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*Lost Christianities*  
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translation, in a completely new layout with plenty of space and generous margins. An affordable but sturdy student and teacher sewn softcover edition in one volume, with minimal notes and a new index/glossary.

Paradigms Lost Courier Corporation

Consists mainly of articles from the Continuum column: Omni. Ancient Wyoming Harper Collins

All over the world people look forward to a perfect future, when the forces of good will be finally victorious over the forces

of evil. Once this was a radically new way of imagining the destiny of the world and of mankind. How did it originate, and what kind of world-view preceded it? In this engrossing book, the author of the classic work *The Pursuit of the Millennium* takes us on a journey of exploration, through the world-views of ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia, and India, through the innovations of Iranian and Jewish prophets and sages, to the earliest Christian imaginings of heaven on earth. Until around 1500 B.C., it was generally believed that once the world had been set in order by the gods, it

was in essence immutable. However, it was always a troubled world. By means of flood and drought, famine and plague, defeat in war, and death itself, demonic forces threatened and impaired it. Various combat myths told how a divine warrior kept the forces of chaos at bay and enabled the world to survive. Sometime between 1500 and 1200 B.C., the Iranian prophet Zoroaster broke from that static yet anxious world-view, reinterpreting the Iranian version of the combat myth. For Zoroaster, the world was moving, through incessant conflict, toward a conflictless

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state--"cosmos without chaos."

The time would come when, in a prodigious battle, the supreme god would utterly defeat the forces of chaos and their human allies and eliminate them forever, and so bring an absolutely good world into being. Cohn reveals how this vision of the future was taken over by certain Jewish groups, notably the Jesus sect, with incalculable consequences. Deeply informed yet highly readable, this magisterial book illumines a major turning-point in the history of human consciousness. It will be mandatory reading for all who appreciated *The Pursuit of the*

Millennium.

The House of Wisdom Oxford University Press  
Presents proof that an advanced black African civilization inhabited the Sahara long before Pharaonic Egypt • Reveals black Africa to be at the genesis of ancient civilization and the human story • Examines extensive studies into the lost civilization of the "Star People" by renowned anthropologists, archaeologists, genetic scientists, and cultural historians as well as the authors' archaeoastronomy and hieroglyphics research • Deciphers the history behind the mysterious Nabta Playa

ceremonial area and its stone calendar circle and megaliths  
Relegated to the realm of archaeological heresy, despite a wealth of hard scientific evidence, the theory that an advanced civilization of black Africans settled in the Sahara long before Pharaonic Egypt existed has been dismissed and even condemned by conventional Egyptologists, archaeologists, and the Egyptian government. Uncovering compelling new evidence, Egyptologist Robert Bauval and astrophysicist Thomas Brophy present the anthropological, climatological, archaeological, geological, and genetic research supporting

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this hugely debated theory of the black African origin of Egyptian civilization. Building upon extensive studies from the past four decades and their own archaeoastronomical and hieroglyphic research, the authors show how the early black culture known as the Cattle People not only domesticated cattle but also had a sophisticated grasp of astronomy; created plentiful rock art at Gilf Kebir and Gebel Uwainat; had trade routes to the Mediterranean coast, central Africa, and the Sinai; held spiritual and occult ceremonies; and constructed a stone calendar circle and megaliths at the ceremonial

site of Nabta Playa reminiscent of Stonehenge, yet much older. Revealing these “Star People” as the true founders of ancient Egyptian civilization, this book completely rewrites the history of world civilization, placing black Africa back in its rightful place at the center of mankind’s origins.

