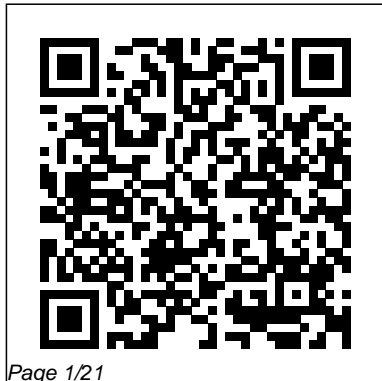

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We Begin Our Ascent Netherland
Follows Wes through the course
of one day in which many
important things happen to him:
he will lose his virginity and
break his own heart, try to meet
an impossible deadline for a
paper, and prepare a supper he

hopes will reunite his family.
Our Endless Numbered Days: A Novel Little, Brown
"Exceptional...fast and smart, funny and sad, this is an outstanding sports novel, and Joe Mungo Reed is an author to watch" (Kirkus Reviews, starred review). Sol and Liz are a couple on the cusp. He's a professional cyclist in the Tour de France, a workhorse, but not yet a star. She's a geneticist on the brink of a major

discovery, either that or a loss of funding. They've just welcomed their first child into the world, and their bright future lies just before them—if only they can reach out and grab it. But as Liz's research slows, as Sol starts doping, their dreams grow murkier and the risks graver. Over the whirlwind course of the Tour, they enter the orbit of an extraordinary cast of conmen and aspirants, and the young family is brought ineluctably into the depths of an illegal drug smuggling operation. As Liz and Sol flounder to discern right from wrong, up from down, they are forced to decide: What is it we're striving for? And what is it worth? "Joe Mungo Reed's unforgettable debut novel introduces us to a powerful new literary voice—as riveting as Don DeLillo's or Toni Morrison's" (Mary Karr, author of *The Liars' Club*). *We Begin Our Ascent* dances nimbly between tragic and comic, exploring the

cost of ambition and the question of what gives our lives meaning. Reed melds the powerful themes of great marital dramas like *Revolutionary Road* with the humor, character, and heart of a George Saunders collection. Throughout, we're drawn inside the cycling world and treated to the brilliant literary sports-writing of modern classics like *The Art of Fielding* or *End Zone*.

Politics Is for Power Simon and Schuster

A brilliant and darkly comic novel from the Man Booker Prize longlisted author of ' *Netherland* ' .

Satin Island University of Virginia Press
New York Times bestseller! If your funny older sister were the former deputy chief of staff to President Barack Obama, her behind-the-scenes political memoir would look something like this... Alyssa Mastromonaco worked for Barack Obama for almost a decade, and long before his run for president. From the then-senator's early days in Congress to his years in the Oval Office, she made Hope and Change happen through blood,

sweat, tears, and lots of briefing binders. But for every historic occasion-meeting the queen at Buckingham Palace, bursting in on secret climate talks, or nailing a campaign speech in a hailstorm-there were dozens of less-than-perfect moments when it was up to Alyssa to save the day. Like the time she learned the hard way that there aren't nearly enough bathrooms at the Vatican. Full of hilarious, never-before-told stories, **WHO THOUGHT THIS WAS A GOOD IDEA?** is an intimate portrait of a president, a book about how to get stuff done, and the story of how one woman challenged, again and again, what a "White House official" is supposed to look like. Here Alyssa

shares the strategies that made her successful in politics and beyond, including the importance of confidence, the value of not being a jerk, and why ultimately everything comes down to hard work (and always carrying a spare tampon). Told in a smart, original voice and topped off with a couple of really good cat stories, **WHO THOUGHT THIS WAS A GOOD IDEA?** is a promising debut from a savvy political star.

The Cosmopolites
Penguin
A brilliant condemnation of political hobbyism—treating politics like

entertainment—and a call to arms for well-meaning, well-informed citizens who consume political news, but do not take political action. Who is to blame for our broken politics? The uncomfortable answer to this question starts with ordinary citizens with good intentions. We vote (sometimes) and occasionally sign a petition or attend a rally. But we mainly “engage” by consuming politics as if it’s a sport

calibr a hobby. We soak in daily political gossip and eat up statistics about who’s up and who’s down. We tweet and post and share. We crave outrage. The hours we spend on politics are used mainly as pastime. Instead, we should be spending the same number of hours building political organizations, implementing a long-term vision for our city or town, and getting to know our neighbors,

