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The New Bottoming Book

Oct 24 2020 Three decades ago, this book and its companion volume "The New Topping Book" began teaching tens of thousands of people the joyous arts of BDSM topping and bottoming - not just "how-to," but "why-to"... the insider details of emotional support and ethical interaction during kinky play. Since then, the growing popularity of BDSM, and the blossoming of the Internet as a source of information and connection, have created a whole new universe of possibilities for players. Now, the completely updated revised New Bottoming Book and New Topping Book give even more insights and ideas, updated for a new millennium, about how to be a successful, popular player! What the experts are saying "The only way I can

think of to learn more about bottoming than Dossie Easton and Janet Hardy teach you in [The New Bottoming Book] is to go out and bottom for yourself." - William A. Henkin, Ph.D., co-author, Consensual Sadomasochism

I'm Fine, But You Appear to Be Sinking Mar 09 2022 In *I'm Fine, But You Appear to Be Sinking* the strange and the mundane collide. These are stories of strange experiences set in familiar places, and of familiar experiences set in strange places. Many of the pieces in *I'm Fine* take place close to home, in suburban neighborhoods, or rural communities. The settings are conventional, yet something unexpected, or even magical, is occurring. In one piece, a couple speculates about random objects that appear without reason in their

backyard. In another, neighbors try to figure out if a local meth dealer is keeping a live tiger captive on his property. In other pieces, it's the setting that's fantastical, but the characters' reactions that remain ordinary, like in the titular story where a journalist lost at sea and hunted by a mythical ocean creature admits to struggling with loneliness and isolation in much the same way he does even when he's safe at home. Although they are not directly linked by any specific character, the pieces in this collection are bound through reoccurring imagery and a shared theme of protagonists in emotional peril. There are unexpected appearances and disappearances, movement of inanimate objects, the search for something lost, the finding of something unusual. There are prophecies, dreams, unidentifiable creatures, and environmental catastrophes on a scale both large and small. There are action figures and octopuses, sullen teenagers and missing cats. At their core,

these stories are imbued with mystery, oddity, humor, and empathy. They each stand on their own, but mean considerably more when read together.

Unto the Sons Oct 16 2022 "An Italian ROOTS." —The Washington Post Book World At long last, Gay Talese, one of America's greatest living authors, employs his prodigious storytelling gifts to tell the saga of his own family's emigration to America from Italy in the years preceding World War II. Ultimately it is the story of all immigrant families and the hope and sacrifice that took them from the familiarity of the old world into the mysteries and challenges of the new.

Last Chance Texaco Sep 03 2021 A tender and intimate memoir by one of the most remarkable, trailblazing, and tenacious women in music, the two-time Grammy Award-winning "premiere song-stylist and songwriter of her generation" (Hilton Als), Rickie Lee Jones. This troubadour life is only for the fiercest hearts,

only for those vessels that can be broken to smithereens and still keep beating out the rhythm for a new song. Last Chance Texaco is the first-ever no-holds-barred account of the life of two-time Grammy Award-winner Rickie Lee Jones in her own words. It is a tale of desperate chances and impossible triumphs, an adventure story of a girl who beat the odds and grew up to become one of the most legendary artists of her time, turning adversity and hopelessness into timeless music. With candor and lyricism, the "Duchess of Coolsville" (Time) takes us on a singular journey through her nomadic childhood, to her years as a teenage runaway, through her legendary love affair with Tom Waits and ultimately her longevity as the hardest working woman in rock and roll. Rickie Lee's stories are rich with the infamous characters of her early songs - "Chuck-E's in Love," "Weasel and the White Boys Cool," "Danny's All-Star Joint," and "Easy Money"— but long

before her notoriety in show business, there was a vaudevillian cast of hitchhikers, bank robbers, jail breaks, drug mules, a pimp with a heart of gold and tales of her fabled ancestors. In this tender and intimate memoir by one of the most remarkable, trailblazing, and tenacious women in music are never-before-told stories of the girl in the raspberry beret, a singer-songwriter whose music defied categorization and inspired American pop culture for decades.

The Gay Talese Reader Apr 10 2022 As a young reporter for The New York Times, in 1961 Gay Talese published his first book, *New York-A Serendipiter's Journey*, a series of vignettes and essays that began, "New York is a city of things unnoticed. It is a city with cats sleeping under parked cars, two stone armadillos crawling up St. Patrick's Cathedral, and thousands of ants creeping on top of the Empire State Building." Attention to detail and observation of the unnoticed is the hallmark of

Gay Talese's writing, and *The Gay Talese Reader* brings together the best of his essays and classic profiles. This collection opens with "New York Is a City of Things Unnoticed," and includes "Silent Season of a Hero" (about Joe DiMaggio), "Ali in Havana," and "Looking for Hemingway" as well as several other favorite pieces. It also features a previously unpublished article on the infamous case of Lorena and John Wayne Bobbitt, and concludes with the autobiographical pieces that are among Talese's finest writings. These works give insight into the progression of a writer at the pinnacle of his craft. Whether he is detailing the unseen and sometimes quirky world of New York City or profiling Ol' Blue Eyes in "Frank Sinatra Has a Cold," Talese captures his subjects—be they famous, infamous, or merely unusual—in his own inimitable, elegant fashion. The essays and profiles collected in *The Gay Talese Reader* are works of art, each carefully

crafted to create a portrait of an unforgettable individual, place or moment.

