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*The Kite Runner* Khaled Hosseini 2013-01-01

**Shades of Right** Robyn Braemer 1915-09-19 Shades of Right is a heart wrenching story of two men moving through their lives until one day their lives are dramatically entwined during the War Between the States. Isaac is a slave, raised by a man who treats him like a favored son yet refuses to grant him his freedom, believing it to be in Isaac's best interests to remain his slave. When Isaac's almost a father owner dies Isaac is inherited by a new owner, a man who has no recognition of Isaac's humanity but a desire for Isaac's unique talents. Isaac's new owner believes slaves are property, merely livestock with a monetary value. When President Lincoln announces the Declaration of Emancipation for slaves in Rebel states, Isaac's owner decides to sell his slaves before the president can free all the slaves and he loses money, including Isaac's family. Hank Hansohn, the son of German immigrants to Minnesota Territory, grows up in the lush green lands neighboring the lands set aside as agency land for the Lakota Indians when they are pushed out of their native lands to make room for the onslaught of white settlers moving into the area. Hank's closest childhood friend is Walking Moon, a Lakota youth living on the reservation just west of New Ulm, until he harsh conditions the Lakota are forced to bear under the government's care drive them to rise up and start the other American Civil War. Based on a true event that took place in Missouri in 1862, Shades of Right is the story of what it takes to bring together a slave brave enough to approach a complete stranger for help when just asking risks his life and the man in the 9th Minnesota Regiment who responds to a slave's request for help with actions knowing that the result is to be court martialed.

**Mahashweta** Sudha Murty 2007-09-17 Anupama looked into the mirror and shivered with shock. A small white patch had now appeared on her arm.' Anupama's fairytale marriage to Anand falls apart when she discovers a white patch on her foot and learns that she has leukoderma. Abandoned by her uncaring in-laws and insensitive husband, she is forced to return to her father's home in the village. The social stigma of a married woman living with her parents, her steother's continual barbs and the ostracism that accompanies her skin condition force her to contemplate suicide. Determined to rebuild her life against all odds, Anupama goes to Bombay where she finds success, respect and the promise of an enduring friendship. Mahashweta is an inspiring story of courage and resilience in a world marred by illusions and betrayals. This poignant tale offers hope and solace to the victims of the prejudices that govern society even today.

**Game As Ned** Tim Pegler 2014-09-01 Silent, desperate, on the run. To set things right, he'll have to be as game as Ned Kelly. Ned is a teenager with an encyclopaedic knowledge of Australian bushrangers. He is also autistic. Erin is a sixteen-year-old trouble-magnet trying to make a fresh start in a new town. Ned never speaks. Erin rarely stops - and when she stands up to a bully the consequences are catastrophic. Now Ned's on the run, branded 'disturbed and dangerous' by police. to set things right, he'll need to be as game as Ned Kelly... 'A brilliant new Young Adult voice. I found this book compelling.' Susanne Gervay

**Everyday Use** Alice Walker 1994 Presents the text of Alice Walker's story "Everyday Use"; contains background essays that provide insight into the story; and features a selection of critical response. Includes a chronology and an interview with the author.

**A Garden of Demons** Edward Hower 2003 Living in a jungle nature sanctuary in Sri Lanka, eleven-year-old Lila and her parents face danger as they are threatened by terrorists.

*In Country* Bobbie Ann Mason 2005-08-02 In the summer of 1984, the war in Vietnam came home to Sam Hughes, whose father was killed there before she was born. The soldier-boy in the picture never changed. In a way that made him dependable. But he seemed so innocent. "Astronauts have been to the moon," she blurted out to the picture. "You missed Watergate. I was in the second grade." She stared at the picture, squinting her eyes, as if she expected it to come to life. But Dwayne had died with his secrets. Emmett was walking around with his. Anyone who survived Vietnam seemed to regard it as something personal and embarrassing. Granddad had said they were embarrassed that they were still alive. "I guess you're not embarrassed," she said to the picture. This P.S. edition features an extra 16 pages of insights into the book, including author interviews, recommended reading, and more.

