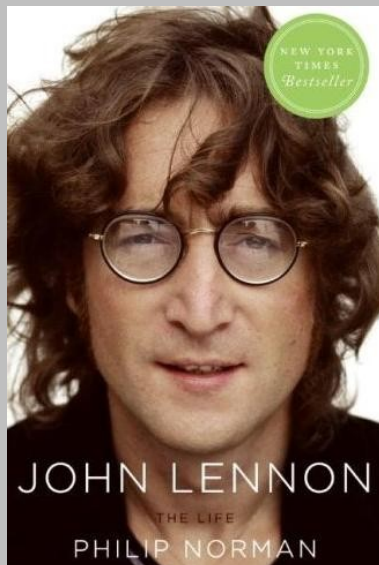


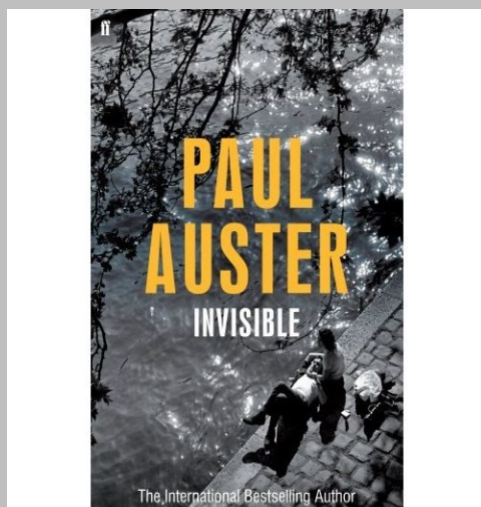
Nick Johnstone
Yoko Ono „Talking”
Omnibus Press
London 2005

She's the world's most famous widow, the often maligned, largely mysterious Japanese avant-garde artist whose relationship with John Lennon turned them into a single entity. John and Yoko. It took the death of John for the world to warm to her, yet she remains controversial and confrontational, an icon of unpredictability and the most misunderstood figure in the ongoing saga of the greatest pop group the world has ever known. Here's what she has to say about her extraordinary life.



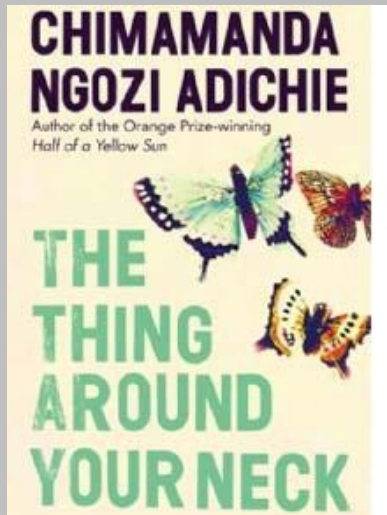
Philip Norman
John Lennon : The life (book + audiobook)
Ecco
New York 2009

Philip Norman turns his formidable talent to the Beatle for whom belonging to the world's most beloved pop group was never enough. Drawing on previously untapped sources, and with unprecedented access to all the major characters, here is the definitive portrait of John Lennon.



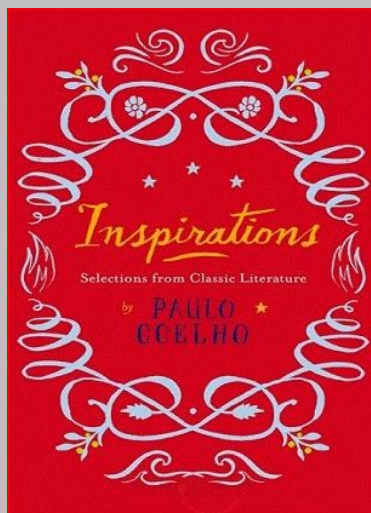
Paul Auster
Invisible
Faber and Faber
London 2009

Sinuously constructed in four interlocking parts, Paul Auster's fifteenth novel opens in New York City in the spring of 1967, when twenty-year-old Adam Walker, an aspiring poet and student at Columbia University, meets the enigmatic Frenchman Rudolf Born and his silent and seductive girlfriend, Margot. Before long, Walker finds himself caught in a perverse triangle that leads to a sudden, shocking act of violence that will alter the course of his life.



