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There have been many studies of George Orwell, but nothing quite like this book by Alex Woloch—an exuberant, revisionary account of Orwell's radical writing. Bearing down on the propulsive irony and formal restlessness intertwined with his plain-style, Woloch offers a new understanding of Orwell and a new way of thinking about writing and politics. This book probes the efforts at manipulation individuals face daily in this information age

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and the tactics of persuaders from many sectors of society using various forms of Orwellian "doublespeak." The book contains the following essays: (1) "Notes toward a Definition of Doublespeak" (William Lutz); (2) "Truisms Are True: Orwell's View of Language" (Walker Gibson); (3) "Mr. Orwell, Mr. Schlesinger, and the Language" (Hugh Rank); (4) "What Do We Know?" (Charles Weingartner); (5) "The Dangers of Singlespeak" (Edward M. White); (6) "The Fallacies of Doublespeak" (Dennis Rohatyn); (7)

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"Doublespeak and Ethics"
(George R. Bramer); (8) "Post-Orwellian Refinements of Doublethink: Will the Real Big Brother Please Stand Up?"
(Donald Lazere); (9)
"Worldthink" (Richard Ohmann); (10) "Bullets Hurt, Corpses Stink': George Orwell and the Language of Warfare"
(Harry Brent); (11) "Political Language: The Art of Saying Nothing" (Dan F. Hahn); (12)
"Fiddle-Faddle, Flapdoodle, and Balderdash: Some Thoughts about Jargon"
(Frank J. D'Angelo); (13) "How to Read an Ad: Learning to Read between the Lies" (D. G.

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Kehl); (14) "Subliminal Chainings: Metonymical Doublespeak in Advertising" (Don L. F. Nilsen); (15) "Doublespeak and the Polemics of Technology" (Scott Buechler); (16) "Make Money, Not Sense: Keep Academia Green" (Julia Penelope); (17) "Sensationspeak in America" (Roy F. Fox); and (18) "The Pop Grammarians--Good Intentions, Silly Ideas, and Doublespeak" (Charles Suhor). Three appendixes are attached: "The George Orwell Awards," "The Doublespeak Award," and "The Quarterly

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***Review of Doublespeak." (MS)
An encyclopedia designed especially to meet the needs of elementary, junior high, and senior high school students. The English language is a battlefield. Since the age of Shakespeare, arguments over correct usage have been bitter, and have always really been about contesting values—morality, politics, and class. The Language Wars examines the present state of the conflict, its history, and its future. Above all, it uses the past as a way of illuminating the present. Moving chronologically, the book***

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explores the most persistent issues to do with English and unpacks the history of "proper" usage. Where did these ideas spring from? Who has been on the front lines in the language wars? The Language Wars examines grammar rules, regional accents, swearing, spelling, dictionaries, political correctness, and the role of electronic media in reshaping language. It also takes a look at such details as the split infinitive, elocution, and text messaging. Peopled with intriguing characters such as Jonathan Swift, Lewis Carroll,

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***and Lenny Bruce, The
Language Wars is an essential
volume for anyone interested
in the state of the English
language today or its future.***

***Orwell, Politics, and Power
Politics and the English
Language***

***A Critical Study of the Writings
of George Orwell***

***Politics and the English
Language and Other Essays
(Hardback)***

***The World Turned Upside
Down***

Animal Farm

Orwell's Politics is a study of
the development of George
Orwell's political ideas and

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beliefs from his time as a policeman in Burma through to the publication of *Nineteen Eighty-Four*. It places Orwell's thinking in historical context, examining his response to mass unemployment in 1930s Britain, to revolution in Spain, to the impact of the Second World War and its aftermath. Orwell remained both an anti-Stalinist and a socialist up until his death.

While shipwrecked on the island of Pala, Will Farnaby, a disenchanted journalist, discovers a utopian society that has flourished for the past 120 years. Although he at first

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disregards the possibility of an ideal society, as Farnaby spends time with the people of Pala his ideas about humanity change. HarperPerennial Classics brings great works of literature to life in digital format, upholding the highest standards in ebook production and celebrating reading in all its forms. Look for more titles in the HarperPerennial Classics collection to build your digital library.

Edward Tulane, a cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit, loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who adores him and travels

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across the country, acquiring new owners and listening to their hopes, dreams, and histories. Jr Lib Guild.

