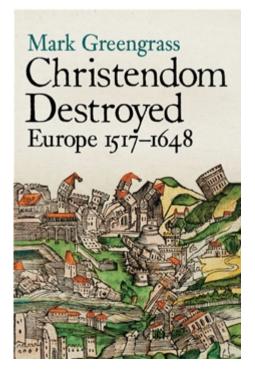
# Christendom Destroyed Europe 1517-1648 Mark Greengrass

A gripping, original account of Europe in an era of tumultuous change

This latest addition to the landmark Penguin History of Europe series is a fascinating study of 16th and 17th century Europe and the fundamental changes which led to the collapse of Christendom and established the geographical and political frameworks of Western Europe as we know it.

From peasants to princes, no one was untouched by the spiritual and intellectual upheaval of this era. Martin Luther's challenge to church authority forced Christians to examine their beliefs in ways that shook the foundations of their religion. The subsequent divisions, fed by dynastic rivalries and military changes, fundamentally altered the relations between ruler and ruled. Geographical and scientific discoveries challenged the unity of Christendom as a belief-community. Europe, with all its divisions, emerged instead as a geographical projection. It was reflected in the mirror of America, and refracted by the eclipse of Crusade in ambiguous relationships with the Ottomans and Orthodox Christianity. Chronicling these dramatic changes, Thomas More, Shakespeare, Montaigne and Cervantes created works which continue to resonate with us. Christendom Destroyed is a rich tapestry that fosters a deeper understanding of Europe's identity today.

Mark Greengrass is Professor Emeritus at the University of Sheffield. His books include *Governing Passions: Peace* and Reform in the French Kingdoms, 1576-1585, France in the Age of Henri IV and The European Reformation, c.1500-1618.



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# Thrive The Power of Evidence-Based Psychological Therapies David Clark, Richard Layard

A ground-breaking economic argument for better treatment of mental health

Britain has come to lead the world in mental health policy thanks to the work of Richard Layard and David M. Clark. But the reality is that the majority of people who need help still aren't getting treatment because the most effective therapies are deemed too expensive.

This book argues that spending more money on helping people to recover - and stay well - would actually strengthen the economy. People who suffer with problems like anxiety and depression are predominantly of working age and allowing them to recover fully and support themselves would be of huge benefit to the economy, through savings in welfare and physical healthcare.

Roughly a third of families are affected by mental health problems, yet only a third of sufferers get treatment. This book sets out to tackle the moral injustice and personal misery with a call to action, a viable solution, and real hope. Richard Layard is one of the world's leading labour economists, and in 2008 received the International Prize for Labour Economics. A member of the House of Lords, he has done much to raise the public profile of mental health. His 2005 book *Happiness* has been translated into 20 languages.

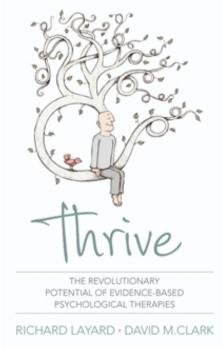
David Clark, Professor of Psychology at Oxford, is Europe's leading expert on CBT, responsible for much of the worldwide progress in treatment methods. With Layard, he was the main driver behind the UK's Improved Access to Psychological Therapy programme.

'[Praise for *Happiness*] Unorthodox, devastatingly straightforward and more provocative of actual thought than 90% of books said to be "thought-provoking". If happiness isn't a political issue, what's the point of politics?', Andrew Marr

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# World Without End The Global Empire of Philip II Hugh Thomas

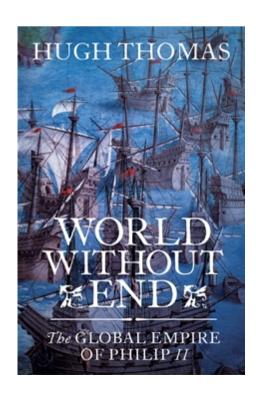
The conclusion of a magisterial three-volume history of the Spanish Empire by the world's leading authority on it

World Without End tells the story of life in a conquered territory that stretched from Cuba to Peru, and of the final conquests of the greatest empire that the world had then seen since the fall of Rome 1,000 years before.

By the time of Philip II's death - and after his startling decision, made in his final years, not to invade China - the attentions of the colonists, clergymen, sailors, soldiers and officials of the Spanish Empire were no longer turned to its expansion: their focus, instead, became its management. These were the decades in which modern history began.

In 2009 Hugh Thomas received the Calvo Serer, Boccacio, and Nonino prizes in Italy and in 2008 was made a Commandeur de L'Ordre des Arts et Lettres in France. His many books include his classic history of *The Spanish Civil War* (winner, the Somerset Maugham Award), *The Suez Affair, Cuba: The Pursuit of Freedom, An Unfinished History of the World, The Slave Trade*, and the two previous volumes in this trilogy, *Rivers of Gold* and *The Golden Age*.

