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an advantage it can benefit our individual health and wellbeing but more importantly it fosters social bonding at large scale helping hold fractious societies together dunbar suggests these dimensions might provide the basis for an overarching theory for why and how humans are religious and so help unify the myriad strands that currently populate this field drawing on path breaking research clinical case studies and fieldwork from around the globe as well as stories of charismatic cult leaders mysterious sects and lost faiths how religion evolved offers a fascinating and far reaching analysis of this guintessentially human impulse to believe החת ההתהחתה ההתחתה ההתחתה ההתחתה ההתחתה **ΠΠΠΠΠΠΠΠΠΠΠΠΠΠ** a statistical national treasure jeremy vine bbc radio 2 required reading for all politicians journalists medics and anyone who tries to influence people or is influenced by statistics a tour de force popular science do busier hospitals have higher survival rates how many trees are there on the planet why do old men have big ears david spiegelhalter reveals the answers to these and many other questions questions that can only be addressed using statistical science statistics has played a leading role in our scientific understanding of the world for centuries yet we are all familiar with the way statistical claims can be sensationalised particularly in the media in the age of big data as data science becomes established as a discipline a basic grasp of statistical literacy is more important than ever in the art of statistics david spiegelhalter guides the reader through the essential principles we need in order to derive knowledge from data drawing on real world problems to introduce conceptual issues he shows us how statistics can help us determine the luckiest passenger on the titanic whether serial killer harold shipman could have been caught earlier and if screening for ovarian cancer is beneficial shines a light on how we can use the ever growing deluge of data to improve our understanding of the world nature how has feminism developed what have feminists achieved what can we learn from the global history of feminism feminism is the ongoing story of a profound historical transformation despite being repeatedly written off as a political movement that has achieved its aim of female liberation it has been continually redefined as new generations of women campaign against the gender inequity of their age in this absorbing book historian lucy delap challenges the simplistic narrative of feminist waves a sequence of ever more progressive updates showing instead that feminists have been motivated by the specific concerns of their historical moment drawing on an extraordinary range of examples from japan to russia egypt to germany delap explores different feminist projects to show that those who are part of this movement have not always agreed on a single programme this diverse history of feminism she argues can help us better navigate current debates and controversies a tour de force from an award winning expert feminisms shows that a rich relationship to the past can infuse today s activism with a sense possibility and inspiration concrete research driven advice on humanity s oldest hardest job why is parenting so fraught and so difficult in today s society there has never been a time when advice was so readily available and yet there is also a prevailing sense that parents are getting it wrong this book examines the arguments and counter arguments supported by research on how best to parent children from birth to twelve years by taking an impartial approach to the evidence and by discussing case studies from across the world and from a number of academic disciplines this book is designed to show how good parenting comes in many shapes and forms how does britain get its food why is our current system at breaking point how can we fix it before it is too late british food has changed remarkably in the last half century as we have become wealthier and more discerning our food has europeanized pizza is children s favourite food and internationalized we eat the world s cuisines yet our food culture remains fragmented a mix of mass ultra processed substances alongside food as varied and good as anywhere else on the planet this book takes stock of the uk food system where it comes from what we eat its impact fragilities and strengths it is a book on the politics of food it argues that the brexit vote will force us to review our food ocr english language gcse past papers 2023-09-11 2/23 a680

system such an opportunity is sorely needed after a brief frenzy of concern following the financial shock of 2008 the uk government has slumped once more into a vague hope that the food system will keep going on as before food they said just required a burst of agri technology and more exports to pay for our massive imports feeding britain argues that this and other approaches are short sighted against the public interest and possibly even strategic folly setting a new course for uk food is no easy task but it is a process this book urges that needs to begin now tim lang has performed a public service simon jenkins sunday times one of the most important books i ve read in years brian eno we are losing the commons austerity and neoliberal policies have depleted our shared wealth our national utilities have been sold off to foreign conglomerates social housing is almost non existent our parks are cordoned off for private events and our national art galleries are sponsored by banks and oil companies this plunder deprives us all of our common rights recognized as far back as the magna carta and the charter of the forest of 1217 to share fairly and equitably in our public wealth quy standing leads us through a new appraisal of the commons stemming from the medieval concept of common land reserved in ancient law from marauding barons to his modern reappraisal of the resources we all hold in common a brilliant new synthesis that crystallises guite how much public wealth has been redirected to the 1 in recent decades through the state approved exploitation of everything from our land to our state housing health and benefit systems to our justice system schools newspapers and even the air we breathe plunder of the commons proposes a charter for a new form of commoning of remembering guarding and sharing that which belongs to us all to slash inequality and soothe our current political instability why should we learn more than one language can it change the way we think does it have the power to transform how we see the world you may think you speak only one language in fact your mind is interpreting multiple codes of communication some people speak spanish some mandarin some speak poetry some are fluent in maths humans are built for multilingualism drawing on cutting edge research and theory delivered with wit and lucid insight psycholinguist viorica marian explores the ways in which the mind uses multiple languages and how in doing so we can open the doors to unique forms of creativity brain health and cognitive control every new language we speak whether it is coding or musical notes hindi or arabic shapes how we extract and interpret information it alters what we remember how we perceive ourselves and those around us how we feel the insights we have the decisions we make and the actions we take the power of language lays bare how we use different linguistic codes to think about the world and change our place within it empowering and practical this is the perfect quide for anyone interested in how language really works the standard book on anarchism for the twenty first century written with brio quiet insight and clarity carl levy a magisterial study of the history and theory of one of the most controversial political movements anarchism routinely gets a bad press it s usually seen as meaning chaos and disorder or even nothing at all and yet from occupy wall street to pussy riot noam chomsky to david graeber this philosophical and political movement is as relevant as ever contrary to popular perception different strands of anarchism from individualism to collectivism do follow certain structures and a shared sense of purpose a belief in freedom and working towards collective good without the interference of the state in this masterful sympathetic account political theorist ruth kinna traces the tumultuous history of anarchism starting with thinkers and activists such as peter kropotkin and emma goldman and through key events like the paris commune and the haymarket affair skilfully introducing us to the nuanced theories of anarchist groups from russia to japan to the united states the government of no one reveals what makes a supposedly chaotic movement particularly adaptable and effective over centuries and what we can learn from it from the bestselling author of happiness and co editor of the annual world happiness report most people now realize that economic growth however desirable will not solve all our problems ocr english language gcse past papers 2023-09-11 3/23 a680

