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In a Free State 2012-03-22 the central novel from v s naipaul s booker prize winning narrative of displacement published for the first time in a stand alone edition in a free state was conceived in 1969 as a sequence about displacement there was to be a central novel set in africa with shorter surrounding matter from other places the shorter pieces from these varied places were intended to throw a universal light on the african material but then as the years passed and the world changed and i felt myself less of an oddity as a writer i grew to feel that the central novel was muffled and diminished by the surrounding material and i began to think that the novel should be published on its own this is what many years after its first publication my publisher is doing in this edition v s naipaul in a free state is set in africa in a place like uganda or rwanda and its two main characters are english they had once found liberation in africa but now africa is going sour on them the land is no longer safe and at a time of tribal conflict they have to make a long drive to the safety of their compound at the end of this drive the narrative tight wonderfully constructed the formal and precise language always instilled with violence and rage we know everything about the english characters the african country and the idi amin like future awaiting it

In a Free State 2011-03-30 from the nobel prize winning author comes a riveting tour de force that examines emigration dislocation and dread the coolest literary eye and the most lucid prose we have the new york times book review no writer has rendered our boundariless post colonial world more acutely or prophetically than v s naipaul or given its upheavals such a hauntingly human face in the beginning it is just a car trip through africa two english people bobby a civil servant with a guilty appetite for african boys and linda a supercilious compound wife are driving back to their enclave after a stay in the capital but in between lies the landscape of an unnamed country whose squalor and ethnic bloodletting suggest idi amin s uganda and the farther naipaul s protagonists travel into it

the more they find themselves crossing the line that separates privileged outsiders from horrified victims alongside this conradian tour de force are four incisive portraits of men seeking liberation far from home by turns funny and terrifying sorrowful and unsparing in a free state is naipaul at his best Swing State 2014 follows three residents of Ambrister New Hampshire as they face bullying and terrorism as they attempt to get out of the town

Enemy of the State 2017-09-05 in the world of black op thrillers Mitch Rapp continues to be among the best of the best booklist starred review and he returns in the #1 New York Times bestselling series alone and targeted by a country that is supposed to be one of America's closest allies after 9/11 the United States made one of the most secretive and dangerous deals in its history the evidence against the powerful Saudis who coordinated the attack would be buried and in return King Faisal would promise to keep the oil flowing and deal with the conspirators in his midst but when the King's own nephew is discovered funding ISIS the furious president gives Rapp his next mission he must find out more about the high level Saudis involved in the scheme and kill them the catch Rapp will get no support from the United States forced to make a decision that will change his life forever Rapp quits the CIA and assembles a group of independent contractors to help him complete the mission they've barely begun unraveling the connections between the Saudi government and ISIS when the brilliant new head of the intelligence directorate discovers their efforts with Rapp getting too close he threatens to go public with the details of the post 9/11 agreement between the two countries facing an international incident that could end his political career the president orders America's intelligence agencies to join the Saudis' effort to hunt the former CIA man down Rapp supported only by a team of mercenaries with dubious allegiances finds himself at the center of the most elaborate manhunt in history with white knuckled twists and turns leading to an explosive climax Publishers Weekly Enemy

of the state is an unputdownable thrill ride that will keep you guessing until the final page

Failed State 2020-08-11 a philip k dick award nominee the novel is as tense and thrilling as any of brown s work and as full of rage and hope it s a novel that truly reckons with the enormity of both our climate emergency and the system that produced it a tale of human imperfection and redemption

cory doctorow bestselling author of walkaway in this second dystopian legal thriller from the author of the acclaimed rule of capture and tropic of kansas lawyer donny kimoe juggles two intertwined cases whose outcomes will determine the course of america s future and his own in the aftermath of a second american revolution peace rests on a fragile truce the old regime has been deposed but the ex president has vanished escaping justice for his crimes some believe he is dead others fear he is in hiding gathering forces as the factions in washington work to restore order donny kimoe is in court to settle old scores and pay his own debts come due meanwhile the rebels donny once defended are exacting their own kind of justice in the ruins of new orleans they are building a green utopia and kidnapping their defeated adversaries to pay for it the newest hostage is the young heiress to a fortune made from plundering the country and the daughter of one of donny s oldest friends in a desperate gambit to save his own skin donny switches sides to defend her before the show trial if he fails so will the truce dragging the country back into violence but by taking the case he risks his last chance to expose the atrocities of the dictatorship and being tried for his own crimes against the revolution to save the future donny has to gamble his own the only way out is to find the evidence that will get both sides back to the table and secure a more lasting peace to do that donny must betray his clients secrets including one explosive secret hidden in the ruins the discovery of which could extinguish the last hope for a better tomorrow or if donny plays it right keep it burning

