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### The Arrogant Architect

This immersive dive into the life and work of Salvador Dalí unlocks the secret of this creative genius and reveals for the first time how his erotically charged paintings changed the world of modern art. In turns beloved and reviled, twentieth century art, painter, filmmaker, and designer Salvador Dalí set Europe and the United States ablaze with his uncompromising genius, sexual sadism, and flirtations with megalomania. His shocking behavior and work frequently alienated critics; his views were so outrageous, even prominent Surrealists tried to ostracize him. Still, every morning he experienced "an exquisite joy--the joy of being Salvador Dalí," and, through a remarkable talent that invited bewilderment, anger, and adoration, rose to unprecedented levels of fame--forever shifting the landscape of the art world and the nature of celebrity itself. In this stunning volume, rich with full-color images, noted art historians Jean-Pierre Isbouts and Christopher Heath Brown discuss the historical, social, and political conditions that shaped Dalí's work, identify the impact of Modern as well as Old Master art, and present an unflinching view of the master's personal relationships and motivations. With their deeply compelling narrative, Isbouts and Brown uncover how Dalí's visual wit and enduring cult of personality still impacts fashion, literature, and art, from Andy Warhol to Lady Gaga, and seeks to answer why, in an age of shock and awe, Dalí's art still manages to distress, perplex, and entertain.

### The Brothers Karamazov

He was the presence that was always in her dreams. He was mostly the backdrop but at times he came to the forefront. She never knew a time when he wasn't somewhere in her dreams, either watching in the distance, or standing just behind her. For all of her young life, Leslie has lived two realities; the one that happened in 'real life' and the other that took place weeks or months before--in her dreams. No matter how bad, Angel was always there to watch over her. He never grew older and she didn't think to question his presence. And then one fateful day, Angel shows her a series of events that will change her life and send young Leslie into a tailspin that will test her very sanity. In this multicultural, paranormal, erotic romance, Pepper Pace weaves a tale of a tragic and disturbed young girl whose

fate is written or is it?

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Boundaries is a disturbing story about the blurred lines between love and betrayal, freedom and control, fantasy and treachery, good and evil, past and future. Diane Alders is a successful, workoholic sales executive in the medical field who has a void in her heart as a result of the tragic death of her husband seven years ago. Mickey Rollins is a genius and entrepreneur about to introduce a revolutionary new therapy that will 'repair' injured or impaired brains. Their sputtering romance hits full speed when Mickey invites Diane to accompany him on a lavish and bizarre vacation to the exotic South Seas intended to stretch their senses, fulfill wild dreams, and bring them closer together. Disaster strikes, and it is Diane who becomes Mickey's first human test subject. There's a catch...the healing process requires a surrogate, and Mickey chooses their mutual friend, lover and temptress—the beautiful Suki. The resurrection of Diane that transpires is not only a transfer of physical and cerebral attributes, but a blending of relationships, feelings, and emotions, drawing many into the fray, ending as shockingly as it begins.

### **Snuff**

Since The Turkish Bath (1863) by the French painter Ingres, the Far Eastern woman has to many been a symbol of pleasures out of reach or forbidden. Seafaring explorers, military adventurers and simple travellers from Europe over the centuries have all been enthralled by the exotic nature of the oriental woman, her foreignness accentuated by the gentle pallor of her skin. Thus arose the myth that she, of all women, was in possession of the knowledge of certain refined pleasures. Historically, in the traditions of both China and Japan, women have been required to respond at least acquiescently to men's desires. It was part of their upbringing, quite different from the moral taboos decreed on the subject by our Western civilization. This book - richly illustrated with colourful Chinese and Japanese prints and ivory carvings, some of considerable antiquity - thus figuratively comprises an Oriental hymn to carnal pleasures and to the Game of Love. In a lively and comprehensive text, Professor Hans-Jürgen Döpp reveals the ancient rules that govern relationships between men and women in the Far East - while not ignoring the importance of Love.

### **The World According to Garp**

This is the first book to present the life, times and poetry of one of the greatest poets in the Arab tradition, Abu Nuwas. Author Philip Kennedy provides the narrative of Abu Nuwas's fascinating life, which was full of intrigue and debauched adventure, in parallel with the presentation of his greatest poems, across all genres, in easy and accessible translations, giving commentary where needed.

