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*Oliver Sacks* 2016-11-15 an extraordinary collection of interviews with the beloved doctor and author whose research and books inspired generations of readers oliver sacks called the poet laureate of medicine by the new york times illuminated the mysteries of the brain for a wide audience in a series of richly acclaimed books including *Awakenings* and *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat* and numerous the new yorker articles in this collection of interviews sacks is at his most candid and disarming rich with insights about his life and work any reader of oliver sacks will find in this book an entirely new way of looking at a brilliant writer

*And How Are You, Dr. Sacks?* 2019-08-13 the untold story of dr oliver sacks his own most singular patient an engrossing biographical memoir this is sacks at full blast on endless ward rounds observing his post encephalitic patients exulting over horseshoe crabs and chunks of iceland spar barbara kiser nature the author lawrence weschler began spending time with oliver sacks in the early 1980s when he set out to profile the neurologist for his own new employer the new yorker almost a decade earlier dr sacks had published his masterpiece *Awakenings* the account of his long dormant patients miraculous but troubling return to life in a bronx hospital ward but the book had hardly been an immediate success and the rumpled clinician was still largely unknown over the ensuing four years the two men worked closely together until for wracking personal reasons sacks asked weschler to abandon the profile a request to which weschler acceded the two remained close friends however across the next thirty years and then just as sacks was dying he urged weschler to take up the project once again this book is the result of that entreaty weschler sets sacks s brilliant table talk and extravagant personality in vivid relief casting himself as a beanpole sancho to sacks s capacious quixote we see sacks rowing and ranting and caring deeply composing the essays that would form *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat* recalling his turbulent drug fueled younger days helping his patients and exhausting his friends and waging intellectual war against a medical and scientific establishment that failed to address his greatest concern the spontaneous specificity of the individual human soul and all the while he is pouring out a stream of glorious ribald hilarious and often profound conversation that establishes him as one of the great talkers of the age here is the definitive portrait of sacks as our preeminent romantic scientist a self described clinical ontologist whose entire practice revolved around the single fundamental question he effectively asked each of his patients how are you which is to say how do you be a question which weschler with this book turns back on the good doctor himself

*Everything in Its Place* 2019-05-02 from the bestselling author of *On Gratitude* and *On the Move* in this spirited volume oliver sacks examines the many passions of his own life both as a doctor engaged with the central questions of human existence and as a polymath conversant in all the sciences why do humans need gardens how and when does a physician tell his patient she has alzheimer s what is social media doing to our brains in several of the compassionate case histories collected here sacks considers for the first time the enigmas of depression psychosis and schizophrenia and in others he returns to conditions that have long fascinated him tourette s syndrome ageing dementia and hallucinations in counterpoint to these elegant investigations of what makes us human this volume also includes pieces that celebrate sacks s love of the natural world and his last meditations on life in the twenty first century everything in its place gives us an intimate portrait of a master writer and thinker at work

*On the Move* 2015-05-01 few people can claim to have made such a profound impact on the public understanding of the brain and its inner workings in this book oliver sacks describes his time at oxford university his time spent in san francisco and los angeles in the early nineteen sixties before moving on to chart his progression from young doctor to his public role as a neurologist and author here we see sacks s private passions among them motorcycling weightlifting travel and botany placed alongside his



life from an anthropologist on mars and two chapters from sacks s acclaimed memoir  
uncle tungsten

*The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat* 2021-09-14 in his most extraordinary book the bestselling author of awakenings and poet laureate of medicine the new york times recounts the case histories of patients inhabiting the compelling world of neurological disorders from those who are no longer able to recognize common objects to those who gain extraordinary new skills featuring a new preface oliver sacks s the man who mistook his wife for a hat tells the stories of individuals afflicted with perceptual and intellectual disorders patients who have lost their memories and with them the greater part of their pasts who are no longer able to recognize people and common objects whose limbs seem alien to them who lack some skills yet are gifted with uncanny artistic or mathematical talents in dr sacks s splendid and sympathetic telling his patients are deeply human and his tales are studies of struggles against incredible adversity a great healer sacks never loses sight of medicine s ultimate responsibility the suffering afflicted fighting human subject

