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## The Two of Us

1972

kozma examines the use of metaphor and simile in the works of the twentieth century italian fiction writer alberto moravia whose novels include *gli indifferenti* 1929 and *la romana* 1947 she provides a comprehensive description of types of imagery in moravia s work organizing this compendium into a series of categories such as images of thought nature food and the human body

## *The Architecture of Imagery in Alberto Moravia's Fiction*

1993

secrecy and silence are second nature to marcello clerici the hero of the conformist a book which made alberto moravia one of the world s most read postwar writers clerici is a man with everything under control a wife who loves him colleagues who respect him the hidden power that comes with his secret work for the italian political police during the mussolini years but then he is assigned to kill his former professor now in exile to demonstrate his loyalty to the fascist state and falls in love with a strange compelling woman his life is torn open and with it the corrupt heart of fascism moravia equates the rise of italian fascism with the psychological needs of his protagonist for whom conformity becomes an obsession in a life that has included parental neglect an oddly self conscious desire to engage in cruel acts and a type of male beauty which to clerici s great distress other men find attractive

## **The Conformist**

1999-11-01

to begin with i d like to talk about my wife to love means in addition to many other things to delight in gazing upon and observing the beloved from conjugal love when silvio a rich italian dilettante and his beautiful wife agree to move to the country and forgo sex so that he will have the energy to write a successful novel something is bound to go wrong silvio s literary ambitions are far too big for his second rate talent and his wife leda is a passionate woman this dangerously combustible situation is set off when leda accuses antonio the local barber who comes every morning to shave silvio of trying to molest her silvio obstinately refuses to dismiss him and the quarrel and its shattering consequences put the couple s love to the test

## *The Woman of Rome*

1966

thirteen year old agostino is spending the summer at a tuscan seaside resort with his beautiful widowed mother when she takes up with a cocksure new companion agostino feeling ignored and unloved begins hanging around with a group of local young toughs though repelled by their squalor and brutality and repeatedly humiliated for his weakness and ignorance when it comes to women and sex the boy is increasingly masochistically drawn to the gang and its rough games he finds himself unable to make sense of his troubled feelings hoping to be full of manly calm he is instead beset by guilty curiosity and an urgent desire to sever at any cost the thread of troubled sensuality that binds him to his mother alberto moravia s classic startling portrait of innocence lost was written in 1942 but rejected by fascist censors and not published until 1944 when it became a best seller and secured the author the first literary prize of his career revived here in a new translation by michael f moore agostino is poised to captivate a twenty first century audience

## Conjugal Love

2020-08-25

bringing together established and emerging scholars from multiple disciplines the collection s unique contribution is to show how angelopoulos created singularly intricate forms whose aesthetic contours invite us to think critically about modern history

## **The Woman of Rome**

1963

this entertaining guide to some of the best short novels of all time from a bestselling historian is the perfect gift for busy bibliophiles bookpage experience the joys of literature with this this exciting guide to all that the world of fiction has to offer the new york times book review a compulsively readable deeply engaging discussion of great short novels a journey into fiction designed with our contemporary attention spans in mind great short books suggests fifty eight excellent short novels all under 200 pages easily readable in a week or less a fresh approach to a fun fascinating year of reading from hard boiled fiction to magical realism the 18th century to the present day great short books spans genres cultures countries and time to present an enchanting and diverse selection of acclaimed and canonical novels from works in translation like yu miri s tokyo ueno station and marguerite duras s the lover to popular acclaimed authors like toni morrison and james baldwin this compilation is a celebration of classics from the historic to contemporary plus a few bestsellers including stephen king and colson whitehead each entry includes the novel s opening lines a spoiler free plot summary a why you should read it section and suggestions for what to read next an entertaining journey with a fun knowledgeable guide booklist this eclectic collection is a fun and practical book for any passionate reader hoping to broaden their literary iq or anyone who wants to find an effortless reentry into reading

