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Adventures of Your Brain

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In the basement of a Boston bookstore, Firmin is born in a shredded copy Finnegans Wake, nurtured on a diet of Zane Grey, Lady Chatterley's Lover, and Jane Eyre (which tastes a lot like lettuce). While his twelve siblings gnaw these books obliviously, for Firmin the words, thoughts, deeds, and hopes—all the literature he consumes—soon consume him. Emboldened by reading, intoxicated by curiosity, foraging for food, Firmin ventures out of his bookstore sanctuary, carrying with him all the yearnings and failings of humanity itself. It's a lot to ask of a rat—especially when his home is on the verge of annihilation. A novel that is by turns hilarious, tragic, and hopeful, Firmin is a masterpiece of literary imagination. For here, a tender soul, a vagabond and philosopher, struggles with mortality and meaning—in a tale for anyone who has ever feasted on a book...and then had to turn the final page. NOTE: This edition does not include illustrations.

The Art of Being Human

Two summers ago, scientists removed a tiny piece of flesh from Philip Ball's arm and turned it into a rudimentary "mini-brain." The skin cells, removed from his body, did not die but were instead transformed into nerve cells that independently arranged themselves into a dense network and communicated with each other, exchanging the raw signals of thought. This was life—but whose? In his most mind-bending book yet, Ball makes that disconcerting question the focus of a tour through what scientists can now do in cell biology and tissue culture. He shows

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how these technologies could lead to tailor-made replacement organs for when ours fail, to new medical advances for repairing damage and assisting conception, and to new ways of “growing a human.” For example, it might prove possible to turn skin cells not into neurons but into eggs and sperm, or even to turn oneself into the constituent cells of embryos. Such methods would also create new options for gene editing, with all the attendant moral dilemmas. Ball argues that such advances can therefore never be about “just the science,” because they come already surrounded by a host of social narratives, preconceptions, and prejudices. But beyond even that, these developments raise questions about identity and self, birth and death, and force us to ask how mutable the human body really is—and what forms it might take in years to come.

Human Body Adventures

Why should your little one study anatomy? Because it's a prerequisite in life that body parts are identified, along with their uses. The purpose of this coloring book is to encourage understanding of anatomy while improving memory in every stroke. Coloring has the power to make that possible because it is a unique hands-on activity that creates imprints in the brain. Secure a copy now!

The Adventure

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To test the limits of our ability to inhabit lives that are not our own, Charles Foster set out to know the ultimate other: the nonhumans. To do that, he chose five animals and lived alongside them, sleeping as they slept, eating what they ate, learning to sense the landscape through the senses they used. In this lyrical, intimate, and completely radical look at the lives of animals, Charles Foster mingles neuroscience and psychology, nature writing and memoir, and ultimately presents an inquiry into the human experience in our world, carried out by exploring the full range of the life around us.

Do No Harm

Essays discuss embalming, twins, mortality, character, the human body, child abuse, deformity, and human sexuality

God, Racing and Writing (Book Three)

Sunday Times bestseller We have a lifetime's association with our bodies, but for many of us they remain uncharted territory. In *Adventures in Human Being*, Gavin Francis leads the reader on a journey through health and illness, offering insights on everything from the ribbed surface of the brain to the secret workings of the heart and the womb; from the pulse of life at the wrist to the unique engineering of

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the foot. Drawing on his own experiences as a doctor and GP, he blends first-hand case studies with reflections on the way the body has been imagined and portrayed over the millennia. If the body is a foreign country, then to practise medicine is to explore new territory: Francis leads the reader on an adventure through what it means to be human. Both a user's guide to the body and a celebration of its elegance, this book will transform the way you think about being alive, whether in sickness or in health. Published in association with the Wellcome Collection. **WELLCOME COLLECTION** Wellcome Collection is a free museum and library that aims to challenge how we think and feel about health. Inspired by the medical objects and curiosities collected by Henry Wellcome, it connects science, medicine, life and art. Wellcome Collection exhibitions, events and books explore a diverse range of subjects, including consciousness, forensic medicine, emotions, sexology, identity and death. Wellcome Collection is part of Wellcome, a global charitable foundation that exists to improve health for everyone by helping great ideas to thrive, funding over 14,000 researchers and projects in more than 70 countries. wellcomecollection.org