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A passionate, thought-provoking, sometimes incendiary look at the role of propaganda in American today-- by leading political pundits, intellectuals, and writers

Doublespeak in a Post-Orwellian Age

The Lion and the Unicorn

Or Orwell

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane

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In Defence of English Cooking
The Language Wars

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writing on politics and literature to a new readership. Politics vs. Literature, the fourth in the Orwell's Essays series, is, at heart, a review of Jonathan Swift's Gulliver's Travels. Having been given a copy of the book on his eighth birthday, Orwell knows it inside out, and thinks highly of it; it is 'pessimistic', though, he says - 'it descends into political partisanship of a narrow kind,' designed to 'humiliate man by reminding him that he is weak and ridiculous.' Using the book as an

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***example of enjoying a book whose author one cannot stand, Orwell goes on to say that he considers Gulliver's Travels a work of art, leaving the reader to reconsider the books on their own shelves. 'A writer who can - and must - be rediscovered with every age.'* — Irish Times**

Yang Jisheng's The World Turned Upside Down is the definitive history of the Cultural Revolution, in withering and heartbreaking detail. As a major political event and a crucial turning point in the history of the

People's Republic of China, the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution (1966-1976) marked the zenith as well as the nadir of Mao Zedong's ultra-leftist politics. Reacting in part to the Soviet Union's "revisionism" that he regarded as a threat to the future of socialism, Mao mobilized the masses in a battle against what he called "bourgeois" forces within the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). This ten-year-long class struggle on a massive scale devastated traditional

Chinese culture as well as the nation's economy.

Following his

groundbreaking and award-winning history of the Great Famine, Tombstone, Yang Jisheng here presents the only history of the Cultural Revolution by an independent scholar based in mainland China, and makes a crucial contribution to understanding those years' lasting influence today. The World Turned Upside Down puts every political incident, major and minor, of those ten years under extraordinary and

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withering scrutiny, and arrives in English at a moment when contemporary Chinese governance is leaning once more toward a highly centralized power structure and Mao-style cult of personality.

The essential collection of critical essays from a twentieth-century master and author of 1984. As a critic, George Orwell cast a wide net. Equally at home discussing Charles Dickens and Charlie Chaplin, he moved back and forth across the porous borders between essay and journalism, high

art and low. A frequent commentator on literature, language, film, and drama throughout his career, Orwell turned increasingly to the critical essay in the 1940s, when his most important experiences were behind him and some of his most incisive writing lay ahead. All Art Is Propaganda follows Orwell as he demonstrates in piece after piece how intent analysis of a work or body of work gives rise to trenchant aesthetic and philosophical commentary. With masterpieces such as

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"Politics and the English Language" and "Rudyard Kipling" and gems such as "Good Bad Books," here is an unrivaled education in, as George Packer puts it, "how to be interesting, line after line." With an Introduction from Keith Gessen.

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pure wind'. In an age where the language used in politics is constantly under the microscope, Orwell's Politics and the English Language is just as relevant today, and gives the reader a vital understanding of the tactics at play. 'A writer who can - and must - be rediscovered with every age.' — Irish Times

***A Draft of an Auxiliary for a Democratic World Order, Being an Attempt to Apply Semantic Principles to Language Design
A History of the Chinese Cultural Revolution***

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Narrative Essays ***Beyond Nineteen Eighty-four*** ***What Orwell Didn't Know*** ***Parable of the Sower***

George Orwell was one of the most significant literary figures on the left in the twentieth century. While titles such as *1984*, *Animal Farm* and *Homage to Catalonia* are still rightly regarded as modern classics, his own politics are less well understood. *Hope Lies in the Proles* offers a sympathetic yet critical account of Orwell's political thinking and its continued significance today. John Newsinger explores various aspects of Orwell's

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politics, detailing Orwell's attempts to change working-class consciousness, considering whether his attitude towards the working class was romantic, realistic or patronising - or all three at different times. He also asks whether Orwell's anti-fascism was eclipsed by his criticism of the Soviet Union, and explores his ambivalent relationship with the Labour Party. Newsinger also breaks important new ground regarding Orwell's shifting views on the USA, and his relationship with the New Left and feminism. Focusing on the enduring interest in Orwell and his influence on

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current political causes, the book is ultimately a unique, nuanced attempt to demonstrate that Orwell remained a committed socialist up until his death.