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### **The Art of Game Design**

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#### **Becoming Michelangelo**

Darlene Ortiz was with Ice T for 17 years, beginning with his early days hustlin' on the streets and his subsequent rise to fame. In *Definition of Down: My Life with Ice T & the Birth of Hip Hop*, she tells how hip hop started with intimate glimpses into their daily life with stories about their climb to the top and all the rappers that got their start in those times. This full-color hardback book is filled with stories and photos never seen before of many hip hop icons.

#### **30 Millennia of Erotic Art**

*A Real Life BDSM Memoir: Laura, 27, lingerie model whoring in a fancy bordello to pay off her husband's gambling debt meets Jeffrey, 33, Apple Records media wizard and creator of the celebrated sex magazine, Puritan, and so begins this true shameless hilarious erotic cyclone. "Funny, salacious, perversely-dare I say it? Uplifting!" From the Foreword bequeathed by Norman Mailer "One of the best non-fiction works I've ever read." From the Introduction by Legs McNeil*

#### **Forbidden Asia**

What is the social merit or purpose of all those bras and panties on perfectly sculpted bodies that we see spread across billboards and magazines? Many women indulge in lingerie to please men. Yet, ever since Antiquity, women have always kept lingerie hidden away under outer garments. Thus, lingerie must be more than erotic bait. Authors Muriel Barbier and Shazia Boucher have researched iconography to explore the relationship of lingerie to society, the economy and the corridors of intimacy. They correlate lingerie with emancipation, querying whether it asserts newfound freedoms or simply adjusts to conform to changing social values. The result is a rigorous scientific rationale spiced with a zest of humour. And the tinier lingerie gets, the more scholarly attention it deserves.

## 1000 Erotic Works of Genius

Miller's groundbreaking first novel, banned in Britain for almost thirty years.

### Born to Be Posthumous

The definitive biography of Edward Gorey, the eccentric master of macabre nonsense. From *The Gashlycrumb Tinies* to *The Doubtful Guest*, Edward Gorey's wickedly funny and deliciously sinister little books have influenced our culture in innumerable ways, from the works of Tim Burton and Neil Gaiman to Lemony Snicket. Some even call him the Grandfather of Goth. But who was this man, who lived with over twenty thousand books and six cats, who roomed with Frank O'Hara at Harvard, and was known--in the late 1940s, no less--to traipse around in full-length fur coats, clanking bracelets, and an Edwardian beard? An eccentric, a gregarious recluse, an enigmatic auteur of whimsically morbid masterpieces, yes--but who was the real Edward Gorey behind the Oscar Wildean pose? He published over a hundred books and illustrated works by Samuel Beckett, T.S. Eliot, Edward Lear, John Updike, Charles Dickens, Hilaire Belloc, Muriel Spark, Bram Stoker, Gilbert & Sullivan, and others. At the same time, he was a deeply complicated and conflicted individual, a man whose art reflected his obsessions with the disquieting and the darkly hilarious. Based on newly uncovered correspondence and interviews with personalities as diverse as John Ashbery, Donald Hall, Lemony Snicket, Neil Gaiman, and Anna Sui, *BORN TO BE POSTHUMOUS* draws back the curtain on the eccentric genius and mysterious life of Edward Gorey.

### A week of kindness or the seven deadly elements

A New York Times Notable Book of 2017 The 25 Most Anticipated Books by Women for 2017, Elle Magazine The 32 Most Exciting Books Coming Out in 2017, BuzzFeed 50 Books We Can't Wait to Read in 2017, Nylon Magazine 33 New Books to Read in 2017, The Huffington Post Most Anticipated, The Great 2017 Book Preview, The Millions New York Times Book Review Editor's Choice National Bestseller "Brilliant and incendiary. . . . Radically new, full of maniacal invention and page-turning momentum. . . . Yuknavitch has exhibited a rare gift for writing that concedes little in its quest to be authentic, meaningful and relevant. By adding speculative elements to *The Book of Joan*, she reaches new heights with even higher stakes: the death or life of our planet." — Jeff VanderMeer, New York Times Book Review (cover review) "Stunning. . . . Yuknavitch understands that our collective narrative can either destroy or redeem us, and the outcome depends not just on who's telling it, but also on who's listening." — O, The Oprah Magazine "[A] searing fusion of literary fiction and reimagined history and science-fiction thriller and eco-fantasy. . . . Yuknavitch is a bold and ecstatic writer." — NPR Books "[*The Book of Joan*] offers a wealth of pathos, with plenty of resonant excruciations and some disturbing meditations on humanity's place in creation . . . [It] concludes in a bold and satisfying apotheosis like some legend out of *The Golden Bough* and reaffirms that even amid utter devastation and ruin, hope can still blossom." — Washington Post The bestselling author of *The Small Backs of Children* offers a vision of our near-extinction and a heroine—a reimagined Joan of Arc—poised to save a world

