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Will You Take Me As I Am Vintage NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Our ability to pay attention is collapsing. From the author of Chasing the Scream and Lost Connections comes a groundbreaking examination of why this is happening-and how to get our attention back. " The book the world needs in order to win the war on distraction. "-Adam Grant, author of Think Again " Read this book to save your mind. " -Susan Cain, author of Quiet WINNER OF THE PORCHLIGHT BUSINESS BOOK AWARD • ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR: The Wall Street Journal. Financial Times. New York Post. Mashable, Mindful In the United States, teenagers can focus on one task for only sixty-five seconds at a time, and office workers average only three minutes. Like so many of us, Johann Hari was finding that constantly switching from device to device and tab to tab was a diminishing and depressing way to live. He tried all sorts of self-

help solutions—even abandoning his phone for three months-but nothing seemed to work. So Hari went on an epic journey across the world to interview the leading experts on human attention-and he discovered that everything we think we know about this crisis is wrong. We think our inability to focus is a personal failure to exert enough willpower over our devices. The truth is even more disturbing: our focus has been stolen by powerful external forces that have left us uniquely vulnerable to corporations determined to raid our attention for profit. Hari found that there are twelve deep causes of this crisis, from the decline of mindwandering to rising pollution, all of which have robbed some of our attention. In Stolen Focus, he introduces readers to Silicon Valley dissidents who learned to hack human attention, and veterinarians who diagnose dogs with ADHD. He explores a favela in Rio de Janeiro where everyone lost their attention in a particularly surreal way, and an office in New Zealand that discovered a remarkable

technique to restore workers ' productivity. Crucially, Hari learned how we can reclaim our focus—as individuals, and as a society—if we are determined to fight for it. Stolen Focus will transform the debate about attention and finally show us how to get it back.

Prison Pit Bloomsbury Publishing

An extraordinary collection of photographs of the legendary Joni Mitchell, captured by celebrated rock-and-roll photographer Norman Seeff. Joni: The Joni Mitchell Sessions is the ultimate celebration of a visionary musician and the artist who captured her spirit on film. It is a creative partnership that has lasted for over 40 years. Joni Mitchell, the artist behind celebrated hits "Help Me" and "Big Yellow Taxi," and Norman Seeff, a rock-and-roll photographer with a host of legendary subjects in his portfolio, did some of their best work together. Joni was a

truly authentic subject, able to surrender herself to the art and express herself freely within his lens. Through over a dozen sessions across more than a decade together, the photographer captured the many facets of her personality in some of her most famous images. Joni: The Joni Mitchell Sessions is the culmination of their partnership. Timed to release on Joni's 75th birthday, this collection of familiar and rare imagery tracks the pair's history together through these exclusive moments captured on film. A combination of album artwork and candid shots reveals Joni's personality in ways few have managed to capture before or since. Featuring commentary from Seeff on the enlightenment into his art that he gained from their sessions, this compilation is a true reflection on mutual creativity between artist and muse.

A Creative Odyssey Vintage The highly acclaimed author of Landslide delivers " [an] intricate, delicate-as-rice-paper novel" (O, The Oprah Magazine) about an ex-pat in China who embarks on a journey that takes her into the darkest corners of addiction. marriage, and motherhood. When Elsey's husband, Lukas, hands her a brochure for a weeklong mountain retreat, she knows he is really giving her an ultimatum: Go, or we ' re done. Once a successful painter, Elsey set down roots in China after falling in love with Lukas. Now, with two young daughters and unable to find a balance between her identities as artist. mother, and wife, Elsey fills her days worrying, drinking, and descending into boredom and unhappiness. So she agrees to go. There, she meets a group of men and women who will forever alter the way she understands herself and her marriage. Written in a voice at