Firmin

GOD, RACING AND WRITING (BOOK THREE) "A/My Holy Trinity"* "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." - Pierre Teilhard de Chardin "All traditions of culture and faith

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have tales of people breaking out of their limited viewpoint, suddenly seeing the universe in crystal clarity, as if they've unlocked the secret of life itself." This power is far more internal and integral to every living being, accessible to everyone, 'believer' or not." - fine writing by Clyde Brolin in his fascinating book OVERDRIVE; FORMULA ONE IN THE ZONE' Web site: www.overdrivef1.com " God is a 'petrol-head', but He/She/It does have a sense of humour." - Thoughts of my good micro-biologist and dentist friend, Andy "Don't bend; don't water it down; don't try to make it logical; don't edit your own soul according to the fashion. Rather, follow your most intense obsessions mercilessly." -Franz Kafka "Racing is a metaphor for life itself." -c "The Zone could simply be a gateway to the divine, one of God's methods of reminding us of His - and our - glorious power. Omnipresence means that power must be everywhere, everytime. Including the racetracks. Including today." - "People talk about the Zone as a very outward thing, but it's not." It's very spiritual. To me, the Zone is when you're operating at the intuitive level. You're not thinking about it, so it happens naturally. You're at the top of your job. You've got your emotions controlled, your energy is channelled and you're just doing it. That's the Zone. You're just doing it." from www.overdrivef1.com And all these thoughts inspired me to write this one," my "own book" thanks Clyde "Look across all sport and observe the truly great. All had this zest for combat, this taste for being truly tested. All wished to explore (and even expand) the limits of their own possibilities. Time after time we are forced to wonder why one great talent succeeds and another still greater talent falls short? The reason is not mere "the

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will to win." Rather it is the will to be tested at the very highest level. It is the ability to not only dwell on the far edge of sporting possibility, but to hold one's balance and to relish the proximity of the void." THE WILL TO WIN "To drive fearlessly to win is to win another race - the race against fear - (trophies themselves are but symbols to delight old age); To challenge your fellow man in peaceful pursuit Of courage is the epitome of courage; To lose the race with grace is the embodiment of grace itself. To triumph is to achieve glory But glory is empty without the overthrow of fear, the acquisition Of courage, of grace - For the possession of these is the true glory. Good breeding is displayed in the ability to lose well And is primarily engendered by respect: Respect is created by the acknowledgement not of the other man's shortcomings or faults But essentially the acknowledgement of his virtues - For without virtue What is man - be he on the track challenging the fates, Or on a bed of sleep? "I see the human being is an incredible machine, totally undiscovered in many ways. Every one of us has a hidden tank of energy that comes out when it is needed." -Alex Zanardi Whilst this book focusses on sport (and especially F1 motor racing), writing and spirituality, everyone on the planet has some, their own Everest to climb. "The untapped potential in every human being is limitless: we are perfectly capable of producing, all by ourselves, true magic." "Our talents are our gifts from God, but what we do with them is our gift to God." And It's up to each one of us to find, then access the magic within. That's 'true winning in the game/race of life'."

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Stuart Little 60th Anniversary Edition

In Hamster Rampage a trip to London goes horribly wrong when Ant's pet hamster accidentally grows to giant size! Max and Tiger go on a camping trip to the beach and decide to enter a surfing competition in Riding the Waves. And in Trouble in the Rockies a family holiday turns out to be more of an adventure than they'd planned! Also in this cluster, find out about some amazing animal journeys and go on a trip round the body in the two non fiction books, Incredible Journeys and Human BodyAdventures. Each book comes with notes for parents that highlight tricky words or concepts in the books, prompt questions and suggest a range of follow-up activities. The Journeys Guided Reading Notes provide step-by-step guided reading support for each book in the Journeys cluster, together with guidance about comprehension, assessment for learning and vocabulary enrichment. Hands-on follow-up activities and cross-curricular links are also provided for each book.