A Writer's Life May 31 2021

The inner workings of a writer's life, the interplay between experience and writing, are brilliantly recounted by a master of the art. Gay Talese now focuses on his own life—the zeal for the truth, the narrative edge, the sometimes startling precision, that won accolades for his journalism and best-sellerdom and acclaim for his revelatory books about *The New York Times* (*The Kingdom and the Power*), the Mafia (*Honor Thy Father*), the sex industry (*Thy Neighbor's Wife*), and, focusing on his own family, the American immigrant experience (*Unto the Sons*). How has Talese found his subjects? What has stimulated, blocked, or inspired his writing? Here are his amateur beginnings on his college newspaper; his professional climb at *The New York Times*; his desire to write on a larger canvas, which led him to magazine writing at *Esquire*

and then to books. We see his involvement with issues of race from his student days in the Deep South to a recent interracial wedding in Selma, Alabama, where he once covered the fierce struggle for civil rights. Here are his reflections on the changing American sexual mores he has written about over the last fifty years, and a striking look at the lives—and their meaning—of Lorena and John Bobbitt. He takes us behind the scenes of his legendary profile of Frank Sinatra, his writings about Joe DiMaggio and heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson, and his interview with the head of a Mafia family. But he is at his most poignant in talking about the ordinary men and women whose stories led to his most memorable work. In remarkable fashion, he traces the history of a single restaurant location in New York, creating an ethnic mosaic of one restaurateur after the other whose dreams were dashed while a successor's were born. And as he delves into the life of a young female

Chinese soccer player, we see his consuming interest in the world in its latest manifestation. In these and other recollections and stories, Talese gives us a fascinating picture of both the serendipity and meticulousness involved in getting a story. He makes clear that every one of us represents a good one, if a writer has the curiosity to know it, the diligence to pursue it, and the desire to get it right. Candid, humorous, deeply impassioned—a dazzling book about the nature of writing in one man's life, and of writing itself.

The Moment of Psycho Sep 22 2020 In "The Moment of Psycho," film critic David Thomson situates "Psycho" in Alfred Hitchcock's career, recreating the mood and time when the seminal film erupted onto film screens worldwide. Thomson brilliantly demonstrates how Hitchcock's creation represented all America wanted from a film-- and still does.

You Don't Belong Here Nov 24 2020 The long-buried story

of three extraordinary female journalists who permanently shattered the barriers to women covering war. Kate Webb, an Australian iconoclast, Catherine Leroy, a French daredevil photographer, and Frances FitzGerald, a blue-blood American intellectual, arrived in Vietnam with starkly different life experiences but one shared purpose: to report on the most consequential story of the decade. At a time when women were considered unfit to be foreign reporters, Frankie, Catherine and Kate challenged the rules imposed on them by the military, ignored the belittlement of their male peers, and ultimately altered the craft of war reportage for generations. In *You Don't Belong Here*, Elizabeth Becker uses these women's work and lives to illuminate the Vietnam War from the 1965 American buildup, the expansion into Cambodia, and the American defeat and its aftermath. Arriving herself in the last years of the war, Becker writes as a historian and a witness of

the times. What emerges is an unforgettable story of three journalists forging their place in a land of men, often at great personal sacrifice. Deeply reported and filled with personal letters, interviews, and profound insight, *You Don't Belong Here* fills a void in the history of women and of war. 'A riveting read with much to say about the nature of war and the different ways men and women correspondents cover it. Frank, fast-paced, often engaging, *You Don't Belong Here* speaks to the distance travelled and the journey still ahead.' —Geraldine Brooks, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *March*, former Wall Street Journal foreign correspondent 'Riveting, powerful and transformative, Elizabeth Becker's *You Don't Belong Here* tells the stories of three astonishing women. This is a timely and brilliant work from one of our most extraordinary war correspondents.'

