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A smart, sexy guide to embracing the repressed, tabooed, and often unwanted aspects of ourselves so we can discover our inner power and finally live the life we deserve. 'We always get exactly what we

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want; but often, though we may not be aware of it, what we most want is dark - very dark." Each of us has a dual nature: we are light (conscious) and dark (unconscious). The dark side of our personality - the "other," the

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shadow side - is made up of what we think is our primitive, primal, negative impulses - our "existential kink." Our existential kink also drives the dark or negative repeating patterns in our life: always choosing the

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abusive partner or boss, settling for less, thinking that we're undeserving, not worthy. But it also is the source of our greatest power. In Existential Kink, Carolyn Elliot, PhD, offers a truth-telling guide for bringing our

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shadow into the light. Inviting us to make conscious the unconscious, Elliot asks us to own the subconscious pleasure we get from the stuck, painful patterns of our existence. Existential Kink provides

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practical advice and meditations  
so we truly see our shadow  
side's "guilty pleasures," love  
and accept them, and integrate  
them into our whole being. By  
doing so, Elliot shows, we bring  
to life the raw, hot, glorious

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power we all have to get what we really want in our lives.

An essential collection of Stephen Batchelor's most probing and important work on secular Buddhism As the practice of mindfulness



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permeates mainstream Western culture, more and more people are engaging in a traditional form of Buddhist meditation. However, many of these people have little interest in the religious aspects of Buddhism, and the practice

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occurs within secular contexts such as hospitals, schools, and the workplace. Is it possible to recover from the Buddhist teachings a vision of human flourishing that is secular rather than religious without

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compromising the integrity of the tradition? Is there an ethical framework that can underpin and contextualize these practices in a rapidly changing world? In this collected volume of Stephen Batchelor's writings on these

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themes, the author explores the complex implications of Buddhism's secularization.

Ranging widely--from reincarnation, religious belief, and agnosticism to the role of the arts in Buddhist practice--he

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offers a detailed picture of contemporary Buddhism and its attempt to find a voice in the modern world.

While existentialism has long been associated with Parisian Left Bank philosophers sipping

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cocktails in smoke-filled cafés, or with a brooding, angst-filled outlook on life, Gosetti-Ferencei shows how vital and heterogeneous the movement really was. In this concise, accessible book, Gosetti-

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Ferencei offers a new vision of existentialism. As she lucidly demonstrates, existentialism is a rich and diverse philosophy that encourages meaningful engagement with the world around us, offering a host of

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fascinating concepts that pertain to life as we experience it. The movement was as heterogeneous as it is now misunderstood, influenced by jazz music, involving diverse thinkers from around the world,



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challenging received ideas about the meaning of human existence. Part of the difficulty in defining existentialism is that it was never a unified philosophy, but came to identify a set of shared concerns about the meaning and

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possibility of human freedom, as it may be expressed in authentic choices, actions, and projects. Existentialists all explored how, in the absence of traditional reassurances about the meaning of life, we may transcend our

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present circumstances, and give our situation new meaning. With existentialism, concrete, lived experience of the single individual emerged from the shadow of abstract systems and long-defended traditions, and

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became subject-matter in its own right for philosophical inquiry. Far from solipsistic, Gosetti-Ferencei shows that existentialist attention to the human self can be intertwined with ways of conceiving the

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world, our being with others, the earth, and the encompassing concept of being. Fully appreciating what existentialism has to offer requires recognizing the rich diversity of its prospects, which involve not

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only anxiety, absurdity,  
awareness of death and the loss  
of religious meaning, but also  
hope, the striving for happiness,  
and a sense of the transcendent.  
On Being and Becoming  
unpacks this philosophical

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movement's insights, and reveals how its core ideas promote creative responses to the question of life's meaning. Named one of the Ten Best Books of 2016 by the New York Times, a spirited account of a

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major intellectual movement of the twentieth century and the revolutionary thinkers who came to shape it, by the best-selling author of How to Live Sarah Bakewell. Paris, 1933: three contemporaries meet over



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apricot cocktails at the Bec-de-Gaz bar on the rue Montparnasse. They are the young Jean-Paul Sartre, Simone de Beauvoir, and longtime friend Raymond Aron, a fellow philosopher who raves to them

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about a new conceptual framework from Berlin called Phenomenology. "You see," he says, "if you are a phenomenologist you can talk about this cocktail and make philosophy out of it!" It was this

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simple phrase that would ignite a movement, inspiring Sartre to integrate Phenomenology into his own French, humanistic sensibility, thereby creating an entirely new philosophical approach inspired by themes of

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radical freedom, authentic being,  
and political activism. This  
movement would sweep through  
the jazz clubs and cafés of the  
Left Bank before making its way  
across the world as  
Existentialism. Featuring not

