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Blitzed Featured on Dateline and CNN, the true story of a young man destined for greatness on the football field—until a few wrong turns led him to a ten-year prison sentence. He was offered an impossible mission: Coax a confession out of a fellow inmate, a serial killer, and walk free. Jimmy Keene grew up outside of Chicago. Although he was the son of a policeman and rubbed shoulders with the city's elite, he ended up on the wrong side of the law and was sentenced to ten years with no chance of parole. Just a few months into his sentence, Keene was approached by the prosecutor who put him behind bars. He had convicted a man named Larry Hall for abducting and killing a fifteen-year-old. Although Hall was suspected of killing nineteen other young women, there was a chance he could still be released on appeal. If Keene could get him to confess to two murders, there would be no doubt about Hall's guilt. In return, Keene would get an unconditional release from prison. But he could also get killed. A story that gained national notoriety, this is Keene's powerful tale of peril, violence, and redemption.

Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in Geosciences "When Rico sells a jackpot-winning lotto ticket, she thinks maybe her luck will finally change, but only if she and her popular and wildly rich classmate, Zan, can find the ticket holder who hasn't claimed the prize."--

Data Science from Scratch

“ The ” Quarterly Review

Lasso Peptides Nicknamed Mr. Show Business, Sammy Davis Jr. was a consummate performer who sang, danced, and acted on film, television, radio, and the stage for over six decades. In this uniquely intimate volume, the entertainment legend's story comes to life through rare family photos and a compelling narrative based on conversations between Sammy Davis Jr. and his daughter, Tracey Davis. The story of a future superstar unfolds beginning with his bittersweet childhood days, raised primarily by his grandmother in Harlem. On the stage by age three, he first became a star in vaudeville with the Will Mastin Trio. Davis was already an up-and-coming performer by the time he was recruited into the Army during World War II. As Tracey Davis candidly relates, it was there that her father first learned to use his talent—singing and dancing—as a weapon against racial bigotry. Davis's career took off in the 1940s through his sheer determination, talent, and the support of friends like Frank Sinatra. With tenderness and humor Tracey describes her father's friendship with Sinatra, and how he stood by him when Davis married Tracey's Swedish actress mother. In a time when interracial marriages were forbidden by law in thirty-one states, both bride and groom endured an onslaught of negative press and even death threats. Complete with rare personal and professional photos, Sammy Davis Jr. recounts Davis's adventures through the Rat Pack era, and the extraordinary obstacles he overcame to become a 5'6" , 120-pound legend who across six decades packed in more than forty albums, seven Broadway shows, twenty-three films, and countless nightclub and concert performances. What emerges from the pages of this loving, but utterly frankly written book, is a uniquely personal perspective on one of the greatest pop culture icons of the twentieth century.

Colton Cowboy Standoff Explores the homogenization of American culture and the impact of the fast food industry on modern-day health, economy, politics, popular culture, entertainment, and food production.

The Last Adventure of Constance Verity

The Most Dangerous Animal of All From Best-Selling Award-Winning Author Kathleen Ball Book Four of the #1 Best-Selling Series Oregon Dreamin'It's finally time for Smitty to settle down after all of his trips on the Oregon Trail. He has Lynn and a houseful of orphans but he also had a wife, he's always been faithful to. Brenda lied and said she was with child, Smitty's child over ten years ago. It's time to dissolve their marriage.Upon arriving at Brenda's house, he finds Brenda and her mother May dying of tuberculosis and just as ornery as ever. Lynn knows Smitty is married and respects the vows he took.He finally comes home but in his grief he decides to leave Lynn and the kids. Lynn can't stay in a house that doesn't belong to her, so she answers an ad and leaves to become a farmer's wife, taking her children with her. It was the biggest mistake of her life as the farmer is abusive.Smitty rescues them. Both Lynn and Smitty have doubts about their special love for each other. Can Smitty sway Lynn to be his forever or will she choose to travel a different road?

