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Revolution in The Valley [Paperback] 2005

describes the development of the apple macintosh through a variety of anecdotes photographs and sketches

Beyond the Valley 2019-10-29

how to repair the disconnect between designers and users producers and consumers and tech elites and the rest of us toward a more democratic internet in this provocative book ramesh srinivasan describes the internet as both an enabler of frictionless efficiency and a dirty tangle of politics economics and other inefficient inharmonious human activities we may love the immediacy of google search results the convenience of buying from amazon and the elegance and power of our apple devices but it s a one way top down process we re not asked for our input or our opinions only for our data the internet is brought to us by wealthy technologists in silicon valley and china it s time srinivasan argues that we think in terms beyond the valley srinivasan focuses on the disconnection he sees between designers and users producers and consumers and tech elites and the rest of us the recent cambridge analytica and russian misinformation scandals exemplify the imbalance of a digital world that puts profits before inclusivity and democracy in search of a more democratic internet srinivasan takes us to the mountains of oaxaca east and west africa china scandinavia north america and elsewhere visiting the design labs of rural low income and indigenous people around the world he talks to a range of high profile public figures including elizabeth warren david axelrod eric holder noam chomsky lawrence lessig and the founders of reddit as well as community organizers labor leaders and human rights activists to make a better internet srinivasan says we need a new ethic of diversity openness and inclusivity empowering those now excluded from decisions about how technologies are designed who profits from them and who are surveilleed and exploited by them

A Tale of Two Valleys 2003-04-08

when acclaimed journalist alan deutschman came to the california wine country as the lucky house guest of very rich friends he was surprised to discover a raging controversy a civil war was being fought between the napa valley which epitomized elitism prestige and wealthy excess and the neighboring sonoma valley a rag tag bohemian enclave so stubbornly backward that rambunctious chickens wandered freely through town but the antics really began when new money invaders began pushing out sonoma s poets and painters to make way for luxury resorts
and trophy houses that seemed a parody of opulence a tale of two valleys captures these stranger than fiction locales with the wit of a tom wolfe novel and uncorks the hilarious absurdities of life among the wine world s gliterati deutschman found that on the weekends the wine country was like a bunch of gracious hosts smiling upon their guests but during the week the families feuded with each other and their neighbors like the hatfields and mccoys napa was a comically exclusive club where the super rich fought desperately to get in sonoma s colorful free spirits and iconoclasts were wary of their bohemia becoming the next playground for the rapacious elite so led by a former taxicab driver and wine grape picker a cheese merchant and an artist who lived in a barn surrounded by wild peacocks they formed a populist revolt to seize power and repel the rich invaders deutschman s cast of characters brims with eccentricities egomaniacs and a mysterious man in black who crashed the elegant napa valley wine auction before proceeding to pay a half million dollars for a single bottle what develops is nothing less than a battle for the good life a clash between old and new the struggle for the soul of one of america s last bits of paradise a dishy glimpse behind the scenes of a west coast wonderland a tale of two valleys makes for intoxicating reading

Making the San Fernando Valley 2011

in the first book length scholarly study of the san fernando valley home to one third of the population of los angeles laura r barracloough combines ambitious historical sweep with an on the ground investigation of contemporary life in this iconic western suburb she is particularly intrigued by the valley s many rural elements such as dirt roads tack and feed stores horse keeping districts citrus groves and movie ranches far from natural or undeveloped spaces these rural characteristics are she shows the result of deliberate urbanplanning decisions that have shaped the valley over the course of more than a hundred years the valley s entwined history of urban development and rural preservation has real ramifications today for patterns of racial and class inequality and especially for the evolving meaning of whiteness immersing herself in meetings of homeowners associations equestrian organizations and redistricting committees barracloough uncovers the racial biases embedded in rhetoric about open space and western heritage the valley s urban cowboys enjoy exclusive semirural landscapes alongside the opportunities afforded by one of the world s largest cities despite this enviable position they have at their disposal powerful articulations of both white victimization and with little contradiction color blind politics

