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Will synthetic intelligence evolve to reflect the best or worst of their creators? Ravenhawk, Cybercorps Corporation's rogue synthetic creation, and Viktor Chernovich, a renegade pure human, have joined a secret society known as Caïssa's Gambit to fight corrupt corporations and a government corrupted by those corporations to protect society from collapse. But another threat, once considered a mere philosophical possibility, lurks behind it all that if mishandled, could spell the end of both human and synthetic futures.

'Family Violence in a Cultural Perspective' helps students understand the complexities of defining, measuring and preventing relationship abuse from a perspective that accurately reflects contemporary cultural diversity within the USA.

A noted conflict-resolution expert explores dignity, its role in human conflict, and its power to improve relationships Drawing on her extensive experience in international conflict resolution and on insights from evolutionary biology, psychology, and neuroscience, Donna Hicks explains what the elements of dignity are, how to recognize dignity violations, how to respond when we are not treated with dignity, how dignity can

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restore a broken relationship, why leaders must understand the concept of dignity, and more. By choosing dignity as a way of life, Hicks shows, we open the way to greater peace within ourselves and to a safer and more humane world for all. For the Tenth Anniversary Edition of *Dignity*, Hicks has written a new preface that reflects on her experience helping communities and individuals understand the power of dignity and how it can lead to a more peaceful world. "Anyone who understands the importance of personal feelings and their fuel for conflict should consider *Dignity* as a powerful advisory and motivational guide."--Midwest Book Review Winner of the 2012 Educator's Award, given by the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

Americans are becoming increasingly tribalistic. It's not just Republicans vs. Democrats, it's brown vs. white, college educated vs. blue collar folks, the coasts vs. the midwest, gay vs. straight, rich vs. poor, believers in science vs. non-believers, facts vs. fake news, sexual predators vs. me-too-ers, foreign businesses vs. American businesses, Trumpists vs. never Trumpers. Why? It's easy and convenient to blame President Trump, but he is more a catalyst than a cause of the problem. He is one of the factors that are outside of us as human beings, as is income inequality, immigration, racism and advancing technology. These exogenous causes of tribalism in their various forms occupy a huge slice of the daily news cycle. Most people, if presented with the phrase "echo chamber," will associate it with left- or right-leaning media networks (MSNBC and FOX respectively). Each side broadcasts news and opinions, over and

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over, that agrees with their slant, and ignores or underrepresents views that are opposed. And we humans not only passively inhale one-sided information, we actively seek out news which is consistent with what we believe and interact with people who agree with us, whether in real life or on social media. Time and repetition harden our views. But here's the wrinkle; in general, how often do we change our minds about; anything? Not often, and only with great difficulty. We hold beliefs that are extremely resistant to change, be they related to politics and religion, devotion to a sports team or musical genre, or even favorite cuisine or style of dress. The way we humans are wired, comprised of a nexus of beliefs or constructs, self-interest honed by evolution, and logical thinking, serve to make each of us fairly predictable and not very open to change. We are, each of us, our own unique one-off echo chamber.

The Hanged Man is the twelfth card in the major arcana of the tarot pack. It represents a time of withdrawal, waiting and spiritual healing. THE HANGED MAN offers a brief, sometimes humorous, glimpse into the life of a young woman named Crystal, and individualist and a loner who believes in the mystical power of the universe. THE HANGED MAN follows her faltering transition from helpless pawn to-if not exactly an active participant in the game of life-then at least to becoming a more aware pawn. The Windwalker Serial Killer stalks the inlets of southern Maine for the next beauty to advance his collection and Special Agent Steve Williams is frustrated with always being a breath behind the slippery psychopath. Escalating the pressure, Steve's adopted

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sons, CJ and Tom Ryan, take teenage rebellion to an entirely new level, leaving Steve in an explosive situation. When the Windwalker slaughters Tom's ex-girlfriend, taking her face as a macabre trinket, Tom is found on the scene covered in her blood, with her scalped body draped across his lap. Damning evidence against him is unearthed, his father's secret identity is about to be exposed, and he's charged with Tanya's traumatic murder. To prove his innocence, their only hope is the worst-case scenario; for the Windwalker to harvest a new face.