Twister Twyla Welcome to the 3 Books To Know series, our idea is to help readers learn about fascinating topics through three essential and relevant books. These carefully selected works can be fiction, non-fiction, historical documents or even biographies. We will always select for you three great works to instigate your mind, this time the topic is: Paris - Notre-Dame de Paris by Victor Hugo - The Ladies' Paradise by Émile Zola - The Phantom of the Opera by Gaston LerouxVictor Hugo began writing Notre-Dame de Paris in 1829, largely to make his contemporaries more aware of the value of the Gothic architecture, which was neglected and often destroyed to be replaced by new buildings or defaced by replacement of parts of buildings in a newer style. For instance, the medieval stained glass panels of Notre-Dame de Paris had been replaced by white glass to let more light into the church. This explains the large descriptive sections of the book, which far exceed the requirements of the story. A few years earlier, Hugo had already published a paper entitled Guerre aux Démolisseurs (War to the Demolishers) specifically aimed at saving Paris' medieval architecture. The Ladies' Paradise is the eleventh novel in the Rougon-Macquart series by Émile Zola. It was first serialized in the periodical Gil Blas and published in novel form by Charpentier in 1883. The novel is set in the world of the department store, an innovative development in mid-nineteenth century retail sales. Zola models his store after Le Bon Marché, which consolidated under one roof many of the goods hitherto sold in separate shops. The narrative details many of Le Bon Marché's innovations, including its mail-order business, its system of commissions, its in-house staff commissary, and its methods of receiving and retailing goods. The Phantom of the Opera is a novel by French writer Gaston Leroux. It was first published as a serialization in Le Gaulois on 23 September 1909, to 8 January 1910. It was published in volume form in late March 1910 by Pierre Lafitte and directed by Aluel Malinao. The novel is partly inspired by historical events at the Paris Opera during the nineteenth century and an apocryphal tale concerning the use of a former ballet pupil's skeleton in Carl Maria von Weber's 1841 production of Der Freischütz. It has been successfully adapted into various stage and film adaptations, most notable of which are the 1925 film depiction featuring Lon Chaney, and Andrew Lloyd Webber's 1986 musical. This is one of many books in the series 3 Books To Know. If you liked this book, look for the other titles in the series, we are sure you will like some of the topics

Elementary Geography Two exes reunite as danger rocks the family ranch. A Coltons of Roaring Springs romance Years after ending her relationship with her husband, Wyatt Colton, Bailey Norton shows up on his doorstep with an unexpected request: to father her child. Unresolved passion sets off sparks between them, but Bailey must resist Wyatt ' s undiminished allure—and show her true grit when the Colton ranch is mysteriously sabotaged. Can this Colton cowboy lasso the culprit and a forever family?

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An Account of Lord Bacon's Novum Organon Scientiarum Callie Daniels' mother has one dying wish. She wants neighboring rancher, Garrett O'Neill, to marry her seventeen year old daughter. It's not supposed to be a conventional marriage. Garrett O'Neill would keep Callie's ranch safe and Callie would go away to college. & ;& ;Four years later, Callie comes home with stars in her eyes and happily ever after in her heart. She plans to make their marriage real until finds the new housekeeper, Sylvie in Garrett's arms. & ;& ;Heartbroken, Callie takes off to her own house, which they closed up four years ago. She stays there with Old Henry, a longtime friend and ranch hand, until her new horse injures her. Garrett forces Callie to move back in to his house. & ;& ;Callie finally gets her heart's desire. Alone in a line shack, they make sweet love for the first time. Unfortunately the love light is gone from Garret's eyes the next morning.

Fast Food Nation Kansas cowgirl Twyla loves the wind and rides tornadoes in the Flint Hills Rodeo in this 32-page picture book illustrated with black-and-white line drawings. Extras include information on tornadoes, dust devils and rodeos, and a resource list of books and websites.

Sammy Davis Jr. When Auden goes to stay with her father, stepmother, and new baby sister the summer before she starts college, all the trauma of her parents' divorce is revived, even as she is making new friends and having fun new experiences.