A Free State 2015-09-15 the author of city of refuge returns with a startling and powerful novel of

race violence and identity set on the eve of the civil war the year is 1855 blackface minstrelsy is the most popular form of entertainment in a nation about to be torn apart by the battle over slavery henry sims a fugitive slave and a brilliant musician has escaped to philadelphia where he earns money living by his wits and performing on the street he is befriended by james douglass leader of a popular minstrel troupe struggling to compete with dozens of similar ensembles who imagines that henry s skill and magnetism might restore his troupe s sagging fortunes the problem is that black and white performers are not allowed to appear together onstage together the two concoct a masquerade to protect henry s identity and henry creates a sensation in his first appearances with the troupe yet even as their plan begins to reverse the troupe s decline a brutal slave hunter named tull burton has been employed by henry s former master to track down the runaway and retrieve him by any means necessary bursting with narrative tension and unforgettable characters shot through with unexpected turns and insight a free state is a thrilling reimagining of the american story by a novelist at the height of his powers

State of the Union 2010-06-15 from the new york times bestselling author of leaving the world comes the compelling story of a woman whose one choice made decades ago comes back to haunt her america in the 1960s was an era of radical upheaval of civil rights protests and anti war marches of sexual liberation and hallucinogenic drugs more tellingly it was a time when you weren t supposed to trust anyone over the age of thirty when if you were young you rebelled against your parents and their conservative values but not hannah buchannan hannah is a great disappointment to her famous radical father and painter mother instead of mounting the barricades and embracing this age of profound social change she wants nothing more than to marry her doctor boyfriend and raise a family in a small town hannah gets her wish but once installed as the doctor s wife in a nowhere corner of

maine boredom sets in until an unforeseen moment of personal rebellion changes everything especially as hannah is forced into breaking the law for decades this one transgression in an otherwise faultless life remains buried but then in the charged atmosphere of america after 9 11 her secret comes out and her life goes into freefall

Golden State 2014-02-04 the state of california votes on secession in the wake of a divisive presidential election in this gripping prescient novel of marriage family and the profound moments that shape our lives doctor julie walker has just signed her divorce papers when she receives news that her younger sister heather has gone into labor though theirs is a strained relationship julie sets out for the hospital to be at her sister s side no easy task since the streets of san francisco are filled with tension and strife today is also the day that julie will find herself at the epicenter of a violent standoff in which she is forced to examine both the promising and the painful parts of her past her southern childhood her romance with her husband tom her estrangement from heather and the shattering incident that led to her greatest heartbreak infused with emotional depth and poignancy golden state takes readers on a journey over the course of a single unforgettable day through an extraordinary landscape of love loss and hope praise for golden state a stirring look at the ties that bind husband wife mother child and even sisters and what happens when they re torn asunder set in a san francisco chafing with unrest both political and personal the world richmond creates is exquisitely charged with regret and hope family circle a riveting read that can be recommended to fans of jodi picoult and jacquelyn mitchard mesmerizing and intricate richmond s dissection of a california on the violent brink of secession from the nation provides the backdrop to her deeper inspection of the uneasy fragile relationship between siblings booklist starred review an amazing turbulent novel woven of disparate threads nearly every feature of this mesmerizing novel is

provocative as richmond explores the fragmented hopeful lives of complex characters this is gripping multilayered must read fiction library journal starred review an exciting premise skillfully written julie s past and her relationship with the other characters are scrutinized as the clock ticks it s an interesting and sometimes disturbing study kirkus reviews richmond takes readers through a bittersweet heartwarming tale of a woman on the cusp of life changing events in both her personal and professional lives once invested the reader is carried away by this action packed poignant story making this a tale that will live in the heart of the reader once the last page is read rt book reviews this is a thoughtful book about how past circumstances change us into the people we are today for the good or bad julie is a sympathetic and relatable character and readers will definitely feel for her as she goes through her life changing day the parkersburg news and sentinel richmond delivers a page turner san jose mercury news a breathtaking read and one i ll not soon forget melanie benjamin author of the aviator s wife look for special features inside join the random house reader s circle for author chats and more