whose votes will be needed for solving hard problems. We could be accumulating power so that when there are opportunities to make a difference—to lobby, to advocate, to mobilize—we will be ready. But most of us who are spending time on politics today are focused inward, choosing roles and activities designed for our short-term pleasure. We are repelled by the slow-

and-steady activities that characterize service to the common good. In *Politics Is for Power*, pioneering and brilliant data analyst Eitan Hersh shows us a way toward more effective political participation. Aided by political theory, history, cutting-edge social science, as well as remarkable stories of ordinary citizens who got off their couches and took political power seriously, this book

shows us how to channel our energy away from political hobbyism and toward empowering our values. *The Submission Penguin* From the civil rights struggle in the United States to the crematoria of Auschwitz-Birkenau, there are momentous stories everywhere. But only some survive to become history. Lamont Williams is a black man from the Bronx trying to return to a normal life after serving a six-year prison term for a crime for which he was wrongly convicted. Historian Adam

Zignelik is an untenured Columbia professor whose career and long-term relationship are falling apart. When Lamont Williams strikes up an unlikely friendship with a patient at the hospital where he works as a janitor, he learns about the Sonderkommando--prisoners forced to work in the gas chambers and crematoria of the Nazi extermination camps. Meanwhile, Adam pursues a promising research topic suggested by a World War II veteran, a topic that might just save him professionally and even personally. When the lives

of these two men intersect, history comes to life in ways neither of them could have foreseen. The Street Sweeper is an astonishing feat of storytelling that addresses the personal and the political as it sweeps across the globe, through the seminal events of the twentieth century to the present. Honest, hypnotic and redemptive, this is a novel that explores the responsibility of the historian, the weight of history on all of us, and the crucial role that bearing witness plays in breaking the cycle of human cataclysm.

Motherhood National Geographic Books
A 2019 NPR Staff Pick
“Written ‘in sorrow and anger,’ this is a brilliant and urgently necessary book, eloquently making the case against bigotry and for all of us migrants—what we are not, who we are, and why we deserve to be welcomed, not feared.”
—Salman Rushdie A timely argument for why the United States and the West would benefit from accepting

more immigrants. There are few subjects in American life that prompt more discussion and controversy than immigration. But do we really understand it? In *This Land Is Our Land*, the renowned author Suketu Mehta attacks the issue head-on. Drawing on his own experience as an Indian-born teenager growing up in New York City and on years of reporting around the world, Mehta subjects the worldwide anti-immigrant backlash to withering scrutiny. As he explains, the West is being destroyed not by immigrants but by the fear of immigrants. Mehta juxtaposes the phony narratives of populist ideologues with the ordinary heroism of laborers, nannies, and others, from Dubai to Queens, and explains why more people are on the move today than ever before. As civil strife and climate change reshape large parts of the planet, it is little surprise that borders have become so porous. But Mehta also stresses the destructive legacies of colonialism and global inequality on large swaths of the world: When today's immigrants are asked, "Why are you here?" they can justly respond, "We are here because you were there." And now that they are here, as Mehta demonstrates,

immigrants bring great benefits, enabling countries and communities to flourish. Impassioned, rigorous, and richly stocked with memorable stories and characters, *This Land Is Our Land* is a timely and necessary intervention, and a literary polemic of the highest order. *Ghost Light* Vintage
A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice "A radiant first novel. . . . [Neon in

Daylight] has antecedents in the great novels of the 1970s: Renata Adler's *Speedboat*, Elizabeth Hardwick's *Sleepless Nights*, Joan Didion's *Play It as It Lays*. . . . Precision—of observation, of language—is Hoby's gift and tailored. Language molds snugly to thought." —Parul Sehgal, *The New York Times*
"What do you get when a writer of extreme

intelligence, insight, style and beauty chronicles the lives of self-absorbed hedonists—*The Great Gatsby*, *Bright Lights*, *Big City*, and now *Neon* in *Daylight*. Hermione Hoby paints a garish world that drew me in and held me spellbound. She is a marvel." —Ann Patchett, author of *Commonwealth* New York City in 2012, the sweltering summer before Hurricane Sandy hits. Kate, a young

woman newly arrived from England, is staying in a Manhattan apartment while she tries to figure out her future. She has two unfortunate responsibilities during her time in America: to make regular Skype calls to her miserable boyfriend back home, and to cat – sit an indifferent feline named Joni Mitchell. The city has other plans for her. In New York's parks and bodegas, its

galleries and performance spaces, its bars and clubs crowded with bodies, Kate encounters two strangers who will transform her stay: Bill, a charismatic but embittered writer made famous by the movie version of his only novel; and Inez, his daughter, a recent high school graduate who supplements her Bushwick cafe salary by enacting the fantasies of men she meets on

