

Milioni Di Farfalle

Una storia della vita - dai fringuelli di Darwin ai "giardini pensili" delle foreste pluviali - dipinta in tutta la sua bellezza e molteplicità, in buona parte ancora sconosciuta. Un libro che è anche un manifesto per la salvaguardia dell'infinita varietà delle specie, sempre più a rischio a causa dell'uomo. Un classico della letteratura scientifica che ha imposto definitivamente all'attenzione del mondo il concetto di biodiversità, quella ricchezza rappresentata dal patrimonio genetico delle diverse forme di vita e dagli habitat in cui esse vivono, ridisegnando alla fine del secolo scorso le basi della biologia della conservazione. E che oggi si rivela di inquietante attualità. Il vento è aria in movimento. Watson inizia con la più semplice delle definizioni per poi sfociare in una vertiginosa serie di spiegazioni, fatti, mini storie e contemplazioni cosmiche: come questo evento atmosferico porta la vita nel mondo distribuendo calore ed energia, influenzando i fenomeni meteorologici, favorendo la riproduzione delle piante e la migrazione di molti animali, modificando il paesaggio e agendo sui comportamenti dell'uomo. Giunto alla quarta edizione negli Stati Uniti, Storia del vento è la prima analisi completa, esauriente e ampiamente informativa di tutti gli aspetti che caratterizzano uno dei più affascinanti elementi della natura, tanto più curioso in quanto privo di corporeità e di sostanza, ma indispensabile per la vita sul nostro pianeta. Dopo aver esaminato la geografia e la fisiologia del vento, mostrando in quanti modi disparati questo soffio invisibile abbia formato qualcosa a partire dal nulla, l'autore si sofferma sulla storia: ci sono venti, ad esempio, famosi per aver cambiato l'esito di battaglie decisive... Intriganti e originali sono anche i capitoli dedicati alla mitologia, al folclore, alle credenze religiose, così come il percorso tra le opere d'arte e le pagine che

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vedono il vento quasi come una forza spirituale capace di farci riflettere più attentamente sui mutamenti radicali del clima e della società. Chiudono il tutto un "Dizionario dei venti" e un'appendice con la mappa dei venti d'Italia.

Prophecy is prologue England, 1775. An ambitious American pushes his expedition onward despite dire warnings from the locals. But what Benjamin Franklin discovers on the Isle of Wight isn't just superstition. It's a secret with the power to save the world—or destroy it. In less than four hundred days, most of the world's population will be dead. Nobody knows why, only when: February 9, 2027. Retired FBI Special Agent Will Piper is one of the few who will live "Beyond the Horizon." Fifteen years ago, he revealed the prophecy to the world after the hunt for a madman led him to the mystical Library of Vectis, now housed at Area 51, in an unmarked location in the Nevada desert. Will is determined to live out his days in the Florida sun . . . even as the world sinks into hedonism and despair . . . even as the Doomsday Killer's ominous calling cards resurface . . . until the apocalypse threatens the one thing Will won't compromise on: his own flesh and blood.

BOHEMIA, 1741 On the northern banks of the Vltava River, an extraordinary event is taking place. Inside a private chapel, a high-born Hungarian lady is being laid to rest. But not before her heart is removed from her body, and she is buried beneath a layer of heavy stones - lest she rise again to prey upon her victims ... VENICE, 2010 Holidaying in the world's most beautiful city, Chris Bronson and Angela Lewis discover a desecrated tomb. Inside it is a female skeleton and an arcane diary dating back hundreds of years. Written in Latin, it references a scroll that will provide an 'answer' to an ancient secret. Soon corpses of young women, all killed in the same ritualistic manner, start appearing throughout the city. And when

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Angela disappears, Bronson knows that he must find her before she too is slaughtered. But Bronson's hunt for Angela leads him back to the Island of the Dead, and into a conspiracy more deadly than he could ever have imagined ...

