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**L'amico ritrovato** 1993 from the publishers of stoner and revolutionary road comes reunion reunion is a little known novel but it is also a universal story of friendship it is a book of great power waiting to be discovered on a grey afternoon in 1932 a stuttgart classroom is stirred by the arrival of a newcomer middle class hans is intrigued by the aristocratic new boy konradin and before long they become best friends it s a friendship of the greatest kind of shared interests and long conversations of hikes in the german hills and growing up together but the boys live in a changing germany powerful delicate and daring reunion is a story of the fragility and strength of the bonds between friends exquisite guardian i loved reunion and found it very moving john boyne with an afterword by rachel seiffert

**Reunion** 2016-09-01 this romantic novel translated by bruce penman is set in the early 17th century during the spanish occupation of lombardy it features two lovers lucia and renzo who desperately want to be together the cruel don rodrigo however desires lucia as his own and they are forced to run away as a result much ill fortune befalls them will they be united

*The Betrothed* 2021-04-10 time magazine best american novel 1993 in this fiendishly imaginative book which may or may not be fiction philip roth meets a man who may or may not be philip roth because someone with that name has been touring israel promoting a bizarre reverse exodus of the jews roth is intent on stopping him even if that means impersonating his own impersonator with excruciating suspense unfettered philosophical speculation and a cast of characters that includes israeli intelligence agents palestinian exiles an accused war criminal and an enticing charter member of an organization called anti semites anonymous operation shylock barrels across the frontier between fact and fiction seriousness and high comedy history and nightmare

Operation Shylock 2022-09-21 a remote 18th century hungarian castle is the setting for a dramatic meeting forty one years after a tragic event two former friends must confront each other in a devastating bid to lay the past to rest betrayal love truth and friendship all come to the fore in this unforgettable play based on sándor márai s bestselling novel embers premiered at the duke of york s theatre in london s west end in february 2006

Embers 2014-06-12 four people stranded on a desert island which if any will survive the ex borstal boy the nice girl from the home counties the nasty millionaire or the gentle scholar trying to keep the peace between them overhead is the burning sun underfoot the burning sand while brightly coloured fish devour each other in the rock pools and time has no stop with a painter's eye fred uhlman evokes the beauty and terror of a primitive landscape as the tension mounts to its grim conclusion the end is not easily divined *Beneath the Lightning and the Moon* 1984 chuck taylor's ocd has rendered him a high school outcast his endless routines and habitual hand washing threaten to scare away both his closest friend and the amazing new girl in town sure he happens to share the name of the icon behind the coolest sneakers in the world but even chuck knows his bizarre system of wearing different color cons depending on his mood is completely crazy in this hilariously candid debut novel from comedian aaron karo who grew up with a few obsessions and compulsions of his own very bad things are going to happen to chuck but maybe that's a good thing because with graduation looming chuck finds himself with one last chance to face his inner demons defend his best friend and win over the girl of his dreams no matter what happens though he'll have to get his hands dirty

**Lexapros and Cons** 2012-04-10 a charming restaurant a book and its mysterious author a little secret a romantic meeting paris and all its magic cyrano de bergerac meets chocolat and amélie in this intelligent charming and entertaining publishing sensation from europe while in the midst of a breakup induced depression aurélie bredin a beautiful parisian restaurateur discovers an astonishing novel in a quaint bookshop on the ile saint louis inexplicably her restaurant and aurélie herself are featured in its pages after reading the whole book in one night she realizes it has saved her life and she wishes more than anything to meet its author aurélie's attempts to contact the attractive but shy english author through his french publishers are blocked by the company's gruff chief editor andré who only with great reluctance forwards aurélie's enthusiastic letter but aurélie refuses to give up one day a response from the reclusive author actually lands in her mailbox but the encounter that eventually takes place is completely different from what she

had ever imagined filled with books recipes and characters that leap off the page the ingredients of love by nicolas barreau is a tribute to the city of light

