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The Truth about the Savolta Case - Eduardo Mendoza 1992

The nightly ambiance of Barcelona in the shadow of World War I comes to life through the complex joys and sorrows of an idealistic journalist, a French adventurer, a Gypsy, a misogynistic bodyguard, a visionary beggar, and other vivid characters. 10,000 first printing.

The Story of Music in Cartoon - Bernard Deyries 1983

Spain is (still) Different - Eugenia Afinoguénova 2008

"Spain Is (Still) Different introduces readers to issues concerning the cultural function of tourism in Spain. An international team of scholars addresses both theoretical perspectives on the study of tourism in Spain and specific cases of the cultural impact of travel and tourism on Spanish culture in the late eighteenth to early twenty-first centuries.

Hive - Lisa M. Cini 2017-04-27

This is not just a book, its a MOVEMENT. Lisa did not choose to write Hive, Hive chose her. Kute Blackson, transformational teacher and bestselling author of You.Are.The.One. Four generations live under one roof in Columbus, Ohio, and theyve figure out to make it work: dividing responsibilities and chores, re-designing some physical spaces for privacy, and reconfiguring others into common areas for all to gather and enjoy living together. This tale of heartache, heroism, and hope is one familys multi generational social experiment, which encompasses kids in their teens, parents in their

forties, grandparents in their seventies, and a ninety-plus year-old great-grandmother.

Together, as they navigate the joys and challenges that come with aging in America, theyre also answering the question, How does family help you thrive at home when youre old? An Alzheimers/dementia diagnosis adds a layer of complexity, yet the family resolves to keep their eldest at home for as long as shes happy, safe and engaged in life. The younger generation learns much from their elders, and the elders from their children. While mastering the use of technology and new family systems, theyre also mastering the use of humor, tolerance, and patience. Ultimately, thats what makes this four-generation experiment a success. Practical design advice and clear-eyed strategies are mixed with personal tips and observations, making it easy to see how anyone can transform their home in into their own multi-generational living situation. Her stories are honest, both funny and poignant. The familys fiascos are counterbalanced by their many successes, the greatest one being that as individuals and as a family, they continue to thrive.

Innumeracy - John Allen Paulos 2011-04-01

Why do even well-educated people understand so little about mathematics? And what are the costs of our innumeracy? John Allen Paulos, in his celebrated bestseller first published in 1988, argues that our inability to deal rationally with very large numbers and the probabilities associated with them results in misinformed governmental policies, confused personal decisions, and an increased susceptibility to

pseudoscience of all kinds. Innumeracy lets us know what we're missing, and how we can do something about it. Sprinkling his discussion of numbers and probabilities with quirky stories and anecdotes, Paulos ranges freely over many aspects of modern life, from contested elections to sports stats, from stock scams and newspaper psychics to diet and medical claims, sex discrimination, insurance, lotteries, and drug testing. Readers of *Innumeracy* will be rewarded with scores of astonishing facts, a fistful of powerful ideas, and, most important, a clearer, more quantitative way of looking at their world.

[No Word from Gurb](#) - Eduardo Mendoza 2007

A shape-shifting extraterrestrial named Gurb has assumed the form of Madonna and disappeared in Barcelona's back streets. His hapless commander, desperately trying to find him, records the daily pleasures, dangers, and absurdities of our fragile world, while munching his way through enormous quantities of churros. No stone is left unturned in the search for his old pal Gurb. Will Barcelona survive this alien invasion? Will the captain ever find his subordinate? Are there enough churros in Barcelona to satisfy his intergalactic appetite?

Wicked Salem - Sam Baltrusis 2019-05-01

It's no surprise that the historic Massachusetts seaport's history is checkered with violence and heinous crimes. Originally called Naumkeag, Salem means "peace." However, as its historical legacy dictates, the city was anything but peaceful during the late seventeenth century. Did the reputed Boston Strangler, Albert DeSalvo, strike in Salem? Evidence supports the possibility of a copy-cat murder. From the recently pinpointed gallows where innocents were hanged for witchcraft to the murder house on Essex Street where Capt. Joseph White was bludgeoned to death and then stabbed thirteen times in the heart, Sam Baltrusis explores the ghost lore and the people behind the tragic events that turned the "Witch City" into a hot spot that has become synonymous with witches, rakes, and rogues.

