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Debut author and journalist Paola Ramos travels to near and far corners of the country in search of Latino voices that illustrate a growing movement and represent a community of young Latinos that hold more political, social and cultural relevance today than ever before.

English edition: FINDING LATINX, by Paola Ramos [Vintage, 10/20/2020]

Latinx will take millions of young Latinos --including the author herself-- on a journey of self-discovery and empowerment, shedding light on the voices that have been brewing yet overlooked for years. From Afro-Latinos to Trans-Latinos, border town Latinos to the young Cuban-Americans in Miami--this book will give life to the cryptic term 'Latinx.' Beyond immersing the reader in the subcultures and hybrids that are carrying this movement, the book will also serve as a manifesto to the 2020 presidential candidates--pointing to the voices that are not being captured by polls, statistics and stump speeches. To this day, the majority of companies, organizations and political campaigns attribute the power of young Latinos to the numbers and statistic that surround them. Latinos are the youngest demographic in the country, with an estimated 32.5 million millennials and Gen Zers across the country. Six out of ten Latinos are millennials or younger and, every single year, one million Latinos turn 18 years- old. Not only do Latino millennials have incredible political power, making up half of all Latino eligible voters, they are also one of the most valuable consumers.
Gabi Hernandez chronicles her last year in high school in her diary: college applications, Cindy's pregnancy, Sebastian's coming out, the cute boys, her father's meth habit, and the food she craves. And best of all, the poetry that helps forge her identity. A stunning YA fiction debut by Isabel Quintero.

Named to Kirkus Reviews Best Books of 2014; School Library Journal Best Books of 2014

"Meet Quintero’s ‘fat girl’ Gabi, eating and starving and fighting and writing her way through the crushing pressures of high school boy desire, religious approval and Mexican cultural taboos. I cannot think of any book today for young adults as voracious, bold, truthful and timely."

--Juan Felipe Herrera, U.S. Poet Laureate
A paradigm-shifting book that shows how dramatically our culture has come to misunderstand and undervalue introverts and gives introverts the tools to take full advantage of their strengths.

English edition: QUIET, by Susan Cain [Crown, 1/24/2012]

At least one-third of the people we know are introverts. They are the ones who prefer listening to speaking, reading to partying and who favor working on their own over brainstorming in teams. Although they are often labeled "quiet," it is to introverts that we owe many of the great contributions to society--from van Gogh's sunflowers to the invention of the personal computer. Passionately argued, superbly researched, and filled with indelible stories of real people, Quiet has the power to permanently change how we see introverts and, equally important, how they see themselves.
A fascinating posthumous collection of Carlos Ruiz Zafón's beloved stories, some of them unpublished, together for the first time in a single volume. A Vintage Espanol Trade Paperback Original.

 English translation of title: The City of Steam

A young man decides to become a writer when he discovers that his craft sparks the interest of a rich girl who has stolen his heart. An architect flees Constantinople with blueprints for an unimaginable library. A strange gentleman tempts Cervantes to write a book that has never existed. And Gaudí, arriving to a mysterious rendezvous in New York, takes pleasure in the city’s light and steam, the stuff that all cities should be made of. The echo of the characters and motifs of Ruiz Zafón’s Cemetery of Forgotten Books series resonates in these stories, collected for the first time in a single volume, and crafted by a writer whose storytelling magic has made us dream like no other.

“Anyone who enjoys novels that are scary, erotic, touching, tragic and thrilling should rush right out to the nearest bookstore and pick up The Shadow of the Wind. Really, you should.” --Washington Post Book World
Legacy, paternity. From the horrendous, to the intimate and the political, Nuestra parte de noche is an anthem to the will to live. A haunting, daring novel in which supernatural terror overlaps with the very real horrors of daily life.