The Golden State 2019-09-03 national book foundation 5 under 35 pick longlisted for the center for fiction s first novel prize named one of the best books of 2018 by npr bookforum and bustle one of entertainment weekly s 10 best debut novels of 2018 an amazon best book of the month and named a fall read by buzzfeed nylon entertainment weekly elle vanity fair vulture refinery29 and mind body green a gorgeous raw debut novel about a young woman braving the ups and downs of motherhood in a fractured america in lydia kiesling s razor sharp debut novel the golden state we accompany daphne a young mother on the edge of a breakdown as she flees her sensible but strained life in san francisco for the high desert of altavista with her toddler honey bucking under the weight of being a single parent her turkish husband is unable to return to the united states because of a processing

error daphne takes refuge in a mobile home left to her by her grandparents in hopes that the quiet will bring clarity but clarity proves elusive over the next ten days daphne is anxious she behaves a little erratically she drinks too much she wanders the town looking for anyone and anything to punctuate the long hours alone with the baby among others she meets cindy a neighbor who is active in a secessionist movement and befriends the elderly alice who has traveled to altavista as she approaches the end of her life when her relationships with these women culminate in a dangerous standoff daphne must reconcile her inner narrative with the reality of a deeply divided world keenly observed bristling with humor and set against the beauty of a little known part of california the golden state is about class and cultural breakdowns and desperate attempts to bridge old and new worlds but more than anything it is about motherhood its voracious worry frequent tedium and enthralling wondrous love

A Probable State 2000-11-15 why has the realist novel been persistently understood as promoting liberalism can this tendency be reconciled with an equally familiar tendency to see the novel as a national form in a probable state irene tucker builds a revisionary argument about liberalism and the realist novel by shifting the focus from the rise of both in the eighteenth century to their breakdown at the end of the nineteenth through a series of intricate and absorbing readings tucker relates the decline of realism and the eroding logic of liberalism to the question of jewish characters and writers and to shifting ideas of community and nation whereas previous critics have explored the relationship between liberalism and the novel by studying the novel's liberal characters tucker argues that the liberal subject is represented not merely within the novel but in the experience of the novel's form as well with special attention to george eliot henry james oliver wendell holmes and s y abramovitch tucker shows how we can understand liberalism and the novel as modes of recognizing and

negotiating with history

A Thing of State 1995 drury returns to the washington he first made his own with his pulitzer prize winning advise and consent in this political pulse pounder about a dangerously unstable third world dictator with a nuclear arsenal

Golden State 2015-02-17 a riveting new novel kirkus reviews about finding evil close to home and how far a woman will go to protect her family named one of the top 10 things we love this week by entertainment weekly growing up in the 1960s in one of california s most prominent political families natalie askedahl worshipped her big brother bobby a sensitive math prodigy who served as her protector and confidante but after bobby left home at sixteen on a princeton scholarship something changed between them now that natalie has a career and a family of her own her only real regret is losing bobby then a bomb explodes in the middle of her seemingly ideal life her oldest daughter is on the stanford campus when one person is killed and another maimed other attacks follow across california frightened for her family natalie grows obsessed with the case of the so called cal bomber until she makes an unthinkable discovery the bomber s manifesto reads alarmingly like the last letter she has from bobby unsure of whom to sacrifice and whom to protect natalie is confronted with a terrible choice as her life splits irrevocably into before and after she begins to learn that some of the most dangerous things in the world are the stories we tell ourselves an intense provocative novel golden state will resonate with anyone who s ever watched a loved one self destruct people as los angeles magazine said about author stephanie kegan you ve got our attention