**The Ingredients of Love** 2012-12-24 the ancient hours packs a wallop new york times book review the ancient hours is brilliant bud smith author of work bible is a fantastic writer kevin wilson author of nothing to see here harmony north carolina is a typical town full of saints and sinners you can't tell apart its history echoes with lynchings and shootings mob violence and vigilante justice but those are just whispers of a past lost to time the summer of 2000 was different iggy in the baptist church gasoline and a match twenty five people dead this harmony couldn't forget told in a kaleidoscope of timelines and voices michael bible examines every dimension of a tragic but all too american story in the ancient hours the victims witnesses perpetrators and condemned come and evolve as the passage of time works its way through their lives what emerges is a fable of the american south in the highest tradition soaring tragic and eternally striving for redemption

**The Ancient Hours** 2020-12-15 steinbeck's last great novel focuses on the theme of success and what motivates men towards it reflecting back on his new england family's past fortune and his father's loss of the family wealth the hero ethan allen hawley characterises success in every era and in all its forms as robbery murder even a kind of combat operating under the laws of controlled savagery

**The Duke of Nothing** 2018-01-16 socrates on human knowledge published in venice in 1651 is the only work written by a jew that contains so far the promise of a genuinely sceptical investigation into the validity of human certainties simone luzzatto masterly developed this book as a piece of theatre where socrates as main actor has the task to demonstrate the limits and weaknesses of the human capacity to acquire knowledge without being guided by revelation he achieved this goal by offering an overview of the various and contradictory gnosiological opinions disseminated since ancient times the divergence of views to which he addressed the most attention prevented him from giving a fixed definition of the nature of the cognitive process this obliged him to come to the audacious conclusion of neither affirming nor denying anything concerning human knowledge and finally of suspending

his judgement altogether this work unfortunately had little success in luzzatto's lifetime and was subsequently almost forgotten the absence of substantial evidence from his contemporaries and that of his epistolary have thus increased the difficulty of tracing not only its legacy in the history of philosophical thought but also of understanding the circumstances surrounding the writing of his *Socrates* the present edition will be a preliminary study aiming to shed some light on the philosophical and historical value of this work's translation indeed it will provide a broader readership with the opportunity to access this immensely complicated work and also to grasp some aspects of the composite intellectual framework and admirable modernity of venetian jewish culture in the ghetto

**The Winter of Our Discontent** 2001-05-03 a missing woman a missing boy detective erlendur returns for the last time a young woman walks into the frozen fjords of iceland never to be seen again but matthildur leaves in her wake rumours of lies betrayal and revenge decades later somewhere in the same wilderness detective erlendur is on the hunt he is looking for matthildur but also for a long lost brother whose disappearance in a snow storm when they were children has coloured his entire life he is looking for answers slowly the past begins to surrender its secrets but as erlendur uncovers a story about the limits of human endurance he realises that many people would prefer their crimes to stay buried

**Socrates, or on Human Knowledge** 2019-08-19 in this fascinating book the author traces the careers ideas discoveries and inventions of two renowned scientists athanasius kircher and galileo galilei one a jesuit the other a sincere man of faith whose relations with the jesuits deteriorated badly the author documents kircher's often intuitive work in many areas including translating the hieroglyphs developing sundials and inventing the magic lantern and explains how kircher was a forerunner of darwin in suggesting that animal species evolve galileo's work on scales telescopes and sun spots is mapped and discussed and care is taken to place his discoveries within their cultural environment while galileo is without doubt the winner in the comparison with kircher the latter achieved extraordinary insights by unconventional means for all galileo's fine work the author believes that scientists do need to regain the

