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Instant New York Times Bestseller A New York Times Notable Book of 2016 A Time Magazine Top 10 Novel of 2016 A Times Literary Supplement Best Book of 2016
“Dazzling . . . A profound novel about the claims of identity, history, family, and the burdens of a broken world.” —Maureen Corrigan, NPR’s “Fresh Air”
In the book of Genesis, when God calls out, “Abraham!” before ordering him to sacrifice his son, Isaac, Abraham responds, “Here I am.” Later, when Isaac calls out, “My father!” before asking him why there is no animal to slaughter, Abraham responds, “Here I am.” How do we fulfill our conflicting duties as father, husband, and son; wife and mother; child and adult? Jew and American? How can we claim our own identities when our lives are linked so closely to others’? These are the questions at the heart of Jonathan Safran Foer’s first novel in eleven years—a work of extraordinary scope and heartbreaking intimacy. Unfolding over four tumultuous weeks in present-day Washington, D.C., *Here I Am* is the story of a fracturing family in a moment of crisis. As Jacob and Julia Bloch and their three sons are forced to confront the distances between the lives they think they want and the lives they are living, a catastrophic earthquake sets in motion a quickly escalating conflict in the Middle East. At stake is the meaning of home—and the fundamental question of how much aliveness one can bear. Showcasing the same high-energy inventiveness, hilarious irreverence, and emotional urgency that readers loved in his earlier work, *Here I Am* is Foer’s most searching, hard-hitting, and grandly entertaining novel yet. It not only confirms Foer’s stature as a dazzling literary talent but reveals a novelist who has fully come into his own as one of our most important writers.

Revolt in Aspromonte

Umami

The great master of farce turns to an exclusive island retreat for a comedy of mislaid identities, unruly passions, and demented, delicious disorder
On the private

Greek island of Skios, the high-paying guests of a world-renowned foundation prepare for the annual keynote address, to be given this year by Dr. Norman Wilfred, an eminent authority on the scientific organization of science. He turns out to be surprisingly youthful, handsome, and charming—quite unlike his reputation as dry and intimidating. Everyone is soon eating out of his hands. So, even sooner, is Nikki, the foundation's attractive and efficient organizer. Meanwhile, in a remote villa at the other end of the island, Nikki's old friend Georgie has rashly agreed to spend a furtive horizontal weekend with a notorious schemer, who has characteristically failed to turn up. Trapped there with her instead is a pompous, balding individual called Dr. Norman Wilfred, who has lost his whereabouts, his luggage, his temper, and increasingly all sense of reality—indeed, everything he possesses other than the text of a well-traveled lecture on the scientific organization of science. In a spiraling farce about upright academics, gilded captains of industry, ambitious climbers, and dotty philanthropists, Michael Frayn, the farceur "by whom all others must be measured" (CurtainUp), tells a story of personal and professional disintegration, probing his eternal theme of how we know what we know even as he delivers us to the outer limits of hilarity.

The Red House

NOW A MAJOR TV DRAMA Late one summer evening, antiquarian bookseller Adam Snow is returning from a client visit when he takes a wrong turn. He stumbles across a derelict Edwardian house, and compelled by curiosity, approaches the door. Standing before the entrance, he feels the unmistakable sensation of a small cold hand creeping into his own, 'as if a child had taken hold of it'. At first he is merely puzzled by the odd incident but then begins to suffer attacks of fear and panic, and is visited by nightmares. He is determined to learn more 'about the house and its once-magnificent, now overgrown garden but when he does so, he receives further, increasingly sinister, visits from the small hand.

The Cream Train

Un manuale specifico rivolto a chi deve apprendere le conoscenze teoriche di base per affrontare il test di ammissione ai corsi di laurea dell'area giuridica; il testo offre infatti gli strumenti giusti per prepararsi al meglio: trattazione teorica curata, esempi svolti e agili indici analitici. Il volume, suddiviso in cinque sezioni che corrispondono ai programmi d'esame richiesti dai bandi universitari, tratta in modo completo e argomentato per argomento tutti i concetti teorici che bisogna memorizzare e mettere in pratica nel test ufficiale; gli esempi, infatti, che spiegano passo passo come svolgere correttamente un quesito, rappresentano un utile strumento di confronto per verificare il livello di preparazione.

