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A Yale professor and author of  
A Jane Austen Education  
evaluates the consequences of  
high-pressure educational and  
parenting approaches that  
challenge the mind's ability to

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think critically and creatively, calling for strategic changes that can offer college students a self-directed sense of purpose.

**Maya Ruins Revisited** JHU Press

Compares the current right-wing attack on American higher education to Henry VIII's Dissolution of the Monasteries in 1535.

**Excellent Sheep** UNC Press Books

Repairing the Ruins is a collection of essays about classical education.

*How the University Works*

Alfred A. Knopf Incorporated

Poetry. "Each poem in YOU ARE STILL ALIVE introduces

itself with wistful, comic nihilism, but grows into a compassionate, fearless friend. It's as though the reader had been dropped into the mind of a loving, funny, humble, infinitely generous, nimble-minded Buddhist monk brought up on classic science fiction.

The monk's musings honor the marvelous strangeness of each passing moment, never losing sight of the yawning maw of the dubious future. His contemplations are both heartening and sobering. The poems' animated cosmic hospitality bring our greatest and smallest concerns into perfectly calibrated relation as they ponder consciousness,

technology, freedom, the future, the worldly, how to lead a virtuous life without being an annoying prig, how flawed and destructive humans are, how to be inventively fair-minded in at least five dimensions, and what life forms might come after us, stumbling on the ruins of our so-called civilization."--Amy Gerstler "William Stobb's work moves elegantly between restlessness and peace, an appreciation for the bizarreness of life and a desire for simplicity. In balancing these extremes, his poems create a feeling of movement toward reconciliation, if not its realization. To repurpose his own words, he builds a space

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in which the 'emotional life /  
inflected by the brightness of  
wit / puts its arm around the  
intellect.' This book is a rare  
and beautiful  
accomplishment."--Bob Hicok  
Repairing the Ruins  
Zondervan  
Hailed as "an  
extraordinary novel  
of men at war" (The  
Washington Post)  
this is the book  
that inspired the  
TNT television  
series starring  
Eric Dane, Rhona  
Mittra, Adam Baldwin  
and Michael Bay as

Executive Producer.  
The unimaginable  
has happened. The  
world has been  
plunged into all-  
out nuclear war.  
Sailing near the  
Arctic Circle, the  
U.S.S. Nathan James  
is relatively  
unscathed, but the  
future is grim and  
Captain Thomas is  
facing mutiny from  
the tattered  
remnants of his  
crew. With  
civilization in

ruins, he urges  
those that remain--o  
ne-hundred-and-  
fifty-two men and  
twenty-six women--to  
pull together in  
search of land.  
Once they reach  
safety, however,  
the men and women  
on board realize  
that they are  
earth's last  
remaining  
survivors--and  
they've all been  
exposed to  
radiation. When

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none of the women  
seems able to  
conceive, fear sets  
in. Will this be  
the end of  
humankind?

**The Red Light in the  
Ivory Tower**

The University in Ruins  
The Docks is an eye-  
opening journey into a  
giant madhouse of  
activity that few  
outsiders ever see:  
the Port of Los  
Angeles. In a book  
woven throughout with  
riveting novelist  
detail and illustrated  
with photographs that

capture the frenetic  
energy of the place,  
Bill Sharpsteen tells  
the story of the people  
who have made this  
port, the largest in  
the country, one of the  
nation's most vital  
economic enterprises.  
Among others, we meet a  
pilot who parks ships,  
one of the first women  
longshoremen, union  
officials and employers  
at odds over almost  
everything, an  
environmental activist  
fighting air pollution  
in the "diesel death  
zone," and those with  
the nearly impossible

job of enforcing  
security. Together  
these stories paint a  
compelling picture of a  
critical entryway for  
goods coming into the  
country—the Port of Los  
Angeles is part of a  
complex that brings in  
40% of all our  
waterborne cargo and  
70% of all Asian  
imports—yet one that is  
also extremely  
vulnerable. The Docks  
is a rare look at a  
world within our world  
in which we find a  
microcosm of the labor,  
environmental, and  
security issues we