Politics and the English Language
Renard Press Ltd
"Nineteen Eighty-Four: A Novel", often published as "1984", is a dystopian social science fiction novel by English novelist George Orwell. It was published on 8 June 1949 by Secker & Warburg as Orwell's ninth and final book completed in his lifetime. Thematically, "Nineteen Eighty-Four" centres on the consequences of totalitarianism, mass

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surveillance, and repressive regimentation of persons and behaviours within society. Orwell, himself a democratic socialist, modelled the authoritarian government in the novel after Stalinist Russia. More broadly, the novel examines the role of truth and facts within politics and the ways in which they are manipulated. The story takes place in an imagined future, the year 1984, when much of the world has fallen victim to perpetual war, omnipresent government surveillance, historical negationism, and propaganda. Great Britain, known as Airstrip One, has become a province of a

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totalitarian superstate named Oceania that is ruled by the Party who employ the Thought Police to persecute individuality and independent thinking. Big Brother, the leader of the Party, enjoys an intense cult of personality despite the fact that he may not even exist. The protagonist, Winston Smith, is a diligent and skillful rank-and-file worker and Outer Party member who secretly hates the Party and dreams of rebellion. He enters into a forbidden relationship with a colleague, Julia, and starts to remember what life was like before the Party came to power.

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An insurance salesman desperately tries to recapture his youth in this “charming” comic novel by the iconic British author (The New York Times). George Bowling is having a crisis. Not a loud, unsightly one, but a small, desperate one. His days are occupied by an unfulfilling insurance job; his nights spent worrying about his mortgage, marriage, expanding waistline, and what seems to be a certain prospect of World War II looming on the horizon. So when George unexpectedly hits it big on a lucky horse, he spends the windfall on the only thing he ever knew to make him

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happy: his childhood. George travels back to his boyhood home of Lower Binfield, swimming in vivid memories of worry-free bliss, sights, sounds, smells, and emotions of a pre-war world. But while the idyllic village in George's head may not have seen battle, the reality may be more sobering than he is prepared to deal with.

Penned with Orwell's trademark insight and passion, *Coming Up for Air* is an elegiac look at memory and desire at a desperate moment in England's history.

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Hope Lies in the Proles
Orwell and the Politics of

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Despair

George Orwell, Politics and
the English Language

1984

Whether as a fighter in the Spanish Civil War, an advocate of patriotic Socialism or a left-wing opponent of the Soviet Union, George Orwell was the ultimate outsider in politics - insecure, scornful of orthodoxies, cussedly independent. Best known today as the author of *Animal Farm* and *Nineteen Eighty-Four*, Orwell also wrote seven other full-length books and a vast number of essays, articles and reviews. A pioneering cultural critic, he

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addressed a range of important issues including art, literature, 'Englishness', mass communication and the spectre of totalitarianism. Famously describing his own background as 'lower-upper-middle class', Orwell had a complex relationship with Marxism and all his work reflects the influence of British communism. In this thoughtful and original study Philip Bounds argues that Orwell's writings effectively took the form of a dialogue with the leading British Marxists of his day. Bounds shows that Orwell often agreed with the Marxists and built on their

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insights in his writings, while on other occasions he used his disagreements with them as the basis of his own critical position. Through close analysis of Orwell's writings as well as his historical and literary context, Bounds has produced an important study of one of the iconic writers of the 20th century. 'Orwell and Marxism' offers a thorough introduction to Orwell the intellectual, reviving his reputation as a serious cultural thinker and documenting his most important influences, as well as a convincing portrait of British Marxism and society in the 1930s and

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40s.

