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Plagues and Peoples 1976 an account of the effects of disease on history

Plagues and Peoples 2010-10-27 upon its original publication plagues and peoples was an immediate critical and popular success offering a radically new interpretation of world history as seen through the extraordinary impact political demographic ecological and psychological of disease on cultures from the conquest of mexico by smallpox as much as by the spanish to the bubonic plague in china to the typhoid epidemic in europe the history of disease is the history of humankind with the identification of aids in the early 1980s another chapter has been added to this chronicle of events which william mcneill explores in his new introduction to this updated edition thought provoking well researched and compulsively readable plagues and peoples is that rare book that is as fascinating as it is scholarly as intriguing as it is enlightening a brilliantly conceptualized and challenging achievement kirkus reviews it is essential reading offering a new perspective on human history

Plagues and Peoples 2008 a distinguished scholar and the well known author of the rise of the west and plagues and peoples william mcneill has won widespread recognition for his ideas on the role of disease in history in this elegantly and incisively written work originally delivered as the bland lee lectures at clark university he provides a provocative interpretation in world history using the concept of parasitism by comparing the biological organisms that compete with human beings for food or feed directly upon them microparasites with those people or groups who seize goods or compel services from other human beings macroparasites professor mcneill shows how changes in the patterns of parasitism have affected human populations in different regions of the world throughout history the author identifies three landmarks of human ecological history when systematic changes in the balances between microparasites and macroparasites occurred the advance of our ancestors to the apex of the food chain the human penetration of the colder and dryer zones of the earth and the establishment of the agriculture in an especially revealing discussion of this last landmark he shows how human efforts to achieve successful farming increased human vulnerability to infection irrigation and the use of the plow created sewage and water supply problems that in turn brought on new and intensified forms of parasites in addition food harvested and store for use throughout the year became vulnerable to rats mice insects and molds these advances not only increased the number and variety of microparasites they also opened the way for macroparasites that is the transfer of food by those who produce it to those who produce it to those who consume it without themselves having worked in the fields what then began as a symbiotic relationship quickly became an exploitative one as the author points out the high yield and dependability of irrigation plowing tied farmers to the land quite effectually and made such populations easy targets for tax and rent collectors hence human society in its civilized form came to be fundamentally divided between hosts and parasites the ruled and the rulers against this conceptual background of the enveloping balances between microparasites and macroparasites that have limited human access to food and energy professor mcneill draws a new historical picture of the human condition in doing so he considers the development of command versus market economics in the mobilization of human and material resources and speculates about the direction in which these resources are coordinated today william h mcneill is robert a millikan distinguished service professor of history at the university of chicago originally published in 1980 the princeton legacy library uses the latest print on demand technology to again make available previously out of print books from the distinguished backlist of princeton university press these editions preserve the original texts of these important books while presenting them in durable paperback and hardcover editions the goal of the princeton legacy library is to vastly increase access to the rich scholarly heritage found in the thousands of books published by princeton university press since its founding in 1905

The Human Condition 2019-03-26 the rise of the west winner of the national book award for history in 1964 is famous for its ambitious scope and intellectual rigor in it mcneill challenges the spengler toynbee view that a number of separate civilizations pursued essentially independent careers and argues instead that human cultures interacted at every stage of their history the author suggests that from the neolithic beginnings of grain agriculture to the present major social changes in all parts of the world were triggered by new or newly important foreign stimuli and he presents a persuasive narrative of world history to support this claim in a retrospective essay titled the rise of the west after twenty five years mcneill shows how his book was shaped by the time and place in which it was written 1954 63 he discusses how historiography subsequently developed and suggests how his portrait of the world's past in the rise of the west should be revised to reflect these changes this is not only the most learned and the most intelligent it is also the most stimulating and fascinating book that has ever set out to recount and explain the whole history of mankind to read it is a great experience it leaves echoes to reverberate and seeds to germinate in the mind h r trevor roper new york times book review

