The Patience Stone

Atiq Rahimi 2010-01-19 “For far too long, Afghan women have been faceless and voiceless. Until now. With The Patience Stone, Atiq Rahimi gives voice to one unforgettable woman-und, one could argue, offers her as a proxy for the grievances of millions...it is a rich read, part allegory, part tale of retribution, part an exploration of how love, sex, marriage, war. It is without doubt an important and courageous book.”

From the introduction by Khalid Hosseini, author of The Kite Runner and A Thousand Splendid Suns in Persian folklore, Synergy Sabor is the name of a magical black stone, a patience stone, which allows the holder to control people. In the story, Afghan woman Dastaguir, a poor farmer who lost her husband in the war, is unable to control people, so she decides to steal another stone from the very same man who destroyed her life. She then sells the偷石 to a woman who suffers from a rare disease and is desperate for a cure. Dastaguir, who has no idea what she’s doing, ends up with the stone, which transforms her life. She now has the power to control people, and she uses this power to help others.

The book is a powerful story of resilience and hope, and it offers a unique perspective on the Afghan war and its impact on people’s lives. It is a story of love, loss, and redemption, and it reminds us of the power of human connection and empathy. The Patience Stone is a must-read for anyone interested in Afghan history and culture, and it is a testament to the enduring human spirit.
The Four Es "rules of Love" Elf Shaikh 2010-02-18 In this lyrical, exalting tale, acclaimed Turkish author Elf Shaikh, author of The Island of Missing Tines is a Reew's Book of the Month Club selection. Reew's "rules of Love" underpin the parallel narratives—one contemporary and the other set in the thirteenth century, when Rumi encountered his spiritual mentor, the whirling dervish known as Shams of Tabriz—that together explore the enduring power of Rumi's work. Ella Ruhemstein is forty years old and unhappily married; she takes a job as a reader for a literary agent. Her first assignment is to read and report on Sweet Blackness, a novel written by a man named Aziz Zabara. Ella is mesmerized by his tale of Shams's search for Rumi and the dervish's role in transforming the successful but unholy cleric into a committed mystic, passionate poet, and advocate of love. She is also taken with Shams's lessons, or rules, that offer insight into invisible psychology based on the unity of all people and religions, and the presence of love in each and every one of us. As she reads on, she realizes that Rumi's story mirrors her own and that Shabara—like Shams—has come to set her free.

Sideways Stories from Wayside School Louisa Sacher 2017-04-04 Bestselling and Newbery Medal-winning author Louisa Sacher knows how to make readers laugh. And there are laugh-paloozas in personal favorite Sideways Stories from Wayside School. In the first story in this novel, five students are standing sideways thirty stories high (the builder said he was very sorry for the mistake), Wayside School has some of the wackiest classes in town, especially on the thirty-first floor. That’s where you’ll meet Bel, the fearless dare in art class, John, who only reads outside done, and Sunny, the new kid—he’s a real nut. More than nine million readers have laughed at the wacky stories of Wayside School. So what are you waiting for? Come visit Wayside School Candide—Vulgaris 2014-05-21STOB00.00:22 Candide is the cautionary tale of the character's tragic journey from an idealized, inner life in a picturesque setting through the difficulties and evils of the real world. Satirical, comical, witty, and cutting, Candide was widely banned in its day for containing blasphemies and seditious concepts. Despite that, it survived controversy to become an important book in the Western literary heritage. Today Candide remains a breezy and darkly funny read. This book is part of the Standard Ebooks project, which produces free public domain ebooks.

