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In the tempestuous closing decades of the sixteenth century, the Empire of Japan writhes in chaos as the shogunate crumbles and rival warlords battle for supremacy. Warrior monks in their armed citadels block the road to the capital; castles are destroyed, villages plundered, fields put to the torch. Amid this devastation, three men dream of uniting the nation. At one extreme is the charismatic but brutal Nobunaga, whose ruthless ambition crushes all before him. At the opposite pole is the cold, deliberate Ieyasu, wise in counsel, brave in battle, mature beyond his years. But the keystone of this

triumvirate is the most memorable of all, Hideyoshi, who rises from the menial post of sandal bearer to become Taiko--absolute ruler of Japan in the Emperor's name. When Nobunaga emerges from obscurity by destroying an army ten times the size of his own, he allies himself with Ieyasu, whose province is weak, but whose canniness and loyalty make him invaluable. Yet it is the scrawny, monkey-faced Hideyoshi--brash, impulsive, and utterly fearless--who becomes the unlikely savior of this ravaged land. Born the son of a farmer, he takes on the world with nothing but his bare hands and his wits, turning doubters into loyal servants, rivals into faithful friends, and enemies into allies. In all this he uses a piercing insight into human nature that unlocks castle gates, opens men's minds, and captures women's hearts. For Hideyoshi's passions are not

limited to war and intrigue—his faithful wife, Nene, holds his love dear, even when she must share it; the chaste Oyu, sister of Hideyoshi's chief strategist, falls prey to his desires; and the seductive Chacha, whom he rescues from the fiery destruction of her father's castle, tempts his weakness. As recounted by Eiji Yoshikawa, author of the international best-seller *Musashi*, *Taiko* tells many stories: of the fury of Nobunaga and the fatal arrogance of the black-toothed Yoshimoto; of the pathetic downfall of the House of Takeda; how the scorned Mitsuhide betrayed his master; how once impregnable ramparts fell as their defenders died gloriously. Most of all, though, *Taiko* is the story of how one man transformed a nation through the force of his will and the depth of his humanity. Filled with scenes of pageantry and violence, acts of treachery and self-sacrifice, tenderness and savagery, *Taiko* combines the panoramic spectacle of a Kurosawa epic with a vivid evocation of feudal Japan.

Musashi Tuttle Publishing
The classic samurai novel about the real exploits of the most famous swordsman. Miyamoto Musashi was the child of an era when Japan was emerging from decades of civil strife. Lured to the great Battle of Sekigahara in 1600 by the hope of becoming a samurai—without really knowing what it meant—he regains consciousness after the battle to find himself lying defeated, dazed and wounded among thousands of the dead and dying. On his way home, he commits a rash act, becomes a fugitive and brings life in his own village to a standstill—until he is captured by a weaponless Zen monk. The lovely Otsu, seeing in Musashi her ideal of manliness, frees him from his

tortuous punishment, but he is recaptured and imprisoned. During three years of solitary confinement, he delves into the classics of Japan and China. When he is set free again, he rejects the position of samurai and for the next several years pursues his goal relentlessly, looking neither to left nor to right. Ever so slowly it dawns on him that following the Way of the Sword is not simply a matter of finding a target for his brute strength. Continually striving to perfect his technique, which leads him to a unique style of fighting with two swords simultaneously, he travels far and wide, challenging fighters of many disciplines, taking nature to be his ultimate and severest teacher and undergoing the rigorous training of those who follow the Way. He is supremely successful in his encounters, but in the Art of War he perceives the way of peaceful and prosperous

governance and disciplines himself to be a real human being. He becomes a reluctant hero to a host of people whose lives he has touched and been touched by. And, inevitably, he has to pit his skill against the naked blade of his greatest rival. Musashi is a novel in the best tradition of Japanese story telling. It is a living story, subtle and imaginative, teeming with memorable characters, many of them historical. Interweaving themes of unrequited love, misguided revenge, filial piety and absolute dedication to the Way of the Samurai, it depicts vividly a world Westerners know only vaguely. Full of gusto and humor, it has an epic quality and universal appeal. The novel was made into a three-part movie by Director Hiroshi Inagai. For more information, visit the Shopping area Uesugi Kenshin Vertical, Inc.

This gorgeously illustrated book describes in detail the technical and artistic processes involved in crafting storyboards, the visual blueprints of animated films.

