

**1001 Books you must read before you die.**  
An excellent literary reference book compiled by over one hundred literary critics worldwide and edited by Peter Boxall, an instructor of English at Sussex University. Each title is accompanied by a brief synopsis and critique explaining why the book was chosen. Some entries have illustrations. The list contains 1001 titles and is made up of novels, short stories, and short story collections. Entries range from pre-1700 to contemporary works.

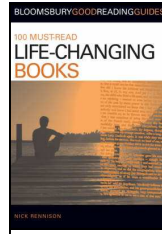
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# WIDER READING

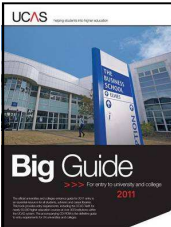
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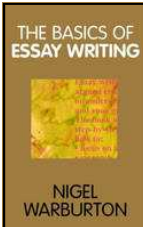


**100 Must-Read Life-Changing Books.**  
Novels which transform our ideas about human possibilities, biographies which celebrate the achievements of extraordinary individuals, works of non-fiction which oblige us to alter our views of the world or of human society. Here, the author of the popular Bloomsbury Good Reading Guide, selects the very best books which may or may not have changed the world, but which have certainly changed the lives of thousands of people who have read them.

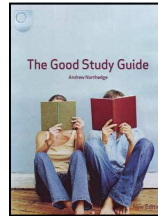


**UCAS Big Guide 2011**  
**FOR REFERENCE ONLY**  
Leave it in the library!

The essential guide to your future in higher education. Entry profiles, admission tests, UCAS tariff, application process, student finance, useful contacts and more. Key data to decide where to study—all the information you need to choose the university or college that suits you best. Over 50,000 courses are listed. Additional copies are held by Mr Cross and Mrs Miles.

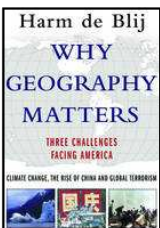


**Good Essay Writing.**  
**Nigel Warburton**  
Essay writing is an essential skill for students' at all academic levels. It is the key to good coursework and the vast majority of written exams. The book opens with a discussion of why it is so important to write a good essay, and proceeds through a step-by-step exploration of exactly what you need to think about in order to improve. How to: focus on answering the question asked; research and plan your essay; build and sustain an argument; and improve your writing style and tone. Full of advice and practical exercises.

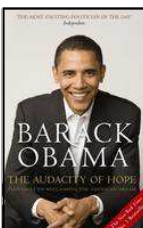


**The Good Study Guide.**  
**Andrew Northedge**  
Topics include:

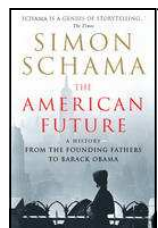
Motivating yourself and managing your time; taking full advantage of your computer; reading with concentration and understanding; developing flexible note-taking strategies; getting the most from seminars and workshops; making presentations; researching online; handling numbers and charts with confidence; writing clear, well argued assignments; doing yourself justice in exams.



**Why Geography Matters.**  
**Harm de Blij**  
Over the next half century, the population will expand to nearly 9 billion people. Climate change may throw the global system into chaos; China will emerge as a superpower; and Islamic terrorism will threaten American interests. How can we understand these global challenges? Harm de Blij has an answer: by improving our understanding of the world's geography whose perspectives yield unique insights into the connections that mark our shrinking world.



**The Audacity of Hope.**  
**Barack Obama**  
In this bestselling book, Obama discusses the importance of empathy in politics, his hopes for a different America with different policies, and how the ideals of its democracy can be renewed. With intimacy and self-deprecating humour, he describes his experiences as a politician, about balancing his family life and his public vocation. His search for consensus and his respect for the democratic process inform every sentence. Barack Obama has written a book of transforming power that will inspire people the world over.

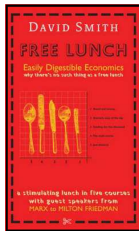


**The American Future.**  
**Simon Schama**  
In 2008, the United States elected a new President. But the collapse of twenty years of conservatism means the country is conducting a self-examination about the trajectory of its history; how it came to find itself in multiple crises and how an America that began as 'the last best hope for mankind' came to be so suspected and vilified around much of the world. Simon Schama takes the long view of how the United States has come to this anguished moment of truth about its own identity as a nation and its place in the world.



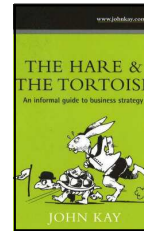
**How They Started: how 30 good ideas became great businesses.**  
David Lester

For thousands of people who have ever had an idea for good business - but have never acted on it. *How They Started* is about 30 people and the origins of their enterprises. They all had an idea, and went on to start a business. Those businesses are all extremely successful, and most are household names. It covers: first steps, choosing a business name, start-up costs, finding suppliers, attracting customers and resolving problems.