Return to New Orleans... On the outside, she is fire and ice. But cool, calm, and collected Katrina Smith isn't all that she seems. Like a rippling pool, waves from her past continue to shake her inside. Aubrey had always been the studious one, but Katrina finds that his depth of knowledge goes far deeper than just books. He knows how to set her body ablaze while calming the storms in her sea. But can their love survive the maelstrom of trouble that finds them?

Easy to read and full of humor, this useful and entertaining guide will be invaluable to anyone working in China or with Chinese. It deals with an essential element of social codes in China: the importance of "saving face." The author brings up this sensitive subject by presenting many real life experiences and anecdotes of Chinese and foreigners (Europe and North America) interacting with each other. It provides an important tool in building good relations and efficient communication with the Chinese, offers helpful tips and provides a basic

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knowledge of the most important aspects of etiquette and customs in China. The advice offered is straightforward and easy to apply both in daily life and in business.

Taking a quizzical, philosophical look at the conundrums life places before us, the author explores paradoxical situations in philosophical dialogues geared to stimulate thought and resonate with the readers own experiences. Implications regarding politics and politicians, leadership and democracy are investigated along the way.

"We tell ourselves stories in order to live," Joan Didion observed in *The White Album*. Why is this? Michael Austin asks, in *Useful Fictions*. Why, in particular, are human beings, whose very survival depends on obtaining true information, so drawn to fictional narratives? After all, virtually every human culture reveres some form of storytelling. Might there be an evolutionary reason behind our species' need for stories? Drawing on evolutionary biology, anthropology, narrative theory, cognitive psychology, game theory, and evolutionary aesthetics, Austin develops the concept of a "useful fiction," a simple narrative that serves an adaptive function unrelated to its factual accuracy. In his work we see how these useful fictions play a key role in neutralizing the overwhelming anxiety that humans can experience as their minds gather and process information. Rudimentary

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narratives constructed for this purpose, Austin suggests, provided a cognitive scaffold that might have become the basis for our well-documented love of fictional stories. Written in clear, jargon-free prose and employing abundant literary examples from the Bible to *One Thousand and One Arabian Nights* and *Don Quixote* to *No Exit*, Austin's work offers a new way of understanding the relationship between fiction and evolutionary processes and, perhaps, the very origins of literature.

This book explains the subtle maneuvers of what researchers call "facework" and demonstrates the vital role it plays in the success or failure of cross-cultural interactions. Building on Geert Hofstede's seminal research on cultural dimensions, Merkin synthesizes more recent research in business, communication, cross-cultural psychology and sociology to offer a model for better understanding facework. Additionally, Merkin's model shows how particular communication strategies can facilitate more successful cross-cultural interactions. The first book of its kind to focus on the practical aspects of employing face-saving, it is a needed text for academics, students, and business professionals negotiating with organizations from different cultures.

What Readers and Reviewers say about *Half Baked in Taiwan*: "Entertaining, also very educational." Troy Henley, Columbus, Ohio. "*Half Baked in Taiwan* is

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worth reading. Fowler writes well she hits the nail on the head." Mat Match, Topics, (American Chamber of Commerce in Taiwan magazine.) "Well-paced, funny and all-around excellent." Francesca Kelly, Editor-in-Chief, Tales from a Small Planet "One of the few elite authors who covers Taiwan with insight and intelligence." Jeremy Teigen, University of Texas political science grad student, & former Taiwan resident "I read it in one sit...laughed myself achy." Karen Schmitt, editor New Views Southern Taiwan "Professional and highly readable." Jack Barker, editor www.travelmag.co.uk "Fowler, a world traveler and accomplished observer of human nature, has written a book that is more than just a travelogue." Joan Viener, Amazon reviewer "A humorous blend of travelogue, culture clash and fish-out-of-water tales." Chris Mautner, reviewer Harrisburg Patriot News, USA "Fowlers description is a wry take on Taiwan." John Bugbee, journalist, York Sunday News, USA "Fowler writes about her two-and-a-half years in Taiwan in a witty new book she calls Half Baked in Taiwan." Ann Diviney, Evening Sun Style Editor, USA In Half Baked in Taiwan Beth Fowler invites readers to saddle up, mount a beast called culture shock and hang on for a jolting ride. Filled with anecdotes of an Americans experience of life in Taiwan, the episodes are about everything from the seemingly mundane task of mailing a letter in a foreign land to the fated moment when Fowler concludes that the so-