ravaged by war, violence, and greed, and forever change history, in this provocative new novel. In the near future, world wars have transformed the earth into a battleground. Fleeing the unending violence and the planet's now-radioactive surface, humans have regrouped to a mysterious platform known as CIEL, hovering over their erstwhile home. The changed world has turned evolution on its head: the surviving humans have become sexless, hairless, pale-white creatures floating in isolation, inscribing stories upon their skin. Out of the ranks of the endless wars rises Jean de Men, a charismatic and bloodthirsty cult leader who turns CIEL into a quasi-corporate police state. A group of rebels unite to dismantle his iron rule—galvanized by the heroic song of Joan, a child-warrior who possesses a mysterious force that lives within her and communes with the earth. When de Men and his armies turn Joan into a martyr, the consequences are astonishing. And no one—not the rebels, Jean de Men, or even Joan herself—can foresee the way her story and unique gift will forge the destiny of an entire world for generations. A riveting tale of destruction and love found in the direst of places—even at the extreme end of post-human experience—Lidia Yuknavitch's *The Book of Joan* raises questions about what it means to be human, the fluidity of sex and gender, and the role of art as a means for survival.

## **Hereditary Genius**

For more than ten years, former graduate student David Jones has been living hand-to-mouth in a basement apartment in the slums of New York, working in secret on his brilliant invention, the Pitchpipe. The Pitchpipe, when complete, will give him the ability to reconfigure the consciousness of any person - allowing unlimited control of their minds. The Pitchpipe brings David into a world of dominance and submission he didn't even know existed, and into conflict with a haughty dominatrix who finds his sudden appearance and absolute mastery of beautiful slave girls - who'll do literally anything he wishes - an unacceptable challenge. Though he treasures his lovely "instruments" and meets every setback with intelligence and humor, the conflict soon escalates out of control. The end of David's risky journey through strange seas of thought and the dark underside of New York's nightlife is far from certain. To save himself and what he's accomplished from the vicious mistress, he will have to become the Maestro.

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## **1000 Drawings of Genius**

The great surrealist's collage masterpiece was printed in 1934 in a limited edition of five now-priceless pamphlets. This single-volume edition contains all of the

original publication's 182 bizarre, darkly humorous scenes of violent dreams and erotic fantasies. "One of the clandestine classics of our century." — The New York Times.

## **1000 Erotic Works of Gnius**

Research. It was all in the name of research, or that's what Catarena keeps telling herself every time she meets Maverick online. In exchange for his knowledge of D/s relationships, Catarena willingly becomes his apt pupil, giving over her mind, body and soul to his commands. Their relationship seems to be made in online heaven until the webcam turns on, unveiling a familiar face to Catarena's startled eyes. Mason can't get his cyber student out of his mind. BlackCat is a dream come true to this dominant man, every lesson bringing them closer to the brink of something wonderful. But when he tries to heat things up by turning on the camera, something goes incredibly wrong and his Kitten runs from him. Finding his cyber vixen proves to be a hopeless mission until fate steps in, revealing Catarena in the most unlikely of places.