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A Desperate Hope (An Empire State Novel Book #3) 2019-02-05 eloise drake s prim demeanor hides the turbulent past she s finally put behind her or so she thinks a mathematical genius she s now a successful accountant for the largest engineering project in 1908 new york but to her dismay her new position puts her back in the path of the man responsible for her deepest heartbreak alex duval is the mayor of a town about to be wiped off the map the state plans to flood the entire valley where his town sits in order to build a new reservoir and alex is stunned to discover the woman he once loved on the team charged with the demolition with his world crumbling around him alex devises a risky plan to save his town but he needs eloise s help to succeed alex is determined to win back the woman he thought he d lost forever but even their combined ingenuity may not be enough to overcome the odds against them before it s too late

Sunshine State 2011 from the mind of asaf rubina the author of tales of movie theater pool and the summer kitchen comes a new novel shaped by mental musings and self reflection of the same memorable characters the diverse cast is at it again with the same bad habits and in need of rest as ever before holding a thousand truths from one another angela is experiencing frustration with her circle of sisters until she finds her own haven at the edge of town and chuck continues to be the same brute persona as if he s been cast in amber but all is thrown into shambles when it is discovered that pam is missing and the company has a hard time coping with the disappearance of their most influential player as each night grows darker and the days grow longer it becomes more and more difficult to discern the facts from fiction are things really what they appear to be featuring graphic prose and sadistic storytelling rubina brings his beloved characters to life as never before

State Of The Union 2010-04-30 a compelling gripping novel from the no 1 bestselling author of the moment and the pursuit of happiness hannah buchan thinks herself ordinary she is not the

revolutionary child that her painter mother and famous radical father had hoped for raised in the creative chaos of 1960s America. Hannah vows to reject her parents' liberal lifestyle and settles instead for typical family life in a nondescript corner of Maine. But normality isn't quite what Hannah imagined it would be, and try as she might to fight it, the urge to rebel against the things that hem her in grows ever stronger. Eventually a series of encounters puts Hannah in an exhilarating but dangerous position, one in which she never thought she would find herself for decades. This one transgression in an otherwise faultless life lies buried deep in the past, all but forgotten until a turn of fate brings it crashing back into the limelight as her secret emerges. Hannah's life goes into freefall and she is left struggling against the force of the past. *State of the Union* is a stunning and grippingly honest story about life, love, and family set against the backdrop of two different but strikingly similar eras.

Possibilities: Essays on the State of the Novel 1973. In a small university in the American Southwest, a young college religion professor is eager to escape an abortive career in the ministry and a hair-raising affair with a parishioner. Hired into a department that he discovers is about to be shut down, he is thrust into the role of academic dean by a president who promptly disappears. As Connor Ransom sorts through the complex affairs of an Hispanic Anglo college, he discovers that a nationwide education reform movement seems bent on assessing it to death. Connor is aided by a jive-talking history professor and a svelte Latina journalism professor with an inscrutable past and an insatiable spirit. But when his own past turns up in the national movement, along with an old love, he finds that he must put his job on the line and then his life to stand up for his school. Connor must unmask the forces at work in Ocotillo. If he is to save it, he includes readers' guide.

Tenuous State 2019-01-28. In the aftermath of the September 11 terror attacks, the political situation

in both the united states and abroad has often been described as a state of exception an emergency situation in which the normal rule of law is suspended in such a situation the need for good decisions is felt ever more strongly this book investigates the aesthetics ethics and politics of various decisions represented in novels published around 9 11 martel s life of pi eugenides middlesex coetzee s disgrace and sebald s austerlitz de boever s readings of the novels revolve around what he calls the aesthetic decision which aesthetics do the characters and narrators in the novels adopt in a situation of crisis how do these aesthetic decisions relate to the ethical and political decisions represented in the novels what can they reveal about real life ethical and political decisions this book uncovers the politics of allegory autobiography focalization and montage in today s planetary state of exception