Drawing on a wide range of Orwell's writing Rai charts his progression from rebellion through reconciliation to despair. This highly acclaimed post-apocalyptic novel of hope and terror from award-winning author Octavia E. Butler "pairs well with 1984 or The Handmaid's Tale" (John Green, New York Times)--now with a new foreword by N. K. Jemisin. When global climate change and economic crises lead to social chaos in the early 2020s, California becomes full of dangers, from pervasive water shortage to masses of vagabonds who will

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do anything to live to see another day. Fifteen-year-old Lauren Olamina lives inside a gated community with her preacher father, family, and neighbors, sheltered from the surrounding anarchy. In a society where any vulnerability is a risk, she suffers from hyperempathy, a debilitating sensitivity to others' emotions. Precocious and clear-eyed, Lauren must make her voice heard in order to protect her loved ones from the imminent disasters her small community stubbornly ignores. But what begins as a fight for survival soon leads to something much

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more: the birth of a new faith . . . and a startling vision of human destiny. The making of literary reputations is as much a reflection of a writer's surrounding culture and politics as it is of the intrinsic quality and importance of his work. The current stature of George Orwell, commonly recognized as the foremost political journalist and essayist of the century, provides a notable instance of a writer whose legacy has been claimed from a host of contending political interests. The exemplary clarity and force of his style, the rectitude of his

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political judgment along with his personal integrity have made him, as he famously noted of Dickens, a writer well worth stealing. Thus, the intellectual battles over Orwell's posthumous career point up ambiguities in Orwell's own work as they do in the motives of his would-be heirs. John Rodden's *George Orwell: The Politics of Literary Reputation*, breaks new ground in bringing Orwell's work into proper focus while providing much original insight into the phenomenon of literary fame. Rodden's intent is to clarify who Orwell was as a writer during his lifetime

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and who he became after his death. He explores the dichotomies between the novelist and the essayist, the socialist and the anti-communist and the contrast between his day-to-day activities as a journalist and his latter-day elevation to political prophet and secular saint. Rodden's approach is both contextual and textual, analyzing available reception materials on Orwell along with audiences and publications decisive for shaping his reputation. He then offers a detailed historical and biographical interpretation of the reception scene analyzing

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how and why did individuals and audiences cast Orwell in their own images and how these projected images served their own political needs and aspirations.

Examined here are the views of Orwell as quixotic moralist, socialist renegade, anarchist, English patriot, neo-conservative, forerunner of cultural studies, and even media and commercial star. Rodden concludes with a consideration of the meaning of Or

Politics vs. Literature

Coming Up for Air

Critical Essays

Why I Write

All Art Is Propaganda

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Orwell's "Politics and the English Language" in the Age of Pseudocracy

In May 2005 Penguin will publish 70 unique titles to celebrate the company's 70th birthday. The titles in the Pocket Penguins series are emblematic of the renowned breadth of quality of the Penguin list and will hark back to Penguin founder Allen Lane's vision of good books for all'. political thinkers of the twentieth century, he is also the author of the bestselling Penguin title of all time: Animal Farm first published in Penguin in 1951. These heartfelt essays demonstrate Orwell's wide-ranging appeal, and range from political manifesto to affectionate consideration of what being English truly means.

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enthusiasm', 'historical impulse' and 'political purpose' – and considers the importance of keeping these in balance. *Why I Write* is a unique opportunity to look into Orwell's mind, and it grants the reader an entirely different vantage point from which to consider the rest of the great writer's oeuvre. 'A writer who can – and must – be rediscovered with every age.' — Irish Times

All animals are equal but some animals are more equal than others. It's just an ordinary farm - until the animals revolt. They get rid of the irresponsible farmer. The other animals are sure that life is improving, but as systems are replaced and half-truths are retold, a new hierarchy emerges . . . Orwell's tale of propaganda, power and greed has

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never felt more pertinent. With an exciting new cover and inside illustrations by superstar Chris Mould. Essays by the author of 1984 on topics from “remembrances of working in a bookshop [to] recollections of fighting in the Spanish Civil War” (Publishers Weekly). George Orwell was first and foremost an essayist, producing throughout his life an extraordinary array of short nonfiction that reflected—and illuminated—the fraught times in which he lived. “As soon as he began to write something,” comments George Packer in his foreword, “it was as natural for Orwell to propose, generalize, qualify, argue, judge—in short, to think—as it was for Yeats to versify or Dickens to invent.” Facing Unpleasant Facts charts Orwell’s

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development as a master of the narrative-essay form and unites such classics as “ Shooting an Elephant ” with lesser-known journalism and passages from his wartime diary. Whether detailing the horrors of Orwell ’ s boyhood in an English boarding school or bringing to life the sights, sounds, and smells of the Spanish Civil War, these essays weave together the personal and the political in an unmistakable style that is at once plainspoken and brilliantly complex. “ Best known for his late-career classics *Animal Farm* and *1984*, George Orwell—who used his given name, Eric Blair, in the earliest pieces of this collection aimed at the aficionado as well as the general reader—was above all a polemicist of the first rank. Organized chronologically, from 1931 through