**My Forbidden Face** Latifa, 2008-09-04 Latifa was born into an educated middle-class Afghan family in Kabul in 1980. She dreamed of one day of becoming a journalist, she was interested in fashion, movies and friends. Her father was in the import/export business and her mother was a doctor. Then in September 1996, Taliban soldiers seized power in Kabul. From that moment, Latifa, just 16 years old became a prisoner in her own home. Her school was closed. Her mother was banned from working. The simplest and most basic freedoms - walking down the street, looking out a window - were no longer hers. She was now forced to wear a chadri. My Forbidden Face provides a poignant and highly personal account of life under the Taliban regime. With painful honesty and clarity Latifa describes the way she watched her world falling apart, in the name of a fanatical interpretation of a faith that she could not comprehend. Her voice captures a lost innocence, but also echoes her determination to live in freedom and hope. Earlier this year, Latifa and her parents escaped Afghanistan with the help of a French-based Afghan resistance group.

**Links** Nuruddin Farah 2005-03-29 From the internationally acclaimed author of North of Dawn, Links is a novel that will stand as a classic of modern world literature. Jeebleh is returning to Mogadiscio, Somalia, for the first time in twenty years. But this is not a nostalgia trip—his last residence there was a jail cell. And who could feel nostalgic for a city like this? U.S. troops have come and gone, and the decimated city is ruled by clan warlords and patrolled by qaat-chewing gangs who shoot civilians to relieve their adolescent boredom. Diverted in his pilgrimage to visit his mother’s grave, Jeebleh is asked to investigate the abduction of the young daughter of one of his closest friend’s family. But he learns quickly that any act in this city, particularly an act of justice, is much more complicated than he might have imagined.

**The Hazaras of Afghanistan** S. A. Mousavi 2020-10-12 Study of the second largest but least well-known ethnic group in Afghanistan that also confronts the taboo subject of Afghan national identity. Largely Farsi-speaking Shi'ias, the Hazaras traditionally inhabited central Afghanistan, but because of the war are now widely scattered.

**The Candy Bombers** Andrei Cherny 2008-04-17 “What an exciting, inspiring, and wonderfully-written book this is....Each page has lessons for today, and it is also a thrilling narrative to read.”—Walter Isaacson, #1 New York Times Bestselling Author of Steve Jobs The masterfully told story of the unlikely men who came together to make the Berlin Airlift one of the great military and humanitarian successes of American history. On the sixtieth anniversary of the Berlin Airlift, Andrei Cherny tells a remarkable story with profound implications for the world today. In the tradition of the best narrative storytellers, he brings together newly unclassified documents, unpublished letters and diaries, and fresh primary interviews to tell the story of the ill-assorted group of castoffs and second-stringers who not only saved millions of desperate people from a dire threat but changed how the world viewed the United States, and set in motion the chain of events that would ultimately lead to the dismantling of the Berlin Wall and to America’s victory in the Cold War. On June 24, 1948, intent on furthering its domination of Europe, the Soviet Union cut off all access to West Berlin, prepared to starve the city into submission unless the Americans abandoned it. Soviet forces hugely outnumbered the Allies’, and most of America’s top officials considered the situation hopeless. But not all of them. Harry Truman, an accidental president, derided by his own party; Lucius Clay, a frustrated general, denied a combat command and relegated to the home front; Bill Tunner, a logistics expert downsized to a desk job in a corner of the Pentagon; James Forrestal, a secretary of defense beginning to mentally unravel; Hal Halvorsen, a lovesick pilot who had served far from the conflict, flying transport missions in the backwater of a global war—together these

unlikely men improvised and stumbled their way into a uniquely American combination of military and moral force unprecedented in its time. This is the forgotten foundation tale of America in the modern world, the story of when Americans learned, for the first time, how to act at the summit of world power—a masterful and exciting work of historical narrative, and one with strong resonance for our time.