power of dreaming vindicating kirchner s view

*Strange Shores* 2014-09-09 when ten year old enaiatollah akbari s small village in afghanistan falls prey to taliban rule in early 2000 his mother shepherds the boy across the border into pakistan but has to leave him there all alone to fend for himself thus begins enaiat s remarkable and often punishing five year ordeal which takes him through iran turkey and greece before he seeks political asylum in italy at the age of fifteen along the way enaiat endures the crippling physical and emotional agony of dangerous border crossings trekking across bitterly cold mountain pathways for days on end or being stuffed into the false bottom of a truck but not every one is as resourceful resilient or lucky as enaiat and there are many heart wrenching casualties along the way based on enaiat s close collaboration with italian novelist fabio geda and expertly rendered in english by an award winning translator this novel reconstructs the young boy s memories perfectly preserving the childlike perspective and rhythms of an intimate oral history told with humor and humanity in the sea there are crocodiles brilliantly captures enaiat s moving and engaging voice and lends urgency to an epic story of hope and survival

The Stars of Galileo Galilei and the Universal Knowledge of Athanasius Kircher 2014-01-31 plan a duvet day and indulge in this delightful tale of two cities fans of the romcoms referred to in the title will relish this bella movie addict scarlett o brien is finally living the jet setting life she s dreamed of but it all hangs by a shiny golden thread flying between london and new york running two businesses planning her wedding to handsome fiancé sean with best friends oscar and maddie life couldn t be better but then scarlett meets paparazzi darling gabriella romero and life suddenly becomes even more extravagant and glamorous as she begins to experience the other side to being rich and famous it s not only scarlett s perfect wedding that s put in jeopardy but her whole world indulge in all your favourite rom coms at once with this warm fun tale of what happens when you really live the glitz and the glamour

In the Sea There are Crocodiles 2011-08-09 francesco koslovic even his name straddles two cultures and during the spring of 1955 in the village of materada on the istrian peninsula his two worlds are coming apart materada the first volume of

fulvio tomizza's celebrated istrian trilogy depicts the istrian exodus of the hundreds of thousands who had once thrived in a rich ethnic mixture of italians and slavs complicating koslovic's own departure is his attempt to keep the land that he and his brother have worked all their lives a picture of a disappearing way of life a tale of feud and displacement and imbued with the tastes tales and songs of his native istria koslovic's story is a testament to the intertwined ethnic roots of balkan history

From Notting Hill with Four Weddings . . . Actually

2014-10-23 after 20 years in america a successful businessman returns to the rustic piedmontese communities which were riven by fascism much has changed since the war and still more would like to be forgotten and buried memories return to the narrator as he looks at the lives and sometimes violent fates of the villagers he has known since childhood and rediscovers the poverty ignorance or indifference that binds them to the hills and valleys against the beauty of the landscape and the rhythm of the seasons with simple poetic force pavese weaves separate strands of narrative together bringing them to a stark and poignant climax part of the new look peter owen modern classics range featuring a logo crafted by graphic design icon alvin lustig

**Materada** 2000 a charming portrait of one man's dreams and schemes by the greatest italian writer of the twentieth century the guardian in this enchanting book of linked stories italo calvino charts the disastrous schemes of an italian peasant an unskilled worker in a drab northern industrial city in the 1950s and 60s struggling to reconcile his old country habits with his current urban life marcovaldo has a practiced eye for spotting natural beauty and an unquenchable longing for the unspoiled rural world of his imagination much to the continuing puzzlement of his wife his children his boss and his neighbors he chases his dreams and gives rein to his fantasies whether it's sleeping in the great outdoors on a park bench following a stray cat or trying to catch wasps unfortunately the results are never quite what he anticipates spanning from the 1950s to the 1960s the twenty stories in marcovaldo are alternately comic and melancholy farce and fantasy throughout calvino's unassuming masterpiece conveys the sensuous tangible qualities of life the new york times

