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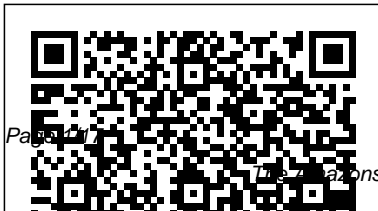
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Modern scholarship judges Herodotus to be a more complex writer than his past readers supposed. His *Histories* is now being read in ways that are seemingly incompatible if not contradictory. This volume interrogates the various ways the text of the *Histories* has been and can be read by scholars: as the seminal text of our Ur-historian, as ethnology, literary art and fable. Our readings can bring out various guises of

Herodotus himself: an author surprising as the original with the eye of a travel writer and the mind of an investigative journalist; a globalist, enlightened but superstitious; a rambling storyteller but a prose stylist; the so-called 'father of history' but in antiquity also labelled the 'father of lies'; both geographer and gossipmonger; both entertainer and an author whom social and cultural historians read and admire. Guiding students chapter-by-chapter through approaches as fascinating and often

itself, Sean Sheehan goes beyond conventional Herodotus introductions and instead looks at the various interpretations of the work, which themselves shed light on the original. With text boxes highlighting key topics and indices of passages, this volume is an essential guide for students whether reading Herodotus for the first time, or returning to revisit this crucial text for later research. *Postcolonial Amazons*  
Princeton University Press  
Since young male players

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were the norm during the English Renaissance, were all cross-dressed performances of female characters played with the same degree of seriousness? Probably not. *Spectrums of Representation in Shakespearean Crossdressing* examines these varied types of female characters in English Renaissance drama, drawing from a range of play texts themselves in order to investigate if evidence exists for varying performance practices for male-to-female crossdressing. This book

argues for a reading of the representation of female characters on the English Renaissance stage that not only suggests categorizing crossdressing along a spectrum of theatrical artifice, but also explores how this range of artifice enriches our understanding of the plays. The scholarship surrounding cross-dressing rarely makes this distinction, since in our study of early modern plays we tend to accept as a matter of course that all crossdressing was essentially the same. The basis of *Spectrums of Representation in*

Shakespearean Crossdressing is that it was not.

*The War Against the Amazons*  
Princeton University Press

Using a broad array of historical and literary sources, this book presents an unprecedented detailed history of the superhero and its development across the course of human history. • Presents a concise but thorough history of the superhero comic industry, from the 1930s to today •

Clearly describes the two main forms of the historical superhero, the Costumed Avenger and the Superman •

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Suggests a new way in which to evaluate superheroes and explains why this new methodology is important • Identifies and examines the ways in which superheroes have been present in popular literature since the beginning of human history	nuanced picture of women's lives in the Viking world. The Viking Age (c. AD 750-1050) is conventionally portrayed as a tumultuous time when hordes of fierce warriors from Scandinavia wreaked havoc across the European continent and when Norse merchants traveled to distant corners of the world in pursuit of slaves, silver and exotic commodities.	Until fairly recently, Norse society during this pivotal period in world history has been characterized as male-dominated, with women's roles dismissed or substantially downplayed. There is, however, ample textual and archaeological evidence to suggest that many of the most spectacular achievements of Viking Age
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The Warrior Queens

Casemate

Sets out to

investigate the idea

of 'the armed woman'

in the Viking Age

through a

comprehensive and

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Scandinavians - in craftsmanship, exploration, cross-cultural trade, warfare and other spheres of life - would not have been possible without the active involvement of women, and that both within the walls of the household and in the wider public arena women's voices were heard, respected and followed.

Lavishly illustrated, this pioneering book explores the stories

of the female warrior and women's links with the martial sphere of life in the Viking Age, using literature and archaeological evidence from Scandinavia and the wider Viking world to examine the motivations and circumstances that led women to engage in armed conflict.