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only philosophers, but also  
playwrights, anthropologists,  
convicts, and revolutionaries, At  
the Existentialist Café follows the  
existentialists' story, from the  
first rebellious spark through the  
Second World War, to its role in

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postwar liberation movements  
such as anti-colonialism,  
feminism, and gay rights.  
Interweaving biography and  
philosophy, it is the epic account  
of passionate encounters--fights,  
love affairs, mentorships,

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rebellions, and long  
partnerships--and a vital  
investigation into what the  
existentialists have to offer us  
today, at a moment when we are  
once again confronting the major  
questions of freedom, global

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responsibility, and human  
authenticity in a fractious and  
technology-driven world.

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the best books of the year by The  
New York Times, LA Times, and



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NPR Franklin Foer reveals the existential threat posed by big tech, and in his brilliant polemic gives us the toolkit to fight their pervasive influence. Over the past few decades there has been a revolution in terms of who

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controls knowledge and information. This rapid change has imperiled the way we think. Without pausing to consider the cost, the world has rushed to embrace the products and services of four titanic

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corporations. We shop with Amazon; socialize on Facebook; turn to Apple for entertainment; and rely on Google for information. These firms sell their efficiency and purport to make the world a better place,

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but what they have done instead is to enable an intoxicating level of daily convenience. As these companies have expanded, marketing themselves as champions of individuality and pluralism, their algorithms have

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pressed us into conformity and laid waste to privacy. They have produced an unstable and narrow culture of misinformation, and put us on a path to a world without private contemplation, autonomous

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thought, or solitary  
introspection—a world without  
mind. In order to restore our  
inner lives, we must avoid being  
coopted by these gigantic  
companies, and understand the  
ideas that underpin their

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success. Elegantly tracing the intellectual history of computer science—from Descartes and the enlightenment to Alan Turing to Stewart Brand and the hippie origins of today's Silicon Valley—Foer exposes the dark

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underpinnings of our most idealistic dreams for technology. The corporate ambitions of Google, Facebook, Apple, and Amazon, he argues, are trampling longstanding liberal values, especially intellectual



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property and privacy. This is a nascent stage in the total automation and homogenization of social, political, and intellectual life. By reclaiming our private authority over how we intellectually engage with the

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world, we have the power to stem the tide. At stake is nothing less than who we are, and what we will become. There have been monopolists in the past but today's corporate giants have far more nefarious aims. They're

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monopolists who want access to every facet of our identities and influence over every corner of our decision-making. Until now few have grasped the sheer scale of the threat. Foer explains not just the looming existential crisis

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but the imperative of resistance.  
Meaning, Morals, and Purpose in  
the Age of Neuroscience  
Living with the Devil  
Glimpses of Buddhist  
Uncertainty  
The Last Self-Help Book

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A Meditation on Good and Evil

The Existential Pleasures of  
Engineering

The Existential Threat of Big  
Tech

***The former Sex & Relationships  
Editor for Cosmopolitan and host***

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***of the wildly popular comedy show *Tinder Live* with Lane Moore presents her poignant, funny, and deeply moving first book. Lane Moore is a rare performer who is as impressive onstage—whether hosting her iconic show *Tinder Live* or being***

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***the enigmatic front woman of It Was Romance—as she is on the page, as both a former writer for The Onion and an award-winning sex and relationships editor for Cosmopolitan. But her story has had its obstacles, including being her own parent, living in her car***

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***as a teenager, and moving to New York City to pursue her dreams. Through it all, she looked to movies, TV, and music as the family and support systems she never had. From spending the holidays alone to having better “stranger luck”***



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***than with those closest to her to feeling like the last hopeless romantic on earth, Lane reveals her powerful and entertaining journey in all its candor, anxiety, and ultimate acceptance—with humor always her bolstering force and greatest gift. How to***

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***Be Alone is a must-read for anyone whose childhood still feels unresolved, who spends more time pretending to have friends online than feeling close to anyone in real life, who tries to have genuine, deep conversations in a roomful of***

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***people who would rather you not.  
Above all, it's a book for anyone  
who desperately wants to feel  
less alone and a little more  
connected through reading her  
words.***

***Existential psychology examines  
how people deal with the biggest***

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***issues - such as finding meaning in life and facing death. It deals with many of the same problems as psychoanalysis and analytical psychology, but emphasises the view that one can understand the life of another by listening to their way of seeing existence and***

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***opening up their 'phenomenal world'. As a therapeutic approach it is recognised by the British Psychological Society and taught on a number of courses. This introductory text discusses all the main contemporary theories of existential***

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***psychology, and illustrates them with case examples. Practical implications for clinical work are considered, and comparisons with other approaches such as humanistic psychotherapy are made throughout.***