GoatMan

The humorous science writer offers a tour of the human digestive system, explaining why the stomach doesn't digest itself and whether constipation can kill you.

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The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time

Tired of his disconnected life and uninspiring job, Englishman Leon Logothetis leaves it all behind - job, money, home, even his cell phone - and hits the road with nothing but the clothes on his back and five dollars in his pocket. His journey from Times Square to the Hollywood sign relying on the kindness of strangers and the serendipity of the open road, inspire a dramatic and life changing transformation.

Adventures in the Bone Trade

An interactive pop-up journey all about you and your fascinating brain! Pull tabs, spin wheels, lift flaps and reveal the GIANT pop-ups to learn all you ever needed to know about how your brain works. Find out how fast neurons zip around the body carrying messages and delve into a world of external and internal senses. Explore how the brain controls every thought and every movement, even when you are asleep and dreaming. Neuroscience for beginners and much, MUCH more! With colourful, graphic illustrations, engaging bitesize facts and surprising statistics covering vital curriculum topics, you'll never look at your brain the same way again. Offering a hands-on approach to a tricky subject, this is the perfect interactive learning tool covering topics in key stage 2 Science. Find more pop-up journeys in The Adventures of Water and The Adventures of Earth. Dan Green has

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an MA in Natural Sciences from Cambridge University and has written over 35 books for children, including the Basher Science series, which has sold over 2 million copies around the world. He lives in London. www.dangreenbooks.com Sean Sims is a talented and successful designer and illustrator whose clients have included the BBC, The Guardian, The Sunday Times, Virgin and Vodafone. He lives in Brighton. <https://seansims.carbonmade.com>

The Adventures of Kalamazoo

Big worlds come in coin-sized packages. In a world ruled by money, a lone 1938 Jefferson nickel stands a penny short. Minus a cent, but having discovered within him a million bucks of fantastic, Ned Nickel sallies forth to save Coinworld from a worthless future. Shunned by his fellow coins, but sought after by dogged collectors, 4cents Ned learns that he has a most daunting destiny. With the help of a sagacious Indian nickel and a shabby and luckless Lincoln wheat penny, Ned becomes "The Four," champion of small change everywhere. Ned must navigate the ever-changing currents of commerce as he battles for justice and searches for the love of his life, a 1922 Peace Dollar named Franny. Beginning in 1949, Ned and his team of Raider Special Forces roll frolicking forward through the years in their attempt to save Coinworld-and perhaps the entire universe-from a valueless future. 4cents Ned is e pluribus awesome. The Amazing Adventures of 4cents Ned is Book One in the Coinworld

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The Sublime Engine

A paperback edition of E.B. White's classic novel about one small mouse on a very big adventure! With black and white illustrations. Stuart Little is no ordinary mouse. Born to a family of humans, he lives in New York City with his parents, his older brother George, and Snowbell the cat. Though he's shy and thoughtful, he's also a true lover of adventure. Stuart's greatest adventure comes when his best friend, a beautiful little bird named Margalo, disappears from her nest. Determined to track her down, Stuart ventures away from home for the very first time in his life. He finds adventure aplenty. But will he find his friend?

Shapeshifters

It's another Saturday night at your local pub. The lights flicker on and off. 2:00 AM again. Time to slink home, or time to get started on a new adventure? The 2 AM Principle will be your inspiration and guide to living life to the fullest. Adventures don't happen by accident - just ask Levy. Once a high school geek, Jon is now a world-traveling behaviour expert and creator of the EPIC Model of Adventure, a breakthrough four-step process for creating an unforgettable night. The 2 AM Principle is stocked with amazing stories, both outrageous and touching.