[The Ornament of the World](#) - Maria Rosa Menocal 2009-11-29

A Washington Post Bestseller "Fascinating...A lively read...we are indebted to Ms. Menocal for opening up an important period of history." (Wall Street Journal) This enthralling history,

widely hailed as a revelation of a "lost" golden age, brings to vivid life the rich and thriving culture of medieval Spain, where for more than seven centuries Muslims, Jews, and Christians lived together in an atmosphere of tolerance, and where literature, science, and the arts flourished.

Modern Death in Irish and Latin American Literature - Jacob L. Bender 2020-09-22

This comparative literature study explores how writers from across Ireland and Latin America have, both in parallel and in concert, deployed symbolic representations of the dead in their various anti-colonial projects. In contrast to the ghosts and revenants that haunt English and Anglo-American letters—where they are largely either monstrous horrors or illusory frauds—the dead in these Irish/Latinx archives can serve as potential allies, repositories of historical grievances, recorders of silenced voices, and disruptors of neocolonial discourse.

[Chibi Art Class](#) - Yoai 2019-03-12

In Chibi Art Class, renowned anime artist Yoaihime teaches you the art of chibi, step by adorable step. Anime artist Yoaihime has captivated a huge audience with her adorable chibi drawings, and now she's ready to share her secrets with you! Chibi is Japanese slang for "short," and that's an appropriate description for these tiny doll-like creatures. In this book, you'll find tutorials on recreating their signature features and props, including dreamy eyes, mini-skirts, vibrant hair, colorful bows, and boba cups! You'll also practice drawing, coloring, and shading fully-formed versions of these vertically challenged, baby-faced characters and their kawaii little companions. With Yoaihime's expertise and step-by-step guidance, you'll learn the art and technique of cuteness in no time!

Still Foolin' 'Em - Billy Crystal 2013-09-10

As he prepares to turn 65, one of America's favorite comedians looks back at his extraordinary career, highlighting the most powerful and memorable moments of his long and storied life, and outlines, with his trademark wit and heart, the absurdities and challenges that come with growing old. 1,000,000 first printing.

The Year of the Flood - Eduardo Mendoza 1995
When Sister Consuelo calls on wealthy landowner Augusto Aixela for funds needed to

start an Old People's Home, the two share an interlude of passion that alters their lives forever

All the Roads Are Open - Annemarie

Schwarzenbach 2021-04-15

In June 1939 Annemarie Schwarzenbach and fellow writer Ella Maillart set out from Geneva in a Ford, heading for Afghanistan. The first women to travel Afghanistan's Northern Road, they fled the storm brewing in Europe to seek a place untouched by what they considered to be Western neuroses. The Afghan journey documented in *All the Roads Are Open* is one of the most important episodes of Schwarzenbach's turbulent life. Her incisive, lyrical essays offer a unique glimpse of an Afghanistan already touched by the "fateful laws known as progress," a remote yet "sensitive nerve centre of world politics" caught amid great powers in upheaval. In her writings, Schwarzenbach conjures up the desolate beauty of landscapes both internal and external, reflecting on the longings and loneliness of travel as well as its grace.

Maillart's account of their trip, *The Cruel Way*, stands as a classic of travel literature, and, now available for the first time in English, Schwarzenbach's memoir rounds out the story of the adventure. Praise for the German Edition "Above all, [Schwarzenbach's] discovery of the Orient was a personal one. But the author never loses sight of the historical and social context. . . . She shows no trace of colonialist arrogance. In fact, the pieces also reflect the experience of crisis, the loss of confidence which, in that decade, seized the long-arrogant culture of the West."--*Süddeutsche Zeitung*

Interdisciplinarity and Archaeology - Laura Coltofean-Arizancu 2021-03-15

This book explores the history of interdisciplinary relationships between archaeology and other branches of knowledge in Europe and elsewhere. This is a largely untold history that needs to be unpacked. This book brings to light some of the events leading towards interdisciplinary relations in archaeology from the nineteenth to the twentieth century. It encompasses ten scholarly contributions that offer a critical overview of this complex, dynamic and long-lasting transformative process. This is a pioneering project in the field of the history of archaeology, as it is the first to examine the inclusion into