***Describes how engineers think***

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***and feel about their work, and argues that engineering is a response to creative impulses Benjamin Fondane—who was born and educated in Romania, moved as an adult to Paris, lived for a time in Buenos Aires, where he was close to Victoria Ocampo,***

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***Jorge Luis Borges's friend and publisher, and died in Auschwitz—was an artist and thinker who found in every limit, in every border, “a torture and a spur.” Poet, critic, man of the theater, movie director, Fondane was the most daring of the***



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***existentialists, a metaphysical anarchist, affirming individual against those great abstractions that limit human freedom—the State, History, the Law, the Idea. Existential Monday, the first selection of his philosophical work to appear in English,***

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***includes four of Fondane's most thought-provoking and important texts, "Existential Monday and the Sunday of History," "Preface for the Present Moment," "Man Before History" (co-translated by Andrew Rubens), and "Boredom." Here Fondane, until now little-***

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***known except to specialists,  
emerges as one of the enduring  
French philosophers of the  
twentieth century.  
Existential philosophy provides a  
useful theoretical foundation for  
successful hypnotherapy because it  
stresses the importance of the***

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***client's experience over any preconceived notions or diagnoses. By using the client's reality as the basis of clinical work, the therapist can help the client break self-destructive habits and maintain healthy patterns of behavior without***

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***relying solely on behavioral techniques. Presenting an innovative approach to psychotherapy that is firmly rooted in philosophy, Existential Hypnotherapy bridges the gap between technique and theory. Addressing theoretical themes,***

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***the book's initial chapters discuss significant issues for psychotherapy in general, and hypnotherapy in particular, with special attention paid to the nature of diagnosis and concepts of addiction. Chapters introduce the reader to the work of various***

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***existential philosophers,  
including Kierkegaard, Nietzsche,  
and Sartre. Bound to stir  
controversy, the authors  
persuasively argue that hypnosis  
should not be considered a  
"state" or "altered  
consciousness," and that there is***

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***no such thing as self-hypnosis.  
Instead, they demonstrate that  
all clinical hypnosis belongs to  
the therapist-patient dialogue.  
The book then focuses on specific  
hypnotherapy techniques that  
may be linked to desired  
therapeutic outcomes. These***



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***strategies include ways to help patients manage anxiety, and empower them to make needed life changes; methods for illuminating the existential meaning of symptoms to help patients break bad habits; and the utilization of patients'***

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***metaphors in treatment. Also discussed is the inadequacy of measurement scales that are supposed to determine a patient's ability to be hypnotized. Unique and thought-provoking, Existential Hypnotherapy is an important guide for any***

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***practitioner in the mental health field who uses clinical hypnosis as a tool, regardless of his or her training or orientation. Providing an accessible review of the basic principles of existential thought, it is also useful for instructors and students using philosophy to***

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**ground their psychological work.**

***Being and Time***

***Existential Risk and the Future of  
Humanity***

***The Precipice***

***A Contemporary Guide to  
Awakening***

***An Existential Approach to***

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**Buddhism**

***How to Connect with Others,  
Make Friends and Feel Less  
Lonely***

***Imagining the Dharma in an  
Uncertain World***

*This is a self-help book and follow up to  
my other self-help book "Remarks On*

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*Existential Therapy." If you liked that book you will like this book. This set of remarks on the subject of Existential Nihilism and Existential Sociology discusses numerous topics. Labels, Narcissism and Conformity are all made reference to. It makes reference as to how society influences who we are. It discusses*

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*both Existential Psychology, Philosophy, Social Psychology, Buddhism and Stoicism. It also discusses methods to improve ones life and it serves as a guide to obtain Existential Maturity. The theory is based on the works of Erving Goffman, RD Laing, Irvin Yalom and Rollo May. It is approximately a 150*

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*pages long and is written in the form of  
easy to understand remarks. This is the  
fourth edition of these notes.*

*'It is possible for man to snatch the world  
from the darkness of absurdity' How  
should we think and act in the world?*

*These writings on the human condition by  
one of the twentieth century's great*



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*philosophers explore the absurdity of our notions of good and evil, and show instead how we make our own destiny simply by being. One of twenty new books in the bestselling Penguin Great Ideas series. This new selection showcases a diverse list of thinkers who have helped shape our world today, from anarchists to*

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*stoics, feminists to prophets, satirists to  
Zen Buddhists.*

*A national bestseller and acclaimed guide  
to Buddhism for beginners and  
practitioners alike In this simple but  
important volume, Stephen Batchelor  
reminds us that the Buddha was not a  
mystic who claimed privileged, esoteric*