INSPIRED 2017-11-17

how do today s most successful tech companies amazon google facebook netflix tesla design develop and deploy the products that have earned the love of literally billions of people around the world perhaps surprisingly they do it very differently than the vast majority of tech companies in inspired technology product management thought leader marty cagan provides readers with a master class in how to structure and staff a vibrant and successful product organization and how to discover and deliver technology products that your customers will love and that will work for your business with sections on assembling the right people and skillsets discovering the right product embracing an effective yet lightweight process and creating a strong product culture readers can take the information they learn and immediately leverage it within their own organizations dramatically improving their own product efforts whether you re an early stage startup working to get to product market fit or a growth stage company working to scale your product organization or a large long established company trying to regain your ability to consistently deliver new value for your customers inspired will take you and your product organization to a new level of customer engagement consistent innovation and business success filled with the author s own personal stories and profiles of some of today s most successful product managers and technology powered product companies including adobe apple bbc google microsoft and netflix inspired will show you how to turn up the dial of your own product efforts creating technology products your customers love the first edition of inspired published ten years ago established itself as the primary reference for technology product managers and can be found on the shelves of nearly every successful technology product company worldwide this thoroughly updated second edition shares the same objective of being the most valuable resource for technology product managers yet it is completely new sharing the latest practices and techniques of today s most successful tech product companies and the men and women behind every great product

The Valley 2015-03-10

named one of wall street journal s best books of 2015 selected as a military times s best book of the year you re going up the valley black didn t know its name but he knew it lay deeper and higher than any other place americans had ventured you had to travel through a network of interlinked valleys past all the other remote american outposts just to get to its mouth everything about the place was myth and rumor but one fact was clear there were many valleys in the mountains of afghanistan and most were hard places where people died hard deaths but there was only one valley it was the farthest and the hardest and the worst when black a deskbound admin officer is sent up the valley to investigate a warning shot fired by a near forgotten platoon he can only see it as the final bureaucratic insult in a short and unhappy army career what he doesn t know is that his investigation puts at risk the centuries old arrangements that keep this violent land in fragile balance and will launch a shattering personal odyssey of obsession and discovery as black reckons with the platoon s dark secrets accumulated over endless hours fighting and dying in defense of an indefensible piece of land the valley is a riveting tour de force that changes our understanding of the men who fight our wars and announces john renehans as one of the great american storytellers of our time

Yes or No 1993-06-04

yes or no from the new york times bestselling author spencer johnson presents a brilliant and practical system anyone can use to make better decisions soon and often both at work and in personal life the yes or no system lets us focus on real needs versus mere wants create better options see the likely consequences of choices and identify and then use our own integrity intuition and insight to gain peace of mind self confidence and freedom from fear
My Valley 2017-03-07

In my valley claudine ponti leads us on a journey through an enchanted world inhabited by Touims tiny adorable monkey like creatures secret tree dwellings flying buildings and sad giants clever language and beautifully detailed maps of imaginary landscapes will delight children and adults alike ponti himself has said my stories are like fairytales always satiated in the marvelous speaking to the interior life and emotions of children that way each child can get what they want out of the images the characters and dreams are their own

Peaks and Valleys 2009

Peaks and valleys is a story of a young man who lives unhappily in a valley until he meets an old man who lives on a peak and it changes his work and life forever initially the young man does not realize he is talking with one of the most peaceful and successful people in the world however through a series of conversations and experiences that occur on peaks and down in valleys the young man comes to make some startling discoveries eventually he comes to understand how he can use the old man’s remarkable principles and practical tools in good and bad times and becomes more calm and successful himself now readers can take a similar journey through the story and use what you find to your advantage in your own work and life

Valleys 2008-01-01

Discusses the characteristics of valleys how they are formed different types the animals and plants that live in them and the ways in which people use them