A Leg to Stand On 2020-09-29 dr oliver sacks s books awakenings an anthropologist on mars and the bestselling the man who mistook his wife for a hat have been acclaimed for their extraordinary compassion in the treatment of patients affected with profound disorders in a leg to stand on it is sacks himself who is the patient an encounter with a bull on a desolate mountain in norway has left him with a severely damaged leg but what should be a routine recuperation is actually the beginning of a strange medical journey when he finds that his leg uncannily no longer feels like part of his body sacks s brilliant description of his crisis and eventual recovery is not only an illuminating examination of the experience of patienthood and the inner nature of illness and health but also a fascinating exploration of the physical basis of identity this 1984 classic is now available in an expanded edition with a new foreword written by kate edgar executive director of the oliver sacks foundation

**Gratitude** 2015-11-19 oliver sacks died in august 2015 at his home in greenwich village surrounded by his close friends and family he was 82 he spent his final days doing what he loved playing the piano swimming enjoying smoked salmon and writing as dr sacks looked back over his long adventurous life his final thoughts were of gratitude in a series of remarkable beautifully written and uplifting meditations in gratitude dr sacks reflects on and gives thanks for a life well lived and expresses his thoughts on growing old facing terminal cancer and reaching the end i cannot pretend i am without fear but my predominant feeling is one of gratitude i have loved and been loved i have been given much and i have given something in return i have read and travelled and thought and written i have had an intercourse with the world the special intercourse of writers and readers above all i have been a sentient being a thinking animal on this beautiful planet and that in itself has been an enormous privilege and adventure

**Awakenings** 2011-06-16 the story of a disease that plunged its victims into a prison of viscous time and the drug that catapulted them out of it guardian hailed as a medical classic and the subject of a major feature film as well as radio and stage plays and various tv documentaries awakenings by oliver sacks is the extraordinary account of a group of twenty patients rendered catatonic by the sleeping sickness epidemic that swept the world just after the first world war all twenty had spent forty years in hospital motionless and speechless aware of the world around them but exhibiting no interest in it until dr sacks administered the then new drug l dopa which caused them temporarily to awake from their decades long slumber

**Insomniac City** 2017-02-14 amazon s best biographies and memoirs of the year list a moving celebration of what bill hayes calls the evanescent the eavesdropped the unexpected of life in new york city and an intimate glimpse of his relationship with the late oliver sacks a beautifully written once in a lifetime book about love about

life soul and the wonderful loving genius oliver sacks and new york and laughter and all of creation anne lamott bill hayes came to new york city in 2009 with a one way ticket and only the vaguest idea of how he would get by but at forty eight years old having spent decades in san francisco he craved change grieving over the death of his partner he quickly discovered the profound consolations of the city s incessant rhythms the sight of the empire state building against the night sky and new yorkers themselves kindred souls that hayes a lifelong insomniac encountered on late night strolls with his camera and he unexpectedly fell in love again with his friend and neighbor the writer and neurologist oliver sacks whose exuberance i don t so much fear death as i do wasting life he tells hayes early on is captured in funny and touching vignettes throughout what emerges is a portrait of sacks at his most personal and endearing from falling in love for the first time at age seventy five to facing illness and death sacks died of cancer in august 2015 insomniac city is both a meditation on grief and a celebration of life filled with hayes s distinctive street photos of everyday new yorkers the book is a love song to the city and to all who have felt the particular magic and solace it offers

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**The River of Consciousness** 2017-10-24 from the best selling author of gratitude on the move and musicophilia a collection of essays that displays oliver sacks s passionate engagement with the most compelling and seminal ideas of human endeavor evolution creativity memory time consciousness and experience oliver sacks a scientist and a storyteller is beloved by readers for the extraordinary neurological case histories awakenings an anthropologist on mars in which he introduced and explored many now familiar disorders autism tourette s syndrome face blindness savant syndrome he was also a memoirist who wrote with honesty and humor about the remarkable and strange encounters and experiences that shaped him uncle tungsten on the move gratitude sacks an oxford educated polymath had a deep familiarity not only with literature and medicine but with botany animal anatomy chemistry the history of science philosophy and psychology the river of consciousness is one of two books sacks was working on up to his death and it reveals his ability to make unexpected connections his sheer joy in knowledge and his unceasing timeless project to understand what makes us human