'The greatest historian of the Spanish speaking world' Guardian



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# The Tower A Novel Uwe Tellkamp

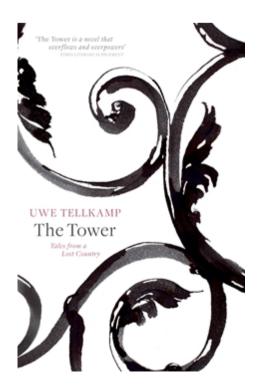
# A touching, intricate and candid portrait of a family in crisis amid the turbulent fall of the Berlin Wall

In derelict Dresden a cultivated, middle-class family does all it can to cope amid the Communist downfall. This striking tapestry of the East German experience is told through the tangled lives of a soldier, surgeon, nurse and publisher. With evocative detail, Uwe Tellkamp masterfully reveals the myriad perspectives of the time as people battled for individuality, retreated to nostalgia, chose to conform, or toed the perilous line between East and West. Poetic, heartfelt and dramatic, *The Tower* vividly resurrects the sights, scents and sensations of life in the GDR as it hurtled towards 9 November 1989.

Uwe Tellkamp was born in 1968 in Dresden. After completing his military service, he lost his place to study medicine on the grounds of 'political unreliability'. He was arrested in 1989 but went on to study medicine in Liepzig, Dresden and New York, later becoming a surgeon. He has won numerous regional prizes for poetry, as well as the Ingeborg Bachmann Prize for *The Sleep in the Clocks*. In 2008, he won the German Book Prize for *The Tower*.

'A lush tapestry of characters, composed of a thousand scenes and situations, *The Tower* brings a German ghost to life . . . *The Tower* stands as a monument against forgetting' *Le Monde* 

'Memories and impressions grow wild across the lattice of the plot, bringing the symphonic book to - but never over the brink of cacophony' *The Times Literary Supplement* 'So blunt, so radical, so void of illusion' *Die Zeit* 



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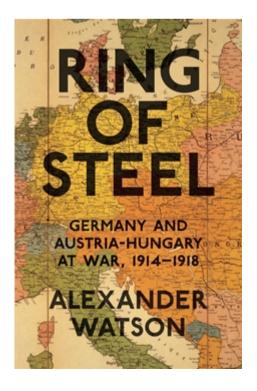
## Ring of Steel Germany and Austria-Hungary at War, 1914-1918 Alexander Watson

A major new history of the First World War that rewrites the story of the conflict from a completely new perspective

For the empires of Germany and Austria-Hungary the Great War - which had begun with such high hopes for a fast, dramatic outcome - rapidly degenerated as invasions of both France and Serbia ended in catastrophe. For four years the fighting now turned into a siege on a quite monstrous scale. Europe became the focus of fighting of a kind previously unimagined. Despite local successes - and an apparent triumph in Russia - Germany and Austria-Hungary were never able to break out of the the Allies' ring of steel.

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Alexander Watson is Lecturer of History at Goldsmiths College, University of London. He has been a Research Fellow at Clare Hall, Cambridge, a British Academy Postgraduate Fellow at the University of Cambridge and, from 2011-13, Marie Curie Inter-European Fellow at Warsaw University. His first book, *Enduring the Great War*, won the Fraenkel Prize.



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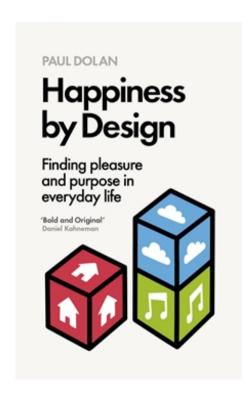
# Happiness by Design Finding Pleasure and Purpose in Everyday Life Paul Dolan

### How to design your life for happiness - by thinking less and doing more

As a Professor of Behavioural Science at the London School of Economics, Dolan conducts original research into the measurement of happiness and its causes and consequences, including the effects of our behaviour. Here he creates a new outlook on the pursuit of happiness - it's not just how you feel, it's how you act. *Happiness by Design* shows that being happier requires us to actively re-design our immediate environment. Enough has been written on how to think happy. *Happiness by Design* is about how to behave happy and how to incorporate the most recent research findings into our everyday lives.

Paul Dolan is an internationally renowned expert on happiness, behaviour, and public policy. He is currently a Professor of Behavioural Science at the London School of Economics. He has been a visiting research scholar at Princeton University, where he worked closely with Daniel Kahneman. He is a member of the US National Academy of Sciences Panel on measuring national well-being, a member of the National Wellbeing Advisory Forum for the Office for National Statistics in the UK, and is Chief Academic Advisor to the UK Government.

'Paul Dolan is a star among students of well-being. He brings to this field a rich experience in the economics of health and the measurement of health outcomes, an excellent sense for policy-oriented research, a deft psychological approach and an unusual ability to collect interesting data quickly and efficiently', Daniel Kahneman, Nobel Laureate



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# Augustus A Biography Jochen Bleicken

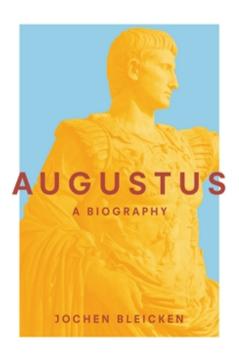
### The great modern biography of Augustus, founder of the Roman Empire

Born to a plebeian family in 63 BC, Octavian was a young soldier campaigning abroad when he heard news of Julius Caesar's brutal assassination - and discovered that he was the dictator's sole political heir. With the opportunism and instinct for propaganda that were to characterize his rule, Octavian rallied huge financial, military and political backing to eliminate his opponents, end the bloody turmoil that had so long wracked Rome and, finally, take autocratic control of a state devoted to republicanism. He became Augustus - Rome's first Emperor, and the founder of the greatest empire the world had ever seen.