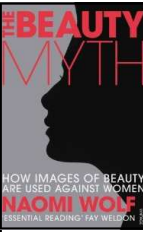
**Free Lunch.**  
David Smith

This book makes the economics pages of the newspaper intelligible, the financial pages interesting and answers questions all of us worry about. It's unique format follows the course of a meal, with starters (the introduction), main course and then the discussion which one always has at the end of a good meal. Along the way Adam Smith, Karl Marx and John Maynard Keynes make appearances to enliven the meal and entertain and inform us, the diners. A clever, completely original and witty introduction to economics.



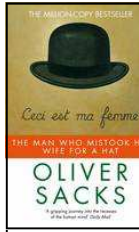
**The Hare & the Tortoise.**  
John Kay

John Kay combines insightful analysis with wit and verve. In this book, we meet heroes as diverse as Sun Tzu, Jacques Derrida, and Jack Welch. We study businesses as diverse as Honda Motors, the grandes marques of Champagne, and Jenners department store in Princes Street, Edinburgh. We learn why size doesn't matter, why brakes are different from signals, how to value businesses and more. A lively and digestible introduction to business strategy.



**The Beauty Myth.**  
Naomi Wolf

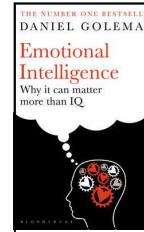
The myth of female beauty challenges every woman, every day of her life. The author exposes the tyranny of the beauty myth through the ages and its oppressive function today, in the home, at work, in literature and the media, in relationships between men and women, between women and women. With examples, she confronts the beauty industry and its advertising and uncovers the reasons why women are consumed by this destructive obsession.



**The Man Who Mistook his Wife for a Hat.**  
Oliver Sacks

The subject of this strange and wonderful book is what happens when things go wrong with parts of the brain most of us don't know exist ...

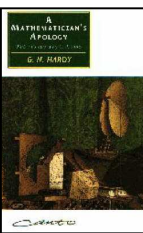
Dr Sacks shows the awesome powers of our mind and just how delicately balanced they have to be. This book is for everybody who has felt from time to time that certain twinge of self-identity and sensed how easily, at any moment, one might lose it.



**Emotional Intelligence: Why it can matter more than IQ.**

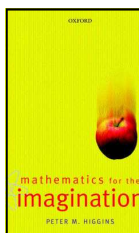
**Daniel Goleman**

Does IQ define our destiny? Daniel Goleman argues that our view of intelligence is too narrow, and that our emotions play major role in success. Self-awareness, impulse control, persistence, motivation, empathy and social deftness are qualities that mark people who excel, whose relationships flourish, who are stars in the workplace. With insights into the brain architecture, Goleman shows how emotional intelligence can be strengthened in all of us.



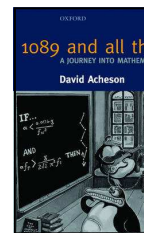
**A Mathematician's Apology.**  
G H Hardy

G H Hardy was one of this century's finest mathematical thinkers, renowned as a 'real mathematician'. He was also 'unorthodox, eccentric, radical, ready to talk about anything'. This 'apology', written in 1940 as his mathematical powers were declining, offers an engaging account of mathematics as much more than a science; when it was first published, Graham Greene hailed it alongside Henry James's notebooks as 'the best account of what it was like to be a creative artist'.



**Mathematics for the Imagination.**  
Peter M Higgins

An accessible and entertaining investigation into mathematical problems in the world around us. From world navigation, family trees, and calendars to patterns, tessellations, and number tricks, this informative and fun new book helps you to understand the maths behind real-life questions and rediscover your arithmetical mind. A highly involving book which encourages the reader to enter into the spirit of mathematical exploration.



**1089 and all that: A journey into mathematics.**  
David Acheson

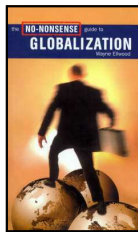
This excellent book, written by the established author David Acheson, makes mathematics accessible to everyone. Providing an entertaining and witty overview of the subject, the text includes several fascinating puzzles, and is accompanied by numerous illustrations and sketches by world famous cartoonists. This unusual book is one of the most readable explanations of mathematics available.



**No Logo.**  
**Naomi Klein**

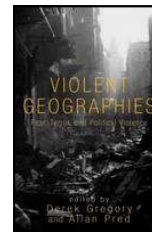
By the time you're 21, you'll have seen or heard a million advertisements. But you won't be happier for it. This is a book about

that much-maligned, much-misunderstood generation coming up behind the slackers, who are being intelligent and active about the world in which they find themselves. It is a world in which all that is 'alternative' is sold, where any innovation is immediately adopted by faceless corporations. Now a new generation is beginning to fight consumerism with its own best weapons.



