



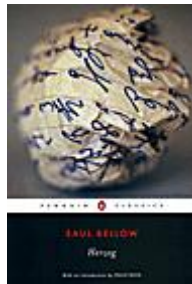
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December 2006

FICTION

Half of a Yellow Sun by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. The lives of Ugwu, a thirteen-year-old houseboy, Olanna, the mistress of the professor the boy works for, and Richard, a Englishman in love with the woman's sister, are endangered during the political unrest resulting from the forming of the independent nation of Biafra in Nigeria. World Literature – Nigeria. [F ADICHIE]

Herzog by Saul Bellow. YA. A mid-twentieth-century Jewish man who has failed in all of his major professional and personal endeavors sets out on a philosophical letter writing campaign to anyone and everyone who will read his thoughts--friends, enemies, and strangers. [F BELLOW]

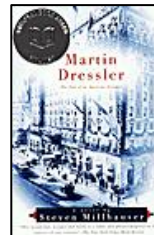
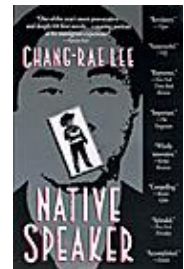


The Brief History of the Dead by Kevin Brockmeier. The City, where the recently departed reside as long as they are remembered by the living, is home to Kuka Sims, who prints the City's only newspaper; Coleman Kinzler, a vagrant who speaks the word of God; and Marion and Philip Byrd, who find themselves

falling in love once again. All of the recently departed are remembered by Laura Byrd, whose own time is running out. [F BROCKMEIER]

Artemis Fowl : The Lost Colony by Eoin Colfer. YA. Once again, Artemis will have to pair up with his old comrade, captain Holly Short, to track down the missing demon and rescue him before the time spell dissolves and the lost demon colony returns violently to Earth. [F COLFER]

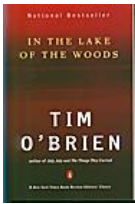
Native Speaker by Chang-rae Lee. Henry Park is a Korean American private investigator who, in the course of spying on a New York City politician, comes to terms with his own sense of identity, family, and culture. [F LEE]



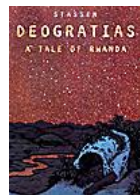
Martin Dressler: The Tale of an American Dreamer by Steven Millhauser. Martin Dressler rises quickly through the business world of nineteenth-century New York City, going from a helper in his dad's cigar store to owner of the Grand Cosmo hotel, which represents the fulfillment of his dreams, but also leads him to financial ruin. [F MILLHAUSER]

Thick by Colin Neehan. YA. Nick feels powerless against his abusive father until he finds a gun and uses it. [F NEENAN]

In the Lake of the Woods by Tim O'Brien. After John and Kathy realize that their marriage has been built on deception, Kathy mysteriously disappears in the Minnesota north woods. [F OBRIEN]



Postcards by Annie Proulx. Loyal Blood inalterably changes the course of his life and the fortunes of his family members when he deserts the family's New England farm after accidentally killing his lover. [F PROULX]



Deogratias : A Tale of Rwanda by Jean-Philippe Stassen. YA. A graphic novel that describes the Tutsi genocide in Rwanda in 1994 through the eyes of a boy named Deogratias, a Hutu, who is in love with Benigne, a Tutsi. World Literature – Rwanda. [F STASSEN]

A Confederacy of Dunces by John Kennedy Toole. Pulitzer Prize winning farce, set in New Orleans, telling about Ignatius J. Reilly and his various attempts at employment and one-man wars. [F TOOLE]

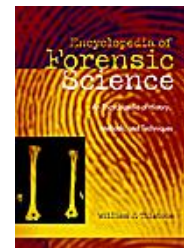
Rooftop by Paul Volponi. Still reeling from seeing police shoot his unarmed cousin to death on the roof of a New York City housing project, seventeen-year-old Clay is dragged into the whirlwind of political manipulation that follows. [F VOLPONI]