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*knowledge of the universe, but a man who challenged us to understand the nature of anguish, let go of its origins, and bring into being a way of life that is available to us all. The concepts and practices of Buddhism, says Batchelor, are not something to believe in but something to do—and as he explains clearly and*

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*compellingly, it is a practice that we can engage in, regardless of our background or beliefs, as we live every day on the path to spiritual enlightenment.*

*Delivered as a lecture in Paris in 1945, this work provides a seminal defence of the author's doctrine of existentialism and a plan for its practical application to*

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*everyday human life. It explores one of the central tenets of the author's philosophical thought, offering an introduction to his work. It is suitable for students of philosophy.*

*Widely recognized as the finest definition of existentialist philosophy ever written, this book introduced existentialism to*

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*America in 1958. Barrett speaks eloquently and directly to concerns of the 1990s: a period when the irrational and the absurd are no better integrated than before and when humankind is in even greater danger of destroying its existence without ever understanding the meaning of its existence. Irrational Man begins by*

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*discussing the roots of existentialism in the art and thinking of Augustine, Aquinas, Pascal, Baudelaire, Blake, Dostoevski, Tolstoy, Hemingway, Picasso, Joyce, and Beckett. The heart of the book explains the views of the foremost existentialists—Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Heidegger, and Sartre. The result is a*

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*marvelously lucid definition of  
existentialism and a brilliant  
interpretation of its impact.*

*Existential Hypnotherapy*

*Being and Nothingness*

*Lonely Less*

*Irrational Man*

*Existential Psychotherapy*



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*Albert Camus and the Human Crisis*

*A Psychology for the Unique Human*

*Being and its Applications in Therapy*

What is Existentialism? It is perhaps the most misunderstood of modern philosophic positions—misunderstood by reason of its broad popularity and

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general unfamiliarity with its origins, representatives, and principles. Existential thinking does not originate with Jean Paul Sartre. It has prior religious, literary, and philosophic origins. In its narrowest formulation it is a metaphysical

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doctrine, arguing as it does that any definition of man's essence must follow, not precede, an estimation of his existence. In Heidegger, it affords a view of Being in its totality; in Kierkegaard an approach to that inwardness indispensable to

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authentic religious experience; for Dostoevsky, Kafka, and Rilke the existential situation bears the stamp of modern man's alienation, uprootedness, and absurdity; to Sartre it has vast ethical and political implications. Walter Kaufmann,

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author of Nietzsche, is eminently qualified to present and interpret the insights of existentialism as they occur and are deepened by the major thinkers who express them. In every case complete selections or entire works have been employed: The

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Wall, Existentialism, and the complete chapter on "Self-Deception" from *L'être et le Néant* by Sartre; two lectures from Jaspers' book *Reason and Existenz*; original translations of *On My Philosophy* by Jaspers and *The Way*

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Back into the Ground of  
Metaphysics by Heidegger. There is,  
as well, material from Dostoevsky,  
Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Rilke, and  
Camus.

The author of Buddhism Without  
Beliefs bridges the gap between

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Western and Eastern philosophy with this humanist approach to Buddhism. This uniquely contemporary guide to understanding the timeless message of Buddhism, and in particular its relevance in actual human relations,



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was inspired by Shantideva's Guide to the Bodhisattva's Way Of Life, which the author translated into English, the oral instructions of living Buddhist masters, Heidegger's classic Being and Time, and the writings of the Christian theologians

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Paul Tillich and John MacQuarrie.

"The text is written with unusual clarity of style, making difficult matters readily accessible . . . It fills a serious gap in the dialogue between East and West, and does so in the most sensitive, most intelligent, and

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most careful way . . . Batchelor's strategy—to use the Western disciplines in order to make Buddhism accessible to the Westerner—is, I think, highly successful. The book makes a fine introduction." —David Michael

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Levin, Department of Philosophy,  
Northwestern University

"Magnificent-inspiring! . . . This excellent book has come to me personally as an illuminating text, despite my close on sixty years' concern with Buddhism . . .

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[Batchelor's] approach is likely to appeal to many categories of readers who have hitherto never considered Buddhism as having great relevance to themselves." —John Blofeld, from the Foreword

Kierkegaard said that faith without

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doubt is simply credulity, the will to believe too readily, especially without adequate evidence, and that "in Doubt can Faith begin." All people involved in spiritual practice, of whatever persuasion, must confront doubt at one time or another, and

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find a way beyond it to belief, however temporary. But "faith is not equivalent to mere belief. Faith is the condition of ultimate confidence that we have the capacity to follow the path of doubt to its end. And courage." In this engaging spiritual

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memoir, Stephen Batchelor describes his own training, first as a Tibetan Buddhist and then as a Zen practitioner, and his own direct struggles along his path. "It is most uncanny that we are able to ask questions, for to question means to



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acknowledge that we do not know something. But it is more than an acknowledgement: it includes a yearning to confront an unknown and illuminate it through understanding. Questioning is a quest." Batchelor is a contemporary

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Buddhist teacher and writer, best known for his secular or agnostic approach to Buddhism. He considers Buddhism to be a constantly evolving culture of awakening rather than a religious system based on immutable dogmas and beliefs.