*The Three-pound Universe* Yale University Press

This is the first edition of this book, for the second edition see ISBN-13: 978-1484822753 Do you think you know where Hungarians came from? Odds are what you were told was based on myths or politics, and almost no science. Hungarian origins prior to the 9th century has been

embroiled between eastern and western views of where each thinks Hungarian origins may be found. The prevailing view is that Hungarian (or Magyar) origins are to be found east of the Ural Mountains as part of an east to west migration of Uralic speakers. In 2000 a genetic marker was found that proved beyond any doubt that Hungarians were never part of this Uralic migration. In fact they have had no contact with other Uralic speakers for at least 4,000 years. This book explores how views of Hungarian origins reached the state of ignorance that it is today and then examines where the available evidence puts the Magyars origins. For the first time ever evidence is provided

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that combines the prevailing theories of the west and the east. Hungarian is shown to be an Uralic language as linguists have stated for 150 years and at the same time the Hungarian legends that say Hungarians originated near Persia are also proven to be correct. DNA evidence is examined to determine the physical origins of the Hungarian people as farmers in the Hindu Kush region. The myths that have evolved regarding Hungarian origins are traced back to their origins. Hungarian pre-Christian religious practices are also examined. Finally, not just Hungarian but all Uralic languages are shown to be a form of spoken Sanskrit "slang," based

not on word inheritance but on the observational qualities of the object. For example, the Hungarian word for shovel, 'kanal', is derived from the Sanskrit word meaning to dig, 'khana, ' and the Hungarian word for hoe, 'kapa', is from the Sanskrit word for a cavity or hole, 'kupa'. A language law is presented that governs how Sanskrit words were adopted into Hungarian. Even the origins of the word 'Magyar' itself are presented. **Cosmos, Chaos, and the World to Come** Oxford University Press The author presents his perspectives and personal experiences on mentalism and how it can be used to tap into the mind's hidden powers.

*Black Genesis* Cambridge University Press

What is death, and how do people in the medical profession determine it? In this fascinating examination of the increasingly blurred line between life and death, consciousness and unconsciousness, science journalist Dick Teresi introduces us to the coma specialists, organ transplant surgeons, ICU doctors, and many others who are faced with this issue daily. The Undead describes how death has been determined through the ages, beginning with the

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ancient Egyptians and leading to nonconsciousness, is not exactly the 1968 Harvard Medical School paper that indirectly stated that death was not cardiopulmonary failure, but a “loss of personhood”—i.e., brain death. Teresi explores the consequences of new technologies that extend people’s lives but which conflict with society’s desire to see them declared dead before their time.

*The Lost Colony and Hatteras*

Simon and Schuster

Important and provocative, *The Undead* examines why even with the tools of advanced technology, what we think of as life and death, consciousness and

clear and how this problem has been further complicated by the business of organ harvesting. Dick Teresi, a science writer with a dark sense of humor, manages to make this story entertaining, informative, and accessible as he shows how death determination has become more complicated than ever. Teresi introduces us to brain-death experts, hospice workers, undertakers, coma specialists and those who have recovered from coma, organ transplant surgeons and organ procurers, anesthesiologists who study pain in legally dead patients, doctors who have saved living patients from organ harvests, nurses who care for beating-heart

cadavers, ICU doctors who feel subtly pressured to declare patients dead rather than save them, and many others. Much of what they have to say is shocking. Teresi also provides a brief history of how death has been determined from the times of the ancient Egyptians and the Incas through the twenty-first century. And he draws on the writings and theories of celebrated scientists, doctors, and researchers—Jacques-Bénigne Winslow, Sherwin Nuland, Harvey Cushing, and Lynn Margulis, among others—to reveal how theories about dying and death have changed. With *The Undead*, Teresi makes us think twice about how the medical community decides when

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someone is dead.

**America Before** Simon and Schuster

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dramatically new

understanding of human

history, challenging our most

fundamental assumptions

about social evolution—from

the development of agriculture

and cities to the origins of the

state, democracy, and

inequality—and revealing new

possibilities for human

emancipation. For generations,

our remote ancestors have been

cast as primitive and

childlike—either free and equal

innocents, or thuggish and

warlike. Civilization, we are

told, could be achieved only by

sacrificing those original

freedoms or, alternatively, by

taming our baser instincts.

