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In *Break the Grip of Past Lovers*, author Jumana Sophia teaches women how to move beyond the lingering betrayals of past relationships to reclaim their personal power, reestablish healthy boundaries, and move forward into deeper and more intimate relationships with a renewed sense of sensual receptivity and emotional balance. With a teaching style that is warm, down to earth, and full of wisdom that speaks to the often-misunderstood vulnerability and power of female sexuality, Jumana guides women beyond the limitations of talk therapy and into a personal homecoming that will become a foundation for truly healthy intimacy in the future. *Break the Grip of Past Lovers* addresses regret, remorse, low self-esteem, and the inability to connect fully or trust someone new. Jumana guides the reader through experiences of betrayal, neglect, loss of personal power, manipulation, and even experiences that were so beautiful that they have left grief and irreconcilable longing in their place. The journey she presents is a journey of initiation into power, catalyzed by the kind of heartbreak and loss of self that only past sexual relationships can provide. "This is a powerful story of a son's loving connection to a great mother." - Iyanla Vanzant, New York Times Best-Selling author of "Peace From Broken Pieces" & host of OWN's "Iyanla Fix My Life" "I recommend everyone read this." - Sonia Choquette, New York Times best-selling Author of *The Answer Is Simple*. "Mike Brown shares how the power of love can transform lives." - Randy Davila, CEO of Hampton Roads Publishing and author of "The Gnostic Mystery" "This beautiful book will touch your heart." - H. Ronald Hulnick, Ph.D., President, University of Santa Monica, and co-author of "Loyalty to Your Soul: The Heart of Spiritual Psychology" "You can apply Mike's insights to yourself for your own evolution." - Peter Rengel, M.A., "Heart Meditation" Teacher & Author of *Seeds of Light* "Mike Brown is a passionate man with a huge heart! I whole heartedly endorse him and his work!" - Rich Dutra-St John, MA MFT, Co-Founder Challenge Day & Author of *Be the Hero You've been Waiting for* "It gave a great feel to the personal side of Mike Brown; people are starved for it."- Gina Villa-Grimbsy, author of *The Optimystic Ride* "What a much-needed reminder that we are all gifts to the world."- Kenetia Lee, speaker, author and coach, *Fearless Beauty: A Woman's Guide to Living Bold, Beautiful & Free* "Going through life without this perspective is like denying a miracle."- Jay Conrad Levinson, *The Father of Guerrilla Marketing*, author, *Guerrilla Marketing* series of books **BOOK DESCRIPTION:** In "You Are a Gift to the World: Blessings from My Mom," Michael Brown reveals the spiritual connection and love between him and his mother, Beverly, and then shows how this connection helped him deal with her loss and continue to stay connected to her after her death. Through personal transformational stories, insights and questions, "You Are a Gift to the World" will create a sacred space and structure that will guide you to uncover your own answers to life's most challenging questions. Through a mother's blessings, and with shared stories, tools and insights, you will have an "experiential knowing" that you are a gift to the world in a way that will inspire and propel you towards living your life purpose with grace and ease. **SEE MORE -->** Get a Free Chapter of the book, a Free tele-workshop & Video book readings at [www.YouAreAGift.com](#) This is the first global history of dress regulation and its place in broader debates around how human life and societies should be visualised and materialised. Sumptuary laws were a tool on the part of states to regulate not only manufacturing systems and moral economies via the medium of expenditure and consumption of clothing but also banquets, festivities and funerals. Leading scholars on Asian, Latin American, Ottoman and European history shed new light on how and why items of dress became key aspirational goods across society, how they were lobbied for and marketed, and whether or not sumptuary laws were implemented by cities, states and empires to restrict or channel trade and consumption. Their findings reveal the significance of sumptuary laws in medieval and early modern societies as a site of contestation between individuals and states and how dress as an expression of identity developed as a modern 'human right'. "A complex look at the long-standing consequences of privilege and toxic masculinity.... Compulsively readable!" —Kate Moretti, New York Times bestselling author of *The Vanishing Year* "This story particularly resonates now, in the throes of the #MeToo movement."