In this monumental biography, translated into English for the first time by Anthea Bell, Jochen Bleicken tells the story of a man who found himself a demi-god in his own lifetime and paints a portrait of one of the most dramatic periods of Roman history.

Jochen Bleicken was born in 1926 on the island of Sylt in Germany. He studied History and Classical Philology at the universities of Kiel and Frankfurt from 1948 to 1954 before going on to work as a Professor of History at Hamburg and Frankfurt from 1962 and, from 1977, at Göttingen. In 1978, he was made a member of the Göttingen Academy of Sciences. He retired in 1991, but continued to give lectures for years thereafter, finally stopping in 1999. He died in 2005.

Anthea Bell was born in 1936. She has translated numerous literary works, especially children's literature, from French, German and Danish into English.



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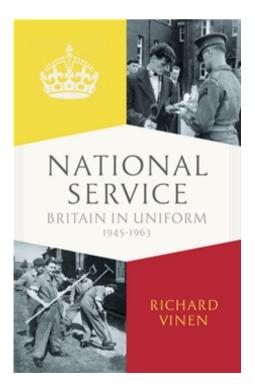
## National Service Conscription in Britain, 1945-1963 Richard Vinen

The little-known story of how national service changed millions of lives and transformed modern Britain

Richard Vinen's new book is a serious - if often very entertaining - attempt to get to grips with the reality of National Service, an extraordinary institution which now seems as remote as the British Empire itself. With great sympathy and curiosity, Vinen unpicks the myths of the two 'gap years', which all British men who came of age between 1945 and the early 1960s had to fill with National Service. Millions of teenagers were thrown together and under often brutal conditions taught to obey orders and to fight. The luck of the draw might result in two years of boredom in some dilapidated British barracks, but it could also mean being thrown into a dangerous combat mission in a remote part of the world.

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Richard Vinen is the author of the highly-praised *A History* in Fragments: Europe in the Twentieth Century, The Unfree French: Life under the Occupation (published by Penguin) and Thatcher's Britain. He is Professor of History at King's College, London.



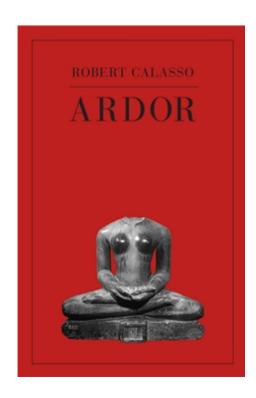
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A meditation on the ancient wisdom of the Vedas: Calasso brings ritual, sacrifice and myth to bear on the modern world

In this revelatory volume, Roberto Calasso, whom the *Paris Review* has called 'a literary institution', explores the ancient texts known as the Vedas. Little is known about the Vedic people who lived more than three thousand years ago in northern India: they left behind almost no objects, images, ruins. They created no empires. Even the hallucinogenic plant, the *soma*, which appears at the centre of some of their rituals, has not been identified with any certainty. Only a 'Parthenon of words' remains: verses and formulations suggesting a daring understanding of life.

Born in Florence, Roberto Calasso lives in Milan, where he is publisher of Adelphi. He is the author of *Tiepolo Pink*, *The Ruin of Kasch*, *The Marriage of Cadmus and Harmony*, winner of the Prix Veillon and the Prix du Meilleur Livre Etranger, *Literature and the Gods*, *Ka* and *K*.



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## The Body Keeps the Score Mind, Brain and Body in the Transformation of Trauma Bessel van der Kolk

A world expert presents a sympathetic exploration of the causes of trauma and the new treatments making it possible for sufferers to reclaim their lives

What causes people to continually relive what they most want to forget, and what treatments could help restore them to a life with purpose and joy? Here, Dr Bessel van der Kolk offers a new paradigm for effectively treating traumatic stress.

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Dr Bessel van der Kolk is one of the world's foremost experts on traumatic stress. He is the founder and medical director of the Trauma Center in Boston, USA, and director of the Complex Trauma Treatment Network. A past professor of psychiatry at Boston University Medical School, Dr van der Kolk is the author of several scholarly books and over a hundred scientific articles.



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# The English and their History Robert Tombs

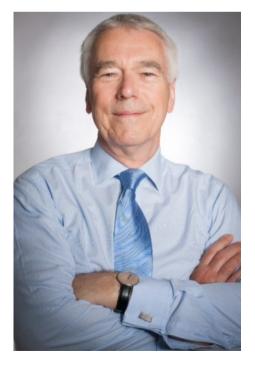
### The first full-length history of England in one volume for many decades

The English, Robert Tombs writes in his 'Prelude' to this landmark book, have acquired ancestors by legend, conquest and migration.

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This is the history of the English, and of how the stories they have told about themselves have shaped them.

Robert Tombs is Professor of History at Cambridge University. His acclaimed book *That Sweet Enemy: The French and the British from the Sun King to the Present* was published in 2006. He is one of the leading scholars of Anglo-French relations.



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# The Sense of Style The Thinking Person's Guide to Writing in the 21st Century Steven Pinker

The bestselling author of *The Language Instinct* presents a short and entertaining writing guide for the 21st century

Bad writing can't be blamed on the Internet, or on 'the kids today'. Good writing has always been hard: a performance requiring pretense, empathy, and a drive for coherence. In *The Sense of Style*, cognitive scientist and linguist Steven Pinker uses the latest scientific insights to bring us a style and usage guide for the 21st century. What do skilful writers know about the link between syntax and ideas? How can we overcome the Curse of Knowledge, the difficulty in imagining what it's like not to know something we do? And can we distinguish the myths and superstitions from rules that enhance clarity and grace? As Pinker shows, everyone can improve their mastery of writing and their appreciation of the art (yes, 'their').

