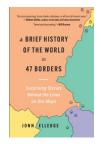
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Book and Dagger

by Elyse Graham

This untold story of the scholars and librarians who became OSS spies and invented modern spycraft tells how they were able to change the course of World War II and help defeat the Nazis.



A Brief History of the World in 47 Borders

by Jonn Elledge

In this eye-opening investigation into the most remarkable points on the map, a single boundary might, upon closer inspection, reveal eons of history -- from epic tales of conquest and alliances to intimate stories of love, greed, and folly.



The Demon of Unrest

by Erik Larson

Drawing on diaries, secret communiques, slave ledgers, and plantation ledgers, bestselling author offers a gripping account of the months between Lincoln's election and the start of the Civil War, which tore a deeply divided nation in two.



The Explorers

by Amanda Bellows

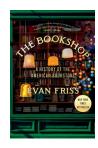
Told through the stories of a diverse group of ten extraordinary, yet often overlooked, adventurers, this exhilarating new history of American exploration brings to life the people who took on great risk in unfamiliar territory to exercise personal freedom.



Fighting to Belong!

by Amy Chu

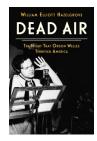
This book highlights the unique experiences, challenges, and contributions of Asian American and Pacific Islanders that are rarely taught in American schools.



The Bookshop

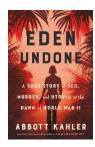
by Evan Friss

Drawing on oral histories, archival collections, municipal records, diaries, letters and interviews with leading booksellers, this ode to bookstores discusses its central place in American cultural life and offers a captivating look at this institution beloved by so many.



Dead Air

by William Elliott Hazelgrove
On Halloween Eve 1938, Orson Welles put
on a radio play of 'War of the Worlds' and
terrorized an uneasy American public on the
brink of World War II, perpetuating the
greatest hoax in history and changing
media forever.



Eden Undone

by Abbott Kahler

During the Great Depression, a Los Angeles oil mogul and his crew of Smithsonian scientists discover a group of European exiles trying to create a utopia in the Galapagos Islands only to find it descended into chaos and murder.



Failure to Launch

by Kel McDonald

Some of comics' brightest talents relate the historical failures they're most passionate about, through hopeful and inspiring short stories with amazing illustrations.

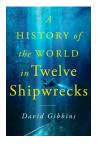


Hip-Hop is History

by Questlove

The renowned drummer from The Roots and bestselling author chronicles fifty years of hip-hop and how it has affected every aspect of our culture, from fashion and film to TV.

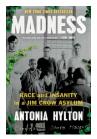
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A History of the World in Twelve Shipwrecks

by David Gibbins

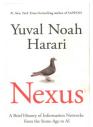
A renowned underwater archaeologist presents a narrative of human history through the discoveries of twelve shipwrecks from all over the world.



Madness

by Antonia Hylton

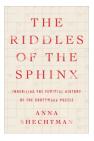
Tracing the legacy of slavery to the treatment of Black people's bodies and minds in our current healthcare system, an award-winning journalist tells the 93-year-old history of Crownsville Hospital, one of the nation's last segregated asylums.



Nexus

by Yuval N. Harari

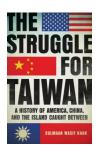
From the Stone Age through today, a historian explores human history to consider how the flow of information has shaped our world, addressing the urgent choices we face as nonhuman intelligence threatens our very existence.



The Riddles of the Sphinx

by Anna Shechtman

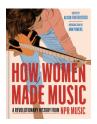
A renowned puzzle creator's offers a memoir and history of the crossword puzzle as an unexpected site of women's work and feminist protest.



The Struggle for Taiwan

by Sulmaan Wasif Khan

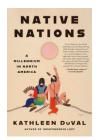
From the White Terror all the way to Trumpera rising tensions, this first comprehensive history of the triangular relationship between the U.S., China and Taiwan shows how decision-makers must heed the lessons of the past to avoid war.



How Women Made Music

by Alison Fensterstock

Based on the NPR series "Turning the Tables" this chronicle of the transformative impact of female artists on music history features insights from icons like Joan Baez, Dolly Parton, Patti Smith and Nina Simone.



Native Nations

by Kathleen DuVal

An award-winning historian tells the story of the Native nations, from the rise of ancient cities to the present, reframing North American history with Indigenous power and sovereignty at its center and showing how the influence of Native peoples remained a constant.



The Oregon Skyline Trail

by Glenn Voelz

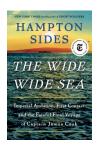
The Skyline Trail began as a network of footpaths created by Oregon's indigenous tribes. Early fur traders and explorers followed in their steps. During the 1920s the Skyline was reinvented, becoming the foundation of America's greatest long-distance hiking trail.



Roman Year

by André Aciman

André Aciman captures the period of his adolescence that began when he and his family first set foot in Rome, after being expelled from Egypt. Though Aciman's family had been well-off in Alexandria, all vestiges of their status vanished when they moved into a rented apartment in Rome.



The Wide Wide Sea

by Hampton Sides

Part high-seas adventure, part examination of the Age of Exploration, this account of Captain James Cook's last voyage in 1776 charts how his overt and covert missions came to a head on the island of Hawaii and left behind a complex and controversial legacy still debated to this day.



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