—Booklist Megan Mazeros and Lauren Mabrey are complete opposites on paper. Megan is a girl from a modest Midwest background, and Lauren is the daughter of a senator from an esteemed New England family. When they become roommates at a private women's college, they forge a strong, albeit unlikely, friendship, sharing clothes, advice and their most intimate secrets. The summer before senior year, Megan joins Lauren and her family on their private island off the coast of Maine. It should be a summer of relaxation, a last hurrah before graduation and the pressures of postcollege life. Then late one night, something unspeakable happens, searing through the framework of their friendship and tearing them apart. Many years later, Megan publicly comes forward about what happened that fateful night, revealing a horrible truth and threatening to expose long-buried secrets. In this captivating and timely novel, Paula Treick DeBoard explores the blurred lines of consent and misconduct, showing how the abuse of power can lead to devastating consequences. Two lonely teenage girls in 1940s Washington, DC, discover they have a penchant for solving crimes—and an even greater desire to commit them—in the new mystery novel by Macavity Award-winning novelist John Copenhaver. Philippa Watson, a good-natured yet troubled seventeen-year-old, has just moved to Washington, DC. She's lonely until she meets Judy Peabody, a brilliant and tempestuous classmate. The girls become unlikely friends and fashion themselves as intellectuals, drawing the notice of Christine Martins, their dazzling English teacher, who enthralms them with her passion for literature and her love of noirish detective fiction. When Philippa returns a novel Miss Martins has lent her, she interrupts a man grappling with her in the shadows. Frightened, Philippa flees, unsure who the man is or what she's seen. Days later, her teacher returns to school altered: a dark shell of herself. On the heels of her teacher's transformation, a classmate is found dead in the Anacostia River—murdered—the body stripped and defiled with a mysterious inscription. As the girls follow the clues and wrestle with newfound feelings toward each other, they suspect that the killer is closer to their circle than they imagined—and that the greatest threat they face may not be lurking in the halls at school, or in the city streets, but creeping out from a murderous impulse of their own. The eighteenth Best New England Crime Stories anthology. Corruption. Secrets. Betrayal. Knowing the number of people I can trust is limited. Not uncommon for an heir to the key of Enclave. I should understand it. Be used to it. Expect it. But somehow I'm still blindsided when I find I've dedicated my life to a lie. To what extent is the proof of our sins buried? I'm not sure. Only as more time passes, I'm worried I'll never learn fact from fiction. It's why I'm taking my place within our brotherhood. Not out of obligation, but as a cover to get what I desperately need. The truth. The only thing standing in my way? A six-foot asshole in Armani with sapphire eyes and a heart of ice and stone. He despises me on principle alone. He's a distraction I crave but can't afford. Yet I doubt the hatred he carries is actually for me. Which makes me want to melt his cold, callous demeanor more. And when I catch a glimpse beneath the surface, I find I'm not the only one searching for answers to unspoken questions. Or keeping secrets. ***These Vile Secrets* is an enemies-to-lovers MM romance and is the first book of five in the Enclave series. This is a true series and must be read in order. This is Roman's story. This is diving into dark romance and there will be triggering content. Owen Lipke is looking for adventure. When he hears about a ranch in the Muskokas catering to kinky men who don't want to settle for backroom amateurs, he signs up in a second. At the Braided Crop Ranch, Owen finds what he's looking for: A sex-positive space with safety protocols and Doms (trainers) who know their business. And a stable full of well-behaved ponyboys to prove it. Owen thinks his trainer, Kamal, is hot as hell but finds being a ponyboy isn't as intuitive as he expected. As he struggles to learn the basics of equine pet play under the firm hand of his trainer, he finds himself falling for the experienced older man. And perhaps Kamal is developing a thing for the young, adventurous newcomer. But there are rules about fraternizing with staff at the ranch. And Owen wonders if it's wise to fall in love with the pragmatic trainer who unravels him layer by layer to expose his deepest needs and most secret proclivities. But perhaps wisdom is overrated. And maybe the rewards of adventure are only achieved when you abandon caution and take a huge leap of faith. Turn your knack for language into a lucrative career Must-know techniques and resources for maximizing your accuracy and speed Interested in becoming a copyeditor or proofreader? Want to know more about what each job entails? This friendly guide helps you position yourself for success. Polish your skills, build a winning résumé and land the job you've always wanted. Books, magazines, Web sites, corporate documents - find out how to improve any type of publication and make yourself indispensable to writers, editors, and your boss. Balance between style and rules Master the art of the query Use proofreader symbols Edit and proof electronic documents Build a solid freelancing career Just over 100 years ago, Mark Twain created an American classic with his vivid chronicle *Life on the Mississippi*. This book follows in his wake to bring us an evocative, entertaining, enormously informative account of our country's premiere waterway at the close of the 20th century. Photos. **DYNAMITE'S FIERCEST FEMALES IN THEIR BIGGEST EVENT EVER!