once wry, sensual, blunt, and hypnotic, Elsey Come Home is a modern odyssey and a quietly dynamic portrait of contemporary womanhood. The Art of Deception Del Rey "Cold-water surfing, the most remote surf spots, spectacular photography, illustrations, and custom boards: Surf Odyssey documents the modern cult of surfing as its own subculture and way of life. There's much more to surfing than palm trees and beach boy cliches. People surf not only in Hawaii, but also in Norway, South Korea, and India. Surf Odyssey is a book about the world of surfing today and those that live in it. This community is made up of the surfers themselves as well as surf photographers and board builders who are also spreading its distinctive spirit into other creative fields. Comparable to the new outdoor movement, today's surfing is about an attitude toward life, a lust for adventure, and a love of nature that one can only find far away from established spots. Surf Odyssey presents this scene's places, people, stories, and brands. Its stunning photography is sure to inspire many further surfing exploits." East Side Dreams Fantagraphics Books Travel with Art Rodriguez as he dreams of his past. He experiences an unpleasant childhood full of difficult obstacles that could have profoundly impaired his chance for a normal life. Life appears

hopeless during those young years as he struggles to discover who he really is and at the same time contends. with his dictatorial father. Travel with him as he takes you through the California Youth Authority, the prison system for young offenders. In this story, which brings laughter and tears, both young and old can find comfort in knowing that when life appears bleak and there seems to be no hope, events in life can change. In 1975 Art Rodriguez started a successful business in San Jose, the city in which he was born. Grow with him in his life and experience with him the hardships and successes of a new business. The Wet Collection

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Raincoast Books

"She was like a storm." -Leonard Cohen Joni Mitchell may be the most influential female recording artist and composer of the late twentieth century. In Reckless Daughter, the music critic David Yaffe challenging, and tells the remarkable, heart-wrenching story of how the blond girl with the guitar became a superstar of folk music in the 1960s, a key figure in the Laurel Canyon music scene of the 1970s, and the songwriter who spoke resonantly to, and for, audiences across the country. A Canadian prairie girl, a freespirited artist, Mitchell never wanted to be a pop star. She was nothing more than "a painter derailed by

circumstances," she would explain. And yet, she went on to become a talented self-taught musician and a brilliant bandleader, releasing album after album, each distinctly experimental, revealing. Her lyrics captivated listeners with their perceptive language and naked emotion, born out of Mitchell 's life, loves, complaints, and prophecies. As an artist whose work deftly balances narrative and musical complexity, she has been admired by such legendary lyricists as Bob Dylan and Leonard Cohen and beloved by such groundbreaking jazz musicians as Jaco Pastorius, Wayne

Shorter, and Herbie for adoption, through Hancock. Her hits-from the love affairs that "Big Yellow Taxi" to inspired masterpieces, "Both Sides, Now" to and up to the " A Case of present—and shows us You "-endure as why Mitchell has so timeless favorites, and enthralled her listeners, her influence on the her lovers, and her friends. Reckless generations of singersongwriters who would Daughter is the story of follow her, from her an artist and an era that devoted fan Prince to have left an indelible Björk, is undeniable. In mark on American this intimate biography, music. The Time of My Life drawing on dozens of University of Georgia unprecedented in-Press person interviews with A lush exploration of Joni Mitchell, her childhood Mitchell's career and art. friends, and a cast of When singer, musician, and famous characters, broadcast journalist Malka Yaffe reveals the Marom had the opportunity to interview Joni Mitchell backstory behind the in 1973, she was eager to famous songs-from reconnect with the Mitchell 's youth in performer she'd first met Canada, her bout with late one night in 1966 at a polio at age nine, and Yorkville coffeehouse. More conversations her early marriage and followed over the next four the child she gave up