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collectively face. <b>Big Daddy</b> Penguin The University in RuinsHarvard University Press <u>Saving Our Cities</u> Grove Press Each year, hundreds of thousands of high school seniors compete in a game they'll play only once, whose rules they do not fully understand, yet whose consequences are enormous. The game is college admissions, and applying early to	an elite school is one way to win. But the early admissions process is enigmatic and flawed. It can easily lead students toward hasty or misinformed decisions. This book--based on the careful examination of more than 500,000 college applications to fourteen elite colleges, and hundreds of interviews with students, counselors, and admissions	officers--provides an extraordinarily thorough analysis of early admissions. In clear language it details the advantages and pitfalls of applying early as it provides a map for students and parents to navigate the process. Unlike college admissions guides, The Early Admissions Game reveals the realities of early applications, how they work and what
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effects they have. The authors frankly assess early applications. Applying early is not for everyone, but it will improve--sometimes double, even triple--the chances of being admitted to a prestigious college. An early decision program can greatly enhance a college's reputation by skewing statistics, such as selectivity, average	SAT scores, or percentage of admitted applicants who matriculate. But these gains come at the expense of distorting applicants' decisions and providing disparate treatment of students who apply early and regular admissions. The system, in short, is unfair, and the authors make recommendations for improvement. The Early Admissions Game	is sure to be the definitive work on the subject. It is must reading for admissions officers, guidance counselors, and high school seniors and their parents. Table of Contents: Introduction: Joining the Game 1. The History of Early Admissions 2. The State of the Game 3. Martian Blackjack: What Do Applicants Understand about Early Admissions? 4.
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The Innocents Abroad: Acknowledgments	as well as interviews
The Admissions Voyage Tables and Figures	with over 400 college
5. The Truth about Index Reviews of this	freshmen [The Early
Early Applications 6. book: Applying to an	Admissions Game]
The Game Revealed: elite college through	challenges the
Strategies of an early-admissions	official line of
Colleges, Counselors, program can improve	college admissions
and Applicants 7. students' chances of	deans, who have long
Advice to Applicants getting in by as much	held that applying
Conclusion: The as 50 percent over	early does not give
Essence of the Game their odds during the	prospective students
and Some Possible regular admissions	an advantage over
Reforms Appendix A: cycle, a difference	regular applicants.
Median SAT-1 Scores that is the	But the research
and Early Application equivalent of scoring	confirms what many
Programs at Various 100 points higher on	high-school
Colleges Appendix B: the SAT...Based on an	counselors already
Data Sources Appendix analysis of admission	suspected, and it is
C: Interview Formats data at top colleges,	likely to fuel debate