The Rise of the West 2009-07-30 other people's worlds by william trevor a classic early novel by one of the world's greatest writers what chance has a nice middle class woman got against a determined conman 47 year old widow julia is about to remarry much to the delight and relief of her daughters but her mother has suspicions about francis which she keeps to herself perhaps wrongly if she'd shared her feelings with her daughter the disaster might have been avoided meanwhile there are two other women who have a claim on the would be bridegroom and the way things are shaping up it might be one of them rather than julia who comes off worst out of the situation william trevor's brilliant novel explores the small horrors that lie close to the surface of ordinary life a constantly surprising work pungent with the sense of evil and corruption john updike new yorker trevor is a master of both language and storytelling hilary mantel william trevor was born in mitchelstown county cork in 1928 and was educated at trinity college dublin he has lived in england for many years the author of numerous acclaimed collections of short stories and novels he has won many awards including the whitbread book of the year the james tait black memorial prize and the sunday times award for literary excellence he has been shortlisted three times for the booker prize in 1976 with his novel the children of dynmouth in 1991 with reading turgenev and in 2002 with the

story of lucy gault he recently received the prestigious david cohen literature prize in recognition of a lifetime s literary achievement

Other People's Worlds 2015-01-29 much of today s political rhetoric decries the welfare state and our maze of government regulations critics hark back to a time before the state intervened so directly in citizens lives in the people s welfare william novak refutes this vision of a stateless past by documenting america s long history of government regulation in the areas of public safety political economy public property morality and public health challenging the myth of american individualism novak recovers a distinctive nineteenth century commitment to shared obligations and public duties in a well regulated society novak explores the by laws ordinances statutes and common law restrictions that regulated almost every aspect of america s society and economy including fire regulations inspection and licensing rules fair marketplace laws the moral policing of prostitution and drunkenness and health and sanitary codes based on a reading of more than one thousand court cases in addition to the leading legal and political texts of the nineteenth century the people s welfare demonstrates the deep roots of regulation in america and offers a startling reinterpretation of the history of american governance

The People's Welfare 2000-11-09 a book of advice from our nation s founders on how to be a good citizen and a worthy member of civil society

Our Country's Founders 2001-06 a radical reassessment of how we can most effectively help others by a rising star of philosophy and leading social entrepreneur a surprising and often counterintuitive look at the best ways to make a difference macaskill is that rarest of beasts a do gooder who uses his head more than his heart sunday times most of us want to make a difference we donate to charity buy fairtrade coffee or try to cut down on our carbon emissions rarely do we know if we re really helping and despite our best intentions our actions can have ineffective and sometimes downright harmful outcomes confronting this problem william macaskill developed the concept of effective altruism a practical data driven approach which shows that each of us has the power to do an astonishing amount of good given the right information his conclusions are often surprising by examining the charities we give to the goods we buy and the careers we pursue doing good better is a fascinating and original guide which shows how through simple actions you can improve thousands of lives including your own a data nerd after my own heart bill gates required reading for anyone interested in making the world better steven levitt co author of freakonomics effective altruism efforts that actually help people rather than making you feel good or helping you show off is one of the great new ideas of the 21st century doing good better is the definitive guide to this exciting new movement steven pinker author of the better angels of our nature

Doing Good Better 2015-08-04 the origin of capitalism and modern industrialism and not unrelated the birthplace of marxism modern europe provided the perfect conditions for a great number of political revolutions from the monarchical terror of the middle ages to the mangled europe of the twenty first century a people s history of modern europe tracks the history of the continent through the deeds of those whom mainstream history tries to forget along the way william a pelz examines the german peasant wars of thomas m ntzer the bourgeoisie revolutions of the eighteenth century the rise of the industrial worker in england the turbulent journey of the russian soviets the role of the european working class throughout the cold war and the revolutionary students in 1968 he then brings his story to the present day where we continue to fight to forge an alternative to a heartless and often barbaric economic system as germany and greece argue over who owes what with the very idea of europe crumbling around them pelz s accessible provocative history could not be timelier sure to resonate with fans of books like howard zinn s a people s history of the united states this people s history sweeps away the tired platitudes of the privileged and provides an opportunity to understand the story of europe from the ground up