**The Amazons** Princeton University Press

The Amazons were tribes of warrior women who lived on

the edge of the Greek world in ancient times. Greek mythology has the Amazon warrior women and their warrior queens tangling with Greek heroes, such as Achilles and Heracles, and mythical creatures, such as the terrible Gorgons. They also fought famous battles such as the Attic and Trojan wars. Historical records tell of mighty Emperors such as Alexander the Great and Cyrus of Persia, tangling with Amazons. But were the Amazons of ancient Greece the only warrior women ever

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to exist on earth? Myths, tales, songs, local history from different lands tell of the existence of mighty warrior women and warrior queens since ancient times to the modern era. Without a doubt, the continents of Asia, Europe, America and Africa, at different periods in history, witnessed the existence of Amazon warrior women in nations and tribes. They built cities and towns. Their armies went to battle against men and conquered. Warrior queens ruled mighty kingdoms that defied vast empires; one warrior queen even defeated Alexander the Great in battle! The Amazon warrior women glorified in violence, fighting and sexual freedom. By their brave deeds they rewrote history, but were denied recognition by the male-dominated society of their time, and so the world never heard of them. Today, so many people even doubt if the Amazons ever existed! Who were these mighty barbarian warrior women? Where did they come from and where did they go? In this well researched, far reaching, and well-illustrated book, author Gorge Kennedy presents a comprehensive account of Amazon warrior women and warrior queens throughout history from ancient times to present era, from the lands of ancient Greece and the Black Sea to the rainforests of Central and South America, from the old lands of Africa to the ancient lands of Central Asia, China and the Japans. Kennedy tells of the history and myths of Amazon women from different lands and eras, the warrior queens and mighty warrior women, their armies,

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nations and tribes. He reveals facts never known before, including evidence, such as astonishing new archaeological discoveries, that proves warrior women weren't just fabrications of human imagination.

Combining historical facts, classical art and myth, oral and local traditions, and scientific proof, he reveals original details and insights about amazons lives and legends, which comprises all the Amazon women throughout world history. Kennedy separates fact from fiction as

he shows how real-life warrior women who lived in different parts of the world at different times were mythologized as Amazons, the equals of men. Amazons live and legends. The fascinating history, tales and proof in one book! Tags: amazon warriors, amazon warrior women, warrior women, amazons lives and legends, female warriors, Greek mythology, ancient Greece, warrior queen, Amazon women, Amazon women warriors. Amazon women tales, Amazon women in history. warrior women in

history, female warriors, female warriors in history, female warriors amazon women. . Spectrums of Shakespearean Crossdressing Taylor & Francis Since the time of the ancient Greeks we have been fascinated by accounts of the Amazons, an elusive tribe of hard-fighting, horse-riding female warriors. Equal to men in battle, legends claimed they cut off their right breasts to improve their archery skills and routinely killed their male children to purify their ranks. For centuries people believed in their existence and attempted to trace their origins. Artists and poets celebrated their battles and wrote of Amazonia. Spanish explorers,

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carrying these tales to South America, thought they lived in the forests of the world's greatest river, and named it after them. In the absence of evidence, we eventually reasoned away their existence, concluding that these powerful, sexually liberated female soldiers must have been the fantastical invention of Greek myth and storytelling. Until now. Following decades of new research and a series of groundbreaking archeological discoveries, we now know these powerful warrior queens did indeed exist. In *Searching for the Amazons*, John Man travels to the grasslands of Central Asia—from the edge of the ancient Greek world to the borderlands of China—to discover

the truth about the truth about these women whose legend has resonated over the centuries.

### The Lower Amazon BRILL

This Companion covers a range of receptions of ancient Greek and Roman gender and sexuality. It explores ancient representations of these concepts as we define them today, as well as recent perspectives that have been projected back onto antiquity. Beginning in antiquity, the chapters examine how the ancient Greeks and Romans regarded concepts of what we would today call "gender" and

"sexuality" based on the evidence available to us, and chart the varied interpretations and receptions of these concepts across time to the present day. In exploring how different cultures have "received" the classical past, the volume investigates these cultures' different interpretations of Greek and Roman sexualities, and what these interpretations can reveal about their own attitudes. Through the contributions in this book, the reader gains a deeper understanding of this essential part of human



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existence, derived from influential sources. From ancient to modern and postmodern perspectives, from cinematic productions to TikTok videos, receptions of ancient gender and sexuality abound. This volume is of interest to students and scholars of ancient history, gender and sexuality in the ancient world, and ancient societies, as well as those working on popular culture and gender studies more broadly.