The Moon and the Bonfire 2021-07 a rediscovered italian masterpiece chronicling the author s experience as an infantryman newly translated and reissued to commemorate the centennial of world war i taking its place alongside works by ernst jŷnger robert graves and erich maria remarque emilio lussu s memoir is one of the most affecting accounts to come out of the first world war a classic in italy but virtually unknown in the english speaking world it reveals in spare and detached prose the almost farcical side of the war as seen by a sardinian officer fighting the austrian army on the asiago plateau in northeastern italy the alpine front so poignantly evoked by ernest hemingway in a farewell to arms for lussu june 1916 to july 1917 was a year of continuous assaults on impregnable trenches absurd missions concocted by commanders full of patriotic rhetoric and vanity but lacking in tactical skill and episodes often tragic and sometimes grotesque where the incompetence of his own side was as dangerous as the attacks waged by the enemy a rare firsthand account of the italian front lussu s memoir succeeds in staging a fierce indictment of the futility of war in a dry often ironic style that sets his tale wholly apart from the western front of remarque and adds an astonishingly modern voice to the literature of the great war

Marcovaldo 2012-10-26 to know things for us to know things is bad for them we get to wanting and when we get to wanting it s bad for them they think we want what they got that s why they don t want us reading nightjohn i didn t know what letters was not what they meant but i thought it might be something i wanted to know to learn sarny sarny a female slave at the waller plantation first sees nightjohn when he is brought there with a rope around his neck his body covered in scars he had escaped north to freedom but he came back came back to teach reading knowing that the penalty for reading is dismemberment nightjohn still returned to slavery to teach others how to read and twelve year old sarny is willing to take the risk to learn set in the 1850s gary paulsen s groundbreaking new novel is unlike anything else the award winning author has written it is a meticulously researched historically accurate and artistically crafted portrayal of a grim time in our nation s past brought to light through the personal history of two unforgettable characters



**A Soldier on the Southern Front** 2014-02-25 from global phenomenon c s pacat comes the first novel in her critically acclaimed captive prince trilogy damen is a warrior hero to his people and the rightful heir to the throne of arielos but when his half brother seizes power damen is captured stripped of his identity and sent to serve the prince of an enemy nation as a pleasure slave beautiful manipulative and deadly his new master prince laurent epitomizes the worst of the court at first but in the lethal political web of the veretian court nothing is as it seems and when damen finds himself caught up in a play for the throne he must work together with laurent to survive and save his country for damen there is just one rule never ever reveal his true identity because the one man damen needs is the one man who has more reason to hate him than anyone else

**Nightjohn** 2011-08-31 adrian mole's first love pandora has left him a neighbor mr lucas appears to be seducing his mother and what does that mean for his father the bbc refuses to publish his poetry and his dog swallowed the tree off the christmas cake why indeed

**Captive Prince** 2014-01-28 the powerful new novel from the master storyteller inspired by the true story of one man who might have stopped world war ii

The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole, Aged 13 3/4 2003-08-14 unlock the more straightforward side of reunion with this concise and insightful summary and analysis this engaging summary presents an analysis of reunion by fred uhlman which begins its story in pre war germany and developing against the background of hitler's rise to power it tells the story of two teenagers hans and conrad whose profound friendship is pulled apart by the nazi regime and its toxic ideas the heartbreaking novella explores the nature of friendship and the humanity in the face of atrocity it is uhlman's most famous work earning him critical acclaim thanks to its realistic portrayal of a childhood living under hitler's regime find out everything you need to know about reunion in a fraction of the time this in depth and informative reading guide brings you a complete plot summary character studies key themes and symbols questions for further reflection why choose brightsummaries.com available in print and digital format our publications are designed to accompany you in your reading journey the clear and concise style makes for easy

understanding providing the perfect opportunity to improve your literary knowledge in no time see the very best of literature in a whole new light with brightsummaries com  
*An Eagle in the Snow* 2015-10-08 türkçeye sabahattin ali tarafından çevrilip ikinci emperyalist paylaşım savaşı döneminde 1943 yılında yayınlanan fontamara yoksul bir İtalyan kasabasında mussolini faşizminin iktidara geldiği dönemi anlatır faşizmi bizlere sergilemek için sabahattin bey in cıvıl cıvıl gözleriyle sekmez sezgisiyle seçtiği bu kitap zaten mütegallice sultanı altında inleyen bir köylülüğün faşizmden de nasibini alınca nasıl direnç bilincini devşirdiğini anlatır her yapıtında olduğu gibi fontamara da da tam bir usta vardır önümüzde ey sevgili usta toprağın memleket topraklarınca bol olsun can yücel