Sea of Truth

For fans of *The Hundred-Foot Journey* and *The Altogether Unexpected Disappearance of Atticus Craftsman*, a moving and charming novel from the beloved international author of *Two Out of Two* that follows two entirely different people struggling to make sense of their futures amid the beauty of Provence, France. It's fall in Provence, a season that combines the first chill of winter with a

final stretch of warmth that is a last taste of summer. To mark the end of the season, at the local airfield a famous British rock band, the Bebonkers, will hold a concert that is both for charity and to celebrate charismatic lead singer Nick Cruickshank's third marriage. Preparations are in high gear, everything coming smoothly together under the tight supervision of Aileen, Nick's bride-to-be. In town, there is also a gelateria run by Milena Migliari, who creates, develops, and produces one-of-a-kind ice cream with artistic precision. Milena, who has bid adieu to men, now lives with Viviane. Milena's relationship with Viviane is solid and unwavering, in stark contrast to the delicacy of her ice cream. In a few days Milena will undergo fertility treatments, but she is not entirely convinced. She hesitates to confess her thoughts, however, as does Nick, who wonders when his relationship with Aileen lost its original spark. And so, a British rocker and an Italian artisan find their fates on a collision course and in the space of three days, the chaos intensifies resulting in an inevitable and exhilarating final encore.

Hoeppli Test 11 - Giurisprudenza

The two protagonists who are as different as chalk from cheese. The charismatic dare-devil Guido, though endowed with immense personal charm, and innate abilities as a leader of men (as well as being the darling of all the girls), is subtly flawed, and unable to match his own significant aspirations. Guido's prophetic idealism, and his frustrated attempts to escape his lower-class origins and change the world, nevertheless seem doomed to failure. He eventually writes a best-selling book, highly acclaimed by the critics, in which he condemns the social mores of the Italian seventies—corruption, terrorism, bombs and anarchy. Although, through his novel, he is initially acclaimed as a prophet of sorts, he predictably falls victim to vitriolic, self-serving critics who enjoy demolishing him. Eventually, despite his enormous talent, Guido will remain an eternal dreamer; whereas his closest friend who has always depended on him—the insecure narrator, Mario, always the more practical and circumspect of the two—will finally learn to actualize his own dreams, helping to change the world through actualizing his own dream of authenticity. Meanwhile, the alienated Guido will succumb to his own inevitable destiny.

I Want to Watch

Cultura generale - Manuale di teoria ed esercizi

Memory, Metaphor, and Aby Warburg's Atlas of Images

Krane's Café

The Arab spring, protest movements in the EU, Russia, Turkey or elsewhere, are often labeled as twitter-revolutions. A crucial role is attributed to the new media, coverage of events abroad and ensuing mutual reactions. With the dissemination of print, revolts in early-modern times faced the challenge of a similar media-revolution. This influenced the very face of the events that could become full-

fledged propaganda wars once the insurgents had won access to the printing press. But it also had an impact on revolt-narratives. Governments severely persecuted dissident views in such delicate issues as revolts. Observers abroad had no such divided loyalties and were freer to reflect upon the events. Therefore, the book focuses mainly on representations of revolts across borders.

Techniques of Seduction

Cuore primitivo

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Villa Metaphora

The present volume is a first attempt to chart the early modern translations of Perihypnos, both in the literal sense of the history of its dissemination by means of editions, versions and translations in Latin and vernacular languages, but also in the figurative sense of its uses and transformations in the visual arts from 1500 to 1800.

Hoeppli Test 10 - Farmacia

From masterfully funny and poignant Jordan Sonnenblick, a story that will have everyone searching for their inner Zen. Meet San Lee, a (sort of) innocent teenager, who moves against his will to a new town. Things get interesting when he (sort of) invents a new past for himself, which makes him incredibly popular. In fact, his whole school starts to (sort of) worship him, just because he (sort of) accidentally gave the impression that he's a reincarnated mystic. When things start to unravel, San needs to find some real wisdom in a hurry. Can he patch things up with his family, save himself from bodily harm, stop being an outcast, and maybe even get the girl?

The Small Hand

Humanistica Lovaniensia

Learning about his late virologist father's connection to a Senegalese cardinal who died from AIDS, Lorenzo Telmari undertakes a dangerous quest to locate documents written by the cardinal that denounce the church's stance on volatile issues, an endeavor that pits him against his corrupt politician brother.

Skios

Zen and the Art of Faking It

Techniques of Seduction is a poignant love story of sexual intrigue, with a gripping

plot and a wickedly unexpected ending.