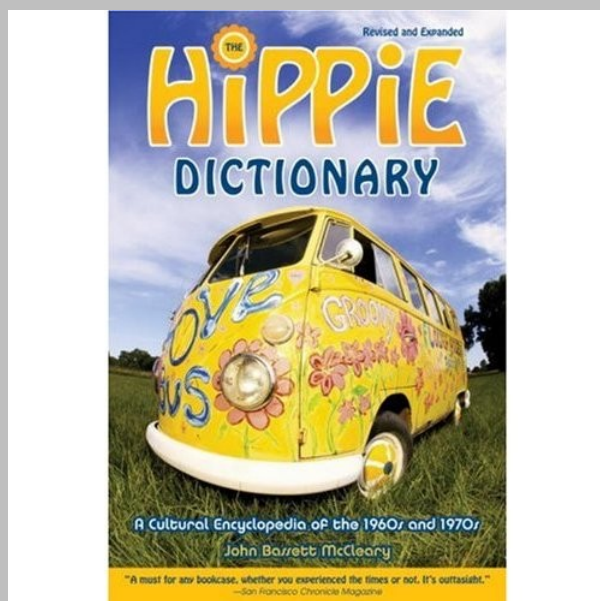
Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
The thing around your neck
Fourth Estate
London 2009

12 stories from the Orange Prize-winning author of "Half Of A Yellow Sun", examining the ties that bind men and women, parents and children, Nigeria and the West. 'The Thing Around Your Neck', with its warm and sympathetic heroines and its finely cadenced un-American English prose, demonstrates that she is keeping faith with her talent and with her country'.



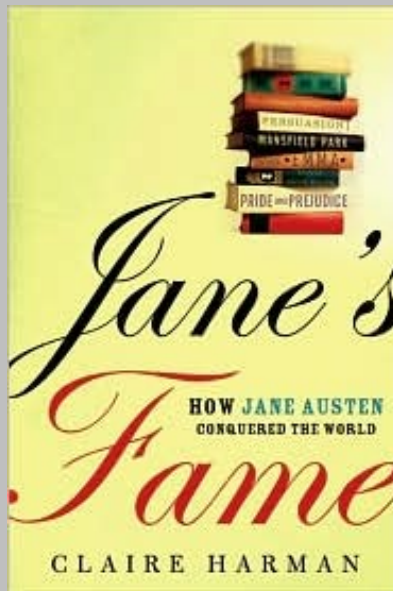
Paulo Coelho
Inspirations
Penguin Books
London 2010

Paulo Coelho is one of the world's best-loved storytellers, bringing joy and wisdom to millions. In this collection of extracts from classic book that have inspired him, Coelho explores the emotions and reflections in works as diverse as The Art. Of War, Lady Chatterley's Lover and Frankenstein.



John Bassett McCleary
The Hippie dictionary : a cultural encyclopedia (and phraseicon) of the 1960s and 1970s
Ten Speed Press
New York 2004

John is the authority on a generation that questioned authority. He was born in San Francisco, California, and is a third-generation journalist. He attended Monterey Peninsula College, Santa Barbara City College and UCLA. He has worked as a writer, art director and photographer in the newspaper, music, publishing and advertising industries for the last thirty-seven years.



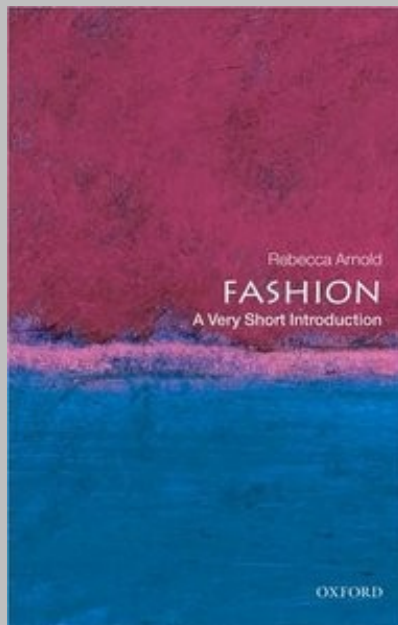
Claire Harman

Jane's fame : how Jane Austen conquered the world

Henry Holt and Company

New York 2009

Jane's Fame: How Jane Austen Conquered the World is a history of Jane Austen's fame, the changing status of her work and what it has stood for, or been made to stand for, in English culture in the two hundred years since her death.