È il romanzo di un viaggio attraverso un paese narrato dalla gente, dainnumerevoli personaggi: bevitori incontrati in vivacissime bettole, autisti disquinternate corriere lanciate per migliaia di chilometri tra selve e deserti,meccanici-filosofi e gommisti-antropologi, vecchi indios dalla saggezza velatadi ironia, giovani teppisti delle bande metropolitane o allevatori di galli dacombattimento che si rivelano custodi di antiche tradizioni. Un caleidoscopio dicomparsesullo sfondo di un Messico sornione, sempre pronto a infiammarsi senzapreavviso, capace di stupire il viandante a ogni angolo di strada. Pino Cacucci osserva, ascolta, registra, reinventa, guidato dalla certezza che le stori tramandate sono più vere della storia ufficiale." "Beh,' come diceva Harold Pinter, 'macché New York o Parigi: quando voglio respirare cultura vera e rinnovare le energie intellettive, vado a Città del Messico'."

Looks at the experiences of people who have had near death experiences and compares it to religious and philosophical beliefs about the afterlife from around the world.

Fra i molteplici obiettivi della serie di monografie dedicata alla soluzione economica di moltissimi piccoli e grandi problemi pratici che possono rendere più vivibile e confortevole un appartamento, il tema che viene sviscerato in profondità sotto tutti gli aspetti nelle quasi 1200 pagine di testo in quadricromia parte da un preciso interrogativo: con quali caratteristiche si può tentare di realizzare o ristrutturare un'abitazione in modo che sia comodamente fruibile per tutte le età, su tutto l'arco della vita, da quando si è appena nati fino alla vecchiaia più avanzata? L'obiettivo di questa monografia è rivolto all'esame delle caratteristiche del

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patrimonio abitativo esistente in Italia e del livello di accessibilità posseduto dalle diverse tipologie di unità abitative, indipendentemente dal livello costruttivo. Infatti, non sono poche le abitazioni che non possiedono sufficiente accessibilità anche a livello medio alto. La rapida crescita del numero delle persone anziane - e conseguentemente dei soggetti che accusano problemi di salute e perdono in minore o maggiore quantità l'autosufficienza - porrà l'assistenza sanitaria nazionale nell'impossibilità di poterli assistere tutte quante nei centri pubblici come le RSA. I costi dell'assistenza domiciliare salgono a fronte di scarsi livelli di accessibilità, ma per un numero sempre più rilevanti di persone anziane o diversamente abili con basso o insufficiente reddito gli interventi di modifica delle condizioni della propria abitazione risulteranno sempre più inaffrontabili. L'approfondito esame delle attività abitative permette di determinare quali sono le soglie accettabili di funzionalità dei singoli ambienti di un'abitazione. La loro identificazione permette di determinare le soluzioni correttive da apportare e, nel caso di nuove costruzioni, quali sono i parametri da applicare per ottenere sufficienti risultati di accessibilità, funzionalità e usabilità dei singoli ambienti. Le caratteristiche abitative ottimali sono definibili in primo luogo quando raggiungibilità e prensione dei singoli oggetti presenti e necessari per poter espletare le normali attività quotidiane. Si analizzano i criteri dell'organizzazione funzionale degli spazi domestici e si descrivono alcune simulazioni propedeutiche che il progettista dovrebbe fare per potersi immedesimare con cognizione di causa nelle esigenze dei soggetti anziani e soprattutto di quelli che devono vivere nella propria abitazione, suggerendo come attuare numerosi piccoli interventi correttivi economici nelle strutture esistenti e come evitare errori progettuali per quelle da realizzare.

Description: Includes: 4 German stamps, 1 Hong Kong stamp; 3 German medical tags;

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one blank Soldiers' Small book. Also paper col. lapel pins in support of various causes and associations - Sailors Society, Royal National Life-Boat Institution, Woolwich Hostel for Girls, Fund for Wounded Soldiers, Seamen's and Miller Hospitals; YMCA Hut Day, Lord Roberts Memorial Fund, Help Russia, flags. Also two metal pins with flags and 2 ribbons (red, white and blue combined); metal Machine Gun Officer's protractor with cord and case.

Offers simple, step-by-step instructions for drawing such cheerful figures as flowers, birds, mandalas, cats, and hot air balloons, with ideas for colorful fill-patterns to customize the drawings.

Contains a collection of short satirical works, including "The Red Bow," in which a town is consumed by pet-killing hysteria, and "Bohemians," in which two Eastern European widows attempt to fit into suburban America.