The Fifth Risk Data science libraries, frameworks, modules, and toolkits are great for doing data science, but they ' re also a good way to dive into the discipline without actually understanding data science. In this book, you ' ll learn how many of the most fundamental data science tools and algorithms work by implementing them from scratch. If you have an aptitude for mathematics and some programming skills, author Joel Grus will help you get comfortable with the math and statistics at the core of data science, and with hacking skills you need to get started as a data scientist. Today ' s messy glut of data holds answers to questions no one ' s even thought to ask. This book provides you with the know-how to dig those answers out. Get a crash course in Python Learn the basics of linear algebra, statistics, and probability—and understand how and when they're used in data science Collect, explore, clean, munge, and manipulate data Dive into the fundamentals of machine learning Implement models such as k-nearest Neighbors, Naive Bayes, linear and logistic regression, decision trees, neural networks, and clustering Explore recommender systems, natural language processing, network analysis, MapReduce, and databases

Be Mine Again A 2020 New York Times notable book | One of the Chicago Tribune's best nonfiction books of 2020 "Complex, turbulent, as haunting as a pedal steel solo" —Jonathan Miles, The New York Times Book Review (Editors' Choice) "One of 21 books we can't wait to read in 2020" —Thrillist | A New York Times Book Review summer reading pick | A GQ best book of 2020 | Named one of the 10 best July books by The Washington Post and The Christian Science Monitor | A Kirkus Reviews hottest summer read | A Publishers Weekly summer reads staff pick The incredible true story of America's original—and forgotten—capital of vice Back in the days before Vegas was big, when the Mob was at its peak and neon lights were but a glimmer on the horizon, a little Southern town styled itself as a premier destination for the American leisure class. Hot Springs, Arkansas was home to healing waters, Art Deco splendor, and America ' s original national park—as well as horse racing, nearly a dozen illegal casinos, countless backrooms and brothels, and some of the country ' s most bald-faced criminals. Gangsters, gamblers, and gamines: all once flocked to America ' s forgotten capital of vice, a place where small-town hustlers and bigtime high-rollers could make their fortunes, and hide from the law. The Vapors is the extraordinary story of three individuals—spanning the golden decades of Hot Springs, from the 1930s through the 1960s—and the lavish casino whose spectacular rise and fall would bring them together before blowing them apart. Hazel Hill was still a young girl when legendary mobster Owney Madden rolled into town in his convertible, fresh off a crime spree in New York. He quickly established himself as the gentleman Godfather of Hot Springs, cutting barroom deals and buying stakes in the clubs at which Hazel made her living—and drank away her sorrows. Owney ' s protégé was Dane Harris, the son of a Cherokee bootlegger who rose through the town ' s ranks to become Boss Gambler. It was his idea to build The Vapors, a pleasure palace more spectacular than any the town had ever seen, and an establishment to rival anything on the Vegas Strip or Broadway in sophistication and supercharged glamour. In this riveting work of forgotten history, native Arkansan David Hill plots the trajectory of everything from organized crime to America ' s fraught racial past, examining how a town synonymous with white gangsters supported a burgeoning black middle class. He reveals how the louche underbelly of the South was also home to veterans hospitals and baseball ' s spring training grounds, giving rise to everyone from Babe Ruth to President Bill Clinton. Infused with the sights and sounds of America ' s entertainment heyday—jazz orchestras and auctioneers, slot machines and suited comedians—The Vapors is an arresting glimpse into a bygone era of American vice.

Lasso Springs Book One: Callie's Heart

Extension Circular

Along for the Ride

Stress-Free Mooring An explosive and historic book of true crime and an emotionally powerful and revelatory memoir of a man whose ten-year search for his biological father leads to a chilling discovery: His father is one of the most notorious-and still at large-serial killers.