**Reunion by Fred Uhlman (Book Analysis)** 2015-12-07 the sensational no 1 bestseller the definitive book of the year in our house for both parents and offspring maggie o farrell guardian books of the year absolutely beautiful get one for yourself and one to inspire a woman in your life stylist in an ideal world not only would mothers read this aloud to their daughters but teachers would read it to schoolboys sunday times what if the princess didn t marry prince charming but instead went on to be an astronaut what if the jealous step sisters were supportive and kind and what if the queen was the one really in charge of the kingdom illustrated by sixty female artists from every corner of the globe good night stories for rebel girls introduces us to one hundred remarkable women and their extraordinary lives from ada lovelace to malala amelia earhart to michelle obama empowering moving and inspirational these are true fairy tales for heroines who definitely don t need rescuing  
Fontamara 2013-01-01 on tyranny is leo strauss s classic reading of xenophon s dialogue hiero or tyrannicus in which the tyrant hiero and the poet simonides discuss the advantages and disadvantages of exercising tyranny this edition includes a translation of the dialogue a critique of the commentary by the french philosopher alexandre kojève strauss s restatement of his position in light of kojève s comments and finally the complete strauss kojève correspondence through strauss s interpretation xenophon appears to us as no longer the somewhat dull and flat author we know but as a brilliant and subtle writer an original and

profound thinker what is more in interpreting this forgotten dialogue strauss lays bare great moral and political problems that are still ours alexandre kojève critique on tyranny is a complex and stimulating book with its parallel dialogue made all the more striking since both participants take such unusual highly provocative positions and so force readers to face substantial problems in what are often wholly unfamiliar even shocking ways robert pippin history and theory every political scientist who tries to disentangle himself from the contemporary confusion over the problems of tyranny will be much indebted to this study and inevitably use it as a starting point eric voegelin the review of politics leo strauss 1899 1973 was the robert maynard hutchins distinguished service professor of political science at the university of chicago

Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls 2017-03-02 turn of the century detective isaac bell takes on the upstart leader of a vicious crime organization in this novel in the 1 new york times bestselling series it is 1906 and in new york city the italian crime group known as the black hand is on a spree kidnapping extortion arson they like to take the oldest tricks and add dynamite when a coalition of the black hand s victims hire out the van dorn agency to protect their businesses their reputations and their families detective isaac bell forms a crack squad and begins scouring the city for clues and then he spots a familiar face the stakes grow ever higher with the black hand becoming more ambitious and their targets more political if bell can t determine the role played by the face from his past the next life lost could be one of the most powerful men in the nation

*On Tyranny* 1991 the illegitimate son of a fortune teller ezio comparoni 1920 52 never knew his father rarely left his home town and admitted no one to his home his deliberate obscurity was compounded by his use of many pseudonyms including silvio d arzo under which he wrote the remarkable novella and three stories collected in the house of others the novella the house of others is among the rare perfect works of twentieth century fiction in a desolate mountain village an old woman visits the parish priest ostensibly to ask about dissolving a marriage gradually as she probes for information on special cases cases in which what is obviously wrong can also be irrefutably right it becomes clear her true question is

whether or not she might take her own life the question is metaphysical involving not only the woman's life but the priest's and to it he has no answer

The Gangster 2016-03-01 italian cinema is now regarded as one of the great cinemas of the world historically however its fortunes have varied following a brief moment of glory in the early silent era italian cinema appeared to descend almost into irrelevance in the early 1920s a strong revival of the industry which gathered pace during the 1930s was abruptly truncated by the advent of world war ii the end of the war however initiated a renewal as films such as *roma città aperta* *rome open city* *sciucchià* *shoeshine* 1946 and *ladri di biciclette* *bicycle thieves* 1948 flagbearers of what soon came to be known as neorealism attracted unprecedented international acclaim and a reputation that only continued to grow in the following years as italian films were feted worldwide ironically they were celebrated nowhere more than in the united states where italian films consistently garnered the lion's share of the oscars with *lina wertmüller* becoming the first woman to ever be nominated for the best director award this second edition of historical dictionary of italian cinema contains a chronology an introduction and an extensive bibliography the dictionary section has over 400 cross referenced entries on major movements directors actors actresses film genres producers industry organizations and key films this book is an excellent resource for students researchers and anyone wanting to know more about italian cinema