Annual Report

The Heike Story is a modern translation of a Japanese classic. Kyoto in the twelfth century was a magnificent city, but crime, disorder, and lust were rampant. The people were abused by the nobility, while armed Buddhist monks terrorized court and commoner alike. In despair, the Emperor called upon the Heike and Genji clans to quell civil disturbances. Although the clans succeeded, they quarreled over the spoils of war and plunged the country into a century of warfare. The Heike Story describes the rise to power of Kiyomori of the Heike clan during this turbulent time.

From a youth sunk in poverty,

Kiyomori eventually rose to become the Emperor's Chief Councilor. Although he was a gentle, enlightened man, he left a trail of bloodshed and ruin in his wake. The strange twists of Kiyomori's fate are the core of this epic novel. Its exotic atmosphere, narrative power, pageantry, and poetry will enthrall readers and provide an entertaining introduction to an important source of Japanese culture. This new edition features a foreword by Dr. Davinder Bhowmik that introduces this celebrated author and book to modern readers.

Annual Report, 1928

Translated from the Japanese by Charles E Terry.

Realizing the Dream of R.A. Kartini

Being honest to a fault and trusting of others do not always end well. Masakado is a sixteen-year-old orphan when his uncles send him to the capital city to study and become a civilized man capable of leading his powerful and wealthy

clan. The country boy from a frontier province gets his first lesson the moment he steps foot in the city. After a long time away, he returns home to his younger brothers and family estate to build a better life for all. But his brothers grew up to be meek and cowardly young men, and his uncles had picked his inheritance clean. Masakado asks his uncles to return what is his. Their response is a beating. Next, he appeals to the government. Unfortunately, the superstitious elite class in the government worry only about themselves and the pirates in the southern seas. In time, this family squabble explodes into war. This rebellion went down in history as one of the greatest threats to Japan's central government. The great Japanese historical novelist Eiji Yoshikawa tells this story of a life of loyalty, insurgency, compassion, treachery, and love. Buy Taira no Masakado now to read this telling of the life of the warrior rebel.

Taira No Masakado

Realizing the Dream of R. A. Kartini: Her Sisters' Letters

from Colonial Java presents a unique collection of documents reflecting the lives, attitudes, and politics of four Javanese women in the early twentieth century. Joost J. Cot é translates the correspondence between Raden Ajeng Kartini, Indonesia's first feminist, and her sisters, revealing for the first time her sisters' contributions in defining and carrying out her ideals. With this collection, Cot é aims to situate Kartini's sisters within the more famous Kartini narrative-and indirectly to situate Kartini herself within a broader narrative. The letters reveal the emotional lives of these modern women and their concerns for the welfare of their husbands and the success of their children in rapidly changing times. While by no means radical nationalists, and not yet extending their horizons to the possibility of an Indonesian nation, these members of a new middle class nevertheless confidently express

their belief in their own national identity. Realizing the Dream of R. A. Kartini is essential reading for scholars of Indonesian history, providing documentary evidence of the culture of modern, urban Java in the late colonial era and an insight into the ferment of the Indonesian nationalist movement in which these women and their husbands played representative roles.

Journal of the Department of Letters

Translated from the Japanese by Charles C. Terry.

Don Bluth's Art of Storyboard

Analyzes Irving's novels including the popular 'World According to Garp' & 'Hotel New Hampshire'--their settings, characters, conflicts, symbols, & themes as they reveal his maturing literary techniques & comprehensive world vision.

Zoologische Mededeelingen
From the author of the epic

novels Musashi, Taiko, and The Heike Story Warring States Era, Japan Betrayal Means War After a peace accord is shattered, two great generals clash for the fourth time at Kawanakajima, the island between the rivers.

The spiritual but angry Uesugi Kenshin, the Dragon of Echigo, confronts the more experienced Takeda Shingen, the Tiger of Kai. Who will triumph? Uesugi Kenshin is a historical novel told through the eyes of two rivals by Eiji Yoshikawa, a master of the historical novel. If you are curious about warcraft between two ingenious warlords, strategic surprises like in a movie by Akira Kurosawa, and the hearts and minds of warriors in combat, then you'll love this brilliant retelling of a famous battle by Eiji Yoshikawa. Buy Uesugi Kenshin to witness the legendary Fourth Battle of Kawanakajima today!

The Heike Story

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The Way of the Sword

They were the two most feared swordsmen of their age:

Miyamoto Musashi, mysterious and introspective, and Sasaki Kojiro, arrogant and ambitious.

In war-torn Japan, each was

thrust forward as a hero of opposing sides . . . and began their final epic confrontation.

Understanding John Irving

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