



NEW IN THE LIBRARY

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Summaries for books were obtained from various review sources.

FICTION

Harbor by Lorraine Adams. The uncertain lives of illegal Algerian immigrants are the subject of this novel by a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist. The story begins with Aziz Arkoun's arrival in Boston Harbor. After 52 days as a stowaway in a tanker's hold Aziz swims to shore. Aziz, who, with no English and ruined health, survives almost by chance. [F ADAMS]

The Winter Queen by Boris Akunin. Erast Fandorin, a government clerk turned detective, makes for an unlikely but gifted sleuth in late nineteenth-century Russia. The mystery spans the European continent and involves a major conspiracy. [F AKUNIN]



The Rule of Four by Ian Caldwell. Tom Sullivan and Paul Harris are determined to unlock the centuries old mystery behind an ancient Renaissance text before their graduation from Princeton, but just as they are about to discover its secrets, the campus is rocked with a series of suspicious deaths. [F CALDWELL]

Ward Four: A Novel of Wartime China by Ba Jin. Set in a hospital in rural China during World War II, it provides a haunting window into the isolation and displacement faced by ordinary citizens. World Literature – China. [F JIN]

Acceleration by Graham McNamee. Stuck working in the Lost and Found of the Toronto Transit Authority for the summer, seventeen-year-old Duncan finds the diary of a serial killer and sets out to stop him. [F MCNAMEE]

The Time Traveler's Wife by Audrey Niffenegger. Henry De Tamble is a Chicago librarian with "Chrono Displacement" disorder; at random times, he suddenly disappears without warning and finds himself in the past or future, usually at a time or place of importance in his life [F NIFFENEGGER]

REFERENCE

Western Europe 2004 by Wayne C. Thompson. Profiles the countries western Europe describing the history, government and politics, culture, and economy of each. [REF 940.558 WES]

East, Southeast Asia and the Western Pacific 2004 by Steven A. Leibo. Profiles the countries of east Asia, Southeast Asia, and the western Pacific, describing the history, government and politics, culture, and economy of each. [REF 950 EAS]



The Middle East by William Spencer. Provides an introduction to the status and problems of the Middle East -- through essays, statistics, current world press readings, and a listing of related World Wide Web sites. [REF 956 SPE]

Voting in America: A Reference Handbook by Robert E. DiClerico. Examines the electoral process in America from the 1800 presidential election to the 2000 race and discusses the various problems within the system such as the solid two-party monopoly, state primaries, low voter turnout, and the electoral college. [324.60973 DIC]

SOCIAL SCIENCES

An Ordinary Person's Guide to Empire by Arundhati Roy. This book offers a lucid briefing on what the Bush administration *really* means when it talks about "compassionate conservatism" and "the war on terror." Roy has characteristic fun in these essays, skewering the hypocrisy of the more-democratic-than-thou clan. [302.2309 ROY]

Teachers Wanted: Attracting and Retaining Good Teachers by Daniel A. Heller. Contents cover the following topics: the problem defined; preservice education; induction programs; vision and hiring; inservice programming; empowerment through individual professional growth; a challenging role for the principal; restructuring the profession. [371.1 HEL]

The Antiwar Movement edited by Randy Scherer. Traces the history and development of the anti-war movement in America, profiling key figures and events in the movement that have had a significant impact on how Americans view war. [303.660973 ANT]

APPLIED SCIENCE



Independence 101: A Practical Guide for Young Adults, United States Survival by Carter Sullivan. The perfect guide to keep young adults on target. Covers higher education, moving out, getting a job, paying taxes, living on a budget, voting, etc. Written by a local author. [305.235 SUL]

Illustrated Book of Fighter Aircraft: From the Earliest Planes to the Supersonic Jets of Today by Francis Crosby. This illustrated volume provides both the general enthusiast and historian with key information about the world's fighter aircraft. Covering aircraft from the pioneering days of air fighting in

World War I through to modern day. Many of the photos are from the Photographic Archive of the Imperial War Museum and have been rarely published before. [623.7464 CRO]

Air and Space Travel by Chris Woodford. Outlines the development of air and space travel, from the winged flight of a monk in the year 1000 to modern fighter jets and helicopters. [629.109 WOO]