Value in the Valley 2002-05-23

The most powerful spiritual healer fixer teacher on the planet oprah winfrey is it the job you hate but need in order to pay the rent is it that relationship that you gave your all to only to end up with a broken heart again perhaps it’s your children a family member or a life long friend doing you in dragging you down pushing you to the brink if you are an honorary member of the black woman’s suffering society you have probably been told that it is all your fault or that struggling and suffering is your lot in life iyanla vanzant says no life is an act of faith and suffering is optional those everyday challenges obstacles and dilemmas are what iyanla calls valleys as bad as they may seem there is a purpose or as iyanla says there is so much value in the valley if you’ve ever been disappointed betrayed rejected abandoned or just plain old scared to let go then you’ve been or may still be in a valley iyanla knows she’s been there and on a bad day she’s still there but now she shares the way out with you

Accidental Empires 1996-09-13

Computer manufacturing is after cars energy production and illegal drugs the largest industry in the world and it’s one of the last great success stories in american business accidental empires is the trenchant vastly readable history of that industry focusing as much on the astounding odd personalities at its core steve jobs bill gates mitch kapor etc and the hacker culture they spawned as it does on the remarkable technology they created cringely reveals the manias and foibles of these men they are always men with deadpan hilarity and cogently demonstrates how their neuroses have shaped the computer business but cringely gives us much more than high tech voyeurism and insider gossip from the birth of the transistor to the mid life crisis of the computer industry he spins a sweeping uniquely american saga of creativity and ego that is at once uproarious shocking and inspiring

Heartbreak in the Valleys 2020-06-10

Shortlisted for the romantic novelists association historical romantic novel award 2021 the world was crumbling but her love stayed strong november 1915 for young housemaid anwen rhys life is hard in the welsh mining village of dorcalon deep in the rhymney valley she cares for her ill mother and beloved younger sister sara all while shielding them from her father’s drunken violent temper anwen comforts herself with her love for childhood sweetheart idris

Hidden Valley Road 2020-04-07

1 new york times bestseller oprah s book club pick one of qg s top 50 books of literary journalism in the 21st century the heartrending story of a midcentury american family with twelve children six of them diagnosed with schizophrenia that became science s great hope in the quest to understand the disease reads like a medical detective journey and sheds light on a topic so many of us face mental illness oprah winfrey don and mimi galvin seemed to be living the american dream after world war ii don s work with the air force brought them to colorado where their twelve children perfectly spanned the baby boom the oldest born in 1945 the youngest in 1965 in those years there was an established script for a family like the galvins aspiration hard work upward mobility domestic
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solved some of our most vexing problems as the chief technology officer at microsoft he is deeply involved in the
development of ai applications yet mindful of their potential impact on workers knowledge he gained firsthand
growing up in rural virginia yes the ai revolution will radically disrupt economics and employment for everyone for
generations to come but what if leaders prioritized the programming of both future technology and public policy to
work together to find solutions ahead of the coming ai epoch like public health the space program climate change
and public education we need international understanding and collaboration on the future of ai and work for scott
the crucial question facing all of us is this how do we work to ensure that the continued development of ai allows us
to keep the american dream alive in this thoughtful informed guide he offers a clear roadmap to find the answer
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mother to a growing brood of children when a presbyterian minister moves in next door the two families experience
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valley to find out
national bestseller the gripping story of elizabeth holmes and theranos one of the biggest corporate frauds in
history a tale of ambition and hubris set amid the bold promises of silicon valley rigorously reported by the prize
winning journalist with a new afterward covering her trial and sentencing bringing the story to a close chilling reads
like a thriller carreyrou tells the theranos story virtually to perfection the new york times book review in 2014
theranos founder and ceo elizabeth holmes was widely seen as the next steve jobs a brilliant stanford dropout whose start up unicorn promised to revolutionize the medical industry with its breakthrough device which performed
the whole range of laboratory tests from a single drop of blood backed by investors such as larry elision and tim
draper theranos sold shares in a fundraising round that valued the company at more than 9 billion putting holmes s
worth at an estimated 4 5 billion there was just one problem the technology didn t work erroneous results put
patients in danger leading to misdiagnoses and unnecessary treatments all the while holmes and her partner sunny
balwani worked to silence anyone who voiced misgivings from journalists to their own employees
the only thing more dangerous than their chemistry is their enemies mild mannered xenarcheologist dr alec
rainbow valley 2012-02-01
coimhead and his best friend dr ciemy armistead are certain that they ve just found the ancient location of an
apocalyptic battle between demons and angels whisked away on a rollicking adventure alec finds himself under the
watchful eye of rafe a taciturn mountain of a man with a mysterious past with the enigmatic praesidium which
claims to have protected humanity for generations alec clashes with his ethereally handsome bodyguard as the
new watchers pursue the rambunctious pair across the globe alec and rafe will have to battle ancient terrors and
mythical creatures come to life racing to the ancient tomb of a fallen angel alec and rafe may lose it all and each
other to save the world the watchers in the valleys of the earth is the first book in an mm paranormal romance
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new york times book review a poignant portrait of an era when mere words could change the world san francisco
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Reprogramming The American Dream 2020-04-07
The Watchers Book One In The Valleys of the Earth 2020-05-22
Guardians of the Valley 2023-03-21
decides that he and muir must fight back the pact they form marks a watershed moment leading to the creation of
yosemite national park and launching an environmental battle that captivates the nation and ushers in the
beginning of the american environmental movement comprehensively researched and compellingly readable
booklist starred review guardians of the valley is a moving story of friendship the written word and the
transformative power of nature it is also a timely and powerful origin story as the towering environmental
challenges we face today become increasingly urgent