An award-winning cognitive scientist and public intellectual, Steven Pinker is also Chair of the Usage Panel of the American Heritage Dictionary and the lauded author of bestsellers such as *The Language Instinct, Words and Rules, The Better Angels of Our Nature* and *The Stuff of Thought: Language as a Window into Human Nature.* He is Johnstone Family Professor in the Department of Psychology at Harvard University and lives in Boston & Truro, Massachusetts.

'Pinker's scholarship is astounding ... flawless ... masterful' *The Times* 

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It is high time - indeed, past time - for our economics to keep pace with our economy. Now, with *The Shifts and the Shocks*, it has.

Martin Wolf is Chief Economics Commentator at the *Financial Times*. He has been visiting professor at Oxford and Nottingham universities, a fellow of the World Economic Forum in Davos, and a member of the UK's Vickers Commission on Banking, which reported in 2011. His books include *Why Globalization Works* and *Fixing Global Finance*.In 2000, he was awarded the CBE for services to financial journalism, and in 2012 he received the Ischia International Journalism Award.

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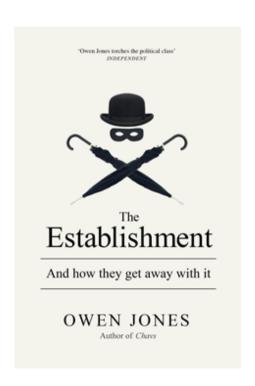
## The Establishment And How They Get Away with It Owen Jones

From the author of the acclaimed *Chavs*, a biting critique of the British Establishment and a passionate plea for democracy

Behind our democracy lurks a powerful but unaccountable network of people who wield massive power and reap huge profits in the process. In exposing this shadowy and complex system that dominates our lives, Owen Jones sets out on a journey into the heart of our Establishment, from the lobbies of Westminster to the newsrooms, boardrooms and trading rooms of Fleet Street and the City. Exposing the revolving doors that link these worlds, and the vested interests that bind them together, Jones shows how, in claiming to work on our behalf, the people at the top are doing precisely the opposite. In fact, they represent the biggest threat to our democracy today - and it is time they were challenged.

Owen Jones was born in Sheffield, grew up in Stockport, and studied history at Oxford. His first book, the international bestseller *Chavs: The Demonization of the Working Class*, was long-listed for the *Guardian* First Book Award and chosen as one of the *New York Times* top 10 non-fiction books of 2011. In 2013 he received the Young Writer of the Year prize at the Political Book Award. He is a columnist for the *Independent* and a frequent broadcaster.

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Caleb Scharf is the director of Columbia University's Astrobiology Center and the author of *Gravity's Engines*. He has written for *New Scientist*, *Science* and *Nature*, and appeared on BBC's *Horizon*. He received his PhD from Cambridge University, and now lives in New York City.

'[Gravity's Engines] is a book that is rich in the poetry of scientific language', Nicholas Lezard The Guardian (Paperback of the Week)



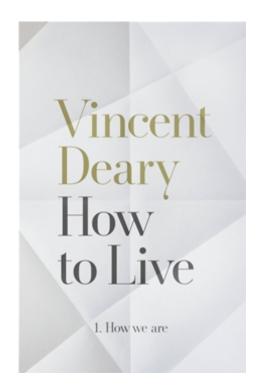
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Vincent Deary is a health psychologist at Northumbria University who specializes in helping people change their lives for the better. This is his first book.



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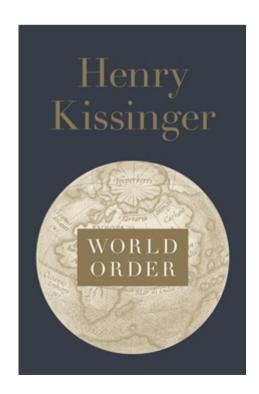
# World Order Henry Kissinger

A major new book on geopolitics by one of the world's most best-known figures

As Henry Kissinger observes in this magisterial book, there has never been a true world order. For most of history, civilizations have defined their own concepts of order, each one envisioning its distinct principles as universally relevant. Now, as international affairs take place on a global basis, these historic concepts of world order are meeting. Every region participates in questions of high policy in every other, often instantaneously - yet there is no consensus among the major actors about the rules and limits guiding this process, or its ultimate destination. The result is mounting tension.

Blending historical insight with prognostication, *World Order* is a meditation from one of our era's most prominent diplomats on the 21st century's ultimate challenge: how to build a shared international order in a world of divergent historic perspectives, violent conflict, proliferating technology and ideological extremism.

Henry A. Kissinger served as National Security Advisor and then Secretary of State under Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford, and has advised many other American presidents on foreign policy. He received the 1973 Nobel Peace Prize, the Presidential Medal of Freedom, and the Medal of Liberty. He is the author of numerous books and articles on foreign policy and diplomacy.



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Naomi Klein is an award-winning journalist, syndicated columnist and author of the #1 international bestsellers *The Shock Doctrine* and *No Logo*. She is a member of the board of directors for 350.org, a global grassroots movement to solve the climate crisis, a Puffin Foundation Writing Fellow at The Nation Institute, and a former Miliband Fellow at the LSE. She holds an honorary Doctor of Civil Laws from the University of King's College, Nova Scotia.