instead we need a philosophy and a science which encompasses a much fuller range of human need and experience this book argues that the goal for a society must be the greatest possible all round happiness and shows how each of us can become more effective creators of happiness both as citizens and in our own organizations written with richard layard s characteristic clarity it provides hard evidence that increasing happiness is the right aim and that it can be achieved its language is simple its evidence impressive its effect inspiring in this book can we be happier which is part of richard layard s excellent ongoing exploration of what happiness is and how it can be achieved he provides evidence that if you have peace of mind and are full of joy your health will be good your family will be happy and that happiness will affect the atmosphere of the community in which you live the dalai lama the definitive quide to traditionalism the world's least known major philosophy but one that is essential for understanding our past present and future traditionalism is founded on ancient teachings that its followers argue have been handed down from time immemorial forming a basis of the sacred order that must be defended from modernity and the disorder it brings it has been used to encourage respect for the environment compose great music and reduce hostility between followers of different religions but traditionalism has applied to darker causes from the election of donald trump to fascist movements and even terrorism how has traditionalism been so influential for so long yet so little acknowledged and understood its followers have never aimed to reach the masses and have sought to affect the world quietly in this book the first of its kind for a wide audience traditionalism s history ideas and profound impact are laid out shining a light onto this shadowy world and the thought of its three founders rené quénon julius evola and frithiof schuon once you understand traditionalism you will see its influence everywhere why is our education system unequal how does race play a part is britain still institutionally racist education remains the greatest indicator of life chances in britain what we study where we study and how long for shape all aspects of our lives our careers our long term health our wealth and security are all moulded in the classroom but who we are ultimately matters the most in race and education professor kalwant bhopal shows how race still determines who gains the best education in britain and who falls by the wayside through case studies original research and interviews with students teachers and academics alike she reveals how the construction of privilege starts at a young age with whiteness taking some students on a gilded path from cradle to career while many still struggle to build the futures they deserve this book highlights how classrooms and lecture halls are at the centre of perpetuating white privilege and how racism continues to exist in britain a succinct expert guide to how we got to brexit after all the debates manoeuvrings recriminations and exaltations brexit is upon us but as kevin o rourke writes brexit did not emerge out of nowhere it is the culmination of events that have been under way for decades and have historical roots stretching back well beyond that brexit has a history o rourke one of the leading economic historians of his generation explains not only how british attitudes to europe have evolved but also how the eu s history explains why it operates as it does today and how that history has shaped the ways in which it has responded to brexit why are the economics the politics and the history so tightly woven together crucially he also explains why the guestion of the irish border is not just one of customs and trade but for the eu goes to the heart of what it is about the way in which british irish and european histories continue to interact with each other will shape the future of brexit and of the continent calm and lucid a short history of brexit rises above the usual fray of discussions to provide fresh perspectives and understanding of the most momentous political and economic change in britain and the eu for decades restlessly curious insightful and quirky david damrosch is the perfect quide to a round the world adventure in reading stephen greenblatt a transporting and illuminating voyage around the globe told through eighty classic and modern books it is always a ocr english language gcse past papers 2023-09-11 4/23 a680

pleasure to talk about books with david damrosch who has read all of them and he is so eloquent and understanding about them all orhan pamuk inspired by jules verne s hero phileas fogg david damrosch chair of harvard s department of comparative literature and founder of harvard s institute for world literature set out to counter a pandemic s restrictions on travel by exploring eighty exceptional books from around the globe following a literary itinerary from london to venice tehran and points beyond and via authors from woolf and dante to nobel prizewinners orhan pamuk wole soyinka mo yan and olga tokarczuk he explores how these works have shaped our idea of the world and the ways the world bleeds into literature to chart the expansive landscape of world literature today damrosch explores how writers live in two very different worlds the world of their personal experience and the world of books that have enabled great writers to give shape and meaning to their lives in his literary cartography damrosch includes compelling contemporary works as well as perennial classics hard bitten crime fiction as well as haunting works of fantasy and the formative tales that introduce us as children to the world we re entering taken together these eighty titles offer us fresh perspective on perennial problems from the social consequences of epidemics to the rising inequality that thomas more designed utopia to combat and the patriarchal structures within and against which many of these books heroines have to struggle from the work of murasaki shikibu a millennium ago to that of margaret atwood today around the world in 80 books is a global invitation to look beyond ourselves and our surroundings and to see our world and its literature in new ways a the times book of the year 2019 the best introduction to the plays i ve read perhaps the best book on shakespeare full stop alex preston observer it makes you impatient to see or re read the plays at once hilary mantel a genius and prophet whose timeless works encapsulate the human condition like no others a writer who surpassed his contemporaries in vision originality and literary mastery who wrote like an angel putting it all so much better than anyone else is this shakespeare well sort of but it doesn t really tell us the whole truth so much of what we say about shakespeare is either not true or just not relevant deflecting us from investigating the challenges of his inconsistencies and flaws this electrifying new book thrives on revealing not resolving the ambiguities of shakespeare s plays and their changing topicality it introduces an intellectually theatrically and ethically exciting writer who engages with intersectionality as much as with ovid with economics as much as poetry who writes in strikingly modern ways about individual agency privacy politics celebrity and sex it takes us into a world of politicking and copy catting as we watch him emulating the blockbusters of christopher marlowe and thomas kyd the spielberg and tarantino of their day flirting with and skirting round the cut throat issues of succession politics religious upheaval and technological change the shakespeare in this book poses awkward guestions rather than offering bland answers always implicating us in working out what it might mean this is shakespeare and he needs your attention a masterclass in persuasion from the inspiring philosopher who has taught a million people to argue through his popular open online course our personal and political worlds are rife with arguments and disagreements some of them petty and vitriolic the inability to compromise and understand the other side is widespread today what can we do to change this in think again philosopher walter sinnott armstrong draws on a long tradition of logic to show why we should stop focusing on winning arguments and instead argue in a more constructive way based on a hugely popular online course with more than a million followers around the world think again explains how to analyse evaluate and make better arguments while also spotting bad reasoning and avoiding certain fallacies through lively practical examples from everyday life politics and popular culture walter sinnott armstrong offers brilliantly straightforward wise advice that we can all use at work at home and online what are the effects of decreasing social mobility how does education help and hinder us in improving our life chances why are so many of us stuck on the same social rung ocr english language gcse past papers 2023-09-11 5/23 a680