Acta Conventus Neo-Latini Torontonensis

Lonely Graves

From Mark Haddon, the bestselling author of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, comes a dazzlingly inventive novel about modern family life. Richard, a wealthy doctor, invites his estranged sister and her family to join his family for a week at a vacation home in the English countryside. Against the backdrop of a strange family gathering, Haddon skillfully weaves together the stories of eight very different people forced into close quarters. *The Red House* is a symphony of long-held grudges, fading dreams and rising hopes, tightly guarded secrets and illicit desires, painting a portrait of contemporary family life that is at once bittersweet, comic, and deeply felt.

Here I Am

A deeply dark and violent novel of existential despair, by one of Italy's leading young writers. In an apartment in Italy, a man and a little girl are playing hide and seek. Indulgently he gives up the search, and she emerges from her hiding place with a happy squeal. The man pulls a startled face; the loser of the game. The girl hurls herself at him, hugging his waist. He kneels down and she throws her arms around him, as he kisses her forehead and the top of her head. He strokes her back and wraps his arms around her. Then, coldly, clinically and expertly, he breaks her neck. David Heller is a lawyer who has made a reputation as an imaginative, analytically astute and highly successful defender of his clients — many of whom are clearly guilty. Celeste is a schoolgirl, barely sixteen, who deceives her parents by telling them that she is doing her homework at the library. In fact, she is using her spare time to earn money as a prostitute, hanging out along the beach near her home. One afternoon, she witnesses a man leaving a rucksack by one of the fishing boats moored along the shore. Curious, she decides to follow him. As he enters his building, she hears the porter greet him by name: "You are lucky, Avvocato Heller . . ." *I Want to Watch* is a powerful and gripping story of desire, transgression and despair that documents the increasingly bizarre and dangerous association between lawyer and schoolgirl. Written in spare, unflinching, suggestive prose, this remarkable novel recalls Kafka and Camus as much as it does the Bret Easton Ellis of *American Psycho*.

A Private Venus

Questions of survival and loss bedevil the study of early printed books. Many early publications are not particularly rare, but many have disappeared altogether. Here leading specialists in the field explore different strategies for recovering this lost world of print.

Villa Metaphora

David Almond's extraordinary novels have established him as an author of unique insight and skill. These stories encapsulate his endless sense of mystery and wonderment, as they weave a tangible tapestry of growing up in a large, loving family. Here are the kernels of his novels—joy and fear, darkness and light, the healing power of love and imagination in overcoming the wounds of ignorance and prejudice. These stories merge memory and dream, the real and the imagined, in a collection of exquisite tenderness.

Translations of the Sublime

Formato: broccura Descrizione del libro Un manuale che offre tutti gli strumenti giusti, trattazione curata e mirata ed esempi svolti per conoscere le migliori strategie di risoluzione, per prepararsi al test di ammissione a Formazione primaria e ai corsi dell'area educazione; chiudono il volume utili indici analitici che consentono di trovare con facilità l'argomento desiderato. Il volume, suddiviso in grandi macroaree che corrispondono esattamente ai programmi ministeriali, tratta schematicamente e allo stesso tempo in modo completo tutti gli argomenti indispensabili per affrontare il test di ammissione. Le materie trattate sono suddivise per argomenti e, in alcuni casi, sono presenti delle tabelle di approfondimento per una chiara lettura e lo studio nel dettaglio della disciplina.

2 Out of 2

Macno

Video journalist Jonas Brand is on a rail journey from Zurich to Basel when stock trader Paolo Contini appears to throw himself from the train to his death. Brand sets his footage of the aftermath of the incident aside to investigate an apparently unconnected coincidence: two 100-Swiss-franc banknotes bearing the same serial number have come into his possession. Sensing an opportunity to graduate from celebrity journalism to serious investigation, he has the banknotes analysed, with bizarrely contradictory - and fatal - results.

Geocriticism

A teenager discovers his voice in this contemporary love story from "one of young adult literature's greatest living writers" (Booklist). Shy teenager Karl is desperately in love with his girlfriend, Fiorella, a literary enthusiast who's asked him to write her a letter in which he reveals his true self. There's just one problem . . . Karl is dyslexic. Convinced that his attempts to express himself with words will end in disaster, Karl tracks down Fiorella's favorite novelist and begs him to take up the task. The famous writer unexpectedly agrees, but on one condition: Karl must participate in a series of interviews so the author can pen an authentic portrait of his affections. What follows is a series of misunderstandings, a startling revelation, and an unusual bond that will change all three of their lives. A moving story of love and friendship, *Dying to Know You* is the perfect novel for "that cloudy expanse between older teenager and younger adult, a novel that doesn't pretend to advise, but merely sees its characters for who they really are" (The Guardian).