—Madeleine Thien, Booker Prize finalist and author of *Do Not Say We Have Nothing*

13th Floor Elevators Jan 27

2021 Born out of a union of club bands on the burgeoning Austin bohemian scene and a pronounced taste for hallucinogens, the 13th Floor Elevators were formed in late 1965 when lyricist Tommy Hall asked a local singer named Roky Erickson to join up with his new rock outfit. Four years, three official albums and countless acid trips later, it was over: the Elevators' pioneering first run ended in a dizzying jumble of professional mismanagement, internal arguments, drug busts and forced psychiatric imprisonments. In their short existence, however, the group succeeded in blowing the lid off the budding musical underground, logging early salvos in the countercultural struggle against state authorities, and turning their deeply hallucinogenic take on jug-band garage rock into a new American institution called psychedelic music. Before the hippies, before the punks, there were the 13th Floor Elevators: an unlikely crew of outcast weirdo geniuses who

changed culture. Paul Drummond has spent years documenting every aspect of the history of this amazing band and amassing an unprecedented archive of primary materials, resulting in this comprehensive visual history. The book recounts the story not just of the Elevators as a band--wild and remarkable though it is--but that of the American counterculture itself: the hallucinogens, the rebellion and the truly profound music that resulted. The 13th Floor Elevators: A Visual History places the band finally and undeniably in the pantheon of innovators of American rock music to which they have always belonged.

Whiteout Conditions Dec 26 2020 "The condition of Whiteout Conditions is the North American sublime, a grim, gnomic, hilarious dialect Tariq Shah inherits from Denis Johnson, Don DeLillo, the Coen Brothers, The Jesus Lizard, and Colson Whitehead. —Jess Row, author of *Your Face in Mine* and *White Flights* Ant is back in Chicago for a funeral, and he

typically enjoys funerals. Since most of his family has passed away, he finds himself attracted to their endearing qualities: the hyperbolic language, the stoner altar boy, seeing friends in suits for the first time. That is, until the tragic death of Ray — Ant's childhood friend, Vince's teenage cousin. Ray was the younger third-wheel that Ant and Vince were stuck babysitting while in high school, and his sudden death makes national news. In the depths of a brutal Midwest winter, Ant rides with Vince through the falling snow to Ray's funeral, an event that has been accruing a sense of consequence. With a poet's sensibility, Shah navigates the murky responsibilities of adulthood, grief, toxic masculinity, and the tragedy of revenge in this haunting Midwestern noir.

A Book About Love Apr 17 2020 "Jonah Lehrer has a lot to offer the world....The book is interesting on nearly every page....Good writers make writing look easy, but what

people like Lehrer do is not easy at all." —David Brooks, The New York Times Book Review Science writer Jonah Lehrer explores the mysterious subject of love. Weaving together scientific studies from clinical psychologists, longitudinal studies of health and happiness, historical accounts and literary depictions, child-rearing manuals, and the language of online dating sites, Jonah Lehrer's *A Book About Love* plumbs the most mysterious, most formative, most important impulse governing our lives. Love confuses and compels us—and it can destroy and define us. It has inspired our greatest poetry, defined our societies and our beliefs, and governs our biology. From the way infants attach to their parents, to the way we fall in love with another person, to the way some find a love for God or their pets, to the way we remember and mourn love after it ends, this book focuses on research that attempts, even in glancing ways, to deal with the long-term and the

everyday. The most dangerous myth of love is that it's easy, that we fall into the feeling and then the feeling takes care of itself. While we can easily measure the dopamine that causes the initial feelings of "falling" in love, the partnerships and devotions that last decades or longer remain a mystery. This book is about that mystery. Love, Lehrer argues, is not built solely on overwhelming passion, but, fascinatingly, on a set of skills to be cultivated over a lifetime.

Thy Neighbor's Wife Nov 17 2022 The provocative classic work newly updated An intimate personal odyssey across America's changing sexual landscape When first published, Gay Talese's 1981 groundbreaking work, *Thy Neighbor's Wife*, shocked a nation with its powerful, eye-opening revelations about the sexual activities and proclivities of the American public in the era before AIDS. A marvel of journalistic courage and craft, the book opened a window into a new

world built on a new moral foundation, carrying the reader on a remarkable journey from the Playboy Mansion to the Supreme Court, to the backyards and bedrooms of suburbia—through the development of the porn industry, the rise of the "swinger" culture, the legal fight to define obscenity, and the daily sex lives of "ordinary" people. It is the book that forever changed the way Americans look at themselves and one another.

Investigative Uses of Technology Jan 15 2020
Surfing Armageddon Nov 05 2021 Having moved from the richest suburb in America to a plantation in Florida (which his father dreams of recreating as Tara, the mansion from *Gone with the Wind*), George Tabb enters late adolescence with a black leather jacket and a penchant for punk rock -- quirks that don't sit well with his conservative Southern classmates. In *Surfing Armageddon*, Tabb shares his painfully funny recollections of teenage rebellion, family

turmoil, and an abusive father with black humor and real humanity.