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## **Boundaries**

With the incomparable vision and breathtaking detail that brought his now-classic Mars trilogy to vivid life, bestselling author KIM STANLEY ROBINSON boldly imagines an alternate history of the last seven hundred years. In his grandest work yet, the acclaimed storyteller constructs a world vastly different from the one we know. The Years of Rice and Salt It is the fourteenth century and one of the most apocalyptic events in human history is set to occur—the coming of the Black Death. History teaches us that a third of Europe’s population was destroyed. But what if? What if the plague killed 99 percent of the population instead? How would the world have changed? This is a look at the history that could have been—a history that stretches across centuries, a history that sees dynasties and nations rise and crumble, a history that spans horrible famine and magnificent innovation. These are the years of rice and salt. This is a universe where the first ship to reach the New World travels across the Pacific Ocean from China and colonization spreads from west to east. This is a universe where the Industrial Revolution is triggered by the world’s greatest scientific minds—in India. This is a universe where Buddhism and Islam are the most influential and practiced religions and Christianity is merely a historical footnote. Through the eyes of soldiers and kings, explorers and philosophers, slaves and scholars, Robinson renders an immensely rich tapestry. Rewriting history and probing the most profound questions as only he can, Robinson shines his extraordinary light on the place of religion, culture, power, and even love on such an Earth. From the steppes of Asia to the shores of the Western Hemisphere, from the age of Akbar to the present and beyond, here is the stunning story of the creation of a new world. From the Hardcover edition.

## **Maestro**

Anyone can master the fundamentals of game design - no technological expertise is necessary. The Art of Game Design: A Book of Lenses shows that the same basic principles of psychology that work for board games, card games and athletic games also are the keys to making top-quality videogames. Good game design happens when you view your game from many different perspectives, or lenses. While touring through the unusual territory that is game design, this book gives the reader one hundred of these lenses - one hundred sets of insightful questions to ask yourself that will help make your game better. These lenses are gathered from

fields as diverse as psychology, architecture, music, visual design, film, software engineering, theme park design, mathematics, writing, puzzle design, and anthropology. Anyone who reads this book will be inspired to become a better game designer - and will understand how to do it.

## **Thoughtless**

For almost two years now, Kiera's boyfriend, Denny, has been everything she's ever wanted: loving, tender, and endlessly devoted to her. When they head off to a new city to start their lives together, Denny at his dream job and Kiera at a top-notch university, everything seems perfect. Then an unforeseen obligation forces the happy couple apart. Feeling lonely, confused, and in need of comfort, Kiera turns to an unexpected source - a local rock star named Kellan Kyle. At first, he's purely a friend that she can lean on, but as her loneliness grows, so does their relationship. And then one night everything changes . . . and one thing's for sure - nothing will ever be the same.

## **1000 Watercolours of Genius**

Jason Carrington is a millionaire hotelier. He's a man that's never had to take no for an answer, who gets what he wants, when he wants it, no questions asked. Until he meets Celise Markam. In the midst of searching for the person responsible for sabotaging his hotel, he walks the first woman to tame Jason's burning need. Celise Markam may be a spoiled and pampered heiress on the surface, but beneath that media created facade lies a passion desperate to break free. Her surge to independence comes when she breaks her engagement and moves to Monterey, California to venture into the restaurant business. She has a plan for her future, one she's not willing to let anyone--fiancé or relative--change. Her life is her own and she's ready to do whatever is necessary to make her dreams come true. Then she spends the night with Jason Carrington and everything Celise thought she knew about love disintegrates in the flames of their desire. Inexplicably drawn to each other, Celise and Jason ignite a fire bound to burn until someone gets hurt.

## **Laura Meets Jeffrey**

Translation of the author's Paris eros: das imagin'are museum der erotik.

## **The Story of Lingerie**

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## **Erotic Art**

Ovid's magnificent panorama of the Greek and Roman myths-presented by a noted poet, scholar, and critic. Prized through the ages for its splendor and its savage, sophisticated wit, *The Metamorphoses* is a masterpiece of Western culture-the first attempt to link all the Greek myths, before and after Homer, in a cohesive whole, to the Roman myths of Ovid's day. Horace Gregory, in this modern translation, turns his own poetic gifts toward a deft reconstruction of Ovid's ancient themes, using contemporary idiom to bring to today's reader all the ageless drama and psychological truths vividly intact.