Craigslist. Unmoored from her old life, Kate falls into an infatuation with both of them. Set in a heatwave that feels like it will never break, *Neon In Daylight* marries deep intelligence with captivating characters to offer us a joyful, unflinching exploration of desire, solitude, and the thin line between life and art. Phase Six Vintage 1907 Edwardian Dublin, a city of whispers and

rumors. At the Abbey Theatre W. B. Yeats is working with the talented John Synge, his resident playwright. It is here that Synge, the author of *The Playboy of the Western World* and *The Tinker's Wedding*, will meet an actress still in her teens named Molly Allgood. Rebellious, irreverent, beautiful, flirtatious, Molly is a girl of the inner-city tenements, dreaming of stardom in America. Witty and watchful, she has dozens of admirers, but it is the damaged older playwright who is her secret passion despite the

barriers of age, class, education, and religion. Synge is a troubled, reticent genius, the son of a once prosperous landowning family, a poet of fiery language and tempestuous passions. Yet his life is hampered by conventions and by the austere and God-fearing mother with whom he lives. Scarred by a childhood of immense loneliness and severity, he has long been ill, but he loves to walk the wild places of Ireland. The affair, sternly opposed by friends and family, is turbulent, sometimes cruel, and often tender. 1950s postwar

London, an old woman walks across the city in the wake of a hurricane. As she wanders past bomb sites and through the forlorn beauty of wrecked terraces and wintry parks, her mind drifts in and out of the present as she remembers her life's great love, her once dazzling career, and her travels in America. Vivid and beautifully written, Molly's swirling, fractured narrative moves from Dublin to London via New York with luminous language and raw feeling. *Ghost Light* is a story of great sadness and joy—a tour de force from the

widely acclaimed and bestselling author of *Star of the Sea*.

The Autobiography of Jenny X Mercier
PressLtd

INSTANT NATIONAL BESTSELLER WINNER OF THE STORY PRIZE SHORTLISTED FOR THE DYLAN THOMAS PRIZE NAMED A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR BY USA TODAY, NPR, VULTURE, MARIE CLAIRE, THE TIMES OF LONDON, GOOD HOUSEKEEPING, AND

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY
A group portrait of young adults enmeshed in desire and violence, a hotly charged, deeply satisfying new work of fiction from the author of Booker Prize finalist *Real Life* In the series of linked stories at the heart of *Filthy Animals*, set among young creatives in the American Midwest, a young man treads delicate emotional waters as he navigates a series of sexually

fraught encounters with two dancers in an open relationship, forcing him to weigh his vulnerabilities against his loneliness. In other stories, a young woman battles with the cancers draining her body and her family; menacing undercurrents among a group of teenagers explode in violence on a winter night; a little girl tears through a house like a tornado, driving her babysitter to the brink; and couples feel

out the jagged edges of connection, comfort, and cruelty. One of the breakout literary stars of 2020, Brandon Taylor has been hailed by Roxane Gay as “ a writer who wields his craft in absolutely unforgettable ways. ” With *Filthy Animals* he renews and expands on the promise made in *Real Life*, training his precise and unsentimental gaze on the tensions among friends and family,

lovers and others. Psychologically taut and quietly devastating, *Filthy Animals* is a tender portrait of the fierce longing for intimacy, the lingering presence of pain, and the desire for love in a world that seems, more often than not, to withhold it.

[Who Thought This Was a Good Idea?](#) Farrar, Straus and Giroux

A NEW YORK TIMES
BOOK REVIEW BEST
BOOK OF THE YEAR •
WINNER OF THE

PEN/FAULKNER AWARD •
"Netherland tells the fragmented story of a man in exile—from home, family and, most poignantly, from himself. ” —Washington Post
Book World In a New York City made phantasmagorical by the events of 9/11, and left alone after his English wife and son return to London, Hans van den Broek stumbles upon the vibrant New York subculture of cricket, where he revisits his lost childhood and, thanks to a friendship with a charismatic and charming Trinidadian named Chuck Ramkissoon, begins to

reconnect with his life and his adopted country. As the two men share their vastly different experiences of contemporary immigrant life in America, an unforgettable portrait emerges of an "other" New York populated by immigrants and strivers of every race and nationality.