“This quietly understated performance captures the wistfulness of music in a minor key.” —Kirkus Reviews

Soul of the Border

In *The Plausible World*, the intersections of literature and cartography enable readers to understand that place is anything but purely geographic: a plausible world is created as a strategy to fill the void. Innovative in his approach, Westphal challenges the view that perceptions and representations of space are stable or straightforward.

TERRA ALTA.

In five extraordinary apartments live five extraordinary families. Designed in the shape of a tongue, each apartment takes the name of a flavour – sweet, salty, sour, bitter and umami. And the tenants are no less eccentric. In Umami lives retired food anthropologist Alf, landlord and creator of the building. At Bitter lives manic depressive Marina, who neither eats nor paints but invents colours with words; at Sour lives newly parented (as well as New Age) couple Daniel and Daniela; and at Salty lives the Perez-Walkers with their daughter Ana, aka Agatha Christie, a precocious twelve-year-old who spends her days buried in detective novels to forget the unresolved death of her younger sister. Alf is also grappling with the death of a loved one. Recently bereaved, he types letters to his dead wife in the hope she will somehow respond, and together Alf and Ana lean on and support one another – until their lives threaten to spiral out of control. Darkly comic and dizzyingly inventive, *Umami* is a remarkable and heart-wrenching novel that is as compelling as it is whimsically devastating. Laia Jufresa’s work has appeared in *McSweeney’s*, *Pen Atlas* and *Words Without Borders*. In 2015 she was invited by the British Council to be the first ever International Writer in Residence at Hay Festival in Wales, and in the same year she was named as one of the most outstanding young writers in Mexico as part of the project *México20*. *Umami* is her first novel. She lives in Cologne, Germany. Sophie Hughes is a literary translator and editor living in Mexico City. Her translations have appeared in *Asymptote*, *PEN Atlas*, and the *White Review* and her reviews in the *Times Literary Supplement* and *Literary Review*.

Hoeppli Test 4 - Scienze della formazione primaria

Somewhere in the Austrian Alps, a group of men in their thirties have gathered for a weekend away. When they come down from their cabin, the world has ended. As the men wander through this destroyed human landscape, *Euphoria*'s nameless narrator reveals only small, shocking details - a crashed helicopter, a boy sitting impassively beside his murdered parents, a provincial nightclub full of charred bodies. Seeking food and fuel for the fire, but finding only the pointless remnants of their suddenly vanished world, the men realise that all they have left is their lives. And are those really worth anything in a world where their future has crumbled away, their past remains only as an empty taunt and their present is reduced to the monotonous trudge of animal survival? An austere, troubling tale of how quickly men become beasts, *Euphoria* explores the repressed savagery of

human nature and the disturbing meaningfulness of a world run free from society's restraints.

Euphoria

The work of German cultural theorist and art historian Aby Warburg (1866–1929) has had a lasting effect on how we think about images. This book is the first in English to focus on his last project, the encyclopedic Atlas of Images: Mnemosyne. Begun in earnest in 1927, and left unfinished at the time of Warburg's death in 1929, the Atlas consisted of sixty-three large wooden panels covered with black cloth. On these panels Warburg carefully, intuitively arranged some thousand black-and-white photographs of classical and Renaissance art objects, as well as of astrological and astronomical images ranging from ancient Babylon to Weimar Germany. Here and there, he also included maps, manuscript pages, and contemporary images taken from newspapers. Trying through these constellations of images to make visible the many polarities that fueled antiquity's afterlife, Warburg envisioned the Atlas as a vital form of metaphoric thought. While the nondiscursive, frequently digressive character of the Atlas complicates any linear narrative of its themes and contents, Christopher D. Johnson traces several thematic sequences in the panels. By drawing on Warburg's published and unpublished writings and by attending to Warburg's cardinal idea that "pathos formulas" structure the West's cultural memory, Johnson maps numerous tensions between word and image in the Atlas. In addition to examining the work itself, he considers the literary, philosophical, and intellectual-historical implications of the Atlas. As Johnson demonstrates, the Atlas is not simply the culmination of Warburg's lifelong study of Renaissance culture but the ultimate expression of his now literal, now metaphoric search for syncretic solutions to the urgent problems posed by the history of art and culture.

Montecristo

A simple tale--but told with a poetry of style which gives it a somber beauty.