**If I Die in a Combat Zone** Tim O'Brien 2011-08-24 A classic from the New York Times bestselling author of The Things They Carried "One of the best, most disturbing, and most powerful books about the shame that was / is Vietnam." —Minneapolis Star and Tribune Before writing his award-winning Going After Cacciato, Tim O'Brien gave us this intensely personal account of his year as a foot soldier in Vietnam. The author takes us with him to experience combat from behind an infantryman's rifle, to walk the minefields of My Lai, to crawl into the ghostly tunnels, and to explore the ambiguities of manhood and morality in a war gone terribly wrong. Beautifully written and searingly heartfelt, If I Die in a Combat Zone is a masterwork of its genre. Now with Extra Libris material, including a reader’s guide and bonus content.

*The Narrative Reader* Martin McQuillan 2000 The Narrative Reader provides a comprehensive survey of theories of narrative from Plato to Post-Structuralism. The selection of texts is bold and broad, demonstrating the extent to which narrative permeates the entire field of literature and culture. It shows the ways in which narrative crosses disciplines, continents and theoretical perspectives and will fascinate students and researchers alike, providing a long overdue point of entry to the complex field of narrative theory. Canonical texts are combined with those which are difficult to obtain elsewhere, and there are new translations and introductory material. The texts cover crucial issues including: \* formalism \* responses to narratology \* psychoanalysis \* phenomenology \* deconstruction \* structuralism \* narrative and sexual difference \* race \* history The final section is designed to guide the student reader through the texts, and includes a helpful chronology of narrative theory, a glossary of narrative terms, and a checklist of narrative theories.

*The Reluctant Fundamentalist* Mohsin Hamid 2009-06-05 From the author of the award-winning Moth Smoke comes a perspective on love, prejudice, and the war on terror that has never been seen in North American literature. At a café table in Lahore, a bearded Pakistani man converses with a suspicious, and possibly armed, American stranger. As dusk deepens to night, he begins the tale that has brought them to this fateful meeting. . . Changez is living an immigrant’s dream of America. At the top of his class at Princeton, he is snapped up by Underwood Samson, an elite firm that specializes in the “valuation” of companies ripe for acquisition. He thrives on the energy of New York and the intensity of his work, and his infatuation with regal Erica promises entrée into Manhattan society at the same exalted level once occupied by his own family back in Lahore. For a time, it seems as though nothing will stand in the way of Changez’s meteoric rise to personal and professional success. But in the wake of September 11, he finds his position in his adopted city suddenly overturned, and his budding relationship with Erica eclipsed by the reawakened ghosts of her past. And Changez’s own identity is in seismic shift as well, unearthing allegiances more fundamental than money, power, and perhaps even love. Elegant and compelling, Mohsin Hamid’s second novel is a devastating exploration of our divided and yet ultimately indivisible world. “Excuse me, sir, but may I be of assistance? Ah, I see I have alarmed you. Do not be frightened by my beard: I am a lover of America. I noticed that you were looking for something; more than looking, in fact you seemed to be on a mission, and since I am both a native of this city and a speaker of your language, I thought I might offer you my services as a bridge.” —from The Reluctant Fundamentalist

*Sea Prayer* Khaled Hosseini 2018-09-18 **\*\*Please note that this will work best on a color device and will appear in a horizontal format\*\*** The #1 New York Times-bestselling author of The Kite Runner, A Thousand Splendid Suns, and And the Mountains Echoed responds to the heartbreak of the current refugee crisis with this deeply moving, beautifully illustrated short work of fiction for people of all ages, all over the world. "Intensely moving. . .Powerfully evocative of the plight in which displaced populations find themselves."- Kirkus, STARRED Review "Hosseini's story, aimed at readers of all ages, does not dwell on nightmarish fates; instead, its emotional power flows from the love of a father for his son."- Publishers Weekly, STARRED BOX Review A short, powerful, illustrated book written by beloved novelist Khaled Hosseini in response to the current refugee crisis. Sea Prayer is composed in the form of a letter, from a father to his son, on the eve of their journey. Watching over his sleeping son, the father reflects on the dangerous sea-crossing that lies before them. It is also a vivid portrait of their life in Homs, Syria, before the war, and of that city's swift transformation from a home into a deadly war zone. Impelled to write this story by the haunting image of young Alan Kurdi, the three-year-old Syrian boy whose body washed upon the beach in Turkey in September 2015, Hosseini hopes to pay tribute to the millions of families, like Kurdi's, who have been splintered and forced from home by war and persecution, and he will donate author proceeds from this book to the UNHCR (the UN Refugee Agency) and The Khaled Hosseini Foundation to help fund lifesaving relief efforts to help refugees around the globe. Khaled Hosseini is one of the most widely read writers in the world, with more than fifty-five million copies of his novels sold worldwide in more than seventy countries. Hosseini is also a Goodwill Envoy to the UNHCR, and the founder of The Khaled Hosseini Foundation, a nonprofit that provides humanitarian assistance to the people of Afghanistan.