States of Exception in the Contemporary Novel 2012-03-08 mireille duval jameson is living a fairy tale the strong willed youngest daughter of one of haiti s richest sons she has an adoring husband a precocious infant son by all appearances a perfect life the fairy tale ends one day when mireille is kidnapped in broad daylight by a gang of heavily armed men in front of her father s port au prince estate held captive by a man who calls himself the commander mireille waits for her father to pay her ransom as it becomes clear her father intends to resist the kidnappers mireille must endure the torments of a man who resents everything she represents an untamed state is a novel of privilege in the face of crushing poverty and of the lawless anger that corrupt governments produce it is the story of a wilful woman attempting to find her way back to the person she once was and of how redemption is found in the most unexpected of places an untamed state establishes roxane gay as a writer of prodigious arresting talent

An Untamed State 2015-01-08 in the aftermath of the september 11 terror attacks the political situation in both the united states and abroad has often been described as a state of exception an

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States of Exception in the Contemporary Novel 2012-03-08 through a large cast of historical and fictional characters a danger to the state relates one of the outstanding though little known dramas of modern history in 1773 surrendering at last to a 20 year long campaign of intrigue and calumny pope clement xiv suppressed the famous society of jesus founded 200 years earlier by st ignatius of loyola just sixteen years before the french revolution europe s catholic kings threatening to take their countries into schism pressured pope clement into destroying the strongest bulwark and the church s most successful band of missionaries what lay behind this apparent act of madness there was no popular opposition to the jesuits and the kings were mainly dupes the driving force came from the writers and thinkers of the french enlightenment agnostics and atheists that included a number of europe s leading statesman among it s members once we have destroyed the jesuits wrote voltaire we should have easy work with the church the action revolves around the de vallecas family a distinguished spanish family that have two sons in the jesuit order one a missionary to the jesuit reductions in paraguay the other a novice in spain during the efforts of suppression this chronicle of

political intrigue moves masterfully from the turbulent scenes in madrid of the french anti jesuit forces battle to influence king charles iii and other spanish leaders to the serene setting of the jesuit missions in paraguay in their last days of glory and finally to catherine the great s russia

A Danger to the State 1998-01-01 a terrible crime occurs in elect h mouse state judge two young girl are abducted and held hostage by a band of religious fanatics the girls anxious father a politician on the eve of an important election has reasons of his own not to go to the police so he hires a pair of shady private eyes to investigate all the elements of a classic noir except that the kidnapped girls are mice the abductors are sunshine family dolls and the detectives are barbie and ken part 1970s childhood dreamscape part raymond chandler this is a world both familiar and transformed sex shops illicit affairs spies political hypocrisy and dangerous zealots may coexist with barbie and ken s acrobatic poolside sex but the crises of faith that nelly reifler s characters face are as real as our own elect h mouse state judge is an unusual and masterful blend of irony and tenderness and a moving portrayal of a father trying and failing to do the right thing

Elect H. Mouse State Judge 2013-08-06 national book award nominee this beautifully crafted the new york times book review haunting profoundly disquieting novel manages to be at once sparse and lush to combine biblical simplicity with gothic intensity and strangeness it is the story of kate despised by her mother bound to her father by ties stronger and darker than blood it is the story of her attempted escapes in detached sexual encounters at a southern college populated by spoiled and perverse beauties and in a doomed marriage to a man who cannot understand what she is running from witty erotic searing acute state of grace bears the inimitable stamp of one of our finest and most provocative writers

State of Grace 2011-04-13 when you have their jobs there s no such thing as a peaceful vacation sam

and nick are ready to get out of dc and the white house for a much needed vacation to celebrate their second anniversary due to ongoing political pressures they decide to scuttle their plans for a return to bora bora to stay closer to home at their favorite oceanfront house at dewey beach in delaware but before they can make their escape sam is summoned back to work to deal with yet another crisis in the ongoing investigation into former lieutenant stahl just when they think they ve seen the full scope of his depravity there is more sam leaves gonzo freddie and the rest of the squad in charge of a new investigation of a murdered college student while gigi and cameron deal with the internal affairs board and plot their strategy to deal with a lawsuit from the patrick family meanwhile nick s mother is working on a plea deal with an unexpected new advocate who wants her to reconcile with her estranged son as always for the first couple nothing ever goes according to plan but the chance to spend a week mostly alone is just what they needed until their children family and friends join them for the final weekend at the beach it s march in dewey and sam and nick are snuggling in front of the fire as they prepare to begin their third year of marriage happy holidays from marie sam and nick as state of bliss releases christmas week