"Miracles from Heaven is a powerful, healing story about family, love, faith, and hope. It amazed me and it will inspire readers everywhere.---T.D. Jakes, bestselling author of Destiny In a remarkable true story of faith and blessings, a mother tells of her sickly young daughter, how she survived a dangerous accident, her visit to Heaven and the inexplicable disappearance of the symptoms of her chronic disease. Annabel Beam spent most of her childhood in and out of hospitals with a rare and incurable digestive disorder that prevented her from ever living a normal, healthy life. One sunny day when she was able to go outside and play with her sisters, she fell three stories headfirst

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inside an old, hollowed-out tree, a fall that may well have caused death or paralysis. Implausibly, she survived without a scratch. While unconscious inside the tree, with rescue workers struggling to get to her, she visited heaven. After being released from the hospital, she defied science and was inexplicably cured of her chronic ailment. Miracles from Heaven will change how we look at the world around us and reinforce our belief in God and the afterlife.

Dr. Eben Alexander, author of international phenomenon Proof of Heaven, shares the next phase of his journey to understand the true nature of consciousness and how to cultivate a state of harmony with the universe and our higher purpose. In 2008, Dr. Eben Alexander's brain was severely damaged by a devastating case of bacterial meningitis, and he lapsed into a weeklong coma. It was almost certainly a death sentence, but he miraculously survived and brought back with him an astounding story. During those 7 days in coma, he was plunged into the deepest realms of consciousness and came to understand profound truths about the universe we inhabit. What he learned changed everything he knew about the brain, mind, and consciousness and drove him to ask a question confounding the entire scientific community: How do you explain the origins of consciousness if it is not a byproduct of the brain? His challenge relates to a revolutionary shift now underway within our modern scientific understanding. Ultimately, direct experience is key to fully understanding how we are all connected through the binding force of unconditional love

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and its unlimited power to heal. In *Living in a Mindful Universe*, the New York Times bestselling author of *Proof of Heaven* and *The Map of Heaven* shares his insights into the true nature of consciousness. Embracing his radically new worldview, he began a committed program of personal exploration into nonlocal consciousness. Along the way, he met Karen Newell, who had spent most of her lifetime living the worldview he had only just discovered was possible. Her personal knowledge came from testing various techniques and theories as part of her daily routine. With *Living in a Mindful Universe*, they teach you how to tap into your greater mind and the power of the heart to facilitate enhancement of healing, relationships, creativity, guidance, and more. Using various modalities related to meditation and mindfulness, you will gain the power to access that infinite source of knowing so vital to us all, ultimately enriching every facet of your life.

A rabbit named Nicholas describes his favorite activities in the forest during each of the seasons.

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In this truly inspirational memoir, Anita Moorjani relates how, after fighting cancer for almost four years, her body began shutting down—overwhelmed by the malignant cells spreading throughout her system. As her organs failed, she entered into an extraordinary near-death experience where she realized her inherent worth . . . and the actual cause of her disease. Upon regaining consciousness, Anita found that her condition had improved so rapidly that she was released from the hospital within weeks—without a trace of cancer in her body! Within these pages, Anita recounts stories of her childhood in Hong Kong, her challenge to establish her career and find true love, as well as how she eventually ended up in that hospital bed where she defied all medical knowledge. As part of a traditional Hindu family residing in a largely Chinese and British society, Anita had been pushed and pulled by cultural and religious customs since she was a little girl. After years of struggling to forge her own path while trying to meet everyone else's expectations, she had the realization, as a result of her epiphany on the other side, that she had the power to heal herself . . . and that there are miracles in the Universe that she'd never even imagined. In *Dying to Be Me*, Anita freely shares all she has learned about illness, healing, fear, "being love," and the true magnificence of each and every human being! This is a

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book that definitely makes the case that we are spiritual beings having a human experience . . . and that we are all One!