The Voyeur's Motel Jan 19 2023

The Lost Art of Reading Nov 12 2019 Reading is a revolutionary act, an act of engagement in a culture that wants us to disengage. In *The Lost Art of Reading*, David L. Ulin asks a number of timely questions - why is literature important? What does it offer, especially now? Blending commentary with memoir, Ulin addresses the importance of the simple act of reading in an increasingly digital culture. Reading a book, flipping through hard pages, or shuffling them on screen - it doesn't matter. The key is the act of reading, and it's seriousness and depth. Ulin emphasizes the importance of reflection and pause allowed by stopping to read a book, and the accompanying focus required to let the mind run free in a world that is not one's own. Are we willing to risk our collective interest in contemplation, nuanced

thinking, and empathy? Far from preaching to the choir, *The Lost Art of Reading* is a call to arms, or rather, to pages.

Spy of the First Person Apr 29 2021 The final work from the Pulitzer Prize-winning writer, actor, and musician, drawn from his transformative last days In searing, beautiful prose, Sam Shepard's extraordinary narrative leaps off the page with its immediacy and power. It tells in a brilliant braid of voices the story of an unnamed narrator who traces, before our rapt eyes, his memories of work, adventure, and travel as he undergoes medical tests and treatments for a condition that is rendering him more and more dependent on the loved ones who are caring for him. The narrator's memories and preoccupations often echo those of our current moment—for here are stories of immigration and community, inclusion and exclusion, suspicion and trust. But at the book's core, and his, is family—his relationships with

those he loved, and with the natural world around him. Vivid, haunting, and deeply moving, *Spy of the First Person* takes us from the sculpted gardens of a renowned clinic in Arizona to the blue waters surrounding Alcatraz, from a New Mexico border town to a condemned building on New York City's Avenue C. It is an unflinching expression of the vulnerabilities that make us human—and an unbound celebration of family and life.

The Monstrous-Feminine Jul 01 2021 In almost all critical writings on the horror film, woman is conceptualised only as victim. In *The Monstrous-Feminine* Barbara Creed challenges this patriarchal view by arguing that the prototype of all definitions of the monstrous is the female reproductive body. With close reference to a number of classic horror films including the *Alien* trilogy, T

Golden Age Feb 08 2022 From the winner of the Pulitzer Prize: the much-anticipated final volume, following *Some Luck* and *Early Warning*, of her

acclaimed American trilogy—a richly absorbing new novel that brings the remarkable Langdon family into our present times and beyond. A lot can happen in one hundred years, as Jane Smiley shows to dazzling effect in her *Last Hundred Years* trilogy. But as *Golden Age*, its final installment, opens in 1987, the next generation of Langdons face economic, social, political—and personal—challenges unlike anything their ancestors have encountered before. Michael and Richie, the rivalrous twin sons of World War II hero Frank, work in the high-stakes world of government and finance in Washington and New York, but they soon realize that one's fiercest enemies can be closest to home; Charlie, the charming, recently found scion, struggles with whether he wishes to make a mark on the world; and Guthrie, once poised to take over the Langdons' Iowa farm, is instead deployed to Iraq, leaving the land—ever the heart of this compelling saga—in the capable hands of

his younger sister. Determined to evade disaster, for the planet and her family, Felicity worries that the farm's once-bountiful soil may be permanently imperiled, by more than the extremes of climate change. And as they enter deeper into the twenty-first century, all the Langdon women—wives, mothers, daughters—find themselves charged with carrying their storied past into an uncertain future. Combining intimate drama, emotional suspense, and a full command of history, *Golden Age* brings to a magnificent conclusion the century-spanning portrait of this unforgettable family—and the dynamic times in which they've loved, lived, and died: a crowning literary achievement from a beloved master of American storytelling.

Liquid Surveillance Aug 02
2021 "Today the smallest details of our daily lives are tracked and traced more closely than ever before, and those who are monitored often cooperate willingly with the monitors. From London and

New York to New Delhi, Shanghai and Rio de Janeiro, video cameras are a familiar and accepted sight in public places. Air travel now commonly involves devices such as body-scanners and biometric checks that have proliferated in the wake of 9/11. And every day Google and credit-card issuers note the details of our habits, concerns and preferences, quietly prompting customized marketing strategies with our active, all too often zealous cooperation. In today's liquid modern world, the paths of daily life are mobile and flexible. Crossing national borders is a commonplace activity and immersion in social media increasingly ubiquitous. Today's citizens, workers, consumers and travellers are always on the move but often lacking certainty and lasting bonds. But in this world where spaces may not be fixed and time is boundless, our perpetual motion does not go unnoticed. Surveillance spreads in hitherto unimaginable ways, responding

to and reproducing the slippery nature of modern life, seeping into areas where it once had only marginal sway. In this book the surveillance analysis of David Lyon meets the liquid modern world so insightfully dissected by Zygmunt Bauman. Is a dismal future of moment-by-moment monitoring closing in, or are there still spaces of freedom and hope? How do we realize our responsibility for the human beings before us, often lost in discussions of data and categorization? Dealing with questions of power, technology and morality, this book is a brilliant analysis of what it means to be watched – and watching – today.