**Letters** 2024-11-05 the letters of one of the greatest observers of the human species revealing his passion for life and work friendship and art medicine and society and the richness of his relationships with friends family and fellow intellectuals over the decades dr oliver sacks who describes himself variously in these pages as a philosophical physician an astronomer of the inward and a neuropathological talmudist wrote lengthy letters throughout his life to his parents his beloved aunt lennie to friends and colleagues from london oxford california and around the world these pages begin with his arrival in america as a young man eager to establish himself away from the confines of postwar england and carry us through his bumpy early career in medicine and the discovery of his writer s voice and m tier his weightlifting motorcycle riding years and his explosive seasons of discovery with the patients who populate his book awakenings his growing interest in matters of sight and the musical brain his many friendships and exchanges with fellow writers artists and scientists to say nothing of astronauts botanists and mathematicians and his deep gratitude for all these relationships at the end of his life some letters contain the first detailed sketches of an essay forming in his mind others reveal his agony over a tempestuous love affair or his reminiscences of childhood from francis crick and jane goodall to w h auden and susan sontag from lovers to patients and ordinary folk who wrote to him with their odd symptoms and questions all are treated equally to sacks s lyrical ferocious penetrating

and at times hilarious observations sensitively introduced and edited by kate edgar sacks s longtime editor and one of his correspondents the letters deliver a complete portrait of sacks as he wrestles with the workings of the brain and mind we see through his eyes the beginnings of modern neuroscience as it unlocks many secrets of how the human brain defines us we experience the arc of a remarkable personal evolution closely following the thought processes of one of the great intellectuals of our time whose words as evidenced in these pages were unfailingly shaped with generosity and wonder toward other people

*An Anthropologist on Mars* 2012-11-14 to these seven narratives of neurological disorder dr sacks brings the same humanity poetic observation and infectious sense of wonder that are apparent in his bestsellers *Awakenings* and *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat* these men women and one extraordinary child emerge as brilliantly adaptive personalities whose conditions have not so much debilitated them as ushered them into another reality

*An Analysis of Oliver Sacks's The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat and Other Clinical Tales* 2017-07-05 in the man who mistook his wife for a hat neurologist oliver sacks looked at the cutting edge work taking place in his field and decided that much of it was not fit for purpose sacks found it hard to understand why most doctors adopted a mechanical and impersonal approach to their patients and opened his mind to new ways to treat people with neurological disorders he explored the question of deciding what such new ways might be by deploying his formidable creative thinking skills sacks felt the issues at the heart of patient care needed redefining because the way they were being dealt with hurt not only patients but practitioners too they limited a physician s capacity to understand and then treat a patient s condition to highlight the issue sacks wrote the stories of 24 patients and their neurological clinical conditions in the process he rebelled against traditional methodology by focusing on his patients subjective experiences sacks did not only write about his patients in original ways he attempt to come up with creative ways of treating them as well at root his method was to try to help each person individually with the core aim of finding meaning and a sense of identity despite or even thanks to the patients condition sacks thus redefined the issue of neurological work in a new way and his ideas were so influential that they heralded the arrival of a broader movement narrative medicine that placed stronger emphasis on listening to and incorporating patients experiences and insights into their care

**Dear Oliver: An Unexpected Friendship with Oliver Sacks** 2024-01-30 a heartfelt memoir that captures the meeting of two great minds and with boundless generosity shares the joy of what it s like to make have and keep a friend later in life to the world he was dr sacks the brilliant neurologist behind bestselling books like *Musicophilia* and *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat* to professor susan barry he became dear oliver her mentor friend and confidant over the course of their unlikely engrossing ten year correspondence it begins with a letter that sue almost doesn t send dear dr sacks you asked me if i could imagine what the world would look like when viewed with two eyes sue s unheard of case history as a stereoblind patient who acquired 3d vision in adulthood so fascinates dr sacks that he immediately asks to visit her as stereo sue she becomes the subject of one of his indelible new yorker pieces and as a fellow neuroscientist his sounding board for every kind of intellectual inquiry their shared passions from classical music to cuttlefish brain plasticity to bioluminescent plankton spark a friendship that buoys both of them through life s crests and falls as sue becomes an author in her own right as she supports her father in his decline and as oliver becomes a patient himself battling cancer that in a painful twist robs him of his own vision dr sacks s letters to sue offer his devoted readers an unprecedented glimpse of the man himself from his legendary compassion and insight to his love of the

periodic table which he kept in his wallet throughout dear oliver we are reminded that true friends help each other see the world a little differently