**The House of Others** 1995 the natural history museum of the university of florence founded in 1775 by grand duke *pietro leopoldo* is one of the oldest scientific museum in the world with this third volume on the collections of the geology and paleontology section *firenze university press* continues its series dedicated to the six sections of the museum the first part of the volume shows a detailed and fascinating descriptions of the history of this museum section's collections the contribution of scholars who from the 17th century endeavoured to expand and study the florentine geological paleontological collections and the importance of the collections to the development of modern geological paleontological thinking the second part describes and documents the collections that are presented in geo

chronological order divided into the invertebrate vertebrate paleobotanical and geological collections in the last part are presented the most important activities and research projects based on this important cultural heritage carried out by the paleontologists of the university of florence  
**Historical Dictionary of Italian Cinema** 2020-12-08 first published in 1990 routledge is an imprint of taylor francis an informa company

*Il Museo di Storia Naturale dell'Università degli Studi di Firenze. Le collezioni geologiche e paleontologiche / The Museum of Natural History of the University of Florence. The Geological and Paleontological Collections* 2009 the majorana case is beautifully written with a pleasant style and concatenates a great deal of material a text that could only be written by those who know the life and work of ettore majorana very well as prof recami the book traces the extraordinary life of ettore majorana through his letters documents and several testimonies from his friends and family members what makes it more fascinating is that the author presented it also as a detective story by exploring his mysterious disappearance at young age the personal testimonies also give to the book a welcome surplus the majorana case therefore is both a pleasant biography and a mystery book contemporary physicsettore majorana was born in the sicilian city of catania he joined enrico fermi s via panisperna boys at an early age and was part of the team who first discovered the slow neutrons the research that would lead to the nuclear reactor and eventually the atomic bomb enrico fermi considered him one of brightest scientists comparable to galileo and newton on march 25 1938 ettore majorana mysteriously disappeared at 31 when the author moved to the university of catania sicily from milan university back in 1968 he soon discovered important documents pertaining to majorana s life and works together with his own investigative materials and full cooperation from majorana s family members he published a book on his disappearance in italian after having helped the famous italian writer leonardo sciascia to write down his known essay by supplying him with copy of some of the discovered documents recami s book was entitled *il caso majorana epistolario documenti testimonianze* and when it first appeared in italy it drew interest from all the major newspapers publications and tvs

broadcast media even after his disappearance etttore majorana's name appeared in many areas of frontier physics research ranging from elementary particle physics to applied condensed matter to mathematical physics and more his long lasting contributions is a testimony of his brilliance and farsightedness and has continued to draw interest from scientists not only in Italy but from all over the world until today an English version of the original is very appropriate at this juncture when more and more scholars in the world are getting convinced that he was really a genius like Galileo and Newton this book traces the extraordinary life of etttore majorana through his letters documents and testimonies from his friends and family members what makes this book more fascinating as a detective story too is his mysterious disappearance at young age this book therefore is both a biography and a mystery book

**The Gift** 2002-09-10 niels lyhne by j p jacobson translated by hanna astrup larsen published by good press good press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre from well known classics literary fiction and non fiction to forgotten or yet undiscovered gems of world literature we issue the books that need to be read each good press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e readers and devices our goal is to produce ebooks that are user friendly and accessible to everyone in a high quality digital format