English translation of title: OUR SHARE OF NIGHT

A father and son cross Argentina by car--from Buenos Aires to the Iguazu Falls in the border with Brazil. This an era of a military regime. Every few kilometers they are stopped by armed soldiers, and the tension in the air is palpable. Gaspar's father is trying to protect his son from the destiny he was granted at birth, after his mother died under mysterious circumstances, allegedly in an accident that perhaps wasn't so. Like his father, Gaspar is called to act as medium in a secret society, La Orden, whose members seek eternal life through despicable rituals. Their need for a medium is vital, but the chosen ones--those displaying special powers--are granted a cruel destiny, filled with mental and physical exhaustion. The origins of La Orden, under the command of Gaspar's family, can be traced back for centuries, when the knowledge of La Oscuridad (The Darkness) arrived from the heart of Africa to England, and from there extended to Argentina. Enriquez explores the relationship between a father and his son, the emotional weight of an atrocious legacy, and the oppression of a military dictatorship followed by the uncertain arrival of democracy and the first outbreak of AIDS in Argentina.

"Mariana Enriquez is a fascinating writer that begs to be read. Like Bolaño, she is interested in matters of life and death; her fiction impacts us with the strength of a train." --Dave Eggers, author of The Circle
Bill Gates shares what he's learned in more than a decade of studying climate change and investing in innovations to address the problems, and sets out a vision for how the world can build the tools it needs to get to zero greenhouse gas emissions.

English edition: HOW TO AVOID A CLIMATE DISASTER, by Bill Gates [Doubleday, 6/9/2020]

Bill Gates explains why he cares so deeply about climate change and what makes him optimistic that the world can prevent the worst impacts of the climate crisis. His interest in climate change is a natural outgrowth of the efforts by his foundation to reduce poverty and disease. Climate change, according to Gates, will have the biggest impact on the people who have done the least to cause it. As a technologist, he has seen first-hand how innovation can change the world. By investing in research, inventing new technologies, and by deploying them quickly at large scale, Gates believes climate change can be addressed in meaningful ways. According to Gates, "to prevent the worst effects of climate change, we have to get to net-zero emissions of greenhouse gases. This problem is urgent, and the debate is complex, but I believe we can come together to invent new carbon-zero technologies, deploy the ones we have, and ultimately avoid a climate catastrophe."
The ancient Chinese military classic that is widely admired today by both military and business strategists, now in Spanish.

The Art of War has provided leaders with essential tactical and management advice. An elemental part of Chinese culture, it has also become a touchstone in the West for achieving success, whether on the battlefield or in business. This Vintage Español edition features a brilliant new translation by Venezuelan philosopher and professor, Alejandro Bárcenas. This staple of literature will provide the reader with valuable advice to become a better leader in a sophisticated translation that makes the text even more palatable and interesting, while remaining true to its essence of efficiency and success.

"[Sun Tzu] has a reputation today at least as great as it was well over two millennia ago . . . Given the peculiarly personal acumen and insight that inform Sun Tzu's brief, sometimes enigmatic, but always practical Art of War . . . we are surely reading the words of an acutely intelligent military man with a subtle, original mind and a wealth of experience all his own." -- Peter Harris, author, professor and English translator of The Art of War
Reported on and written by Leila Cobo, Billboard's VP of Latin Music and the world's ultimate authority on popular Latin music, La formula "Despacito" is a roller coaster, behind and in front of the scenes look at the music that is currently the soundtrack of the globe.

You've heard "Despacito," the track by Luis Fonsi and Daddy Yankee, with a remix featuring Justin Bieber, as it became the most streamed song ever in the world and the longest-running on the Billboard charts, with its video becoming the first ever to hit 6 billion views on YouTube. You've no doubt also heard "Mi gente," the behemoth by J Balvin and Willy William with a remix featuring Beyonce that shattered streaming records on Spotify. And you have definitely heard "I Like It," the saucy Cardi B remake of a 1970s boogaloo hit featuring Balvin and Puerto Rican trap star Bad Bunny which, in its bilingual, multi-genre version, hit No. 1 on Billboard's Hot 100 chart. Everywhere you turn, the sounds of Latin music are playing. It has become a global phenomenon like never before, with Latin videos dominating YouTube’s global charts, an unprecedented 30 tracks in Spanish entering the Billboard Hot 100 in 2018 and a Latin song, "Despacito," becoming the most-listened to track ever. This is the ultimate insider's history of Latin music, tracking the stories behind the biggest Latin hits of the past 50 years.
A passionate and inspiring meditation on what it means to be a woman from one of the leading voices in Latin American literature, Isabel Allende.