New York Times bestseller "Neal combines spiritual reflection with medical facts to create lessons that are profound and eminently practical. . . an inspiring work any believer can enjoy." --Publishers Weekly In this inspired follow-up to her million-copy bestseller, *To Heaven and Back*, Dr. Mary Neal shares untold stories about her encounters with Jesus and powerful insights about how the reality of heaven can make each day magnificent. Dr. Mary Neal's unforgettable account of a 1999 kayaking accident that took her life, and what happened next, has riveted more than a million readers. But something happened as she shared her story in the years since. Not only did Neal realize she had more to tell, she discovered she had yet to answer the biggest question of all: How does knowing heaven is real change our lives on Earth? "I have never finished speaking at a venue, including corporate settings, without people wanting to know more," says Dr. Neal. In *7 Lessons From Heaven*, Neal takes readers deeper into her experience, which includes encounters with angels, a journey to a "city of light," and what it was like to meet Jesus face-to-face. Even more, Neal shares how she was sent back with the absolute knowledge that the God we hope for--the one who knows us, loves each of us as though we are the only one, and wants us to

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experience joy in our daily life--is real and present. She offers practical insights and inspiration for how each of us can experience this God every day and begin living without regret, worry, anxiety, or fear.

As a cardiologist, Pim van Lommel was struck by the number of his patients who claimed to have near-death experiences as a result of their heart attacks. As a scientist, this was difficult for him to accept: Wouldn't it be scientifically irresponsible of him to ignore the evidence of these stories? Faced with this dilemma, van Lommel decided to design a research study to investigate the phenomenon under the controlled environment of a cluster of hospitals with a medically trained staff. For more than twenty years van Lommel systematically studied such near-death experiences in a wide variety of hospital patients who survived a cardiac arrest. In 2001, he and his fellow researchers published his study on near-death experiences in the renowned medical journal *The Lancet*. The article caused an international sensation as it was the first scientifically rigorous study of this phenomenon. Now available for the first time in English, van Lommel offers an in-depth presentation of his results and theories in this book that has already sold over 125,000 copies in Europe. Van Lommel provides scientific evidence that the near-death phenomenon is an authentic experience that cannot be attributed to imagination, psychosis, or oxygen deprivation. He

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further reveals that after such a profound experience, most patients' personalities undergo a permanent change. In van Lommel's opinion, the current views on the relationship between the brain and consciousness held by most physicians, philosophers, and psychologists are too narrow for a proper understanding of the phenomenon. In *Consciousness Beyond Life*, van Lommel shows that our consciousness does not always coincide with brain functions and that, remarkably and significantly, consciousness can even be experienced separate from the body.

Paris, today: The Museum of Broken Promises is a place of hope and loss. Every object in the museum has been donated - a cake tin, a wedding veil, a baby's shoe. And each represents a moment of grief or terrible betrayal. Laure, the owner and curator, has also hidden artefacts from her own painful youth amongst the objects on display. 1985: Recovering from the sudden death of her father, Laure flees to Prague. But she cannot begin to comprehend the dark political currents in this communist city - until she meets a young dissident musician. Her love for him, however, will have terrible and unforeseen consequences. It is only years later, having created the museum, that Laure can finally face up to her past and celebrate the passionate love which has directed her life.

«Con il suo nuovo romanzo, Barbara Kingsolver ci offre un'intensa narrazione

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arricchita da un pressante messaggio sociale... un grido d'allarme sui cambiamenti climatici, un quadro lucido e vigoroso che neppure i più scettici riusciranno a ignorare». Publishers Weekly «Barbara Kingsolver ha scritto un romanzo di grande intelligenza sulle implicazioni scientifiche, economiche e psicologiche dei cambiamenti climatici. E l'idea di porre la bellezza mozzafiato delle farfalle al centro di questa vicenda è a dir poco geniale». Washington Post From the director of research at the Institute of Noetic Sciences (IONS)--a nonprofit parapsychological research institute cofounded by astronaut Edgar Mitchell--this groundbreaking guide explores the cutting-edge science behind channeling, and offers powerful tools to help you hone your own abilities. Do you have an event in your life that can't be explained? Perhaps it presented itself as a feeling of intuition, an image, a sense of knowing, or even a full-blown premonition. You may have felt judged when you told someone about it, or even wondered, "did that really happen, or did I just imagine it?" Chock-full of cutting-edge research, this guide will show you just how common this type of phenomenon is--and how you can fine-tune your unique abilities to add richness and depth to your life. In *The Science of Channeling*, scientist and author Helané Wahbeh will show you how to identify and target your own channeling skills, process the channeled information you receive, and use your unique gift to

improve your life--and the world around you. You'll find detailed information about different channeling types, including mind-to-mind communication, your intention affecting matter, and sensing the future. And finally, you'll discover a wealth of physiological studies pertaining to the science of channeling, providing ample evidence that channeling is a real phenomena and insights into how it works. If you're ready to explore the power of channeling, or are looking to strengthen the skills you already have, this guide has everything you need to get started today. Il fascino dell'Oriente non può che attirare la mia attenzione, pregna di filosofie di vita, semplici e pratiche. Come un amore che mai si estingue, la gioia di immergersi nel respiro dell'Oriente, ha continuato a nutrirmi come un infante che desidera conoscere sempre più, i misteri della vita. Spero che giunga a voi tutti, il calore del suo cuore nella fresca rugiada del mattino.