Stress-Free Motorboating Lasso peptides form a growing family of fascinating ribosomally-synthesized and post-translationally modified peptides produced by bacteria. They contain 15 to 24 residues and share a unique interlocked topology that involves an N-terminal 7 to 9-residue macrolactam ring where the C-terminal tail is threaded and irreversibly trapped. The ring results from the condensation of the N-terminal amino group with a side-chain carboxylate of a glutamate at position 8 or 9, or an aspartate at position 7, 8 or 9. The trapping of the tail involves bulky amino acids located in the tail below and above the ring and/or disulfide bridges connecting the ring and the tail. Lasso peptides are subdivided into three subtypes depending on the absence (class II) or presence of one (class III) or two (class I) disulfide bridges. The lasso topology results in highly compact structures that give to lasso peptides an extraordinary stability towards both protease degradation and denaturing conditions. Lasso peptides are generally receptor antagonists, enzyme inhibitors and/or antibacterial or antiviral (anti-HIV) agents. The lasso scaffold and the associated biological activities shown by lasso peptides on different key targets make them promising molecules with high therapeutic potential. Their application in drug design has been exemplified by the development of an integrin antagonist based on a lasso peptide scaffold. The biosynthesis machinery of lasso peptides is therefore of high biotechnological interest, especially since such highly compact and stable structures have to date revealed inaccessible by peptide synthesis. Lasso peptides are produced from a linear precursor LasA, which undergoes a maturation process involving several steps, in particular cleavage of the leader peptide and cyclization. The post-translational modifications are ensured by a dedicated enzymatic machinery, which is composed of an ATP-dependent cysteine protease (LasB) and a lactam synthetase (LasC) that form an enzymatic complex called lasso synthetase. Microcin J25, produced by Escherichia coli AY25, is the archetype of lasso peptides and the most extensively studied. To date only around forty lasso peptides have been isolated, but genome mining approaches have revealed that they are widely distributed among Proteobacteria and Actinobacteria, particularly in Streptomyces, making available a rich resource of novel lasso peptides and enzyme machineries towards lasso topologies.

Archenemies Stress-Free Mooring is a quick-access, extremely visual on-board practical guide to how to approach mooring and berthing situations in a yacht or motorboat. Condensing material from the highly successful Stress-Free Sailing and Stress-Free Motorboating into a bite-sized book for easy reference, Duncan Wells provides instant guidance to helmsmen seeking to learn how best to get on and off pontoons, jetties and harbour walls in all directions of wind and tide, as well as anchoring and picking up mooring buoys. The techniques are applicable anywhere in the world, on any type and size of boat. Areas covered include: Tying knots and mastering other rope work Adapting to different wind and tide configurations Casting off from a dock Springs, bridles and slipped lines Coming alongside a berth Rafting up with other boats Anchoring Picking up a mooring buoy With step-by-step photos, explanatory diagrams and concise hints and tips, helmsmen can have at their fingertips the answers they need to all manner of mooring problems.

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History of Fresno County, Vol. 3 Texas Ranger Judd Dunn and Christabel Gaines find their marriage of convenience slowly evolving into a union of undeniable passion, but when a mysterious enemy enters their lives, their newfound love is endangered.

In with the Devil #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • OPRAH ' S BOOK CLUB PICK The heartrending story of a midcentury American family with twelve children, six of them diagnosed with schizophrenia, that became science's great hope in the quest to understand the disease. "Reads like a medical detective journey and sheds light on a topic so many of us face: mental illness." —Oprah Winfrey Don and Mimi Galvin seemed to be living the American dream. After World War II, Don's work with the Air Force brought them to Colorado, where their twelve children perfectly spanned the baby boom: the oldest born in 1945, the youngest in 1965. In those years, there was an established script for a family like the Galvins--aspiration, hard work, upward mobility, domestic harmony--and they worked hard to play their parts. But behind the scenes was a different story: psychological breakdown, sudden shocking violence, hidden abuse. By the mid-1970s, six of the ten Galvin boys, one after another, were diagnosed as schizophrenic. How could all this happen to one family? What took place inside the house on Hidden Valley Road was so extraordinary that the Galvins became one of the first families to be studied by the National Institute of Mental Health. Their story offers a shadow history of the science of schizophrenia, from the era of institutionalization, lobotomy, and the schizophrenogenic mother to the search for genetic markers for the disease, always amid profound disagreements about the nature of the illness itself. And unbeknownst to the Galvins, samples of their DNA informed decades of genetic research that continues today, offering paths to treatment, prediction, and even eradication of the disease for future generations. With clarity and compassion, bestselling and award-winning author Robert Kolker uncovers one family's unforgettable legacy of suffering, love, and hope.