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over whether early- admissions programs favor wealthy and well-connected students and should be eliminated or reformed. --Jeffrey R. Young, Chronicle of Higher Education Reviews of this book: [This] important contribution to the college-admissions process should reduce the general anxiety that pervades today's transition to college and, in particular, help level the	playing field for students who lack access to adequate college counseling. The book may also prompt needed reform of contemporary admissions practices...The authors' goal...deserves acclaim for helping inner-city and rural students and those in other understaffed districts to pursue admission on a much more even footing...There is a	wealth of information in this well- organized, clearly- written book which will enable students to make better college choices. --William R. Fitzsimmons, Harvard Magazine Reviews of this book: Readers seeking solid information about elite colleges will find The Early Admissions Game refreshingly frank. Other readers concerned about
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restoring some equity to the process will also appreciate the book's generosity of spirit and suggestions for reform. The authors present a devastating portrait of elite college admissions--and early admissions in particular--as an elaborate and complicated "game"...[where the winners] tend to be privileged students who have access to	highly skilled counselors with information pipelines to elite college admissions offices. --Peter Sacks, The Nation Reviews of this book: Avery and his colleagues describe college admissions as a casino on Mars: you have to guess the rules of the game you are playing, and the rules can change while you are playing it...[Their chief finding] is that	applying early significantly increases the chances of acceptance...Colleges argue that the early-admissions pool is stronger than the regular pool...[but the authors] dispute that claim...The Early Admissions Game is intended as an exposé, for high-school students and their parents, of the realities of college admissions, but it is also a protest
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against the practice of early admissions. The authors believe that these programs benefit privileged students...[and] cheat disadvantaged students. --Louis Menand, The New Yorker	Researching and applying to colleges is a demanding, confusing, and stressful time for both students and parents. This book provides context and guidance to admissions professionals, to college counselors, and to families as they confront today's highly competitive, and often controversial, college admissions scene. It offers an insightful and authoritative explanation of the strategic choices that await those seeking to enroll at the nation's leading colleges and universities. It can help a student decide	whether, when and why to apply early. Most important, it can give applicants the confidence to focus less on the "game" and more on the truly critical factors in choosing a college: the level of intellectual challenge and vitality in the curriculum, the strength and accessibility of the faculty, and the student's individual sense of fit with a
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particular campus environment and culture. --Nancy Vickers, President, Bryn Mawr College The Early Admissions Game explains clearly and comprehensively the many forces that have made early applications a prominent - and much misunderstood - feature in the high- pressure arena of college admissions. The authors clear away the hype and speculation, then	offer refreshingly sane, sensible guidance that will greatly help students make intelligent decisions about their college applications. --William D. Wharton, Headmaster, Commonwealth School, Boston Avery, Fairbanks, and Zeckhauser offer clear and compelling evidence that the college admissions process needs repair. Their findings have already inspired	steps toward reform. --Richard Levin, President, Yale University This is an exceptionally interesting and intelligent book-one with real 'news' to report. The authors present their important findings with great clarity. I expect that this volume will have a significant and favorable impact on policy discussion of early admission programs at elite
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colleges. --Michael McPherson, President, Macalester College  
Anyone involved in the college admissions process -- students and parents, counselors and admissions officers, top officials at high schools and at colleges -- should read this important book. It will help them achieve their objectives. The authors also present a number of suggestions for reforms in the admissions system that are worthy of debate across American higher education. --Lawrence H. Summers, President, Harvard University  
**The Great American University** Harvard University Press  
Brilliant and engagingly written, *Why Nations Fail* answers the question that has stumped the experts for centuries: Why are some nations rich and others poor,

divided by wealth and poverty, health and sickness, food and famine? Is it culture, the weather, geography? Perhaps ignorance of what the right policies are? Simply, no. None of these factors is either definitive or destiny. Otherwise, how to explain why Botswana has become one of the fastest growing countries in the world, while other African nations, such as Zimbabwe, the Congo, and Sierra Leone, are mired in poverty and violence? Daron

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Acemoglu and James Robinson conclusively show that it is man-made political and economic institutions that underlie economic success (or lack of it). Korea, to take just one of their fascinating examples, is a remarkably homogeneous nation, yet the people of North Korea are among the poorest on earth while their brothers and sisters in South Korea are among the richest. The south forged a society that created incentives, rewarded innovation, and allowed these completely everyone to participate different institutional in economic trajectories. Based on opportunities. The fifteen years of economic success thus original research spurred was sustained Acemoglu and Robinson because the government marshall extraordinary became accountable and historical evidence responsive to citizens from the Roman Empire, and the great mass of the Mayan city-states, people. Sadly, the medieval Venice, the people of the north Soviet Union, Latin have endured decades of America, England, famine, political Europe, the United repression, and very States, and Africa to different economic build a new theory of institutions—with no political economy with end in sight. The great relevance for the differences between the big questions of today, Koreas is due to the including: - China has politics that created built an authoritarian