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Adventures in the Anthropocene

“It is difficult to read this engaging memoir without a smile on one’s face . . . moments of sheer joy . . . [a] mesmerizing and memorable book.” —The Economist Chosen as a Book of the Year by the Scotsman, the Financial Times, and the Sunday Herald. Gavin Francis fulfilled a lifetime’s ambition when he spent fourteen months as the base camp doctor at Halley, a profoundly isolated British research station on the Caird Coast of Antarctica—so remote that it is said to be easier to evacuate a casualty from the International Space Station than it is to bring someone out of Halley in winter. Antarctica offered a year of unparalleled silence and solitude, with few distractions and a rare opportunity to live among emperor penguins, the only species truly at home in the Antarctic. Following penguins throughout the year—from a summer of perpetual sunshine to months of winter darkness—Francis explores the world of great beauty conjured from the simplest of elements, the hardship of below-zero temperatures and the unexpected comfort that the penguin community brings. *Empire Antarctica* is the story of one man’s fascination with the world’s loneliest continent, and the emperor penguins who weather the winter with him. Includes maps and illustrations “Part travelogue, part memoir, part natural history book, a fascinating, lyrical account of one of the strangest places on earth and its majestic inhabitants.” —Esquire “Highly readable, enjoyable . . . the author writes vividly of auroras, clouds, stars, sunlight, darkness, ice and snow . . . A literate, stylish memoir of personal adventure rich in history,

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geography and science.” —Kirkus Reviews

Amazing Adventures of a Nobody

Amplifying the core spiritual teachings of The Urantia Book—a unique and thrilling revelatory book first published in 1955—this guide introduces the two central deity-personalities of the Urantia revelation: Christ Michael—Jesus—and his feminine, coequal consort, Mother Spirit. As the study relates, these two deities maintain intimate contact with their sons and daughters, demonstrating their love through an unprecedented series of teachings. In one short volume, this compilation chronicles Jesus’ own awe-inspiring lessons—updated for the 21st century—along with essential introductory and background materials. The wisdom provided here offers heartfelt instructions on the art of living, making a challenging cosmological reference concise and accessible.

The 2 AM Principle

In Mark Twain's classic tale of friendship and adventure, Huckleberry Finn escapes his evil, drunken father, befriends a runaway slave named Jim, and sails the Mississippi River! As Huck and Jim sail to freedom, they encounter con men and thieves and get in plenty of trouble along the way. Follow Huck's coming-of-age

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journey in the Calico Illustrated Classics adaptation of Twain's The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn. Calico Chapter Books is an imprint of Magic Wagon, a division of ABDO Group. Grades 3-8.

True North

"You can be lonely anywhere, but there is a particular flavor to the loneliness that comes from living in a city, surrounded by thousands of strangers. The Lonely City is a roving cultural history of urban loneliness, centered on the ultimate city: Manhattan, that teeming island of gneiss, concrete, and glass. What does it mean to be lonely? How do we live, if we're not intimately involved with another human being? How do we connect with other people, particularly if our sexuality or physical body is considered deviant or damaged? Does technology draw us closer together or trap us behind screens? Olivia Laing explores these questions by travelling deep into the work and lives of some of the century's most original artists, among them Andy Warhol, David Wojnarowicz, Edward Hopper, Henry Darger and Klaus Nomi. Part memoir, part biography, part dazzling work of cultural criticism, The Lonely City is not just a map, but a celebration of the state of loneliness. It's a voyage out to a strange and sometimes lovely island, adrift from the larger continent of human experience, but visited by many - millions, say - of souls"--

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The Magic School Bus

'Stylish and exhilarating from a wide-ranging mind and a profound humanity inspiring' Hilary Mantel 'A wonderful series of meditations - clinical, anthropological, literary and deeply humane - on his patients and their illnesses.' Henry Marsh Timely, thought-provoking and eloquent, brimming both with warmth and insight, he puts himself among the ranks of Oliver Sacks and Atul Gawande.' The Times Unreliable bodies and shifting symptoms are all in a day's work for a GP. In his years of practising, Gavin Francis has seen it all: the promising law student trapped under the spell of anorexia; the bodybuilder whose use of illegal steroids threatens his fertility; the teenager agonising over the perplexing physical dramas of puberty; and the surprisingly upbeat woman growing a horn in the centre of her forehead. In Shapeshifters he draws on his patients' bodily transformations, both welcome and unwelcome, bringing together case histories and accounts from the history of medicine, art, literature, myth and magic to show how the very essence of being human is change.