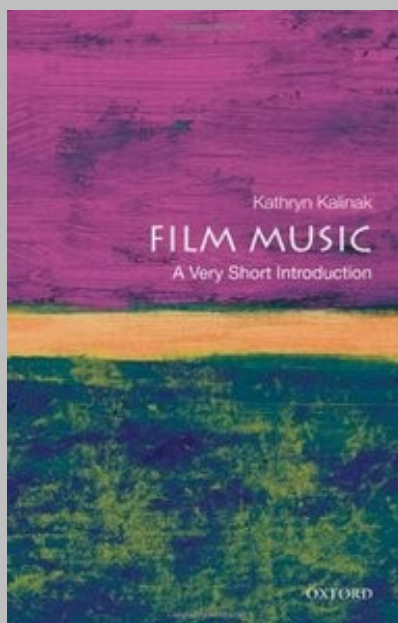
Rebecca Arnold

Fashion : a very short introduction

Oxford University Press

New York 2009

- A wide ranging account discussing everything from production and design, couture, and retailing to the wider role of fashion in society
- Covers the ethical and controversial aspects of fashion such as fur, exploitative trading, poor working conditions for labourers and ethical goods
- Rebecca Arnold is a highly regarded writer on 20th-century fashion



Kathryn Kalinak

Film music: a very short introduction

Oxford University Press

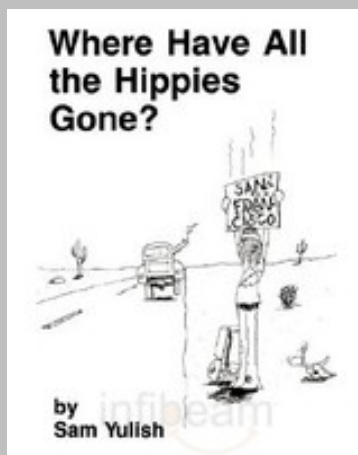
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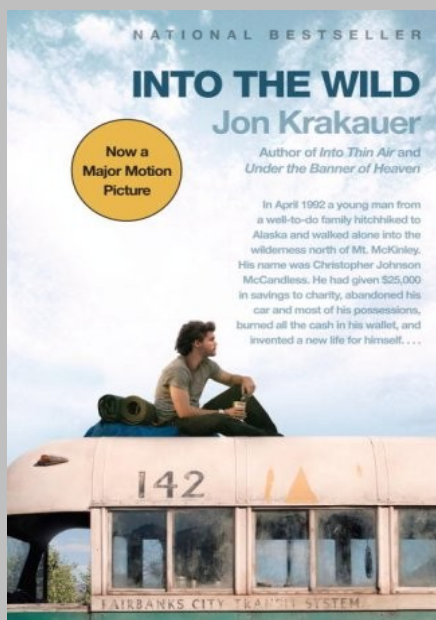
Barry Miles
Hippie
Sterling Publishing
New York 2005

The celebration of an era, this ultimate, beautiful, illuminating, and "really groovy" look at the 1960's counterculture is rich in illustrations and filled with the history, politics, sayings, and slogans that defined the age.



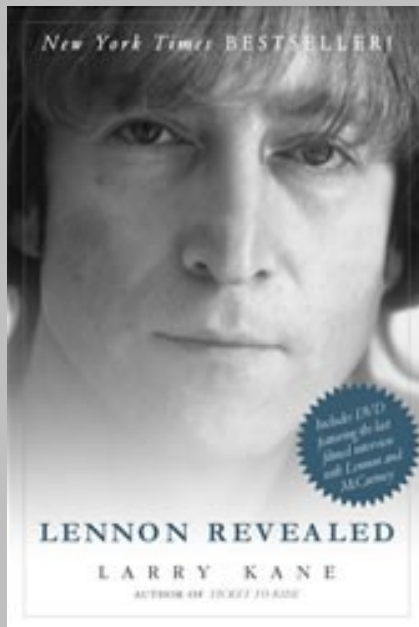
Sam Yulish
Where have all the hippies gone?
Dog Ear Publishing
Indianapolis 2007

"Where Have All the Hippies Gone?" is a unique book that deals with ideas. Most of the book is devoted to interviews with past and present hippies. This is a brilliant format which gives access to the opinions and the attitudes of the characters.