Lawless

Update "The greatest Scottish novelist since Sir Walter Scott." Anthony Burgess

DSAC. The first time Melanie Ross meets April Hall, she ' s not sure they have anything in common. But she soon discovers that they both love anything to do with ancient Egypt. When they stumble upon a deserted storage yard, Melanie and April decide it ' s the perfect spot for the Egypt Game. Before long there are six Egyptians, and they all meet to wear costumes, hold ceremonies, and work on their secret code. Everyone thinks it ' s just a game until strange things start happening. Has the Egypt Game gone too far?

Thoughts on the Advancement of Academical Education in England

Cowboy Songs, and Other Frontier Ballads

Lasso the Wind This collection of articles addresses the most modern forms of loss reserving methodology: granular models and machine learning models. New methodologies come with questions about their applicability. These questions are discussed in one article, which focuses on the relative merits of granular and machine learning models. Others illustrate applications with real-world data. The examples include neural networks, which, though well known in some disciplines, have previously been limited in the actuarial literature. This volume expands on that literature, with specific attention to their application to loss reserving. For example, one of the articles introduces the application of neural networks of the gated recurrent unit form to the actuarial literature, whereas another uses a penalized neural network. Neural networks are not the only form of machine learning, and two other papers outline applications of gradient boosting and regression trees respectively. Both articles construct loss reserves at the individual claim level so that these models resemble granular models. One of these articles provides a practical application of the model to claim watching, the action of monitoring claim development and anticipating major features. Such watching can be used as an early warning system or for other administrative purposes. Overall, this volume is an extremely useful addition to the libraries of those working at the loss reserving frontier.

Jackpot I moaned."You like that baby?"I thought it went without saying that I liked any part of my husband's body touching any part of my body more than anything I had ever, or would ever, experience in my life.He caressed up my thigh, my hip, my torso and settled firmly cupping a breast. I moaned again, this time adding a back arch into the mix, pressing myself harder into his hand. He started kissing up my neck. God I loved this man. He took his other hand, grabbed my chin and tilted my face to look into his, pinning me with his dark and powerful stare. "I. Love. You." I kissed him deeply, like I couldn't get enough of him, like my life depended on it, like at any minute he would be goneforever. The voice of Michael Bubl  started crooning. What is Michael Bubl  doing in bed with us? My eyes sprung open. A dream. Have you ever lost that one true love? The one you were sure you were destined to be with? What if fate stepped in and gave you a second chance to have it all? Would you take it, or would you guard your heart with lessons learned?Hannah Riley has gotten her life back on track after her husband suddenly divorced her. She was successful, had amazing friends, and everything was coming up roses. That was until a phone call changed everything. After amnesia has left her ex-husband thinking they still share a life together, Hannah has a choice to make. Take him home and try to help him through his struggles to hopefully regain his memory, or to send him home to his new life and the awful woman that now awaits him. Tyler Kelly runs his own successful architectural firm, is at the top of his game, and went home every night to the woman of his dreams. That was what he thought his life was. Amnesia left him in his perfect life, but the reality was that none of it was true any longer. Their home wasn't his any longer, their lives weren't one anymore. What could have happened to change all of it? Hannah was the love of his life, what could have made him leave her? The only thing he was sure of was that he WOULD win her back. Will second chances be earned? Will true love prevail? Will she Be MineAgain?To the reader: Very quirky dialogue and humour. Times of drama and times of lightness. The sexy parts leave little to the imagination and she's lightly BDSM laced. I hope you enjoy Hannah and Tyler's journey.