The Art of Dreaming Jan 07
2022 Bestselling author Carlos Castaneda introduces readers to the worlds that exist within their dreams.

The Night Window May 19
2020 NEW YORK TIMES
BESTSELLER • Jane Hawk's one-woman war comes to an explosive climax as the rogue FBI agent gambles everything against a terrifying conspiracy, for vengeance, for justice, and

for humanity's freedom—from the author of *The Silent Corner*. "Jane Hawk is arguably the best character Koontz has created. . . . Simply put, wow."—Associated Press A visionary young filmmaker hunted for sport across a vast Colorado ranch by the celebrated billionaire at the heart of a monstrous cabal . . . A brilliant computer hacker slipping through top-secret databases a whisper ahead of security trackers, gathering the facts to fight the all-powerful perpetrators of mass murder . . . A pair of brutal operators, methodically shadowing their targets with every cutting-edge tool in the arsenal of today's surveillance state . . . A sequence of quiet heroes—everyday citizens—stepping up, stepping forward, intent on countering the advancing darkness . . . A Vegas mob boss teamed with a homicidal sociopath, circling a beloved boy and his protectors, aiming to secure him as leverage against his fugitive mother . . . And that fugitive mother herself, ex-agent Jane

Hawk, closing in on the malevolent architects of ruin she has stalked as they stalk her, prepared to sacrifice herself to finally bring them down. These are the people and circumstances of *The Night Window*, the thrilling new novel in Dean Koontz's acclaimed Jane Hawk series. Replete—and then some—with the ingenious twists, the spellbinding action, the resonant themes, the sheer heart that have characterized Jane's journey from the start, *The Night Window* follows its extraordinary heroine to her long-sought objective, in a stunning, unforgettable finale. Don't miss any of Dean Koontz's gripping Jane Hawk thrillers: *THE SILENT CORNER* • *THE WHISPERING ROOM* • *THE CROOKED STAIRCASE* • *THE FORBIDDEN DOOR* • *THE NIGHT WINDOW* "The spectacular finale to Jane's story . . . will hit series fans with all the impact of a carefully calibrated hammer blow."—Booklist (starred review) "The best installment

in the series since the first . . . [Koontz] revs it up with entertaining encounters and offbeat humor."—Kirkus Reviews
Ava's Man Mar 29 2021
NATIONAL BESTSELLER •
With the same emotional generosity and effortlessly compelling storytelling that made *All Over But the Shoutin'* a beloved bestseller, Rick Bragg continues his personal history of the Deep South. This time he's writing about his grandfather Charlie Bundrum, a man who died before Bragg was born but left an indelible imprint on the people who loved him. Drawing on their memories, Bragg reconstructs the life of an unlettered roofer who kept food on his family's table through the worst of the Great Depression; a moonshiner who drank exactly one pint for every gallon he sold; an unregenerate brawler, who could sit for hours with a baby in the crook of his arm. In telling Charlie's story, Bragg conjures up the backwoods hamlets of Georgia and Alabama in the years when the

roads were still dirt and real men never cussed in front of ladies. A masterly family chronicle and a human portrait so vivid you can smell the cornbread and whiskey, Ava's Man is unforgettable.

The Voyeur's Motel Feb 20 2023 The controversial chronicle of a motel owner who secretly studied the sex lives of his guests by the renowned journalist and author of *Thy Neighbor's Wife*. On January 7, 1980, in the run-up to the publication of his landmark bestseller *Thy Neighbor's Wife*, Gay Talese received an anonymous letter from a man in Colorado. "Since learning of your long-awaited study of coast-to-coast sex in America," the letter began, "I feel I have important information that I could contribute to its contents or to contents of a future book." The man—Gerald Foos—then divulged an astonishing secret: he had bought a motel outside Denver for the express purpose of satisfying his voyeuristic desires. Underneath its peaked roof, he had built an

"observation platform" through which he could peer down on his unwitting guests. Over the years, Foos sent Talese hundreds of pages of notes on his guests, work that Foos believed made him a pioneering researcher into American society and sexuality. Through his *Voyeur's motel*, he witnessed and recorded the harsh effects of the war in Vietnam, the upheaval in gender roles, the decline of segregation, and much more. In *The Voyeur's Motel*. "the reader observes Talese observing Foos observing his guests." An extraordinary work of narrative journalism, it is at once an examination of one unsettling man and a portrait of the secret life of the American heartland over the latter half of the twentieth century (Daily Mail, UK). "This is a weird book about weird people doing weird things, and I wouldn't have put it down if the house were on fire." —John Greenya, Washington Times

