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Living with Nature Open Road + Grove/Atlantic

Gregory Bateson was a philosopher, anthropologist, photographer, naturalist, and poet, as well as the husband and collaborator of Margaret Mead. This classic anthology of his major work includes a new Foreword by his daughter, Mary Katherine Bateson. 5 line drawings.

The Ecology of Freedom

HarperCollins Canada

A decade ago, Tim Flannery's #1 international bestseller, *The Weather Makers*, was one of the first books to break the topic of climate change out into the general conversation. Today,

Earth's climate system is fast approaching a crisis. Political leadership has not kept up, and public engagement with the issue of climate change has declined. Opinion is divided between technological optimists and pessimists who feel that catastrophe is inevitable. The publication of this new book is timed for the lead-up to the Climate Change Conference in Paris in December 2015, which aims to achieve a legally binding and universal agreement on climate from all the nations in the world. This book anticipates and will influence the debates. Time is running out, but catastrophe is not inevitable. Around the world people are now living with the consequences of an altered climate—with intensified and more frequent storms, wildfires, droughts and floods. For some it's already a question of survival. Drawing on the

latest science, Flannery gives a snapshot of the trouble we are in and more crucially, proposes a new way forward, including rapidly progressing clean technologies and a "third way" of soft geo-engineering. Tim Flannery, with his inimitable style, makes this urgent issue compelling and accessible. This is a must-read for anyone interested in our global future.

*Throwim Way Leg* Harper Collins

Tim Flannery's *The Eternal Frontier* is the groundbreaking sequel to *The Future Eaters*, which changed the way we think about ecological history. Now Flannery tells the astonishing story of North America from the day 65 million years ago when a meteor ten kilometres wide smashed into the Gulf of Mexico, ending the age of

dinosaurs and devastating the continent. As he traces the rebirth of North America's animals, plants, climate and landforms, Flannery ranges from Alaska in the frozen north to Panama in the tropical south. He describes giant carnivorous bears and the rainforests that covered Greenland. He discovers how the fall in New England and the cactus deserts of Sonora were shaped by the same forces. He imagines the moment 13,000 years ago when the first human left a footprint on the continent, and gives a fascinating account of how its diverse peoples have changed its environment, especially after the arrival of Columbus in 1492. This is a sweeping survey of a frontier which has offered seemingly inexhaustible resources to countless generations of animal and human immigrants. The *Eternal Frontier* is a major work of international popular science, an epic and enthralling book. *Introduction to Ecological Aesthetics* Cambridge University Press  
Dr James Hansen, the world's leading scientist on climate issues, speaks out for the first time with the full truth about global warming: the planet is hurtling to a

climatic point of no return. Hansen - whose climate predictions have come to pass again and again, beginning in the 1980s when he first warned US Congress about global warming - is the single most credible voice on the subject worldwide. He paints a devastating but all-too-realistic picture of what will happen if we continue to follow the course we're on. But he is also a hard-headed optimist, and shows that there is still time to take the urgent, strong action needed to save humanity. *Europe Atlantic Monthly Press*  
Tim Flannery is a scientist of international standing, a world expert on the fauna of New Guinea with twenty new species and seven books to his credit. In *Throwim Way Leg*, he takes us into the field and on an unforgettable journey into the heart of this mysterious and uncharted country. The result is a book of wonder and excitement, brimming with marvelous stories.

Flannery's scientific voyage leads him to places he never dreamed of: he camps among cannibals and befriends Femsep, a legendary warrior who led the slaughter of colonial whites decades before. He enters caves full of skeletons of long-extinct, giant marsupials, scales mountains previously untouched by Europeans, and is nearly killed when tribes people decide to take revenge for their prior mistreatment by his "clan" (wildlife scientists). And Flannery writes movingly of the fate of indigenous people in collision with the high-tech world of late-twentieth-century industry. In *New Guinea pidgin*, *throwim way leg* means to thrust out your leg on the first step of a long journey. Full

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of adventure, wit, and natural wonders, Flannery's narrative is just such a spectacular trip. Like Redmond O'Hanlon's classics *Into the Heart of Borneo* and *No Mercy, Throwim Way Leg* is a tour de force of travel, anthropology, and natural history.