REFERENCE

Women in Early America: Struggle, Survival, and Freedom in the New World by Dorothy A. Mays. Beginning with the 1607 settlement at Jamestown and ending with the War of 1812, explores the responsibilities, freedoms, struggles and influence of women. [REF 305.40973 MAY]

Forensic Science : An Encyclopedia of History, Methods, and Techniques by William J. Tilstone. Over 225 alphabetically arranged entries that provide information on developments in the history of forensic science, and includes an extensive introduction. [REF 363.25 TIL]

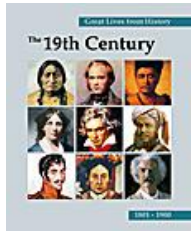


Traditional Festivals : A Multicultural Encyclopedia by Christian Roy. Two volume set. Traces the history of traditional festivals, from the major feasts of world religions through the sacred calendars of ancient civilizations to the seasonal celebrations of tribal cultures. [REF 394.26 ROY]



The Encyclopedia of World War I : A Political, Social, and Military History edited by Spencer C. Tucker. Five volume set. Covers not only the military aspect of the war, but also its political, economic, scientific, and social implications on the 20th century's most influential conflict. [REF 940.3 ENC]

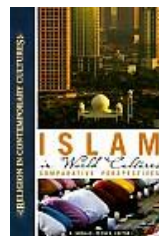
Great Lives from History. The 19th Century, 1801-1900 edited by John Powell. 4 volume set. Alphabetized, cross-referenced biographical profiles of 757 nineteenth-century men and women of significance in forty areas of achievement, from nearly sixty countries and regions. [REF 920.009 GRE]



American Revolutionary War: A Student Encyclopedia edited by Gregory Fremont-Barnes. 5 volume set. Over 800 entries and essays and a separate documents volume that covers every battle, campaign, political debate, and diplomatic encounter of the American Revolutionary War ranging from the end of the French and Indian War in 1763 to the ratification of the Constitution in 1789. [REF 973.303 AME]

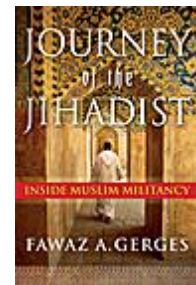


Buddhism in World Cultures : Comparative Perspectives edited by Stephen C. Berkwitz. Examines the practice and cultural influences of Buddhism in Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia, China, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, Tibet, Nepal, and the West. [294.309 BUD]



Islam in World Cultures : Comparative Perspectives edited by R. Michael Feener. A collection of articles by various authors providing different perspectives on a broad range of issues related to Islam in the context of globalization. [297.09 ISL]

Journey of the Jihadist : Inside Muslim Militancy by Fawaz A. Gerges. Explains why it is important for the Western world to understand who the jihadists are and what their mission is, and to realize that not all jihadists use violence and terrorism as a way spread their message. [297.8042 GER]



RELIGION

Chinese Religions in Contemporary Societies edited James Miller. A comprehensive introduction to the resurgence of religion in China and Taiwan since the end of the Cultural Revolution and a wide-ranging examination of the impact of religious traditions on Euro-Americans and Chinese immigrants in present-day North America. [200.951 CHI]

SOCIAL SCIENCES



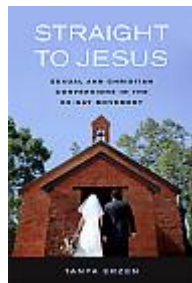
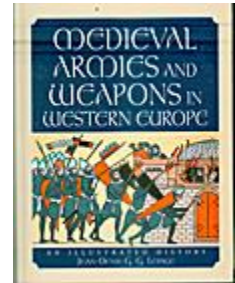
Mean Girls : Facing Your Beauty Turned Beast by Hayley DiMarco. The author discusses her high school years as the victim of bullies--otherwise known as Mean Girls, and offers advice on how to deal with this type of young woman, and perhaps even turn her into a friend. [305.235 DIM]