A People's History of Modern Europe 2016 too often the desire to accomplish ministry is squashed under the fear and perceived burden of raising the necessary funds break through that perception into a reality where you reach out and effectively develop relationships that quickly allow you to reach your personal or organizational funding and prayer support goals with this new and expanded version of people raising as your guide it is possible veteran ministry leader william dillon takes you through the basics of developing a philosophy and correct attitude toward fundraising right through the necessary practical skills and techniques to do it confidently this tried and proven manual has been updated to include new sections on social media coaching mastering six critical support raising skills and confronting the fear factor it s a highly practical guide that provides the well honed tools you need to finance the ministry to which god has called you so if you are looking for a strategic action plan that will reduce the time involved to raise funds and will leave you feeling hopeful and confident people raising is for you

People Raising 2012-03-21 could something as simple and seemingly natural as falling into step have marked us for evolutionary success in keeping together in time one of the most widely read and respected historians in america pursues the possibility that coordinated rhythmic movement and the shared feelings it evokes has been a powerful force in holding human groups together as he has done for historical phenomena as diverse as warfare plague and the pursuit of power william h mcneill brings a dazzling breadth and depth of knowledge to his study of dance and drill in human history from the records of distant and ancient peoples to the latest findings of the life sciences he discovers evidence that rhythmic movement has played a profound role in creating and sustaining human communities the behavior of chimpanzees festival village dances the close order drill of early modern europe the ecstatic dance trances of shamans and dervishes the goose stepping nazi formations the morning exercises of factory workers in japan all these and many more figure in the bold picture mcneill draws a sense of community is the key and shared movement whether dance or military drill is its mainspring mcneill focuses on the visceral and emotional sensations such movement arouses particularly the euphoric fellow feeling he calls muscular bonding these sensations he suggests endow groups with a capacity for cooperation which in turn improves their chance of survival a tour de force of imagination and scholarship keeping together in time reveals the muscular rhythmic dimension of human solidarity its lessons will

serve us well as we contemplate the future of the human community and of our various local communities

The Story of Bermuda and Her People 1973 here my previous edition of viruses plagues history is updated to reflect both progress and disappointment since that publication this edition describes newcomers to the range of human infections specifically plagues that play important roles in this 21st century the first is middle east respiratory syndrome mers an infection related to sudden acute respiratory syndrome sars sars was the first new found plague of this century zika virus which is similar to yellow fever virus in being transmitted by mosquitos is another of the recent scourges zika appearing for the first time in the americas is associated with birth defects and a paralytic condition in adults lastly illness due to hepatitis viruses were observed prominently during the second world war initially associated with blood transfusions and vaccine inoculations since then hepatitis virus infections have afflicted millions of individuals in some leading to an acute fulminating liver disease or more often to a life long persistent infection a subset of those infected has developed liver cancer however in a triumph of medical treatments for infectious diseases pharmaceuticals have been developed whose use virtually eliminates such maladies for example hepatitis c virus infection has been eliminated from almost all 97 of its victims this incredible result was the by product of basic research in virology as well as cell and molecular biology during which intelligent drugs were designed to block events in the hepatitis virus life cycle

Keeping Together in Time 2009-07-01 a least toxic approach to raising food in urban gardens based on the authors experiences in berkeley ca authors are both entomologists noted for organic least toxic pest control who specialized in gardening in small spaces with deep mulches made by composting and transplanting and methods for extending the season written with beginners in mind who have little time for gardening with many personal anecdotes illustrated with line drawings by kathy green we cover the basics soil structure and soil improvement odorless composting insect control selecting vegetable varieties for small areas pest free food scrap storage for composting intensive interplanting beekeeping rooftop meat and greens setting up community gardens raising rabbits and chickens in congested places written almost 40 years ago the methods are still current and useful its a classic in the gardening literature by people who developed the methods

Viruses, Plagues, and History 2020 in this magnificent synthesis of military technological and social history william h mcneill explores a whole millennium of human upheaval and traces the path by which we have arrived at the frightening dilemmas that now confront us mcneill moves with equal mastery from the crossbow banned by the church in 1139 as too lethal for christians to use against one another to the nuclear missile from the sociological consequences of drill in the seventeenth century to the emergence of the military industrial complex in the twentieth his central argument is that a commercial transformation of world society in the eleventh century caused military activity to respond increasingly to market forces as well as to the commands of rulers only in our own time suggests mcneill are command economies replacing the market control of large scale human effort the pursuit of power does not solve the problems of the present but its discoveries hypotheses and sheer breadth of learning do offer a perspective on our current fears and as mcneill hopes a ground for wiser action