## **Agostino**

2014-07-08

fans of the style of william faulkner will want to read henri bosco four time nominee for the nobel prize in literature available in english for the first time malicroix tells the story of a recluse living in the french countryside unraveling how he came to a life of solitude henri bosco like his contemporary jean giono is one of the regional masters of modern french literature a writer who dwells above all on the grandeur beauty and ferocious unpredictability of the natural world malicroix set in the early nineteenth century is widely considered to be bosco s greatest book here he invests a classic coming of age story with a wild mythic glamour a nice young man of stolidly unimaginative good bourgeois stock is surprised to inherit a house on an island in the rhône in the famously desolate and untamed region of the camargue the terms of his great uncle s will are even more surprising the young man must take up solitary residence in the house for a full three months before he will be permitted to take possession of it with only a taciturn shepherd and his dog for occasional company he finds himself surrounded by the huge and turbulent river always threatening to flood the island and surrounding countryside and the wind battering at his all too fragile house shrieking from on high and there is another condition of the will a challenging task he must perform even as others scheme to make his house their own only under threat can the young man come to terms with both his strange inheritance and himself

## **Cinema of Theo Angelopoulos**

2015-10-08

contempt is a brilliant and unsettling work by one of the revolutionary masters of modern european literature all the

qualities for which alberto moravia is justly famous his cool clarity of expression his exacting attention to psychological complexity and social pretension his still striking openness about sex are evident in this story of a failing marriage contempt which was to inspire jean luc godard s no less celebrated film is an unflinching examination of desperation and self deception in the emotional vacuum of modern consumer society

## Great Short Books

2022-11-22

plainchant is the oldest substantial body of music that has been preserved in any shape or form it was first written down in western europe in the eighth to ninth centuries many thousands of chants have been sung at different times or places in a multitude of forms and styles responding to the differing needs of the church through the ages this book provides a clear and concise introduction designed both for those to whom the subject is new and those who require a reference work for advanced study it begins with an explanation of the liturgies that plainchant was designed to serve it describes all the chief genres of chant different types of liturgical book and plainchant notations after an exposition of early medieval theoretical writing on plainchant hiley provides a historical survey that traces the constantly changing nature of the repertory he also discusses important musicians and centers of composition copiously illustrated with over 200 musical examples this book highlights the diversity of practice and richness of the chant repertory in the middle ages it will be an indispensable introduction and reference source on this important music for many years to come

## Malicroix

2020-04-07

this seventh edition of the best selling intermediate italian text da capo reviews and expands upon all aspects of italian grammar while providing authentic learning experiences including new song and video activities that provide students with engaging ways to connect with italians and italian culture following the guidelines established by the national standards for foreign language learning da capo develops italian language proficiency through varied features that accommodate a variety of teaching styles and goals the seventh edition emphasizes a well rounded approach to intermediate italian focusing on balanced acquisition of the four language skills within an updated cultural framework important notice media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version

## **Contempt**

2011-07-20

stunning wonderful levoy writes like a poet his material is both spiritual and practical i don t know another book that deals with callings in quite the same way larry dossey m d author of healing words and prayer is good medicine how do we know if we re following our true callings how do we sharpen our senses to cut through the distractions of everyday reality and hear the calls that are beckoning us callings is a passionate look at the search for authenticity in a style that is poetic exuberant and keenly insightful gregg levoy breathes contemporary life into the ancient topic of callings he presents an illuminating and ultimately practical inquiry into how we listen and respond to our calls whether at work or at home in our relationships or in service callings is the first book to examine the many kinds of calls we receive and the great variety of channels through which they come to us a calling may be to do something change careers go back to school leave or start a relationship move to the country have a child or to be something more creative less judgmental more loving you may be called toward or away from something called to change or renew your commitment to something or called to return to a place or pursuit in an entirely new way you may be

called toward whatever you have dared and double dared yourself to do for as long as you can remember gregg levy draws on the hard won wisdom and powerful stories of people who have followed their own calls to show us the many ways to translate a calling into action while honoring a calling's essential mystery the book also guides readers to ask and answer the fundamental questions that arise from any calling how do we recognize it how do we distinguish the true calls from the siren song how do we handle our resistance to a call what happens when we say no what happens when we say yes whether your interest in callings is personal or professional and whether the calls you hear are great trumpetings or the more common daily summonses to pay attention to your intuition you will find this beautiful book an inspiration it is a compassionate guide to discovering your own callings and negotiating the tight passages to personal power and authenticity