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called Westernization of Asia is a terribly misleading exaggeration. "The overall experience of being a Westerner living in Taiwan can cause one to feel a vast range of emotions. From the very start Half Baked in Taiwan is exceedingly humorous, insightful, and easy to relate to. I found myself laughing so much that my co-workers took notice," says Steven Aukstakalnis, expatriate and editor based in Taiwan. Hear that noise? Thats the crunch of two cultures clashing. Taiwans culture is quintessentially Chinese. Saving face, Chinese Lunar New Year, Chinese cuisine and the exacting social art of gift-giving are just a few of the Asian customs to which visiting Westerners must adapt themselves, for if they dont, they risk constantly being at odds with their hosts, hosts like Jane Lan, a Taiwan native with strong opinions. Jane provides an Oriental counterpoint to Fowlers Yankee perspective. Mr. and Mrs. Tsai, who are so Asian theyve shunned adopting Western first names, introduce Fowler and her husband to the Taiwan that tourists usually skim over. Taiwan, a republic whose leaders proclaim it is Asias leading democracy while fearing military attack from Mainland China, is home to unique cultural quirks unparalleled in any other Asian country. Millions of stray dogs patrol the streets and the betel nut industry wreaks environmental, human and social damage. On the aesthetic front, Taiwanese puppet theater endures as a cultural heritage handed down from generation to

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generation. With Fowler as a guide, readers will meet aboriginal children, attend a wedding, meet a sexy woman with prescient knowledge, and zip around the Republic on an "iron horse." Even supposedly simple tasks like buying a bunch of broccoli at the local "wet market" become, for the half-baked foreigner, a mind-shifting experience worth writing home about. Learning to be a foreigner entails making mistakes. Constantly. Some people emerge out the other end of the cross-cultural gauntlet with a broader, more tolerant view of the world and its inhabitants. Other people come off the expatriate experience with jingoistic bitterness. And yet others "go native." People wanting

This work aims to prepare readers to make sound ethical decisions in multi-cultural business situations. It features an introduction to background on the cultural sciences and analytical approaches from the field of ethics.

A boy on the roof. A house in shambles. A new baby. A lawsuit. Just when Cassie--an idealistic new lawyer and mother of three-- thinks she's getting it all under control, the police arrest her husband for a crime he didn't commit. Cassie and her family prepare for a courtroom showdown, solve a few mysteries--and discover the reason for all those lawyer jokes. A story of raising children, legal ethics, and fixing what is broken. Teri Kanefield's awards and distinctions include the 2015 Jane Addams Children's Book Award for *The Girl From The Tar Paper*

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School.

True confessions of a real-life high school student on the cusp of a new millennium. On the eve of the year 2000, high school student Giselle struggles with spirituality, ambiguous friendships, a family dealing with the aftermath of substance abuse, and deepening feelings of attraction toward her English teacher, a married man more than twice her age. Over the course of one school year, she shifts from seeing Lawrence as a father figure to falling obsessively in love. Is Giselle making a total fool of herself, or will her teacher return her affection? Having an affair with a student would easily cost Lawrence his career, his wife, and his kids, not to mention his sanity. Will a by-the-books teacher sacrifice everything to indulge Giselle's teenage crush? LIKE IT'S 1999 is the actual, unabridged, honest-to-god diary of a teenager in love with her teacher. Panarat Vipala treats her sweet and innocent daughter (Toy) to an unexpected 17th birthday present a one-way bus trip from up-country Isaan to Pattaya, where she is put to work as a bar girl. A few years later, when Australian holiday-maker Andrew McKinnon meets Toy in a Pattaya bar, he ignores his instincts and falls in love with the bar girl. Soon after, Andrew and Toy team up and the couple travel north to Toy's home province of Udon Thani, and what starts out as an idyllic romance quickly turns into a journey through a cultural minefield. McKinnon