as our parents apart from the usa britain has the lowest social mobility in the western world the lack of movement in who gets where in society particularly when people are stuck at the bottom and the top costs the nation dear both in terms of the unfulfilled talents of those left behind and an increasingly detached elite disinterested in improvements that benefit the rest of society this book analyses cutting edge research into how social mobility has changed in britain over the years the shifting role of schools and universities in creating a fairer future and the key to what makes some countries and regions so much richer in opportunities bringing a clearer understanding of what works and how we can better shape our future meteorites methane mega volcanoes and now human beings the old forces of nature that transformed earth many millions of years ago are joined by another us our actions have driven earth into a new geological epoch the anthropocene for the first time in our home planet s 4 5 billion year history a single species is dictating earth s future to some the anthropocene symbolises a future of superlative control of our environment to others it is the height of hubris the illusion of our mastery over nature whatever your view just below the surface of this odd sounding scientific word the anthropocene is a heady mix of science philosophy religion and politics linked to our deepest fears and utopian visions tracing our environmental impact through time to reveal when humans began to dominate earth simon lewis and mark maslin show what the new epoch means for the future of humanity the planet and life itself a crucial new guide to one of the most important and most dangerous phenomena of our time the rise of populism in the west across the west there is a rising tide of people who feel excluded alienated from mainstream politics and increasingly hostile towards minorities immigrants and neo liberal economics many of these voters are turning to national populist movements which pose the most serious threat to the western liberal democratic system and its values since the second world war from the united states to france austria to the uk the national populist challenge to mainstream politics is all around us but what is behind this exclusionary turn who supports these movements and why what does their rise tell us about the health of liberal democratic politics in the west and what if anything should we do to respond to these challenges written by two of the foremost experts on fascism and the rise of the populist right national populism is a lucid and deeply researched guide to the radical transformations of today s political landscape revealing why liberal democracies across the west are being challenged and what those who support them can do to help stem the tide in this entertaining and accessible exploration of love oxford anthropologist dr anna machin dives into the science behind the myriad types of love that exist in the world including romantic love parental love friendships love for pets football teams religious love and even love for our smartphones through original research brought to life by interviews and case studies and encompassing such fascinating areas as polyamorous relationships parasocial love for a celebrity and sacred loves this book argues that it is time to stop putting romantic love on a pedestal by exploring the science that illuminates the benefits of all our different close relationships dr anna machin encourages us to reconsider the importance of love in our own lives to interrogate our own experiences and to reconnect with the heart of what it really means to be human as the founder and leading practitioner of literary darwinism joseph carroll remains at the forefront of a major movement in literary studies signaling key new developments in this approach reading human nature contains trenchant theoretical essays innovative empirical research sweeping surveys of intellectual history and sophisticated interpretations of specific literary works including the picture of dorian gray wuthering heights the mayor of casterbridge and hamlet evolutionists in the social sciences have succeeded in delineating basic motives but have given far too little attention to the imagination carroll makes a compelling case that literary darwinism is not just another school or movement in literary theory it is the moving force in a fundamental paradigm change in the humanities a revolution ocr english language gcse past papers 2023-09-11 6/23 a680

psychologists and anthropologists have provided massive evidence that human motives and emotions are rooted in human biology since motives and emotions enter into all the products of a human imagination humanists now urgently need to assimilate a modern scientific understanding of human nature integrating evolutionary social science with literary humanism carroll offers a more complete and adequate understanding of human nature jacquie turnbull s practical and thoughtful handbook guides teachers through the 9 strategies that will help them to achieve professional effectiveness this book is a quide to personal development in the teaching profession in order to negotiate a fast changing world teachers need to be creative able to respond flexibly to new situations and be adept at finding innovative solutions to difficult problems and they need to be able to teach these skills to their students this book encourages teachers to become actively involved in their professional development and to strive to become model learners able to inspire learning in others this new edition has an increased emphasis on helping teachers to understand themselves as learners additional reflective exercises to enhance continuous professional development and a wealth of new case studies from jacquie turnbull s extensive experience the strategies include taking action on stress creating rapport and influencing leadership behaviours this inspirational book will also encourage teachers to look beyond the classroom and develop the skills and attitudes to be leaders of learning in the wider community well written and accessible this book makes essential reading for ambitious teachers everywhere the trouble with science began in 1632 when galileo demolished the belief that the earth is the centre of the universe yet despite the bewildering success of the scientific revolution many continue to hanker after the cosy certainties of a man centred universe and young people increasingly turn away from science in the trouble with science professor robin dunbar launches a vigorous counter blast drawing on studies of traditional societies and animal behaviour his argument ranges from charles darwin to nigerian fulani herdsman from lab rats to the mathematicians of ancient babylonia along the way he asks whether science really is unique to western culture even to mankind and suggests that our trouble with science may lie in the fact that evolution has left our minds better able to cope with day to day social interaction than with the complexities of the external world a brilliantly honest funny and insightful account of a buddhist life work and family for satyadasa the buddhist path has been fulfilling and often joyous but also full of doubts and obstacles what does it mean to be a buddhist in the west in the twenty first century and is being born with one hand a curse or a blessing evolution and popular narrative argues that an evolutionary approach to popular narrative provides an incisive index into human nature the contributors explore various media and genres to gauge the interdependency of human nature and culture in our aesthetic appreciation this new york times bestseller elegantly weaves evidence and insights into a single accessible historical narrative bill gates and presents a captivating history of the universe from the big bang to dinosaurs to mass globalization and beyond most historians study the smallest slivers of time emphasizing specific dates individuals and documents but what would it look like to study the whole of history from the big bang through the present day and even into the remote future how would looking at the full span of time change the way we perceive the universe the earth and our very existence these were the questions david christian set out to answer when he created the field of big history the most exciting new approach to understanding where we have been where we are and where we are going in origin story christian takes readers on a wild ride through the entire 13 8 billion years we ve come to know as history by focusing on defining events thresholds major trends and profound questions about our origins christian exposes the hidden threads that tie everything together from the creation of the planet to the advent of agriculture nuclear war and beyond with stunning insights into the origin of the universe the beginning of life the emergence of humans and what the future might ocr english language gcse past papers 2023-09-11 7/23 a680

