

The Long Drop

Unveiling the Energy of Verbal Artistry: An Mental Sojourn through **The Long Drop**

In some sort of inundated with displays and the cacophony of instantaneous communication, the profound energy and psychological resonance of verbal beauty usually fade in to obscurity, eclipsed by the continuous assault of sound and distractions. Yet, set within the musical pages of **The Long Drop**, a charming function of literary splendor that impulses with fresh feelings, lies an memorable trip waiting to be embarked upon. Published by a virtuoso wordsmith, that enchanting opus instructions viewers on a mental odyssey, gently revealing the latent potential and profound impact stuck within the intricate internet of language. Within the heart-wrenching expanse of the evocative evaluation, we will embark upon an introspective exploration of the book is key styles, dissect its fascinating writing model, and immerse ourselves in the indelible impact it leaves upon the depths of readers souls.

One Drop Yaba Blay 2021-02-16 Challenges narrow perceptions of Blackness as both an identity and lived reality to understand the diversity of what it means to be Black in the US and around the world What exactly is Blackness and what does it mean to be Black? Is Blackness a matter of biology or consciousness? Who determines who is Black and who is not? Who's Black, who's not, and who cares? In the United States, a Black person has come to be defined as any person with any known Black ancestry. Statutorily referred to as "the rule of hypodescent," this definition of Blackness is more popularly known as the "one-drop rule," meaning that a person with any trace of Black ancestry, however small or (in)visible, cannot be considered White. A method of social order that began almost immediately after the arrival of enslaved Africans in America, by 1910 it was the law in almost all southern states. At a time when the one-drop rule functioned to protect and preserve White racial purity, Blackness was both a matter of biology and the law. One was either Black or White. Period. Has the social and political landscape changed one hundred years later? One Drop explores the extent to which historical definitions of race continue to shape contemporary racial identities and lived experiences of racial difference. Featuring the perspectives of 60 contributors representing 25 countries and combining candid narratives with striking portraiture, this book provides living testimony to the diversity of Blackness. Although contributors use varying terms to self-identify, they all see themselves as part of the larger racial, cultural, and social group generally referred to as Black. They have all had their identity called into question simply because they do not fit neatly into the stereotypical "Black box"—dark skin, "kinky" hair, broad nose, full lips, etc. Most have been asked "What are you?" or the more politically correct "Where are you from?" throughout their lives. It is through contributors' lived experiences with and lived imaginings of Black identity that we can visualize multiple possibilities for Blackness.

THE LONG DROP Brian D. Kharpran Daly 2014-08-05 During a cave expedition in the Jaintia Hills of Meghalaya, India, the body of the Doloi(Chief of the Nongkhlieh elaka), who had gone missing, was found brutally murdered, at the bottom of a deep shaft. Thrang Kharwan, the organizer of the Expedition, was caught up in the web and intrigues of the coal and limestone miners, who felt threatened by the cry of 'save the caves' raised by the cavers. Thrang had filed a Public Interest Litigation in the Apex Court of the country against the destruction of the environment, especially of the caves and its unique cave eco-systems, by the indiscriminate and unscientific quarrying. Thrang survived the attempts on his life, including a heinous attempt to toss him into the deep dark shaft where the Daloi's body was earlier found murdered; ironically, a cave that had become his dream and fantasy - to finally achieve his goal of cave conservation. In this murderous raging attrition of deceit and power and against all odds, he finally came out triumphant, to find the meaning of life and love.

Drop Coin Here Ken Rubin 1979

Last Long Drop Mike Safe 2017-11-01 A rollicking novel of surf and celebrity, The Last Long Drop is a wild ride through the volatile world of killer waves and tabloid sensations, where any mess-up may be your last. When Johno Harcourt is shown the door at his high-profile newspaper job, he finds himself on the wrong side of fifty, pondering what to do with the rest of his life. While his go-getting wife and over-achieving children are otherwise occupied, he whiles away summer days surfing and playing funky music with his

odd-bod gang of mates - that is, until he lands the prize job of ghostwriting the autobiography of Australia's veteran movie megastar, Mike Vargas. Charismatic, confident and still a mad keen surfer, Vargas wins over Harcourt as they spend hours catching waves and drinking together while the screen legend tells of his ever-eventful life. But as Harcourt digs deeper, secrets from Vargas's distant past suddenly emerge, forcing him to realise there's a darker side to the star he thought he knew, but doesn't.