"When I say that I was feminist in kindergarten, I am not exaggerating," begins Isabel Allende. As a child, she watched her mother, abandoned by her husband, provide for her three small children without "resources or voice." Isabel became a fierce and defiant little girl, determined to fight for the life her mother couldn’t have. As a young woman coming of age in the late 1960's, she rode the first wave of feminism. Among a tribe of like-minded female journalists, she for the first time felt comfortable in her own skin, as they wrote "with a knife between their teeth" about women's issues. She has seen what has been accomplished by the feminist movement in the course of her lifetime. And over the course of three passionate marriages, she has learned how to grow as a woman while having a partner, when to step away, and the rewards of embracing one’s sexuality. So, what do women want? To be safe, to be valued, to live in peace, to have their own resources, to be connected, to have control over their bodies and lives, and above all, to be loved. On all these fronts, there is much work to be done, and this book, Allende hopes, will "light the torch of our daughters and granddaughters with mine. They will have to live for us, as we lived for our mothers, and carry on with the work still left to be finished."
The definitive book of meditation that will help you achieve new dimensions of stress-free living, from New York Times bestselling author Deepak Chopra.

English edition: TOTAL MEDITATION, by Deepak Chopra [Harmony, 9/22/2020]

For the last thirty years, Deepak Chopra has been at the forefront of the meditation revolution in the West. Total Meditation offers a complete exploration and reinterpretation of the physical, mental, emotional, relational, and spiritual benefits that this practice can bring. Deepak guides readers on how to wake up to new levels of awareness that will ultimately cultivate a clear vision, heal suffering in your mind and body, and help recover who you really are. Readers will undergo a transformative process, which results in an awakening of the body, mind, and spirit that will allow you to live in a state of open, free, creative, and blissful awareness twenty-four hours a day. With this book, Deepak elevates the practice of meditation to a life-changing quest for higher consciousness and a more fulfilling existence. He also incorporates new research on meditation and its benefits, provides dozens of practical awareness exercises and concludes with a 52-week program of meditations to help revolutionize every aspect of your life.
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Facing self-denial, justifications, and both real and imagined obstacles, the thought process of Bucay in *Cartas para Claudia* is an invitation to look at reality as it is so we can make our own decisions. These letters, addressed to a fictional character, delve into issues of love, responsibility, happiness, loss, death, and grieving. This format allows the reader to come into contact with Bucay's direct and intimate style, his closeness and comprehensive attitude, utilizing simple but profound words with deep meaning. These words speak to us about fundamental aspects of that all human beings face in daily life. They are reflections of personal experiences that, truly, are universal.
In the search for happiness, all paths are valid and different, but they overlap at one point: the point at which every human needs to find answers to the most important existential questions. Those questions are at the very center of this insightful book by Argentinean psychiatrist Jorge Bucay.

English translation of title: THE THREE QUESTIONS

Throughout history, and regardless of the time period, culture or particular circumstances of any given society, as human beings we have asked ourselves three questions that seem to sum up the mystery of our existence. In this beautiful book, Las tres preguntas, Jorge Bucay discusses the challenges that these three essential questions present: Who am I? Where am I going? And with whom? For this therapist and writer, it is not an abstract inquiry, but a challenge that has to do with our concrete individuality. In trying to answer these questions, we are faced with a task that we are all obliged to undertake sooner or later: the definitive encounter with ourselves, with the fundamental purpose of our existence and with the process of opening ourselves up to love and finding our true life companions.
Ivy Mix, a James Beard Award-nominated bartender explores the history and culture of Latin American spirits in this stunningly photographed travelogue— with 70 irresistible cocktails featuring tequila, rum, pisco, and more.