bring origin story boldly reframes our place in the cosmos ________ and ______ and ______ and ______ big government big business big everything kirkpatrick sale took giantism to task in his 1980 classic human scale and today takes a new look at how the crises that imperil modern america are the inevitable result of bigness grown out of control and what can be done about it the result is a keenly updated carefully argued case for bringing human endeavors back to scales we can comprehend and manage whether in our built environments our politics our business endeavors our energy plans or our mobility sale walks readers back through history to a time when buildings were scaled to the human figure as was the parthenon democracies were scaled to the societies they served and enterprise was scaled to communities against that backdrop he dissects the bigger is better paradigm that has defined modern times and brought civilization to a crisis point says sale retreating from our calamity will take rebalancing our relationship to the environment adopting more human scale technologies right sizing our buildings communities and cities and bringing our critical services from energy food and garbage collection to transportation health and education back to human scale as well like small is beautiful by e f schumacher human scale has long been a classic of modern decentralist thought and communitarian values a key tool in the kit of those trying to localize create meaningful governance in bioregions or rethink our reverence of and dependence on growth financially and otherwise rewritten to interpret the past few decades human scale offers compelling new insights on how to turn away from the giantism that has caused escalating ecological distress and inequality dysfunctional governments and unending warfare and shines a light on many possible pathways that could allow us to scale down survive and thrive a terrific book essential reading for everyone seeking to make sense of artificial intelligence professor sir adrian smith director and chief executive of the alan turing institute in this myth busting guide to ai past and present one of the world s leading researchers shows why our fears for the future are misplaced the ultimate dream of ai is to build machines that are like us conscious and self aware while this remains a remote possibility rapid progress in ai is already transforming our world yet the public debate is still largely centred on unlikely prospects from sentient machines to dystopian robot takeovers in this lively and clear headed guide michael wooldridge challenges the prevailing narrative revealing how the hype distracts us from both the more immediate risks that this technology poses from algorithmic bias to fake news and the true life changing potential of the field the road to conscious machines elucidates the discoveries of ai s greatest pioneers from alan turing to demis hassabis and what today s researchers actually think and do nobody understands the past the present the promise and the peril of this new technology better than michael wooldridge the definitive account matt ridley author of the rational optimist effortlessly readable the perfect guide to the history and future of ai tom chivers author of the ai does not hate you in this hypothetical correspondence malcolm jeeves urges christian students to enter the brave new world of neuroscience ready to have their faith examined and their experiences of god put to the test when we do this he argues being mindful of oversimplifications as we go the integration of christianity and psychology becomes possible bizarre perplexing and moving cases of brain disorder told by a neurologist with an extraordinary gift for storytelling early human kinship brings together original studies from leading figures in the biological sciences social anthropology archaeology and linguistics to provide a major breakthrough in the debate over human evolution and the nature of society a major new collaboration between specialists across the range of the human sciences including evolutionary biology and psychology social cultural anthropology archaeology and linguistics provides a ground breaking set of original studies offering a new perspective on early human history debates fundamental guestions about early human society was there a connection between the beginnings of language and the beginnings of organized kinship and marriage how far ocr english language gcse past papers 2023-09-11 8/23 a680

did evolutionary selection favor gender and generation as principles for regulating social relations sponsored by the royal anthropological institute of great britain and ireland in conjunction with the british academy fascinating in essence the number and quality of our friendships may have a bigger influence on our happiness health and mortality risk than anything else in life save for giving up smoking guardian book of the day friends matter to us and they matter more than we think the single most surprising fact to emerge out of the medical literature over the last decade or so has been that the number and quality of the friendships we have has a bigger influence on our happiness health and even mortality risk than anything else except giving up smoking robin dunbar is the world renowned psychologist and author who famously discovered dunbar s number how our capacity for friendship is limited to around 150 people in friends he looks at friendship in the round at the way different types of friendship and family relationships intersect or at the complex of psychological and behavioural mechanisms that underpin friendships and make them possible and just how complicated the business of making and keeping friends actually is mixing insights from scientific research with first person experiences and culture friends explores and integrates knowledge from disciplines ranging from psychology and anthropology to neuroscience and genetics in a single magical weave that allows us to peer into the incredible complexity of the social world in which we are all so deeply embedded working at the coalface of the subject at both research and personal levels robin dunbar has written the definitive book on how and why we are friends

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this book focuses on the key ideas of the most important modern psychologists nineteen classic great ideas in psychology are critically assessed in their cultural and historical context with topics ranging from neuroscience to personality development to socio cultural issues the simple narrative style and chapter structure combined with critical thinking questions and a shortlist of essential readings for further study at the end of each chapter provides an ideal approach for anyone interested in learning about the key ideas and theories in psychology

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friendship is one of the best things ever created it is unparalleled as a building block of society a universal theme in great literature and film and has a huge impact on our mental health wellbeing and happiness but many of us are lonely or feel suffocated by the pressures of life and quantity of relationships we have to maintain now more than ever we need better deeper friendships we need the best of friends full of practical advice humour and wisdom phil knox shows us how to choose our friends wisely and maintain lasting and meaningful relationships