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encounters age-old customs and traditions as he bids to be accepted into Toy's family circle. Meanwhile, the lovers are forced to tread a wary line between non-interference and rescue when McKinnon's best mate, Todd Walsh, falls for Bee, a beautiful Pattaya bank manager operating a cunning real estate scam. Against an emotional background of sex, greed, corruption and intrigue, a Bangkok psychic called Sukanya, and a natural disaster play roles in Andrew's and Toy's determination to hold onto true love and to save McKinnon's Aussie mate from financial disaster.

A comfortable retirement on a fixed income in a warm, safe, friendly country? Where can I retire like that? In Thailand, where the Government's retirement services are designed for people on fixed incomes like Social Security. But can you retire on Social Security alone? Well, rents here run from \$80--\$280/mo., eating out 3x day costs \$8 -- total, and a large bottle of premium beer is \$1.70. The warm weather encourages T-shirts and shorts year-round, the people are the friendliest on earth, and the streets are safe, even late at night. In the book you'll learn.. * How to live in comfort and beauty on a fixed income...starting now * Why your income doubles when you get to Thailand (hint: buying power) * How much you'll pay for quality for medical and dental care * How to earn money legally in Thailand the moment you arrive * How to understand Thai culture and

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fit in * How to use the Thai Government retirement services * How to pay for your entire trip and your accommodation * How to save 50% on your air fare Plus Useful Charts, Step-by-step Checklists, Detailed Budgets that fit Social Security incomes, and Helpful Guides to Preparing and Moving to Thailand. And you'll receive up-to-date maps, useful reviews and smart tips to help you get started. Amazingly comprehensive and extremely helpful. I worked out a detailed budget before I left home. -- Krisztina Perematon, Berkeley, CA, USA. I wish I'd read 'How to Retire in Thailand' before I started planning my retirement. I would have cashed out much sooner. -- Steve Parkes, Goulburn, Australia Unless your pension's over a40,000 you ought to read this book. It opened our eyes to possibilities we never dreamed of. -- Alpin McDowell, Glasgow, UK. Godfree Roberts earned his doctorate from UMass, Amherst, has lived in five countries and holds citizenship in two. He retired in Thailand for its combination of culture and cost. He founded ThailandRetirementHelpers.com to help others do the same. Readable, practical, brief: Save years of time and \$1000s. Download your copy now. A Simple Program for Social Security Retirees Wanting Fun, Money, Freedom and a Better Life -- by Godfree Roberts, Ed.D. 140 pages. This trusted practitioner resource and course text is grounded in James Morrison's experience with more than 15,000 mental health patients. Morrison

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provides a complete framework for interviewing adult patients about their current symptoms, personal and family history, mental status, behavioral risks, and other relevant issues. He offers guidance for selecting the best strategy for any clinical situation, building rapport, overcoming common challenges, and communicating findings. Appendices include a detailed semistructured interview and a self-assessment tool for interviewers, both with permission to photocopy. Purchasers also get access to a Web page where they can download and print the reproducible materials in a convenient 8 1/2" x 11" size. New to This Edition
*Revised throughout for DSM-5. *Updated resources and suggested readings. See also Morrison's DSM-5? Made Easy, which explains DSM-5 diagnoses in clear language, illustrated with vivid case vignettes; Diagnosis Made Easier, Second Edition, which offers principles and decision trees for integrating diagnostic information from multiple sources; and The Mental Health Clinician's Workbook, which uses in-depth cases and carefully constructed exercises to build the reader's diagnostic skills.