**Astonishing Animals**

Oxford University Press

Twenty-five years ago, a young Australian museum curator named Tim Flannery set out to research the fauna of the Pacific Islands. Starting with a survey of one of the most inaccessible islands in Melanesia, the young scientist found himself ghost whispering, snake wrestling and Quadoi hunting in search of a small bat that turned out not to be earthshatteringly interesting. With accounts of discovering, naming and sometimes eating new mammal species; being thwarted or aided by local customs; and historic scientific expeditions, Flannery, now one of the world's top environmentalists,

takes us on an enthralling journey through some of the most diverse and spectacular places on earth.

*Storms of My Grandchildren* A&C Black

Using a synthesis of ecology, anthropology, philosophy and political theory, this book traces our society's conflicting legacies of freedom and domination, from the first emergence of human culture to today's global capitalism. The theme of Murray Bookchin's grand historical narrative is straightforward: environmental, economic and political devastation are born at the moment that human societies begin to organize themselves hierarchically. And, despite the nuance and detail of his arguments, the lesson to be learned is just as basic: our nightmare will continue until hierarchy is dissolved and human beings develop more sane, sustainable and egalitarian social structures.

*Weird, Wild, Amazing!: Exploring the Incredible World of Animals* Open Road +

Grove/Atlantic

It's 1932, and the Great Venus Island Fetish, a ceremonial mask surrounded by thirty-two human skulls, now resides in a museum in Sydney, Australia. But young anthropologist Archie Meek, recently returned from an extended field trip to Venus Island, has noticed something amiss: a strange discoloration on some of the skulls. Has someone tampered with the fetish? Is there a link between it and the mysterious disappearance of Cecil Polkinghorne, curator of archaeology? And how did Eric Sopwith, retired mollusks expert, die in the museum's storeroom? Could Archie's life be at risk as well? But these are not the only concerns that weigh upon the assistant curator's mind. Why hasn't his beloved Beatrice—registrar, anthropology-accepted his proposal of marriage and the love token he brought back from Venus Island? Has something been lost in translation? Tim Flannery's *The Mystery of the Venus Island Fetish* is a delightfully risqué caper, full of

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eccentric characters, intrigue, and adventure. *Time and Environmental Law* Atlantic Monthly Press

A comprehensive history of the continent, "full of engaging and attention-catching information about North America's geology, climate, and paleontology" (The Washington Post Book World). Here, "the rock star of modern science" tells the unforgettable story of the geological and biological evolution of the North American continent, from the time of the asteroid strike that wiped out the dinosaurs 65 million years ago to the present day (Jared Diamond, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Guns, Germs, and Steel*). Flannery describes the development of North America's deciduous forests and other flora, and tracks the migrations of various animals to and from Europe, Asia, and South America, showing how plant and

animal species have either adapted or become extinct. The story spans the massive changes wrought by the ice ages and the coming of the Native Americans. It continues right up to the present, covering the deforestation of the Northeast, the decimation of the buffalo, and other consequences of frontier settlement and the industrial development of the United States. This is science writing at its very best—both an engrossing narrative and a scholarly trove of information that "will forever change your perspective on the North American continent" (The New York Review of Books). *Mammals of New Guinea* Text Publishing

Deforestation, soil runoff, salination, pollution. While recurrent themes of the contemporary world, they are not new to us. In this broad sweeping review of the environmental impacts of human settlement and development worldwide

over the past 5,000 years, Sing C. Chew shows that these processes are as old as civilization itself. With examples ranging from Ancient Mesopotamia to Malaya, Mycenaean Greece to Ming China, Chew shows that the processes of population growth, intensive resource accumulation, and urbanization in ancient and modern societies almost universally bring on ecological disaster, which often contributes to the decline and fall of that society. He then turns his eye to the development of the modern European world-system and its impact on the environment. Challenging us to change these long-term trends, Chew also traces the existence of environmental conservation ideas and movements over the span of 5,000 years. Can we do it? Look at Chew's evidence of the past five millennia and decide. Ideal for courses in environmental