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a fascinating analysis of the evolution of religion from the internationally renowned evolutionary psychologist when did humans develop spiritual thought what is religion s evolutionary purpose and in our increasingly secular world why has it endured every society in the history of humanity has lived with religion in how religion evolved evolutionary psychologist professor robin dunbar tracks its origins back to what he terms the mystical stance the aspect of human psychology that predisposes us to believe in a transcendent world and which makes an encounter with the spiritual possible as he explores world religions and their many derivatives as well as religions of experience practised by hunter gatherer societies since time immemorial dunbar argues that this instinct is not a peculiar human quirk an aberration on our otherwise efficient evolutionary journey rather religion confers an advantage it can benefit our individual health and wellbeing but more importantly it fosters social bonding at large scale helping hold fractious societies together dunbar suggests these dimensions might provide the basis for an overarching theory for why and how humans are religious and so help unify the myriad strands that currently populate this field drawing on path breaking research clinical case studies and fieldwork from around the globe as well as stories of charismatic cult leaders mysterious sects and lost faiths how religion evolved offers a fascinating and far reaching analysis of this quintessentially human impulse to believe

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a statistical national treasure jeremy vine bbc radio 2 required reading for all politicians journalists medics and anyone who tries to influence people or is influenced by statistics a tour de force popular science do busier hospitals have higher survival rates how many trees are there on the planet why do old men have big ears david spiegelhalter reveals the answers to these and many other questions questions that can only be addressed using statistical science statistics has played a leading role in our scientific understanding of the world for centuries yet we are all familiar with the way statistical claims can be sensationalised particularly in the media in the age of big data as data science becomes established as a discipline a basic grasp of statistical literacy is more important than ever in the art of statistics david spiegelhalter guides the reader through the essential principles we need in order to derive knowledge from data drawing on real world problems to introduce conceptual issues he shows us how statistics can help us determine the luckiest passenger on the titanic whether serial killer harold shipman could have been caught earlier and if screening for ovarian cancer is beneficial shines a light on how we can use the ever growing deluge of data to improve our understanding of the world nature

The Art of Statistics 2019-03-28

how has feminism developed what have feminists achieved what can we learn from the global history of feminism feminism is the ongoing story of a profound historical transformation despite being repeatedly written off as a political movement that has achieved its aim of female liberation it has been continually redefined as new generations of women campaign against the gender inequity of their age in this absorbing book historian lucy delap challenges the simplistic narrative of feminist waves a sequence of ever more progressive updates showing instead that feminists have been motivated by the specific concerns of their historical moment drawing on an extraordinary range of examples from japan to russia egypt to germany delap explores different feminist projects to show that those who are part of this movement have not always agreed on a single programme this diverse history of feminism she argues can help us better navigate current debates and controversies a tour de force from an award winning expert feminisms shows that a rich relationship to the past can infuse today s activism with a sense possibility and inspiration

Feminisms 2020-08-27

concrete research driven advice on humanity s oldest hardest job why is parenting so fraught and so difficult in today s society there has never been a time when advice was so readily available and yet there is also a prevailing sense that parents are getting it wrong this book examines the arguments and counter arguments supported by research on how best to parent children from birth to twelve years by taking an impartial approach to the evidence and by discussing case studies from across the world and from a number of academic disciplines this book is designed to show how good parenting comes in many shapes and forms

Parenting the First Twelve Years 2018-08-30

how does britain get its food why is our current system at breaking point how can we fix it before it is too late british food has changed remarkably in the last half century as we have become wealthier and more discerning our food has europeanized pizza is children s favourite food and internationalized we eat the world s cuisines yet our food culture remains fragmented a mix of mass ultra processed substances alongside food as varied and good as anywhere else on the planet this book takes stock of the uk food system where it comes from what we eat its impact fragilities and strengths it is a book on the politics of food it argues that the brexit vote will force us to review our food system such an opportunity is sorely needed after a brief frenzy of concern following the financial shock of 2008 the uk government has slumped once more into a vague hope that the food system will keep going on as before food they said just required a burst of agri technology and more exports to pay for our massive imports feeding britain argues that this and other approaches are short sighted against the public interest and possibly even strategic folly setting a new course for uk food is no easy task but it is a process this book urges that needs to begin now tim lang has performed a public service simon jenkins sunday times

Feeding Britain 2020-03-26

one of the most important books i ve read in years brian eno we are losing the commons austerity and neoliberal policies have depleted our shared wealth our national utilities have been sold off to foreign conglomerates social housing is almost non existent our parks are cordoned off for private events and our national art galleries are sponsored by banks and oil companies this plunder deprives us all of our common rights recognized as far back as the magna carta and the charter of the forest of 1217 to share fairly and equitably in our public wealth guy standing leads us through a new appraisal of the commons stemming from the medieval concept of common land reserved in ancient law from marauding barons to his modern reappraisal of the resources we all hold in common a brilliant new synthesis that crystallises quite how much public wealth has been redirected to the 1 in recent decades through the state approved exploitation of everything from our land to our state housing health and benefit systems to our justice system schools newspapers and even the air we breathe plunder of the commons proposes a charter for a new form of commoning of remembering guarding and sharing that which belongs to us all to slash inequality and soothe our current political instability

Plunder of the Commons 2019-08-29

why should we learn more than one language can it change the way we think does it have the power to transform how we see the world you may think you speak only one language in fact your mind is interpreting multiple codes of communication some people speak spanish some mandarin some speak poetry some are fluent in maths humans are built for multilingualism drawing on cutting edge research and theory delivered with wit and lucid insight psycholinguist viorica marian explores the ways in which the mind uses multiple languages and how in doing so we can open the doors to unique forms of creativity brain health and cognitive control every new language we speak whether it is coding or musical notes hindi or arabic shapes how we extract and interpret information it alters what we remember how we perceive ourselves and those around us how we feel the insights we have the decisions we make and the actions we take the power of language lays bare how we use different linguistic codes to think about the world and change our place within it empowering and practical this is the perfect guide for anyone interested in how language really works