** Fan favorite GAIL SIMONE (RED SONJA, BATGIRL) and rising art star SERGIO DAVILA (LEGENDERRY) combine to tell the ultimate pulp adventure, featuring Vampirella, Dejah Thoris, Red Sonja, Kato, Jungle Girl, and many, many more! Villains and heroes from a dozen worlds and eras face off against a legendary evil that threatens all their homelands. Don't miss this thrilling epic tale, an event supported by one-shot side adventures written by the hottest writers today, like G. Willow Wilson, Marguerite Bennett, Nancy Collins and more! A mysterious virus sweeps across the country, mutating rapidly as it jumps from person to person. Cities are locked down. The skies are clear as all planes are grounded. Some people panic, while some go to heroic lengths to save those they love—and others use the chaos as an opportunity to engage in purest evil. In "Lockdown," 19 of today's finest suspense, horror, and crime writers explore how humanity reacts to the ultimate pandemic. From New York City to the Mexican border, from the Deep South to the misty shores of Seattle, their characters are fighting for survival against incredible odds. An anthology for our time, showing how the worst crises can lead to the best of us. Proceeds from **LOCKDOWN** will go to support BINC, the Book Industry Charitable Foundation, as it seeks to help booksellers recover from the devastating COVID-19 crisis. Hector Acosta Scott Adlerberg Ann Dávila Cardinal V. Castro Angel Luis Colon Jen Conley Terri Lynn Coop S.A. Cosby Alex DiFrancesco Michelle Garza/Melissa Lason Rob Hart Gabino Iglesias Nick Kolakowski Richie Narvaez Cina Pelayo Renee Asher Pickup Eryk Pruitt Johnny Shaw Steve Weddle Looking for some scary stories to tell at your next sleepover or campout? Look no further. This collection of scary stories will make your blood run cold. Step into a world of creepy clowns, cursed campsites, ghostly graveyards, frightful freak shows, spooky schools, and other ghoulish things. Just beware, the characters lurking within these pages are nightmarish and might just give you a fright in the night. Beautiful, spooky, and utterly enchanting, Vera Greentea and Yana Bogatch's *Grimoire Noir* is a charming graphic novel about coming to terms with your own flaws and working past them to protect those dear to you. This format is designed to be read on color devices and cannot be read on black-and-white e-readers. Bucky Orson is a bit gloomy, but who isn't at fifteen? His best friend left him to hang out with way cooler friends, his dad is the town sheriff, and wait for it—he lives in Blackwell, a town where all the girls are witches. But when his little sister is kidnapped because of her extraordinary power, Bucky has to get out of his own head and go on a strange journey to investigate the small town that gives him so much grief. And in the process he uncovers the town's painful history and a conspiracy that will change it forever. What really happened to Jesus Christ during the mysterious missing 18 years of his life, from the age of 12 to 30, that are not accounted for in the New Testament? Join maverick researcher and explorer Edward T. Martin as he journeys to remote exotic locations in India, Nepal, Afghanistan and elsewhere, unraveling the mysteries of Jesus' Lost Years, attempting to separate myth and legend from fact and evidence. This is the book that inspired the 2008 Paul Davids film distributed by NBC Universal International Television, **JESUS IN INDIA**, as seen on the **SUNDANCE** Channel. She wants her freedom and all I want is her... Nicole DeLuca, she's the daughter of the biggest crime boss on the west coast. Did I mention that her father, Gino DeLuca, is my enemy? I slept with Nikki and I can't for the life of me forget about her. I've been keeping tabs on her, making sure no other men come anywhere near her. I'll chase them away like the beast that I am to protect her. Like a caged bird, she's desperate for freedom. Nikki sneaks out only to get snatched and sold as a bride. Even in the darkest room, the dirtiest corner of the world, I recognize her. She's my little dove. I buy her. Own her. Save her. Except she doesn't see it that way... She wants her freedom and all I want is her and that baby. This dark mafia romance is the first in the *Mafia Marriages* series and can be read as a standalone. *The Five Levels of Attachment* picks up from where Don Miguel Ruiz, Jr's father's book, *The Four Agreements*, left off. Building on the principles found in his father's international bestseller (2.5 million copies sold in the US), Don Miguel explores the ways in which we attach ourselves inappropriately to beliefs and the world. This is ancient wisdom for finding your true self. Ruiz explores the five levels of attachment that cause suffering in our lives. The five levels are: • Authentic Self • Preference • Identification • Internalization • Fanaticism Accessible and practical, *The Five Levels of Attachment* invites