## Western Plainchant

1995

when mona lisa smiled enigmatically from the cover of the italian magazine epoca in 1957 she gazed out at more than three million readers as emma barron argues her appearance on the cover is emblematic of the distinctive ways that high culture was integrated into italy's mass culture boom in the 1950s and 1960s a period when popular appropriations of literature fine art and music became a part of the rapidly changing modern italian identity popular magazines ran weekly illustrated adaptations of literary classics television brought opera from the opera house into the homes of millions readers wrote to intellectuals and artists such as alberto moravia thomas mann and salvatore quasimodo by the thousands with questions about literature and self education drawing upon new archival material on the demographics of television audiences and magazine readers this book is an engaging account of how the italian people took possession of high culture and transformed the modern italian identity

## Da capo

2010-01-01

19 short stories set in the poorer parts and slums of rome and whose heroes are the ordinary people plumbers washerwomen thieves small shopkeepers and prostitutes newspapers in london and paris he now lives in rome and is a well established writer

## Callings

1997

secrets the jesuits don't want christians to know out of europe a voice is heard from the secular world that documents historically the same information told by ex priests the author exposes the vatican's involvement in world politics intrigues and the fomenting of wars throughout history it appears beyond any doubt that the roman catholic institution is not a christian church and never was the poor roman catholic people have been betrayed by her and are facing spiritual disaster paris shows that rome is responsible for the two great world wars author edmond paris explains why he wrote this book the public is practically unaware of the overwhelming responsibility carried by the vatican and its jesuits in the start of the two world wars a situation which may be explained in part by the gigantic finances at the disposition of the vatican and its jesuits giving them power in so many spheres especially since the last conflict in fact the part they took in those tragic events has hardly been mentioned until the present time except by apologists eager to disguise it it is with the aim of rectifying this and establishing the true facts that we present in this and other books the political activity of the vatican during the contemporary activity which mutually concerns the jesuits this study is based on irrefutable archive documents publications from well known political personalities diplomats ambassadors and eminent writers most of whom are catholics even attested by the imprimatur

## ***Popular High Culture in Italian Media, 1950–1970***

2018-08-31

in this sequel to upamanyu chatterjee s debut novel english august agastya sen older funnier more beleaguered almost endearing and some of his friends are back comic and kafkaesque the mammaries of the welfare state is a masterwork of satire by a major writer at the height of his powers

## **Roman Tales**

1988

international specialists from law media film and virtual studies address the jurist in the era of digital transmission from the cinema of the early 20th century to social media this volume explores the multiple intersections of these visual technologies and the law

## **The Secret History of the Jesuits**

2011

in ways no guide book can achieve these twenty absorbing tales by italian authors ranging from boccaccio in the middle ages to giacomo casanova in the eighteenth century to pier paolo pasolini in the twentieth and contemporary new writers such as melania mazzucco and igiaba scego offer the delight of discovering and exploring one of the world s most unique cities thorough a wide variety of individual lives and epochs the tales span seven hundred years but rather than being ordered chronologically old and new appear alongside one another reflecting the dual identity of rome thriving modern metropolis and ancient city centre that is one of the wonders of the world the tales are wonderfully varied in style tone and subject matter casanova sets about seducing the hotelier s daughter only minutes after his arrival a notorious spanish prostitute in renaissance rome endures a public hiding without flinching a danish tourist in her sixties finds an unusual lover pope john paul ii uncovers a vast conspiracy against him a medieval revolutionary demagogue suffers almost the same fate as mussolini each story is illustrated with a black and white photograph and there is a map of rome to help readers locate the important sites which feature in the text a deep sense of timelessness of separate destinies entwined across a gulf of centuries is the cumulative effect of this vivid mosaic of dramatic comic and tragic stories set in the eternal city

## **The Mammaries of the Welfare State**

2001

from today s vantage point it can be denied that the confidence in the abilities of globalism mobility and cosmopolitanism to illuminate cultural signification processes of our time has been severely shaken in the face of this crisis a key concept of this globalizing optimism as world literature has been for the past twenty years necessarily is in the need of a comprehensive revision world literature cosmopolitanism globality beyond against post otherwise offers a wide range of contributions approaching the blind spots of the globally oriented humanities for phenomena that in one way or another have gone beyond the discourses aesthetics and political positions of liberal cosmopolitanism and neoliberal globalization departing basically but not exclusively from different examples of latin american literatures and cultures in globalized contexts this volume provides innovative insights into critical readings of world literature and its related conceptualizations a timely book that embraces highly innovative perspectives it will be a mustread for all scholars involved in the field of the global dimensions of literature