Shop Till You Drop Elaine Viets 2003-05-06 Once on the fast track to success, Helen Hawthorne is now going nowhere fast. She traded in her chic life for a shabby one. And now she's on the fun, jumping from city to city and dead-end job to dead-end job, trying to stay one step ahead of her past... After two weeks as the new salesclerk at Juliana's, Fort Lauderdale's ultra-exclusive clothing boutique, Helen still feels out of fashion. And since the only crime likely to be committed around here is being old-or worse, looking old-Helen figures she is safe. Until she discovers the manager has been embezzling money and selling designer drugs along with the designer clothes. Add murder to the mix-and Helen's dead-end job is downright deadly.

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The Less Dead Denise Mina 2020-08-18 In this "thought-provoking" thriller from the author of the Reese Witherspoon book club pick and national bestseller Conviction, a woman in crisis finds herself on the hunt for her own mother's murderer (People). Dr. Margo Dunlop is at a crossroads. Her adoptive mom just passed away, and Margo misses her so much she can't begin to empty the house-or, it seems, get her brother on the phone. Not to mention she's newly single, secretly pregnant, and worried about her best friend's dangerous relationship. In an effort to cheer herself up she goes in search of her birth mother. Instead she finds Nikki, her mother's sister. Aunt Nikki isn't what Margo expects, and she brings upsetting news: Margo's mother is dead. Worse, she was murdered years ago, and her killer is still at large—and sending Nikki threatening letters. Margo is torn. Should she stay out of this mess, or try to find justice? But then Margo receives a letter, too. Someone out there has been waiting and watching, and in Margo sees the

spitting image of her mother . . . Darkly funny and deeply affecting, *The Less Dead* is a sharply modern new thriller from the bestselling author of *Conviction*, and a surprisingly moving story of daughters and mothers, secrets and choices, and how the search for the truth—and a long-hidden killer—will lead one woman to find herself.

The Drop Michael Connelly 2020-03-24 In his fierce search for a new case, Detective Harry Bosch discovers a killer hiding behind suspicious DNA evidence -- and a political conspiracy that could destroy the Los Angeles Police Department. DNA from a 1989 rape and murder matches a 29-year-old convicted rapist. Was he an eight-year-old killer or has something gone terribly wrong in the new Regional Crime Lab? The latter possibility could compromise all of the lab's DNA cases currently in court. Then Bosch and his partner are called to a death scene fraught with internal politics. Councilman Irvin Irving's son jumped or was pushed from a window at the Chateau Marmont. Irving, Bosch's longtime nemesis, has demanded that Harry handle the investigation. Relentlessly pursuing both cases, Bosch makes two chilling discoveries: a killer operating unknown in the city for as many as three decades, and a political conspiracy that goes back into the dark history of the police department.

The Long Drop Denise Mina 2018-02-22 'This book is so, so good. Forensic, beautiful and gripping?' GRAHAM NORTON**WINNER OF THE 2017 MCILVANNEY PRIZE FOR SCOTTISH CRIME BOOK OF THE YEAR***CHOSEN BY THE TELEGRAPHAS ONE OF THE BEST CRIME BOOKS OF 2017***CHOSEN BY THE FINANCIAL TIMESAS ONE OF THE BEST CRIME BOOKS OF 2017***CHOSEN BY THE GUARDIANAS ONE OF THE BEST CRIME BOOKS OF 2017***CHOSEN BY THE SCOTSMANAS ONE OF THE BEST CRIME BOOKS OF 2017**Glasgow, 1957. It is a December night and William Watt is desperate. His family has been murdered and he needs to find out who killed them. He arrives at a bar to meet Peter Manuel, who claims he can get hold of the gun that was used. But Watt soon realises that this infamous criminal will not give up information easily. Inspired by true events, *The Long Drop* follows Watt and Manuel along back streets and into smoky pubs, and on to the courtroom where the murder trial takes place. Can Manuel really be trusted to tell the truth? And how far will Watt go to get what he wants?' 'The extraordinary story of a 1950s Glasgow murder mystery? Guardian' A masterpiece by the woman who may be Britain's finest living crime novelist? Daily Telegraph' Absorbing... this is a bravura performance, a true original? Ian Rankin' Revisits a dark episode in Glasgow's past... Mina navigates the uneasy territory between fact and fiction with consummate grace? Val McDermid