The Park Jul 21 2020
"Captured in three Tokyo parks in the early seventies, Kohei

Yoshiyuki's The Park series features some intriguing photographic works of art. Shot at night using flash and infrared film, the photographs show hetero- and homosexuals gathering for furtive sexual encounters in the Shinjuku, Yoyogi, and Aoyama parks. These amorous scenes, however, are unpleasantly crowded; even before Yoshiyuki approached them with his camera, the couples had become objects of desire for voyeurs. The sixty-two photographs are presented here in duotone quality with an interview with the artist."--
BOOK JACKET.

The Digested Read May 11
2022 Literary ombudsman John Crace never met an important book he didn't like to deconstruct. From Salman Rushdie to John Grisham, Crace retells the big books in just 500 biting satirical words, pointing his pen at the clunky plots, stylistic tics and pretensions of Big Ideas, as he turns publishers' golden dream books into dross.

Sunflower Dog Feb 25 2021

Sally Hinson could have guessed that his business partner would leave him a heap of trouble along with their real-estate holdings, but not that his partner's last shady deal would see him competing with a growing group of oddballs, and their unusual dog, for a once-useless piece of land that now holds the key to each of their unique "American Dreams". Determined scientist, Kat; anxious and unemployed expectant-father, Livingston; a pair of young weed dealers; and aspiring reality-television star Brittany and her doting but far from docile grandmother, all stand between Sally and the deal of a lifetime, but is it the deal of his dreams?

Underground Sep 15 2022
Suelette Dreyfus and her co-author, WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange, tell the extraordinary true story of the computer underground, and the bizarre lives and crimes of an elite ring of international hackers who took on the establishment. Spanning three continents and a decade of

high level infiltration, they created chaos amongst some of the world's biggest and most powerful organisations, including NASA and the US military. Brilliant and obsessed, many of them found themselves addicted to hacking and phreaking. Some descended into drugs and madness, others ended up in jail. As riveting as the finest detective novel and meticulously researched, *Underground* follows the hackers through their crimes, their betrayals, the hunt, raids and investigations. It is a gripping tale of the digital underground.

How to Become a Scandal Aug 14 2022 We all relish a good scandal—the larger the figure (governor, judge) and more shocking the particulars (diapers, cigars)—the better. But why do people feel compelled to act out their tangled psychodramas on the national stage, and why do we so enjoy watching them, hurling our condemnations while savoring every lurid detail? With "pointed daggers of prose" (*The New Yorker*),

Laura Kipnis examines contemporary downfall sagas to lay bare the American psyche: what we desire, what we punish, and what we disavow. She delivers virtuoso analyses of four paradigmatic cases: a lovelorn astronaut, an unhinged judge, a venomous whistleblower, and an over-imaginative memoirist. The motifs are classic—revenge, betrayal, ambition, madness—though the pitfalls are ones we all negotiate daily. After all, every one of us is a potential scandal in the making: failed self-knowledge and colossal self-deception—the necessary ingredients—are our collective plight. In *How to Become a Scandal*, bad behavior is the entry point for a brilliant cultural romp as well as an anti-civics lesson. "Shove your rules," says scandal, and no doubt every upright citizen, deep within, cheers the transgression—as long as it's someone else's head on the block.

Frank Sinatra Has a Cold Mar 17 2020 Gay Talese is the

father of American New Journalism, who transformed traditional reportage with his vivid scene-setting, sharp observation and rich storytelling. His 1966 piece for Esquire, one of the most celebrated magazine articles ever published, describes a morose Frank Sinatra silently nursing a glass of bourbon, struck down with a cold and unable to sing, like 'Picasso without paint, Ferrari without fuel - only worse'. The other writings in this selection include a description of a meeting between two legends, Fidel Castro and Muhammad Ali; a brilliantly witty dissection of the offices of Vogue magazine; an account of travelling to Ireland with hellraiser Peter O'Toole; and a profile of fading baseball star Joe DiMaggio, which turns into a moving, immaculately-crafted meditation on celebrity.

Among the Russians Dec 06 2021 "There is no travel writer working today in English who possesses such a remarkable combination of the observant and the lyric gifts--the most

poetic of us all." — Jan Morris
The first book in Thubron's Russian trilogy *AMONG THE RUSSIANS*, called "superb" by the New York Times Book Review, recounts Thubron's 10,000 mile journey throughout half of Russia's cities and countryside. Here is a fresh perspective on the last tumultuous years of the Soviet Union and an exquisitely poetic travelogue. With a keen grasp of Russia's history, a deep appreciation for its architecture and iconography, and an inexhaustible enthusiasm for its people and its culture, Colin Thubron is the perfect guide to a country most of us will never get to know firsthand. Here, we can walk down western Russia's country roads, rest in its villages, and explore some of the most engaging cities in the world. Beautifully written and infinitely insightful, *Among the Russians* is vivid, compelling travel writing that will also appeal to readers of history and current events—and to anyone captivated by the shape and texture of one of the

world's most enigmatic cultures.