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Buddhism has survived for the past 2,500 years because of its capacity to reinvent itself in accord with the needs of the different Asian societies with which it has creatively interacted throughout its history. As Buddhism encounters modernity, it

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enters a vital new phase of its development. Through his writings, translations and teaching, Stephen engages in a critical exploration of Buddhism's role in the modern world, which has earned him both condemnation as a heretic and praise

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as a reformer.

Social and personality psychologists traditionally have focused their attention on the most basic building blocks of human thought and behavior, while existential psychologists pursued broader, more

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abstract questions regarding the nature of existence and the meaning of life. This volume bridges this longstanding divide by demonstrating how rigorous experimental methods can be applied to understanding key existential

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concerns, including death, uncertainty, identity, meaning, morality, isolation, determinism, and freedom. Bringing together leading scholars and investigators, the Handbook presents the influential theories and research findings that

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collectively are helping to define the emerging field of experimental existential psychology.

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human history is just beginning. Our species could survive for billions of years - enough time to end disease, poverty, and injustice, and to flourish in ways unimaginable today. But this vast future is at risk. With the advent of nuclear weapons,

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humanity entered a new age, where we face existential catastrophes - those from which we could never come back. Since then, these dangers have only multiplied, from climate change to engineered pathogens and artificial intelligence. If we do not act

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fast to reach a place of safety, it will soon be too late. Drawing on over a decade of research, *The Precipice* explores the cutting-edge science behind the risks we face. It puts them in the context of the greater story of humanity: showing how

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ending these risks is among the most pressing moral issues of our time. And it points the way forward, to the actions and strategies that can safeguard humanity. An Oxford philosopher committed to putting ideas into action, Toby Ord has

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advised the US National Intelligence Council, the UK Prime Minister's Office, and the World Bank on the biggest questions facing humanity. In *The Precipice*, he offers a startling reassessment of human history, the future we are failing to protect, and

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the steps we must take to ensure that our generation is not the last. "A book that seems made for the present moment." —New Yorker  
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The Art of Solitude

Does Buddhism require faith? Can  
an atheist or agnostic follow the

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Buddha ' s teachings without believing in reincarnation or organized religion? This is one man ' s confession. In his classic Buddhism Without Beliefs, Stephen Batchelor offered a profound, secular approach to the teachings of



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the Buddha that struck an emotional chord with Western readers. Now, with the same brilliance and boldness of thought, he paints a groundbreaking portrait of the historical Buddha—told from the author ' s unique perspective as a

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former Buddhist monk and modern seeker. Drawing from the original Pali Canon, the seminal collection of Buddhist discourses compiled after the Buddha ' s death by his followers, Batchelor shows us the Buddha as a flesh-and-blood man

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who looked at life in a radically new way. Batchelor also reveals the everyday challenges and doubts of his own devotional journey—from meeting the Dalai Lama in India, to training as a Zen monk in Korea, to finding his path as a lay teacher of

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Buddhism living in France. Both controversial and deeply personal, Stephen Batchelor ' s refreshingly doctrine-free, life-informed account is essential reading for anyone interested in Buddhism.

Some twenty-five centuries after the

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Buddha started teaching, his message continues to inspire people across the globe, including those living in predominantly secular societies. What does it mean to adapt religious practices to secular contexts? Stephen Batchelor, an

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internationally known author and teacher, is committed to a secularized version of the Buddha ' s teachings. The time has come, he feels, to articulate a coherent ethical, contemplative, and philosophical vision of Buddhism for

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our age. After Buddhism, the culmination of four decades of study and practice in the Tibetan, Zen, and Theravada traditions, is his attempt to set the record straight about who the Buddha was and what he was trying to teach.

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Combining critical readings of the earliest canonical texts with narrative accounts of five members of the Buddha ' s inner circle, Batchelor depicts the Buddha as a pragmatic ethicist rather than a dogmatic metaphysician. He



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envisions Buddhism as a constantly evolving culture of awakening whose long survival is due to its capacity to reinvent itself and interact creatively with each society it encounters. This original and provocative book presents a new framework for

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understanding the remarkable spread of Buddhism in today ' s globalized world. It also reminds us of what was so startling about the Buddha ' s vision of human flourishing.