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the late 1940s, these in-your-face writings showcase the power of this literary form. ” —Publishers Weekly, starred review

Monday Morning Blues

English Rebel

The Politics of Literary Reputation

The Political and Cultural Thinking of
George Orwell

Orwell and Marxism

A History of Proper English

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admonitions are far less useful than they are famed to be, but it also shows how some of them can be refurbished for our age, and how his major claim—that politics corrupts language, which then corrupts political discourse further, and so on indefinitely—can best be re-deployed today. "Politics and the English Language" has encouraged generations of writers and readers and teachers and students to take great care, to be skeptical and clear-sighted. The essay itself requires a fresh, clear, skeptical analysis so that it

**can, with reapplication,
reclaim its status as a
touchstone in our era of the
rule of falsehood: the age of
"pseudocracy."**

**Yevgeny Zamyatin's We is
set in an urban glass city
called OneState, regulated
by spies and secret police.
Citizens of the tyrannical
OneState wear identical
clothing and are
distinguished only by the
number assigned to them at
birth. The story follows a
man called D-503, who
dangerously begins to veer
from the 'norms' of society
after meeting I-330, a
woman who defies the**

rules. D-503 soon finds himself caught up in a secret plan to destroy OneState and liberate the city. The failed utopia of We has been compared to the works of H.G. Wells, George Orwell, and Aldous Huxley. It was the first novel banned by the Soviets in 1921, and was finally published in its home country over a half-century later. We is a part of Momentum's Classic Science Fiction series. "The best single work of science fiction yet written." — Ursula K. Le Guin Finalist for the National

**Book Critics Circle Award
for Nonfiction Finalist for
the PEN/Jacqueline Bograd
Weld Award for Biography**

**“An exhilarating romp
through Orwell’s life and
times and also through the
life and times of roses.”**

**—Margaret Atwood “A
captivating account of
Orwell as gardener, lover,
parent, and endlessly
curious thinker.” —Claire
Messud, Harper's “Nobody
who reads it will ever think
of Nineteen Eighty-Four in
quite the same way.”**

**—Vogue A lush exploration
of roses, pleasure, and
politics, and a fresh take on**

George Orwell as an avid gardener whose political writing was grounded in his passion for the natural world “In the year 1936 a writer planted roses.” So begins Rebecca Solnit’s new book, a reflection on George Orwell’s passionate gardening and the way that his involvement with plants, particularly flowers, and the natural world illuminates his other commitments as a writer and antifascist, and the intertwined politics of nature and power. Sparked by her unexpected encounter with the

surviving roses he planted in 1936, Solnit's account of this understudied aspect of Orwell's life explores his writing and his actions—from going deep into the coal mines of England, fighting in the Spanish Civil War, critiquing Stalin when much of the international left still supported him (and then critiquing that left), to his analysis of the relationship between lies and authoritarianism. Through Solnit's celebrated ability to draw unexpected connections, readers encounter the

photographer Tina Modotti's roses and her Stalinism, Stalin's obsession with forcing lemons to grow in impossibly cold conditions, Orwell's slave-owning ancestors in Jamaica, Jamaica Kincaid's critique of colonialism and imperialism in the flower garden, and the brutal rose industry in Colombia that supplies the American market. The book draws to a close with a rereading of Nineteen Eighty-Four that completes her portrait of a more hopeful Orwell, as well as a reflection on

pleasure, beauty, and joy as acts of resistance.

Learning, Commitment and Human Dependency

Socialism and the English Genius

George Orwell and Education

An Examination of Gulliver's Travels

George Orwell

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‘ consists almost entirely of prefabricated phrases bolted together. ’ The Prevention of Literature is a stirring cry for freedom from censorship, which Orwell says must start with the writer themselves: ‘ To write in plain vigorous language one has to think fearlessly. ’ 'A writer who can – and must – be rediscovered with every age.' — Irish Times

This work assesses George Orwell's political writing, examining how his democratic socialism developed and changed in the 1930s and 40s. The book aims to determine whether Orwells' preoccupations

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form a common thread of coherent political philosophy.