us to look at our own lives and see how an unhealthy level of attachment can keep us trapped in a psychological and spiritual fog. He then teaches us to reclaim our true freedom by cultivating awareness, detaching, and discover our true selves. Ann Dávila Cardinal's *Five Midnights* is a "wickedly thrilling" (William Alexander) and "flat-out unputdownable" (Paul Tremblay) novel based on the el Cuco myth set against the backdrop of modern day Puerto Rico. 2019 Digital Book World Award Winner for best Suspense/Horror Book Five friends cursed. Five deadly fates. Five nights of retribución. If Lupe Dávila and Javier Utierra can survive each other's company, together they can solve a series of grisly murders sweeping through Puerto Rico. But the clues lead them out of the real world and into the realm of myths and legends. And if they want to catch the killer, they'll have to step into the shadows to see what's lurking there—murderer, or monster? "A frightening, fast-paced thriller." —Julianna Baggott, Alex Award-winning author of *Pure At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.* The bestselling blockbuster *The Secret* by Rhonda Byrne has taken America by storm. *The Secret of "The Secret"* explores the explosive success of *The Secret* as well as the intriguing people and ideas behind it. *The Secret* has already become a runaway sensation. All across America, people are clamoring to embrace it. Karen Kelly delves into this extraordinary phenomenon -- What IS the secret? Where did it come from and does it really work? *The Secret of "The Secret"* also investigates why this little book, particularly in America, has struck such a chord--does hope always spring eternal in the U.S.? What is it about our culture that has historically drawn us to seek answers and change our destiny using the power of the mind and the universe? Scholars and popular culture experts provide perspective on what makes the idea so appealing. Several participants from *The Secret* share their behind-the-scenes stories and insights. Renowned psychologists, scientists, and theologians, weigh in on the power and limits of positive thinking and *The Law of Attraction* (the basis behind *The Secret*). Uncover the scientific and religious roots that form the building blocks of *The Secret*, as experts evaluate the author's claims about the various connections between these principles and "the secret." Finally, the answers to the burning questions behind one of the biggest success stories of our time have arrived. Discover *The Secret of "The Secret."* Provides a wealth of examples, quotes, and case studies that include an instructional discussion of an editorial collaboration on *The Great Gatsby*, in an upbeat guide to the mechanics and techniques of self-editing that includes strategic tips and exercises. Reprint. Do you feel overwhelmed by the intricate details and particulars within Western astrology? Are you unsure where to focus first so that you can access the most relevant and useful information that will assist you in achieving your deepest dreams and desires? In *Awakening Astrology*, professional astrologer and intuitive business coach Molly McCord offers a clear, accessible guide for those seeking an introduction to astrology that is simultaneously easy to grasp yet still full of powerful information. Every natal astrology chart has wisdom to offer, but the array of planets, houses, and signs can be bewildering and often overwhelming. *Awakening Astrology* cuts through this confusion by taking a

deeper look at just the five key planets—Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, and Mars—that are most fundamentally connected to your core personality energies. With the information in these pages, you can unlock a deeper and more meaningful relationship to your true self, as well as a more profound understanding of your personal needs, mental processes, and any ongoing areas of self-development. Even those who already possess experience with astrology will benefit from this profound look at these five planets and their potential for expansion of self-awareness. These five planetary energies influence us every day of our lives—in our productivity, how we present ourselves to the world, interact with others, think and communicate, share and connect. Now, with McCord's guidance, you can tap into the incredible potential of astrology to inform your journey towards a life of purpose and authenticity. From award-winning author Mark Oshiro comes a powerful coming-of-age fantasy novel about finding home and falling in love amidst the dangers of a desert where stories come to life Xochitl is destined to wander the desert alone, speaking her troubled village's stories into its arid winds. Her only companions are the blessed stars above and enigmatic lines of poetry magically strewn across dusty dunes. Her one desire: to share her heart with a kindred spirit. One night, Xo's wish is granted—in the form of Emilia, the cold and beautiful daughter of the town's murderous conqueror. But when the two set out on a magical journey across the desert, they find their hearts could be a match... if only they can survive the nightmare-like terrors that arise when the sun goes down. Fresh off of *Anger Is a Gift's* smashing success, Oshiro branches out into a fantastical direction with their new YA novel, *Each of Us a Desert*. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. Miles Alexander had it all. A loving wife, two beautiful children. But now they're gone. When his family is killed in a car accident, the settlement leaves him enriched beyond his wildest dreams but crippled by guilt. After trying to commit suicide and failing miserably, he lands in the office of Dr. Sandra Felt, a no nonsense psychiatrist with a knack for helping grieving patients rebuild their lives. It's here that he's inspired to fly to New York City and reconnect with his long-estranged step-sister who he hasn't seen in over a decade. But he gets more out of this trip than he expected after wanders into a coffee shop and meets Melody, a gorgeous and free-spirited barista who takes her cues from the universe. But she has a secret of her own, and the reality of it just might push an already unsteady Miles over the edge. Straight Talk from a Publisher The publishing world has changed! An explosion in printed books, E-books, and self-publishing has contributed to more new titles coming to market than ever before. With so much happening, how does a new author stand out from the crowd? Not to mention turn a profit. In *Think Like a Publisher: 33 Essential Tips to Write, Promote, and Sell Your Book*, Randy Davila, President of Hampton Roads Publishing & Hierophant Publishing, explains the nuances of the publishing industry in plain English, and gives authors all the tools necessary to be successful in today's rapidly changing publishing world. Broken down into three easy to follow categories of Editorial, Marketing, and Business specific tips, *Think Like a Publisher* offers invaluable insight into how publishers think about manuscripts, marketing, and their partnership with the author. You will also learn: What publishers (and readers!) look for in a manuscript The most common new author writing mistakes—and how to avoid them The makings of a great book title and cover The pros and cons of self-publishing vs. traditional publishing How to build your author platform and gain a following The ins and outs of the business side of publishing—contracts, royalties, agents, and more! For any writer who has felt intimidated by the prospect of bringing a book into the world, *Think Like a Publisher* offers a one-stop guide to understanding the publishing industry and what it takes to make your book a success! "This critical edition of *Borderlands/La Frontera*, Gloria Anzaldúa's foundational work for Chicana/Latina studies, gender and sexuality studies, and border studies, includes a preface by Norma Elia Cantú, a critical introduction by Ricardo F. Vivanco-Pérez, the complete text of the original edition of *Borderlands*, including extensive critical notes, and a comprehensive bibliography of scholarship on *Borderlands* and history of reprints. In addition, it contains never-before printed facsimiles of draft versions of the both the prose and poetry sections of *Borderlands* from The Gloria Evangelina Anzaldúa Papers from the Nettie Lee Benson Latin American Collection at UT Austin and an Afterword about the Anzaldúa Papers from AnaLouise Keating"-- In *Lead with Your Heart*, author Regina Cates asks us to question our notion of what success and happiness really mean. Through the sharing of her own personal stories as well as providing helpful meditations, questions, and exercises, Regina offers a combination of wise advice, compelling anecdotes, and practical strategies for living a life that is authentic, fulfilling, and healing. Regina is well qualified to help others down this path. While sitting alone on her forty-third birthday, Regina hit an emotional bottom with the realization that prior to that moment, she had been caught up in the rat race of trying to live up to other people's expectations, and as a result, she had given away one of her most important gifts: the power of choice. Regina realized that while we can't control other people or situations, we do have a choice in how we respond to them. Regina shows us that if we choose to act from a place of love instead of a place of fear, we make our lives and the lives of those around us better in the process. Throughout the book, Regina shares her amazing (and often heart-wrenching) stories of how she moved away from a volatile, victimized frame of mind to a place of making conscious actions and decisions from a centered, heart-driven state. By following along with Regina's personal stories and practicing the exercises she's developed, we can all learn how to choose positive, heart-centered solutions for the difficulties in our life. What do you do when you encounter the famous footballer voted "Sexiest Athlete Alive" three years running on a soccer field in Germany? If you're Saylor Scott, you challenge him to a shoot-out. And win. Saylor's goals have always involved the literal kind constructed from posts and netting. Her single-minded focus has cost her a lot, but it's also earned her recognition as the