Writer-director Preston Sturges set a new standard for creativity in Hollywood. Three volumes of his screenplays have been published, and he is acknowledged as one of the grand masters of screen comedy. Between Flops was the first full-length biography of this great American humorist. "One of the most entertaining and engrossing film biographies I've encountered, doing justice not only to that truly eccentric genius at the core, but also to his time and place in both Hollywood and our culture." —Judith Crist "A sobering picture of the sweat and disappointment that lie beneath the Hollywood hoopla." —Newsweek

In Carlotto's The Campagna Trail, Inspector Campagna uses an old friendship with notorious drug dealer Roby Pizzo in a Machiavellian attempt to keep the peace. But when an interfering new police chief demands Campagna bring down the Mafioso who heads Pizzo's gang, Campagna must use every weapon he has to save his job - and his life. Meanwhile in Carofiglio's The Speed of the Angel, a writer in crisis strikes up an unlikely friendship with a mysterious woman he meets in a quiet seaside café. As their conversations deepen, and their obsessions darken, their drug-fuelled relationship begins to spiral, in this haunting tale of damnation and redemption. Finally in De Cataldo's The White Powder Dance, the city police are put on the trail of a baby-faced new graduate in the Milanese banking sector. As the pursuit accelerates through back streets and skyscrapers, it becomes clear that there is more to organised crime than getting your hands dirty.

This is a new release of the original 1929 edition.

"Presidential campaigns of the twenty-first century are not the first to use new media to promote their platform and marshal votes. In Politicking and Emergent Media, distinguished film historian Charles Musser looks at four US presidential campaigns during the long 1890s (1888-1900) as Republicans and Democrats mobilized a variety of media forms to achieve electoral victory. New York--the home of Wall Street, Tammany Hall, and prominent media industries--became the site of intense debate as candidates battled over voters' rights, labor issues, and currency standards for a fragile economy. If the city's leading daily newspapers were mostly Democratic as the decade began, Republicans eagerly exploited alternative media opportunities. Using the stereopticon (a modernized magic lantern), they developed the first campaign documentaries. Soon they were using motion pictures, the phonograph, and telephone in surprising and often successful ways. Brimming with rich historical details, Charles Musser tells the remarkable story of the political forces driving the emergence of new media at the turn of the century"--Provided by the publisher.

"Electric. A wildly astute plunge into the depths of love, rivalry, betrayal and the power of women."—Bill Clegg An internationally renowned writer, Valeria Costas has dedicated her life to her work and to her secret lover, Martin Acla, a prominent businessman. When his sudden stroke makes headlines, her world implodes; the idea of losing him is terrifying. Desperate to find a way to be present during her lover's final days, Valeria commissions his artist wife, Isla, to paint her portrait—insinuating herself into Martin's family home and life. In the grand, chaotic London mansion where the man they share—husband, father, lover—lies in a coma, Valeria and Isla remain poised on the

brink, transfixed by one another. Day after day, the two women talk to each other during the sittings, revealing truths, fragilities and strengths. But does Isla know of the writer's long involvement with Martìn? Does Valeria grasp the secrets that Isla harbors? Amidst their own private turmoil, the stories of their lives are exchanged, and as the portrait takes shape, we watch these complex and extraordinary women struggle while the love of their lives departs, in an unforgettable, breathless tale of deception and mystery that captivates until the very end.

It is a sultry August at the very end of the twentieth century, and Tristano is dying. A hero of the Italian Resistance, Tristano has called a writer to his bedside to listen to his life story, though, really, "you don't tell a life...you live a life, and while you're living it, it's already lost, has slipped away." Tristano Dies, one of Antonio Tabucchi's major novels, is a vibrant consideration of love, war, devotion, betrayal, and the instability of the past, of storytelling, and what it means to be a hero. From the Trade Paperback edition.

I immersed myself in magic. I read every book I could get my hands on and practised and practised, day after day and night after night. Magic became my world...some might say an obsession.' When you're a kid life can seem tough; tougher for some than others. But the darkest of times can also be the most enlightening. When his late granddad showed him magic for the first time, Steven Frayne knew there was more to life than hiding from bullies. He had a destiny. A calling. In that moment Dynamo was born: the most exciting magician of the 21st century. Since then, Dynamo has shocked, thrilled and amazed men, women and children, from all walks of life, all over the world. With his mind-blowing illusions, he has catalysed a whole new era of magic. Now, in his very first book, Dynamo invites you to join him on a breathtaking journey across the globe. Be prepared to levitate Lindsay Lohan in Singapore, transform snow into diamonds in the Austrian mountains, and walk on water across the River Thames. Along the way, he reveals how to make the impossible possible, what it takes to pull off the greatest stunts man has seen, and why everyone needs magic in their lives. This is no illusion. This is Dynamo revealed.

Introduces the history, daily life, religion, social customs, and inventions of the Aztecs, along with descriptions of Tenochtitlan, its largest city.

This edition includes Italian libretto along with an English line by line translation for the opera goer to use. Follow the exquisitely beautiful Don Pasquale and understand every word with this unique edition.