'[Praise for Naomi Klein's *The Shock Doctrine*]: Impassioned, hugely informative, wonderfully controversial', John le Carré

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## Germany Neil MacGregor

From the author of A History of the World in 100 Objects, this is a view of Germany like no other

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Neil MacGregor has been Director of the British Museum since August 2002. He was Director of the National Gallery in London from 1987 to 2002. His celebrated books include *A History of the World in 100 Objects*, now translated into more than a dozen languages and one of the top-selling titles ever published by Penguin Press, and *Shakespeare's Restless World*.

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# Stalin, Vol. I Paradoxes of Power, 1878-1928 Stephen Kotkin

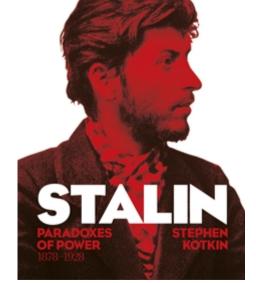
A major new biography - the story of how a petty gangster from the Caucasus became one of the most powerful and feared figures of the modern era

The product of a decade of scrupulous and intrepid research, *Stalin* contains a host of astonishing revelations. Kotkin gives an intimate new view of the Bolshevik regime's inner geography, bringing to the fore materials from Soviet military intelligence and the secret police. He explains how chaos from revolution and civil war became a permanent feature of Soviet administration, even as the regime and Stalin acquired ever more power. The book details Stalin's invention of a fabricated trial and mass executions as early as 1918, the technique he would later impose across the whole country. It places Stalin's momentous decision for collectivization more deeply than ever in the tragic history of imperial Russia. Above all, Kotkin offers a convincing explanation for the Soviet Union's enduring and monstrous power.

This book restores a sense of surprise, even wonder, to the way we think about Stalin, the twentieth century, revolution, and indeed the art of history itself.

Volume two will be published in 2016 and volume three in 2018.

Stephen Kotkin has a fair claim to be the greatest living expert on Stalin. He is the author of *Magnetic Mountain:* Stalinism as a Civilization and Armageddon Averted: The Soviet Collapse, 1970-2000. He is Professor of History at Princeton University.



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# Home A Time Traveller's Tales from Britain's Prehistory Francis Pryor

Time Team's Francis Pryor takes us on his lifetime's quest: to discover the origins of family life in prehistoric Britain

Francis Pryor's search for the origins of our island story has been the quest of a lifetime. In *Home*, the *Time Team* expert explores the first nine thousand years of life in Britain, from the retreat of the glaciers to the Romans' departure. Tracing the settlement of domestic communities, he shows how archaeology enables us to reconstruct the evolution of habits, traditions and customs. But this, too, is Francis Pryor's own story: of his passion for unearthing our past, from Yorkshire to the west country, Lincolnshire to Wales, digging in freezing winters, arid summers, mud and hurricanes, through frustrated journeys and euphoric discoveries. Evocative and intimate, *Home* shows how, in going about their daily existence, our prehistoric ancestors created the institution that remains at the heart of the way we live now: the family.

Former president of the Council for British Archaeology, Dr Francis Pryor has spent over thirty years studying our prehistory. He has excavated sites as diverse as Bronze Age farms, field systems and entire Iron Age villages. He appears frequently on TV's *Time Team* and is the author of *Seahenge*, as well as *Britain BC* and *Britain AD*, both of which he adapted and presented as Channel 4 series.

'Under his gaze, the land starts to fill with tribes and clans wandering this way and that, leaving traces that can still be seen today . . . Pryor feels the land rather than simply knowing it' *Guardian* 

'Pryor is that rare combination of a first-rate working archaeologist and a good writer, with the priceless ability of being able to explain complex ideas clearly. This is popular archaeology at its best' *The Times Higher Education Supplement* 

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## Napoleon the Great Andrew Roberts

The definitive modern biography of Napoleon - one of the non-fiction highlights of the year

It has become all too common for Napoleon Bonaparte's biographers to approach him as a figure to be reviled, bent on world domination, practically a proto-Hitler. Here, after years of study extending even to visits paid to St Helena and 53 of Napoleon's 56 battlefields, Andrew Roberts has created a true portrait of the mind, the life, and the military and above all political genius of a fundamentally constructive ruler. This is the Napoleon, Roberts reminds us, whose peacetime activity produced countless indispensable civic innovations - and whose Napoleonic Code provided the blueprint for civil law systems still in use around the world today.

It is one of the greatest lives in world history, which here has found its ideal biographer. The sheer enjoyment which this book will give anyone who loves history is enormous. Andrew Roberts is a biographer and historian of international renown whose books include *Salisbury: Victorian Titan* (winner, the Wolfson Prize for History); *Masters and Commanders*; and *The Storm of War*, which reached No. 2 on the *Sunday Times* bestseller list. Roberts is a Fellow of the Royal Societies of Literature and Arts. He appears regularly on British television and radio and writes for the *Sunday Telegraph*, *Spectator*, *Literary Review*, *Mail on Sunday* and *Daily Telegraph*.