Con la sua testimonianza ha dato speranza a milioni di persone e convinto anche i più scettici. Adesso il neurochirurgo che ha detto: "Il Paradiso esiste, ci sono stato" continua la sua ricerca sui misteri dell'Aldilà. E ci offre una nuova, sconvolgente prospettiva sulla nostra esistenza. Dopo lo straordinario successo internazionale di Milioni di farfalle, Eben Alexander è stato contattato da moltissime persone che erano state toccate personalmente dalla sua storia e che a loro volta avevano esperienze analoghe da condividere. Esperienze di vita oltre la vita, visioni di un altro mondo pieno

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di pace e amore incondizionato. La mappa del Paradiso parte da queste testimonianze e le unisce a quelle di colleghi scienziati e grandi saggi di ogni tempo, per mostrarci con sorprendente chiarezza una nuova, sconvolgente prospettiva sull'Aldilà. Il neurochirurgo che con la sua testimonianza di vita oltre la vita ha convinto anche i lettori più scettici dà in queste pagine un potente messaggio di speranza, e ci porta a vedere quale grande destino è riservato alle nostre anime, ben oltre la piccola e limitata esperienza terrena. Eben Alexander è un affermato neurochirurgo e da quindici anni è anche professore alla Harvard Medical School di Boston. Il suo libro Milioni di farfalle (Mondadori 2013) è stato un caso internazionale. Ptolemy Tompkins è uno scrittore e giornalista americano.

First published in 1943, *The Little Prince* by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry has been translated into more than 250 languages, becoming a global phenomenon. The Sahara desert is the scenery of Little Prince's story. The narrator's plane has crashed there and he has scarcely some food and water to survive. Trying to comprehend what caused the crash, the Little Prince appears. The serious blonde little boy asks to draw him a sheep. The narrator consents to the strange fellow's request. They soon become friends and the Little Prince informs the pilot that he is from a small planet, the asteroid 325, talks to him about the baobabs, his planet volcanoes and the mysterious rose that grew on his planet. He also talks to him about their friendship and the lie that evoked his journey to other planets. Often puzzled by the grown-ups' behavior, the little

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traveler becomes a total and eternal symbol of innocence and love, of responsibility and devotion. Through him we get to see how insightful children are and how grown-ups aren't. Children use their heart to feel what's really important, not the eyes. Heart-breaking, funny and thought-provoking, it is an enchanting and endlessly wise fable about the human condition and the power of imagination. A book about both childhood and adulthood, it can be read as a parable, a war story, a classic children's fairy-tale, and many more things besides: *The Little Prince* is a book for everyone; after all, all grown-ups were children once.

"Mi ritrovai in un mondo completamente nuovo. Il mondo più bello e più strano che avessi mai visto... Luminoso, vibrante, estatico, stupefacente. C'era qualcuno vicino a me: una bella fanciulla dagli zigomi alti e dagli occhi intensi. Eravamo circondati da milioni di farfalle, ampi ventagli svolazzanti che si immergevano nel paesaggio verdeggiante per poi tornare a volteggiare intorno a noi. Non fu un'unica farfalla ad apparire, ma tutte insieme, come un fiume di vita e colori che si muoveva nell'aria." Queste sono alcune delle parole usate da Eben Alexander, neurochirurgo e professore alla Medical School dell'università di Harvard per descrivere il Paradiso. Il dottor Alexander è uno scienziato che non ha mai creduto alla vita dopo la morte eppure è toccato a lui esserne testimone. Nel 2008 ha contratto una rara forma di meningite e per sette giorni è entrato in coma profondo che ha azzerato completamente l'attività della sua corteccia cerebrale. In pratica il suo cervello si è completamente spento,

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eppure una parte di lui era ancora vigile e ha intrapreso uno straordinario viaggio verso il Paradiso. Al suo risveglio il dottor Alexander era un uomo diverso, costretto a rivedere le sue posizioni profondamente razionali sulla vita e sulla morte: esiste una vita oltre la vita, esiste il Paradiso ed è un luogo d'amore e meraviglia. Milioni di farfalle è la testimonianza di questa incredibile esperienza. È un libro rivoluzionario in grado di mettere in discussione anche il più scettico dei lettori.