Everything Happens

Today Henry Holt and Company

In this loose retelling of Howard's End, Zadie Smith considers the big questions: Why do we fall in love with the people we do? Why do we visit

our mistakes on our children? What makes life truly beautiful? Set in New England mainly and London partly, On Beauty concerns a pair of feuding families—the Belseys and the Kippses—and a clutch of doomed affairs. It puts low morals among high ideals and asks some searching questions about what life does to love. For the Belseys and the Kippses, the confusions—both personal and political—of our uncertain age are about to be brought close to home:

right to the heart of family.

The Twin

HarperCollins UK

From the bestselling, Booker Prize-winning author of *The White Tiger* and *Amnesty*, a “ferociously brilliant” (Slate) novel about two brothers coming of age in a Mumbai slum, raised by their crazy, obsessive father to be cricket champions. *A NETFLIX ORIGINAL SERIES * AN NPR BEST BOOK OF THE

YEAR * A NEW YORK
TIMES and
WASHINGTON POST
NOTABLE BOOK
Manjunath Kumar is
fourteen and living in a
slum in Mumbai. He
knows he is good at
cricket—if not as good as
his older brother,
Radha. He knows that
he fears and resents his
domineering and cricket-
obsessed father,
admires his brilliantly
talented sibling, and is
fascinated by curious
scientific facts and the

world of CSI. But there
are many things, about
himself and about the
world, that he doesn't
know. Sometimes it
even seems as though
everyone has a clear
idea of who Manju
should be, except Manju
himself. When Manju
meets Radha's great
rival, a mysterious
Muslim boy privileged
and confident in all the
ways Manju is not,
everything in Manju's
world begins to change,
and he is faced by

decisions that will
challenge his sense of
self and of the world
around him. Filled with
unforgettable
characters from across
India's social strata—the
old scout everyone calls
Tommy Sir; Anand
Mehta, the big-dreaming
investor; Sofia, a
wealthy, beautiful girl
and the boys' biggest
fan—Selection Day
“brings a family, a city,
and an entire country to
scabrous and antic life”
(Chicago Tribune).

The Breezes Vintage
From the acclaimed
historian and New
Yorker writer comes
this urgent manifesto
on the dilemma of
nationalism and the
erosion of liberalism in
the twenty-first
century. At a time of
much despair over the
future of liberal
democracy, Jill Lepore
makes a stirring case
for the nation in *This
America*, a follow-up to
her much-celebrated
history of the United

States, *These Truths*.
With dangerous forms
of nationalism on the
rise, Lepore, a Harvard
historian and New
Yorker staff writer,
repudiates nationalism
here by explaining its
long history—and the
history of the idea of
the nation itself—while
calling for a “ new
Americanism ” : a
generous patriotism
that requires an honest
reckoning with
America ’ s past. Lepore
begins her argument

with a primer on the
origins of nations,
explaining how
liberalism, the nation-
state, and liberal
nationalism, developed
together. Illiberal
nationalism, however,
emerged in the United
States after the Civil
War—resulting in the
failure of
Reconstruction, the rise
of Jim Crow, and the
restriction of
immigration. Much of
American history,
Lepore argues, has

been a battle between these two forms of nationalism, liberal and illiberal, all the way down to the nation's latest, bitter struggles over immigration. Defending liberalism, as *This America* demonstrates, requires making the case for the nation. But American historians largely abandoned that defense in the 1960s when they stopped writing national history. By the 1980s they'd stopped studying the nation-state altogether and embraced globalism instead. "When serious historians abandon the study of the nation," Lepore tellingly writes, "nationalism doesn't die. Instead, it eats liberalism." But liberalism is still in there, Lepore affirms, and *This America* is an attempt to pull it out. "In a world made up of nations, there is no more powerful way to fight the forces of prejudice, intolerance, and injustice than by a dedication to equality, citizenship, and equal rights, as guaranteed by a nation of laws." A manifesto for a better nation, and a call for a "new Americanism," *This America* reclaims the nation's future by reclaiming its past. This is the Life Vintage A masterly collection of eleven stories about the way we live now from the best-selling author of *Netherland*. From

bourgeois facial-hair trends to parental sleep deprivation, Joseph O' Neill closely observes the mores of his characters, whose vacillations and second thoughts expose the mysterious pettiness, underlying violence, and, sometimes, surprising beauty of ordinary life in the early twenty-first century. A lonely wedding guest talks to a goose; two poets struggle over whether to participate in a "pardon Edward Snowden" verse petition; a cowardly husband lets his wife face a possible intruder in their home; a potential co-op renter in New York City can't find anyone to give him a character reference. On the surface, these men and women may be in only mild trouble, but in these perfectly made, fiercely modern stories O' Neill reminds us of the real, secretly political consequences of our internal monologues. No writer is more incisive about the strange world we live in now; the laugh-out-loud vulnerability of his people is also fodder for tears.