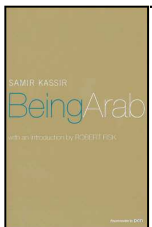
**The No-Nonsense Guide to Globalization.**  
**Wayne Elwood**

Commercial culture and consumerism have seeped into every corner of the globe while gaps in wealth, food security and social provision continue to grow. This guide acknowledges the seductive and powerful promise of a 'borderless' world but probes deeper to find a money-mad juggernaut, spinning wildly out of control, threatening both cultural and biological diversity. This is a stinging and thought provoking critique of the orthodoxy of economic growth in a world of finite resources .



**Violent Geographies.**  
**Derek Gregory & Allan Pred**

The authors have brought together a talented group of geographers to look at how territory and space delimits and shapes both terrorism and violence. The main goal of this work is to show how political violence, especially terrorism, 'ruptures the simple distinction between global and local issues. It goes far beyond 9/11, moving backward in history and across the globe to investigate the heightened states of emergency occurring around the world.



**Being Arab.**

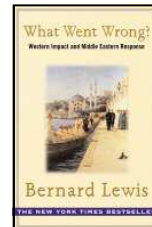
Samir Kassir describes the state of Arab malaise in which he finds his generation, and searches to understand how the Arab world arrived at this point of political and intellectual stagnation. Kassir turns to the past, recounting the Arab "golden age," the flowering of cultural expression in the 19th and 20th centuries as painters, poets, musicians, playwrights and novelists came together to create a new, living Arab culture. Investigating the huge impact of modernity on the region, and the shockwaves that turned society upside-down.

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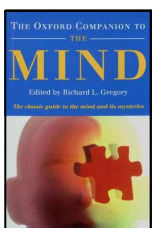
**Being Indian.**  
**Pavan K. Varma**

In the 21st century, every sixth human being will be Indian. India is very close to becoming the second largest consumer market in the world. The economy is the fourth largest in terms of purchasing power and is in the top ten overall GNP. Yet over 200 million Indians remain desperately poor. Communal violence is widespread; corruption endemic. Brides are still tortured and burnt for dowries. The caste system has lost little of its power. How are we to make sense of these apparently contradictory pictures of India today?



**What Went Wrong?**  
**The clash between Islam and modernity in the Middle East.**  
**Bernard Lewis**

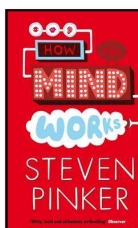
Islam was the world's greatest, most enlightened, creative and powerful civilisation. Then everything changed, as the West won victory after victory, first on the battlefield, the marketplace, then in almost every aspect of public and private life. Bernard Lewis examines the reaction of the Islamic world as it tried to understand why things had changed, and he provides a portrait of a culture in turmoil.



**The Oxford Companion to the Mind.**  
**R L Gregory (Ed.)**

With 1001 A-Z entries ranging from brief statements to substantial essays on major topics, this volume takes the reader on a tour of this mind with many questions and answers within the broad compass of philosophy, psychology and the physiology of the brain. An important feature of the book is the large number of articles on "topics of mental life", in which well-known writers discuss subjects in which they have a particular expertise or interest.

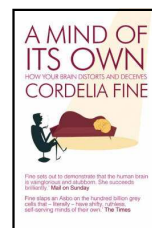
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**How the Mind Works.**  
**Steven Pinker**

Why do we laugh? What makes memories fade? Why do fools fall in love? Why do people believe in ghosts? How do we recognize a face? *How the Mind Works* explores every aspect of our brains, showing that our minds are not a mystery, but rather a system designed by natural selection over years of human evolution.

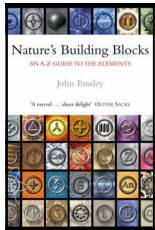
Steven Pinker offers us a new way of understanding ourselves.



**A Mind of It's Own:**  
**How Your Brain Distorts and Deceives.**  
**Cordelia Fine**

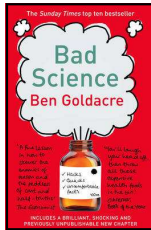
This book shows the science behind the amazing ways your brain tricks you in everyday life. There are lots of stories and revealing psychology with 2 new chapters - The Immoral Brain, and The Weak-Willed Brain.

Cordelia is the daughter of former Children's Laureate Anne Fine, and has inherited her brilliant storytelling talent!