Promises Betrayed : Waking up From the American Dream by Bob Herbert. Argues that in recent years America has failed to live up to its creed of fairness and justice in the lives of working people, racial minorities, and children, profiling Americans who are suffering because of public officials who feel the rules of common decency do not apply to them. [306.0973 HER]



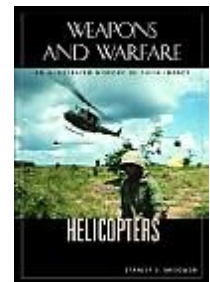
Teens Educating and Confronting Homophobia (T.E.A.C.H.) program, and includes first-hand accounts of issues related to sexual identity, coming out, and dealing with harassment. [306.766 HEA]

Medieval Armies and Weapons in Western Europe : An Illustrated History by Jean-Denis G. G. Lepage. Traces the history of weapons and warfare in the early, high or central, and late Middle Ages, covering the Germanic invaders, the feudal system, knights, the Hundred Years' War, and other topics. [355.0094 LEP]



Straight to Jesus : Sexual and Christian Conversations in the Ex-Gay Movement by Tanya Erzen. Explores the everyday lives of men and women at New Hope Ministry, a residential ex-gay program in Northern California, where homosexuals attempt to renounce long-term same-sex relationships and convert to the conservative Christian beliefs of their upbringing. Written by a former DHS student. [306.6618 ERZ]

Helicopters: An Illustrated History of Their Impact by Stanley S. McGowen. An illustrated history of helicopters that traces their development from the first successful machines in the early 1900s to their current status as a key component in combat planning around the world. [358.4 MCG]

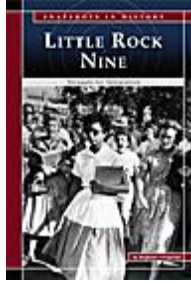


Dateable : Are You? Are They? by Justin Lookadoo. Reveals facts about teen dating, how to determine whether a relationship is worth pursuing, and shows how to trust God to bring true love. [306.7083 LOO]



Chopper : Firsthand Accounts of Helicopter Warfare, World War II to Iraq by Robert F. Dorr. Traces the history of the helicopter, describing its uses since World War II, its role in military maneuvers in combat, structural and weapon capacities, and how it has changed throughout history. [358.4183 DOR]

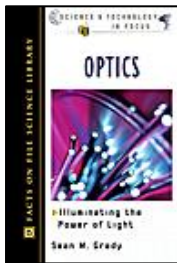
Hear Me Out : True Stories of Teens Educating and Confronting Homophobia edited by Frances Rooney. A collection of true, personal stories from volunteers of Toronto's



Little Rock Nine : Struggle for Integration by Stephanie Fitzgerald. A profile of the Little Rock Nine, nine African-American students who, in accordance with the Supreme Court legislation that made segregation illegal, attempted to integrate Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1957. [379.263 FIT]

Marriage Customs of the World : From Henna to Honeymoon by George P. Monger. Over two hundred alphabetized, cross-referenced entries on the origins and practice of historic and contemporary marriage customs worldwide, such as carrying bouquets, wearing crowns, and hand fasting, and includes twenty-five country and world region entries. [392.5 MON]

PURE SCIENCE

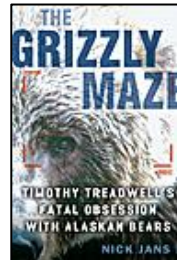


Optics : Illuminating the Power of Light by Kyle Kirkland and Sean M. Grady. A history of both the science and technology of light. Focuses on the contributions of optical physics in the 20th century: the creation of laser light, the development of fiber optics and optical-based communication, and the progression toward optical computing. [535 KIR] +