The Egypt Game

3 Books to Know: Paris New York Times Bestseller What are the consequences if the people given control over our government have no idea how it works? "The election happened," remembers Elizabeth Sherwood-Randall, then deputy secretary of the Department of Energy. "And then there was radio silence." Across all departments, similar stories were playing out: Trump appointees were few and far between; those that did show up were shockingly uninformed about the functions of their new workplace. Some even threw away the briefing books that had been prepared for them. Michael Lewis ' s brilliant narrative takes us into the engine rooms of a government under attack by its own leaders. In Agriculture the funding of vital programs like food stamps and school lunches is being slashed. The Commerce Department may not have enough staff to conduct the 2020 Census properly. Over at Energy, where international nuclear risk is managed, it ' s not clear there will be enough inspectors to track and locate black market uranium before terrorists do. Willful ignorance plays a role in these looming disasters. If your ambition is to maximize short-term gains without regard to the long-term cost, you are better off not knowing those costs. If you want to preserve your personal immunity to the hard problems, it ' s better never to really understand those problems. There is upside to ignorance, and downside to knowledge. Knowledge makes life messier. It makes it a bit more difficult for a person who wishes to shrink the world to a worldview. If there are dangerous fools in this book, there are also heroes, unsung, of course. They are the linchpins of the system—those public servants whose knowledge, dedication, and proactivity keep the machinery running. Michael Lewis finds them, and he asks them what keeps them up at night.

Pictorial Natural History From the German The Renegades Trilogy continues, in this fiercely awaited second installment after the New York Times-bestselling Renegades by Marissa Meyer, author of the Lunar Chronicles. Now a New York Times Bestseller! Time is running out. Together, they can save the world. But they each other ' s worst nightmare. Nova ' s double life is about to get a lot more complicated: As Insomnia, she is a full-fledged member of the Renegades, a syndicate of powerful and beloved superheroes. She works with Adrian ' s patrol unit to protect the weak and maintain order in Gatlon City. As Nightmare, she is an Anarchist - a group of of villains who are determined to destroy the

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Renegades. Nova wants vengeance against the so-called heroes who once failed her when she needed them most. But as Nova, her feelings for Adrian are deepening, despite the fact that he is the son of her sworn enemies and, unbeknownst to Nova, he has some dangerous secrets of his own. In this second installment of the Renegades trilogy, Nova, Adrian, and the rest of their crew – Ruby, Oscar, and Danna -- are faced with escalating crime in Gatlon City, while covert weapons and conflicting missions have Nova and Adrian questioning not only their beliefs about justice, but also the feelings they have for each other. The line between good and evil has been blurred, but what's clear to them both is that too much power could mean the end of their city – and the world – as they know it.

The Vapors The editor and publisher of these volumes, which include not less than several hundred biographies spread across the six books, presents them confidently as a verified and authoritative history of the county - the result of conscientious labor in original research, and of information imparted by pioneers and their descendants, entered upon originally as a pastime and without thought of publication of the collated material. It essays to present county and city historical data that had lasting bearing on the times, but which with many of the picturesque incidents were ignored or overlooked in the publications that have gone before; and lastly it is an endeavor also to fill in the hiatus of the years from 1882 through the first World War, to bring to date the tale of the development and growth of a county which, from a small beginning with a rough and uncouth mining population and hardy pioneers, has become one of the richest, politically best governed and industrially typical of a great state. Incredible as their development and growth have been, through successive industrial epochs, the mind cannot grasp the future of State and County, now that the twin Sacramento and San Joaquin Valleys have reached the zenith of development and production. Today Fresno County is a leading contributor to California's greater riches, enhanced production, and to the unmeasured happiness and prosperity of its citizens. Fresno is one of the state's centers. A remarkable past will be eclipsed by a more wonderful future - it is manifest destiny. This is volume three out of six.