The Complete Idiot's Guide to Car Care and Repair: Illustrated by Dan Ramsey. Presents an illustrated guide to understanding, maintaining, and repairing automobiles, explaining how cars run, where to get parts and tools, how to perform routine maintenance tasks, and how to make simple mechanical, electrical, body, and interior repairs. [629.2872 RAM]

The Big Book of Herbs: A Comprehensive Illustrated Reference to Herbs of Flavor and Fragrance by Arthur O. Tucker. A guide to identifying, growing, and using hundreds of common and unusual herbs. [635.7 TUC]

The New Complete Book of Herbs, Spices, and Condiments by Carol Ann Rinzler. Presents alphabetically arranged profiles of herbs, spices, and condiments, describing their use as food or for other purposes, and explaining their effects on the human body. Also includes sections on herbs used only in commercial pharmaceuticals, and hazardous herbs. [641.357 RIN]

ARTS AND RECREATION

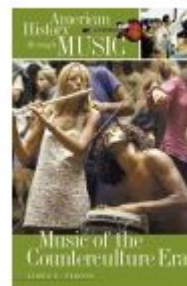
Chanel Parfum by Françoise Aveline. Text in French. [746.92 AVE]

Lanvin by Elisabeth Barille. Text in French. [746.92 BAR]

Yves Saint Laurent by Pierre Berg. Text in French. [746.92 BER]

Dior by Marie-France Pochna. Text in French. [746.92 POC]

Music of the Civil War Era by Steven H. Cornelius. This volume presents narrative chapters that recount the many vibrant roles of music during this troubled period of American history. A chapter of biographical entries, a dictionary of Civil War era music, and a subject index offer useful reference tools. [780.97309034 COR]



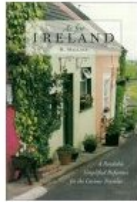
Music of the Counterculture Era by James E. Perone. Through a discussion of representative bands and songs, this work explores how the American counterculture of the 1960s and 70s confronted war, oppression, capitalism, and other issues through music. Aimed at the lay reader and containing no direct quotes from songs, the text is not particularly heavy on analysis and is probably best used as a general introductory roadmap to the protest music of the era and its relationship to the roiling social movements of the time. [781.640973 PER]

LITERATURE

Mama's Promises: Poems by Marilyn Nelson Waniek. Poems explore themes such as birth, death, motherhood, marriage, childhood, love, and memory. [811.54 WAN]

Readings on Michael Crichton edited by Robert Hayhurst. This book includes fifteen critical essays on Michael Crichton's novels and a biography of Michael Crichton. [813.54 REA]

GEOGRAPHY & HISTORY



As For Ireland: A Readable Simplified Reference for the Curious Traveler by M. Mallace. While other travel guides focus on accommodations, dining, and cursory descriptions of well-known sites, the experienced traveler thirsts for a more comprehensive and historical view of this fascinating country. [914.15 MAL]

Barnes & Noble Complete Illustrated Map and Guide Book to Central Park by Raymond Carroll. Concept, design, maps and photographs by Richard L. Berenson [917.47 CAR]

Under the Tuscan Sun: At Home in Italy by Frances Mayes. A chronicle of the author's first four years in Italy, describing her purchase and restoration of an abandoned villa in the Tuscan countryside, her transformation of the overgrown gardens,

and her discovery of the many links between the food and culture of the region. [945.5 MAY]

Singapore by Lesley Layton. Introduces the geography, history, religious beliefs, government, and people of Singapore. [959.57 LAY]

AUDIOBOOKS

Things Invisible to See by Nancy Willard. Magic, baseball, fantasy, and nostalgia come to play in this story opening on the eve of World War II in Ann Arbor, Michigan. [CASSETTE WILLARD]

COMPACT DISCS

Early Ellington: The Complete Brunswick and Vocalion Recordings of Duke Ellington, 1926-1931. Duke Ellington recorded for Brunswick from 1926 to 1931, the period in which his great talent and great orchestra first flowered, whether the band was recording under his own name or such pseudonyms as the Washingtonians or the Jungle Band. [CD 781.65 EAR]

VIDEOS

In Search of History: Ship of Slaves - Middle Passage. From the History Channel. *Ships of Slaves* is a searching look at the history and legacy of slavery in the New World. [VIDEO 306.362 HIS]

Shark Attack! From Nova/PBS. Shot at exotic locations in California, Hawaii and Australia, the film looks at the dramatic increase in shark attacks on humans in the last few years. [VIDEO 587.31 SHA]