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the 1 new york times bestseller a bestselling book that inspired the nation we have written here about terrible things that we never wanted to think about again now we want the world to know we survived we are free we love life two women kidnapped by infamous cleveland school bus driver ariel castro share the stories of their abductions captivity and dramatic escape on may 6 2013 amanda berry made headlines around the world when she fled a cleveland home and called 911 saying help me i m amanda berry i ve been kidnapped and i ve been missing for ten years a horrifying story rapidly unfolded ariel castro a local school bus driver had separately lured berry gina dejesus and michelle knight to his home where he kept them chained in the decade that followed the three were raped psychologically abused and threatened with death berry had a daughter jocelyn by their captor drawing upon their recollections and the diary kept by amanda berry berry and gina dejesus describe a tale of unimaginable torment and pulitzer prize winning washington post reporters mary jordan and kevin sullivan interweave the events within castro s house with original reporting on efforts to find the missing girls the full story behind the headlines including details never previously released on castro s life and motivations hope is a harrowing yet inspiring chronicle of two women whose courage ingenuity and resourcefulness ultimately delivered them back to their lives and families

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a sixteen year old youth finds himself drawn into a war everyone expected but no one could envisage the horror and destruction that will arise during its five year course he soon learns to adjust and cope with the new deadly environment not always with success a strange twist of fate permits him to survive

together in one volume for the first time the harrowing 1 new york times bestseller with a new introduction and its triumphant sequel this volume includes two memoirs by christina crawford recounting the abuse she endured as a child and her journey to recovery as an adult mommie dearest an unprecedented memoir of child abuse mommie dearest also chipped away at the façade of christina crawford s alcoholic abuser her adoptive mother movie star joan crawford what transpired between a seemingly fortunate child of hollywood and a controlling and desperate woman was an escalating nightmare and for christina a fierce struggle for independence this ebook features an exclusive new introduction by the author plus rare photographs from her personal collection and a revealing one hundred pages of material not found in the original manuscript a horror story that goes beyond showbiz scandal mongering delivers an unexpected charge the new york times probably the most chilling account of a mother daughter relationship ever to be put on paper los angeles times survivor mommie dearest cast a spotlight on the unspoken horrors of family violence but the years following its publication tested christina crawford s resilience in unexpected ways a backlash intended to shame her a film adaptation that compounded the trauma alcoholism divorce and a stroke that left her paralyzed staying true to her fighting spirit the author made a remarkable comeback survivor is more than a memoir of triumph over tragedy for anyone who has suffered challenging despair it is a spiritual roadmap to recovery finding peace and celebrating a fulfilling life one closes this fine moving read with great respect for christina crawford kirkus reviews

new york times editors choice a powerful poetic memoir about what it means to exist as an indigenous woman in america told in snapshots of the author s encounters with gun violence finalist for the dayton literary peace prize goop book club pick essential we need more voices like toni jensen s more books like carry tommy orange new york times bestselling author of there there toni jensen grew up around guns as a girl she learned to shoot birds in rural iowa with her father a card carrying member of the nra as an adult she s had guns waved in her face near standing rock and felt their silent threat on the concealed carry campus where she teaches and she has always known that in this she is not alone as a métis woman she is no stranger to the violence enacted on the bodies of indigenous women on indigenous land and the ways it is hidden ignored

forgotten in carry jensen maps her personal experience onto the historical exploring how history is lived in the body and redefining the language we use to speak about violence in america in the title chapter jensen connects the trauma of school shootings with her own experiences of racism and sexual assault on college campuses the worry line explores the gun and gang violence in her neighborhood the year her daughter was born at the workshop focuses on her graduate school years during which a workshop classmate repeatedly killed off thinly veiled versions of her in his stories in women in the fracklands jensen takes the reader inside standing rock during the dakota access pipeline protests and bears witness to the peril faced by women in regions overcome by the fracking boom in prose at once forensic and deeply emotional toni jensen shows herself to be a brave new voice and a fearless witness to her own difficult history as well as to the violent cultural landscape in which she finds her coordinates with each chapter carry reminds us that surviving in one s country is not the same as surviving one s country

zoya phan was born in the remote jungles of burma to the karen ethnic group for decades the karen have been under attack from burma s military junta zoya s mother was a guerrilla soldier her father a freedom activist she lived in a bamboo hut on stilts by the moei river she hunted for edible fungi with her much loved adopted brother say say many karen are christian or buddhist but zoya s parents were animist venerating the spirits of forest river and moon her early years were blissfully removed from the war at the age of fourteen however zoya s childhood was shattered as the burmese army attacked with their house in flames zoya and her family fled so began two terrible years of running from guns as zoya joined thousands of refugees hiding in the jungle her family scattered zoya sought sanctuary across the border in a thai refugee camp conditions in the camp were difficult and zoya now had to care for her ailing mother zoya a gifted pupil was eventually able to escape first to bangkok and then with her enemies still pursuing her in 2004 she fled to the uk and claimed asylum the following year at a free burma march she was plucked from the crowd to appear on the bbc the first of countless interviews with the world s media she became the face of a nation enslaved rubbing shoulders with presidents and film stars by turns uplifting tragic and entirely gripping this is the extraordinary true story of the girl from the jungle who became an icon of a suffering land