State of Bliss 2023-12-25 this first novel by the acclaimed author of demonology and the ice storm traces a group of friends in haledon new jersey through one spring in their rocky passage towards adulthood the kids are out of school trying to start a band trying to find work looking for something to do within the degraded terrain of their suburban hometown garden state starkly captures the lyricism of their lives in an intense and unforgettable story of friendship and betrayal

Garden State 2002 a wildly satirical look at life and death in the near future not quite unified superstate that was once the continent of europe welcome to the future european super state one continent united into a not quite homogenous whole numerous historic happenings and technological

advances have ushered us to this new age of solidarity and prosperity though it's true that some of the past's annoying problems still linger global warming terrorism war rape murder alzheimer's disease environmental catastrophe despite all the advances of this brave new tomorrow it seems people haven't changed one bit the rich beautiful and celebrated still revel in their outrageous excesses the government still stumbles about its business of governing while presidential assassins blithely go about theirs as before we gaze toward the stars with wonderment and even now the brave crew of the spaceship roddenberry is approaching jupiter's moon europa ready to make first contact with members of a very tasty alien race back on earth the insanatics our digital conscience attempt to keep us honest as we love lie covet cheat and watch our best laid plans go predictably haywire and the android slaves we keep locked away overnight in cupboards exchange perplexed reflections on the myriad foibles of their human masters one of the most acclaimed and accomplished science fiction writers of the twentieth century grand master brian w aldiss offers a colorful tapestry of what's to come in his thoughtful and savagely funny take on the shape of tomorrow aldiss has seen the future and it is ridiculous

Super-State 2015-05-19 everybody's son probes directly into the tender spots of race and privilege in america with assured prose and deep insight into the human heart umrigar explores the moral gray zone of what parents no matter their race will do for love celeste ng author of everything i never told you during a terrible heat wave in 1991 the worst in a decade ten year old anton has been locked in an apartment in the projects alone for seven days without air conditioning or a fan with no electricity the refrigerator and lights do not work hot hungry and desperate anton shatters a window and climbs out cutting his leg on the broken glass he is covered in blood when the police find him juanita his mother is discovered in a crack house less than three blocks away nearly unconscious and half naked

when she comes to she repeatedly asks for her baby boy she never meant to leave anton she went out for a quick hit and was headed right back until her drug dealer raped her and kept her high though the bond between mother and son is extremely strong anton is placed with child services while juanita goes to jail the harvard educated son of a us senator judge david coleman is a scion of northeastern white privilege desperate to have a child in the house again after the tragic death of his teenage son david uses his power and connections to keep his new foster son anton with him and his wife delores actions that will have devastating consequences in the years to come following in his adopted family s footsteps anton too rises within the establishment but when he discovers the truth about his life his birth mother and his adopted parents this man of the law must come to terms with the moral complexities of crimes committed by the people he loves most

Everybody's Son 2017-06-06 the beat generation that emerged after world war ii and reached its zenith in the 1960s represented an era of new perspectives the questioning anti establishment view of the world prevalent among the various members of the beat movement found its voice in both novels and poetry the novels especially or what might be called underground narratives were a driving force within the literary social and cultural revolution that characterized the beats this study of the american novel during that era presents the forerunners of the literary tradition of the beats and examines the major genres of the beat novel the juvenile delinquent novel the self discovering novel of individuality the gay novel the drug novel the new journalism and novels taking on topics of defiance and submission from novels that have found a mainstream acceptance like the blackboard jungle the electric kool aid acid test and on the road to lesser known works like go young adam and flee the angry strangers numerous representative works are examined in depth also included is a chronology of underground narratives showing the development of these novels from their early

twentieth century antecedents to current works

The Beat Generation and the Popular Novel in the United States, 1945-1970 2000-06-16