## **The Book of Joan**

Cassie Wright, porn princess, intends to cap her legendary career by breaking the world record for serial fornication. On camera. With six hundred men. Snuff unfolds from the perspectives of Mr 72, Mr 137 and Mr 600, who await their turn on camera in a very crowded green room

## **1000 Erotic Works of Genius**

When asked about Picasso, towards the end of his life, what was the difference between art and eroticism, he replied meditatively and dreamily: "But there is no difference." others feared eroticism, Picasso warned against the dangerous experiments of art: "Art is never chaste, it should be kept away from all innocent ignorant. People insufficiently prepared should never come into contact with him. Yes, art is dangerous. When he is chaste, he is no longer art." The notion of erotic art is surrounded by a halo of hypocritical, deceptive and dissimulating concepts: art or pornography, sex or eroticism, obscenity or originality, these attempts at distinction and determination mix too much for an objective clarification to be possible. When can we talk about "erotic art"? Hans Jurgens.

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„All living beings are Buddhas and have wisdom and virtue within them. (Buddha) Buddha ranks among the most often depicted holy figures of the world perhaps appearing more than Christ, a subject widely treated by Western artists. Venerated in all the nations of Asia, and even beyond, his image took form along the Silk Road, the birthplace of many schools of Buddhism. Indeed, the Buddhist religion recognises many Buddhas representing various traditions: such as Buddhism of „the Ancient Teaching% (Theravada), of „the Great Vehicle% (Mahayana) and Tantric Buddhism (Vajrayana). A figure adored by all, Buddha has been depicted

in every art form: sculpture, often of monumental size, like the now destroyed Buddhas of Bamyán, painting, and above all in countless cave murals, such as those of Ajanta in India or Dunhuang in China. Perfect for all those passionate about Asian art, from neophytes to Buddhists, this fascinating work invites the reader to discover or rediscover Buddha, his history, his codes, but also his innumerable faces through one thousand representations selected from among the most beautiful works held in the world's greatest museums.

## **Tropic of Cancer (Harper Perennial Modern Classics)**

Now available as an ebook for the first time ever in America, the bestselling coming-of-age classic novel by John Irving—the 40th anniversary edition with a new introduction by the author. “He is more than popular. He is a Populist, determined to keep alive the Dickensian tradition that revels in colorful set pieces and teaches moral lessons.”—The New York Times The opening sentence of John Irving's breakout novel *The World According to Garp* signals the start of sexual violence, which becomes increasingly political. “Garp's mother, Jenny Fields, was arrested in Boston in 1942 for wounding a man in a movie theater.” Jenny is an unmarried nurse; she becomes a single mom and a feminist leader, beloved but polarizing. Her son, Garp, is less beloved, but no less polarizing. From the tragicomic tone of its first sentence to its mordantly funny last line—“we are all terminal cases”—*The World According to Garp* maintains a breakneck pace. The subject of sexual hatred—of intolerance of sexual minorities and differences—runs the gamut of “lunacy and sorrow.” Winner of the National Book Award, *Garp* is a comedy with forebodings of doom. In more than thirty languages, in more than forty countries—with more than ten million copies in print—*Garp* is the precursor of John Irving's later protest novels.

## **The Erotic Orient**

King is arrogant, cocky, and everything your heart tells you to stay away from. Ever is sassy and strong willed. Together these two are explosive but getting there is a challenge. A challenge King happily accepts no matter how bad Ever fights it. Synopsis- Kingsley Lennox, AKA King, has been dubbed a genius of the architectural world. Anything he touches turns to gold, and being as successful as he is, his work is his number one priority. He doesn't have time to date or deal with the slew of women that gawk at him just because of his perfect face and chiseled body. Plus, no one has interested him enough to give a shit, until the smart mouthed Everly Adams, AKA Ever, wakes to the noise of him restoring the building next door to hers. Ever, like King, doesn't have the time or the desire to date, she's been through so much. So when she meets King, she can't help but want nothing at all to do with the arrogant asshole. For one, they share nothing in common. For another, he's pompous, cocky, and throws his money around as if that will win her heart. Did I mention he's fucking crazy and very controlling? No, thank you! But when King sets his mind to something, he accomplishes it always has, always will. Ever is the biggest challenge he's faced, but will she be the only person he can't impress? Can King win her over, all while hiding the truth about who he really is? \*\*\*This book is an Erotic Romance novel and contains mature subject matter. It is not intended for those under 18 years of age.\*\*\*