Psychoanalysis Dec 14 2019

From the author of *In the Freud Archives* and *The Journalist and the Murderer* comes an intensive look at the practice of psychoanalysis through interviews with "Aaron Green," a Freudian analyst in New York City. Malcolm is accessible and lucid in describing the history of psychoanalysis and its development in the United States. It provides rare insight into the contradictory world of psychoanalytic training and treatment and a foundation for our understanding of psychiatry and mental health. "Janet Malcom has managed somehow to peer into the reticent, reclusive world of psychoanalysis and to report to us, with remarkable fidelity, what she has seen. When I began reading I thought condescendingly, 'She will get the facts right, and everything else wrong.' She does get the facts right, but far more pressive, she has been able to capture and convey the

claustal atmosphere of the profession. Her book is journalism become art."

—Joseph Andelson, *The New York Times Book Review*

Led Zeppelin Feb 14 2020

From the author of the definitive *New York Times* bestselling history of the Beatles comes the authoritative account of the group Jack Black and many others call the greatest rock band of all time, arguably the most successful, and certainly one of the most notorious. Rock stars.

Whatever those words mean to you, chances are, they owe a debt to Led Zeppelin. No one before or since has lived the dream quite like Jimmy Page, Robert Plant, John Paul Jones, and John Bonham. In *Led Zeppelin*, Bob Spitz takes their full measure, for good and sometimes for ill, separating the myth from the reality with the connoisseurship and storytelling flair that are his trademarks. From the opening notes of their first album, the band announced itself as something different, a collision of grand artistic ambition and

brute primal force, of delicate English folk music and hard-driving African-American blues. That record sold over 10 million copies, and it was the merest beginning; Led Zeppelin's albums have sold over 300 million certified copies worldwide, and the dust has never settled. Taken together, Led Zeppelin's discography has spent an almost incomprehensible ten-plus years on the album charts. The band is notoriously guarded, and previous books shine more heat than light. But Bob Spitz's authority is undeniable and irresistible. His feel for the atmosphere, the context--the music, the business, the recording studios, the touring life, the radio stations, the fans, the whole ecosystem of popular music--is unparalleled. His account of the melding of Page and Jones, the virtuosic London sophisticates, with Plant and Bonham, the wild men from the Midlands, into a band out of the ashes of the Yardbirds, in a scene dominated by the Beatles and the Stones but changing

fast, is in itself a revelation. Spitz takes the music seriously, and brings the band's artistic journey to full and vivid life. The music is only part of the legend, however: Led Zeppelin is also the story of how the 60's became the 70's, of how playing in clubs became playing in stadiums and flying your own jet, of how innocence became decadence. Led Zeppelin may not have invented the groupie, and they weren't the first rock band to let loose on the road, but they took it to an entirely new level, as with everything else. Not all the legends are true, but in Bob Spitz's careful accounting, what is true is astonishing, and sometimes disturbing. Led Zeppelin gave no quarter, and neither has Bob Spitz. Led Zeppelin is the full and honest reckoning the band has long awaited, and richly deserves.

Lethal Obsession Jul 13 2022
Angela Martin is like everyone else. She wants acceptance. Love. Passion. For five years she's lived with the pain of knowing her husband cheats on her. She's dealt with the heart-

rending rejection by rebuilding her life around her work, becoming the first woman detective in the history of the Moose Creek, N.C., police department. Then she stumbles upon him. A man who reawakens desire, who makes her feel more alive than she believed possible by pulling her into a world of bondage and dominance, devotion and trust taken to a new level, fear mingling with desire, a craving stronger than any drug. Soon women start turning up dead in Moose Creek, bound and tortured, tied in ways that Angela finds startling familiar. Angela's heart tells her that her newfound love cannot be the killer, her detective instincts tell her otherwise, and her obsession with this new lifestyle draws her back to him, even at the risk of her life. **LETHAL OBSESSION** is a tale of sex and bondage, love and fear, desire and suspicion, with an ending that will leave you breathless, craving more. [High Notes](#) Jun 12 2022 A selection of classic high points in the illustrious career of Gay