Feng Shui For The Curious and Serious Volume 2 will teach you the application of feng shui in your house and will also show you how to use feng shui principles to bring you and your family good health, good fortunes, and a happier and more prosperous life. This book will provide you with detail guidelines and information on how to analyze your surrounding environment, analyze the landscape such as mountains, plants, and trees, discuss how your environment affect your health and fortunes, how to look and distinguish houses with positive or negative feng shui, how to arranged and feng shui your living space such as your bedroom, living room, dinning room, kitchen, and your bed to bring you good health and good fortune, and how to use your birth date and birth sign to elicit and maximize your good fortunes. This book will not only show you how to activate and gain good health and good fortunes, but will also show you how to maintain your good fortunes and how to prevent misfortunes. This book give you very

detail information and guidelines on how to find and look for a home with good feng shui and how to arrange your home with feng shui that is conducive to good health and good fortune. This book also provide you with detail guidelines on how to remedy bad feng shui and show you how to avoid to prevent misfortune.

Dancing Naked in the Mind FieldVintage

A narrative and photographic history of the early days of the movies, combining fact, anecdote, and reminiscence in a critical survey of films, actors, directors, producers, writers, editors, technicians, and other participants and hangers-on.

A major portrait of the revered screen actor, written with the cooperation of his daughter, draws on personal records to cover his family life, his battle with alcoholism, and his long-time affair with Katharine Hepburn.

He was the consummate designer of film architecture on a grand scale. He was known for his visual flair and timeless innovation, a man who meticulously preplanned the color and design of each film through a series of continuity sketches that made clear camera angles, lighting, and the actors' positions for each scene, translating dramatic conventions of the stage to the new capabilities of film. Here is the long-awaited book on William Cameron Menzies, Hollywood's first and greatest production designer, a job title David O. Selznick invented for Menzies' extraordinary, all-encompassing, Academy Award-winning work on Gone With the Wind (which he effectively co-directed). It was Menzies--winner of the first-ever Academy Award for Art Direction, and who was as well a director (fourteen pictures) and a producer (twelve pictures)--who changed the way movies were (and still are) made, in a career that spanned four decades, from the 1920s through the 1950s. Now, James Curtis, acclaimed film historian and biographer. writes of Menzies' life and work as the most influential designer in the history of film. Interviewing colleagues, actors, directors, friends, and family, and with full access to the Menzies family collection of artwork and unpublished writing, Curtis gives us the pathfinding work of the movies' most daring and dynamic production designer: his evolution as artist, art director, production designer, and director. Here is a portrait of a man in his time that makes clear how the movies were forever transformed by his startling, visionary work.--Adapted from book jacket.

A masterwork of the renowned artist and magician Austin Osman Spare. This New Edition features all the original illustrations, accurate paragraph division, and text formatting as compared with the original printing. The Focus of Life is one of Spare's greatest and most accessible works.

Provides a revealing glimpse of the man and artist behind the image of the gin-guzzling misanthrope, discussing Fields' Philadelphia childhood, his career in vaudeville, his turbulent personal life, and his seminal film work.

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artists an informal way of exploring their craft for the ultimate self-exploration. Remind artists to keep exploring, be themselves & embrace imperfection. Allow beginners to learn how to sketch and draw. Allow amateur & professional artists to practice their craft & create a personal portfolio Help professionals such as architects & designers. Keep drawings or artistic creations organized so you can look back on them & see your progress. Study your own style & find patterns in your work that can be used to discover your artistic style. Sketchbooks are portable & keeps your work protected. And so much more... Let's help ourselves spend a little less time using technology and use the creative side of our brain to produce wonderful works of art. Order yours now! An unfinished duel, a midnight murder, and the treachery of a beautiful prostitute lead to the imprisonment of Sharpe. Caught in a web of political intrigue for which his military experience has left him fatally unprepared, Sharpe becomes a fugitive--a man hunted by both ally and enemy alike.

Here is a multidimensional playland of ideas from the world's most eccentric Nobel-Prize winning scientist. Kary Mullis is legendary for his invention of PCR, which redefined the world of DNA, genetics, and forensic science. He is also a surfer, a veteran of Berkeley in the sixties, and perhaps the only Nobel laureate to describe a possible encounter with aliens. A scientist of boundless curiosity, he refuses to accept any proposition based on secondhand or hearsay evidence, and always looks for the "money trail" when scientists make announcements. Mullis writes with passion and humor about a wide range of topics: from global warming to the O. J. Simpson trial, from poisonous spiders to HIV, from scientific method to astrology. Dancing Naked in the Mind Field challenges us to question the authority of scientific dogma even as it reveals the workings of an uncannily original scientific mind.

Acclaimed film scholar Francesco Casetti situates the cinematic experience within discourses of 20th century modernity. He suggests that film defined a unique gaze not only because it recorded many of the centuries most important events, but also because it determined the manner in which they were received.

Kingfisher Knowledge is a groundbreaking series for readers hungry for information on today's hot topics. Using lively, engaging text and state-of-the-art digital artwork, the series covers an immense range of subjects in impressive depth and is a major educational resource. KFK: Life in Ancient Rome transports the reader on an amazing journey through the world built by the Romans, from its legendary origins and the growth of the republic to the height of the empire. It also sheds new and intriguing light on familiar themes of life in Rome.