A Drop of the Sea Ingrid Chabbert 2018-10-02 A gorgeous story about devotion and dreams coming true at any age. Ali and his great-grandmother live happily together in a tiny clay house at the edge of the desert. But lately, Ali has begun to notice how his great-grandmother has aged. And one day, he asks if her life's dreams have come true. All except one, she says. She had a dream to see the sea, but now she is too old. So, the next morning, Ali sets off to make his great-grandmother's final dream come true. He's going to bring the sea to her. Children everywhere will recognize their own best selves in Ali's heroic act of kindness.

The Better Angels of Our Nature Steven Pinker 2012-09-25 Presents a controversial history of violence which argues that today's world is the most peaceful time in human existence, drawing on psychological insights into intrinsic values that are causing people to condemn violence as an acceptable measure.

Drop Dead Healthy A. J. Jacobs 2012-04-10 From the bestselling author of *The Year of Living Biblically* and *The Know-It-All* comes the true and truly hilarious story of one person's quest to become the healthiest man in the world. Hospitalized with a freak case of tropical pneumonia, goaded by his wife telling him, "I don't want to be a widow at forty-five," and ashamed of a middle-aged body best described as "a python that swallowed a goat," A.J. Jacobs felt compelled to change his ways and get healthy. And he didn't want only to lose weight, or finish a triathlon, or lower his cholesterol. His ambitions were far greater: maximal health from head to toe. The task was epic. He consulted an army of experts—sleep consultants and sex clinicians, nutritionists and dermatologists. He subjected himself to dozens of different workouts—from Strollercize classes to Finger Fitness sessions, from bouldering with cavemen to a treadmill desk. And he took in a cartload of diets: raw foods, veganism, high protein, calorie restriction, extreme chewing, and dozens more. He bought gadgets and helmets, earphones and juicers. He poked and he pinched. He counted and he measured. The story of his transformation is not only brilliantly entertaining, but it just may be the

healthiest book ever written. It will make you laugh until your sides split and endorphins flood your bloodstream. It will alter the contours of your brain, imprinting you with better habits of hygiene and diet. It will move you emotionally and get you moving physically in surprising ways. And it will give you occasion to reflect on the body's many mysteries and the ultimate pursuit of health: a well-lived life.

Blood, Salt, Water Denise Mina 2015-12-01 Detective Alex Morrow discovers that the darkest secrets never stay buried as she investigates the criminal underbelly of a seemingly tranquil seaside town. For reasons she can't quite explain, Alex Morrow is addicted to watching surveillance footage of Roxanna Fuentecilla—a gorgeous Spanish mother of two, in a tempestuous relationship with her boyfriend, who recently relocated to Glasgow under mysterious circumstances. She is also Morrow's prime suspect in an investigation that resembles a soap opera, filled with glamorous jetsetters and enough money to interest the highest levels of law enforcement. Until Roxanna vanishes. Morrow traces Roxanna's steps to Helensburgh, a sleepy, picturesque seaside community. But behind the idyllic Victorian homes and quaint storefronts, darkness lurks. Home to a man with blood on his hands who is haunted by guilt, a mysterious woman with ulterior motives back in town for the first time in decades, a sexually frustrated restaurateur looking to blow off steam, and a crew of vicious small-time gangsters blindly following orders, it's a town ruled by base instincts where no one is quite what they seem. And it's the perfect place to get rid of someone. When she uncovers an unsettling connection to Roxanna's job back in Glasgow, Morrow suspects that her missing person is more than a white-collar criminal on the lam—she may also be a victim caught up in a sophisticated conspiracy that stretches far beyond Helensburgh and is more personal than Morrow ever imagined. As the truth rises to the surface and the conflicts that lie beneath Helensburgh's calm waters threaten to explode, Morrow must find Roxanna before any hope of solving the case disappears with her. A gripping tale of greed, power, and vengeance, *Blood, Salt, Water* is a masterful crime novel from Denise Mina that confirms her reputation as "one of the genre's bright stars" (George Pelecanos).