## Law and New Media

2019-05-03

author s foreword this book is unfinished the filipino people shall finish it for me i wrote this volume very very slowly 1 could have done with it in three months after my defection from the conjugal dictatorship of ferdinand and imelda marcos on february 20 1975 instead i found myself availing of every excuse to slow it down a close associate marcelino p sarmiento even warned me baka mapanis yan your book could become stale while i availed of almost any excuse not to finish the manuscript of this volume i felt the tangible voices of a muted people back home in the philippines beckoning to me from across the vast pacific ocean in whichever way i turned i was confronted by the distraught images of the filipino multitudes cryingout to me to finish this work lest the frailty of human memory or any incident a la nalundasan consign to oblivion the matters i had in mind to form the vital parts of this book it was as if the filipino multitudes and history itself were surging in an endless wave presenting a compelling demand on me tosan francisco california perpetuate the personal knowledge i have gained on the infamous machinations of ferdinand e marcos and his overly ambitious wife imelda that led to a day of infamy in my country that black friday on september 22 1972 when martial law was declared as a means to establish history s first conjugal dictatorship the sense of urgency in finishing this work was also goaded by the thought that marcos does not have eternal life and that the filipino people are of unimaginable forgiving posture i thought that if i did not perpetuate this work for posterity marcos might unduly benefit from a laurelian statement that when a man dies the virtues of his past are magnified and his faults are reduced to molehills this is a book for which so much has been offered and done by marcos and his minions so that it would never see the light of print now that it is off the press i entertain greater fear that so much more will be done to prevent its circulation not only in the philippines but also in the united states but this work now belongs to history let it speak for itself in the context of developments within the coming months or years although it finds great relevance in the present life of the present life of the filipinos and of americans interested in the study of subversion of democratic governments by apparently legal means this work seeks to find its proper niche in history which mustinevitably render its judgment on the seizure of government power from the people by a lame duck philippine president if i had finished this work immediately after my defection from the totalitarian regime of ferdinand and imelda or after the vicious campaign of the dictatorship to vilify me in july august 1975 then i could have done so only in anger anger did influence my production of certain portions of the manu script however as i put the finishing touches to my work i found myself expurgating it of the personal venom the virulence and intemperate language of my original draft some of the materials that went into this work had been of public knowledge in the philippines if i had used them it was with the intention of utilizing them as links to heretofore unrevealed facets of the various ruses that marcos employed to establish his dictatorship now i have kept faith with the filipino people i have kept my rendezvous with history i have with this work discharged my obligation to myself my profession of journalism my family and my country i had one other compelling reason for coming out with this work at the great risks of being uprooted from my beloved country of forced separation from my wife and children and losing their affection and of losing everything i have in my name in the philippines or losing life itself it is that i wanted to makea public expiation for the little influence that i had more inside

## Rome Tales

2011

eleven great stories in original italian with vivid accurate english translations on facing pages teaching and practice aids italian english vocabulary more boccaccio machiavelli d annunzio pirandello and moravia plus significant works by lesser knowns

## World Literature, Cosmopolitanism, Globality

2019-10-21

este volumen reúne los noventa y cinco artículos publicados por javier marías en el suplemento dominical el país semanal entre el 8 de febrero de 2015 y el 29 de enero de 2017 noventa y cinco piezas que ofrecen una instantánea de la realidad del gran articulista de la prensa española actual se puede hacer algo en un mundo en el que contamos con grabaciones con sonido e imágenes con máquinas calculadoras más fiables que nunca y todo ello se refuta con desfachatez estamos adormilados hipnotizados o simplemente idiotizados para creer más a los distorsionadores que a nuestros ojos y oídos y aun que a la aritmética se pregunta el autor en uno de los textos incluidos en este libro y concluye su reflexión si es así rindámonos vivimos tiempos en los que no se puede soslayar el triunfo de las radicalidades de las militancias de todo signo y de los bulos cotidianos la célebre posverdad se impone a lo real y gran parte de los ciudadanos solo lee oye o ve a los de su cuerda atrincherados en la comodidad de un pensamiento coincidente en estas circunstancias javier marías es un outsider necesario con su estilo elegante su exquisita educación y su gran sentido del humor lleva a cabo en sus artículos algo infrecuente matizar razonar dar mandobles a unos y a otros cuando lo considera conveniente no ejercer banderías ni lo políticamente correcto en medio del ruido global en el que estamos inmersos las piezas de opinión recogidas en cuando los tontos mandan resultan indispensables para formarnos una opinión personal sobre gran variedad de temas y para entender el mundo actual y confirman a javier marías como una de las voces más representativas y valoradas de la auténtica disidencia reseñas quien no lea a marías está condenado the nation su mente es profunda aguda a veces turbadora a veces hilarante y siempre inteligente edward st aubyn the new york times book review