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ingenious." --Geoff Wisner, Wall  
Street Journal  
In a time of social distancing and isolation, a meditation on the beauty of solitude from renowned Buddhist writer Stephen Batchelor  
When world renowned Buddhist writer Stephen

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Batchelor turned sixty, he took a sabbatical from his teaching and turned his attention to solitude, a practice integral to the meditative traditions he has long studied and taught. He aimed to venture more deeply into solitude, discovering its

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full extent and depth. This beautiful literary collage documents his multifaceted explorations. Spending time in remote places, appreciating and making art, practicing meditation and participating in retreats, drinking peyote and

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ayahuasca, and training himself to keep an open, questioning mind have all contributed to Batchelor's ability to be simultaneously alone and at ease. Mixed in with his personal narrative are inspiring stories from solitude's devoted

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practitioners, from the Buddha to  
Montaigne, from Vermeer to Agnes  
Martin. In a hyperconnected world  
that is at the same time plagued by  
social isolation, this book shows how  
to enjoy the inescapable solitude  
that is at the heart of human life.

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The definitive account of existential psychotherapy. First published in 1980, *Existential Psychotherapy* is widely considered to be the foundational text in its field—the first to offer a methodology for helping patients to develop more



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adaptive responses to life ' s core  
existential dilemmas. In this seminal  
work, American psychiatrist Irvin  
Yalom finds the essence of  
existential psychotherapy and gives  
it a coherent structure, synthesizing  
its historical background, core

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tenets, and usefulness to the practice. Organized around what Yalom identifies as the four "ultimate concerns of life"—death, freedom, isolation, and meaninglessness—the book takes up the meaning of each existential

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concern and the type of conflict that springs from our confrontation with each. He shows how these concerns are manifest in personality and psychopathology, and how treatment can be helped by our knowledge of them. Drawing from

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clinical experience, empirical research, philosophy, and great literature, Yalom provides an intellectual home base for those psychotherapists who have sensed the incompatibility of orthodox theories with their own clinical

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experience, and opens new doors for empirical research. The fundamental concerns of therapy and the central issues of human existence are woven together here as never before, with intellectual and clinical results that have surprised

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and enlightened generations of readers.

“ A mock self-help book designed not to help but to provoke . . . to inveigle us into thinking about who we are and how we got into this mess. ” (Los Angeles Times Book

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Review). Filled with quizzes, essays, short stories, and diagrams, Lost in the Cosmos is National Book Award – winning author Walker Percy ' s humorous take on a familiar genre—as well as an invitation to serious contemplation

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of life ' s biggest questions. One part  
parody and two parts philosophy,  
Lost in the Cosmos is an  
enlightening guide to the dilemmas  
of human existence, and an  
unrivaled spin on self-help manuals  
by one of modern America ' s



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Young Children ' s Existential  
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"Existential depression".

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Third edition 2017. This booklet is an anthology of essays by psychologists John M. Grohol, James T. Webb, James Leonard Park, Carol Bainbridge, Jeffrey Brian Airman, F. Nietzsche, et Al. It

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is meant for the general audience with no "unique" scientific claim. It is authored by a a number if different authors of essays on the experience of life-related sadness and how to overcome

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it. The book is intended as a self-help booklet. It can be useful to those who would like to know more about existential depression.

A contrarian scientist wrestles with the big

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questions that modern  
physics raises, and what  
physics says about the human  
condition Not only can we not  
currently explain the origin of  
the universe, it is  
questionable we will ever be

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able to explain it. The notion that there are universes within particles, or that particles are conscious, is ascientific, as is the hypothesis that our universe is a computer simulation. On

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the other hand, the idea that the universe itself is conscious is difficult to rule out entirely. According to Sabine Hossenfelder, it is not a coincidence that quantum entanglement and vacuum



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energy have become the go-to explanations of alternative healers, or that people believe their deceased grandmother is still alive because of quantum mechanics. Science and

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religion have the same roots,  
and they still tackle some of  
the same questions: Where  
do we come from? Where do  
we go to? How much can we  
know? The area of science  
that is closest to answering

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these questions is physics.

Over the last century,  
physicists have learned a lot  
about which spiritual ideas  
are still compatible with the  
laws of nature. Not always,  
though, have they stayed on

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the scientific side of the debate. In this lively, thought-provoking book, Hossenfelder takes on the biggest questions in physics: Does the past still exist? Do particles think? Was the

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universe made for us? Has physics ruled out free will? Will we ever have a theory of everything? She lays out how far physicists are on the way to answering these questions, where the current limits are,

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and what questions might well remain unanswerable forever. Her book offers a no-nonsense yet entertaining take on some of the toughest riddles in existence, and will give the reader a solid grasp

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on what we know—and what  
we don ' t know.