Drop the Ball Tiffany Dufu 2017-02-14 A bold and inspiring memoir and manifesto from a renowned voice in the women's leadership movement who shows women how to cultivate the single skill they really need in order to thrive: the ability to let go. Once the poster girl for doing it all, after she had her first child, Tiffany Dufu struggled to accomplish everything she thought she needed to in order to succeed. Like so many driven and talented women who have been brought up to believe that to have it all, they must do it all, Dufu began to feel that achieving her career and personal goals was an impossibility. Eventually, she discovered the solution: letting go. In *Drop the Ball*, Dufu recounts how she learned to reevaluate expectations, shrink her to-do list, and meaningfully engage the assistance of others—freeing the space she needed to flourish at work and to develop deeper, more meaningful relationships at home. Even though women are half the workforce, they still represent only eighteen per cent of the highest level leaders. The reasons are obvious: just as women reach middle management they are also starting families. Mounting responsibilities at work and home leave them with no bandwidth to do what will most lead to their success. Offering new perspective on why the women's leadership movement has stalled, and packed with actionable advice, Tiffany Dufu's *Drop the Ball* urges women to embrace imperfection, to expect less of themselves and more from others—only then can they focus on what they truly care about, devote the necessary energy to achieving their real goals, and create the type of rich, rewarding life we all desire.

The Drop Dennis Lehane 2014-09-02 Dennis Lehane returns to the streets of Mystic River with this love story wrapped in a crime story wrapped in a journey of faith—the basis for the major motion picture *The Drop*, from Fox Searchlight Pictures directed by Michaël Roskam, screenplay by Dennis Lehane, and starring Tom Hardy, Noomi Rapace, and James Gandolfini. Three days after Christmas, a lonely bartender looking for a reason to live rescues an abused puppy from a trash can and meets a damaged woman looking for something to believe in. As their relationship grows, they cross paths with the Chechen mafia; a man grown dangerous with age and thwarted hopes; two hapless stick-up artists; a very curious cop; and the original owner of the puppy, who wants his dog back. . . .

The Negro Motorist Green Book Victor H. Green The idea of "The Green Book" is to give the Motorist and Tourist a Guide not only of the Hotels and Tourist Homes in all of the large cities, but other classifications that will be found useful wherever he may be. Also facts and information that the Negro Motorist can use and depend upon. There are thousands of places that the public doesn't know about and aren't listed.

Perhaps you know of some? If so send in their names and addresses and the kind of business, so that we might pass it along to the rest of your fellow Motorists. You will find it handy on your travels, whether at home or in some other state, and is up to date. Each year we are compiling new lists as some of these places move, or go out of business and new business places are started giving added employment to members of our race.

Death Resistant Michael Ockrim 2021-11-05 Recovery, Movement, and Nutrition. That is what it takes to live a long and healthy life. This is not groundbreaking information. Most people intuitively know this to be true. The challenge arises in defining how often, how much, when, where, and what "healthy" rest, activity, and food look like. Death Resistant breaks "healthy" down into manageable segments that can be understood and applied. Readers start by grasping the system from a general point-of-view, then gradually they begin to break down the individual components and implement them into a personalized definition of "health." Commitment to a healthy and active lifestyle is a life-long journey. Play the long game. Start thinking in terms of living to be 120 years old and what it will take to get there with a sharp mind and a functional body.