David Graeber and David

Wengrow show how such

theories first emerged in the

eighteenth century as a

conservative reaction to

powerful critiques of European

society posed by Indigenous

observers and intellectuals.

Revisiting this encounter has

startling implications for how

we make sense of human

history today, including the

origins of farming, property,

cities, democracy, slavery, and

civilization itself. Drawing on

pathbreaking research in

archaeology and anthropology,

the authors show how history

becomes a far more interesting

place once we learn to throw

off our conceptual shackles and

perceive what's really there. If

humans did not spend 95

percent of their evolutionary

past in tiny bands of hunter-

gatherers, what were they doing

all that time? If agriculture, and

cities, did not mean a plunge

into hierarchy and domination,

then what kinds of social and

economic organization did they

lead to? The answers are often

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unexpected, and suggest that the course of human history may be less set in stone, and more full of playful, hopeful possibilities, than we tend to assume. The Dawn of Everything fundamentally transforms our understanding of the human past and offers a path toward imagining new forms of freedom, new ways of organizing society. This is a monumental book of formidable intellectual range, animated by curiosity, moral vision, and a faith in the power of direct action. Includes Black-and-White Illustrations

**Euclid's Elements** St Lynns

The Iliad is an ancient Greek epic poem in dactylic hexameter, traditionally attributed to Homer. Set during the Trojan War, the ten-year siege of the city of Troy (Ilium) by a coalition of Greek states, it tells of the battles and events during the weeks of a quarrel between King Agamemnon and the warrior Achilles.

**The Biblical Hebrew Origin of the Japanese People** Lost Discoveries

Lost Discoveries, Dick Teresi's innovative history of science, explores the unheralded scientific breakthroughs from peoples of the ancient world --

Babylonians, Egyptians, Indians, Africans, New World and Oceanic tribes, among others -- and the non-European medieval world. They left an enormous heritage in the fields of mathematics, astronomy, cosmology, physics, geology, chemistry, and technology. The mathematical foundation of Western science is a gift from the Indians, Chinese, Arabs, Babylonians, and Maya. The ancient Egyptians developed the concept of the lowest common denominator, and they developed a fraction table that modern scholars estimate required 28,000 calculations to



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| compile. The Babylonians developed the first written math and used a place-value number system. Our numerals, 0 through 9, were invented in ancient India; the Indians also boasted geometry, trigonometry, and a kind of calculus. Planetary astronomy as well may have begun with the ancient Indians, who correctly identified the relative distances of the known planets from the sun, and knew the moon was nearer to the earth than the sun was. The Chinese observed, reported, dated, recorded, and interpreted eclipses between 1400 and | 1200 b.c. Most of the names of our stars and constellations are Arabic. Arabs built the first observatories. Five thousand years ago, the Sumerians said the earth was circular. In the sixth century, a Hindu astronomer taught that the daily rotation of the earth on its axis provided the rising and setting of the sun. Chinese and Arab scholars were the first to use fossils scientifically to trace earth's history. Chinese alchemists realized that most physical substances were merely combinations of other substances, which could be mixed in different proportions. | Islamic scholars are legendary for translating scientific texts of many languages into Arabic, a tradition that began with alchemical books. In the eleventh century, Avicenna of Persia divined that outward qualities of metals were of little value in classification, and he stressed internal structure, a notion anticipating Mendeleyev's periodic chart of elements. Iron suspension bridges came from Kashmir, printing from India; papermaking was from China, Tibet, India, and Baghdad; movable type was invented by Pi Sheng in about 1041; the |
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Quechuan Indians of Peru were the first to vulcanize rubber; Andean farmers were the first to freeze-dry potatoes. European explorers depended heavily on Indian and Filipino shipbuilders, and collected maps and sea charts from Javanese and Arab merchants. The first comprehensive, authoritative, popularly written, multicultural history of science, *Lost Discoveries* fills a crucial gap in the history of science. *The Lost World* by Arthur Conan Doyle HarperCollins UK