The Plausible World

The first in the atmospheric Amsterdam-set crime series, which combines the city's old-world charm with contemporary issues of corruption, immigration and crime. A suicide. A drowned man. A sudden death. For some people, it's just another day's work. In Amsterdam, there's a council department known affectionately as the Lonely Funerals team. It exists to arrange burials for the abandoned or unknown dead, with the care and dignity that every life deserves. Pieter Posthumus hasn't been doing the job long, but he's determined to do it well. He finds that he cares deeply about the people whose files land on his desk. So when something doesn't seem quite right about a Moroccan immigrant's 'accidental' drowning, Posthumus starts digging. His quest for justice will lead him down some dangerous paths, and into conflict with some very dangerous men

Imperfect Delight

Un Manuale di Teoria ed Esercizi adatto per studiare o ripassare le principali materie del sapere che si trovano nei test di ammissione o nelle prove concorsuali. Ciascuna materia trattata è seguita da una serie di esercizi mirati utili per esercitarsi e mettere alla prova quanto appena studiato. Completano ogni sezione le risposte commentate di tutti gli esercizi proposti, così da verificare il proprio risultato e conoscere il metodo di risoluzione. A fine volume, una serie di esercizi supplementari, risolti e commentati, su tutti gli argomenti trattati facilitano il ripasso e aiutano a fissare bene i concetti e colmare così ogni lacuna.

Dying to Know You

"A noir writer richly deserving rediscovery." —Publishers Weekly The book that gave birth to Italian noir . . . Milan, 1966: When Dr. Duca Lamberti is released from prison, he's lost his medical license and his options are few. But thanks to an old connection, he lands a job, although it's a tricky one: guarding the alcoholic son of a plastics millionaire. But Lamberti soon discovers that the young man has a terrible secret, rooted in the mysterious death of a beautiful woman on the gritty side of town. The fast cars, high fashion, and chic nightclubs of glitzy and swinging Milan conceal a dirty reality . . . This is no dolce vita. A Private Venus marks the beginning of Italian noir: Giorgio Scerbanenco pioneered a new type of novel that trained its gaze on the crime and desperation that roiled under prosperous Italian society in the 1960s. And at the heart of this book is Duca Lamberti, an unforgettable protagonist: obsessive, world-weary, unconventional in his methods, and trying hard not to make another fatal mistake. From the Trade Paperback edition.

Villa Metaphora. Ediz. speciale

Il Manuale di Teoria, specifico per la preparazione dei test di ammissione ai corsi di laurea dell'area farmaceutica, è suddiviso per materie e presenta tutti gli argomenti d'esame richiesti per prepararsi adeguatamente al test di ingresso. Contiene un'ampia sezione dedicata ai quesiti di ragionamento logico: ciascun argomento è trattato singolarmente seguendo una struttura a pagine affiancate con spiegazione teorica sulla pagina pari ed esercizi, dai più semplici ai più difficili, sulla pagina dispari. Le altre materie d'esame - biologia, chimica, matematica, fisica, cultura generale e lingua inglese - sono anch'esse caratterizzate da una parte teorica e una parte esercitativa e rispondono ai requisiti di ammissione richiesti nei test ufficiali. Gli esercizi e gli esempi presenti nel libro sono sempre risolti e commentati, così da verificare immediatamente la propria preparazione.

From Mutual Observation to Propaganda War

Geocriticism provides a theoretical foundation and a critical exploration of geocriticism, an interdisciplinary approach to understanding literature in relation to space and place. Drawing on diverse thinkers, Westphal argues that a geocritical approach enables novel ways of seeing literary texts and of conducting literary studies.

Counting Stars

In this exhilarating coming-of-age tale set in the late 19th century, a daring young woman braves the wilds of the mountainous Austrian-Italian border—and the dangerous men who conspired with her missing father to smuggle tobacco—in order to save her family. Jole de Boer is just fifteen years old the first time she accompanies her father—a tobacco grower named Augusto—as he smuggles his product across the Italian border into Austria. She knows the dangers of the treacherous high mountain passes—border guards, brigands, wild animals, ferocious weather—but she is proud that her father has asked her to join him. After all, without the extra money Augusto’s smuggling brings in, their family would starve. But when Augusto mysteriously disappears during one of his trips, Jole must retrace the route he took to both find a buyer for her family’s tobacco—and the truth behind her father’s disappearance. An epic tale of revenge, corruption, and salvation, *The Soul of the Border* is an unforgettable journey into the wild.

Lost Books

Auf einer entlegenen Insel im Mittelmeer liegt das Luxusresort Villa Metaphora: ein Mikrokosmos, in dem wilde Natur auf raffinierte Zivilisation trifft, internationale Gäste auf lokales Personal. Doch das Idyll entpuppt sich schon bald als eine luxuriöse Falle.

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