Alice in Wonderland Lewis Carroll 2009-01-01 Alice in Wonderland (also known as Alice's Adventures in Wonderland), from 1865, is the peculiar and imaginative tale of a girl who falls down a rabbit-hole into a bizarre world of eccentric and unusual creatures. Lewis Carroll's prominent example of the genre of "literary nonsense" has endured in popularity with its clever way of playing with logic and a narrative structure that has influence generations of fiction writing.

The Dash Diet Weight Loss Solution Marla Heller 2014-07-03 Using the key elements of the DASH (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension) diet and proven, never-before-published NIH research, leading nutrition expert Marla Heller has created the most effective diet for quick-and lasting-weight loss. Based on the diet rated the #1 Best Overall Diet by Us News & World Report," this effective and easy program includes menu plans, recipes, shopping lists, and more.

Drop Emily Kate Moon 2021-02-16 A water ride like you've never experienced before, featuring the cutest drop of water in all of precipitation. Meet Drop. She's water! And she's seen a thing or two. Yep, even dinosaurs; she's four and a half billion years old, after all. Everywhere Drop flows--and she flows everywhere--she keeps things moving, making life on earth possible, and having a great time doing it. (Have you ever plummeted from a rain cloud? Or took a thousand-year nap in a glacier? Drop knows how to live right.) With delightful panache and a steady stream of funny one-liners, Drop takes readers on an adventure through the water cycle and beyond. Filled with irresistible artwork, funny asides, and a steady sprinkle of kid-enticing facts, Drop is the story about water you never knew you were thirsting for. "Splasy and original." —Kirkus "A stand out from others of its type." —SLC "An endearing, conversational introduction to the water cycle." —PW

The Rime of the Ancient Mariner Samuel Taylor Coleridge 1906

First Drop of Crimson Jeaniene Frost 2010-02-09 "First Drop of Crimson is a passionate and tantalizing tale, filled with dark sensuality and fast-paced action. The lead couple is irresistible—a gutsy heroine to cheer for and a smoldering hero to die for. An unforgettable story!" —Kresley Cole, New York Times bestselling author Jeaniene Frost is back with the first book of a sexy spinoff from her USA Today and New York Times bestselling Night Huntress series. In this electrifying novel, the spotlight shines on her popular characters Bones' and Cat's closest confidantes - and one woman will come close to the dark side of desire as she places her trust in a vampire who could prove to be her salvation...or her downfall. The winner of multiple awards—including a Romantic Times Reviewers' Choice Award for Best Urban Fantasy and a Romance Reviewers Today Best Paranormal Award—Jeaniene Frost has received the Romantic Times Top Pick rating four times in a row...not to mention unqualified raves from critics, peers, and discriminating fans of paranormal romance.

Natural Ventilation for Infection Control in Health-care Settings Y. Chartier 2009 This guideline defines ventilation and then natural ventilation. It explores the design requirements for natural ventilation in the context of infection control, describing the basic principles of design, construction, operation and maintenance for an effective natural ventilation system to control infection in health-care settings.

The Longdrop Joan Joass 2020-06-14 Heres a fantastic tale for kids about the classic Kiwi holiday that

includes a caravan, a beach and the sometimes-smelly toilet shed out the back of the holiday section the longdrop. The kids need to go, and the public loo is sooo far away from their caravan. So, Dad builds a longdrop! When the paper builds to capacity Dad thinks and thinks and solves his problem with a match. He forgets fire and methane make for an explosive situation! Based on a true story (Joans husband is Dad), this fun rhyming story celebrates the hilarious situations that arise from the Kiwi shell be right approach to life. Bob Darrochs jam-packed illustrations perfectly depict New Zealand holiday time.

The Short Drop Matthew FitzSimmons 2015 A decade ago Suzanne Lombard, the daughter of Benjamin Lombard-- then a senator, now a powerful vice president-- disappeared. For legendary hacker and marine Gibson Vaughn, Suzanne had been like a sister. When Gibson is asked to help with new evidence, he jumps at the chance to uncover what happened all those years ago. Using his military and technical prowess, he soon discovers multiple conspiracies surrounding the Lombard family-- and he encounters ruthless political players who will do anything to silence him and his team.