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growth machine. Will it hard-won lessons of prestige-seeking continue to grow at Acemoglu and Robinson's universities, such high speed and breakthrough ideas on particularly within the overwhelm the West? - the interplay between context of budget Are America's best days inclusive political and shortfalls and behind it? Are we economic institutions? increasing competition. moving from a virtuous Why Nations Fail will The book challenges circle in which efforts change the way you look entrepreneurial by elites to aggrandize at-and understand-the activities within power are resisted to a world. universities by vicious one that **What Universities Owe** exploring the costs of enriches and empowers a **Democracy** Harvard such ventures in terms small minority? - What University Press of honoring commitments is the most effective The Red Light in the to faculty and students way to help move Ivory Tower: Contexts while maintaining billions of people from and Implications of integrity of the rut of poverty to Entrepreneurial institutional purpose. prosperity? More Educationcritically The book offers six philanthropy from the analyzes the case studies that wealthy nations of the operational behaviors illustrate the West? Or learning the of prestigious and organizational

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behaviors influenced by sense of purpose that prestige indicators. Ultimately, the book challenges readers to address the complex issues of leadership and power within the context of social, political, economic, and historical influences within higher education. By asking difficult questions about the entrepreneurial behaviors of prestigious and prestige-seeking universities, stakeholders can reimagine and reclaim	can ultimately influence organizational identities and thus the degree to which their universities support and serve their students, faculty, and community. <u>The Docks</u> Currency In Saving Our Cities, William W. Goldsmith shows how cities can be places of opportunity rather than places with problems. With strongly revived cities and suburbs, a working as places that	serve all their residents, metropolitan areas will thrive, thus making the national economy more productive, the environment better protected, the citizenry better educated, and the society more reflective, sensitive, and humane. Goldsmith argues that America has been in the habit of abusing its cities and their poorest suburbs, which are always the first to be blamed for society's ills and the last to be helped. As
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federal and state budgets, regulations, and programs line up with the interests of giant corporations and privileged citizens, they impose austerity on cities, shortchange public schools, make it hard to get nutritious food, and inflict the drug war on unlucky neighborhoods. Frustration with inequality is spreading. Parents and teachers call persistently for improvements in public schooling, and education experiments

abound. Nutrition indicators have begun to improve, as rising health costs and epidemic obesity have led to widespread attention to food. The futility of the drug war and the high costs of unwarranted, unprecedented prison growth have become clear. Goldsmith documents a positive development: progressive politicians in many cities and some states are proposing far-reaching improvements, supported by advocacy groups that

form powerful voting blocs, ensuring that Congress takes notice. When more cities forcefully demand enlightened federal and state action on these four interrelated problems—inequality, schools, food, and the drug war—positive movement will occur in traditional urban planning as well, so as to meet the needs of most residents for improved housing, better transportation, and enhanced public spaces. **Arbitrary Power** MIT



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In This Beautiful Book, Steve Green - founder of The Museum of the Bible - highlights life-changing themes woven through the mosaic of the Bible's various stories, reveals a new way to engage Scripture as a whole, and inspires deep appreciation for the Bible's connection to your life. The most popular and culture-shaping text in the world, the Bible is still the least understood book of all

time. The Bible's collection of history, poetry, genealogy lists, and mystifying prophecies often prove puzzling to readers. And when this text is read in pieces, we're left with only a half-impression of the vibrant mosaic. This Beautiful Book highlights the thematic threads woven throughout the ancient writings and shows us a new way to engage with Scripture as a whole. Through insights gained from firsthand experiences in leading

and developing the first world class Bible museum, Green invites readers to step back from the individual stories of the Bible and consider the Bible as a whole. He reveals the completeness, connection, and transformative power of Scripture. Along with stunning retellings of biblical stories, Green helps readers see the story within the story, and draws the careful connections that help us appreciate the richness of the Bible story as a single

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story. Each page will  
spark or embolden your  
faith in a God who  
speaks to us across the  
centuries. A truly  
captivating experience,  
this book will instill  
in you a deep  
appreciation for  
Scripture and its  
profound connection to  
your own life story.