This handbook brings together past and current research on all aspects of lying and deception, with chapters contributed by leading international experts in the field. We are confronted daily with cases of lying, deception, bullshitting, and 'fake news', making it imperative to understand how lying works, how it can be

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defined, and whether it can be detected. A further important issue is whether lying should always be considered a bad thing or if, in some cases, it is simply a useful instrument of human cognition. This volume is the first to offer a comprehensive and up-to-date exploration of these and other issues from the combined perspectives of linguistics, philosophy, and psychology. Chapters offer precise definitions of lying and its subtypes, and outline the range of fields in which lying and deception play a role, from empirical lie detection and the acquisition of lying to its role in fiction, metaphor, and humour. They also describe the tools and approaches that are used by scholars researching lying and deception, such as questionnaire studies, EEG, neuroimaging, and the polygraph. The volume will be an essential reference for students and researchers in a range of fields who are looking to deepen their understanding of all aspects of lying and deception, and will contribute to establishing the vibrant new field of interdisciplinary lying research.

An inside look at young Iranians navigating poverty and stigma in a time of crisis In *Coming of Age in Iran*, Manata Hashemi takes readers inside the lives of Iranian youth. Drawing on first-hand accounts, Hashemi shows how the young Iranian men and women known as the “burnt generation”—those between the ages of 15 and 29, who came of age after Iran’s 1979 Islamic Revolution—face

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their future prospects. With a compassionate eye, Hashemi paints a nuanced portrait of their day-to-day struggles in Iran. Hashemi spent months with these youth, observing them at bazaars, hair salons, parks, and mosques, tutoring them in English and sharing meals in their family homes. Many young Iranian men and women are jobless, living with their parents, and delaying marriage, ultimately failing to meet what they consider the traditional benchmarks of adulthood. Hashemi follows their stories, one by one, as they try to climb up the proverbial ladder of success. *Coming of Age in Iran* sheds light on the inner lives of a new generation of Iranian youth as they struggle in the face of ongoing economic crisis.

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Military doctrine currently provides guidance on various methods to train host-nation security forces (FM3-24); yet U.S. advisors typically have little training in teaching methods, particularly in a cross-cultural environment. This report presents a conceptual framework that identifies individual advisor and counterpart differences, as well as the situational and cultural factors that impact the success and failure of training, coaching, or mentoring. The report includes a comprehensive literature review and data from iterative interviews with host nationals, military transition team members, cross-cultural

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education experts, and educators and trainers from the United States, Afghanistan, Iraq, and the Horn of Africa. It also includes recommendations that outline innovative methods for training military advisors to more effectively teach and coach their counterparts in a cross-cultural setting. To provide effective advising to host nationals, advisors need expertise in two areas: (1) cross-cultural competencies related to teaching and learning, and (2) cross-cultural teaching strategies. Key cross-cultural competencies pertinent to the military advisor are identified and include understanding the cross-cultural teaching/advising relationship, culturally relevant curriculum and methods, cross-cultural communication, and effective cross-cultural assessment. The report also includes a discussion of structural barriers to effective advising, and recommendations for developing a cross-cultural teaching and training curriculum for Soldiers.

Discover Your Truths & Fulfill Your Dreams If you have ever doubted yourself, your life's path, beliefs, or questioned what is True, prepare to illuminate the path to Your Personal Truth. This is the best path. It is the one you are called for and that you must go on, or you will be left feeling unfulfilled, as if you missed out on something essential from life. We all have our unique journey to live, and nothing is more worthy than pursuing this path for yourself. The point of this book is not to impose any particular beliefs, ideas, philosophies, or Truths on you. Instead, the focus is on helping you find your truth in a way that allows you to achieve your dreams and goals. Can you think of

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something that you know to be True without any doubt? When you know something to be True, it becomes a deep part of your life, and you know it to be true with your thoughts, feelings, beliefs, experience, logic, and intuition, then you can get to a point where no one can take this Truth away from you. The only one who can release yourself from an old Truth that is no longer working and replace it with a new and more valid one is yourself. With Your Personal Truth, you can regain control of your life's direction and take the power you have always had but perhaps never realized, which is the power to determine what is true for you and what is not. Ultimately, Truth is a journey, not a destination. When you choose to walk this path, you will unlock deeper parts of yourself, discover your highest ideals and values, find purpose, and live by your truth with every thought and action. Internationally bestselling author I. C. Robledo discovered that his path was to seek Truth at 16 years of age. Since then, he has been searching for truth, and now he wishes to teach you how to discover Your Personal Truth. This endeavor has led to meaning, a transcendent level of awareness and understanding, self-knowledge, and the ability to focus on worthy paths and avoid false ones. Inside, you will learn to: - Discover your truths, rather than waiting for someone to give them to you, which would be a mistake - Identify critical values that are worth living by (with a list of 100 values to consider) - Unlock the deepest parts of yourself by remembering, uncovering, recovering, discovering, and creating yourself - See that there are infinite truths in the universe, and we must choose the ones that work for us -