Valley of Genius 2018-07-10

this is the most important book on silicon valley i ve read in two decades it will take us all back to our roots in the
counterculture and will remind us of the true nature of the innovation process before we tried to tame it with
slogans and buzzwords po bronson 1 new york times bestselling author of the nudist on the late shift and
nurtureshock a candid colorful and comprehensive oral history that reveals the secrets of silicon valley from the
origins of apple and atari to the present day clashes of google and facebook and all the start ups and disruptions
that happened along the way rarely has one economy asserted itself as swiftly and as aggressively as the entity we
now know as silicon valley built with a seemingly permanent culture of reinvention silicon valley does not fight
change it embraces it and now powers the american economy and global innovation so how did this omnipotent
and ever morphing place come to be it was not by planning it was like many an empire before it part luck part
timing and part ambition and part pure unbridled genius drawing on over two hundred in depth interviews valley of
genius takes readers from the dawn of the personal computer and the internet through the heyday of the web up to
the very moment when our current technological reality was invented it interweaves accounts of invention and
betrayal overnight success and underground exploits to tell the story of silicon valley like it has never been told
before read it to discover the stories that valley insiders tell each other the tall tales that are all improbably true

Valley Forge 2010-11-01

more than four million people a year visit valley forge one of america s most celebrated historic sites here amid the
rolling hills of southeastern pennsylvania visitors can pass through the house which served as washington s
headquarters during the famous winter encampment of 1777 1778 others picnic and jog in the huge park complete
with monuments recreated log huts and modern visitor center all built to pay tribute to the valley forge story in this
lively book lorett treese shows how valley forge evolved into the tourist mecca that it is today in the process she
uses valley forge as a means for understanding how americans view their own past treese explores the origins of
popular images associated with valley forge such as george washington kneeling in the snow to seek divine
assistance she places valley forge in the context of the historic preservation movement as the site became
pennsylvania s first state park in 1893 she studies its era of monuments and the movement to restore valley forge
in the spirit of rockefeller s enormously popular colonial williamsburg treese describes a valley forge fraught with
controversy over the appropriate appearance and use of a place so revered one such controversy the hot dog war a
brief but intense battle over concession stands was spawned by americans changing perceptions of how a national
park was to be used the volatile vietnam era prompted the state park commission to establish its subcommittee on
sex hippies and whiskey swillers to investigate park regulation infractions even today people differ over exactly
what happened at valley forge during the winter of 1777 1778 the modern visitor sees the remains of over a
century of commemoration competition and contention the result treese shows is a historic site that may reveal
more about succeeding history than about washington s army this book will give its readers a new way to look at
valley forge and all historic sites