### *The Conjugal Dictatorship of Ferdinand and Imelda Marcos*

2016-01-17

rich eclectic a feast telegraph this landmark collection brings together forty writers that reflect over a hundred years of italy s vibrant and diverse short story tradition from the birth of the modern nation to the end of the twentieth century poets journalists visual artists musicians editors critics teachers scientists politicians translators the writers that inhabit these pages represent a dynamic cross section of italian society their powerful voices resonating through regional landscapes private passions and dramatic political events this wide ranging selection curated by jhumpa lahiri includes well known authors such as italo calvino elsa morante and luigi pirandello alongside many captivating new discoveries more than a third of the stories featured in this volume have been translated into english for the first time several of them by lahiri herself

### **Italian Stories**

2012-09-20

originally published in 1978 this volume comprises articles previously published in the historical journal past and present ranging over nearly a thousand years of graeco roman history the essays focus primarily on the roman empire reflecting the increase in british scholarship of the post war years of explanatory structuralist studies of this period in roman history the topics treated include athenian politics the roman conquest of the east violence in the later roman republic the second sophistic and persecutions of the early christians the authors have all produced original studies a number of which have generated significant research by other ancient historians

## Cuando los tontos mandan

2018-02-15

this is the first comprehensive account of the diversity and complexity of censorship practices in italy under the fascist dictatorship through archival material it shows how practices of censorship were used to effect regime change to measure and to shape public opinion behaviour and attitudes in the twenty years of mussolini s dictatorship

## The Two of Us

1972

dieser thematische lernwortschatz für anfänger bietet rund 8 000 wörter in 18 haupt und über 100 unterkapiteln und eignet sich zum gezielten und systematischen vokabellernen sowie zum schnellen nachschlagen anwendungsbeispiele und typische zusammenhänge verdeutlichen den gebrauch der stichwörter zusätzliche info boxen weisen auf besonderheiten im sprachgebrauch grammatische regeln oder landeskundliche informationen hin ein zweifarbiges und lernerfreundliches layout ermöglicht ein optimales lernen und wiederholen in beide richtungen italienisch deutsch und deutsch italienisch mit lautschrift zur korrekten aussprache mit einer auflistung der allerwichtigsten italienischen wörter zum nachschlagen mit farbig markiertem alltagswortschatz mit zweifachem register italienisch und deutsch zum komfortablen nachschlagen das werk eignet sich gleichermaßen für schüler der sekundarstufe i lernende in der erwachsenenbildung und selbstlerner ideal auch zur gezielten vorbereitung auf schülerarbeiten berufliche aufgaben mediennutzung und den urlaub

## The Penguin Book of Italian Short Stories

2019-03-07

all your complicated economic questions and theories explained by world experts economics is a broad topic and if you re not an economist by profession your knowledge might be limited until now the economics book is your jargon free visual guide to understanding the production and distribution of wealth using a combination of authoritative clear text and bold graphics this encyclopedia explores and explains big questions and issues that affect us all everything from taxation to recession to the housing market and much more by following an innovative visual approach the economics book demystifies and untangles complicated theories make sense of abstract concepts through colourful graphics fun facts and step by step flow diagrams satisfy your hunger for knowledge dive deeper into the history of economics with this page turning book from the ancient greeks to today you ll discover over 100 key ideas from the world s greatest theorists such as thomas malthus john maynard keynes and milton friedman fortunately you don t need a degree in economics to gain this type of understanding the economics book is your accessible guide to gaining tonnes of invaluable economic knowledge and learning how the economy shapes our world this book will be your guide through the history of economics let the trading begin 400 bce 1770 ce the age of reason 1770 1820 industrial and economic revolutions 1820 1929 war and depressions 1929 1945 post war economics 1945 1970 contemporary economics 1970 present the series simply explained with over 7 million copies sold worldwide to date the economics book is part of the award winning big ideas series from dk books it uses innovative graphics along with engaging writing to make complex subjects easier to understand