Trigger ABC-CLIO

This transdisciplinary project

represents the most comprehensive study of imagination to date. The eclectic group of international scholars who comprise Imagination and Art propose bold and innovative theoretical frameworks for (re-) conceptualizing imagination in all of its divergent forms.

AMAZONS Princeton University Press

The proceedings of the Sixth International Congress on Black Sea Antiquities (Constantinople, 2017) is dedicated to the 90th birthday of Prof. Sir John Boardman, President of the Congress since its inception. The central theme returns to that considered 20 years earlier: the importance of the Pontic Region

for the Graeco-Roman World.

The Greeks and Romans in the Black Sea and the Importance of the Pontic Region for the Graeco-Roman World (7th century BC-5th century AD): 20 Years On (1997-2017) Charlesbridge Publishing

Ever since they vanished from existence long ago, myths and legends of the Amazons and Amazon warrior women abound, but the most fascinating of them all was never told, the story of the last Amazon warrior women, the strongest of all the Amazon nations. The story of the Amazons, the last Amazon warrior women, began in the early 1700s but ended just 200 years later after their armies lost a bitter long war against the

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French troops that invaded their fertile homeland. The Amazons never surrendered but simply vanished, never to be seen or heard of again. Two centuries later, something happened. It all started with a phone call intercepted by an American warship but swiftly led to the launch of a top-secret mission by the CIA, America's Central Intelligence Agency, along with the Military intelligence agencies of two top West African nations. Their target... the remote Northern Cameroonian Mountains. For two centuries, the heavily forested Northern Cameroonian Mountains hid terrible secrets that scared people away and none dared to go there. The government and military forces of the two countries in which

the vast region lay stayed away completely and not even the fierce primitive native tribes whose ancestors had fled the region long ago would go there. The natives told ancient tales about the mountains, calling it by three names, the Forbidden Mountains, the Land of Death, and the Land of the Daemon Daughters of Blood and Death. Eight Special Forces commandos were sent in and their target was a group of the deadliest terrorists in the world who had supposedly gone to ground in secret caves within the mountains with a stolen Russian weapon that threatened world peace. The commandos were among the best fighting men in the world, but nothing prepared them for the

strange things they found in the great unknown that was the depths of those mountains, and standing between them and their objective is an undiscovered civilization of terrible Amazon warrior women, an entire nation of extremely beautiful women who killed men on sight. The Last Amazon Warrior Women series is history, mythology and legend rolled into a fascinating work of fiction that features... endless adventure, tales of many battles, strange love stories, wicked and evil women, supernatural and magical powers, a game of throne, international expunge and spy trades, terrorism, and much more. Tags: amazon warriors, amazon warrior women, warrior women, amazon lives and legends,

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female warriors, amazon adventure, amazon attack, evil women, wicked women, commando series, witchcraft mystery series, wicked lovely, spy, spy novels, terrorists.

### The Amazons Astra Publishing House

"In 1953, a man was found dead from cyanide poisoning near the Philadelphia airport with a picture of a Nazi aircraft in his wallet. Taped to his abdomen was an enciphered message. In 1912, a book dealer named Wilfrid Voynich came into possession of an illuminated cipher manuscript once belonging to Emperor Rudolf II, who was

obsessed with alchemy and the occult. Wartime codebreakers tried--and failed--to unlock the book's secrets, and it remains an enigma to this day. In this lively and entertaining book, Craig Bauer examines these and other vexing ciphers yet to be cracked. Some may reveal the identity of a spy or serial killer, provide the location of buried treasure, or expose a secret society--while others may be elaborate hoaxes. *Unsolved!* begins by explaining the basics of cryptology, and then explores the history behind an array of

unsolved ciphers. It looks at ancient ciphers, ciphers created by artists and composers, ciphers left by killers and victims, Cold War ciphers, and many others. Some are infamous, like the ciphers in the Zodiac letters, while others were created purely as intellectual challenges by figures such as Nobel Prize-winning physicist Richard P. Feynman. Bauer lays out the evidence surrounding each cipher, describes the efforts of geniuses and eccentrics--in some cases both--to decipher

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it, and invites readers to try their hand at puzzles that have stymied so many others.