Fort Phantom Hill

Stanford University  
Press

Chronicles the  
golden age of  
running in the  
1970s by looking at  
the lives, careers,

and achievements of  
three famous  
runners who  
inspired sedentary  
Americans to start  
moving.

Tales from Wide

Ruins NYU Press

Introduction --

American dreams :  
access, mobility,  
fairness -- Free  
minds : educating  
democratic citizens  
-- Hard facts :  
knowledge creation  
and checking power  
-- Purposeful

pluralism : dialogue  
across difference  
on campus --  
Conclusion.

*Jungle of Stone*

Victoria University  
Press

"He Restores." "is a  
prophetic statement to  
fallen leaders, in  
particular, and to the  
church at-large. Today  
some of our greatest  
leaders have fallen to  
sin and failure.  
Often, they live with  
little expectation of  
fulfilling their  
original purpose. Many  
of them are hopeless

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because we (the church) a biblical strategy for meaning / Erwin Reifler  
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 full restoration of her textbook for others who Yngve / - The present  
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framework of a	profit sphere of the	labor movement, exposes

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the seamy underbelly of higher education—a world where faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates work long hours for fast-food wages. Assessing the costs of higher education's corporatization on faculty and students at every level, *How the University Works* is urgent reading for anyone interested in the fate of the university.

The Enemies of Books

Reaktion Books

This lively memoir describes trading

post life from 1938 to 1950 and the many changes experienced by Navajos and all Americans during and after World War II.

**The Great Upheaval**

Penguin

Revealing and frank, this highly engaging biography tells the story of an American original, California's Big Daddy, Jesse Unruh (1922-1987), a charismatic man

whose power reached far beyond the offices he held. Unruh, who was born into Texas sharecropper poverty, became a larger-than-life figure and a principal architect and builder of modern California—first as an assemblyman, then as assembly speaker, and finally, as state treasurer. He was

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also a great character: a combination of intelligence, wit, idealism, cynicism, woman-chasing vulgarity, charm, drunken excess, and political skill all wrapped up in one big package. He dominated the California capitol and extended his influence to Washington and Wall Street. He was close to Lyndon

Johnson and the Kennedys, but closest to Robert Kennedy, and was in the Ambassador Hotel kitchen when Kennedy was shot. Bill Boyarsky gives a close-up look at this extraordinary political leader, a man who believed that politics was the art of the possible, and his era. Wide Ruins Harvard University Press

The powerful and riveting new book in the multimillion-selling Killing series by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard Autumn 1944. World War II is nearly over in Europe but is escalating in the Pacific, where American soldiers face an opponent who will go to any length to avoid defeat. The Japanese army follows the samurai code of Bushido, stipulating that surrender is a

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form of dishonor.	scientists are	Told in the same page-
Killing the Rising	preparing to test the	turning style of
Sun takes readers to	deadliest weapon	Killing Lincoln,
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island battlefields	Washington, DC, FDR	Killing Jesus,
of Peleliu and Iwo	dies in office and	Killing Patton, and
Jima and to the	Harry Truman ascends	Killing Reagan, this
embattled	to the presidency,	epic saga details the
Philippines, where	only to face the most	final moments of
General Douglas	important political	World War II like
MacArthur has made a	decision in history:	never before.
triumphant return and	whether to use that	
is plotting a full-	weapon. And in Tokyo,	
scale invasion of	Emperor Hirohito, who	
Japan. Across the	is considered a deity	
globe in Los Alamos,	by his subjects,	
New Mexico, Dr. J.	refuses to surrender,	
Robert Oppenheimer	despite a massive and	
and his team of	mounting death toll.	