Death Valley Desert 2012-01-30

discusses the geography plants animals and people of the death valley region

Valley Girls 2018-05-08

when 17 year old rilla is busted for partying 24 hours into arriving in yosemite national park to live with her park
ranger sister it s a come to jesus moment determined to make up for her screw up and create a stable new home
for herself rilla charms her way into a tight knit group of climbers but rilla can t help but be seduced by experiences
she couldn t have imagined back home she sets her sights on climbing el capitan one of the most challenging
routes in yosemite and her summer becomes one harrowing and ecstatic experience after another first climb first
fall two thousand feet in the air first love but becoming the person rilla feels she was meant to be jeopardizes the
reasons why she came to yosemite a bright new future and a second chance at sisterhood when her family and her
future are at odds what will rilla choose

EMPOWERED 2020-12-03

great teams are comprised of ordinary people that are empowered and inspired they are empowered to solve hard
problems in ways their customers love yet work for their business they are inspired with ideas and techniques for
quickly evaluating those ideas to discover solutions that work they are valuable usable feasible and viable this book
is about the idea and reality of achieving extraordinary results from ordinary people empowered is the companion
to inspired it addresses the other half of the problem of building tech products how to get the absolute best work
from your product teams however the book s message applies much more broadly than just to product teams
inspired was aimed at product managers empowered is aimed at all levels of technology powered organizations
founders and ceo s leaders of product technology and design and the countless product managers product
designers and engineers that comprise the teams this book will not just inspire companies to empower their
employees but will teach them how this book will help readers achieve the benefits of truly empowered teams
Valley of the Dolls 2020-07-30
npr best book of 2017 los angeles times best fiction pick refinery29 best book of the year bolo books top read of 2017 destined to be a classic i a novel michael connelly when a teen runs away from his father s mysterious commune he sets in motion a domino effect that will connect six characters desperate for hope and love set across the sun bleached canvas of los angeles from the acclaimed author of visitation street a visionary portrait of contemporary los angeles in all its facets from the mojave desert to the pacific from the 110 to skid row during a typically crowded morning commute a naked runner is dodging between the stalled cars the strange sight makes the local news and captures the imaginations of a stunning cast of misfits and lost souls there s ren just out of juvie who travels to la in search of his mother there s owen and james teenage twins who live in a desert commune where their father a self proclaimed healer holds a powerful sway over his disciples there s britt who shows up at the commune harboring a dark secret there s tony a bored and unhappy lawyer who is inspired by the runner and there s Blake a drifter hiding in the desert doing his best to fight off his most violent instincts their lives will all intertwine and come crashing together in a shocking way one that could only happen in this enchanting dangerous city wonder valley is a swirling mix of angst violence heartache and yearning a masterpiece by a writer on the rise

Wonder Valley 2017-11-07
ingrid palamede never returns to places she s lived in the past for her whole neighborhoods whole cities can be ruined by the reasons you left but when her boyfriend howard en route to aspen breaks things off out of the blue she s forced to return to her childhood home of fresno california back in the real wine country where grapes are grown for mass producers like gallo and kendall jackson ingrid must confront her aging parents and their financial woes soured friendships and blissfully bad decisions

Valley Fever 2015-06-09
halli loves the old stories from when the valley was a wild and dangerous place when the legendary heroes stood together to defeat the ancient enemy the bloodthirsty trows nowadays heroics seem a thing of the past but when a practical joke rekindles an old blood feud halli spots a chance for a quest of his own