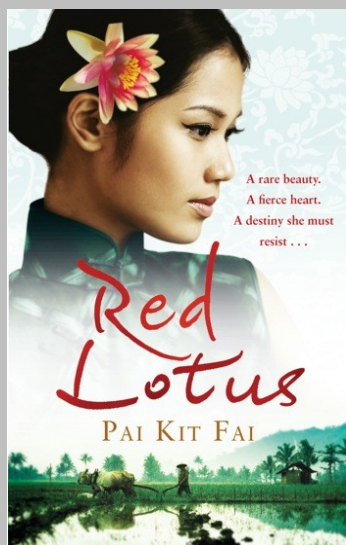
Jon Krakauer
Into the wild (book + audiobook)
Anchor Books
New York 1997

This is a poignant, compelling narrative about Chris McCandless, an intelligent, intense, and idealistic young man, who cut off all ties to his upper middle class family. He then reinvented himself as Alexander Supertramp, a drifter living out of a backpack, eking out a marginal existence as he wandered throughout the United States. A modern day King of the Road, McCandless ended his journey in 1992 in Alaska, when he walked alone **into** the wilderness north of Denali. He never returned.



Larry Kane
Lennon revealed (+ dvd)
Running Press
London 2007

[Lennon Revealed](#) weaves together insights and recollections from those who knew Lennon best to create a picture of the artist as a man, with all his faults, strengths, desires, and demons intact. The book includes an exclusive collectors DVD containing the final interview with John Lennon and Paul McCartney.



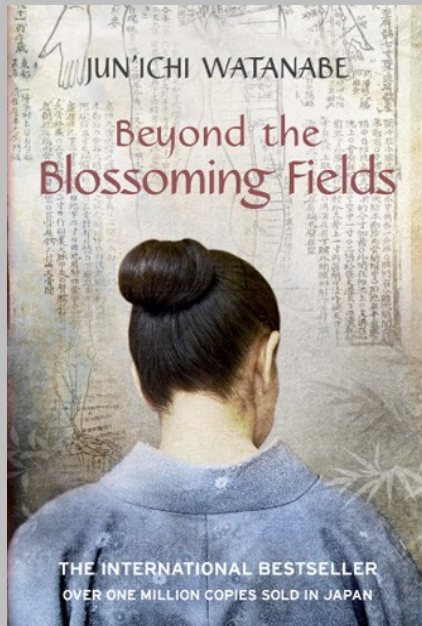
Pai Kit Fai
Red lotus
Sphere
London 2009

A novel set in China in the 1920s about Siu Sing, the daughter of a Chinese mother and the foreign devil ship's captain who rescued her from death. Raised until the age of twelve by an elderly Taoist sage who is master of the White Crane and trained as one of his last disciples, she is sold into slavery after he's assassinated. After spending her teenage years in an opium den, she begins a quest to find Ben Deverill, the father she never knew, and to reclaim her birthright.



Mathias Malzieu
The boy with the cuckoo-clock heart
Alfred A. Knoff
New York 2010

The story is full of twists and turns and outrageously unrealistic circumstances (typically, a reader can only cope with one MAJOR unrealism at a time, and "Cuckoo-Clock Heart" takes that). *It's a heartbreaking little story but more often than not, lacks true heart.* It also is full to the brim with emotional baggage that is unbelievable for a ten year old to have.



Jun'ichi Watanabe
Beyond the blossoming fields
 Alma Books
 London 2008

As a young girl from a wealthy family, Ginko Ogino seems set for a conventional life in the male-dominated society of nineteenth-century Japan. But when she contracts gonorrhoea from her husband, she suffers the ignominy of divorce. Forced to bear the humiliation of being treated by male doctors, she resolves to become a doctor herself in order to treat fellow female sufferers and spare them some of the shame she had to endure.

Her struggle is not an easy one: her family disown her, and she has to convince the authorities to take seriously the very idea of a female doctor, and allow her to study alongside male medical students and sit the licensing exam.

Based on the real-life story of Ginko Ogino – Japan's first female doctor – *Beyond the Blossoming Fields* does full justice to the complexity of her character and her world in a fascinating and inspirational work of fiction.