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history, anthropology, and sociology, and world-systems theory. *The Eternal Frontier* The Eternal Frontier A wide-ranging appraisal of environmental thought. It explores such topics as the history of ecology, radical science studies and ecology, the need for greater theoretical sophistication in ecocriticism, the dubious legacy of Thoreau, and the contradictions of contemporary nature writing. *The Eternal Frontier* Text Publishing Tim Flannery's international bestseller *The Weather Makers* has sold over a million copies and influenced politicians, movie stars, even business leaders - after reading it, Sir Richard Branson pledged more than 3 billion dollars towards developing sustainable energy sources. *We Are the Weather Makers* is a concise and revised edition that will allow readers aged from nine to ninety to learn the real facts about the

biggest question of our generation. Flannery takes us on a journey through history and around the globe, writing about hurricanes and droughts, coral reefs and polar bears, and wind energy and nuclear power. He shows us how, as we continue to heat the planet, humanity faces unprecedented dangers and challenges. We are the weather makers now. *Earth's Climate* John Wiley & Sons The #1 international bestseller on climate change that's been endorsed by policy makers, scientists, writers and energy executives around the world. Tim Flannery's *The Weather Makers* contributed in bringing the topic of global warming to worldwide prominence. For the first time, a scientist provided an accessible and comprehensive account of the history, current status, and future impact of climate change, writing what has been acclaimed by reviewers everywhere

as the definitive book on global warming. With one out of every five living things on this planet committed to extinction by the levels of greenhouse gases that will accumulate in the next few decades, we are reaching a global climatic tipping point. *The Weather Makers* is both an urgent warning and a call to arms, outlining the history of climate change, how it will unfold over the next century, and what we can do to prevent a cataclysmic future. Originally somewhat of a global warming skeptic, Tim Flannery spent several years researching the topic and offers a connect-the-dots approach for a reading public who has received patchy or misleading information on the subject. Pulling on his expertise as a scientist to discuss climate change from a historical perspective, Flannery also explains how climate change is interconnected across the planet. This

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edition includes a new afterword by the author. "An authoritative, scientifically accurate book on global warming that sparkles with life, clarity, and intelligence." -The Washington Post

Macmillan

Winner of the Francis Parkman Prize Changes in the Land offers an original and persuasive interpretation of the changing circumstances in New England's plant and animal communities that occurred with the shift from Indian to European dominance. With the tools of both historian and ecologist, Cronon constructs an interdisciplinary analysis of how the land and the people influenced one another, and how that complex web of relationships shaped New England's communities.

**The Truth of Ecology**

Penguin UK

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Explore Your World: Weird, Wild, Amazing!

HarperCollins UK

'Earth's Climate' summarises the major lessons to be learned from 550 million

years of climate changes, as a way of evaluating the climatological impact on and by humans in this century. The book also looks ahead to possible effects during the next several centuries of fossil fuel use.

**The Birth of Melbourne**

Cornell University

Press

This text aims to place the question of the dynamics of environmental crisis in a socio-cultural dimension of the existing economic and political institutions. It argues for a need to find a balance between theoretical analysis of the debate and an appreciation of local circumstances and knowledge.

*The Wealth of Nature*

Open Road +

Grove/Atlantic

?This book explores in detail the issues of ecological civilization development, ecological philosophy, ecological criticism, environmental aesthetics, and the ecological wisdom of traditional Chinese culture related to ecological aesthetics. Drawing on Western philosophy and

aesthetics, it proposes and demonstrates a unique aesthetic view of ecological ontology in the field of aesthetics under the direct influence of Marxism, which is based on the modern economic, social cultural development and the modern values of traditional Chinese culture. This book embodies the innovative interpretation of Chinese traditional culture in the Chinese academic community. The author discusses the philosophical and cultural resources that can be used for reference in Chinese and Western cultural tradition, focusing on traditional Chinese Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism and painting art, Western modern ecological philosophy, Heidegger's ontology ecological aesthetics, and British and American environmental aesthetics. In short, the book comprehensively discusses the author's concept of ecological ontology aesthetics as an integration and unification of ontology aesthetics and ecological aesthetics. This generalized ecological aesthetics explores the relationship between

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humans and nature, society and itself, guided by the brand-new ecological worldview in the post-modern context. It also changes the non-beauty state of human existence and establishes an aesthetic existence state that conforms to ecological laws.

The Weather Makers

Text Publishing

Stepping into the New Guinea

rainforest is like entering a time machine, according to Tim Flannery. There, animals unknown anywhere else except as fossils continue to flourish within scarcely disturbed ecological communities. In this beautifully illustrated guide, Flannery presents the most complete information available about the natural history and systematics of New Guinea's unique mammals. For this revised edition, the author has expanded and completely revised his acclaimed

handbook on the natural history and systematics of New Guinea's unique mammals.

**Global Resources and the Environment**

WW Norton

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