Tanjiro's sword is still not ready. The swordsmith Haganezuka tries to concentrate on finishing while Tanjiro and his friends engage the two upper-rank demons, Hantengu and Gyokko, in a ferocious battle. Hantengu continues to create different forms to attack the Demon Slayers. Meanwhile, the Mist Hashira Tokito regains his memories of the past and confronts Gyokko, but what will these memories reveal? -- VIZ Media

The Most Compelling Scientific Evidence for Life Beyond Death Ever Compiled

Evidence of the Afterlife shares the firsthand accounts of people who have died and lived to tell about it. Through their work at the Near Death Experience Research Foundation, radiation oncologist Jeffrey Long and his wife, Jody, have gathered thousands of accounts of near-death experiences (NDEs) from all over the world. In addition to sharing the personal narrative of their experiences, visitors to the website are asked to fill out a one hundred-item questionnaire designed to isolate specific elements of the experience and to flag counterfeit accounts. The website has become the largest NDE research database in the world, containing over 1,600 NDE accounts.

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The people whose stories are captured in the database span all age groups, races, and religious affiliations and come from all over the world, yet the similarities in their stories are as awe-inspiring as they are revealing. Using this treasure trove of data, Dr. Long explains how medical evidence fails to explain these reports and why there is only one plausible explanation—that people have survived death and traveled to another dimension.

From the author of *Pretty as a Picture*, a sensational thriller featuring an unforgettable heroine who just might have murdered her mother • Winner of the Strand Critics Award for Best First Novel • Nominated for the Barry and Macavity Awards for Best First Novel • Longlisted for the CWA John Creasy (New Blood) Dagger Award “Quick-witted and fast-paced.” —People magazine “A really gutsy, clever, energetic read, often unexpected, always entertaining.” —Kate Atkinson “This is an all-nighter . . . The best debut mystery I’ve read in a long time.”—Tana French Former “It Girl” Janie Jenkins is sly, stunning, and fresh out of prison. Ten years ago, at the height of her fame, she was incarcerated for the murder of her mother, a high-society beauty known for her good works and rich husbands. Now, released on a technicality, Janie makes herself over and goes undercover, determined to chase down the one lead she has on her mother’s killer. The only problem? Janie doesn’t know if she’s the killer she’s looking for. Janie makes her way to an isolated South Dakota town whose mysteries rival her own. Enlisting the help of some new friends (and the town’s wary police chief), Janie follows

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a series of clues—an old photograph, an abandoned house, a forgotten diary—and begins to piece together her mother’s seemingly improbable connection to the town. When new evidence from Janie’s own past surfaces, she’s forced to consider the possibility that she and her mother were more alike than either of them would ever have imagined. As she digs tantalizingly deeper, and as suspicious locals begin to see through her increasingly fragile facade, Janie discovers that even the sleepest towns hide sinister secrets—and will stop at nothing to guard them. On the run from the press, the police, and maybe even a murderer, Janie must choose between the anonymity she craves and the truth she so desperately needs. A gripping, electrifying novel with an ingenious and like-it-or-not sexy protagonist, *Dear Daughter* follows every twist and turn as Janie unravels the mystery of what happened the night her mother died—whatever the cost.

An examination and exploration into the research of near-death experiences with supporting research in the fields of medicine, psychiatry, and sociology.