## Time of Desecration

1980-12-01

why did yugoslavia fall apart was its violent demise inevitable did its population simply fall victim to the lure of

nationalism how did this multinational state survive for so long and where do we situate the short life of yugoslavia in the long history of europe in the twentieth century a history of yugoslavia provides a concise accessible comprehensive synthesis of the political cultural social and economic life of yugoslavia from its nineteenth century south slavic origins to the bloody demise of the multinational state of yugoslavia in the 1990s calic takes a fresh and innovative look at the colorful multifaceted and complex history of yugoslavia emphasizing major social economic and intellectual changes from the turn of the twentieth century and the transition to modern industrialized mass society she traces the origins of ethnic religious and cultural divisions applying the latest social science approaches and drawing on the breadth of recent state of the art literature to present a balanced interpretation of events that takes into account the differing perceptions and interests of the actors involved uniquely calic frames the history of yugoslavia for readers as an essentially open ended process undertaken from a variety of different regional perspectives with varied composite agenda she shuns traditional deterministic explanations that notorious balkan hatreds or any other kind of exceptionalism are to blame for yugoslavia s demise and along the way she highlights the agency of twentieth century modern mass society in the politicization of differences while analyzing nuanced political and social economic processes calic describes the experiences and emotions of ordinary people in a vivid way as a result her groundbreaking work provides scholars and learned readers alike with an accessible trenchant and authoritative introduction to yugoslavia s complex history

## ROMAN TALES

2013-01-11

67 texts including hymns manifestos articles or extracts from lengthy studies exemplify the relation between romanticism and the national movements in the cultural space ranging from poland to the ottoman empire each text is accompanied by a presentation of the author and by an analysis of the context in which the respective work was born the end of the 18th century and first decades of the 19th were in many respects a watershed period in european history the ideas of the enlightenment and the dramatic convulsions of the french revolution had shattered the old bonds and cast doubt upon the established moral and social norms of the old corporate society in culture a new trend romanticism was successfully asserting itself against classicism and provided a new key for a growing number of activists to re imagine their national community reaching beyond the traditional frameworks of identification such as the political nation regional patriotism or christian universalism the collection focuses on the interplay of romantic cultural discourses and the shaping of national ideology throughout the 19th century tracing the patterns of cultural transfer with western europe as well as the mimetic competition of national ideologies within the region

## *Studies in Ancient Society (Routledge Revivals)*

2007-06-28

in this gorgeously imagined novel a journalist interviews those who knew or thought they knew alejandro bevilacqua a brilliant infuriatingly elusive south american writer and author of the masterpiece in praise of lying but the accounts of those in his circle of friends lovers and enemies become increasingly contradictory murky and suspect is everyone lying or just telling their own subjective version of the truth as the literary investigation unfolds and a chorus of bevilacqua s peers piece together the fractured reality of his life thirty years after his death only the reader holds the power of final judgment in all men are liars alberto manguel pays homage to literature s inventions and explores whether we can ever truly know someone and the question of how by whom and for what we ourselves will be remembered

## Censorship in Fascist Italy, 1922-43

2011-09-01

during world war ii elsa morante and her husband antifascist novelist alberto moravia fled the german occupation in italy out of this experience came history the moving saga of a widow s courage copyright libri gmbh all rights reserved

## Grundwortschatz Italienisch

2014-12-19

it has been described as a tame longing without any particular object by schopenhauer a bestial and indefinable affliction by dostoevsky and time s invasion of your world system by joseph brodsky but still very few of us today can explain precisely what boredom is a philosophy of boredom investigates one of the central preoccupations of our age as it probes the nature of boredom how it originated how and why it afflicts us and why we cannot seem to overcome it by any act of will lars svendsen brings together observations from philosophy literature psychology theology and popular culture examining boredom s pre romantic manifestations in medieval torpor philosophical musings on boredom from pascal to nietzsche and modern explorations into alienation and transgression by twentieth century artists from beckett to warhol a witty and entertaining account of our dullest moments and most maddening days a philosophy of boredom will appeal to anyone curious to know what lies beneath the overwhelming inertia of inactivity

## The Economics Book

2019-02-15

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