thomas keneally's literary achievements have been inspired by some of history's most intriguing events and characters but in a rare reversal of time his brilliantly imagined new novel takes us into a near future that uncannily is all too familiar in a detention camp where he is neither granted asylum nor readied to be sent back to his native land a detainee bides his time he insists on being called alan sheriff a westernization of his given name he was born in a country that had once been a friend to the united states but is now its enemy little else is known about sheriff until a writer comes to interview him sheriff decides that the time is right to tell his visitor his story and embarks on the unraveling of events that have led to his current state with extraordinary detail the basis of which forms this novel within a novel sheriff is a celebrated novelist in a country in which its brutal leader orders sheriff to ghostwrite a work of fiction an uneasy combination of invention autobiography and polemic the very publication of which would overturn western sanctions and shame the united states the deadline is impossible but the government enforcers guard his house and stalk his every move it is not long before sheriff becomes the tyrant's caged canary as he races against the deadline that threatens to cost him everything and everyone he holds dear in a work reminiscent of the classic fahrenheit 451 thomas keneally has written a dazzling story of a man caught between the demands of his government and his impulse to run for his life provocative and possibly prophetic the tyrant's novel is a literary achievement inspired by recent history's most intriguing events and characters here keneally once more combines as he did in schindler's list his fictional talent with his engagement in world politics

The Tyrant's Novel 2004-06-01 pen faulkner award finalist pushcart prize winner and best american

stories contributor eric puchner returns with an ambitious and deeply moving novel set against the backdrop of the american west that follows three lifelong friends and the betrayal at the center of their entwined fates cece and charlie are in love and a few weeks away from their summer wedding but when cece meets charlie s best friend from college garrett her long held expectations for her future begin to crumble as garrett s gruff mask slips cece begins to anticipate the big day with dread as her feelings for garrett become impossible to bury and as she decides to follow her instincts ditching her groom for his best man she will alter the three of their lives forever the events of that july reverberating through marriage parenthood and in the end across generations years later cece s daughter lana and charlie s son jasper meet and become fast friends finding themselves reunited again and again throughout their adolescence soon enough they find themselves enacting their parents mistakes falling victim to duplicity and heartbreak with age and mortality looming with montana s once warm summers growing untenably hot and the nearby lake all but drying up obscured only by the ceaseless smoke of wildfires garrett s career as a wildlife researcher feels increasingly futile as he watches cece begin to lose herself charlie wonders whether he will ever find stability especially with a son failing to adjust to the demands of adulthood with delicacy precision and enormous heart dream state is at once a study of the unholy catastrophe of marriage and a tender ode to the beauty of impermanence

Dream State 2025 a green dean with a tumultuous love life finds himself at the forefront of a fight to save his historic half hispanic school from forces that would undo it

Tenuous State 2018-05-17 a new novel with a dark political twist from one of america s greats man in the dark is paul auster s brilliant devastating novel about the many realities we inhabit as wars flame all around us seventy two year old august brill is recovering from a car accident in his daughter

s house in vermont when sleep refuses to come he lies in bed and tells himself stories struggling to push back thoughts about things he would prefer to forget his wife s recent death and the horrific murder of his granddaughter s boyfriend titus the retired book critic imagines a parallel world in which america is not at war with iraq but with itself in this other america the twin towers did not fall and the 2000 election results led to secession as state after state pulled away from the union and a bloody civil war ensued as the night progresses brill s story grows increasingly intense and what he is so desperately trying to avoid insists on being told joined in the early hours by his granddaughter he gradually opens up to her and recounts the story of his marriage after she falls asleep he at last finds the courage to revisit the trauma of titus s death passionate and shocking man in the dark is a novel of our moment a book that forces us to confront the blackness of night even as it celebrates the existence of ordinary joys in a world capable of the most grotesque violence time out chicago

