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Postcolonial Theory House
of Anansi
Opening in Calcutta in the
1960s, Amitav Ghosh's
radiant second novel
follows two families -- one
English, one Bengali -- as

their lives intertwine in tragic and comic ways. The narrator, Indian born and English educated, traces events back and forth in time, from the outbreak of World War II to the late twentieth century, through years of Bengali partition and violence, observing the ways in which political events invade private lives.

The Village by the Sea Courier Corporation

This book evokes a childlike view of the world that is simple,

pastoral and protected.

Songs of Innocence Forge Books
R. K. Narayan (1906—2001) witnessed nearly a century of change in his native India and captured it in fiction of uncommon warmth and vibrancy.

In The Dark Room, Narayan's portrait of aggrieved domesticity, the docile and obedient Savitri, like many Malgudi women, is torn between submitting to her husband's humiliations and trying to escape them. Written during British rule, this novel brings colonial India into intimate focus through the narrative gifts of this master of literary realism.

Swami and Friends
Canongate Books
Sonia Faleiro was a

reporter in search of a story when she met Leela, a beautiful and charismatic bar dancer with a story to tell. Leela introduced Sonia to the underworld of Bombay's dance bars: a world of glamorous women, of fierce love, sex and violence, of customers and gangsters, of police, prostitutes and pimps. When an ambitious political politician cashed in on a tide of false morality and had Bombay's dance bars wiped out, Leela's proud independence faced its greatest test. In a city where almost everyone is certain that someone,

somewhere, is worse off than them, she fights to survive, and to win. Beautiful Thing is a vivid and intimate portrait of one reporter's journey into the dark, pulsating and ultimately damaged soul of Bombay.

A Thousand Splendid Suns Soho Press
DIV Investigates friendships between anti-colonial Indians and anti-imperial 'westerners' in late-19th and early 20th centuries, claiming that such inter-cultural

collaborations need to be added to annals of non-violent historiography. /div
The Dark Room Penguin Books India
Rabindranath Tagore, also written Rabindranatha Thakura, (7 May 1861 - 7 August 1941), sobriquet Gurudev, was a Bengali polymath who reshaped Bengali literature and music, as well as Indian art with Contextual Modernism in the late 19th and

early 20th centuries. Author of Gitanjali and its "profoundly sensitive, fresh and beautiful verse", he became the first non-European to win the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1913. In translation his poetry was viewed as spiritual and mercurial; however, his "elegant prose and magical poetry remain largely unknown outside Bengal. Tagore introduced new prose

and verse forms and the use of colloquial language into Bengali literature, thereby freeing it from traditional models based on classical Sanskrit. He was highly influential in introducing the best of Indian culture to the West and vice versa, and he is generally regarded as the outstanding creative artist of the modern Indian subcontinent, being highly commemorated in India and Bangladesh, as well as in Sri Lanka, Nepal and Pakistan. Silence! the Court is in Session CreateSpace Both suspenseful and deeply moving, Carolina Moonset is an engrossing novel about family, memories both golden and terrible, and secrets too dangerous to stay hidden forever, from New York Times bestselling and Emmy Award-winning author, Matt Goldman. Joey Green has returned to Beaufort, South Carolina, with its palmettos and shrimp boats, to look after his ailing father, who is succumbing to dementia, while his overstressed mother takes a break. Marshall Green's short-term memory has all but evaporated, but, as if in compensation, his oldest memories are more vivid than ever.