City People's Book of Raising Food 2014-01 the sunday times bestseller unapologetically optimistic and bracingly realistic this is the most inspiring book on ethical living i ve ever read oliver burkeman guardian a monumental event rutger bregman author of humankind a book of great daring clarity insight and imagination to be simultaneously so realistic and so optimistic and always so damn readable well that is a miracle for which he should be greatly applauded stephen fry in what we owe the future philosopher william macaskill persuasively argues for longtermism the idea that positively influencing the distant future is a moral priority of our time it isn t enough to mitigate climate change or avert the next pandemic we must ensure that civilization would rebound if it collapsed cultivate value pluralism and prepare for a planet where the most sophisticated beings are digital and not human the challenges we face are enormous but so is the influence we have

The Pursuit of Power 2013-11-15 in the decade since the wedding of the century captivated people around the globe prince william and princess kate have redefined the role of the royal family in our modern age this lavishly illustrated collector s edition of people looks at the couple s life today raising their three children prince george princess charlotte and prince louis and advocating for causes about which they care deeply mental health access early childhood and the environment includes a detailed retrospective of their glorious wedding at westminster abbey kate s style evolution and how she and william are preparing for a future as king and queen

Races and People 1955 a haunting account of one man s determination and the struggles of a people living in a deeply troubled country booklist when william powers went to liberia as a fresh faced aid worker in 1999 he was given the mandate to fight poverty and save the rainforest it wasn t long before powers saw how many obstacles lay in the way discovering first hand how liberia has become a black hole in the international system poor environmentally looted scarred by violence and barely governed blue clay people is an absorbing blend of humor compassion and rigorous moral questioning arguing convincingly that the fate of endangered places such as liberia must matter to all of us

What We Owe The Future 2022-09-01 william h whyte s curiosity compelled him to question the status quo whether helping to make fortune magazine essential reading for business leaders warning of groupthink in his bestseller the organization man or standing up for jane jacobs as she advocated for the vitality of city life and public space this compelling biography sheds light on whyte s bold way of thinking ripe for rediscovery at a time when we are reshaping our communities into places of opportunity and empowerment for all citizens backcover

PEOPLE William & Kate: 10 Joyous Years, A Royal Marriage 2021-04-02 william h mcneill is known for his ability to portray the grand sweep of history the global condition is a classic work for understanding the grand sweep of world history in brief compass now with a new foreword by j r mcneill this book brings together two of william hardy mcneill s popular short books and an essay the human condition provides a provocative interpretation of history as a competition of parasites both biological and human the great frontier questions the notion of

frontier freedom through an examination of european expansion the concluding essay speculates on the role of catastrophe in our lives

Blue Clay People 2008-12-01 first published in 1999 routledge is an imprint of taylor francis an informa company

American Urbanist 2022-01-13 explores how china has reached a threshold where continued success requires re invention of its economy and politics

The Global Condition 2017-02-28 handsome cat william finds himself at the centre of mysterious case when famous masterpiece the mona cheesa is stolen from a parisian gallery who could be responsible for the theft can william put the mysterious clues together in time fans of helen hancocks penguin in peril won t be disappointed with this hilarious tale of cat and mouse

Emotions of Normal People 1999 a yale professor and author of a jane austen education evaluates the consequences of high pressure educational and parenting approaches that challenge the mind s ability to think critically and creatively calling for strategic changes that can offer college students a self directed sense of purpose

China's Crisis of Success 2018-01-11 my education is burroughs s last novel first published two years before his death in 1997 it is a book of dreams collected over several decades and as close to a memoir as we will see the dreams cover themes from the mundane and ordinary conversations with his friends allen ginsberg or ian sommerville feeding his cats procuring drugs or sex to the erotic bizarre and visionary always a rich source of imagery in burroughs s own fiction in this book dreams become a direct and powerful force in themselves