**The Kite Runner** Khaled Hosseini 2013-03-05 Amir, haunted by his betrayal of his childhood friend, a son of his father's servant, returns to Kabul as an adult after learning Hassan has been killed. Describes Afghanistan's rich culture and beauty. For mature readers.

**Formalism and Marxism** Tony Bennett 2004-03-01 Russian Formalism and Marxist criticism had a seismic impact on twentieth-cetury literary theory and the shockwaves are still felt today. First published in 1979, Tony Bennett's Formalism and Marxism created its own reverberations by offering a ground-breaking new interpretation of the Formalists' achievements and demanding a new way forward in Marxist criticism. The author first introduces and reviews the work of the Russian Formalists, a group of theorists who made an extraordinarily vital contribution to literary criticism in the decade followig the October Revolution of 1917. Placing the work of key figures in context and addressing such issues as aesthetics, linguistics and the category of literature, literary form and function and literary evolution, Bennett argues that the Formalists' concerns provided the basis for a radically historical approach to the study of literature. Bennett then turns to the situation of Marxist criticism ad sketches the risks it has run in becoming overly entangled with the concerns of traditional aesthetics. He forcefully argues that through a serious and sympathetic reassessment of the Formalists and their historical approach, Marxist critics might find their way back on to the terrain of politics, where they and theri work belong. Addressing such crucial questions as 'What is literature?' or 'How should it be studied and to what end?', Formalism and Marxism explores ideas which should be considered by any student or reader of literature and provides a particular challenge to those interested in Marxist criticism. Now with a new afterword, this classic text still offers the best available starting point for those new to the field, as well as representing a crucial intervention in twentieth-century literary theory.

**Refuge: A Novel** Dina Nayeri 2018-07-10 “Rich and colorful... [Refuge] has the kind of immediacy commonly associated with memoir, which lends it heft, intimacy, atmosphere.” –New York Times The moving lifetime relationship between a father and a daughter, seen through the prism of global immigration and the contemporary refugee experience. An Iranian girl escapes to America as a child, but her father stays behind. Over twenty years, as she transforms from confused immigrant to overachieving Westerner to sophisticated European transplant, daughter and father know each other only from their visits: four crucial visits over two decades, each in a different international city. The longer they are apart, the more their lives diverge, but also the more each comes to need the other's wisdom and, ultimately, rescue. Meanwhile, refugees of all nationalities are flowing into Europe under troubling conditions. Wanting to help, but also looking for a lost sense of home, our grown-up transplant finds herself quickly entranced by a world that is at once everything she has missed and nothing that she has ever known. Will her immersion in the lives of these new refugees allow her the grace to save her father? Refuge charts the deeply

moving lifetime relationship between a father and a daughter, seen through the prism of global immigration. Beautifully written, full of insight, charm, and humor, the novel subtly exposes the parts of ourselves that get left behind in the wake of diaspora and ultimately asks: Must home always be a physical place, or can we find it in another person?