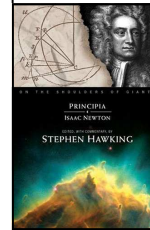
**Nature's Building Blocks.**  
**John Emsley**

A readable, informative, fascinating entry on each one of the 100-odd chemical elements, arranged alphabetically from actinium to zirconium. An explanation of where the element's name comes from, followed by the role it plays in living things, how and when it was discovered, what it is used for and where it occurs. Facts, figure and narrative and the 'element of surprise' for those amazing, little-known snippets of information.



**Bad Science.**  
**Ben Goldacre**

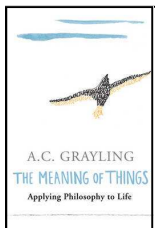
A hilarious journey through bad science. When Dr Ben Goldacre saw someone on TV dipping her feet in an 'Aqua Detox' footbath, releasing toxins into the water and turning it brown, he thought he'd try the same at home. 'Like some kind of Johnny Ball cum Witchfinder General', using his girlfriend's Barbie doll, he gently passed an electrical current through the salt water. 'Before my very eyes, the world's first Detox Barbie was sat, with her feet in a pool of brown sludge, purged of a weekend's immorality.'



**Principia.**  
**Isaac Newton**

Establishing the laws of universal gravity and the fundamental laws of motion, Newton's momentous 1687 essay stands as one of the most important works in physics, and it revolutionised the way scientists investigate and prove their theories.

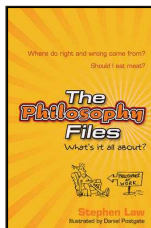
This edition, edited by Stephen Hawking helps make this revolutionary essay accessible to a new generation of readers.



**The Meaning of Things.**  
**A C Grayling**

'The unconsidered life is not worth living' - Socrates. Thinking about life, what it means and what it holds in store does

not have to be a despondent experience, but rather can be enlightening and uplifting. A life truly worth living is one that is informed and considered so a degree of philosophical insight into the inevitabilities of the human condition is inherently important and such an approach will help us to deal with personal dilemmas. This book accessible and thought-provoking.



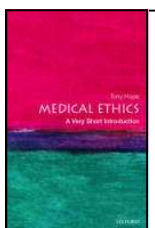
**The Philosophy Files.**  
**Stephen Law**

Is there a God, should I eat meat, where does the universe come from? Dip into any chapter and you will find lively scenarios to take you through philosophical puzzles, involving virtual reality, science fiction and characters from this and other planets. Interspersed on every page with engaging cartoons and with a list of philosophical jargon at the end. Stephen Law offers few answers, but his unstuffy, highly personal approach will have the reader thinking and arguing with as much pleasure as he does himself.



**The Big Questions.**  
**Jonathan Hill**

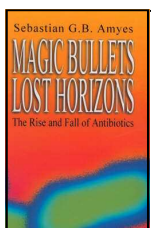
How have philosophers have addressed key issues over the centuries? Considering the arguments for and against each position, he encourages readers to think the issues through for themselves in this enjoyable, discursive book. How can we believe in God when there is so much suffering? Does science mean the end of religion? Does life after death really exist? Is freedom just an illusion? Is there such a thing as evil? Have we any good reason to believe in God? What is the ultimate goal of life?



**Medical Ethics.**  
**Tony Hope**

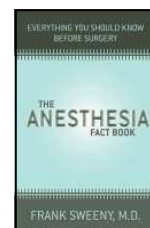
Tony Hope deals with moral questions, such as euthanasia and the morality of killing. Covering: genetics,

reproductive technologies, resource allocation, mental health, and medical research. Who should have access to reproductive technology? Who should pay? Is it right to fund expensive drug treatment for individuals? Should treatment for mental illness be imposed on patients without their consent? Who should have access to information from genetic testing? And other controversial issues.



**Magic Bullets, Lost Horizons.**  
**Sebastian G B Amyes**

Antibiotics have transformed medical practice. They are considered one of the miracle drugs of the 20th century. However, the increasing misuse of these agents is causing a problem of resistance that may prove to be one of the greatest threats to health. This book sets out to put the media sensationalism into perspective. It examines the development of modern antibiotics, the obstacles faced during application of the drugs and their expected efficacy in the future.



**The Anesthesia Fact Book.**  
**Frank Sweeny**

Anesthesia regularly evokes more fear and anxiety for patients than the surgery for which it is being given. However, most patients meet with their anesthesiologist for just a few minutes before surgery. Unanswered questions and unresolved anxieties can weaken a patient as he enters the operating room and in his recovery. This book reveals how various kinds of anesthesia work and answers many questions about the process, providing strategies to ensure safer and less stressful surgery.