the rise of the memoir traces the growth and extraordinarily wide appeal of the memoir its territory is private rather than public life shame guilt and embarrassment not the achievements celebrated in the public record what accounts for the sharp need writers like rousseau woolf orwell nabokov primo levi and maxine hong kingston felt to write and to publish such works when they might more easily have chosen to remain silent alex zwerdling explores why each of these writers felt compelled to write them as that story can be reconstructed from personal materials available in archival collections what internal conflicts they encountered while trying and how each of them resisted the private and public pressures to stop themselves rather than pursuing this confessional route against their own doubts without a reasonable expectation that such works would be welcome in print and eventually find an empathetic audience reconstructing this process in which a dubious project eventually becomes a compelling product a memoir that will last illuminates both what was at stake and why this serially invented open form has reshaped the expectations of readers who welcomed a vital alternative to the official story

a holocaust survivor's account of his six year journey through the enclaves of nazi europe describes how hitler's armies forced him to become the local ss chief's slave the deaths of his family and schoolmates and his escape

a unique prison narrative that testifies to the power of books to transform a young man's life at the age of sixteen r dwayne betts a good student from a lower middle class family carjacked a man with a friend he had never held a gun before but within a matter of minutes he had committed six felonies in virginia carjacking is a certifiable offense meaning that betts would be treated as an adult under state law a bright young kid he served his nine year sentence as part of the adult population in some of the worst prisons in the state a question of freedom chronicles betts's years in prison reflecting back on his crime and looking ahead to how his experiences and the books he discovered while incarcerated would define him utterly alone betts confronts profound questions about violence freedom crime race and the justice system confined by cinder block walls and barbed wire he discovers the power of language through books poetry and his own pen above all a question of freedom is about a quest for identity one that guarantees betts's survival in a hostile environment and that incorporates an understanding of how his own past led to the moment of his crime

my life has a price is a sad beautiful story i asked everybody here to read it nawal el saadawi author of woman at point zero zed books 1975 and god dies by Nile zed books 1974 etc a testament to the best and worst of humanity you can't help but read my life has a price and pass it on sefi Atta author of everything good will come swallow 2010 a chance at a better life should never be overlooked but occasionally something foul lurks under opportunity a read to be very much considered for international memoir collections the midwest book review library bookwatch nov 2012 one morning on the outskirts of lagos nigeria a lucky 13 year old girl named tina from a modest family is preparing to go to france to become part of linda and godwin okpara's family linda is a homemaker and godwin is a soccer player at the top french club paris saint germain as well as for the super eagles nigeria's national squad the couple have four children and tina dreams of going with them to school and joining in their games living the european dream but soon after her arrival the reality becomes different written in collaboration with acclaimed french journalist cyril guinet tina okpara recounts how imprisonment torture and abuse in a suburban house in the middle of gentrified europe in the 21st century could not break her tina's gripping story of survival and escape to rebuild her life is a moving testament to a remarkable woman a true survivor

a transcendent memoir by poet maria mutch about the distances that can form between people who should be the closest of all husband and wife parent and child lifelong friends and partners unfolding over the witching hours between midnight and 6am this moving and meditative book takes place during the two year period in which the author's son gabriel who is autistic and also has down syndrome did not sleep through the night gabriel spends much of his life as a puzzling enigma to his parents but when he becomes unlocked by jazz music his mother finds herself taking him into jazz clubs at all hours of the night where he becomes a favorite patron there is a fierce beauty in the isolation that envelops these two people as they wait out the nighttime hours which mutch compares to the isolation of polar explorer admiral richard byrd his story interwoven here brings insight into the profound experience of physical isolation and creates a shared language for the experience of feeling alone through these three main characters mother son adventuring explorer mutch triangulates overlapping and layered

themes of solitude that enlighten and uplift one another

halima bashir was born in the remote desert of darfur sudan and was raised in a loving family that was part of the black african zaghawa tribe in a rare privilege for a girl of her village she attended junior and secondary school in a nearby town bashir proved herself academically gifted and went on to study medicine becoming her tribe s first qualified doctor much to the pride of her father but war had already broken out in darfur when dr bashir began her practice and the violence perpetrated by janjaweed arab militias was spreading in january 2004 the militia attacked a remote school and gang raped 42 schoolgirls dr bashir was the only source of help in her nearby one room medical clinic when she dared to speak out about this atrocity to officials from the international community she was arrested by the secret police interrogated tortured and herself raped she escaped to her home village but the violence followed her there and her beloved father and many of her relatives were killed in reprisal desperate dr bashir was forced to flee sudan in 2005 to seek a tenuous asylum in britain once there the hardship and loss caught up with her leading to despair that only her new husband also in exile and her own strength of will could cure tears of the desert is halima s tale told in her own words and framed by her love for her new son it is a wrenching portrait of a young girl s innocence lost of a family and a people destroyed of the endemic discrimination against black african sudanese by their arab compatriots and of the senseless violence that erupted and continues unabated today it is dr bashir s belief that these words should be shared with readers so that the world will know about the conflict in darfur and about the horrific violence that is occurring between fellow muslims this is halima bashir s story but it is also the story of a nation that is ripping itself to pieces