Through its in-depth look at drinking culture throughout Latin America, this gorgeous book offers a rich cultural and historical context for understanding Latin spirits. Ivy Mix has dedicated years to traveling south and getting to know Latin culture, in part through what the locals drink. What she details in this book is the discovery that Latin spirits echo the Latin palate—which echoes Latin life—emphasizing spiciness, vivaciousness, strength, and variation. After digging into tequila and Mexico’s other traditional spirits, Ivy Mix follows the sugar trail through the Caribbean and beyond, winding up in Chile, Peru, and Bolivia, where grape-based spirits like pisco and singani have been made for generations. With more than 100 recipes that have garnered acclaim at her Brooklyn bar, Leyenda, including fun spins on traditional cocktails such as the Pisco Sour, Margarita, and Mojito, plus drinks inspired by Ivy’s travels, or tike the Tía Mía (which combines mezcal, rum, and orange curacao with a splash of lime and almond orgeat) he Sonámbula (which features jalapeño-infused tequila, lemon juice, chamomile syrup, and a dash of Peychaud’s bitters), along with mouthwatering photos and gorgeous travel images, this is the ultimate book on Latin American spirits.
An inspiring and deeply personal memoir from one of the most extraordinary entrepreneurs in Silicon Valley, who taught himself how to code as a thirteen-year-old and claimed his share of the American Dream.


As his parents watched their restaurant business collapse in the wake of the Great Recession, thirteen-year-old Michael Sayman was googling "how to code." Within a year, he had launched an iPhone app that was raking in thousands of dollars a month, enough to keep his family afloat--and in America. Entirely self-taught, Sayman headed from high school straight into the professional world, and by the time he was seventeen, he was Facebook's youngest employee ever, building new features that wowed Mark Zuckerberg. These features are now being used by more than half a billion people every day. After Sayman pushed Facebook to build its own version of Snapchat's "Stories," engagement on the platform soared across all demographics. Millions of Gen Z and Millennials returned to the app as teen engagement rose dramatically on Instagram and WhatsApp, causing a billion-dollar loss in value for Snapchat's parent company. Three years later, he jumped ship for Google. In this candid and uplifting memoir, Sayman shares the highs and lows, the successes and failures, of his remarkable journey. It tells the galvanizing story of how a young Latino, not yet old enough to drink, excelled in the cutthroat world of Silicon Valley, becoming an inspiration to thousands of kid.
Of smoke, stone, clay, silk, leather, trees, plastic and light...a journey through the life of books and those who have preserved them for over thirty centuries.

English edition: INFINITY IN A REED, by Irene Vallejo [Knopf, 10/5/2021]

This is a book about the history of books. A walk through the life of a fascinating artifact that we created so words could travel across space and time. The history of its fabrication, of all the kinds of books that we have experimented with along three centuries: books of smoke, of stone, of clay, of reeds, of silk, of leather, of trees, and the last ones to arrive--of plastic and light.

This is, above all, a book of journeys. A map that shows every stop along the battlefields of Alexander, the Villa of Papyrus at the time of the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius, the Palace of Cleopatra and the scene of the crime of Hypatia...the first known libraries and the place of calligraphy workshops, as well as the fires that burnt forbidden codex, the gulag, the library in Sarajevo and the subterranean labyrinth of Oxford discovered in 2000. This book is a thread that unites the classics with the contemporary world, connecting both with the debate of our time: Aristophanes and the judicial processes against humorists, Sappho and the literary voice of women, Tito Livio and the "fan" phenomenon, Seneca and the post-truth...
Finding Meaning

The SIXTH STAGE of GRIEF

DAVID KESSLER
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In this groundbreaking new work, David Kessler—an expert on grief and the coauthor with Elisabeth Kübler-Ross of the iconic On Grief and Grieving—journeys beyond the classic five stages to discover a sixth stage: meaning.

In this book, Kessler gives readers a roadmap to remembering those who have died with more love than pain; he shows us how to move forward in a way that honors our loved ones. Kessler’s insight is both professional and intensely personal. His journey with grief began when, as a child, he witnessed a mass shooting at the same time his mother was dying. For most of his life, Kessler taught physicians, nurses, counselors, police, and first responders about end of life, trauma, and grief, as well as leading talks and retreats for those experiencing grief. Despite his knowledge, his life was upended by the sudden death of his twenty-one-year-old son. Finding Meaning is a necessary addition to grief literature and a vital guide to healing from tremendous loss. This is an inspiring, deeply intelligent must-read for anyone looking to journey away from suffering, through loss, and towards meaning.
Thank You!