decades of friendship, and it Mitchell's handwritten was only after Joni and lyrics and drawings, Malka completed their most originally handcrafted recent recorded interview. as a gift for a select in 2012, that Malka group of friends in discovered the heart of 1971 and now available their discussions: the creative process. In Joni to the public for the Mitchell: In Her Own first time In 1971, as Words, Joni and Malka her album Blue topped follow this thread through charts around the seven decades of life and world, Joni Mitchell art, discussing the influence of Joni's childhood, love and crafted one hundred loss, playing dives and huge copies of Morning festivals, acclaim and Glory on the Vine as a criticism, poverty and holiday gift for her affluence, glamorous closest friends. For this triumphs and tragic stunningly beautiful mistakes . . . This riveting book, Joni hand-wrote narrative, told in interviews, lyrics, an exquisite selection paintings, and photographs, of her own lyrics and is shared in the hope of poems and illustrated illuminating a timeless body them with more than of work and inspiring thirty of her original others. pictures. Handcrafted, Caroline Bergonzi signed, and numbered Creative Odyssey in Los Angeles, the Arrow existing copies of this A gorgeous labor of love have compendium of Joni

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rarely been seen in the the refreshed volume past half-century. Now, during Joni's seventyfifth birthday year, Morning Glory on the Vine: Early Songs and Drawings will be widely available for the first time. In this faithfully reproduced edition, Joni's best-loved lyrics and poems spill across the pages in her own elegant script. The lively, full-color drawings depict a superb array of landscapes, still lifes, portraits of friends, self-Andrews presents her first portraits, innovative abstractions, and more. All the artwork from the original book is included, along with several additional pictures that Joni drew of her friends from the same period. Finally,

features an original introduction written by Joni. Morning Glory on the Vine is a gorgeous and intimate keepsake and an invitation to explore anew the dazzling, visionary world of Joni Mitchell. Assassin's Creed Odyssey Hal Leonard Corporation Some people are like monarch butterflies—solitary by nature, on a passionate search for somewhere. Critically acclaimed songwriter Courtney Marie poetry collection. This poetry collection reads like a transformation, me, the narrator, being the figurative Old Monarch. Documenting this journey, the book is separated into three sections, "Sonoran Milkweed," "Longing In Flight," and "Eucalyptus Tree (My Arrival to

Rest)." In the first stage of my journey, I explore my childhood in Arizona, and the naive assumptions of youth. At this stage in my journey, I am impressionable, seeing the world with all its nuances for the first time. Through the landscape of the Sonoran Desert, I explore some dark family dynamics and what a child sees. Several characters turn up in the early poems including my cowboy grandpa, and the single mother who raised me. despite many forthcomings. The early poems also explore my desire to see a brighter world of possibility beyond the dusty desert island, and see humans more clearly within the confounds of discovery. In the second stage, I have left home. I am falling in love for the first time, as I become a young woman. Finally, the last stage is the old monarch's arrival to the garden. There are a lot of

metaphysical and philosophical poems in this section. I arrive at the figurative garden, and I finally understand the journey at the edge of my life. There are a lot of poems in the context of a garden here, accepting mortality and the everchanging world. These are meant to be wise old woman poems. Joni: The Joni Mitchell Sessions Infinity Pub Joni Mitchell: New **Critical Readings** recognizes the importance and innovativeness of the musician and artist Joni Mitchell and the need for a collection that theorizes her work as musician, composer, cultural commentator and antagonist. It showcases pieces by established and early career academics from

the fields of popular music and literary studies on subjects such as Mitchell's quitar technique, the politics of aging in her work, and her fractious relationship with feminism The collection features close readings of specific songs, albums, and performances while those who remain struggle also paying keen attention to Mitchell's wider cultural contributions and significance. Weird Sex & Snowshoes Crown An epic fantasy adventure set in the beloved world of the Demon Cycle, following a new generation of heroes, from New York Times bestselling author Peter V. Brett "Heartwrenching, smart, and modern . . . The Desert Prince has set a new

standard for fantasy. "-Wesley Chu, #1 New York Times bestselling author of The War Arts Saga Fifteen years have passed since the end of the war with demons, creatures of darkness who have hunted the night and plaqued humanity since time out of mind. The heroes of humanity's hour of need have become legend, and to escape their shadows. Olive Paper and Darin Bales have grown up in this new peaceful world. Demons have been all but destroyed, but dangers still lurk for the children of heroes. Olive, princess of Hollow, has her entire life planned out by her mother, Duchess Leesha Paper: a steady march on a checklist to prepare her for succession. The more her mother writes the script. the more Olive rails against playing the parts she is assigned. Darin faces