### **Majorana Case, The: Letters, Documents, Testimonies**

2019-12-19 one of the most beautiful books published in recent years an intense poignant story caterina bonvicini can a prison free those who enter nisida moored like a boat in the mediterranean is a small island nestled between capri and bagnoli off the coast of naples each day through the early morning light elisabetta maiorano travels across the city passes by the guards on the way into the detention centre hands over her bag and arrives at her classroom all thoughts are suspended once inside usually elisabetta hasn't spoken to anyone since the day before her only reason for living to teach mathematics to the group of young inmates who arrive not long after she does but one day almarina shows up and everything changes she is romanian and bears the signs of her personal history on her body together closed up in a small classroom a true island within an island elisabetta and

almarina discover a possible pathway to freedom warm and intimate intense and political valeria parrella touches our emotions giving voice to a loneliness that is universal almarina is about finding love in unexpected places about atonement forgetting and starting over but mostly it is about two women learning how to live again translated by alex valente

**Niels Lyhne** 2023-11-02 the emperor commodus ad 180 192 has commonly been portrayed as an insane madman whose reign marked the beginning of the end of the roman empire indeed the main point of criticism on his father marcus aurelius is that he appointed his son as his successor especially commodus behaviour as a gladiator and the way he represented himself with divine attributes especially those of hercules are often used as evidence for the emperor's presumed madness however this political biography will apply modern interpretations of the spectacles in the arena and of the imperial cult to commodus reign it will focus on the dissemination and reception of imperial images and suggest that there was a method in commodus madness

*Almarina* 2021-07-22 a private meeting chance encounters and a mysterious tour of lisbon in this brilliant homage to fernando Pessoa in this enchanting and evocative novel antonio tabucchi takes the reader on a dream like trip to portugal a country he is deeply attached to he spent many years there as director of the italian cultural institute in lisbon he even wrote requiem in portuguese it had to be translated into italian for publication in his native italy requiem's narrator has an appointment to meet someone on a quay by the tagus at twelve but it turns out not twelve noon twelve midnight so he has a long time to while away as the day unfolds he has many encounters a young junky a taxi driver who is not familiar with the streets several waiters a gypsy a cemetery keeper the mysterious isabel an accordionist in all almost two dozen people both real and illusionary finally he meets the guest the ghost of the long dead great poet fernando Pessoa part travelog part autobiography part fiction and even a bit of a cookbook requiem becomes an homage to a country and its people and a farewell to the past as the narrator lays claim to a literary forebear who like himself is an evasive and many sided personality

Commodus 2021-11-15 carlo a part time professor of creative

writing and margherita an architect turned real estate agent a happily married couple in their mid thirties perfectly attuned to each other's restlessness they are in love but they also harbour desires that stray beyond the confines of their bedroom carlo longs for the quiet beauty of one of his students sofia margherita fantasises about the strong hands of her physiotherapist andrea the dream of a new flat suspended between the old cobbled streets of milan and the modern skyline cutting the horizon might just help carlo and margherita bring down the wall sofia and andrea have built between them but it is love with its unassuming power which ultimately pulls them from the brink aided by margherita's mother anna the couple's anchor and lighthouse a wise proud seamstress hiding her own disappointments

*Requiem: A Hallucination* 2002-11-17 valerio massimo manfredi's pharaoh is a thrilling archaeological mystery jerusalem 586 bc the kingdom of judah is on the verge of annihilation by the babylonians in the chaos the prophet jeremiah saves the sacred ark of the covenant and hides it in a cave he returns terrified having made a discovery that appears to have sent him mad the middle east early in the second millennium professor william blake renowned egyptologist has a surprising visit from representatives of an american mining corporation they have discovered a strange egyptian tomb which risks exploding the powder keg of middle eastern geopolitics blake finds himself facing the most mysterious case of his life the tomb of the pharaoh lies in the middle of the desert miles from the Nile and the valley of the kings as he starts to unravel the pharaoh's story a disturbing theory forms in blake's mind as to the identity of this mysterious ruler a theory that could destroy the balance of the modern world

**Devotion** 2022

*Pharaoh* 2011-02-25



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