William and the Missing Masterpiece 2017-03-02 the obituary page of the new york times isa celebration of extraordinary lives this groundbreaking package includes 300 obits in the book with exclusive online access to 10 000 more of the most important and fascinating obituaries the times has ever published the obituary page is the section many readers first turn to not only see who died but to read some of the most inspiring insightful often funny and elegantly written stories celebrating the lives of the men and women who have influenced on our world william mcdonald the times obituary editor who was recently featured in the award winning documentary obit selected 320 of the most important and influential obits from the newspaper s archives in chapters like stage and screen titans of business the notorious scientists and healers athletes and american leaders the entries include a wide variety of newsmakers from the last century and a half including annie oakley theodore roosevelt joseph stalin marilyn monroe coco chanel malcolm x jackie robinson and prince also included is a web key which allows instant access to an exclusive website featuring 10 000 selected obituaries which are easily searchable by name theme dates and more designed with more than 150 black and white photographs this tomb sized book plus website package is the perfect gift

Excellent Sheep 2015-05-26 the people place and space reader brings together the writings of scholars designers and activists from a variety of fields to make sense of the makings and meanings of the world we inhabit they help us to understand the relationships between people and the environment at all scales and to consider the active roles individuals groups and social structures play in creating the environments in which people live work and play these readings highlight the ways in which space and place are produced through large and small scale social political and economic practices and offer new ways to think about how people engage the environment in multiple and diverse ways providing an essential resource for students of urban studies geography sociology and many other areas this book brings together important but till now widely dispersed writings across many inter related disciplines introductions from the editors precede each section introducing the texts demonstrating their significance and outlining the key issues surrounding the topic a companion website peopleplacespace.org extends the work even further by providing an on going series of additional reading lists that cover issues ranging from food security to foreclosure psychiatric spaces to the environments of predator animals

Continental! 1983 we all want to get to yes but what happens when the other person keeps saying no how can you negotiate successfully with a stubborn boss an irate customer or a deceitful coworker in getting past no william ury of harvard law school s program on negotiation offers a proven breakthrough strategy for turning adversaries into negotiating partners you ll learn how to stay in control under pressure defuse anger and hostility find out what the other side really wants counter dirty tricks use power to bring the other side back to the table reach agreements that satisfies both sides needs getting past no is the state of the art book on negotiation for the twenty first century it will help you deal with tough times tough people and tough negotiations you don t have to get mad or get even instead you can get what you want

My Education 2012-09-27 regarded as one of the most important sociological and business commentaries of modern times the organization man developed the first thorough description of the impact of mass organization on american society during the height of the eisenhower administration corporations appeared to provide a blissful answer to postwar life with the marketing of new technologies television affordable cars space travel fast food and lifestyles such as carefully planned suburban communities centered around the nuclear family william h whyte found this phenomenon alarming as an editor for fortune magazine whyte was well placed to observe corporate america it became clear to him that the american belief in the perfectibility of society was shifting from one of individual initiative to one that could be achieved at the expense of the individual with its clear analysis of contemporary working and living arrangements the organization man rapidly achieved bestseller status since the time of the book s original publication the american workplace has undergone massive changes in the 1990s the rule of large corporations seemed less relevant as small entrepreneurs made fortunes from new technologies in the process bucking old corporate trends in fact this new economy appeared to have doomed whyte s original analysis as an artifact from a bygone day but the recent collapse of so many startup businesses gigantic mergers of international conglomerates and the reality of economic globalization make the organization man all the more essential as background for understanding today s global market this edition contains a

new foreword by noted journalist and author joseph nocera in an afterword jenny bell whyte describes how the organization man was written

The New York Times Book of the Dead 2016-10-18 shakespeare's first folio the first complete collection of his plays was almost never printed its eventual publication went practically unnoticed and many of the original 750 copies were gone before the turn of the eighteenth century but a hundred years later the plays were rediscovered beginning the long surprising process that secured shakespeare's legacy paul collins follows this book's journey through the centuries as it lies undiscovered for decades burns sinks is bought and sold and ultimately becomes untouchable