Talese. "[High Notes] reminds us of the indefatigable reporting skills and inventive use of language that made Talese a paragon of the New Journalism." —New York Times Book Review Admired by generations of reporters, Gay Talese has for more than six decades enriched American journalism with an unmatched ability to inhabit the worlds of his subjects. From the article that germinated into *Thy Neighbor's Wife*, to indelible portraits of Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, and Lady Gaga, *High Notes* selects the highlights of Talese's signature mode, "the art of hanging out." It's a bold testament to enduring literary craftsmanship and unparalleled cultural observation from "the most important nonfiction writer of his generation" (David Halberstam). **The Voyeur's Motel** Dec 18 2022 From Gay Talese, a remarkable new work of reportage more than thirty years in the making. On January 7, 1980, in the run-up to the publication of *Thy*

Neighbor's Wife, Gay Talese received an anonymous letter from a man in Colorado. 'Since learning of your long awaited study of coast-to-coast sex in America,' the letter began, 'I feel I have important information that I could contribute to its contents or to contents of a future book.' The man went on to tell Talese a remarkable, shocking secret, so compelling that Talese travelled to Colorado to verify it in person. But because the letter-writer insisted on remaining anonymous, Talese filed his reporting away, certain the story would remain untold. Over the next thirty-five years, the man occasionally reached out to Talese to fill him in on the latest developments in his life, but he continued to insist on anonymity. Finally, after thirty-five years, he's ready to go public. In the tradition of *Thy Neighbor's Wife*, Talese's landmark, best-selling exploration of the sexual revolution in America, this will be a provocative, eye-opening and much-talked-about book.

The Kingdom and the Power

Oct 12 2019 "Beautifully documented . . . no less than a landmark in the field of writing and journalism."—The Nation "Fascinating . . . Seldom has anyone been so successful in making a newspaper come alive as a human institution."—The New York Times In this century and the last, most of history's important news stories have been broken to a waiting nation by The New York Times. In *The Kingdom and the Power*, former Times correspondent and bestselling author Gay Talese lays bare the secret internal intrigues at the daily, revealing the stories behind the personalities, rivalries, and scopes at the most influential paper in the world. In gripping detail, Talese examines the private and public lives of the famed Ochs family, along with their direct descendants, the Sulzbergers, and their hobnobbing with presidents, kings, ambassadors, and cabinet members; the vicious struggles for power and control at the paper; and the amazing

story of how a bankrupt newspaper turned itself around and grew to Olympian heights. Regarded as a classic piece of journalism, *The Kingdom and the Power* is as gripping as a work of fiction and as relevant as today's headlines. Praise for *The Kingdom and the Power* "I know of no book about a great institution which is so detailed, so intensely personalized, or so dramatized as this volume about *The New York Times*."—*The Christian Science Monitor* "A serious and important account of one of the few genuinely powerful institutions in our society."—*The New Leader* "A superb study of people and power."—*Women's Wear Daily*

Motel Voyeur Oct 04 2021 È il 7 gennaio del 1980 quando Gay Talese, all'epoca impegnato nell'imminente pubblicazione del suo bestseller *La donna d'altri*, riceve una lettera scritta a mano e anonima. Il mittente è un uomo del Colorado, che dice di aver «appreso del suo attesissimo studio sul sesso in America» e «di poter contribuire con

alcune importanti informazioni». Nel seguito di quella lettera l'autore rivela a Talese qualcosa di inconfessabile: alla fine degli anni Sessanta ha acquistato il *Manor House Motel*, alla periferia di Denver, per soddisfare le proprie tendenze voyeuristiche. Sotto il tetto della struttura ha costruito una «piattaforma d'osservazione», e da lì, attraverso dei finti condotti di ventilazione, da anni osserva gli ospiti ignari. Talese, incuriosito e intenzionato a scriverne, incontra l'uomo - Gerald Foos - in Colorado qualche settimana dopo, e visita il motel. Foos, però, dichiara di voler rimanere anonimo, il giornalista non accetta e decide che questa storia non sarà raccontata. Passano degli anni, Talese rimane in contatto con Foos, che gli invia pagine e pagine del suo *Diario del Voyeur*, un registro in cui ha annotato le abitudini, i vizi, le passioni dei suoi ospiti - coppie sposate, amanti occasionali, omosessuali, vedove, escort, e tanti altri - pensando a sé come

a un pioniere della ricerca sul sesso. Quello che ne risulta è uno spaccato della sessualità in America tra gli anni Settanta e i Novanta, l'istantanea di una nazione che sta vivendo gli aspri effetti della guerra in Vietnam, i giorni della Rivoluzione Sessuale, della desegregazione. Oggi, dopo oltre trentacinque anni da quella prima lettera, Talese, in questo straordinario esempio di giornalismo narrativo, può raccontare finalmente la controversa vicenda umana di Gerald Foos, offrendoci il ritratto della vita più segreta dell'America nell'ultima metà del secolo scorso.

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