*Goodnight Mister Tom* Michelle Magorian 2010-06-03 Young Willie Beech is evacuated to the country as Britain stands on the brink of the Second World War. A sad, deprived child, he slowly begins to flourish under the care of old Tom Oakley - but his new-found happiness is shattered by a summons from his mother back in London . . . Winner of the Guardian Children's Fiction Award.

*The Hazāras* Hassan Poladi 1989

**The Suffering of the Immigrant** Abdelmalek Sayad 2018-03-19 This book is a major contribution to our understanding of the condition of the immigrant and it will transform the reader’s understanding of the issues surrounding immigration. Sayad’s book will be widely used in courses on race, ethnicity, immigration and identity in sociology, anthropology, cultural studies, politics and geography. an outstanding and original work on the experience of immigration and the kind of suffering involved in living in a society and culture which is not one’s own; describes how immigrants are compelled, out of respect for themselves and the group that allowed them to leave their country of origin, to play down the suffering of emigration; Abdelmalek Sayad, was an Algerian scholar and close associate of the French sociologist Pierre Bourdieu - after Sayad’s death, Bourdieu undertook to assemble these writings for publication; this book will transform the reader’s understanding of the issues surrounding immigration.

*A Study Guide for Khaled Hosseini's The Kite Runner* Gale, Cengage Learning 2015-03-13 A Study Guide for Khaled Hosseini's "The Kite Runner," excerpted from Gale's acclaimed Literary News For Students.This concise study guide includes plot summary; character analysis; author biography; study questions; historical context; suggestions for further reading; and much more. For any literature project, trust Literary News For Students for all of your research needs.

*Male Rape is a Feminist Issue* C. Cohen 2014-02-13 This book seeks to problematize knowledge and practices regarding 'male rape' and its relationship to feminism, examining this issue from a Foucauldian perspective. Feminist constructions of 'male rape' can plausibly be claimed to operate as a 'regime of truth', but one must question whether this is running counter to patriarchy.

*Never Fall Down* Patricia McCormick 2012-05-08 This National Book Award nominee from two-time finalist Patricia McCormick is the unforgettable story of Arn Chorn-Pond, who defied the odds to survive the Cambodian genocide of 1975-1979 and the labor camps of the Khmer Rouge. Based on the true story of Cambodian advocate Arn Chorn-Pond, and authentically told from his point of view as a young boy, this is an achingly raw and powerful historical novel about a child of war who becomes a man of peace. It includes an author's note and acknowledgments from Arn Chorn-Pond himself. When soldiers arrive in his hometown, Arn is just a normal little boy. But after the soldiers march the entire population into the countryside, his life is changed forever. Arn is separated from his family and assigned to a labor camp: working in the rice paddies under a blazing sun, he sees the other children dying before his eyes. One day, the soldiers ask if any of the kids can play an instrument. Arn's never played a note in his life, but he volunteers. This decision will save his life, but it will pull him into the very center of what we know today as the Killing Fields. And just as the country is about to be liberated, Arn is handed a gun and forced to become a soldier. Supports the Common Core State Standards.

**Maldoror & the Complete Works of the Comte de Lautreamont** comte de Lautréamont 1994 Andre Breton wrote that MALDOROR is "" the,expression of a revelation so complete it seems to,exceed human potential."" First published in 1869,MALDOROR is the work of a mysterious genius about,whom little is known aside from his birth in,Uruguay, 1846, and his early death in Paris, 1870.,His writings, published under the pseudonym Comte,de Lautreamont, bewildered his contemporaries but,have since taken their place alongside other,French classics of transgression such as Sade,Baudelaire, Rimbaud. A unique translation.