Gulp: Adventures on the Alimentary Canal

A great web of interconnecting sagas' - The Scotsman 'True North is a wonder-voyage - an immrama - out into the landscape of the northern regions, but also

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into the mindscape of those many travellers who have been drawn irresistibly northwards over the millennia. Fluent, subtle, tough and often beautiful, True North stands alongside Peter Davidson's The Idea of North and Joanna Kavenna's The Ice Museum as a significant recent addition to the Arctic canon' - Robert Macfarlane 'A deep empathy with the land and its history runs like a golden thread through every chapter of True North.' - Sara Wheeler, The Spectator Gavin Francis is an accomplished teller of traveller's tales. His nuanced, often witty, observations of the people and places he encounters mean True North really gets under the skin of Europe's magical north' - Sunday Herald The stark, vast beauty of the remote Arctic Europe landscape has been the focus of human exploration for thousands of years. In this striking blend of travel writing, history and mythology, Gavin Francis offers a unique portrait of the northern fringes of Europe. His journey begins in the Shetland Isles, takes him to the Faroes, Iceland, Greenland, Svalbard and on to Lapland. Following in the footsteps of the region's early pioneers, Francis observes how the region has adapted to the 21st century, giving an observed insight into the lives of people he encounters along the way. As with all the best travel writing, "True North" is an engaging, compassionate tale of self-discovery, whilst blending historical and contemporary narratives in the tradition of Bruce Chatwin and Robert Macfarlane.

Glad to Be Human

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From the Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Man Who Couldn't Stop*. 'Witty, sharp and enlightening . . . This book will make you smarter' Adam Rutherford. What if you have more intelligence than you realize? What if there is a genius inside you, just waiting to be released? And what if the route to better brain power is not hard work or thousands of hours of practice but to simply swallow a pill? In *The Genius Within*, bestselling author David Adam explores the ground-breaking neuroscience of cognitive enhancement that is changing the way the brain and the mind works – to make it better, sharper, more focused and, yes, more intelligent. Sharing his own experiments with revolutionary smart drugs and electrical brain stimulation, he delves into the sinister history of intelligence tests, meets savants and brain hackers and reveals how he boosted his own IQ to cheat his way into Mensa. Going to the heart of how we consider, measure and judge mental ability, *The Genius Within* asks difficult questions about the science that could rank and define us, and inevitably shape our future.

The Amazing Adventures of 4cents Ned

Kalamazoo behaves like an ordinary cat-some of the time. He purrs, bats tinfoil balls, chases birds and mice, is finicky about his food, twitches his tail, cleans himself, and sleeps a lot. But Mooze-as Jim calls his cat-buddy-also plays guitar, paints, rides a Harley, types on a laptop, and sails in the Gulf. Jim never knows what Mooze will do next. Here's a snippet from the time the two friends recreated a

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steer wrestling event they'd been watching on TV. It was Jim's turn to play the steer. Mooze wandered off to his room and took the longest time in preparation, while I put away my hat and boots. I left the shirt on since it was sweaty anyhow. I was about to call him when I heard a slurred, "Buenas tardes, amigo." He made his entrance in style, sashaying into the living room wearing the fanciest boots I'd ever seen on a cat-blackened armadillo, mind you. His little ears poked through a tiny black Stetson. Chaps with more studs than a rock star protected his rear legs. A black silk bandana circled his neck. He must have practiced the bow-legged walk, because he had it down pat, and I mean pat.