The Power of Language 2023-04-04

the standard book on anarchism for the twenty first century written with brio quiet insight and clarity carl levy a magisterial study of the history and theory of one of the most controversial political movements anarchism routinely gets a bad press it s usually seen as meaning chaos and disorder or even nothing at all and yet from occupy wall street to pussy riot noam chomsky to david graeber this philosophical and political movement is as relevant as ever contrary to popular perception different strands of anarchism from individualism to collectivism do follow certain structures and a shared sense of purpose a belief in freedom and working towards collective good without the interference of the state in this masterful sympathetic account political theorist ruth kinna traces the tumultuous history of anarchism starting with thinkers and activists such as peter kropotkin and emma goldman and through key

events like the paris commune and the haymarket affair skilfully introducing us to the nuanced theories of anarchist groups from russia to japan to the united states the government of no one reveals what makes a supposedly chaotic movement particularly adaptable and effective over centuries and what we can learn from it

The Government of No One 2019-08-01

from the bestselling author of happiness and co editor of the annual world happiness report most people now realize that economic growth however desirable will not solve all our problems instead we need a philosophy and a science which encompasses a much fuller range of human need and experience this book argues that the goal for a society must be the greatest possible all round happiness and shows how each of us can become more effective creators of happiness both as citizens and in our own organizations written with richard layard s characteristic clarity it provides hard evidence that increasing happiness is the right aim and that it can be achieved its language is simple its evidence impressive its effect inspiring in this book can we be happier which is part of richard layard s excellent ongoing exploration of what happiness is and how it can be achieved he provides evidence that if you have peace of mind and are full of joy your health will be good your family will be happy and that happiness will affect the atmosphere of the community in which you live the dalai lama

Can We Be Happier? 2020-01-23

the definitive guide to traditionalism the world s least known major philosophy but one that is essential for understanding our past present and future traditionalism is founded on ancient teachings that its followers argue have been handed down from time immemorial forming a basis of the sacred order that must be defended from modernity and the disorder it brings it has been used to encourage respect for the environment compose great music and reduce hostility between followers of different religions but traditionalism has applied to darker causes from the election of donald trump to fascist movements and even terrorism how has traditionalism been so influential for so long yet so little acknowledged and understood its followers have never aimed to reach the masses and have sought to affect the world quietly in this book the first of its kind for a wide audience traditionalism s history ideas and profound impact are laid out shining a light onto this shadowy world and the thought of its three founders rené guénon julius evola and frithjof schuon once you understand traditionalism you will see its influence everywhere

Traditionalism 2023-06-01

why is our education system unequal how does race play a part is britain still institutionally racist education remains the greatest indicator of life chances in britain what we study where we study and how long for shape all aspects of our lives our careers our long term health our wealth and security are all moulded in the classroom but who we are ultimately matters the most in race and education professor kalwant bhopal shows how race still determines who gains the best education in britain and who falls by the wayside through case studies original research and interviews with students teachers and academics alike she reveals how the construction of privilege starts at a young age with whiteness taking some students on a gilded path from cradle to career while many still struggle to build the futures they deserve this book highlights how classrooms and lecture halls are at the centre of perpetuating white privilege and how racism continues to exist in britain

Race and Education 2024-03-21

a succinct expert guide to how we got to brexit after all the debates manoeuvrings recriminations and exaltations brexit is upon us but as kevin o rourke writes brexit did not emerge out of nowhere it is the culmination of events that have been under way for decades and have historical roots stretching back well beyond that brexit has a history o rourke one of the leading economic historians of his generation explains not only how british attitudes to europe have evolved but also how the eu s history explains why it operates as it does today and how that history has shaped the ways in which it has responded to brexit why are the economics the politics and the history so tightly woven together crucially he also explains why the question of the irish border is not just one of customs and trade but for the eu goes to the heart of what it is about the way in which british irish and european histories continue to interact with each other will shape the future of brexit and of the continent calm and lucid a short history of brexit rises above the usual fray of discussions to provide fresh perspectives and understanding of the most momentous political and economic change in britain and the eu for decades

<u>A Short History of Brexit</u> 2019-01-31

restlessly curious insightful and guirky david damrosch is the perfect guide to a round the world adventure in reading stephen greenblatt a transporting and illuminating voyage around the globe told through eighty classic and modern books it is always a pleasure to talk about books with david damrosch who has read all of them and he is so eloquent and understanding about them all orhan pamuk inspired by jules verne s hero phileas fogg david damrosch chair of harvard s department of comparative literature and founder of harvard s institute for world literature set out to counter a pandemic s restrictions on travel by exploring eighty exceptional books from around the globe following a literary itinerary from london to venice tehran and points beyond and via authors from woolf and dante to nobel prizewinners orhan pamuk wole soyinka mo yan and olga tokarczuk he explores how these works have shaped our idea of the world and the ways the world bleeds into literature to chart the expansive landscape of world literature today damrosch explores how writers live in two very different worlds the world of their personal experience and the world of books that have enabled great writers to give shape and meaning to their lives in his literary cartography damrosch includes compelling contemporary works as well as perennial classics hard bitten crime fiction as well as haunting works of fantasy and the formative tales that introduce us as children to the world we re entering taken together these eighty titles offer us fresh perspective on perennial problems from the social consequences of epidemics to the rising inequality that thomas more designed utopia to combat and the patriarchal structures within and against which many of these books heroines have to struggle from the work of murasaki shikibu a millennium ago to that of margaret atwood today around the world in 80 books is a global invitation to look beyond ourselves and our surroundings and to see our world and its literature in new ways

Around the World in 80 Books 2021-11-04

a the times book of the year 2019 the best introduction to the plays i ve read perhaps the best book on shakespeare full stop alex preston observer it makes you impatient to see or re read the plays at once hilary mantel a genius and prophet whose timeless works encapsulate the human condition like no others a writer who surpassed his contemporaries in vision originality and literary mastery who wrote like an angel putting it all so much better than anyone else is this shakespeare well sort of but it doesn t really tell us the whole truth so much of what we say about shakespeare is either not true or just not relevant deflecting us from investigating the challenges of his inconsistencies and flaws this electrifying new book thrives on revealing not resolving the ambiguities of shakespeare s plays and their changing topicality it introduces an intellectually theatrically and ethically exciting writer who engages with intersectionality as much as with ovid with economics as much as poetry who writes in strikingly modern ways about individual agency privacy politics celebrity and sex it takes us into a world of politicking and copy catting as we watch him emulating the blockbusters of christopher marlowe and thomas kyd the spielberg and tarantino of their day flirting with and skirting round the cut throat issues of succession politics religious upheaval and technological change the shakespeare in this book poses awkward questions rather than offering bland answers always implicating us in working out what it might mean this is shakespeare and he needs your attention