The People, Place, and Space Reader 2014-04-16 a powerful portrait of the lives of four boarding school graduates who died too young john f kennedy jr among them by their fellow andover classmate new york times bestselling author william d cohan in his masterful pieces for vanity fair and in his bestselling books william d cohan has proven to be one of the most meticulous and intrepid journalists covering the world of wall street and high finance in his utterly original new book four friends he brings all of his brilliant reportorial skills to a subject much closer to home four friends of his who died young all four attended andover the most elite of american boarding schools before spinning out into very different orbits indelibly using copious interviews from wives girlfriends colleagues and friends cohan brings these men to life on the page jack berman the child of impoverished holocaust survivors uses his unlikely andover pedigree to achieve the american dream only to be cut down in an unimaginable act of violence will daniel harry truman's grandson and the son of the managing editor of the new york times does everything possible to escape the burdens of a family legacy he's ultimately trapped by harry bull builds the life of a careful successful chicago lawyer and heir to his family's fortune before taking an inexplicable and devastating risk on a beautiful summer day and the life and death of john f kennedy jr a story we think we know is told here with surprising new details that cast it in an entirely different light four friends is an immersive wide ranging tragic and ultimately inspiring account of promising lives cut short written with compassion honesty and insight it not only captures the fragility of life but also its poignant magisterial and pivotal moments

Places and Peoples 1975 magisterial immensely readable douglas alexander financial times insightful productively provocative and downright brilliant new york times a compelling history of catastrophes and their consequences from the most brilliant british historian of his generation the times disasters are inherently hard to predict but when catastrophe strikes we ought to be better prepared than the romans were when vesuvius erupted or medieval italians when the black death struck we have science on our side after all yet the responses of many developed countries to a new pathogen from china were badly bungled why while populist rulers certainly performed poorly in the face of the pandemic niall ferguson argues that more profound pathologies were at work pathologies already visible in our responses to earlier disasters drawing from multiple disciplines including economics and network science doom the politics of catastrophe offers not just a history but a general theory of disaster as ferguson shows governments must learn to become less bureaucratic if we are to avoid the impending doom of irreversible decline stimulating thought provoking readers will find much to relish martin bentham evening standard

My Southern Home 1880 an enchanting tour of the woodlands and prairies of frontier america laura ingalls wilder country brings together the places and people laura knew and loved recaptures the look and feel of her homes with many artifacts family photographs memorabilia and archival material 80 color and 32 black and white photographs

Getting Past No 1993-01-01 discover the cult classic behind the major new tv adaption from the creators of westworld starring chloe grace moretz big screen popcorn chewing thrills guardian flynn fisher lives in the rural american south working at the local 3d printing shop while earning much needed extra money playing vr games for rich people one night she dons a headset and finds herself in futuristic london a sleek and mysterious world alluringly different from her own hardscrabble existence but this isn't like any game she's ever played before flynn begins to realize it isn't virtual reality it's real someone in london seventy years in the future has found a way to open a door to flynn's world and as utterly beguiling as london is it's also dangerous as flynn searches to discover who has connected their worlds and for what purpose her presence here sets dangerous forces into motion forces intent on destroying flynn and her family in her own world the peripheral is master storyteller william gibson's dazzling hallucinatory glimpse into the fate of mankind and what lies beyond mesmerizing captivating haunting sunday times frightening plausible not just a unique and brilliantly talented sf novelist but a social and psychological visionary the times frantic with imagination and frantic with the appetite to see what happens next observer a swirlingly philosophical quantum daydream of drones and bodyswapping daily telegraph books of the year

The Organization Man 2013-05-31 the activist state of the new deal started forming decades before the fdr administration demonstrating the deep roots of energetic government in america in the period between the civil war and the new deal american governance was transformed with momentous implications for social and economic life a series of legal reforms gradually brought an end to nineteenth century traditions of local self government and associative citizenship replacing them with positive statecraft governmental activism intended to change how americans lived and worked through legislation regulation and public administration the last time american public life had been so thoroughly altered was in the late eighteenth century at the founding and in the years immediately following william j novak shows how americans translated new conceptions of citizenship social welfare and economic democracy into demands for law and policy that delivered public services and vindicated people's rights over the course of decades americans progressively discarded earlier understandings of the reach and responsibilities of government and embraced the idea that legislators and administrators in washington could tackle economic regulation and social welfare problems as citizens witnessed the successes of an energetic interventionist state they demanded more of the same calling on politicians and civil servants to address unfair competition and labor exploitation from public utilities and reform police power arguing against the myth that america was a weak state until the new deal new democracy traces a steadily aggrandizing authority well before the roosevelt years the united states was flexing power domestically and intervening on behalf of redistributive goals for far longer than is

commonly recognized putting the lie to libertarian claims that the new deal was an aberration in american history

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Four Friends 2019-07-09

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