Claim Models Offers a portrait of the contemporary American West, examining the dichotomy of between myth and reality, Old West and present day, and discussing the history, people, and future of the region

Hidden Valley Road MINE TO PROTECT. MINE TO PUNISH. MINE. I ' m a lone wolf, and I like it that way. Banished from my birth pack after a bloodbath, I never wanted a mate. Then I meet Kylie. My temptation. We ' re trapped in an elevator together, and her panic almost makes her pass out in my arms. She ' s strong, but broken. And she ' s hiding something. My wolf wants to claim her. But she ' s human, and her delicate flesh won't survive a wolf's mark. I'm too dangerous. I should stay away. But when I discover she's the hacker who nearly took down my company, I demand she submit to my punishment. And she will. Kylie belongs to me. Publisher ' s Note: Alpha ' s Temptation is a stand-alone book in the Bad Boy Alphas series. HEA guaranteed, no cheating.

So Many Roads to Choose New York Times Bestseller " [A] fascinating, engrossing, often dark history of drug use in the Third Reich. " — Washington Post The Nazi regime preached an ideology of physical, mental, and moral purity. Yet as Norman Ohler reveals in this gripping new history, the Third Reich was saturated with drugs: cocaine, opiates, and, most of all, methamphetamines, which were consumed by everyone from factory workers to housewives to German soldiers. In fact, troops were encouraged, and in some cases ordered, to take rations of a form of crystal meth—the elevated energy and feelings of invincibility associated with the high even help to account for the breakneck invasion that sealed the fall of France in 1940, as well as other German military victories. Hitler himself became increasingly dependent on injections of a cocktail of drugs—ultimately including Eukodal, a cousin of heroin—administered by his personal doctor. Thoroughly researched and rivetingly readable, Blitzed throws light on a history that, until now, has remained in the shadows. " Delightfully nuts. " — The New Yorker NORMAN OHLER is an award-winning German novelist, screenwriter, and journalist. He is the author of the novels Die Quotenmaschine (the world ' s first hypertext novel), Mitte, and Stadt des Goldes (translated into English as Ponte City). He was cowriter of the script for Wim Wenders ' s film Palermo Shooting. He lives in Berlin.

Illinois Research "Granted a wish at birth, Constance Verity has become one of the world's great adventurers. A master of exotic martial arts and a keen detective, she is in possession of a collection of strange artifacts, which are mostly kept in unlabeled boxes in her apartment. Constance has spent the past twenty years saving the world, and she's sick of it. She wants an office job and a boyfriend who isn't going to get killed by who knows what, and she's figured out the way to get them: she's going to kill her fairy godmother--Grandmother Willow--who granted the wish--and reset her life. The problem is, saving the world is Constance's destiny. She's really good at it, and there are forces at work to make sure she stays in the job. Then again, it's also her destiny to have a glorious death"--Front jacket flap.

Poor Things Advances in Geophysics, Volume 61 - Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in Geosciences, the latest release in this highly-respected publication in the field of geophysics, contains new chapters on a variety of topics, including a historical review on the development of machine learning, machine learning to investigate fault rupture on various scales, a review on machine learning techniques to describe fractured media, signal augmentation to improve the generalization of deep neural networks, deep generator priors for Bayesian seismic inversion, as well as a review on homogenization for seismology, and more. Provides high-level reviews of the latest innovations in geophysics
Written by recognized experts in the field Presents an essential publication for researchers in all fields of geophysics

Alpha's Temptation Stress-free Motorboating is the answer to all single- or short-handed crews' prayers. Highly illustrated with step by step photographs, this unique handbook tackles the most common motorboating situations anyone cruising along the coast or river will have to manage - whether cruising along a river or the coast. It covers tricky procedures for getting off (and then back on) a marina berth, anchoring, mooring to a buoy or jetty, motoring in big seas, entering locks, and even picking up a man overboard, with QR codes linking to helpful instructional action videos. Essential advice is given about fuel monitoring, engine care and maintenance, looking after batteries, and many more issues specific to motorboats. Stress-free Motorboating will be a godsend to all crews, whether aboard a 35-footer, a sports runabout or a 60-foot displacement cruiser, whether crossing the Channel or just pottering along the coast or a river.

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