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Communicate with a version of yourself that is 20-30 years older (via an imaginative exercise) to help unlock your best life path - Perceive a scale of lies, and see that some lies are worse than others - Test your truths to see which ones are valid and which ones were just faulty assumptions - Move toward the paths that lead to confidence, awareness, happiness, and growth, and move away from the paths that lead to negativity, pain, and feelings of being lost. This book is a one-of-a-kind practical resource for better living. At the end of every chapter, you will find key questions and an activity to ensure that you benefit from the lessons. Learn to live by your Truth and become the best version of yourself with Your Personal Truth. Pick up your copy today by scrolling to the top of the page and clicking BUY NOW.

Deception and truth-telling weave through the fabric of nearly all human interactions and every communication context. The Palgrave Handbook of Deceptive Communication unravels the topic of lying and deception in human communication, offering an interdisciplinary and comprehensive examination of the field, presenting original research, and offering direction for future investigation and application. Highly prominent and emerging deception scholars from around the world investigate the myriad forms of deceptive behavior, cross-cultural perspectives on deceit, moral dimensions of deceptive communication, theoretical approaches to the study of deception, and strategies for detecting and deterring deceit. Truth-telling, lies, and the many grey areas in-between are explored in the contexts of identity formation,

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interpersonal relationships, groups and organizations, social and mass media, marketing, advertising, law enforcement interrogations, court, politics, and propaganda. This handbook is designed for advanced undergraduate and graduate students, academics, researchers, practitioners, and anyone interested in the pervasive nature of truth, deception, and ethics in the modern world.

Former Secret Service agent and star of Bravo's *Spy Games* Evy Poumpouras shares lessons learned from protecting presidents, as well insights and skills from the oldest and most elite security force in the world to help you prepare for stressful situations, instantly read people, influence how you are perceived, and live a more fearless life. *Becoming Bulletproof* means transforming yourself into a stronger, more confident, and more powerful person. Evy Poumpouras—former Secret Service agent to three presidents and one of only five women to receive the Medal of Valor—demonstrates how we can overcome our everyday fears, have difficult conversations, know who to trust and who might not have our best interests at heart, influence situations, and prepare for the unexpected. When you have become bulletproof, you are your best, most courageous, and most powerful version of you. Poumpouras shows us that ultimately true strength is found in the mind, not the body. Courage involves facing our fears, but it is also about resilience, grit, and having a built-in BS detector and knowing how to use it. In *Becoming Bulletproof*, Poumpouras demonstrates how to heighten our natural instincts to employ all these qualities and move from fear to fearlessness.

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Faces are all around us and fundamentally shape both everyday experience and our understanding of people. To lose face is to be alienated and experience shame, to be en faced is to enjoy the fullness of life. In theology as in many other disciplines faces, as both physical phenomena and symbols, have not received the critical, appreciative attention they deserve. This pioneering book explores the nature of face and enfacement, both human and divine. Pattison discusses questions concerning what face is, how important face is in human life and relationships, and how we might understand face, both as a physical phenomenon and as a series of socially-inflected symbols and metaphors about the self and the body. Examining what face means in terms of inclusion and exclusion in contemporary human society and how it is related to shame, Pattison reveals what the experience of people who have difficulties with faces tell us about our society, our understandings of, and our reactions to face. Exploring this ubiquitous yet ignored area of both contemporary human experience and of the Christian theological tradition, Pattison explains how Christian theology understands face, both human and divine, and the insights might it offer to understanding face and enfacement. Does God in any sense have a physically visible face? What is the significance of having an en faced or faceless God for Christian life and practice? What does the vision of God mean now? If we want to take face and defacing shame seriously, and to get them properly into perspective, we may need to change our theology, thought and practice - changing our ways of thinking about God and about

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theology.