Questo è il diario di Maria Stella, la mamma di Francesca, sottratta all'affetto dei suoi cari e alla sua irrefrenabile voglia di vivere da un tumore a soli 28 anni. Coloro che muoiono, però, non sono degli assenti, sono degli invisibili e la morte, secondo il pensiero buddista, è soltanto il punto di partenza verso una prossima esistenza, non spezza i legami d'amore. Se non fosse così, la vita stessa non avrebbe alcun senso. Le persone che hanno conosciuto Francesca e le hanno voluto bene possono

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riconoscere i segni della sua presenza, ascoltarla attraverso il loro cuore. Lei c'era e continua a esserci, come energia pura d'amore, a dialogare e sostenere ogni giorno i suoi cari, a mandare loro dei segni, dei messaggi. Francesca è nell'aria: è profumo, essenza... e mancanza. Chi l'ha amata, i genitori, il fratello, tanti amici devono imparare a vivere senza vederla fisicamente, ma questo non equivale a dimenticarla o a smettere di amarla, perché la vita e l'amore sono più di quello che possiamo vedere con gli occhi e toccare con le mani.

Shares an account of his religiously transformative near-death experience and revealing week-long coma, describing his scientific study of near-death phenomena while explaining what he learned about the nature of human consciousness.

One of the 20th century's enduring works, *One Hundred Years of Solitude* is a widely beloved and acclaimed novel known throughout the world, and the ultimate achievement in a Nobel Prize-winning career. The novel tells the story of the rise and fall of the mythical town of Macondo through the history of the Buendía family. It is a rich and brilliant chronicle of life and death, and the tragicomedy of humankind. In the noble, ridiculous, beautiful, and tawdry story of the Buendía family, one sees all of humanity, just as in the history, myths, growth, and decay of Macondo, one sees all of Latin America. Love and lust, war and revolution, riches and poverty, youth and senility -- the variety of life, the endlessness of death, the search for peace and truth -- these universal themes dominate the novel. Whether he is describing an affair of passion or

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the voracity of capitalism and the corruption of government, Gabriel García Márquez always writes with the simplicity, ease, and purity that are the mark of a master. Alternately reverential and comical, *One Hundred Years of Solitude* weaves the political, personal, and spiritual to bring a new consciousness to storytelling. Translated into dozens of languages, this stunning work is no less than an accounting of the history of the human race.

In the tradition of Ira Levin's *A Kiss Before Dying* and Donna Tartt's *The Secret History* comes a suspenseful thriller from the international bestselling author of *The Bronze Horseman*—an utterly captivating story about four Ivy League students whose bizarre friendship leads to a twisted maze of secrets, lies, betrayal, and murder. As the star player of Dartmouth College's women's basketball team, Kristina Kim is beautiful, intelligent, and fearless. But though she's just 21, Kristina has already had her share of heartache, loss, and dark secrets that haunt her. She's best friends with Conni, Albert, and Jim, but the only one who seems to really know her is Albert. With long dark hair, tattoos, and a rebellious streak, Albert doesn't fit in with the rest of the clean-cut Ivy Leaguers. Like Kristina, he has his share of secrets—secrets that are beginning to unravel this intimate circle of friends. One wintry Thanksgiving weekend tragedy strikes... When Detective Spencer O'Malley goes to investigate something suspicious at the foot of a steep hill on Dartmouth's campus, he doesn't expect that the frozen, naked body found in deep snow would belong to Kristina Kim—the remarkable young

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woman he met recently who entranced him. Now Spencer will never know if the chemistry he had with her was real. All he can do is find her killer. Spencer is pulled into the strange, complex web of the surviving friends. Many important questions about Kristina's murder cannot be answered, such as: why did none of them report her missing for nine days before her body was discovered? The more Spencer digs, the more clear it becomes that each of the three has a motive for killing Kristina. And as Spencer, seeking justice for a dead girl, is led down a labyrinth of deceit, every new revelation proves more shocking than the last...and more dangerous. "Simons handles her characters and setting with a certain skill, creating mystery from the ordinary, protected lives of these Ivy League kids, slowly peeling away their deceptions to reveal denial, cowardice, and chilling indifference...an engrossing story."—Publishers Weekly

In this fascinating and moving memoir, sisters Jacky and Madeline share the communications they have received from their beloved father, Ron, since he passed away in February 2008. Ron reaches out to them from 'the other side' to show his family that there most certainly is life after death. Ron visits family and friends in dreams, shows them the future in visions, and plays havoc with door bells, light switches and alarms. He reaches out to them to prove that he is safe in the afterlife, and to offer reassurance and guidance from beyond. This extraordinary book shows that this life is not the end, and that happiness can be found in the afterlife. It is a touching and emotional tribute to their father that will offer comfort and hope to anyone

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who has lost someone they love.

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