Heroes of the Valley 2010
llewellyn s tale of a young man s coming of age in a small welsh mining town the basis for the beloved film of the same name is a beautiful story told in words which have welsh music in them a book which will live in the mind and memory of its readers atlantic monthly copyright libri gmbh all rights reserved

HOW GREEN WAS MY VALLEY 1987-04-01
new york times bestseller in a small town on the verge of big change a young woman unearths deep secrets about her family and unexpected truths about herself filled with insights that are the hallmark of anna quindlen s bestsellers miller s valley is an emotionally powerful story about a family you will never forget for generations the millers have lived in miller s valley mimi miller tells about her life with intimacy and honesty as mimi eavesdrops on her parents and quietly observes the people around her she discovers more and more about the toxicity of family secrets the dangers of gossip the flaws of marriage the inequalities of friendship and the risks of passion loyalty and love home as mimi begins to realize can be a place where it s just as easy to feel lost as it is to feel content miller s valley is a masterly study of family memory loss and ultimately discovery of finding true identity and a new vision of home as mimi says no one ever leaves the town where they grew up even 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look for robyn s new book the best of us a story about family second chances and choosing to live your best life order your copy today welcome to grace valley california where blood runs thicker ties are stronger and love is all the more sweet visitors to the town often remark about the valley s peace and beauty both of which are plentiful unlocked doors front porches pies cooling in the windows this is country life at its finest but visitors don t always
see what lies at the heart of a community or just beyond june hudson grew up in grace valley the daughter of the town doctor leaving only to get her medical training she returned home and followed in her father s footsteps some might say she chose the easy comfortable route but june knows better for june her emergency room is wherever she s needed or wherever a patient finds her she is always on call her life and these people are her extended family which is a good thing since this is a town where you should have picked your husband in the ninth grade grace valley is not exactly the place to meet eligible men until an undercover dea agent suddenly starts appearing at all sorts of strange hours everybody has secrets down in the valley now june has one of her own

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a work that has served as a literary cornerstone for the vietnam generation the 13th valley follows the strange and terrifying vietnam combat experiences of james chelini a telephone systems installer who finds himself an infantryman in territory controlled by the north vietnamese army spiraling deeper and deeper into a world of conflict and darkness this harrowing account of chelini s plunge and immersion into jungle warfare traces his evolution from a semipacifist to an all out warmonger the seminal novel on the vietnam experience the 13th valley is a classic that illuminates the war in southeast asia like no other book

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one of new york magazine s best books on silicon valley the true behind the scenes history of the people who built silicon valley and shaped big tech in america long before margaret o mara became one of our most consequential historians of the american led digital revolution she worked in the white house of bill clinton and al gore in the earliest days of the commercial internet there she saw firsthand how deeply intertwined silicon valley was with the federal government and always had been and how shallow the common understanding of the secrets of the valley s success actually was now after almost five years of pioneering research o mara has produced the definitive history of silicon valley for our time the story of mavericks and visionaries but also of powerful institutions creating the framework for innovation from the pentagon to stanford university it is also a story of a community that started off remarkably homogeneous and tight knit and stayed that way and whose belief in its own mythology has deepened into a collective hubris that has led to astonishing triumphs as well as devastating second order effects deploying a wonderfully rich and diverse cast of protagonists from the justly famous to the unjustly obscure across four generations of explosive growth in the valley from the forties to the present o mara has wrestled one of the most fateful developments in modern american history into magnificent narrative form she is on the ground with all of the key tech companies chronicling the evolution in their offerings through each successive era and she has a profound fingertips feel for the politics of the sector and its relation to the larger cultural narrative about tech as it has evolved over the years perhaps most impressive o mara has penetrated the inner kingdom of tech venture capital firms the insular and still remarkably old boy world that became the cockpit of american capitalism and the crucible for bringing technological innovation to market or not the transformation of big tech into the engine room of the american economy and the nexus of so many of our hopes and dreams and increasingly our nightmares can be understood in margaret o mara s masterful hands as the story of one california valley as her majestic history makes clear its fate is the fate of us all

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