archaeological practice of various disciplines categorized under the umbrella of hard, natural and social sciences, as well as the humanities. The authors of this volume include internationally acknowledged scholars of the history of archaeology, such as Margarita Díaz-Andreu, Nathan Schlanger and Oscar Moro, as well as other well-established authors in the field from Italy, Portugal, Romania, Spain and Switzerland. The chapters cover a wide range of topics. Several of them deal with interdisciplinarity in archaeology on a more general level by analysing its relationship with other sciences in specific countries. Other chapters discuss the incorporation of disciplines such as palynology and zoology into archaeology, either on a wider scale or using certain countries as case studies. Some authors focus on the work of scholars as starting points for examining the intersection between antiquarianism, archaeology, the natural sciences and numismatics, while others theorize on the influence of epistemology and philosophy of science on archaeological theory and practice. Finally, the influence of the army is also discussed in the development of archaeology.

The Lights of Prague - Nicole Jarvis 2021-05-18

For readers of *VE Schwab* and *The Witcher*, science and magic clash in atmospheric gaslight-era Prague. In the quiet streets of Prague all manner of otherworldly creatures lurk in the shadows. Unbeknownst to its citizens, their only hope against the tide of predators are the dauntless lamplighters - a secret elite of monster hunters whose light staves off the darkness each night. Domek Myska leads a life teeming with fraught encounters with the worst kind of evil: pijavica, bloodthirsty and soulless vampiric creatures. Despite this, Domek finds solace in his moments spent in the company of his friend, the clever and beautiful Lady Ora Fischer - a widow with secrets of her own. When Domek finds himself stalked by the spirit of the White Lady - a ghost who haunts the baroque halls of Prague castle - he stumbles across the sentient essence of a will-o'-the-wisp captured in a mysterious container. Now, as its bearer, Domek wields its power, but the wisp, known for leading travellers to their deaths, will not be so easily controlled. After discovering a conspiracy

amongst the pjavice that could see them unleash terror on the daylight world, Domek finds himself in a race against those who aim to twist alchemical science for their own dangerous gain.

The Erotic Potential of My Wife - David Foenkins 2008

When Hector falls in love it's the way she washes windows that does it for him. And so begins his new infatuation, a collection (and recollection) of beautifully observed moments spent observing his wife's every move.

The end of Irish history? - Colin Coulter 2018-07-30

This electronic version has been made available under a Creative Commons (BY-NC-ND) open access license. Ireland appears to be in the process of a remarkable social change, a process which has dramatically reversed a hitherto seemingly unstoppable economic decline. This exciting new book systematically scrutinises the interpretations and prescriptions that inform the 'Celtic Tiger'. Takes the standpoint that a more critical approach to the course of development being followed by the Republic is urgently required. Sets out to expose the fallacies that drive the fashionable rhetoric of Tigerhood. An esteemed list of contributors deal with issues such as immigration, the role of women, globalisation, and changing economic and social conditions.

Vr Ux - Casey Fictum 2016-05-14

Recently updated for 2017! If you're looking to get into VR design, UX or storytelling, this is your first stop. It's a lean 100+page approach to the roots of a VR experience based on the current technology stack. You'll learn the basics, some advanced tips, and the problems that are still pending in the VR UX community. Top 50 book in Product Design in 2016 Featured on the list of VR UX resources provided by uxofvr.com
Prince Otto - Robert Louis Stevenson 1901

American Dirt - Jeanine Cummins 2020-02-26

"Extraordinary." --Stephen King "This book is not simply the great American novel; it's the great novel of las Americas. It's the great world novel! This is the international story of our times. Masterful." --Sandra Cisneros También de este lado hay sueños. On this side too, there are dreams. Lydia Quixano Pérez lives in the

Mexican city of Acapulco. She runs a bookstore. She has a son, Luca, the love of her life, and a wonderful husband who is a journalist. And while there are cracks beginning to show in Acapulco because of the drug cartels, her life is, by and large, fairly comfortable. Even though she knows they'll never sell, Lydia stocks some of her all-time favorite books in her store. And then one day a man enters the shop to browse and comes up to the register with a few books he would like to buy--two of them her favorites. Javier is erudite. He is charming. And, unbeknownst to Lydia, he is the jefe of the newest drug cartel that has gruesomely taken over the city. When Lydia's husband's tell-all profile of Javier is published, none of their lives will ever be the same. Forced to flee, Lydia and eight-year-old Luca soon find themselves miles and worlds away from their comfortable middle-class existence. Instantly transformed into migrants, Lydia and Luca ride la bestia--trains that make their way north toward the United States, which is the only place Javier's reach doesn't extend. As they join the countless people trying to reach el norte, Lydia soon sees that everyone is running from something. But what exactly are they running to? American Dirt will leave readers utterly changed. It is a literary achievement filled with poignancy, drama, and humanity on every page. It is one of the most important books for our times. Already being hailed as "a Grapes of Wrath for our times" and "a new American classic," Jeanine Cummins's American Dirt is a rare exploration into the inner hearts of people willing to sacrifice everything for a glimmer of hope.