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## On Liberty Shami Chakrabarti

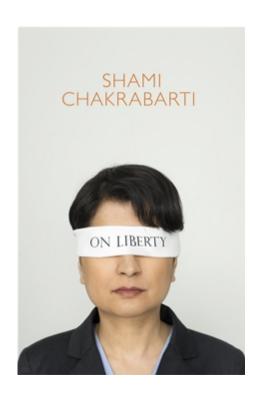
The story of today's threats to our freedoms and a highly personal, impassioned plea in defence of fundamental rights, from the director of *Liberty* 

On 11 September 2001, our world changed. The West's response to 9/11 has morphed into a period of exception. Governments have decided that the rule of law and human rights are often too costly.

In *On Liberty*, Shami Chakrabarti - who joined Liberty, the UK's leading civil rights organization, on 10 September 2001 - explores why our fundamental rights and freedoms are indispensable. She shows, too, the unprecedented pressures those rights are under today. Drawing on her own work in high-profile campaigns, from privacy laws to anti-terror legislation, Chakrabarti shows the threats to our democratic institutions and why our rights are paramount in upholding democracy.

Shami Chakrabarti CBE is director of the civil liberties advocacy organization Liberty. She was a member of the panel of the Leveson Inquiry, a judicial inquiry into phone hacking in the UK. Chakrabarti is Chancellor of Oxford Brookes University, Visiting Fellow of Nuffield College, Oxford and a Master of the Bench of Middle Temple. She was one of eight bearers of the Olympic Flag at the opening ceremony of the 2012 Summer Olympics. This is her first book.

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## Lives of the Artists, Lives of the Architects Hans Ulrich Obrist

A unique opportunity to learn about the lives and creativity of the world's leading artists

Hans Ulrich Obrist has been conducting ongoing conversations with the world's greatest living artists since he began in Switzerland, aged 19, with Fischli and Weiss. Here he chooses nineteen of the greatest figures and presents their conversations, offering the reader intimacy with the artists and insight into their creative processes. Inspired by the great Vasari, *Lives of the Artists* explores the meaning of art and artists today, their varying approaches to creating, and a sense of how their thinking evolves over time. Including David Hockney, Gilbert and George, Gerhard Richter, Michelangelo Pistoletto, Louise Bourgeois, Rem Koolhaas, Jeff Koons and Oscar Niemeyer, this is a wonderful and unique book for those interested in modern art.

Hans Ulrich Obrist is a curator and writer. Since 2006 he has been co-director of the Serpentine Gallery, London. He is the author, with Ai Wei Wei, of *Ai Wei Wei Speaks*.

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# Vivid Faces The Revolutionary Generation in Ireland, 1890-1923 R F Foster

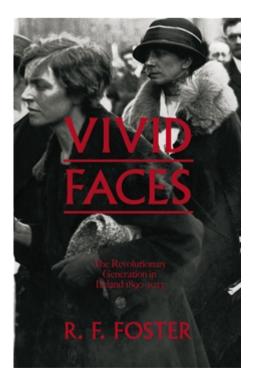
# A cultural history of the remarkable generation who before the First World War transformed Ireland

*Vivid Faces* surveys the lives and beliefs of the people who made the Irish Revolution: linked together by youth, radicalism, subversive activities, enthusiasm and love. Determined to reconstruct the world and defining themselves against their parents, they were in several senses a revolutionary generation.

The Ireland that eventually emerged bore little relation to the brave new world they had conjured up in student societies, agit-prop theatre groups, vegetarian restaurants, feminist collectives, volunteer militias, Irish-language summer schools, and radical newspaper offices. Roy Foster's book investigates that world, and the extraordinary people who occupied it.

*Vivid Faces* re-creates the argumentative, exciting, subversive and original lives of people who made a revolution, as well as the disillusionment in which it ended.

R. F. Foster is Carroll Professor of Irish History at the University of Oxford and a Fellow of Hertford College, Oxford. His books include *Modern Ireland*, 1600-1972, *Paddy and Mr Punch*, *The Irish Story*, *W. B. Yeats* (two volumes) and *Luck and the Irish*.



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# The Longest Afternoon The 400 Men Who Decided the Battle of Waterloo Brendan Simms

The true story, told minute by minute, of the soldiers who defeated Napoleon

Europe had been at war for over twenty years. After a short respite in exile, Napoleon had returned to France and threatened another generation of fighting across the devastated and exhausted continent. At the small Belgian village of Waterloo two large, hastily mobilized armies faced each other to decide the future of Europe.

Unknown either to Napoleon or Wellington the battle would be decided by a small, ordinary group of British and German troops given the task of defending the farmhouse of La Haye Sainte. This book tells their extraordinary story, brilliantly recapturing the fear, chaos and chanciness of battle and using previously untapped eye-witness reports. Through determination, cunning and fighting spirit, some four hundred soldiers held off many thousands of French and changed the course of history.

Brendan Simms is the author of *Unfinest Hour* (shortlisted for the Samuel Johnson Prize), *Three Victories and a Defeat* and the universally praised *Europe: The Struggle for Supremacy*, which was published in 2013. He is Professor of the History of International Relations at the University of Cambridge.

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Probably the most famous living philosopher on how to end the crisis of capitalism and reimagine communism

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Slavoj ?i?ek is a Hegelian philosopher, Lacanian psychoanalyst, and Communist political activist. He is the author of numerous books on dialectical materialism, critique of ideology and art. His main work is *Less Than Nothing*, a study on the actuality of Hegelian dialectics.