In his highly acclaimed and best-selling novel *The Dinosaur Club*, William Heffernan turned the world of corporate greed and downsizing on its head in what *USA Today* called a 'page turner' and a 'funny and witty tale'. Now, Pulitzer Prize-nominee Heffernan takes readers behind the scenes at a major New York newspaper. Set against the backdrop of the '70s, when a bankrupt town danced its nights away to a disco beat and attack journalism was born, *Cityside* brings to life the eccentric, endearing and devious cast of characters that populate a big-city newsroom. The study of human stupidity is not a new science but it certainly makes fascinating reading. An interesting thing about the human race is that if there is a way to screw up, someone will eventually stumble upon it. Enter the fool. By the author of the Pattaya best seller *Money Number One* and the updated *Money Still Number One*, this the sequel to *A Fool in Paradise*, adding a further 32 stories to the colourful tapestry that is Pattaya, Thailand. In the opinion of many people including the author, Pattaya is the most wonderful place on the planet. As with *A Fool in Paradise*, the stories are all true or based on true events. 'A Brief History of Pattaya' takes a lighthearted look at what the history books don't tell you whereas 'Miss Goodbar' offers advice to foreign men on how to choose, woo and cohabit with their Thai dream girl. 'Boys at Play' is the unofficial, unauthorized and unholy account of one holiday of lifetime. When you take six mischievous Aussie mates, add ten days of unsupervised freedom and put them

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together in South East Asia's number one party town, you get a true adventure of unbelievable proportions; full of fun, laughter, love, sex and tragedy. Why tragedy? Because none of them could ever speak about it, except amongst themselves. Apart from one photograph, this remains the only record of their tale. So pull up a chair, take your shoes off and relax. For your reading pleasure, *The Fool is Back!*

In addition to the connections between home life, social life and professional activities, Cynthia Stohl says we must pay attention to the linkages that individuals develop and maintain within their organizational contexts.

Organizational Communication illustrates the ways in which today's changing social patterns, the increasing diversity of the workforce, the introduction of new communication technologies, and the challenges of global integration and competition, create organizational and interpersonal networks that are intricately interwoven. By reframing the network metaphor, the author challenges readers to examine the ways in which organizational communication is always embedded in, and influenced by, overlap

Organizations now need to attract, retain, and motivate teams and employees across distance, time zones, and cultural differences. Building authentic and lasting human relations may be the most important calling for leaders in this century. According to management and global leadership specialist Maya Hu-

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Chan, the concept of “saving face” can help any leader preserve dignity and create more empathetic cross-cultural relationships. “Face” represents one's self-esteem, self-worth, identity, reputation, status, pride, and dignity. Saving face is often understood as saving someone from embarrassment, but it's also about developing an understanding of the background and motivations of others to discover the unique facets we all possess. Without that understanding, we risk causing others to lose face without even knowing it. Hu-Chan explains saving face through anecdotes and practical tools, such as her BUILD leadership model (Benevolence, Understanding, Interacting, Learning, and Delivery). This book illustrates how we can give face to create positive first impressions, avoid causing others to lose face, and, most importantly, build trust and lasting relationships inside and outside the workplace.

Tiger Mom. Asian patriarchy. Model minority children. Generation gap. The many images used to describe the prototypical Asian family have given rise to two versions of the Asian immigrant family myth. The first celebrates Asian families for upholding the traditional heteronormative ideal of the “normal (white) American family” based on a hard-working male breadwinner and a devoted wife and mother who raises obedient children. The other demonizes Asian families around these very same cultural values by highlighting the dangers of excessive

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parenting, oppressive hierarchies, and emotionless pragmatism in Asian cultures. *Saving Face* cuts through these myths, offering a more nuanced portrait of Asian immigrant families in a changing world as recalled by the people who lived them first-hand: the grown children of Chinese and Korean immigrants. Drawing on extensive interviews, sociologist Angie Y. Chung examines how these second-generation children negotiate the complex and conflicted feelings they have toward their family responsibilities and upbringing. Although they know little about their parents' lives, she reveals how Korean and Chinese Americans assemble fragments of their childhood memories, kinship narratives, and racial myths to make sense of their family experiences. However, Chung also finds that these adaptive strategies come at a considerable social and psychological cost and do less to reconcile the social stresses that minority immigrant families endure today. *Saving Face* not only gives readers a new appreciation for the often painful generation gap between immigrants and their children, it also reveals the love, empathy, and communication strategies families use to help bridge those rifts.