Man in the Dark 2008-08-19 see the difference read 1 bestselling author jane smiley in large print about large print all random house large print editions are published in a 16 point typeface six years after her pulitzer prize winning best seller a thousand acres and three years after her witty acclaimed and best selling novel of academe moo jane smiley once again demonstrates her extraordinary range and brilliance her new novel set in the 1850s speaks to us in a splendidly quirky voice the strong wry no nonsense voice of lidie harkness of quincy illinois a young woman of courage good sense and good heart it carries us into an america so violently torn apart by the question of slavery that it makes our current political battlegrounds seem a peaceable kingdom lidie is hard to scare she is almost shockingly alive a tall plain girl who rides and shoots and speaks her mind and whose straightforward ways paradoxically amount to a kind of glamour we see her at twenty making a good marriage to thomas newton a steady sweet tempered yankee who passes through her hometown on a dangerous

mission he belongs to a group of rashly brave new england abolitionists who dedicate themselves to settling the kansas territory with like minded folk to ensure its entering the union as a free state lidie packs up and goes with him and the novel races alongside them into the territory into the maelstrom of bloody kansas where slaveholding missourians constantly and viciously clash with free staters where wandering youths kill you as soon as look at you where lidie becomes even more fervently abolitionist than her husband as the young couple again and again barely escape entrapment in webs of atrocity on both sides of the great question and when suddenly cold blooded murder invades her own intimate circle lidie doesn't falter she cuts off her hair disguises herself as a boy and rides into missouri in search of the killers a woman in a fiercely male world an abolitionist spy in slave territory on the run her life threatened her wits sharpened she takes on yet another identity and in the very midst of her masquerade discovers herself lidie grows increasingly important to us as we follow her travels and adventures on the feverish eve of the war between the states with its crackling portrayal of a totally individual and wonderfully articulate woman its storytelling drive and its powerful recapturing of an almost forgotten part of the american story this is jane smiley at her enthralling and enriching best

The All-True Travels and Adventures of Lidie Newton 2007-12-18 recipient of the prestigious commonwealth writers prize in 1989 janet frame has long been admired for her startlingly original prose and formidable imagination a native of new zealand she is the author of eleven novels four collections of stories a volume of poetry a children's book and her heartfelt and courageous autobiography all published by george braziller this fall we celebrate our thirty ninth year of publishing frame's extraordinary writing copyright libri gmbh all rights reserved

A State of Siege 1981 a debut political satire in which the british premier takes the uk out of europe

with dire consequences until an unexpected offer from one of Britain's old allies is received
51st State 1998 this grouping of two short stories a short novel within a prologue and an epilogue from Naipaul's travel journals is held together by Naipaul's pervading concern with the themes of exile freedom and prejudice

In a Free State 1973 award winning New York Times bestselling author returns with a provocative and assured novel of morality and miracles science and sacrifice set in the Amazon rainforest

State of Wonder 2012-05 when a caller tells the White House he has stolen a U.S. nuclear device and will set it off in a major European city power struggles erupt in Washington and Moscow

State Scarlet 1988 acclaimed New York Times bestselling author T.C. Boyle makes his Ecco debut with a powerful gripping novel that explores the roots of violence and anti-authoritarianism inherent in the American character set in contemporary Northern California the harder they come explores the volatile connections between three damaged people an aging ex-marine and Vietnam veteran his psychologically unstable son and the son's paranoid much older lover as they careen towards an explosive confrontation on a vacation cruise to Central America with his wife seventy-year-old Sten Stensen unflinchingly kills a gun-wielding robber menacing a busload of senior tourists the reluctant hero is relieved to return home to Fort Bragg California after the ordeal only to find that his delusional son Adam has spiraled out of control Adam has become involved with Sara Hovarty Jennings a hardened member of the Sovereign Citizens Movement right-wing anarchists who refuse to acknowledge the laws and regulations of the state considering them to be false and non-applicable Adam's senior by some fifteen years Sara becomes his protector and inamorata as Adam's mental state fractures he becomes increasingly schizophrenic a breakdown that leads him to shoot two people in separate instances on the run he takes to the woods spurring the biggest manhunt in

california history as he explores a father s legacy of violence and his powerlessness in relating to his equally violent son t c boyle offers unparalleled psychological insights into the american psyche inspired by a true story the harder they come is a devastating and indelible novel from a modern master

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