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challenges of a different kind. Though free to choose his own path, the weight of legacy hangs heavy around his shoulders. " It isn 't easy being the son of the man people say saved the world. Everyone expects greatness from Darin, but the only thing he 's ever been great at is hiding. When Olive and Darin step across the wards one night, they learn the demons are not all gone, and those that remain hunger for revenge. Events are set in motion that only prophecy can foresee as Olive and Darin seek to find their own places in the world in time to save it again. The Infinite Horizon Milkweed Editions Mort Zachter 's childhoodZachter battled bitter revolved around a small shop on Manhattan's Lower East Side known in the neighborhood as " the day-old bread store." It was a bakery

where nothing was baked, owned by his two eccentric uncles who referred to their goods as the merchandise." Zachter grew up sleeping in the dinette of a leaking Brooklyn tenement. He lived a classic immigrant story-one of a close-knit, working-class family struggling to make it in America. Only they were rich. In Dough, Zachter chronicles the lifealtering discovery made at age thirty-six that he was heir to several million dollars his bachelor uncles had secretly amassed in stocks and bonds. Although initially elated, memories of the long hours his mother worked at the bakery for no pay. And how could his own parents have kept the secret from him while he

was a young married man, forgiveness and working his way through acceptance matter most. night school? As he Van Morrison Hachette cleans out his uncles ' Books Joni Mitchell is one of the apartment, Zachter foremost singerdiscovers clues about songwriters of the late their personal lives that twentieth century. Yet raise more questions despite her reputation, than they answer. He influence, and cultural also finds cake boxes importance, a detailed packed with rolls of twoappraisal of her musical dollar bills and achievement is still lacking. mattresses stuffed with Whitesell presents a coins. In prose that is through exploration of Mitchell's musical style. often funny and at times elegiac, Zachter sound, and structure in order to evaluate her struggles with the legacy songs from a musicological of his enigmatic family perspective. His analyses and the implications of are conceived within a his new-found wealth. holistic framework that Breaking with his takes account of poetic family 's workaholic nuance, cultural reference, heritage, Zachter and stylistic evolution over abandons his pragmatic a long, adventurous career. accounting career to Mitchell's songs represent pursue his lifelong dream a complex, meticulously of being a writer. And crafted body of work. The Music of Joni Mitchell though he may not offers a comprehensive understand his family, in survey of her output, with the end he realizes that

many discussions of individual songs, organized by topic rather than chronology. Individual chapters each explore a different aspect of her craft, such as poetic voice, harmony, melody, and large-songs, in order to scale form. A separate chapter is devoted to the central theme of personal freedom, as expressed through diverse symbolic registers of the journey quest, bohemianism, creative license, and spiritual liberation. Previous accounts of Mitchell's songwriting have tended to favor her poetic vision, expansive verse structures, and riveting vocal delivery. Whitesell fills out this account with special attention to musical technique, showing how such traits as complex or conflicting sonorities, dualities of harmonic mode. dialectical tensions of texture and register, intricately layered instrumental figuration, and music conglomerates,

a variable vocal persona are all essential to her distinctive identity as a songwriter. The Music of Joni Mitchell develops a set of conceptual tools geared specifically to Mitchell's demonstrate the extent of her technical innovation in the pop song genre, to give an account of the formal sophistication and rhetorical power characterizing her work as a whole, and to provide grounds for the recognition of her intellectual stature as a composer within her chosen field.