belongs on the shelf of classics about surviving degradation with dignity and even humor time in march 1985 terry anderson was swept up in the violent conflict of a turbulent era at the mercy of shiite captors for nearly seven years he lived in chains wondering fearfully if each day would be his last but his spirit soared beyond captivity and he never gave up nor did those who loved him and now a free man again he tells the harrowing and poignant story of a hostage s survival and final triumph

sources for studying the holocaust provides a pathway for readers to engage with questions about what sources can be used to study the holocaust for many historians the challenge has been how to rescue the story from oblivion when oft used sources for other periods of history introduce even more issues around authenticity and reliability what can be learned of what transpired in villages and towns numbering several thousand people when all its jewish inhabitants were totally obliterated through nazi action who can furnish eyewitness testimony if all the eyewitnesses were killed how does one examine written records preserving knowledge of facts or events where none were kept or survived the onslaught and what weight do we put upon such resources which did manage to endure the destruction wrought by the holocaust each chapter looks at one of a diverse range of source materials from which scholars have rescued the history including survivor testimony diaries letters newspaper accounts photographs trial documents artefacts digital resources memorials films literature and art each chapter shows how different types of records can be utilised as accurate sources for the writing of holocaust history collectively they highlight the ways in which all material even the most fragmentary can be employed to recreate a reliable record of what happened during the holocaust and show how all sources considered can be employed to find

meaning and understanding by exploring a range of sources deeply this book is a unique analysis of the types of sources that can be used to access the history of holocaust it will be of invaluable interest to readers students and researchers of the holocaust

the morning after john s death i remember feeling absolutely enraged that the world had kept turning and the sun had come up as if nothing had happened lindsay nicholson and her husband the observer journalist john merriott were regarded as a golden couple but their world was turned upside down when john contracted leukaemia his death at the age of 35 left nicholson bereft with grief now the single parent of two beautiful daughters then in a tragic twist of fate her elder daughter ellie also contracted the same disease dying shortly after nicholson found that nothing could prepare her for the emotions she was feeling in this courageous and heart rending memoir lindsay nicholson reflects on her grieving process and the battle she faced to survive it her resilience and spirited determination are an inspiration to us all

dive deep into the vibrant tapestry of jewish literature with literary reflections this book delves into the rich history of jewish authors and poets exploring their journeys challenges and triumphs from the echoes of exile to the complexities of modern identity literary reflections unveils the enduring impact of jewish heritage on literary expression discover the voices of iconic figures like sholem aleichem elie wiesel and philip roth alongside lesser known yet equally powerful authors who shaped the landscape of jewish storytelling explore the evolution of jewish literature through different eras and movements from the traditional tales passed down through generations to the innovative narratives of contemporary writers witness the ways in which jewish writers grappled with displacement persecution assimilation and the ever changing dynamics of jewish identity beyond exploring individual authors this book examines the broader themes and concerns that bind jewish literature together revealing its profound impact on global culture and its enduring relevance in the 21st century prepare to be captivated by the diverse voices powerful narratives and timeless themes that make jewish literature a cornerstone of human experience

this memoir remains an enduring testament to the resilience of the human spirit and a damning indictment of man s inhumanity to man

nearly eighty years have passed since the holocaust there have been hundreds of memoirs histories and novels written about it yet many fear that this important event may fall into oblivion as holocaust survivors pass away their legacy of suffering tenacity and courage could be forgotten it is up to each generation to commemorate the victims preserve their life stories and hopefully help prevent such catastrophes these were my main motivations in writing this book holocaust memories which includes reviews of memoirs histories biographies novels and films about the holocaust it was difficult to choose among the multitude of books on the subject that deserve our attention i made my selections based partly on the works that are considered to be the most important on the subject partly on wishing to offer some historical background about the holocaust in different countries and regions that were occupied by or allied themselves with nazi germany and partly on my personal preferences interests and knowledge the nazis targeted european jews as their main victims so my book focuses primarily on them at the same time since the nazis also targeted other groups they considered dangerous and inferior i also review books about the sufferings of the gypsies the poles and other groups that fell victim to the nazi regimes in the last part i review books that discuss

other genocides and crimes against humanity including the stalinist mass purges the cambodian massacres by the pol pot regime and the rwandan genocide i want to emphasize that history can indeed repeat itself even if in different forms and contexts just as the jews of europe were not the only targets of genocide fascist regimes were not its only perpetrators

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