*Rite of Passage* Richard Wright 1995-12-19 "Johnny, you're leaving us tonight. . . ." Fifteen-year-old Johnny Gibbs does, well in school, respects his teachers, and loves his family. Then suddenly, with a few short words, his idyllic life is shattered. He learns that the family he has loved all his life is not his own, but a foster family. And now he is being sent to live with someone else. Shocked by the news, Johnny does the only thing he can think of: he runs. Leaving his childhood behind forever, Johnny takes to the streets where he learns about living life--the hard way. Richard Wright, internationally acclaimed author of *Black Boy* and *Native Son*, gives us a coming-of-age story as compelling today as when it was first written, over fifty years ago. 'Johnny Gibbs arrives home jubilantly one day with his straight 'A' report card to find his belongings packed and his mother and sister distraught. Devastated when they tell him that he is not their blood relative and that he is being sent to a new foster home, he runs away. His secure world quickly shatters into a nightmare of subways, dark alleys, theft and street warfare. . . . Striking characters, vivid dialogue, dramatic descriptions, and enduring themes introduce a enw generation of readers to Wright’s powerful voice.’—SLJ. Notable 1995 Children's Trade Books in Social Studies (NCSS/CBC)

*The Kite Runner* Khaled Hosseini 2014-07-10 1970s Afghanistan: Twelve-year-old Amir is desperate to win the local kite-fighting tournament and his loyal friend Hassan promises to help him. But neither of the boys can foresee what will happen to Hassan that afternoon, an event that is to shatter their lives... Since its publication in 2003, *The Kite Runner* has sold twenty one million copies worldwide. Through Khaled Hosseini’s brilliant writing, a previously unknown part of the world was brought to life. Now in this beautifully illustrated, four-colour graphic novel adaptation, *The Kite Runner* is given a vibrant new life which is sure to compel a new generation of readers.

**The Kite Runner** Christina Stone 2008-06 Essentially a complete teacher's manual for the novel, this LitPlan Teacher Pack includes lesson plans and reproducible resource materials for *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini. It includes: Daily Lessons, Short answer study questions, Multiple choice quiz questions, Vocabulary worksheets for each reading assignment, 3 detailed writing assignments, Individual and group activities, Critical thinking discussion questions, 5 unit tests (2 short answer, 2 multiple choice, 1 advanced), Evaluation forms, Review puzzles & games, Bulletin board ideas, Reproducible student materials, and more!

**And the Mountains Echoed** Khaled Hosseini 2013-10-10 So, then. You want a story and I will tell you one... Afghanistan, 1952. Abdullah and his sister Pari live in the small village of Shadbagh. To Abdullah, Pari, as beautiful and sweet-natured as the fairy for which she was named, is everything. More like a parent than a brother, Abdullah will do anything for her, even trading his only pair of shoes for a feather for her treasured collection. Each night they sleep together in their cot, their skulls touching, their limbs tangled. One day the siblings journey across the desert to Kabul with their father. Pari and Abdullah have no sense of the fate that awaits them there, for the event which unfolds will tear their lives apart; sometimes a finger must be cut to save the hand. Crossing generations and continents, moving from Kabul, to Paris, to San Francisco, to the Greek island of Tinos, Khaled Hosseini writes about the bonds that define us and shape our lives, and how the choices we make resonate through history.

*Building on Strength* Ana Celia Zentella 2005-09-10 Tackling mainstream views, leading researchers and teacher trainers examine language attitudes and socialization practices that help determine what and how Latino children speak, read, and write. The text suggests universal practices to facilitate language socialization in multilingual communities, including applications for teachers. Contributors: Robert Bayley, Fazila Bhimji, Elias Dominguez Barajas, Lucila D. Ek, Marcia Farr, Norma González, Magaly Lavadenz, Carmen I. Mercado, Ana María Relañ Pastor, Ana Roca, M. Victoria Rodríguez, Sandra R. Schecter “Who could doubt the importance of this book? No other volume so thoroughly lays out essential issues on oral and written language acquisition, use, and change among Latino families.” —Shirley Brice Heath, Professor at Large, Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University “A must-read for researchers and practitioners who focus on language and literacy in general, as well as for those who specialize in the education of young Latinos.”