top female college player in the US. She doesn't get attached, she never gets distracted, and she could care less what anyone thinks of her. Meeting Adler Beck, the notorious player celebrated worldwide and coveted by women everywhere, challenges her indifference. But Saylor perfected the art of appearing unbothered a long time ago, and her scoring percentage is even higher off the pitch. Might as well add a gorgeous German to the tally. Because only a fool would fall for a superstar known for breaking hearts alongside records. And no one has ever accused Saylor Scott of being a fool. An ancient mystery in today's Middle East . . . Jack Stanton, an American businessman, makes a pilgrimage to war-torn Israel in hopes of rekindling his Christian faith. While traveling with his friend Punjeeh, an ER doctor from Jerusalem, Jack acquires an ancient scroll written by the Gnostics, a mystical group of early Christians--and his spiritual quest takes an unexpected turn. The scroll makes the startling claims that the Gnostics were the original followers of Jesus, and that they retained secret knowledge of Jesus that was not included in the Bible. With the help of the brilliant Chloe Eisenberg, a professor of philosophy and religion, Jack and Punjeeh navigate the dangerous terrain of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict in an attempt to decipher the puzzle of the scroll and bring the Gnostics' revelations about Jesus to light. Threaded with the searing realities of today's Middle East, *The Gnostic Mystery* is packed with historical facts about the Christian religion. The thrilling mystery makes a compelling case that the origins of Christianity are far different than we believed . . . until now. Andre Roussimoff is known as both the lovable giant in *The Princess Bride* and a heroic pro-wrestling figure. He was a normal guy who'd been dealt an extraordinary hand in life. At his peak, he weighed 500 pounds and stood nearly seven and a half feet tall. But the huge stature that made his fame also signed his death warrant. Box Brown brings his great talents as a cartoonist and biographer to this phenomenal new graphic novel. Drawing from historical records about Andre's life as well as a wealth of anecdotes from his colleagues in the wrestling world, including Hulk Hogan, and his film co-stars (Billy Crystal, Robin Wright, Mandy Patinkin, etc), Brown has created in *Andre the Giant*, the first substantive biography of one of the twentieth century's most recognizable figures. For generation after generation, Toltec shamans have passed down their wisdom through teaching stories. The purpose of these stories is to implant a seed of knowledge in the mind of the listener, where it can ultimately sprout and blossom into a new and better way of life. In *The Wisdom of the Shamans: What the Ancient Masters Can Teach Us About Love and Life*, Toltec shaman and master storyteller don Jose Ruiz shares some of the most popular stories from his family's oral tradition and offers corresponding lessons that illustrate the larger ideas within each story. Ruiz begins by explaining that contrary to the stereotypical image of "witch doctor," the ancient shamans were men and women who fulfilled several roles within their communities: philosopher, spiritual guide, medical doctor, psychologist, and friend. According to Ruiz, their teachings are not primitive or reserved for a chosen few initiates but are instead a powerful series of lessons on love and life that are available to us all. To that aim, he has included exercises, meditations, and shamanic rituals to help you experience the personal transformation these stories offer. The shamans taught that the truth you seek is inside of you. Let these stories, lessons, and tools be your guide to finding the innate wisdom that lives within. Category Five is a new supernatural YA thriller from Ann Dávila Cardinal, set against the backdrop of a post-hurricane Puerto Rico. After the hurricane, some see destruction and some smell blood. The tiny island of Vieques, located just off the northeastern coast of the main island of Puerto Rico, is trying to recover after hurricane Maria, but the already battered island is now half empty. To make matters worse, as on the main island, developers have come in to buy up the land at a fraction of its worth, taking advantage of the island when it is down. Lupe, Javier, and Marisol are back to investigate a series of murders that follow in the wake of a hurricane and in the shadow of a new supernatural threat. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. An oyster can't produce pearls without first suffering with a grain of sand. Each of the chapters in *Pearls of Wisdom: 30 Inspirational Ideas to Lead Your Best Life Now* gives guidance to readers on how to turn their own grains of sand into pearls. With four New York Times bestselling authors, including *Chicken Soup for the Soul's* Jack Canfield, Chris and Janet Attwood, and Marci Shimoff plus 25 of the best up and coming self-help authors, each chapter contains a fresh idea for a positive life change. With each chapter as diverse as the cast of authors who have come together to create this unique book, there is certain to be an idea to help transform anyone's life. *Pearls of Wisdom* contains the greatest ideas of today's top self-help authors, combining traditional and new techniques, affirmations, theories, meditations and practices to lead readers from the struggles they deal with in their current situations to a higher, enlightened life; not merely an existence. For anyone who has thought, "am I really living the best possible life I could be?", *Pearls of Wisdom* grants the answers for any of life's questions, straight from the words of the masters of self-help themselves. In the latest mystery in the New York Times bestselling series, *Maisie Dobbs* must unravel a case of wartime love and death—an investigation that leads her to a long-hidden affair between a young cartographer and a mysterious nurse. August 1914. Michael Clifton is mapping the land he has just purchased in California's beautiful Santa Ynez Valley, certain that oil lies beneath its surface. But as the young cartographer prepares to return home to Boston, war is declared in Europe. Michael—the youngest son of an expatriate Englishman—puts duty first and sails for his father's native country to serve in the British army. Three years later, he is listed among those missing in action. April 1932. London psychologist and investigator Maisie Dobbs is retained by Michael's parents, who have recently learned that their son's remains have been unearthed in France. They want Maisie to find the unnamed nurse whose love letters were among Michael's belongings—a quest that takes Maisie back to her own bittersweet wartime love. Her inquiries, and the stunning discovery that Michael Clifton was murdered in his trench, unleash a web of intrigue and violence that threatens to engulf the soldier's family and even Maisie herself. Over the course of her investigation, Maisie must cope with the approaching loss of her mentor, Maurice Blanche, and her growing awareness that she is once again falling in love. Following the critically acclaimed bestseller *Among the Mad*, *The Mapping of Love and Death* delivers the most gripping and satisfying chapter yet in the life of Maisie Dobbs. Not everything that emerges in springtime is meant to come to life. The proverbial expression "Hope springs eternal" was coined by English poet and satirist Alexander Pope, meaning people will keep on hoping, no matter the odds. But what if the odds aren't in your favor? We decided to change the phrase into something a little more unsettling: *Hope Screams Eternal*. Spring hearkens thoughts of rebirth, rejuvenation, renewal, resurrection, and regrowth. What happens when creative minds nurture a more sinister mindset, awakening twisted and nefarious interpretations of the season of eternal hope? Authors, poets, and artists from around the globe accepted our challenge to answer that question. Within these pages, they do their best to unsettle you as they explore the dark side of spring. The seeds of doubt they sow will burrow into your subconscious, lying in wait to hatch when you least expect it. So get cozy, settle into your comfiest seat, and relax (but don't let down your guard!) as we bring your hopes and fears to life. 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Dair Brown and Robin Knabel, offers spoiler-free reviews and recommendations on books from the Crime, Fantasy, Horror, Literary, Mystery, Sci-Fi, Suspense, and Thriller genres. And just to keep things spicy, they throw in the occasional author interview. If you're contemplating picking up *Hope Screams Eternal*, you probably enjoy books that make you check for monsters under the bed before you go to sleep. Let Robin and Dair help you decide what to read the next time you're ready to sink down into the "safety" of your blankets and crack open the kind of book that will make you shudder (and maybe even think) a little. ? They love to interact with fellow readers and authors on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook (@unsettlingreads). That's where the truly unsettling stuff usually happens. UnsettlingReads.com David Gandelman has helped thousands of students look within to find their own answers to life's big questions: Who am I? What am I here to do? How can I find happiness? Over the course of this journey, he began to notice that the overwhelming number of powerful life questions and conundrums his students encountered fell into seven categories, which he eventually realized were actually seven potent energies that existed within each individual soul. When any one or more of these energies is out of balance, our lives can become chaotic and unfulfilled. Now, in *The Seven Energies of the Soul*, Gandelman offers a detailed guide to each of these critical energies, as well as exercises and meditation practices that can help you evaluate your energetic strengths and weaknesses, and work toward spiritual and energetic balance. Spiritual masters throughout millennia have always taught that the answers to life's most tangled questions lie within. In the pages of *The Seven Energies of the Soul*, that ancient path lies clearly before you. Read this book, and take your