## **The Years of Rice and Salt**

This fascinating book by one of Britain's most acclaimed Shakespeare scholars explores the extraordinary staying-power of the world's most famous dramatist. Bate opens by taking up questions of authorship and then goes on to trace Shakespeare's canonization and near-deification, examining not only the uniqueness of his status among English-speaking readers but also his effect on literary cultures across the globe. Ambitious, wide-ranging, and historically rich, this book shapes a provocative inquiry into the nature of genius as it ponders the legacy of a talent unequalled in English letters. A bold and meticulous work of scholarship, *The Genius of Shakespeare* is also lively and accessibly written and will appeal to any reader who has marveled at the Bard and the enduring power of his work. This tenth anniversary edition has a new twenty-page afterword that addresses the renewed interest in Shakespeare and recent film adaptations of his most celebrated works.

## **Wanting You**

From the early Renaissance through Baroque and Romanticism to Cubism, Surrealism, and Pop, these canonical works of Western Art span eight centuries and a vast range of subjects. Here are the sacred and the scandalous, the minimalist and the opulent, the groundbreaking and the conventional. There are paintings that captured the feeling of an era and those that signaled the beginning of a new one. Works of art that were immediately recognised for their genius, and others that were at first met with resistance. All have stood the test of time and in their own ways contribute to the dialectic on what makes a painting great, how notions of art have changed, to what degree art reflects reality, and to what degree it alters it. Brought together, these great works illuminate the changing preoccupations and insights of our ancestors, and give us pause to consider which paintings from our own era will ultimately join the canon.

## **Angel Over My Shoulder**

An artist's extraordinary challenge to himself reveals the genius of Michelangelo in the making. Many believe Michelangelo's talent was miraculous and untrained, the product of "divine" genius—a myth that Michelangelo himself promoted by way of cementing his legacy. But the young Michelangelo studied his craft like any Renaissance apprentice, learning from a master, copying, and experimenting with materials and styles. In this extraordinary book, Alan Pascuzzi recounts the young Michelangelo's journey from student to master, using the artist's drawings to chart his progress and offering unique insight into the true nature of his mastery. Pascuzzi himself is today a practicing artist in Florence, Michelangelo's city. When he was a grad student in art history, he won a Fulbright to "apprentice" himself to Michelangelo: to study his extant drawings and copy them to discern his progression in technique, composition, and mastery of anatomy. Pascuzzi also relied on the Renaissance treatise that "Il Divino" himself would have been familiar with, Cennino Cennini's *The Craftsman's Handbook* (1399), which was available to apprentices as a kind of textbook of the period. Pascuzzi's narrative traces Michelangelo's development as an artist during the period from roughly 1485, the

start of his apprenticeship, to his completion of the Sistine Chapel ceiling in 1512. Analyzing Michelangelo's burgeoning abilities through copies he himself executed in museums and galleries in Florence and elsewhere, Pascuzzi unlocks the transformation that made him great. At the same time, he narrates his own transformation from student to artist as Michelangelo's last apprentice.

## **Sex in the Cities**

Three brothers and their relations in 19th century Russia provide the base for a sweeping epic overview of human striving, folly and hope. First published in 1880, *The Brothers Karamazov* is a landmark work in every respect. Revolving around shiftless father Fyodor Pavlovich Karamazov are the fates of his three sons, each of whom has fortunes entwined with the others. The eldest son, Dimitri, seeks an inheritance from his father and becomes his rival in love. Ivan, the second son, is so at odds with the world that he is driven near to madness, while the youngest, Alexi, is a man of faith and a natural optimist. These personalities are drawn out and tested in a crucible of conflict and emotion as the author forces upon them fundamental questions of morality, faith, reason and responsibility. This charged situation is pushed to its limit by the addition of the unthinkable, murder and possible patricide. Using shifting viewpoints and delving into the minds of his characters, Dostoevsky adopted fresh techniques to tell his wide-reaching story with power and startling effectiveness. *The Brothers Karamazov* remains one of the most respected and celebrated novels in all literature and continues to reward readers beyond expectation. With an eye-catching new cover, and professionally typeset manuscript, this edition of *The Brothers Karamazov* is both modern and readable.

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