With the intrigue of a  
psychological thriller,  
Camus's masterpiece gives us  
the story of an ordinary man  
unwittingly drawn into a

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senseless murder on an Algerian beach. Behind the intrigue, Camus explores what he termed "the nakedness of man faced with the absurd" and describes the condition of reckless



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alienation and spiritual  
exhaustion that characterized  
so much of twentieth-century  
life. First published in 1946;  
now in translation by  
Matthew Ward.

Existential Perspectives on

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Human Issues offers students, teachers and practitioners alike a definitive handbook for the practice of existential psychotherapy. For the first time leading figures from the existential

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field have been brought together to discuss a wide range of issues fundamental to human existence and consequently therapeutic work with clients. Divided into four parts, the book

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presents different dimensions of living; physical, social, personal and spiritual. Each chapter gives a brief overview of the literature on the topic under discussion as well as a historical

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background. Theory and practice are addressed with case illustrations highlighting particular relevance. Critical considerations, possible drawbacks and research needs are additionally

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detailed and suggested  
further reading is given.

Rethinking the Dharma for a  
Secular Age

An Existentialist Approach to  
Life

A Study in Existential

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Practice

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Existential and Spiritual

Issues in Death Attitudes

Freedom, Being, and Apricot

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Cocktails with Jean-Paul  
Sartre, Simone de Beauvoir,  
Albert Camus, Martin  
Heidegger, Maurice Merleau-  
Ponty and Others

In this new volume, death is treated both as a  
threat to meaning and as an opportunity to



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create meaning.

Expands the search for the origins of the universe beyond God and the Big Bang theory, exploring more bizarre possibilities inspired by physicists, theologians, mathematicians, and even novelists.

Have you ever wondered what the phrase “ God is dead ” means? You ’ ll find out

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in Existentialism For Dummies, a handy guide to Nietzsche, Sartre, and Kierkegaard ' s favorite philosophy. See how existentialist ideas have influenced everything from film and literature to world events and discover whether or not existentialism is still relevant today. You ' ll find an introduction to existentialism and

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understand how it fits into the history of philosophy. This insightful guide will expose you to existentialism ' s ideas about the absurdity of life and the ways that existentialism guides politics, solidarity, and respect for others. There ' s even a section on religious existentialism. You ' ll be able to reviewkey existential themes and writings.

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Find out how to: Trace the influence of  
existentialism Distinguish each  
philosopher ' s specific ideas Explain what it  
means to say that “ God is dead ” See  
culture through an existentialist lens  
Understand the existentialist notion of time,  
finitude, and death Navigate the absurdity of  
life Master the art of individuality Complete

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with lists of the ten greatest existential films, ten great existential aphorisms, and ten common misconceptions about existentialism, Existentialism For Dummies is your one-stop guide to a very influential school of thought.

Sartre explains the theory of existential psychoanalysis in this treatise on human

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reality

Stephen Batchelor's seminal work on humanity's struggle between good and evil In the national bestseller *Living with the Devil*, Batchelor traces the trajectory from the words of the Buddha and Christ, through the writings of Shantideva, Milton, and Pascal, to the poetry of Baudelaire, the

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fiction of Kafka, and the findings of modern physics and evolutionary biology to examine who we really are, and to rest in the uncertainty that we may never know. Like his previous bestseller, *Buddhism without Beliefs*, *Living with the Devil* is also an introduction to Buddhism that encourages readers to nourish their "buddha nature"

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and make peace with the devils that haunt human life. He tells a poetic and provocative tale about living with life's contradictions that will challenge you to live your life as an existence imbued with purpose, freedom, and compassion—rather than habitual self-interest and fear.

Confession of a Buddhist Atheist



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for overcoming loneliness Anyone, whatever their age, gender, culture or abilities, can find themselves separate and disconnected from others and feeling lonely. If you feel lonely you are lonely. And it's not nice. But your situation can change

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for the better! In *Lonely Less: How to Connect with Others, Make Friends and Feel Less Lonely*, bestselling author Gill Hasson delivers practical strategies you can implement immediately to counter loneliness and connect with other

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people. The book recognises that as social beings, we each need to interact with others; to connect in positive ways and feel that we are understood, that we belong and are valued by others. It offers: A guide to meeting new people and making

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friends Advice on how best to 'fit in'  
with others Ideas on how to spend  
time alone Recommendations for  
keeping connected when working  
from home Expert advice on  
managing existential loneliness; the  
disconnection that can follow a

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traumatic experience Whether you're looking to empower yourself or help someone else, Lonely Less is a must-read in order to better connect with others, take part in social activities, make friends, be understood and feel a sense of belonging.