How to Grow a Human

A New York Times Bestseller Shortlisted for both the Guardian First Book Prize and the Costa Book Award Longlisted for the Samuel Johnson Prize for Non-Fiction A Finalist for the Pol Roger Duff Cooper Prize A Finalist for the Wellcome Book Prize A Financial Times Best Book of the Year An Economist Best Book of the Year A Washington Post Notable Book of the Year What is it like to be a brain surgeon? How does it feel to hold someone's life in your hands, to cut into the stuff that creates thought, feeling, and reason? How do you live with the consequences of performing a potentially lifesaving operation when it all goes wrong? In neurosurgery, more than in any other branch of medicine, the doctor's oath to "do no harm" holds a bitter irony. Operations on the brain carry grave risks. Every day,

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leading neurosurgeon Henry Marsh must make agonizing decisions, often in the face of great urgency and uncertainty. If you believe that brain surgery is a precise and exquisite craft, practiced by calm and detached doctors, this gripping, brutally honest account will make you think again. With astonishing compassion and candor, Marsh reveals the fierce joy of operating, the profoundly moving triumphs, the harrowing disasters, the haunting regrets, and the moments of black humor that characterize a brain surgeon's life. Do No Harm provides unforgettable insight into the countless human dramas that take place in a busy modern hospital. Above all, it is a lesson in the need for hope when faced with life's most difficult decisions.

The Genius Within

First published in 1995. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

Adventures in Human Being

As co-founder of the expedition that discovered Lucy, and leader of most of the first site-surveys in the Afar Depression in Ethiopia, Jon Kalb has years of experience with the region, its politics, and the scientists involved in the excavations. A participant himself in the "bone wars" that accompanied these

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discoveries, Kalb recounts the cutthroat competition and back stabbing that were often part of the media-highlighted race to find the oldest hominid fossil. He weaves this story in the rich fabric of Ethiopian society and politics, the plight of the regions peoples, and the international maneuverings for control of the fossil finds.

Notes of an Anatomist

Celebrate Life Just Because In a world so often filled with distressing news and bewildering violence, being “human” often gets a bad rap. Rejoice in everyday reasons to smile, think positively, and enjoy the gift of life. Take a walk on the bright side. In *Glad To Be Human: Adventures in Optimism*, award-winning writer Irene O’Garden reminds us of the radiance of human existence. From kitchens to gardens to busy city streets, all around, in your everyday life, you can find plenty of reasons to feel gratitude and hope, peace and joy. It’s the little things. In this collection of essays, O’Garden explores a wide range of practical reasons to celebrate life—just look closely around you. In one essay, she describes the simple pleasure that comes from clearing clutter off a desk—in another, the thrill of visiting the Statue of Liberty. The book’s grand finale is the Pushcart Prize-winning essay, “Glad To Be Human.” One simple message. Through contemplation, meditation and with literary style, *Glad To Be Human* invites readers to view life through a positive lens. From small, daily activities to journeys overseas, O’Garden

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has a knack for finding beauty and meaning in all life's adventures—even in our deepest pain and suffering—helping all of us feel glad to be human. If you enjoy Anne Morrow Lindbergh and Anne Lamott, or books like *Risking the Rapids*, *The Book of Joy*, *The Book of Delights*, and *The Gratitude Diaries*, you'll love O'Garden's *Glad to Be Human*.

The Tale of Despereaux

A human foundling child, adopted by a wood-nymph and raised by the creatures who inhabit a magical forest, grows up to be the immortal Santa Claus.