—Guadalupe Valdés, Stanford University

*Out of Afghanistan* Diego Cordovez 1995 Reveals how skillful diplomacy got the Soviets to withdraw from Afghanistan

*Reading Khaled Hosseini* Rebecca Stuhr 2009 Making Culture, Changing Society proposes a challenging new account of the relations between culture and society focused on how particular forms of cultural knowledge and expertise work on, order and transform society. Examining these forms of culturee(tm)s action on the social as aspects of a historically distinctive ensemble of cultural institutions, it considers the diverse ways in which culture has been produced and mobilised as a resource for governing populations. These concerns are illustrated in detailed case studies of how anthropological conceptions of the relations between race and culture have shaped e" and been shaped by e" the relationships between museums, fieldwork and governmental programmes in early twentieth-century France and Australia. These are complemented by a closely argued account of the relations between aesthetics and governance that, in contrast to conventional approaches, interprets the historical emergence of the autonomy of the aesthetic as vastly expanding the range of arte(tm)s social uses. In pursuing these concerns, particular attention is given to the role that the cultural disciplines have played in making up and distributing the freedoms through which modern forms of liberal government operate. An examination of the place that has been accorded habit as a route into the regulation of conduct within liberal social, cultural and political thought brings these questions into sharp focus. The book will be of interest to students and scholars of sociology, cultural studies, media studies, anthropology, museum and heritage studies, history, art history and cultural policy studies.

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**The Kite Runner** Khaled Hosseini 2011-09-05 Over 21 million copies sold worldwide

*A Brief History of Afghanistan* Shaista Wahab 2007-01-01

*A Thousand Splendid Suns* Khaled Hosseini 2008-09-18 A riveting and powerful story of an unforgiving time, an unlikely friendship and an indestructible love

**The Kite Runner** Center for Learning Staff 2006-09-01

**Clayton Byrd Goes Underground** Rita Williams-Garcia 2017-05-09 From beloved Newbery Honor winner and three-time Coretta Scott King Award winner Rita Williams-Garcia comes a powerful and heartfelt novel about loss, family, and love that will appeal to fans of Jason Reynolds and Kwame Alexander. Clayton feels most alive when he’s with his grandfather, Cool Papa Byrd, and the band of Bluesmen—he can’t wait to join them, just as soon as he has a blues song of his own. But then the unthinkable happens. Cool Papa Byrd dies, and Clayton’s mother forbids Clayton from playing the blues. And Clayton knows that’s no way to live. Armed with his grandfather’s brown porkpie hat and his harmonica, he runs away from home in search of the Bluesmen, hoping he can join them on the road. But on the journey that takes him through the New York City subways and to Washington Square Park, Clayton learns some things that surprise him. National Book Award Finalist \* Kirkus Best Books of 2017 \* Horn Book Best Books of 2017 \* Publishers Weekly Best Books of 2017 \* School Library Journal Best Books of 2017 \* NAACP Image Awards Youth/Teens Winner \* Chicago Public Library Best Books \* Boston Globe Best Books of 2017 "This slim novel strikes a strong chord."—Publishers Weekly (starred review) "This complex tale of family and forgiveness has heart." —School Library Journal (starred review) "Strong characterizations and vivid musical scenes add layers to this warm family story." —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) “An appealing, realistic story with frequent elegant turns of phrase.” —The Horn Book (starred review) "Garcia-Williams skillfully finds melody in words.” —Booklist (starred review)

*Gently Falls the Bakula* Sudha Murty 2008-02-14 What is more important: a successful career or a happy marriage? In the small town of Hubli, Shrikant discovers that he is attracted to his plain-looking but charming neighbour Shrimati, who always does better than him in the school exams. Shrimati too falls in love with the amiable and handsome Shrikant and the two get married. Shrikant joins an IT company and starts rapidly climbing the corporate ladder. He works relentlessly and reaches the pinnacle of his industry, while Shrimati abandons her academic aspirations and becomes his uncomplaining shasow, silently fulfilling her duties as a corporate leader’s wife. But one day, while talking to an old professor, she starts examining what she has done with her life and realizes it is dismally empty... Gently Falls the Bakula is the story of a marriage that loses its way as ambition and self-interest take their toll. Written nearly three decades ago, Sudha Murty’s first novel remains startlingly relevant in its scrutiny of modern values and work ethics.

*Children and Violence*