This Is Shakespeare 2019-05-02

a masterclass in persuasion from the inspiring philosopher who has taught a million people to argue through his popular open online course our personal and political worlds are rife with arguments and disagreements some of them petty and vitriolic the inability to compromise and understand the other side is widespread today what can we do to change this in think again philosopher walter sinnott armstrong draws on a long tradition of logic to show why we should stop focusing on winning arguments and instead argue in a more constructive way based on a hugely popular online course with more than a million followers around the world think again explains how to analyse evaluate and make better arguments while also spotting bad reasoning and avoiding certain fallacies through lively practical examples from everyday life politics and popular culture walter sinnott armstrong offers brilliantly straightforward wise advice that we can all use at work at home and online

Think Again 2018-06-14

what are the effects of decreasing social mobility how does education help and hinder us in improving our life chances why are so many of us stuck on the same social rung as our parents apart from the usa britain has the lowest social mobility in the western world the lack of movement in who gets where in society particularly when people are stuck at the bottom and the top costs the nation dear both in terms of the unfulfilled talents of those left behind and an increasingly detached elite disinterested in improvements that benefit the rest of society this book analyses cutting edge research into how social mobility has changed in britain over the years the shifting role of schools and universities in creating a fairer future and the key to what makes some countries and regions so much richer in opportunities bringing a clearer understanding of what works and how we can better shape our future

Social Mobility 2018-09-27

meteorites methane mega volcanoes and now human beings the old forces of nature that transformed earth many millions of years ago are joined by another us our actions have driven earth into a new geological epoch the anthropocene for the first time in our home planet s 4 5 billion year history a single species is dictating earth s future to some the anthropocene symbolises a future of superlative control of our environment to others it is the height of hubris the illusion of our mastery over nature whatever your view just below the surface of this odd sounding scientific word the anthropocene is a heady mix of science philosophy religion and politics linked to our deepest fears and utopian visions tracing our environmental impact through time to reveal when humans began to dominate earth simon lewis and mark maslin show what the new epoch means for the future of humanity the planet and life itself

The Human Planet 2018-06-07

a crucial new guide to one of the most important and most dangerous phenomena of our time the rise of populism in the west across the west there is a rising tide of people who feel excluded alienated from mainstream politics and increasingly hostile towards minorities immigrants and neo liberal economics many of these voters are turning to national populist movements which pose the most serious threat to the western liberal democratic system and its values since the second world war from the united states to france austria to the uk the national populist challenge to mainstream politics is all around us but what is behind this exclusionary turn who supports these movements and why what does their rise tell us about the health of liberal democratic politics in the west and what if anything should we do to respond to these challenges written by two of the foremost experts on fascism and the rise of the populist right national populism is a lucid and deeply researched guide to the radical transformations of today s political landscape revealing why liberal democracies across the west are being challenged and what those who support them can do to help stem the tide

National Populism 2018-10-25

in this entertaining and accessible exploration of love oxford anthropologist dr anna machin dives into the science behind the myriad types of love that exist in the world including romantic love parental love friendships love for pets football teams religious love and even love for our smartphones through original research brought to life by interviews and case studies and encompassing such fascinating areas as polyamorous relationships parasocial love for a celebrity and sacred loves this book argues that it is time to stop putting romantic love on a pedestal by exploring the science that illuminates the benefits of all our different close relationships dr anna machin encourages us to reconsider the importance of love in our own lives to interrogate our own experiences and to reconnect with the heart of what it really means to be human

Why We Love 2023-01-05

as the founder and leading practitioner of literary darwinism joseph carroll remains at the forefront of a major movement in literary studies signaling key new developments in this approach reading human nature contains trenchant theoretical essays innovative empirical research sweeping surveys of intellectual history and sophisticated interpretations of specific literary works including the picture of dorian gray wuthering heights the mayor of casterbridge and hamlet evolutionists in the social sciences have succeeded in delineating basic motives but have given far too little attention to the imagination carroll makes a compelling case that literary darwinism is not just another school or movement in literary theory it is the moving force in a fundamental paradigm change in the humanities a revolution psychologists and anthropologists have provided massive evidence that human motives and emotions are rooted in human biology since motives and emotions enter into all the products of a human imagination humanists now urgently need to assimilate a modern scientific understanding of human nature integrating evolutionary social science with literary humanism carroll offers a more complete and adequate understanding of human nature

Reading Human Nature 2011-03-01

jacquie turnbull s practical and thoughtful handbook guides teachers through the 9 strategies that will help them to achieve professional effectiveness this book is a guide to personal development in the teaching profession in order to negotiate a fast changing world teachers need to be creative able to respond flexibly to new situations ans be adept at finding innovative solutions to difficult problems and they need to be able to teach these skills to their students this book encourages teachers to become actively involved in their professional development and to strive to become model learners able to inspire learning in others this new edition has an increased emphasis on helping teachers to understand themselves as learners additional reflective exercises to enhance continuous professional development and a wealth of new case studies from jacquie turnbull s extensive experience the strategies include taking action on stress creating rapport and influencing leadership behaviours this inspirational book will also encourage teachers to look beyond the classroom and develop the skills and attitudes to be leaders of learning in the wider community well written and accessible this book makes essential reading for ambitious teachers everywhere

Personal Development for Teachers 2013-07-20

the trouble with science began in 1632 when galileo demolished the belief that the earth is the centre of the universe yet despite the bewildering success of the scientific revolution many continue to hanker after the cosy certainties of a man centred universe and young people increasingly turn away from science in the trouble with science professor robin dunbar launches a vigorous counter blast drawing on studies of traditional societies and animal behaviour his argument ranges from charles darwin to nigerian fulani herdsman from lab rats to the mathematicians of ancient babylonia along the way he asks whether science really is unique to western culture even to mankind and suggests that our trouble with science may lie in the fact that evolution has left our minds better able to cope with day to day social interaction than with the complexities of the external world