Decade of the Wolf : Returning the Wild to Yellowstone by Douglas W. Smith. Examines the impact the release of thirty-



one Canadian gray wolves into Yellowstone National Park had on the region's land and animal population over the past ten years. [599.773 SMI]



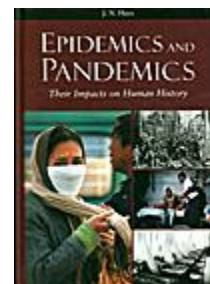
Grizzly Maze : Timothy Treadwell's Fatal Obsession with Alaskan Bears by Nick Jans. Recounts Timothy Treadwell's efforts to protect grizzly bears and disprove the perception

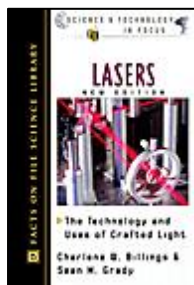
that they are dangerously aggressive, and chronicles his last expedition into the Alaskan wilderness, when Treadwell was mauled to death by a bear. [599.784 JAN]

APPLIED SCIENCE

The Gecko's Foot : Bio-Inspiration – Engineering New Materials from Nature by Peter Forbes. Looks at how scientists are using nanotechnology to study the processes of nature, such as how geckos are able to climb walls and how leaves unfold, and discusses how they are trying to recreate these natural processes for commercial use. [600 FOR]

Epidemics and Pandemics : Their Impacts on Human History by J. N. Hays. Accounts of fifty of the world's most historically significant epidemics, from the unidentified epidemic that struck ancient Athens, to tuberculosis in the twenty-first century, and discusses the effects of the outbreaks on demographics, politics, economies, and religion. [614.4 HAY]



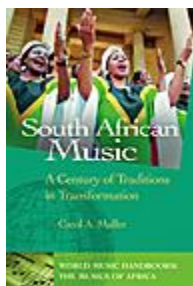


Lasers : The Technology and Uses of Crafted Light by Charlene W. Billings and John Tabak. Explains what lasers are and how they work and examines their various uses. [621.366 BIL]

Rifles : An Illustrated History of Their Impact by David Westwood. A comprehensive study of the history of weapons used in warfare from the development of firearms in the fourteenth century to twentieth-century assault rifles including early breech-loaders and Winchesters, flintlocks, repeaters, bolt-action rifles, and the AK-47. [683.4 WES]

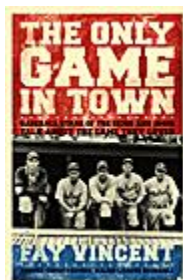
ARTS & RECREATION

South African Music : A Century of Traditions in Transformation by Carol A. Muller. Examines South African political and media history during the twentieth century and looks at traditional music and films as a way to explore key social and cultural issues. See also the accompanying audio CD: CD 780.968 MUL. [780.968 MUL]



My Soul is a Witness! The Message of the Spirituals in Word and Song by Marsha Hansen. Explores the deep messages of faith sung about in African-American sacred folk music. Each chapter of the book explores both song texts and related biblical texts, leading to opportunities for personal and devotional reflection.

See also the accompanying audio CD: CD 782.253 HAN. [782.253 HAN] +



The Only Game in Town: Baseball Stars of the 1930s and 1940s Talk About the Game They Loved by Fay Vincent. Ten legendary baseball players reflect on the heyday of the game in the 1930s and 1940s, recounting favorite games, plays, and events from the era. [796.357 VIN]

LITERATURE

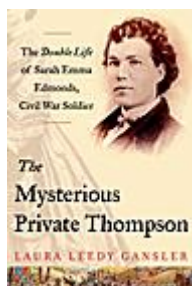
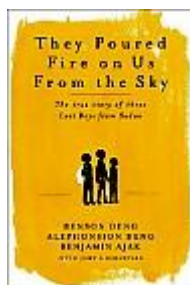
Thirteen Ways of Looking at the Novel by Jane Smiley. Writer Jane Smiley presents an examination of the novel, including an author's behind the scenes look at novel-writing, including tips on writing, and reviews of over one hundred novels, from "Don Quixote" to "Lolita." [813.54 SMI]