Complete Works - Harold Pinter 1977

An Englishman in Madrid - Eduardo Mendoza 2015-07-07

Anthony Whitelands, an English art historian, is invited to Madrid to value an aristocrat's collection. At a welcome lunch he encounters Jose Antonio Primo de Rivera, founder and leader of the Falange, a nationalist party whose antics are bringing the country ever closer to civil war. The paintings turn out to be worthless, but before Whitelands can leave for London the duque's daughter Paquita reveals a secret and genuine treasure, held for years in the cellars of her ancestral home. Afraid that the duque will

cash in his wealth to finance the Falange, the Spanish authorities resolve to keep a close eye on the Englishman, who is also being watched by his own embassy. As Whitelands--ever the fool for a pretty face--vies with Primo de Rivera for Paquita's affections, he learns of a final interested party: Madrid is crawling with Soviet spies, and Moscow will stop at nothing to secure the hidden prize.

The Mystery of the Enchanted Crypt - Eduardo Mendoza 2008

"Released from an asylum to help with a police enquiry, the quick-witted and foul-smelling narrator, Gonewiththewind, delves deep into the underworld of 1970s Barcelona to investigate the mysterious disappearance of a teenage girl from a convent school." "Helped only by his ageing prostitute sister and the voluptuous nymphomaniac, Mercedes, the narrator's investigations take him deeper into a mystery involving murdered sailors, suicidal daughters, a web of organised crime and a secret, underground crypt." "Both gripping and surprising. *The Mystery of the Enchanted Crypt* is a hilarious detective story."--BOOK JACKET.

There Was an Old Pirate Who Swallowed a Fish - Jennifer Ward 2012

This variation on the traditional, cumulative rhyme looks at the consequences of a pirate's strange diet.

City of Wonders - Eduardo Mendoza 2022-01-06
Eduardo Mendoza's classic novel about the birth of Barcelona as a world city, embodied in the rise of the ambitious and unscrupulous Onofre Bouvila "Though historical in subject matter, this story of Catalonian enterprise and Barcelonan ambition is thoroughly contemporary in spirit" Jonathan Franzen Stung by the realisation that his father is a fraud and a failure, Onofre Bouvila leaves a life of rural poverty to seek his fortune in Barcelona. The year is 1888, and the Catalan capital is about to emerge from provincial obscurity to take its place amongst the great cities of the world, thanks to the upcoming Universal Exhibition. Thanks to a tip-off from his landlord's daughter, Onofre gets his big break distributing anarchist leaflets to workers preparing for the World Fair. From these humble beginnings, he branches out as a hair- tonic salesman, a burglar, a filmmaker, an arms smuggler and a political dealmaker, in a

multifaceted career that brings him wealth and influence beyond his wildest dreams. But, just as Barcelona's rise makes it a haven for gangsters, crooks and spivs, vice begins to fester in Onofre's heart. And the climax to his remarkable story will come just as a second World Fair in 1929 marks the city's apotheosis. Translated from the Spanish by Nick Caistor

[A Light Comedy](#) - Eduardo Mendoza 2009-05-25

In the late 1940s the Civil War is over, and Franco is still very much in charge. Prullas, a once-popular playwright, leaves his wife by the seaside while he pursues a crowded life in the stifling city: his producer wants him to persuade their rich patron Vallsigorri that they cannot use the third-rate actress Lili whom the backer has foisted on him. In the course of playing honest broker, however, Prullas starts an affair with Lili. Fate intervenes: Vallsigorri is murdered and Prullas is prime suspect, but as this is a light comedy, the ending is, to some extent, a happy one.