From the time of the earliest tribal religions, high priests, self-proclaimed prophets, and purveyors of doom have been

predicting the end of time. This encyclopedic survey of endtime predictions looks at the history of these prophets and the religious sects that forecast the exact dates that civilization would take its final bow. Author James R. Lewis eloquently remarks that all of these doomsday fear-mongers have one thing in common: they have all been wrong. As the year 2000 ushers in a new millennium, widespread interest in the end of the world, judgment day, and the "return" of a "savior," as predicted by many old and new groups, has spread like wildfire across the planet. Encompassing the truly bizarre, the suicidal, the homicidal, and the almost believable, *Doomsday Prophecies*

touches on apocalyptic strains in each religion, revealing that endtime predictions reach all the way back to Old Testament writings. They have thrived for centuries, and today they find new life with New Age religions and televangelists. Included are "prophecies" from the Hindu scriptures, the Ghost Dance, Iroquois tradition, the Shawnee prophet, the Turner Diaries, Aum Shinrikyo, the Branch Davidians, the Children of God, Rael, Dorothy Martin, Edgar Cayce, Marshall Applewhite, the Covenant, the Sword and the Arm of the Lord, and more. Lewis includes everything, from the longtime belief in a final battle between good and evil to the

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space-age belief that heaven's gate disappeared without a trace. The can be reached through travel with only clue to their fate was the alien beings. Sometimes humorous, often tragic, this enduring book examines the questions raised by the mass appeal of prophetic movements as a theme in popular culture.

The Lost History of the Little People Fulcrum Publishing

New archeological discoveries may finally solve the greatest mystery of Colonial America in this history of Roanoke and Hatteras Islands. Established on what is now North Carolina's Roanoke Island, the Roanoke Colony was intended to be England's first permanent settlement in North America. But in 1590, the entire population

disappeared without a trace. The only clue to their fate was the word "Croatoan" carved into a tree. For centuries, the legend of the Lost Colony has captivated imaginations. Now, archaeologists from the University of Bristol, working with the Croatoan Archaeological Society, have uncovered tantalizing clues to the fate of the colony. In *The Lost Colony and Hatteras Island*, Hatteras native and amateur archaeologist Scott Dawson compiles what scholars know about the Lost Colony along with what scholars have found beneath the soil of Hatteras.

*The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They*

*Communicate* National Academies Press

A compilation of books and other resources that are appropriate for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

Lost Discoveries Vintage

Public health officials and organizations around the world remain on high alert because of increasing concerns about the prospect of an influenza pandemic, which many experts believe to be inevitable. Moreover, recent problems with the availability and strain-specificity of vaccine for annual flu epidemics in some countries and the rise of pandemic strains

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of avian flu in disparate geographic regions have alarmed experts about the world's ability to prevent or contain a human pandemic. The workshop summary, *The Threat of Pandemic Influenza: Are We Ready?* addresses these urgent concerns. The report describes what steps the United States and other countries have taken thus far to prepare for the next outbreak of "killer flu." It also looks at gaps in readiness, including hospitals' inability to absorb a surge of patients and many nations' incapacity to monitor and detect flu outbreaks. The report points to the need for international agreements to share flu vaccine and antiviral stockpiles to ensure

that the 88 percent of nations that cannot manufacture or stockpile these products have access to them. It chronicles the toll of the H5N1 strain of avian flu currently circulating among poultry in many parts of Asia, which now accounts for the culling of millions of birds and the death of at least 50 persons. And it compares the costs of preparations with the costs of illness and death that could arise during an outbreak.