Unsolved! takes readers from the ancient world to the digital age, providing an amazing tour of many of history's greatest unsolved ciphers"--

The Last Amazon Warrior Women  
Pegasus Books

\*Includes pictures of historic art depicting Archimedes' life and works. \*Discusses ancient accounts of Archimedes and their accuracy.

\*Profiles Archimedes' inventions and theories in science and math, as well as the debate over whether some of them existed. \*Includes a bibliography for further reading.

"Give me a place to stand, and I

shall move the world.'" - Archimedes  
Over 1500 years before Leonardo Da Vinci became the Renaissance Man, antiquity had its own in the form of Archimedes, one of the most famous Ancient Greeks. An engineer, mathematician, physicist, scientist and astronomer all rolled into one, Archimedes has been credited for making groundbreaking discoveries, some of which are undoubtedly fact and others that are almost certainly myth. Regardless, he's considered the first man to determine a way to measure an object's mass, and also the first man to realize that refracting the Sun's light could burn something, theorizing the existence of lasers over two millennia before they existed. People still use the

design of the Archimedes screw in water pumps today, and modern scholars have tried to link him to the recently discovered Antikythera mechanism, an ancient "computer" of sorts that used mechanics to accurately chart astronomical data depending on the date it was set to. Archimedes was a legend even among the Romans, who were expanding their empire during the great scientist's own lifetime. A Roman soldier has long been blamed for killing Archimedes after taking over Syracuse, but not before Archimedes reportedly helped the island's defenses with ingenious devices that burned Roman ships and even lifted some of them out of the water. The stories are probably apocryphal, but they speak to the

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man's reputation even among his contemporaries, and Cicero himself went to visit Archimedes' tomb. It has long been difficult to separate fact from legend in the story of Archimedes' life, from his death to his legendary discovery of how to differentiate gold from fool's gold, but many of his works survived antiquity, and many others were quoted by other ancient writers. As a result, even while his life and death remain topics of debate, his writings and measurements are factually established and well known, and they range on everything from measuring an object's density to measuring circles and parabolas. Legends of the Ancient World: The Life and Legacy of Archimedes chronicles

the life, stories, and legacy of the famous Greek mathematician. Along with pictures of depicting important people and places, as well as a bibliography and Table of Contents, you will learn about Archimedes like you never have before, in no time at all. Unsolved! Routledge "This book is a significant revision of my 2006 doctoral dissertation, 'Bold with the bow and arrow: Amazons and the ethnic gendering of martial prowess in ancient Greek and Asian cultures' ..."--Preface. Women and Weapons in the Viking World Createspace Independent Publishing Platform The first anthology to present the

entire range of ancient Greek and Roman stories- from myths and fairy tales to jokes Captured centaurs and satyrs, talking animals, people who suddenly change sex, men who give birth, the temporarily insane and the permanently thick-witted, delicate sensualists, incompetent seers, a woman who remembers too much, a man who cannot laugh-these are just some of the colorful characters who feature in the unforgettable stories that ancient Greeks and Romans told in their daily lives. Together they created an incredibly rich body of popular oral stories that include, but range well beyond, mythology- from heroic legends, fairy tales, and fables to ghost stories, urban legends, and jokes.

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## The Amazons ABC-CLIO

### The Amazons

#### Imagination and Art:

Explorations in Contemporary  
Theory Princeton University  
Press

This book redresses the relative lack of work published on the role of war in classical myth and legend. At the same time it debunks the popular view that the Romans had little mythology of their own and idly borrowed and adapted Greek myth to suit their own ends. While this true to some extent, War in Roman Myth and Legend clearly demonstrates a rich and meaningful independent

mythology at work in Roman culture. The book opens by addressing how the Romans did adopt and adapt Greek myths to fashion the beginnings of Roman history; it goes on to discuss the Roman gods of war and the ubiquity of war in Roman society and politics and how this was reflected in the Aeneas Foundation Myth, the Romulus and Remus Foundation Myth and the legends associated with the founding of Rome. Warlike Women in Roman Epic and Trojan heroes are discussed next and the use of mythology by Roman poets other than Virgil. The Theban Legion and the

vision of Constantine myths conclude the book.