His mind keeps at deadly secrets, (DRM) applied.
slipping backwards in scandals, and Unterzakhn Houghton
time, retreating into suspicions long Mifflin Harcourt
long-ago yesterdays buried and forgotten. A collection of
of growing up in Resurfacing from stories about
Beaufort as a boy. At decades past are characters from every
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a blessing of sorts, have the power to merchants, beggars,
with the past shatter lives—and herdsmen, rogues -
providing a refuge change everything all of whose lives
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us on a poignant
and passionate
journey as
mysterious and
compelling as his
first life-changing
work. Instead of a
motorcycle, a
sailboat carries
his philosopher-
narrator Phaedrus
down the Hudson
River as winter
closes in. Along
the way he picks up

a most unlikely
traveling
companion: a woman
named Lila who in
her desperate
sexuality,
hostility, and
oncoming madness
threatens to
disrupt his life.
In Lila Robert M.
Pirsig has crafted
a unique work of
adventure and ideas
that examines the
essential issues of
the nineties as his
previous classic

did the seventies.
**Routledge Handbook of
Gender in South Asia**
NYU Press
"Beats The Silence of
the Lambs for
suspense—it's the
kind of book that had
me literally gasping
aloud as it rattled
to its incredible
conclusion." —Cory
Doctorow, New York
Times bestselling
author of Homeland
What if the most
terrifying person you
know is your ten-year-
old sister? Seventeen-

year-old Aussie Che Taylor loves his younger sister, Rosa. But he's also certain that she's a psychopath—clinically, threateningly, dangerously. Recently Rosa has been making trouble, hurting things. Che is the only one who knows; he's the only one his sister trusts. Rosa is smart, talented, pretty, and very good at hiding what she is and the manipulation she's capable of.

Their parents, whose business takes the family from place to place, brush off the warning signs as Rosa's "acting out." Now that they have moved again—from Bangkok to New York City—their new hometown provides far too many opportunities for Rosa to play her increasingly complex and disturbing games. Che's always been Rosa's rock, protecting her from

the world. Now, the world might need protection from her.

The Man-eater of Malgudi Penguin UK

In this powerful and achingly beautiful novel, Janette Turner Hospital tackles head-on questions of national security, art, terrorism and love. From the moment Leela's ear catches the first few bars of music in between the roar of subway trains, she's entranced by its

haunting beauty. Letting the music reel her in, in perfect fifths, it's at the end of the inbound platform that she finds Mishka Bartok, singing *Che farò senza Euridice* and accompanying himself on the violin. He's surrounded by a cluster of commuters, but hardly seems to notice they are there until he stops playing. Despite Mishka's reluctance to talk, Leela discovers that he's a graduate student at Harvard, studying composition. She's a mathematician at MIT, researching the math of music. Their connection is immediate, and that night they embark on a steamy love affair. Living together in Boston, Leela and Mishka pursue their mutual passions – both academic and carnal – in a fog, as if the outside world does not exist. They have both distanced themselves from their families – Mishka from his mother and grandparents in Australia, Leela from her father and sister back in Promised Land, South Carolina. Both recoil from the reality of the city streets, where terrorists attack American civilians and a subway bombing under Harvard Square comes dangerously close to tearing

their world apart. mosque that are under the Middle East, he's
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interrogation room. subway bombing. When in his eyes, Mishka
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Arab café and a after a long stint in realizes the mystery

and intensity at the heart of their relationship could be hiding much more than she'd thought. Mishka disappears again the next day, and doubt erodes Leela's love as she embarks on her own investigation to find him and unravel the mystery of his life. Little does she know that her search will lead her across the globe and into an underworld of kidnapping, torture and despair. With this compelling re-imagining of the Orpheus story, Janette Turner Hospital again shows her genius, interweaving a literary thriller with a story of passion and the triumph of decency in confusing and dangerous times. It is at once a love story on a grand scale that spans America, Australia and the Middle East, and an exploration of how ghastly side effects of terrorism can wreak havoc on individual lives. *My Days* University of Chicago Press This is the story of Nataraj, who earns his living as a printer in the little world of Malgudi, an imaginary town in South India. Nataraj and his close friends, a poet and a journalist, find

their congenial days disturbed when Vasu, a powerful taxidermist, moves in with his stuffed hyenas and pythons, and brings his dancing-women up the printer's private stairs. When Vasu, in search of larger game, threatens the life of a temple elephant that Natara j has befriended, complications ensue

that are both laughable and tragic.