Infinite Jest

The dazzling success of *The Toaster Project*, including TV appearances and an international book tour, leaves Thomas Thwaites in a slump. His friends increasingly behave like adults, while Thwaites still lives at home, "stuck in a big, dark hole." Luckily, a research grant offers the perfect out: a chance to take a holiday from the complications of being human—by transforming himself into a goat. What ensues is a hilarious and surreal journey through engineering, design, and psychology, as Thwaites interviews neuroscientists, animal behaviorists, prosthetists, goat sanctuary workers, and goatherds. From this, he builds a goat

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exoskeleton—artificial legs, helmet, chest protector, raincoat from his mum, and a prosthetic goat stomach to digest grass (with help from a pressure cooker and campfire)—before setting off across the Alps on four legs with a herd of his fellow creatures. Will he make it? Do Thwaites and his readers discover what it truly means to be human? GoatMan tells all in Thwaites's inimitable style, which NPR extols as "a laugh-out-loud-funny but thoughtful guide through his own adventures."

The Lonely City

Pinocchio, The Tale of a Puppet follows the adventures of a talking wooden puppet whose nose grew longer whenever he told a lie and who wanted more than anything else to become a real boy. As carpenter Master Antonio begins to carve a block of pinewood into a leg for his table the log shouts out, "Don't strike me too hard!" Frightened by the talking log, Master Cherry does not know what to do until his neighbor Geppetto drops by looking for a piece of wood to build a marionette. Antonio gives the block to Geppetto. And thus begins the life of Pinocchio, the puppet that turns into a boy. Pinocchio, The Tale of a Puppet is a novel for children by Carlo Collodi is about the mischievous adventures of Pinocchio, an animated marionette, and his poor father and woodcarver Geppetto. It is considered a classic of children's literature and has spawned many derivative works of art. But this is not the story we've seen in film but the original version full of harrowing

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adventures faced by Pinnocchio. It includes 40 illustrations.

Great Science Adventures Discovering the Human Body And Senses

Agamben charts a journey that ranges from poems of chivalry to philosophy, from Yvain to Hegel, from Beatrice to Heidegger. An ancient legend identifies Demon, Chance, Love, and Necessity as the four gods who preside over the birth of every human being. We must all pay tribute to these deities and should not try to elude or dupe them. To accept them, Giorgio Agamben suggests, is to live one's life as an adventure—not in the trivial sense of the term, with lightness and disenchantment, but with the understanding that adventure, as a specific way of being, is the most profound experience in our human existence. In this pithy, poetic, and compelling book, Agamben maps a journey from poems of chivalry to philosophy, from Yvain to Hegel, from Beatrice to Heidegger. The four gods of legend are joined at the end by a goddess, the most elusive and mysterious of all: Elpis, Hope. In Greek mythology, Hope remains in Pandora's box, not because it postpones its fulfillment to an invisible beyond but because somehow it has always been already satisfied. Here, Agamben presents Hope as the ultimate gift of the human adventure on Earth.

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A Trip Through the Body

The heart has consistently captured the human imagination. It has been singled out as a cultural icon, the repository of our deepest religious and artistic impulses, the organ whose steady functioning is understood, both literally and symbolically, as the very life force itself. The Sublime Engine will explore the profound sense of awe every person feels when they ponder the miracle encased within their ribs. In this lyrical history of our most essential organ, a critically-acclaimed novelist and a leading cardiologist--who happen to be brothers--draw upon history, science, religion, popular culture, and literature to illuminate all of the heart's physical and figurative chambers. Each of the four sections-- The Ancient Heart, The Renaissance Heart, The Modern Heart, and The Future Heart--will focus on a major epoch in our understanding of the heart and the hidden history of cardiology. Erudite, witty, and enthralling, The Sublime Engine makes the heart come alive for readers.

Pinocchio, the Tale of a Puppet

A bestselling modern classic—both poignant and funny—about a boy with autism who sets out to solve the murder of a neighbor's dog and discovers unexpected truths about himself and the world. Nominated as one of America's best-loved

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novels by PBS's The Great American Read Christopher John Francis Boone knows all the countries of the world and their capitals and every prime number up to 7,057. He relates well to animals but has no understanding of human emotions. He cannot stand to be touched. And he detests the color yellow. This improbable story of Christopher's quest to investigate the suspicious death of a neighborhood dog makes for one of the most captivating, unusual, and widely heralded novels in recent years.