Backgrounds to English Literature from Facts on File. Five volume set; *The Renaissance, The Romantics, The Victorians, The Modernist Period 1900-1945, Post-war Literature: 1945 to the Present*. Provides historical, cultural, and social contexts for the study of English literature, looking at the literary genres and highlighting key writers and works from five specific time periods, and includes time lines, glossaries, and resources for further study. [820.9 BAC]

GEOGRAPHY & HISTORY

Thailand : A Global Studies Handbook by Timothy D. Hoare. An overview of Thailand, its history, geography, culture, business, economics, politics, and social issues and covers--in narrative style--an alphabetical list of significant people, a chronology of events, and an annotated bibliography. [959.3 HOA]

They Poured Fire on Us From the Sky : The True Story of Three Lost Boys from Sudan by Alephonsion Deng. Presents the stories of three young men who as children in the late 1980s were forced from their homes by war in the Sudan and traveled, along with thousands of other boys, nearly one thousand miles in search of refuge, surviving hunger, illness, and human and animal predators. [962.4043 DEN]



The Mysterious Private Thompson : The Double Life of Sarah Emma Edmonds, Civil War Soldier by Laura Leedy Gansler. Chronicles the life of Sarah Emma Edmonds, who began living as a man at the age of seventeen to avoid an unwanted marriage, served two years as Franklin Thompson in the Second Michigan Infantry during the Civil War, and was the only woman awarded a full soldier's pension for her Civil War service. [973.7 GAN]

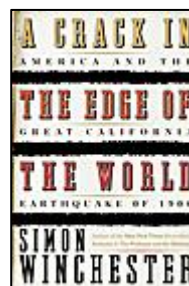


The New Deal : Rebuilding America by Stephanie Fitzgerald. Examines the New Deal, a plan designed by Franklin D. Roosevelt and enacted to help America recover from the Great Depression, discussing the events that led to it, how it was implemented, and the program's success. [973.917 FIT]

The Looming Tower : Al-Qaeda and the Road to 9/11 by Lawrence Wright. Chronicles the events leading up to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, offering an in-depth look at the Al Qaeda terrorist group's planning of the attacks and the events that prompted them. [973.931 WRI]



A Crack in the Edge of the World : American and the Great California Earthquake of 1906 by Simon Winchester. Discusses how the San Francisco earthquake of 1906 led to a greater scientific study of earthquakes in an attempt to understand the movements of the earth, and explains plate tectonics theory, the creation of the San Andreas Fault, and the social and political shifts caused by the disaster. [979.461 WIN]



AUDIO BOOKS



Cage of Stars by Jacquelyn Mitchard. Audio disc format. Veronica Swan moves to California to train as an EMT, four years after the murder of her older sisters. She goes to work as a nanny for Scott Early the man who killed her sisters. Scott, a diagnosed schizophrenic, was deemed incompetent to stand trial and committed for four years. Although her Mormon family forgives Scott in order to get on with their lives, Veronica plans to avenge her sisters' murders. [CDA MITCHARD]

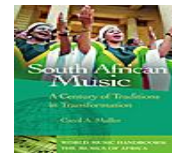
Chavez Ravine performed by Culture Clash. Audio disc format. The controversial history of Chavez Ravine, the immigrant community that once existed on the site that is now Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles, is explored with humor, brutal honesty, and pulse-racing music by the nation's premier Chicano/Latino theatre troupe, Culture Clash. [CDA 812.54 CUL]



The Great Tennessee Monkey Trial by Peter Goodchild. Audio disc format. Scopes Trial, over the right to teach evolution in public schools, reaffirmed the importance of intellectual freedom as codified in the Bill of Rights. The trial, in a small-town Tennessee courtroom in 1925, set the stage for ongoing debates over the separation of Church and State in a democratic society-debate that continues to this day. [CDA 812.54 GOO]