first step toward authentic, transformative awareness. Felix Ever After meets Becky Albertalli in this swoon-worthy, heartfelt rom-com about how a transgender teen's first love challenges his ideas about perfect relationships. Noah Ramirez thinks he's an expert on romance. He has to be for his popular blog, the *Meet Cute Diary*, a collection of trans happily ever afters. There's just one problem—all the stories are fake. What started as the fantasies of a trans boy afraid to step out of the closet has grown into a beacon of hope for trans readers across the globe. When a troll exposes the blog as fiction, Noah's world unravels. The only way to save the *Diary* is to convince everyone that the stories are true, but he doesn't have any proof. Then Drew walks into Noah's life, and the pieces fall into place: Drew is willing to fake-date Noah to save the *Diary*. But when Noah's feelings grow beyond their staged romance, he realizes that dating in real life isn't quite the same as finding love on the page. In this charming novel by Emery Lee, Noah will have to choose between following his own rules for love or discovering that the most romantic endings are the ones that go off script. * A 2022 ALA Rainbow Booklist Selection * A Junior Library Guild Selection * The ancient Toltecs believed that life as we perceive it is a dream. We each live in our own personal dream, and all of our dreams come together to make the Dream of the Planet. Problems arise when we forget that the dream is just a dream and fall victim to believing that we have no control over it. "The Mastery of Self" takes the Toltec philosophy of the Dream of the Planet and the personal dream and explains how a person can: Wake up Liberate themselves from illusory beliefs and stories Live with authenticity Once released, we can live as our true, authentic, loving self, not only in solitude and meditation, but in any place--at the grocery store, stuck in traffic, etc.--and in any situation or scenario that confronts us. The Ruiz family has an enormous following, and this new book from don Miguel, Jr. will be greeted with enthusiasm by fans around the world. This new book from don Miguel, Jr. will be greeted with enthusiasm by fans around the world. *2018 LOCUS AWARD WINNER OF BEST SCIENCE FICTION NOVEL* *2018 HUGO AWARD FINALIST FOR BEST NOVEL* "John Scalzi is the most entertaining, accessible writer working in SF today." —Joe Hill, author of *The Fireman* The first novel of a new space-opera sequence set in an all-new universe by the Hugo Award-winning, New York Times bestselling author of *Redshirts* and *Old Man's War* Our universe is ruled by physics. Faster than light travel is impossible—until the discovery of *The Flow*, an extradimensional field available at certain points in space-time, which can take us to other planets around other stars. Riding *The Flow*, humanity spreads to innumerable other worlds. Earth is forgotten. A new empire arises, the Interdependency, based on

the doctrine that no one human outpost can survive without the others. It's a hedge against interstellar war—and, for the empire's rulers, a system of control. The Flow is eternal—but it's not static. Just as a river changes course, The Flow changes as well. In rare cases, entire worlds have been cut off from the rest of humanity. When it's discovered that the entire Flow is moving, possibly separating all human worlds from one another forever, three individuals—a scientist, a starship captain, and the emperor of the Interdependency—must race against time to discover what, if anything, can be salvaged from an interstellar empire on the brink of collapse. "Fans of Game of Thrones and Dune will enjoy this bawdy, brutal, and brilliant political adventure" —Booklist on The Collapsing Empire "Political plotting, plenty of snark, puzzle-solving, and a healthy dose of action...Scalzi continues to be almost insufferably good at his brand of fun but think-y sci-fi adventure." —Kirkus Reviews on The Collapsing Empire "Scalzi is one of the slickest writers that SF has ever produced." —The Wall Street Journal on The Human Division The Interdependency Series 1. The Collapsing Empire 2. The Consuming Fire At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. A high-wire artist traces his six years of planning and training to walk a wire between the towers of the nearly completed World Trade Center in 1974 and describes the history-making realization of his goal eight times in the course of an hour. Intimate relationships require a unique combination of physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual vulnerability. When things end, many women can find themselves struggling with regret, remorse, low self-esteem, and the inability to connect fully with someone new. These issues, as well as others like them, can be made worse if betrayal or abuse was involved. In Break the Grip of Past Lovers, author Jumana Sophia teaches women how to reclaim their personal power, reestablish healthy boundaries, and move forward into deeper and more intimate relationships with a renewed sense of sensual receptivity and emotional balance.

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