**The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat: by Oliver Sacks | Key Takeaways, Analysis & Review** 2015-09-21 the man who mistook his wife for a hat by oliver sacks key takeaways analysis review preview in this 30th anniversary edition of the man who mistook his wife for a hat oliver sacks m d brings together more than two dozen narratives of patients with many different neurological impairments the narratives illuminate medical details of the diseases while illustrating how those diseases play out in a patient s thoughts and actions bringing a more human aspect to the ailments these neurological impairments take on many forms losses can be highly disruptive to a patient s life such as jimie g s severe memory loss however many patients find ways to adapt to their ailments and recoup those losses in other ways such as mr p a music teacher who lost his ability to distinguish faces and objects even mistaking his wife for his hat who learned to sing to himself to keep from becoming disoriented and macgregor who installed a level on his glasses to enable him to stand upright to correct a persistent lean please note this is key takeaways and analysis of the book and not the original book inside this instaread of the man who mistook his wife for a hat overview of the bookimportant peoplekey takeawaysanalysis of key takeaways

**Uncle Tungsten** 2013-12-11 long before oliver sacks became a distinguished neurologist and bestselling writer he was a small english boy fascinated by metals also by chemical reactions the louder and smellier the better photography squids and cuttlefish h g wells and the periodic table in this endlessly charming and eloquent memoir the author of the man who mistook his wife for a hat and awakenings chronicles his love affair with science and the magnificently odd and sometimes harrowing childhood in which that love affair unfolded in uncle tungsten we meet sacks extraordinary family from his surgeon mother who introduces the fourteen year old oliver to the art of human dissection and his father a family doctor who imbues in his son an early enthusiasm for housecalls to his uncle tungsten whose factory produces tungsten filament lightbulbs we follow the young oliver as he is exiled at the age of six to a grim sadistic boarding school to escape the london blitz and later watch as he sets about passionately reliving the exploits of his chemical heroes in his own home laboratory uncle tungsten is a crystalline view of a brilliant young mind springing to life a story of growing up which is by turns elegiac comic and wistful full of the electrifying joy of discovery

**Oaxaca Journal** 2012-07-05 oliver sacks the bestselling author of awakenings and the man who mistook his wife for a hat is most famous for his studies of the human mind insightful and beautifully characterized portraits of those experiencing complex neurological conditions however he has another scientific passion the fern since childhood oliver has been fascinated by the ability of these primitive plants to survive and adapt in many climates oxaca journal is the enthralling account of his trip alongside a group of fellow fern enthusiasts to the beautiful province of oxaca mexico bringing together oliver s endless curiosity about natural history and the richness of human culture with his sharp eye for detail this book is a captivating evocation of a place its plants its people and its myriad wonders light and fast moving unburdened by library research but filled with erudition new yorker

**Selected Letters** 2024-10-10 seeing voices is both a history of the deaf and an account of the development of an extraordinary and expressive language evening standard imaginative and insightful seeing voices by oliver sacks offers a way into a world that is for many people alien and unfamiliar for to be profoundly deaf is not just to live in a world of silence but also to live in a world where the visual is paramount in this remarkable book sacks explores the consequences of this including the different ways in which the deaf and the hearing impaired learn to categorize their respective worlds and how they convey and communicate those experiences to others





portrayals of these uncanny states have found their way into many works of art from the heavenly visions of hildegard von bingen to alice in wonderland dr oliver sacks argues that migraine cannot be understood simply as an illness but must be viewed as a complex condition with a unique role to play in each individual s life copyright libri gmbh all rights reserved

**Migraine** 2013-05-29 in the man who mistook his wife for a hat neurologist oliver sacks looked at the cutting edge work taking place in his field and decided that much of it was not fit for purpose sacks found it hard to understand why most doctors adopted a mechanical and impersonal approach to their patients and opened his mind to new ways to treat people with neurological disorders he explored the question of deciding what such new ways might be by deploying his formidable creative thinking skills sacks felt the issues at the heart of patient care needed redefining because the way they were being dealt with hurt not only patients but practitioners too they limited a physician s capacity to understand and then treat a patient s condition to highlight the issue sacks wrote the stories of 24 patients and their neurological clinical conditions in the process he rebelled against traditional methodology by focusing on his patients subjective experiences sacks did not only write about his patients in original ways he attempt to come up with creative ways of treating them as well at root his method was to try to help each person individually with the core aim of finding meaning and a sense of identity despite or even thanks to the patients condition sacks thus redefined the issue of neurological work in a new way and his ideas were so influential that they heralded the arrival of a broader movement narrative medicine that placed stronger emphasis on listening to and incorporating patients experiences and insights into their care