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Existentialisms arise when the foundations of being, such as meaning, morals, and purpose come under assault. In the first-wave of existentialism, writings typified by Kierkegaard, Dostoevsky, and Nietzsche concerned the increasingly

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apparent inability of religion, and religious tradition, to support a foundation of being. Second-wave existentialism, personified philosophically by Sartre, Camus, and de Beauvoir, developed in response to similar realizations about



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the overly optimistic Enlightenment vision of reason and the common good. The third-wave of existentialism, a new existentialism, developed in response to advances in the neurosciences that threaten the last vestiges of an immaterial soul or

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self. Given the increasing explanatory and therapeutic power of neuroscience, the mind no longer stands apart from the world to serve as a foundation of meaning. This produces foundational anxiety. In Neuroexistentialism, a group of

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contributors that includes some of the world's leading philosophers, neuroscientists, cognitive scientists, and legal scholars, explores the anxiety caused by third-wave existentialism and possible responses to it. Together, these essays tackle

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our neuroexistential predicament,  
and explore what the mind sciences  
can tell us about morality, love,  
emotion, autonomy, consciousness,  
selfhood, free will, moral  
responsibility, law, the nature of  
criminal punishment, meaning in

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life, and purpose.

"What is the meaning of being?"

This is the central question of Martin Heidegger's profoundly important work, in which the great philosopher seeks to explain the basic problems of existence. A central influence on

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later philosophy, literature, art, and criticism—as well as existentialism and much of postmodern thought—Being and Time forever changed the intellectual map of the modern world. As Richard Rorty wrote in the New York Times Book

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Review, "You cannot read most of the important thinkers of recent times without taking Heidegger's thought into account." This first paperback edition of John Macquarrie and Edward Robinson's definitive translation also features a

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new foreword by Heidegger scholar  
Taylor Carman.

This book is a psychoanalytic  
observation of five children's  
existential encounters in their  
ordinary life at the nursery. It is  
among the first within psychosocial



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literature to go beyond adult experiences and explore the existential in young children's lives as it plays out in their everydayness in symbolic and sensory articulations and in relationship with others; including with the author as someone

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who arrived looking for it. The author offers analysis in the form of a writing inquiry into meaning, by means of an on-going movement between the self and the other, the interior and the exterior, and psychoanalytic and existential-

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phenomenological ideas. This is illustrated through a kaleidoscopic account of May, Nadia, Edward, Baba and Eilidhs' encounters with nothingness, strangeness, ontological insecurity, death and selfhood as these emerged in the time they spent

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with the author embodying different forms – from concrete objects to dreams – exemplifying an attunement to existential ubiquity. With its relational ground, this work suggests the potential for adults – including researchers, therapists,

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trainees, educators and parents – to  
attune to their own existential  
encounters as a path to  
understanding those of children.  
Incisive and engaging, *The Free  
Market Existentialist* proposes a new  
philosophy that is a synthesis of

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existentialism, amorality, and  
libertarianism. Argues that Sartre's  
existentialism fits better with  
capitalism than with Marxism Serves  
as a rallying cry for a new  
alternative, a minimal state funded  
by an equal tax Confronts the "final

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delusion” of metaphysical morality,  
and proposes that we have nothing to  
fear from an amoral world Begins an  
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century for students, scholars, and  
armchair philosophers alike with  
clear, accessible discussions of a

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Neuroexistentialism

A renowned scholar  
investigates the "human  
crisis" that Albert  
Camus confronted in his  
world and in ours,  
producing a brilliant

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study of Camus's life  
and influence for those  
readers who, in Camus's  
words, "cannot live  
without dialogue and  
friendship." As  
France—and all of the

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world—was emerging from the depths of World War II, Camus summed up what he saw as "the human crisis": We gasp for air among people who believe they are absolutely

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right, whether it be in  
their machines or their  
ideas. And for all who  
cannot live without  
dialogue and the  
friendship of other  
human beings, this

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silence is the end of  
the world. In the years  
after he wrote these  
words, until his death  
fourteen years later,  
Camus labored to address  
this crisis, arguing for

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dialogue, understanding,  
clarity, and truth. When  
he sailed to New York,  
in March 1946—for his  
first and only visit to  
the United States—he  
found an ebullient

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nation celebrating  
victory. Camus warned  
against the common  
postwar complacency that  
took false comfort in  
the fact that Hitler was  
dead and the Third Reich



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had fallen. Yes, the serpentine beast was dead, but “we know perfectly well,” he argued, “that the venom is not gone, that each of us carries it in our

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own hearts.” All around  
him in the postwar  
world, Camus saw  
disheartening evidence  
of a global community  
revealing a heightened  
indifference to a number

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of societal ills. It is the same indifference to human suffering that we see all around, and within ourselves, today. Camus's voice speaks like few others to the

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heart of an affliction  
that infects our country  
and our world, a world  
divided against itself.  
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