The Adventure of Being Human I

Follow Dan and Mya on their journey around the human body as they're shrunk using exciting new technology. Propelled around the blood stream, hurtled down windpipes and escaping from white blood cells Dan and Mya discover inside the human body.

Empire Antarctica

** Winner of Royal Society Winton Prize for Science Books 2015 ** We live in epoch-making times. The changes we humans have made in recent decades have altered our world beyond anything it has experienced in its 4.6 billion-year history. As a result, our planet is said to be crossing into the Anthropocene – the Age of

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Humans. Gaia Vince decided to travel the world at the start of this new age to see what life is really like for the people on the frontline of the planet we've made. From artificial glaciers in the Himalayas to painted mountains in Peru, electrified reefs in the Maldives to garbage islands in the Caribbean, Gaia found people doing the most extraordinary things to solve the problems that we ourselves have created. These stories show what the Anthropocene means for all of us - and they illuminate how we might engineer Earth for our future.

Being a Beast

Anthropology is the study of all humans in all times in all places. But it is so much more than that. "Anthropology requires strength, valor, and courage," Nancy Scheper-Hughes noted. "Pierre Bourdieu called anthropology a combat sport, an extreme sport as well as a tough and rigorous discipline. It teaches students not to be afraid of getting one's hands dirty, to get down in the dirt, and to commit yourself, body and mind. Susan Sontag called anthropology a "heroic" profession." What is the payoff for this heroic journey? You will find ideas that can carry you across rivers of doubt and over mountains of fear to find the the light and life of places forgotten. Real anthropology cannot be contained in a book. You have to go out and feel the world's jagged edges, wipe its dust from your brow, and at times, leave your blood in its soil. In this unique book, Dr. Michael Wesch shares many of his own adventures of being an anthropologist and what the science of human

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beings can tell us about the art of being human. This special first draft edition is a loose framework for more and more complete future chapters and writings. It serves as a companion to anth101.com, a free and open resource for instructors of cultural anthropology. This 2018 text is a revision of the "first draft edition" from 2017 and includes 7 new chapters.

Liver

A gargantuan, mind-altering comedy about the Pursuit of Happiness in America set in an addicts' halfway house and a tennis academy, and featuring the most endearingly screwed-up family to come along in recent fiction, *Infinite Jest* explores essential questions about what entertainment is and why it has come to so dominate our lives; about how our desire for entertainment affects our need to connect with other people; and about what the pleasures we choose say about who we are. Equal parts philosophical quest and screwball comedy, *Infinite Jest* bends every rule of fiction without sacrificing for a moment its own entertainment value. It is an exuberant, uniquely American exploration of the passions that make us human - and one of those rare books that renew the idea of what a novel can do.

The Life and Adventures of Santa Claus

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A special field trip on the magic school bus allows Ms. Frizzle's class to get a first-hand look at major parts of the body and how they work.

Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Ms. Hansen and the Explorers are very interested in learning—they want to know everything they can about the human body. But they aren't alone! The Zelmans, Xenia and Zeno, have come from their planet to learn about Earth's beings too! They travel into the liver's lobes to learn how the liver works to help digestion and filter out poisons from the blood. Come along as the Explorers and their favorite guests tour the human liver.

My First Human Anatomy Coloring Book

A brave mouse, a covetous rat, a wishful serving girl, and a princess named Pea come together in Kate DiCamillo's Newbery Medal-winning tale. Welcome to the story of Despereaux Tilling, a mouse who is in love with music, stories, and a princess named Pea. It is also the story of a rat called Roscuro, who lives in the darkness and covets a world filled with light. And it is the story of Miggery Sow, a slow-witted serving girl who harbors a simple, impossible wish. These three characters are about to embark on a journey that will lead them down into a

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horrible dungeon, up into a glittering castle, and, ultimately, into each other's lives. What happens then? As Kate DiCamillo would say: Reader, it is your destiny to find out. With black-and-white illustrations and a refreshed cover by Timothy Basil Ering.

The Greatest Adventures in Human Development

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