*Migraine: the Evolution of a Common Disorder* 1970

*An Analysis of Oliver Sacks's The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat and Other Clinical Tales* 2017-07-05 in recent years the bestselling awakenings and the man who mistook his wife for a hat have received great critical acclaim but oliver sacks s readers may remember that he began his medical career working with migraine patients in this the latest edition of migraine he returns to his first book and enriches it with additional case histories new findings and practical information on treatment to define migraine suggests oliver sacks one must embrace the dizzying variety of experiences of its sufferers for some the affliction features of a headache of monumental proportions for others there is no pain at all some attacks are triggered by weather some intense light still others consist of intense light hallucinatory displays of dazzling loops stars and geometrics migraine is sacks s brilliant examination of a debilitating ailment and the profound implications of neurological illness synthesizing his patients case histories with 2 000 years of human research into the problem he casts the migraine as exemplar of our psychological transparency a complex biological response to external factors here is a classic meditation on the nature of health and malady on the unity of mind and body here too is sacks s discovery of how the migraine shows us through hallucinatory displays the elemental activity of the cerebral cortex and potentially the self organizing patterns of nature itself enormously compelling compassionate and profound migraine offers comfort for sufferers and insight to all

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**Migraine** 1986-10-01 oliver sacks has always been fascinated by islands their remoteness their mystery above all the unique forms of life they harbor for him islands conjure up equally the romance of melville and stevenson the adventure of magellan and cook and

the scientific wonder of darwin and wallace drawn to the tiny pacific atoll of pingelap by intriguing reports of an isolated community of islanders born totally color blind sacks finds himself setting up a clinic in a one room island dispensary where he listens to these achromatopic islanders describe their colorless world in rich terms of pattern and tone luminance and shadow and on guam where he goes to investigate the puzzling neurodegenerative paralysis endemic there for a century he becomes for a brief time an island neurologist making house calls with his colleague john steele amid crowing cockerels cycad jungles and the remains of a colonial culture the islands reawaken sacks s lifelong passion for botany in particular for the primitive cycad trees whose existence dates back to the paleozoic and the cycads are the starting point for an intensely personal reflection on the meaning of islands the dissemination of species the genesis of disease and the nature of deep geologic time out of an unexpected journey sacks has woven an unforgettable narrative which immerses us in the romance of island life and shares his own compelling vision of the complexities of being human

□□□□□ 2015-03-25 please note this is a companion version not the original book sample book insights 1 charles darwin was a botanist and he grew up in a family that had a special tender feeling for plants he grew up in a house with extensive gardens filled not only with flowers but with a variety of apple trees crossbred for increased vigor 2 darwin was not a botanist but he was preeminently an investigator who was concerned with the how and why of plant structure and behavior he was not a mere avocation or hobby for him as it was for so many in the victorian age 3 darwin s theory of evolution was based on the idea that flowers were self fertilized but he began to question this theory when he found that the ratio of pins to thrums was exactly one to one in primrose flowers he suspected that these flowers were in the process of becoming female flowers 4 darwin s book the different forms of flowers on plants of the same species was about the different styles of flowers and how they were adapted for outbreeding he concluded that heterostyly in which plants have styles of different length was a special device that had evolved to facilitate outbreeding

*The Island of the Colorblind* 2012-11-14 with an introduction by neuroscientist daniel glaser the late oliver sacks compassionate tales of people struggling to adapt to different neurological conditions have fundamentally changed the way we think of our own minds musicophilia is no different in this breathtaking work sacks examines the powers of music through the individual experiences of patients musicians and everyday people those struck by affliction unusual talent and even in one case by lightning to show not only that music occupies more areas of our brain than language does but also that it can torment calm organize and heal always wise and compellingly readable these stories alter our conception of who we are and how we function and show us an essential part of what it is to be human

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