A collection of short essays by George Orwell.

The long-awaited magnum opus from Haruki Murakami, in which this revered and bestselling author gives us his hypnotically addictive, mind-bending ode to George Orwell's 1984. The year is 1984. Aomame is riding in a taxi on the expressway, in a hurry to carry out an assignment. Her work is not the kind that can be discussed in public. When they get tied up in traffic, the taxi driver suggests a bizarre 'proposal' to her. Having no other choice she agrees, but

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as a result of her actions she starts to feel as though she is gradually becoming detached from the real world. She has been on a top secret mission, and her next job leads her to encounter the superhuman founder of a religious cult. Meanwhile, Tengo is leading a nondescript life but wishes to become a writer. He inadvertently becomes involved in a strange disturbance that develops over a literary prize. While Aomame and Tengo impact on each other in various ways, at times by accident and at times intentionally, they come closer and closer to meeting.

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Eventually the two of them notice that they are indispensable to each other. Is it possible for them to ever meet in the real world?

Writing and Democratic Socialism

Facing Unpleasant Facts

George Orwell and the Left

George Orwell Essays

The War of the Worlds

A Political Life

George Orwell and Education uses Orwell's life and works to address current educational questions. His early life, political awakening and artistic development are

key elements in the book's presentation of Orwell himself as a learner, and as someone whose ideas continue to speak to contemporary debates about human interdependency. The focus of the book is on critical issues in education, including the idea of universality, the status of young people and the nature of learning. Orwell's efforts to conceptualise, and artistically realise his own experience, create a platform for exploring

current educational issues in their philosophical and political contexts. This book will encourage a reimagining of, and stimulate debate about an idea of education that is less individualistic, pays greater attention to human mutuality, is politically engaged and ultimately more sustainable. The book will appeal to researchers, scholars and post-graduate students in the fields of literature in education, pedagogy,

***educational philosophy,
literary theory,
citizenship and youth and
community.***

***An intellectual who did
not like intellectuals, a
socialist who did not trust
the state, a writer of the
left who found it easier to
forgive writers of the
right, a liberal who was
against free markets, a
Protestant who believed
in religion but not in God,
a fierce opponent of
nationalism who defined
Englishness for a
generation. Aside from
being one of the greatest***

political essayists in the English language and author of two of the most famous books in twentieth century literature, George Orwell was a man of many fascinating contradictions, someone who liked to go against the grain because he believed that was where the truth usually lay. George Orwell. English Rebel takes us on a journey through the many twists and turns of Orwell's life and thought, from the precocious

public school satirist at Eton and the imperial policeman in Burma, through his early years as a rather dour documentary writer, down and out on the streets of Paris and London and on the road to Wigan pier, o his formative experiences as a volunteer soldier in the Spanish Civil War. Above all, the book skilfully traces Orwell's gradual reconciliation with his country, a journey which began down a coal mine in 1936 to find its

exhilarating peaks during the dark days of the Second World War. The Express's most controversial columnist is well known for his disregard for fashionable opinion. This collection of columns and journalism provides a chance to enjoy (or confront) one of the greatest enemies of the modern left. When a meteorite lands in Surrey, the locals don't know what to make of it. But as Martians emerge and begin killing bystanders, it quickly

becomes clear—England is under attack. Armed soldiers converge on the scene to ward off the invaders, but meanwhile, more Martian cylinders land on Earth, bringing reinforcements. As war breaks out across England, the locals must fight for their lives, but life on Earth will never be the same. This is an unabridged version of one of the first fictional accounts of extraterrestrial invasion. H. G. Wells's military science fiction novel was

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first published in book form in 1898, and is considered a classic of English literature. The World Book Encyclopedia Orwell's Politics

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reclaim its status as a touchstone in our era of the rule of falsehood: the age of "pseudocracy."

George Orwell's moving reflections on the English character and his passionate belief in the need for political change. *The Lion and the Unicorn* was written in London during the worst period of the blitz. It is vintage Orwell, a dynamic outline of his belief in socialism, patriotism and an English revolution. His fullest political statement, it has been described as 'one of the most moving and incisive portraits of the English character' and is as relevant now as it ever has

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