives as wildly as can be imagined.

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I Am Charlotte Simmons

The Life and Times of Augustus Owsley Stanley III

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On the Bus

Radical Chic and Mau-Mauing the Flak Catchers

Gathers interviews with Tom Wolfe from each period of his career and offers a brief profile of his life and accomplishments

"When are the 1970s going to begin?" ran the joke during the Presidential campaign of 1976. With his own patented combination of serious journalism and dazzling comedy, Tom Wolfe met the question head-on in these rollicking essays in Mauve Gloves and Madmen, Clutter and Vine -- and even provided the 1970s with its name: "The Me Decade."

Provides a social history of how the CIA used the psychedelic drug LSD as a tool of espionage during the early 1950s and tested it on U.S. citizens before it spread into popular culture, in particular the counterculture as represented by Timothy Leary, Allen Ginsberg, Ken Kesey, and others who helped spawn political and social upheaval.

The Electric Kool-aid Acid Test

The Most Dangerous Man in America

The Electric Kool-aid Acid Fish Test

Ce Tom Wolfe LSD

The Sweet Science

The Kandy-Kolored Tangerine-Flake Streamline Baby

A big, panoramic story of the new America, as told by our master chronicler of the way we live now. As a police launch speeds across Miami’s Biscayne Bay-with officer Nestor Camacho on board-Tom Wolfe is off and running. Into the feverous landscape of the city, he introduces the Cuban mayor, the black police chief, a wanna-go-muckracking young journalist and his Yale-marinated editor; an Anglo sex-addiction psychiatrist and his Latina nurse by day, loin lock by night-until lately, the love of Nestor’s life; a refined, and oh-so-light-skinned young woman from Haiti and her Creole-spouting, black-gang-banger-stylin’ little brother; a billionaire porn addict, crack dealers in the ‘hoods, “de-skilled” conceptual artists at the Miami Art Basel Fair, “spectators” at the annual Biscayne Bay regatta looking only for that night’s orgy, yenta-heavy ex-New Yorkers at an “Active Adult” condo, and a nest of shady Russians. Based on the same sort of detailed, on-scene, high-energy reporting that powered Tom Wolfe’s previous bestselling novels, BACK TO BLOOD is another brilliant, spot-on, scrupulous, and often hilarious reckoning with our times.

Verslag van een psychedelische tocht van de schrijver Ken Kesey met een underground-groep in de Verenigde Staten.

Radical Chic and Mau-Mauing the Flak Catchers is classic Tom Wolfe, a funny, irreverent, and “delicious” (The Wall Street Journal) dissection of class and status by the master of New Journalism The phrase ‘radical chic’ was coined by Tom Wolfe in 1970 when Leonard Bernstein gave a party for the Black Panthers at his duplex apartment on Park Avenue. That incongruous scene is re-created here in high fidelity as is another meeting ground between militant minorities and the liberal white establishment. Radical Chic provocatively explores the relationship between Black rage and white guilt. Mau-Mauing the Flak Catchers, set in San Francisco at the Office of Economic Opportunity, details the corruption and dysfunction of the anti-poverty programs run at that time. Wolfe uncovers how much of the program’s money failed to reach its intended recipients.

Instead, hustlers gamed the system, causing the OEO efforts to fail the impoverished communities.

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BIM and Integrated Design

Season of the Witch

Conversations with Ken Kesey

Food and Feast in Modern Outlaw Tales

Describes the escapades of Ken Kesey and the Merry Pranksters, a drug-saturated group of hippies who get in and out of trouble with the law.

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This collection of scholarly essays presents new work from in an emerging line of inquiry: modern outlaw narratives and the textual and cultural relevance of food and feasting. Food, its preparation and its consumption, is presented in outlaw narratives as central points of human interaction, community, conflict, and fellowship. Feast scenes perform a wide variety of functions, serving as cultural repositories of manners and behaviors, catalysts for adventure, or moments of regrouping and redirecting narratives. The book argues that modern outlaw narratives illuminate a potent cross-cultural need for freedom, solidarity, and justice, and it examines ways in which food and feasting are often used to legitimate difference, create discord, and manipulate power dynamics.

CLASSICS The Electric Kool-aid Acid Test

One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest

Enchantment, Terror, and Deliverance in the City of Love

“The creator of the dancing bear logo and designer of the Wall of Sound for the Grateful Dead, Augustus Owsley Stanley III, better known by his nickname, Bear, was one of the most iconic figures in the cultural revolution that changed both America and the world during the 1960s ... Convinced that the Grateful Dead were destined to become the world’s greatest rock ‘n’ roll band, Owsley provided the money that kept them going during their early days. As their longtime soundman, he then faithfully recorded many of the Dead’s greatest live performances”--Amazon.com.

“A genuine spiritual quest. . . . Extraordinary.” — New York Times Among the most profound and influential explorations of mind-expanding psychedelic drugs ever written, here are two complete classic books—The Doors of Perception and Heaven and Hell—in which Aldous Huxley, author of Brave New World, reveals the mind’s remote frontiers and the unmapped areas of human consciousness. This edition also features an additional essay, “Drugs That Shape Men’s Minds,” now included for the first time.

The Purple Decades brings together the author’s own selections from his list of critically acclaimed publications, including the complete text of Mau-Mauing and the Flak Catchers, his account of the wild games the poverty program encouraged minority groups to play.