The Routledge Companion to the Reception of Ancient Greek and Roman Gender and Sexuality

McFarland

Alexander the Great (356-323 B.C.) precipitated immense historical change in the Mediterranean and Near Eastern worlds. But the resonance his legend achieved over the next two millennia stretched even farther—across foreign cultures, religious traditions, and distant nations. This engaging and handsomely illustrated book for the first time gathers together hundreds of the colorful Alexander legends that have been told and retold around the globe. Richard

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Stoneman, a foremost expert on the Alexander myths, introduces us first to the historical Alexander and then to the Alexander of legend, an unparalleled mythic icon who came to represent the heroic ideal in cultures from Egypt to Iceland, from Britain to Malaya. Alexander came to embody the concerns of Hellenistic man; he fueled Roman ideas on tyranny and kingship; he was a talisman for fourth-century pagans and a hero of chivalry in the early Middle Ages. He appears in Jewish, Christian, and Islamic writings, frequently as a prophet of God. Whether battling winged foxes or meeting with the Amazons, descending to the underworld or inventing the world's first diving bell, Alexander inspired as a hero,

even a god. Stoneman traces Alexander's influence in ancient literature and folklore and in later literatures of east and west. His book provides the definitive account of the legends of Alexander the Great—a powerful leader in life and an even more powerful figure in the history of literature and ideas. A Guide to Reading Herodotus' Histories Anchor Books Indispensable for the student or researcher studying women's history, this book draws upon a wide array of cultural settings and time periods in which women displayed agency by carrying out their daily economic, familial, artistic, and religious obligations. Since record keeping began, history has been written by a

relatively few elite men. Insights into women's history are left to be gleaned by scholars who undertake careful readings of ancient literature, examine archaeological artifacts, and study popular culture, such as folktales, musical traditions, and art. For some historical periods and geographic regions, this is the only way to develop some sense of what daily life might have been like for women in a particular time and place. This reference explores the daily life of women across civilizations. The work is organized in sections on different civilizations from around the world, arranged chronologically. Within each society, the encyclopedia highlights the roles of women within five broad thematic categories: the arts,

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economics and work, family and community life, recreation and social customs, and religious life. Included are numerous sidebars containing additional information, document excerpts, images, and suggestions for further reading. An introduction provides an overview the daily life of women through history, and a timeline highlights key events in women's history. Chronologically arranged sections on civilizations from across world history provide information on the daily life of women living in those societies. For each civilization, broad categories of daily life are broken into subsections, with each offering reference entries on specific topics. Photos help users visualize important topics, and sidebars

provide interesting tangential information. Bibliographies direct readers to additional resources. **Legends of the Ancient World: the Life and Legacy of Archimedes Createspace Independent Publishing Platform** A gripping and groundbreaking history of how ancient cultures developed and used biological, chemical, and other unconventional weapons of war Flamethrowers, poison gases, incendiary bombs, the large-scale spreading of disease: are

these terrifying agents of warfare modern inventions? Not by a long shot. In this riveting history of the origins of unconventional war, Adrienne Mayor shows that cultures around the world have used biological and chemical weapons for thousands of years—and debated the morality of doing so. Drawing extraordinary connections between the mythical worlds of Hercules and the Trojan War, the accounts of Herodotus and Thucydides, and modern methods of war and terrorism,



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this richly illustrated history catapults readers into the dark and fascinating realm of ancient war and mythic treachery.

Goddess Astrology Oxford University Press

What really happened after Acts? If you've ever wondered what happened to the biblical characters after Acts-from the well-known Matthew to the lesser-known Bartholomew-then this book is for you. Join Dr. Bryan Litfin as he guides you through Scripture and other ancient literature to sift fact from fiction, real-life from legend. Skillfully researched and clearly written, *After Acts* is as accurate as it is engaging. Gain a window into

the religious milieu of the ancient and medieval church. Unearth artifacts and burial sites. Learn what really happened to your favorite characters and what you should truly remember them for. Did Paul ever make it to Spain? Was he beheaded in Rome? Is it true that Peter was crucified upside down? Was the Virgin Mary really bodily assumed into heaven? The book of Acts ends at chapter 28. But its characters lived on.