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# The Italians John Hooper

# A deeply knowledgeable and enjoyable account of what makes the Italians tick

Sublime and maddening, fascinating yet baffling, Italy is a country of endless paradox and seemingly unanswerable riddles. How can a nation that gave us the Renaissance have produced the Mafia? How could a people so concerned with *bella figura* have chosen Silvio Berlusconi as their leader - and not just once, but three times?

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Even readers who think they know Italy well will be surprised, challenged and delighted by *The Italians*.

John Hooper is Italy correspondent of the *Economist* and Southern Europe editor of the *Guardian* and *Observer*. He has spent more than thirty years as a foreign correspondent, reporting principally from the Mediterranean, but also on the conflicts in Northern Ireland, Kosovo and Afghanistan. His book *The Spaniards* (later revised under the title *The New Spaniards*) has established itself as a classic. *The Italians* is the fruit of more than 15 years based in Italy.

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# Empire of Cotton A New History of Global Capitalism Sven Beckert

Cotton is so ubiquitous and important as to be almost invisible and yet its story lies at the heart of the world's history and at the heart of the history of capitalism

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Sven Beckert is Laird Bell Professor of American History at Harvard University. He is also the author of *The Monied Metropolis: New York and the Consolidation of the American Bourgeoisie.* 

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# How We Got to Now The History and Power of Great Ideas Steven Johnson

The companion book to Steven Johnson's six-part television series about great ideas

How did our mastery of artificial cold help give birth to at least four million babies, create the golden age of Hollywood and unlock the secrets of the universe? And what about our battle against dirt? How did that create the flat screen and the iPhone?

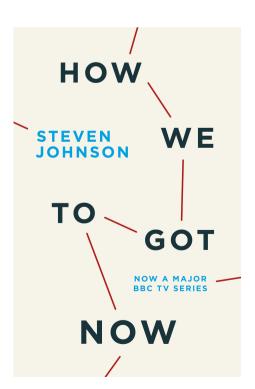
This book is a celebration of ideas: how they happen and their sometimes unintended results. Johnson shows how simple scientific breakthroughs have driven other discoveries through the network of ideas and innovations that made each finding possible. He traces important inventions through ancient and contemporary history, unlocking tales of unsung heroes and radical revolutions that changed the world and the way we live in it.

Steven Johnson is the US bestselling author of Where Good Ideas Come From, The Invention of Air, The Ghost Map, and Everything Bad Is Good for You, and is the editor of the anthology The Innovator's Cookbook. He is the founder of a variety of influential websites - most recently, outside.in - and writes for Time, Wired, The New York Times and the Wall Street Journal.

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# Playing to the Gallery Grayson Perry

Out of Grayson Perry's popular and acclaimed Reith Lectures, a book with words and images that upturns your thinking about 'art'

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From the slippery subject of quality to the problem of rebelling in a world that thrives on rebellion to the tricky question of what can or can't be a work of art, *Playing to the Gallery* hopes to give everyone the essential tools with which to understand and appreciate art.

Grayson Perry, a celebrated artist and winner of the Turner Prize, presented the Reith Lectures on BBC Radio 4 in 2013. Having had major solo exhibitions at, amongst others, The British Museum, London, the Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, the Andy Warhol Museum, Pittsburgh, and the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Japan, Perry also won a BAFTA for Best Specialist Factual Programme in 2013. His 3-part Channel 4 documentary on the creation of six new tapestries entitled 'The Vanity of Small Differences', *All in the Best Possible Taste*, was an exploration of taste and class in Britain, for which Grayson Perry was also awarded Best Presenter at the Grierson British Documentary Awards.

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# Women in Clothes Why We Wear What We Wear Edited by Heidi Julavits, Leanne Shapton, Sheila Heti

A beautifully illustrated ode to self-expression and personal style, featuring more than 225 contributors including Miranda July and Molly Ringwald

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Sheila Hetiis the author of five books, including the critically acclaimed *How Should a Person Be?*. She writes regularly for the *London Review of Books* and is an editor and interviewer at the *Believer*.

Heidi Julavitsis the author of four novels, most recently *The Vanishers*, winner of the PEN/New England Fiction Award. She is a founding editor of *The Believer* magazine and an associate professor at Columbia University.

Leanne Shapton is a Canadian illustrator, author and publisher based in New York City. She is the author of *Important Artifacts* and *Swimming Studies*, and winner of the 2012 National Book Critic's Circle Award for autobiography.

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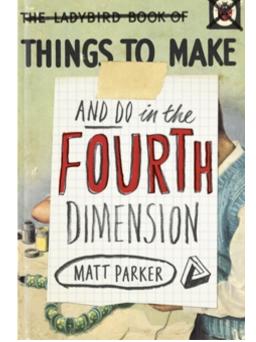
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Matt Parker is a stand-up comedian and mathematician. He writes about maths for the *Guardian*, has a maths column in the *Telegraph*, is a regular panellist on Radio 4's *The Infinite Monkey Cage*, and has performed his maths stand-up routines in front of audiences of thousands.



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Dr James Cheshire is a geographer with a passion for London and big data. His award-winning maps have appeared in the *Guardian* and the *Financial Times* as well as on his popular blog, *Mapping London*. James is currently a lecturer at University College London and a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society.

Oliver Uberti is a visual journalist, designer, and the recipient of many awards for his information graphics and art direction. From 2003 to 2012, he worked in the design department of *National Geographic*, most recently as Senior Design Editor.