Hiroshima John Hersey 2020-06-23 Hiroshima is the story of six people—a clerk, a widowed seamstress, a physician, a Methodist minister, a young surgeon, and a German Catholic priest—who lived through the greatest single manmade disaster in history. In vivid and indelible prose, Pulitzer Prize-winner John Hersey traces the stories of these half-dozen individuals from 8:15 a.m. on August 6, 1945, when Hiroshima was destroyed by the first atomic bomb ever dropped on a city, through the hours and days that followed.

Almost four decades after the original publication of this celebrated book, Hersey went back to Hiroshima in search of the people whose stories he had told, and his account of what he discovered is now the eloquent and moving final chapter of Hiroshima.

Drop by Drop Morgan Llywelyn 2018-06-26 From Morgan Llywelyn, the bestselling author of Lion of Ireland and the Irish Century series, comes Drop By Drop her first near-future science fiction thriller Unbound Worlds—The Best Sci Fi and Fantasy Books of June 2018 In this first book in the Step By Step trilogy, global catastrophe occurs as all plastic mysteriously liquefies. All the small components making many technologies possible—navigation systems, communications, medical equipment—fail. In Sycamore River, citizens find their lives disrupted as everything they've depended on melts around them, with sometimes fatal results. All they can rely upon is themselves. And this is only the beginning . . . At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Getting Things Done David Allen 2001 ALLEN/GETTING THINGS DONE

Drop the Rock Bill P. 2009-06-03 A practical guide to letting go of the character defects that get in the way of true and joyful recovery. Resentment. Fear. Self-Pity. Intolerance. Anger. As Bill P. explains, these are the "rocks" that can sink recovery- or at the least, block further progress. Based on the principles behind Steps Six and Seven, Drop the Rock combines personal stories, practical advice, and powerful insights to help readers move forward in recovery. The second edition features additional stories and a reference section.

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difference.

Capital Punishment in Japan Petra Schmidt 2002 This book provides an overview of capital punishment in Japan in a legal, historical, social, cultural and political context. It provides new insights into the system, challenges traditional views and arguments and seeks the real reasons behind the retention of capital punishment in Japan.

The Big Drop John Long 1999 A classic collection of big wave surfing stories that heralded a new era in surfing literature--32 tantalizing and terrifying true tales from the sport's pioneers

Curious George Learns the Alphabet H. A. Rey 2012-03-16 Readers learn the alphabet along with George as the man in the yellow hat teaches the curious monkey how to read.

Dead to the Last Drop Cleo Coyle 2016-09-06 From the New York Times bestselling author of *Once Upon a Grind* comes a new, all-American mystery... When the White House asks coffeehouse manager and master roaster Clare Cosi to consult on a Rose Garden Wedding, she uncovers long-simmering secrets that threaten to boil over... Clare's Washington visit is off to a graceful start, when she lands a housesitting job in a Georgetown mansion and is invited to work on the Smithsonian's salute to coffee in America. Unfortunately, her new Village Blend DC is struggling—until its second floor Jazz Space attracts a high-profile fan in the daughter of the President. But as Clare's stock rises, she learns a stark lesson: Washington can be murder. First a State Department employee suspiciously collapses in her coffeehouse. Then the President's daughter goes missing. After another deadly twist, Clare is on the run with her NYPD detective boyfriend. Branded an enemy of the state, she must uncover the truth before her life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness come to a bitter end.

Bowling Alone Robert D. Putnam 2000 Shows how changes in work, family structure, women's roles, and other factors have caused people to become increasingly disconnected from family, friends, neighbors, and democratic structures--and how they may reconnect.

Body Drop Brian Oliu 2021-09-15 Professional wrestling is a strange beast full of contradictions--part live soap opera, part hypermasculine violent spectacle. It is an indelibly American pastime enjoyed by millions and leads a select group of wrestlers to international fame. It's also a sport that leaves many of its athletes broken and battered, at serious risk of addiction, poverty, and early death. *Body Drop* looks deeply at the nuances of professional wrestling and its strange place within American culture. Brian Oliu offers deeply personal meditations on such topics as disability, chronic pain, body image, masculinity, class, and more, all through the lens of American professional wrestling. Wrestling is a sport that is gleefully fake, but the people who love it are very real. In holding up this particular part of American culture to scrutiny, Oliu acknowledges that the wrestling world, like our own, is one that has been crafted, but by showing readers the scaffolding that holds everything up, he invites us to figure out what holds our own realities straight.