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The Count of Monte Cristo—Alexandre Dumas 2021-02-11T19:27:52+00:00 Edmond Dantes is a young man about to be made a captain of a cargo vessel and marry his sweetheart. But he is arrested at his wedding feast, having been falsely accused of being a Bonapartist. thrown into the château desifs il prison, he eventually escapes and passes a whole lifetime of adventures and suffering. When Edmond makes his way out of prison, he is rewarded by the man who stood by his side (his employer, for one), and to seek revenge on the man who betrayed him: one who wrote the letter that denounced him, one who married his fiancée in his absence, and one who knew Dantes was innocent but stood by him and did nothing. The Count of Monte Cristo is another of Alexandre Dumas’ thrilling adventure stories, possibly more popular even than Thir The Three Musketeers. Originally serialized in a French newspaper over the course of a year—and a half, it was enormously popular as a book in its own right, and has never been out of print since. Its timeless story of adventure, historical drama, romance, escape, and mystery affair is the center of interest for forty movies and TV series. This book is part of the Standard Ebooks project, which produces free public domain ebooks.

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Above Us the Milky Way—Frocia Karimz 2020-04-07 Debut novel about a young woman forced to flee her war-torn homeland, forced to leave behind everything & everyone she’s beloved & familiar. Old family photographs & lush watercolor paintings based on medieval illuminated manuscripts interweave with remembrances, ghost stories/tales of the war dead, & fairy tales to conjure a story of war, of emigration & immigration, the remarkable human capacity to experience love amidst destruction & loss, & to create beauty out of horror.

Principles of Management—David S. Bright Principles of Management is designed to meet the scope and sequence requirements of the introductory course on management. The text successfully integrates the key principles of management and the principles of management. Principles of Management—David S. Bright Principles of Management is designed to meet the scope and sequence requirements of the introductory course on management. This is a traditional approach to management using the leading, planning, organizing, and controlling approach. Management is a broad business discipline, and the Principles of Management course covers many management areas such as human resource management and strategic management.

The Alchemist—Paulo Coelho 2017-04-04 A lyrical, often wrenching memoir. “A lyrical, often wrenching memoir.”—People

The Forty Rules of Love—James A. Gardner 2017 Legends of the Northern Palete shares and preserves twenty-one original and previously unpublished tales. Written by William Wewa, a spiritual leader and oral historian of the Warm Springs Paiute. These legends were originally told around the fires of Paiute camps and villages during the “storytelling season” of winter in the Great Basin of the American West. They were shared with Paiute communities as a way to preserve their language and culture, and have been passed down through generations in the Northern Paiute’s (Paiute) traditional environment, and their culture and daily lives. The legends in this volume were recorded, transcribed, reviewed, and edited by William Wewa and James Gardner. Each legend was recorded, then read and edited out loud into this book to capture the oral tradition of the Northern Paiute. The stories solicit, search, and fire of Paiute storytelling. The stories solicit, search, and fire of Paiute storytelling.

Introduction to Evolutionary Computation—Eiben 2007-08-06 The first complete overview of evolutionary computation, the collective name for a range of problems based on principles of biological evolution, such as natural selection and genetic inheritance. The text is aimed directly at lecturers and graduate students. It is also aimed directly at lecturers and graduate students. It is also aimed directly at lecturers and graduate students. It is also aimed directly at lecturers and graduate students. It is also aimed directly at lecturers and graduate students.

The Power of Habit—Charles Duhigg 2012-02-28 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER* This instant classic explains how we can change our lives by changing our habits. Now, what we have is that behind every action, behind every decision you make, there is a habit. The Power of Habit by Charles Duhigg and his team of researchers reveals how to harness the power of habits in all aspects of your life. By understanding the science of habit formation, you can make change happen in your life, in your work, and in your relationships. Duhigg takes us to the thrilling edge of scientific discoveries that explain why habits exist and how they can be changed. Distilling vast amounts of information into gripping narratives that take us from the laboratories of Procter & Gamble to the seedbeds of the NFL, to the front lines of the civil rights movement, Duhigg presents a whole new way to think about your life and work. By understanding the science of habit formation, you can make change happen in your life, in your work, and in your relationships. The Power of Habit is a fascinating and fun read. It will change the way you think about yourself, your organization, or your world quite the same way. “—Daniel Pink, bestselling author of Drive and A Whole New Mind “—David J. C. MacKay