**Discourse on the Origin of Inequality** UNC Press Books  
The Oxford Handbook of Animals in Classical Thought and Life is the first comprehensive guide to animals in the ancient world,

encompassing all aspects of the topic by featuring authoritative chapters on 33 topics by leading scholars in their fields. As well as an introduction to, and a survey of, each topic, it provides guidance on further reading for those who wish to study a particular area in greater depth. Both the realities and the more theoretical aspects of the treatment of animals in ancient times are covered in chapters which explore the domestication of animals, animal husbandry, animals as pets, Aesop's Fables, and animals in classical art and comedy, all of which closely

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examine the nature of human-animal interaction. More abstract and philosophical topics are also addressed, including animal communication, early ideas on the origin of species, and philosophical vegetarianism and the notion of animal rights. *The Oxford Handbook of Animals in Classical Thought and Life* Simon and Schuster

The early Christian Church was a chaos of contending beliefs. Some groups of Christians claimed that there was not one God but two or twelve or thirty. Some believed that the world had not been created by God but by a lesser, ignorant deity. Certain

sects maintained that Jesus was human but not divine, while others said he was divine but not human. In *Lost Christianities*, Bart D. Ehrman offers a fascinating look at these early forms of Christianity and shows how they came to be suppressed, reformed, or forgotten. All of these groups insisted that they upheld the teachings of Jesus and his apostles, and they all possessed writings that bore out their claims, books reputedly produced by Jesus's own followers. Modern archaeological work has recovered a number of key texts, and as Ehrman shows, these spectacular discoveries reveal religious diversity that says much about the ways in which history gets written

by the winners. Ehrman's discussion ranges from considerations of various "lost scriptures"--including forged gospels supposedly written by Simon Peter, Jesus's closest disciple, and Judas Thomas, Jesus's alleged twin brother--to the disparate beliefs of such groups as the Jewish-Christian Ebionites, the anti-Jewish Marcionites, and various "Gnostic" sects. Ehrman examines in depth the battles that raged between "proto-orthodox Christians"--those who eventually compiled the canonical books of the New Testament and standardized Christian belief--and the groups they denounced as heretics and ultimately overcame. Scrupulously researched and

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lucidly written, *Lost Christianities* is an eye-opening account of politics, power, and the clash of ideas among Christians in the decades before one group came to see its views prevail.

*The Dawn of Everything*

Rutgers University Press

Knowledge has become a buzzword of the age. In the North, people talk of the knowledge-based economy; in the South, the World Bank now defines itself as a knowledge institution. But the question is: whose knowledge? This collection of general reflections and practical experiences illustrates the inappropriateness of a Western

model in many local settings, and the positive value of non-Western systems of knowledge, values and ways of doing things. It shows how traditional knowledge is being recognised in the botanical and agricultural sectors - local medicinal herbs, local seed varieties and animal breeds, local methods of pest control. The projects illustrate the notion of endogenous development, or development from within. They show how development can be based on locally available natural resources and local knowledge, values and leadership institutions; how development

options can be locally determined; and how to retain the benefits of development within local areas and communities. Endogenous development is not a total solution, but complementary to ongoing modern technological and global economic processes. But the remarkable experiments described do show the rich benef

*Origin* Little Brown

This book, an innovative history of science, explores the scientific breakthroughs from peoples of the ancient world--Babylonians, Egyptians, Indians, Africans,

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New World and Oceanic tribes, among others--and the non-European medieval world. They left an enormous heritage in the fields of mathematics, astronomy, cosmology, physics, geology, chemistry, and technology. The first comprehensive, authoritative, popularly written, multicultural history of science, *Lost Discoveries* fills a crucial gap in the history of science. *Ancient Roots, New Shoots* Simon and Schuster Intended for both the layman and the scientist, this book presents an overview of some of today's great scientific questions, from the way in which we acquire language and the fundamental nature of our thinking processes, to the possible existence of life elsewhere in the universe. Each chapter is constructed in the form of a trial, with the conventional scientific wisdom presented by the prosecution and alternative views put forward by the defence . The author, who aims to be both informative and entertaining, subsequently steps in to act as juror , offering explanations of his verdicts.