Affective Communities

Vintage

A flamboyant beauty who once partied with the Prince of Wales and who now, in her seventh decade, has "gone native" in a Ceylonese jungle. A proud, Oxford-educated lawyer who unwittingly seals his own professional fate when he dares to solve the sensational Hamilton murder case

that has rocked the upper echelons of local society. A young woman who retreats from her family and the world after her infant brother is found suffocated in his crib. These are among the linked lives compellingly portrayed in a novel everywhere hailed for its dazzling grace and savage wit -- a spellbinding tale of family and duty, of legacy and identity,

a novel that brilliantly probes the ultimate mystery of what makes us who we are.

Le Deuxième Sexe

Harper Collins

A debut collection of short fiction blends elements of Indian traditions with the complexities of American culture in such tales as "A Temporary Matter," in which a young Indian-American

couple confronts their grief over the loss of a child, while their Boston neighborhood copes with a nightly blackout. Original. 20,000 first printing. *My Sister Rosa* A&C Black Set in the neighbourhood of "Little Jamaica," Frying Plantain follows a girl from elementary school to high school graduation as she

navigates the tensions between mothers and daughters, second-generation immigrants experiencing first-generation cultural expectations, and Black identity in a predominantly white society. Kara Davis is a girl caught in the middle – of her North American identity and her desire to be a "true" Jamaican, of her mother and grandmother's rages

and life lessons, of grandmother's house, *Amsterdamo 1703*
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 "faas" or too "quiet" unyielding authority. taciturn, haunted—is
 or too "bold" or too A rich and moving back to Delhi
 "soft." In these unforgettable from New York. She
 twelve interconnected portrait of growing knows her return will
 stories, we see Kara up between worlds, unsettle many lives.
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intimate focus through the narrative gifts of this master of literary realism. *Waiting for the Night* Song Forge Books A deliciously funny, remarkably poignant "beach read to end all beach reads" (Entertainment Weekly) about the power of friendship, the lure of frenemies, and the importance of making peace with yourself through all of life's ups and downs—from the #1 New York Times

bestselling author of *Good in Bed* and *Best Friends Forever*. Six years after the fight that ended their friendship, Daphne Berg is shocked when Drue Cavanaugh walks back into her life, looking as lovely and successful as ever, with a massive favor to ask. Daphne hasn't spoken one word to Drue in all this time—she doesn't even hate—follow her ex-best friend on social media—so when Drue asks if she will be her maid-of-honor at the society

wedding of the summer, Daphne is rightfully speechless. Drue was always the one who had everything—except the ability to hold onto friends. Meanwhile, Daphne's no longer the same self-effacing sidekick she was back in high school. She's built a life that she loves, including a growing career as a plus-size Instagram influencer. Letting glamorous, seductive Drue back into her life is risky, but it comes with an invitation to spend a weekend in a

waterfront Cape Cod mansion. When Drue begs and pleads and dangles the prospect of cute single guys, Daphne finds herself powerless as ever to resist her friend's siren song. A sparkling, "insightful page-turner" (Real Simple) about the complexities of female relationships, the pitfalls of living out loud and online, and the resilience of the human heart, Big Summer is a witty, moving story about family, friendship, and figuring out what

matters most. The Common Cause Bantam
How do you deal with the most difficult moments in your life? Every experience that we go through changes us and helps us grow. As we learn to laugh and cry, win and lose, share and care, the meaning of life and true happiness unfolds before us. Known for his bold forays into Bollywood, Emraan Hashmi walks us through his memories that have shaped him—from a confused

teenager who dabbled in a variety of things to finding his calling to the suave, smart and unorthodox actor he has become today. At the heart of his story lies the most important and transformative experience of his life—the period when his son, Ayyan, was battling with cancer. It reveals the man behind the limitless charm of Emraan Hashmi and how he dealt with his son's illness. Honest, personal, bold and heart-warming, The Kiss of Life is about

an actor and a father's
trials and triumphs.