The Dog OR Books
 What exactly is goodness? Where is it found in the literary imagination? Toni Morrison, one of American letters' greatest voices, pondered these perplexing questions in her celebrated Ingersoll Lecture, delivered at Harvard University in 2012 and published now for the first time.

Perhaps because it is overshadowed by the more easily defined evil, goodness often escapes our attention. Recalling many literary examples, from Ahab to Coetzee's Michael K, Morrison seeks the essence of goodness and ponders its significant place in her writing. She considers the concept in relation to unforgettable characters from her own works of fiction and arrives at

conclusions that are both eloquent and edifying. In a lively interview conducted for this book, Morrison further elaborates on her lecture's ideas, discussing goodness not only in literature but in society and history—particularly black history, which has responded to centuries of brutality with profound creativity. Morrison's essay is followed by a series of responses by scholars

in the fields of religion, ethics, history, and literature to her thoughts on goodness and evil, mercy and love, racism and self-destruction, language and liberation, together with close examination of literary and theoretical expressions from her works. Each of these contributions, written by a scholar of religion, considers the legacy of slavery and how it continues to shape our memories,

our complicities, our outcries, our lives, our communities, our literature, and our faith. In addition, the contributors engage the religious orientation in Morrison ' s novels so that readers who encounter her many memorable characters such as Sula, Beloved, or Frank Money will learn and appreciate how Morrison ' s notions of goodness and mercy also reflect her understanding of the

sacred and the human spirit.
Capital: A Novel
Catapult
A New York Times
Notable Book
Nominated for the Man Booker Prize In this extraordinary, both comic and philosophically profound novel, the acclaimed author of Netherland uncovers the hidden contours of a glittering Middle Eastern city—and the quiet dilemmas of

modernity. When our unnamed hero, a self-sabotaging and oddly existential lawyer, finds his life in New York falling apart, he seizes an opportunity to flee to Dubai, taking a mysterious job for a fabulously wealthy Lebanese family. As he struggles with his position as the “ family officer ” of the capricious Batros brothers, he also struggles with the “ doghouse, ” a condition

of culpability in which he feels trapped, even as he composes endless electronic correspondence—both sent and unsent—in an attempt to find a way out. An unforgettable fable for our globalized times, *The Dog* is told with Joseph O' Neill's hallmark eloquence, empathy, and stylistic mastery. Goodness and the Literary Imagination
Scribner
Welcome to Our

Hillbrow is an exhilarating and disturbing ride through the chaotic and hyper-real zone of Hillbrow—microcosm of all that is contradictory, alluring, and painful in the postapartheid South African psyche. Everything is there: the shattered dreams of youth, sexuality and its unpredictable costs, AIDS, xenophobia, suicide, the omnipotent violence that often cuts short the promise of

young people's lives, and the Africanist understanding of the life continuum that does not end with death but flows on into an ancestral realm. Infused with the rhythms of the inner-city pulsebeat, this courageous novel is compelling in its honesty and its broad vision, which links Hillbrow, rural Tiragalong, and Oxford. It spills out the guts of Hillbrow—living with the same energy and

intimate knowledge with which the Drum writers wrote Sophiatown into being.

The Silentiary Vintage

The debut novel from Joseph O'Neill, author of the Man Booker Prize longlisted and Richard & Judy pick, 'Netherland'. The Locals Farrar, Straus and Giroux

Part fairy-tale, part magic, yet always savagely realistic Claire Fuller's haunting and powerful debut *Our Endless Numbered Days* will appeal to fans of Eowyn Ivey's *The Snow Child* and

Christian Baker Kline's *Orphan Train*. Peggy Hillcoat is eight years old when her survivalist father, James, takes her from their home in London to a remote hut in the woods and tells her that the rest of the world has been destroyed. Deep in the wilderness, Peggy and James make a life for themselves. They repair the hut, bathe in water from the river, hunt and gather food in the summers and almost starve in the harsh winters. They mark their days only by the sun and the seasons. When Peggy finds a pair of boots in the forest and begins a

search for their owner, she unwittingly begins to unravel the series of events that brought her to the woods and, in doing so, discovers the strength she needs to go back to the home and mother she thought she'd lost. After Peggy's return to civilization, her mother learns the truth of her escape, of what happened to James on the last night out in the woods, and of the secret that Peggy has carried with her ever since.