Little fixes for life's BIG faux pas Figuring out which salad fork to use is a relative no-brainer, but what's the protocol for using a lockless bathroom or getting caught regifting? *Saving Face* daringly examines dozens of our worst-case social

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scenarios. Using helpful illustrations and a "toolbox" of general techniques and technologies, you'll learn what to do if caught: Arriving without a gift Forgetting a name Being served horrible food Starting or ending a workplace romance Sitting next to your boss on a plane Mistakenly thinking someone's coming on to you Clogging someone else's toilet Getting rid of guests Leaving a bad phone message From the office to the dining room to the appearance of freeloading cousins at your doorstep, you'll confidently turn snafus into saves and finesse those social situations once destined for disaster.

Imagine yourself without a face—the task seems impossible. The face is a core feature of our physical identity. Our face is how others identify us and how we think of our 'self'. Yet, human faces are also functionally essential as mechanisms for communication and as a means of eating, breathing, and seeing. For these reasons, facial disfigurement can endanger our fundamental notions of self and identity or even be life threatening, at worse. Precisely because it is so difficult to conceal our faces, the disfigured face compromises appearance, status, and, perhaps, our very way of being in the world. In *Saving Face*, sociologist Heather Laine Talley examines the cultural meaning and social significance of interventions aimed at repairing faces defined as disfigured. Using ethnography, participant-observation, content analysis, interviews, and

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autoethnography, Talley explores four sites in which a range of faces are “repaired:” face transplantation, facial feminization surgery, the reality show *Extreme Makeover*, and the international charitable organization Operation Smile. Throughout, she considers how efforts focused on repair sometimes intensify the stigma associated with disfigurement. Drawing upon experiences volunteering at a camp for children with severe burns, Talley also considers alternative interventions and everyday practices that both challenge stigma and help those seen as disfigured negotiate outsider status. Talley delves into the promise and limits of facial surgery, continually examining how we might understand appearance as a facet of privilege and a dimension of inequality. Ultimately, she argues that facial work is not simply a conglomeration of reconstructive techniques aimed at the human face, but rather, that appearance interventions are increasingly treated as lifesaving work. Especially at a time when aesthetic technologies carrying greater risk are emerging and when discrimination based on appearance is rampant, this important book challenges us to think critically about how we see the human face.

It’s time to take our lives back from a world of narcissism, entitlement, and toxic relationships. “Don’t You Know Who I Am?” has become the mantra of the famous and infamous, the entitled and the insecure. It’s the tagline of the

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modern narcissist. Health and wellness campaigns preach avoidance of unhealthy foods, sedentary lifestyles, tobacco, drugs, and alcohol, but rarely preach avoidance of unhealthy, difficult or toxic people. Yet the health benefits of removing toxic people from your life may have far greater benefits to both physical and psychological health. We need to learn to be better gatekeepers for our minds, bodies, and souls. Narcissism, entitlement, and incivility have become the new world order, and we are all in trouble. They are not only normalized but also increasingly incentivized. They are manifestations of pathological insecurity—insecurities that are experienced at both the individual and societal level. The paradox is that we value these patterns. We venerate them through social media, mainstream media, and consumerism, and they are endemic in political, corporate, academic, and media leaders. There are few lives untouched by narcissists. These relationships infect those who are in them with self-doubt, despair, confusion, anxiety, depression, and the chronic feeling of being “not enough,” all of which make it so difficult to step away and set boundaries. The illusion of hope and the fantasy of redemption can result in years of second chances, and despondency when change never comes. It’s time for a wake-up call. It’s time to stem the tide of narcissism, entitlement, and antagonism, and take our lives back.

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