A Rising Man Abir Mukherjee 2017-05-09 In the days of the Raj, a newly arrived Scotland Yard detective is confronted with the murder of a British official—in his mouth a note warning the British to leave India, or else . . . Calcutta, 1919. Captain Sam Wyndham, former Scotland Yard detective, is a new arrival to Calcutta. Desperately seeking a fresh start after his experiences during the Great War, Wyndham has been recruited to head up a new post in the police force. He is immediately overwhelmed by the heady vibrancy of the tropical city, but with barely a moment to acclimatize or to deal with the ghosts that still haunt him, Wyndham is caught up in a murder investigation that threatens to destabilize a city already teetering on the brink of political insurgency. The body of a senior official has been found in a filthy sewer, and a note left in his mouth warns the British to quit India, or else. Under tremendous pressure to solve the case before it erupts into increased violence on the streets, Wyndham and his two new colleagues—arrogant Inspector Digby and Sergeant Banerjee, one of the few Indians to be recruited into the new CID—embark on an investigation that will take them from the opulent mansions of wealthy British traders to the seedy opium dens of the city. Masterfully evincing the sights, sounds, and smells of colonial Calcutta, *A Rising Man* is the start of an enticing new historical crime series.

A Drop of the Hard Stuff Lawrence Sanders 2011-05-12 Facing his demons in his first year of sobriety, Matthew Scudder finds himself on the trail of a killer. When Scudder's childhood friend Jack Ellery is murdered, presumably while attempting to atone for past sins, Scudder reluctantly begins his own investigation, with just one lead: Ellery's Anonymous list of people he wronged. One of them may

be a killer, but that's not necessarily Scudder's greatest danger. Immersing himself in Ellery's world may lead him right back to the bar stool. In a novel widely celebrated by critics and readers, Lawrence Sanders circles back to how it all began, reestablishing the Matthew Scudder series as one of the pinnacles of American detective fiction. "Right up there with Mr. Block's best . . . *A Drop of Hard Stuff* keeps us guessing." -- Tom Nolan, Wall Street Journal

When Genius Failed Roger Lowenstein 2001-10-09 "A riveting account that reaches beyond the market landscape to say something universal about risk and triumph, about hubris and failure."—The New York Times NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY BUSINESSWEEK In this business classic—now with a new Afterword in which the author draws parallels to the recent financial crisis—Roger Lowenstein captures the gripping roller-coaster ride of Long-Term Capital Management. Drawing on confidential internal memos and interviews with dozens of key players, Lowenstein explains not just how the fund made and lost its money but also how the personalities of Long-Term's partners, the arrogance of their mathematical certainties, and the culture of Wall Street itself contributed to both their rise and their fall. When it was founded in 1993, Long-Term was hailed as the most impressive hedge fund in history. But after four years in which the firm dazzled Wall Street as a \$100 billion moneymaking juggernaut, it suddenly suffered catastrophic losses that jeopardized not only the biggest banks on Wall Street but the stability of the financial system itself. The dramatic story of Long-Term's fall is now a chilling harbinger of the crisis that would strike all of Wall Street, from Lehman Brothers to AIG, a decade later. In his new Afterword, Lowenstein shows that LTCM's implosion should be seen not as a one-off drama but as a template for market meltdowns in an age of instability—and as a wake-up call that Wall Street and government alike tragically ignored. Praise for *When Genius Failed* "[Roger] Lowenstein has written a squalid and fascinating tale of world-class greed and, above all, hubris."—BusinessWeek "Compelling . . . The fund was long cloaked in secrecy, making the story of its rise . . . and its ultimate destruction that much more fascinating."—The Washington Post "Story-telling journalism at its best."—The Economist

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