The Artist's Journey Da Capo Press, Incorporated The first biography of Yo La Tengo, the massively influential band who all but defined indie music. Yo La Tengo has lit up the indie scene for three decades, part of an underground revolution that defied corporate

eschewed pop radio, and Jarnow draws on allfound a third way. Going access interviews and behind the scenes of one archives for mesmerizing of the most remarkable trip through eras in American music contemporary music history, Big Day Coming history told through one traces the patient rise of of its most creative and husband-and-wife team singular acts. Ira Kaplan and Georgia I Am a Strange Loop Penguin Hubley, who-over three decades—helped forge a s^{The invaluable} grade-bygrade guide pandex-and-hairspray-(kindergarten—sixth) is free path to the global designed to help parents stage, selling millions of and teachers select some records along the way of the best books for and influencing countless children. Books to Build On bands. Using the recommends: • for continuously vital Yo La kindergartners, lively Tengo as a springboard, collections of poetry and Big Day Coming uncovers stories, such as The Children's Aesop, and the history of the imaginative alphabet books legendary clubs, bands, such as Bill Martin, Jr. 's zines, labels, record Chicka Chicka Boom Boom stores, college radio and Lucy Micklewait's I stations, fans, and pivotal Spy: An Alphabet in Art • figures that built the for first graders, fine infrastructure of the nowbooks on the fine arts. prevalent indie rock such as Ann Hayes 's Meet world. Journalist and the Orchestra, the handsfreeform radio DJ Jesse on quide My First Music

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Publishing The intention of this book is a direct invitation from an artist vitality. to explore her creative journey, ups and downs, to share it and inspire readers to tap into their own dreams. dive in their own thoughts and individual life paths. Its content is a simple yet complex and complete 400 pages, illustrated, in color, of a very rich artwork, in various media, commented, chronologically, on the background of her artist biography. The texts are written directly by the artist, like a letter, which makes it quite rare and precious. They include both symbolic and practical descriptions.

The usual side effect for the readers is a boost in creativity and Joni Mitchell Die Gestalten Verlag-DGV An overview of the career of jazz pianist Oscar Peterson, from the fame of his early years as the star attraction of Canada's renowned Johnny Holmes Orchestra to the 1970s and his role as a solo pianist and television personality. Books to Build On W. W. Norton & Company This filthy meat-grinder of a comics space odyssey is collected in one massive volume! Prison Pit is a planet full of repugnant intergalactic criminals, drug-filled slugs, and now Cannibal F***face (CF). From 2009 to 2018, the crudely manic pen and mind of Johnny Ryan documented the mayhem

and mutation as CF loses his arm to a vile beast. replaces it with a symbiotic bug that gives him a steroidlike jolt, and seeks grisly revenge against any and all creatures that get in his way. To find his way out he cinema. With the must do battle with his arch-discerning eye of a enemy Slitt, the only one who knows how to escape the hellscape they inhabit. Finally, CF is pitted against the very system that shaped him into the avatar of death and destruction he has become.

The Desert Prince Insight Editions Despite the glare emanating from Hollywood, the Canadian film industry perseveres, experimenting with form, content and style to create unique and varied movies. In this study of contemporary film in Canada. Vancouver Sun film reviewer Katherine Monk details the growth of our country's quirky, diverse and stubbornly independent critic, the enthusiasm of an insatiable cinephile and the passion of a proud Canuck, Monk delves into the guts of Canada's cinematic tradition-where it came from, what it looks like and what's going on beneath the surface of the frame. She pulls Canadian film apart at the splice marks, rips open its subtext and exposes not just the beating heart of one plucky cinematic species-but the hidden soul of a nation. Full of

film reviews and profiles of some of Canada's greatest filmmakers (David Cronenberg, Atom Egoyan, Francois Girard, Robert Lepage, Anne Wheeler and many more), Weird Sex & Snowshoes explores the slippery notion of "Canadian identity" and how it has evolved through images on the silver screen.