The Trouble with Science 2011-04-07

a brilliantly honest funny and insightful account of a buddhist life work and family for satyadasa the buddhist path has been fulfilling and often joyous but also full of doubts and obstacles what does it mean to be a buddhist in the west in the twenty first century and is being born with one hand a curse or a blessing

The Sound of One Hand 2022-12-12

evolution and popular narrative argues that an evolutionary approach to popular narrative provides an incisive index into human nature the contributors explore various media and genres to gauge the interdependency of human nature and culture in our aesthetic appreciation

Evolution and Popular Narrative 2019-06-07

this new york times bestseller elegantly weaves evidence and insights into a single accessible historical narrative bill gates and presents a captivating history of the universe from the big bang to dinosaurs to mass globalization and beyond most historians study the smallest slivers of time emphasizing specific dates individuals and documents but what would it look like to study the whole of history from the big bang through the present day and even into the remote future how would looking at the full span of time change the way we perceive the universe the earth and our very existence these were the questions david christian set out to answer when he created the field of big history the most exciting new approach to understanding where we have been where we are and where we are going in origin story christian takes readers on a wild ride through the entire 13 8 billion years we ve come to know as history by focusing on defining events thresholds major trends and profound questions about our origins christian exposes the hidden threads that tie everything together from the creation of the planet to the advent of agriculture nuclear war and beyond with stunning insights into the origin of the universe the beginning of life the emergence of humans and what the future might bring origin story boldly reframes our place in the cosmos

Origin Story 2018-05-22

2016-06

big government big business big everything kirkpatrick sale took giantism to task in his 1980 classic human scale and today takes a new look at how the crises that imperil modern america are the inevitable result of bigness grown out of control and what can be done about it the result is a keenly updated carefully argued case for bringing human endeavors back to scales we can comprehend and manage whether in our built environments our politics our business endeavors our energy plans or our mobility sale walks readers back through history to a time when buildings were scaled to the human figure as was the parthenon democracies were scaled to the societies they served and enterprise was scaled to communities against that backdrop he dissects the bigger is better paradigm that has defined modern times and brought civilization to a crisis point says sale retreating from our calamity will take rebalancing our relationship to the environment adopting more human scale technologies right sizing our buildings communities and cities and bringing our critical services from energy food and garbage collection to transportation health and education back to human scale as well like small is beautiful by e f schumacher human scale has long been a classic of modern decentralist thought and communitarian values a key tool in the kit of those trying to localize create meaningful governance in bioregions or rethink our reverence of and dependence on growth financially and otherwise rewritten to interpret the past few decades human scale offers compelling new insights on how to turn away from the giantism that has caused escalating ecological distress and inequality dysfunctional governments and unending warfare and shines a light on many possible pathways that could allow us to scale down survive and thrive

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a terrific book essential reading for everyone seeking to make sense of artificial intelligence professor sir adrian smith director and chief executive of the alan turing institute in this myth busting guide to ai past and present one of the world s leading researchers shows why our fears for the future are misplaced the ultimate dream of ai is to build machines that are like us conscious and self aware while this remains a remote possibility rapid progress in ai is already transforming our world yet the public debate is still largely centred on unlikely prospects from sentient machines to dystopian robot takeovers in this lively and clear headed guide michael wooldridge challenges the prevailing narrative revealing how the hype distracts us from both the more immediate risks that this technology poses from algorithmic bias to fake news and the true life changing potential of the field the road to conscious machines elucidates the discoveries of ai s greatest pioneers from alan turing to demis hassabis and what today s researchers actually think and do nobody understands the past the present the promise and the peril of this new technology better than michael wooldridge the definitive account matt ridley author of the rational optimist effortlessly readable the perfect guide to the history and future of ai tom chivers author of the ai does not hate you

Human Scale Revisited 2017

in this hypothetical correspondence malcolm jeeves urges christian students to enter the brave new world of neuroscience ready to have their faith examined and their experiences of god put to the test when we do this he argues being mindful of oversimplifications as we go the integration of christianity and psychology becomes possible

The Road to Conscious Machines 2020-03-05

bizarre perplexing and moving cases of brain disorder told by a neurologist with an extraordinary gift for storytelling

Minds, Brains, Souls and Gods 2013-08-05

early human kinship brings together original studies from leading figures in the biological sciences social anthropology archaeology and linguistics to provide a major breakthrough in the debate over human evolution and the nature of society a major new collaboration between specialists across the range of the human sciences including evolutionary biology and psychology social cultural anthropology archaeology and linguistics provides a ground breaking set of original studies offering a new perspective on early human history debates fundamental questions about early human society was there a connection between the beginnings of language and the beginnings of organized kinship and marriage how far did evolutionary selection favor gender and generation as principles for regulating social relations sponsored by the royal anthropological institute of great britain and ireland in conjunction with the british academy

A Portrait of the Brain 2008-01-01

fascinating in essence the number and quality of our friendships may have a bigger influence on our happiness health and mortality risk than anything else in life save for giving up smoking guardian book of the day friends matter to us and they matter more than we think the single most surprising fact to emerge out of the medical literature over the last decade or so has been that the number and quality of the friendships we have has a bigger influence on our happiness health and even mortality risk than anything else except giving up smoking robin dunbar is the world renowned psychologist and author who famously discovered dunbar s number how our capacity for friendship is limited to around 150 people in friends he looks at friendship in the round at the way different types of friendship and family relationships intersect or at the complex of psychological and behavioural mechanisms that underpin friendships and make them possible and just how complicated the business of making and keeping friends actually is mixing insights from scientific research with first person experiences and culture friends explores and integrates knowledge from disciplines ranging from psychology and anthropology to neuroscience and genetics in a single magical weave that allows us to peer into the incredible complexity of the social world in which we are all so deeply embedded working at the coalface of the subject at both research and personal levels robin dunbar has written the definitive book on how and why we are friends

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