Gutsy Girls: Strong Christian Women Who Impacted the World - Amy Sullivan 2016-05-27

Girls need heroes. Why not introduce them to women who are smart, bold, courageous, and who love Jesus? -Amy L. Sullivan
Book Two in the *Gutsy Girls: Strong Christian Women Who Impacted the World* series introduces readers to sisters, Corrie and Betsie ten Boom. This true story tells of two sisters love for God, His people, and each other during one of the most horrifying times in history, World War II. Risking their lives to assist Jews and underground workers, Corrie and Betsie ten Boom showed the world faith and forgiveness triumphs over evil. With Amy Sullivan's captivating text and Beverly Ann Wines' winsome illustrations, this book's powerful message will remain long after readers close the book.

Wilson - David Mamet 2003-10-28

The transcripts take the reader on an intellectually breathtaking tour through David Mamet's baroque, fragmented world, where nothing is certain except the certainty bestowed by the academy. After the Cola riots, the fire at the Stop 'n' Shop, and the death of my kitten, what remains? Does the Joke Code still operate? Has anyone seen my copy of Bongazine? Can Jane of Trent unlock this paranoia? What were Chet and Donna doing in the boathouse? And

just who does Ginger think she is? In playing with the ideas of perception, accuracy, and truth, Wilson dares to doubt them all.

The Olive Labyrinth - Eduardo Mendoza
2014-12-16

A hilarious, gripping take on the traditional detective story.

The Chaperone - Laura Moriarty 2013-06-04
Soon to be a feature film from the creators of *Downton Abbey* starring Elizabeth McGovern, *The Chaperone* is a New York Times bestselling novel about the woman who chaperoned an irreverent Louise Brooks to New York City in the 1920s and the summer that would change them both. Only a few years before becoming a famous silent-film star and an icon of her generation, a fifteen-year-old Louise Brooks leaves Wichita, Kansas, to study with the prestigious Denishawn School of Dancing in New York. Much to her annoyance, she is accompanied by a thirty-six-year-old chaperone, who is neither mother nor friend. Cora Carlisle, a complicated but traditional woman with her own reasons for making the trip, has no idea what she's in for. Young Louise, already stunningly beautiful and sporting her famous black bob with blunt bangs, is known for her arrogance and her lack of respect for convention. Ultimately, the five weeks they spend together will transform their lives forever. For Cora, the city holds the promise of discovery that might answer the question at the core of her being, and even as she does her best to watch over Louise in this strange and bustling place she embarks on a mission of her own. And while what she finds isn't what she anticipated, she is liberated in a way she could not have imagined. Over the course of Cora's relationship with Louise, her eyes are opened to the promise of the twentieth century and a new understanding of the possibilities for being fully alive. Drawing on the rich history of the 1920s, '30s, and beyond—from the orphan trains to Prohibition, flappers, and the onset of the Great Depression to the burgeoning movement for equal rights and new opportunities for women—Laura Moriarty's *The Chaperone* illustrates how rapidly everything, from fashion and hemlines to values and attitudes, was changing at this time and what a vast difference it all made for Louise Brooks, Cora Carlisle, and

others like them.

The World According to Garp - John Irving
2018-10-25

Now available as an ebook for the first time ever in America, the bestselling coming-of-age classic novel by John Irving—the 40th anniversary edition with a new introduction by the author.

“He is more than popular. He is a Populist, determined to keep alive the Dickensian tradition that revels in colorful set pieces...and teaches moral lessons.”—The New York Times
The opening sentence of John Irving's breakout novel *The World According to Garp* signals the start of sexual violence, which becomes increasingly political. “Garp's mother, Jenny Fields, was arrested in Boston in 1942 for wounding a man in a movie theater.” Jenny is an unmarried nurse; she becomes a single mom and a feminist leader, beloved but polarizing. Her son, Garp, is less beloved, but no less polarizing. From the tragicomic tone of its first sentence to its mordantly funny last line—“we are all terminal cases”—*The World According to Garp* maintains a breakneck pace. The subject of sexual hatred—of intolerance of sexual minorities and differences—runs the gamut of “lunacy and sorrow.” Winner of the National Book Award, *Garp* is a comedy with forebodings of doom. In more than thirty languages, in more than forty countries—with more than ten million copies in print—*Garp* is the precursor of John Irving's later protest novels.