Reading level: 1 [green].

From the author of The Giant of Jum comes The Great Gran Plan, Elli Woollard's rollicking new rhyming fairytale retelling in which one of the Three Little Pigs must save Little Red Riding Hood's granny. In this riff on Little Red Riding Hood, the pig from The Three Little Pigs gets mixed up in the Big Bad Wolf's plot to eat Granny. Fortunately, Granny is a tough old bird who can take care of herself—and everyone else, too. A funny, rhyming read-aloud!

100 Silent Films provides an authoritative and accessible history of silent cinema through one hundred of its most interesting and significant films. As Bryony Dixon contends, silent cinema is not a genre; it is the first 35 years of film history, a complex negotiation between art and commerce and a union of creativity and technology. At its most grand – on the big screen with a full orchestral accompaniment – it is magnificent, permitting a depth of emotional engagement rarely found in other fields of cinema. Silent film was hugely popular in its day,

and its success enabled the development of large-scale film production in the United States and Europe. It was the start of our fascination with the moving image as a disseminator of information and as mass entertainment with its consequent celebrity culture. The digital revolution in the last few years and the restoration and reissue of archival treasures have contributed to a huge resurgence of interest in silent cinema. Bryony Dixon's illuminating guide introduces a wide range of films of the silent period (1895–1930), including classics such as The Birth of a Nation (1915), The General (1926), Metropolis (1927), Sunrise (1927) and Pandora's Box (1928), alongside more unexpected choices, and represents major genres and directors of the period – Griffith, Keaton, Chaplin, Murnau, Sjöström, Dovzhenko and Eisenstein – together with an introductory overview and useful filmographic and bibliographic information.

The ability to apply written, oral and interpersonal communication skills are essential if you are to succeed in your chosen career. Successful people are able to apply and adjust these skills to suit the various situations they encounter in the workplace. The eighth edition of THE BUSINESS COMMUNICATION HANDBOOK builds on the previous editions to provide an understanding of communication principles that can then be applied in the workplace. This user-friendly text is divided into four parts: Workplace Communication, Workplace Relationships, Workplace Documents and Career Development. Each chapter includes learning objectives and a list of key terms at the beginning of each chapter, margin notes to highlight key ideas, a comprehensive glossary and end-of-chapter summaries that review the essential concepts presented in the chapter. Coverage of employability skills has also been incorporated into the new edition, with Ready For Work activities at the end of each section that enable students to reflect on their readiness for work and career advancement or promotion. A Companion Website at pearsoned.com.au/dwyer provides further online resources for teachers and students and includes: True/False questions, Internet exercises, Good/Bad practice and research topic questions. This provides teachers with additional assessments and tasks, an exam revision tool and the opportunity to integrate technology into course delivery.

Dancefilm: Choreography and the Moving Image examines the choreographic in cinema - the way choreographic elements inform cinematic operations in dancefilm. It traces the history of the form from some of its earliest manifestations in the silent film era, through the historic avantgarde, musicals and music videos to contemporary experimental short dancefilms. In so doing it also examines some of the most significant collaborations between dancers, choreographers, and filmmakers. The book also sets out to examine and rethink the parameters of dancefilm and thereby re-conceive the relations between dance and cinema. Dancefilm is understood as a modality that challenges familiar models of cinematic motion through its relation to the body, movement and time, instigating new categories of filmic performance and creating spectatorial experiences that are grounded in the somatic. Drawing on debates in both film theory (in particular ideas of gesture, the close up, and affect) and dance theory (concepts such as radical phrasing, the gestural anacrusis and somatic intelligence) and bringing these two fields into dialogue, the book argues that the combination of dance and film produces cinechoreographic practices that are specific to the dancefilm form. The book thus presents new models of cinematic movement that are both historically informed and thoroughly interdisciplinary.

Self-proclaimed rock historians will delight in the scope and detail of this all-inclusive encyclopedia of Pink Floyd. A close study of each album is accompanied by an exhaustive listing of their songs, cover art, production credits, recording and sales information, and U.S. and U.K. release dates. The promotional art of each concert and tour is also provided, along with details on independent solo concerts and albums produced by individual band members, six appendices providing the dates of every performance arranged in chronological order, and

an equipment appendix describing the make and model of every Pink Floyd amplifier, guitar, and cymbal since the band's creation. This new edition features thousands of new band-related facts and a bonus CD featuring a rare version of "Interstellar Overdrive" and tracks from the British sci-fi band Hawkwind.

Gathers thirty-three story ideas for films by the Italian director noted for his use of silence, omission, and suggestion

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Lazy Lion likes to sleep. He stretches and snores. But if you dare to wake him up, he pounces and he roars! The animals of the jungle come to leaping, roaring life in these playful pop-ups that toddlers will adore.

This is a story about a little boy named Alexander, who is living at home with his dad while his mom is out of the country. Alexander loves his dad dearly, but he can't help missing his mom. Let us explore together the emotions and wonder Alexander experiences while he waits to reunite with his mom on the day of her return. I hope you will enjoy the book!

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