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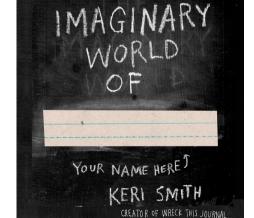
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Keri Smith is a bestselling author, illustrator and thinker. Her books demonstrate a 'learn by doing' approach, and are being used in school curriculums all over the world as a way of fostering non-traditional methods of creative exploration. She also teaches and conducts workshops based on her techniques throughout North America. Her works include Wreck this Journal, This is Not A Book, How to Be an Explorer of the World, Mess and Finish This Book, as well as Wreck This App and This is Not an App. www.kerismith.com.



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Dr Tuula Karjalainen is a Finnish art historian and non-fiction writer who has previously worked as a director of the Helsinki Art Museum and the Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma in Helsinki. As the author of Tove Jansson's biography, Karjalainen has become an expert not only on Jansson's writing and art but also on her decades of personal correspondence and journals.

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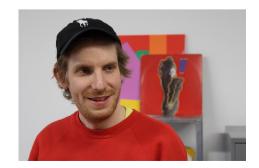
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Susan Neiman is an American moral philosopher who has taught at Yale and Tel Aviv University. She currently lives in Germany, where she is the Director of the Einstein Forum in Potsdam.



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Kingsley Chiedu Moghalu is Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of Nigeria. He was the Founder and CEO of Sogato Strategies S.A., a global strategy and risk management consulting firm in Geneva, Switzerland. He has previously worked for the United Nations for 17 years in strategic planning, legal, development finance and executive management. His previous books include *Global Justic* and *Rwanda's Genocide*.

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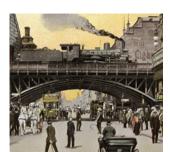
Douglas Coupland has written thirteen novels published in most languages. He has written and performed for England's Royal Shakespeare Company and is a regular columnist with the *Financial Times*.

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Hans Ulrich Obrist is a curator and writer. Since 2006 he has been co-director of the Serpentine Gallery, London. He is widely considered one of the most influential contemporary curators in the world.

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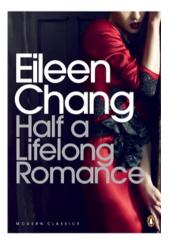


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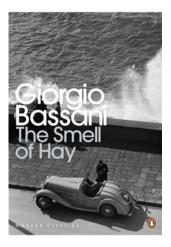


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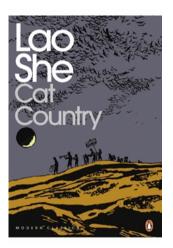


### The Smell of Hay Giorgio Bassani

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These stories of the Jewish-Italian middle class of Ferrara seen on the eve of the Fascist anti-Semitic laws have a dimension of irony as well as wasted lives. Bassani returns to the city with the narrator of *The Garden of the Finzi-Continis*, and his poignant mixture of intimacy and eloquence. Amongst some familiar places and characters from the previous novels - the Jewish Cemetery, the Lattes clan - there are glimpses of many other lives underpinned by impending tragedy. An unexpected marriage, a heated argument, a weary traveller, boredom with domestic life - each snapshot builds a vivid picture of a lost community and the intensity of their experiences, fleetingly conjured through memory.

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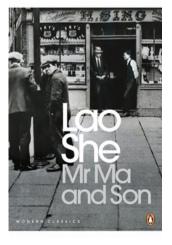
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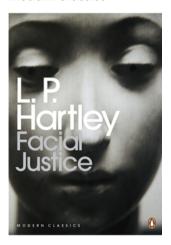
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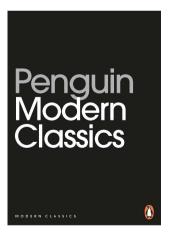
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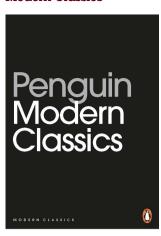
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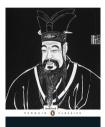
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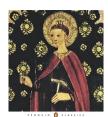
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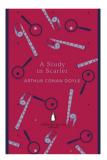
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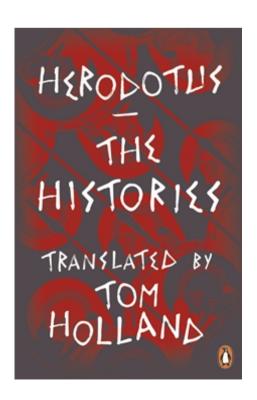
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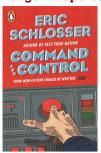


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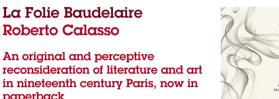
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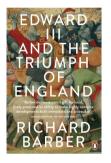
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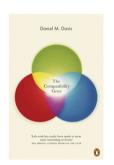
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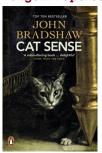
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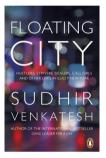
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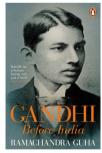
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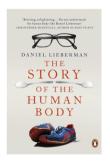
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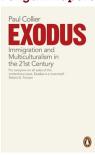
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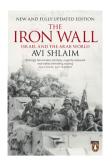


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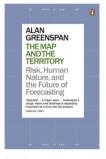
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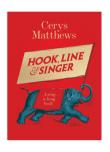
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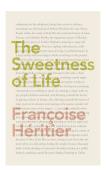
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