All My Friends Are Superheroes - Andrew Kaufman 1999-10-19

All Tom's friends really are superheroes. There's the Ear, the Spooner, the Impossible Man. Tom even married a superhero, the Perfectionist. But at their wedding, the Perfectionist was hypnotized (by ex-boyfriend Hypno, of course) to believe that Tom is invisible. Nothing he does can make her see him. Six months later, she's sure that Tom has abandoned her. So she's moving to Vancouver. She'll use her superpower to make Vancouver perfect and leave all the heartbreak in Toronto. With no idea Tom's beside her, she boards an airplane in Toronto. Tom has until the wheels touch the ground in Vancouver to convince her he's visible, or he loses her forever.

Backdoor Revolution - Kol Peterson
2018-01-23

Through case studies, expert interviews, firsthand anecdotes, images, and data analysis, *Backdoor Revolution* reveals the opportunities, challenges, and best practices of ADU development for homeowners, including costs, financing, design, zoning barriers, and regulatory loopholes.

The Waterproof Bible - Andrew Kaufman
2010-02-23

A magical story of love and the isolation that defines the modern condition - Andrew Kaufman pulls off the near impossible and creates a wholly original allegorical tale that is both emotionally resonant and outlandishly fun. Rebecca Reynolds is a young woman with a most unusual and inconvenient problem: no matter how hard she tries, she can't stop her emotions from escaping her body and entering the world around her. Luckily she's developed a nifty way to trap and store her powerful emotions in personal objects - but how many shoeboxes can a girl fill before she feels crushed by her past? Three events force Rebecca to change her ways: the unannounced departure of her husband, Stewart; the sudden death of Lisa, her musician sister; and, while on her way to Lisa's funeral, a near-crash with what appears to be a giant frogwoman recklessly speeding in a Honda Civic. Meanwhile, Lisa's inconsolable husband skips the funeral and flies to Winnipeg where he begins a bizarre journey that strips him of everything before he can begin to see a way through his grief... all with the help of a woman who calls herself God.

Princeton Review SAT Premium Prep, 2021 - The Princeton Review 2020-07-14

Make sure you're studying with the most up-to-date prep materials! Look for the newest edition of this title, *The Princeton Review SAT Premium Prep, 2022* (ISBN: 9780525570448, on-sale May 2021). Publisher's Note: Products purchased from third-party sellers are not guaranteed by the publisher for quality or authenticity, and may not include access to online tests or materials included with the original product.

Masonry Unmasked - John Salza 2006

A lifelong Catholic, John Salza was initiated into a Wisconsin's Masonic Lodge, lured by the group's camaraderie and philanthropies. Yet, as he rose through the ranks, he became

increasingly troubled by its dangerous teachings, mysterious rituals, and complete incompatibility with the Catholic Faith. Now, former Freemason, Shriner, and Lodge Officer John Salza reveals the astounding truths about what's really going on behind the lodge door. For the first time, get a surprising, inside look at the group's controversial rituals, practices, and philosophies from one of their own ? secrets sworn to be upheld under the threat of death! Essential for anyone affiliated with or considering the Lodge, their families, and their friends, this eye-opening book presents evidence on: ? The deception in recruitment, initiation, and covenant oaths ? The problematic ideology of Freemasonry and relativism ? How their spiritual beliefs contradict Catholicism ? and Christianity at large

City of Marvels - Eduardo Mendoza 1990

Abel Sanchez and Other Stories - Miguel De Unamuno 2015-11-17

A book to challenge the status quo, spark a debate, and get people talking about the issues and questions we face as a country!

Mr. Fix It - Richard Ali A Mutu 2017-08

Ebamba's name means "mender" in Lingala, but everything in the Congolese twentysomething's life seems to be falling apart. In the chaotic megacity of Kinshasa, the educated but unemployed young man must navigate the ever widening distance between tradition and modernity -- from the payment of his fiancée's exorbitant dowry to the unexpected sexual confession of his best friend -- as he struggles with responsibility and flirts with temptation. The first novel to be translated into English from Lingala, *Mr. Fix It* introduces major new talent Richard Ali A Mutu, who leads a new generation of writers whose work portrays the everyday realities of Congolese life with the bold, intense style associated with the country's music and fashion.

The Lost Diary of Don Juan - Douglas Carlton Abrams 2008-07

Traces the life of the romantic adventurer from his secret childhood in a convent, to his escapades as a libertine, to his unavoidable fall into chaotic love, in a tale set against a backdrop of the Spanish Golden Age. A first novel. Reprint.