COMPACT DISCS

South African Music : A Century of Traditions in Transformation by Carol A. Muller. Audio CD with a variety of authentic recordings. See also the accompanying book: 780.968 MUL. [CD 780.968 MUL]



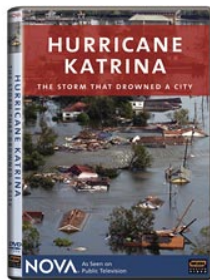
My Soul is a Witness! The Message of the Spirituals in Word and Song by Marsha Hansen. Includes the 14-song live recording of vocalist Marsha Hansen, accompanied by Keith Richards, Babi Floyd, Blondie Chaplin, George Receli, and others. See also the accompanying book: 782.253 HAN. [CD 782.253 HAN] +

VIDEOS

Mandate : The President and the People produced by the Annenberg Foundation. DVD format. From George Washington to Franklin Delano Roosevelt, examines the relationship between the presidency, mass media, and public opinion. [VIDEO 342.73 MAN]

Our Constitution : A Conversation produced by the Annenberg Foundation. DVD format. U.S. Supreme Court Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Stephen G. Breyer spoke with several Philadelphia area high school students in June 2005 in Washington, D.C. The students and justices discussed the significance of the judiciary and the ways that independence is protected by the Constitution. [VIDEO 342.7302 OUR]

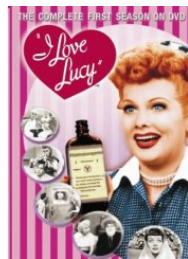
Key Constitutional Concepts produced by the Annenberg Foundation. DVD format. Three segments covering key constitutional concepts. "The first explains why the nation's framers created the Constitution. The second describes the protection of individual rights by highlighting the Supreme Court case of *Gideon v. Wainwright*, affirming the right to an attorney. The last explores the separation of powers by examining the Supreme Court case of *Youngstown v. Sawyer*, a challenge to President Truman's decision to take over steel mills during the Korean War". [VIDEO 342.73029 KEY] +



Hurricane Katrina : The Storm That Drowned a City produced by NOVA. DVD format. NOVA looks at what made hurricane Katrina so deadly and analyzes how, despite sophisticated defenses and disaster relief planning, this event has resulted in destruction on an unprecedented scale for the Gulf Coast region.

[VIDEO 363.34 HUR] +

I Love Lucy : The Complete First Season from Paramount Home Entertainment. Seven disc set in DVD format. English or Spanish dialogue with optional Spanish subtitles.



Cuban Bandleader Ricky Ricardo would be happy if his wife Lucy would just be a housewife. Instead she tries constantly to perform at the Tropicana where he works, and make life comically frantic in the apartment building they share with landlords Fred and Ethel Mertz. [VIDEO 791.45 I L]+

The Actor's Technique produced by Insight Media, 1994. DVD format. Singer/actors, dancer/singers, and actor/dancers talk about their breathing, voice and movement techniques. [VIDEO 792.028 ACT]



The Method: Based on Stanislavski and Strasberg, produced by Corlin Productions, 1995. DVD format. Explains and demonstrates the different techniques of relaxation,

the four basic sensory and concentration exercises, and includes different scenes critiqued by well known actors. [VIDEO 792.028 MET]

Uta Hagen's Acting Class produced by HB Studio, 2002. 2 disc set in DVD format. Shot over the course of two years, the interaction between Ms. Hagen and the actors and audience puts the viewer right in the room. All ten of her celebrated Object Exercises are clarified and performed. [VIDEO 792.028 UTA] +



An Anthology of Contemporary Indian Writing produced by Films for Humanities & Sciences. DVD format. This program spotlights a diverse group of Indian writers invited to participate in the Belles Étrangères, a French literary festival. [VIDEO 891.471 ANT] +

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