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Bad Ronald Jack Vance 2020-03-26 Seventeen-year old Ronald Wilby is an introverted young man with a protective single mother. Walking home one evening, Ronald stumbles into young Carol Mathews; in the encounter, Carol ends up assaulted and dead. Ronald leaves his jacket at the scene. Elaine Wilby is convinced that Carol's death was an accident, and converts a small part of the old house to a secret room where Ronald must hide-until she saves enough that they can move, and start over. She tells everyone that her son ran away. The plan works until Mrs. Wilby is taken by sudden illness. The house is sold to another family-a family with three pretty daughters... Lurking behind the walls, Ronald is tempted more than he can bear.

Let's All Kill Constance Ray Bradbury 2013-04-30 On a dismal evening in the previous century, an unnamed writer in Venice, California, answers a furious pounding at his beachfront bungalow door and again admits Constance Rattigan into his life. An aging, once-glamorous Hollywood star, Constance is running in fear from something she dares not acknowledge -- and vanishes as suddenly as she appeared, leaving the narrator two macabre books: twin listings of the Tinseltown dead and soon to be dead, with Constance's name included among them. And so begins an odyssey as dark as it is wondrous, as the writer sets off in a broken-down jalopy with his irascible sidekick Crumley to sift through the ashes of a bygone Hollywood -- a graveyard of ghosts and secrets where each twisted road leads to grim shrines and shattered dreams ... and, all too often, to death.

Ray Bradbury Harold Bloom 2009-01-01 -- Brings together the best criticism on the most widely read poets, novelists, and playwrights. -- Presents complex critical portraits of the most influential writers in the English-speaking world -- from the English medievalists to contemporary writers

Genpei Kara Dalkey 2015-07-07 Throughout the twelfth century, two rival clans, the Minomoto and the Taira, struggled for supremacy in Imperial Japan. Each attempted a rebellion and, for a time, the Taira gained ascendancy. But their rule turned despotic and at last, during the Genpei War of 1179-1185, the Minomoto drove the Taira out of the capital and took control for themselves. At the final battle of Dan-no-ura, the Taira-born child-emperor and his family all jumped into the Inland Sea to avoid capture and drowned. With them was lost the Imperial Sword, never to be seen again. The Minomoto leader took control, moved the capital, and became the first Shogun of Japan. That much is history. But wherefore come the tales of superhuman strength, the incredible insight, the clandestine knowledge of the Genpei War's heroes? There has been much speculation throughout the generations. Some have called the Minomoto's rise to power destiny, others call it a deal between humans and spirits-since even in death, the eternal Japanese warrior's spirit cannot be laid to rest. How much is truth, how much legend? One can never tell, for there are older, stranger tales as well.... At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Death Is a Lonely Business Ray Bradbury 2013-04-16 Ray Bradbury, the undisputed Dean of American storytelling, dips his accomplished pen into the cryptic inkwell of noir and creates a stylish and slightly fantastical tale of mayhem and murder set among the shadows and the murky canals of Venice, California, in the early 1950s. Toiling away amid the looming palm trees and decaying bungalows, a struggling young writer (who bears a resemblance to the author) spins fantastic stories from his fertile imagination upon his clacking typewriter.

Trying not to miss his girlfriend (away studying in Mexico), the nameless writer steadily crafts his literary effort--until strange things begin happening around him. Starting with a series of peculiar phone calls, the writer then finds clumps of seaweed on his doorstep. But as the incidents escalate, his friends fall victim to a series of mysterious "accidents"--some of them fatal. Aided by Elmo Crumley, a savvy, street-smart detective, and a reclusive actress of yesteryear with an intense hunger for life, the wordsmith sets out to find the connection between the bizarre events, and in doing so, uncovers the truth about his own creative abilities.

The Story of an African Farm Olive Schreiner 1890

The Black Book of Secrets F. E. Higgins 2008-09-04 When Ludlow Fitch's parents cruelly betray him, he steals away on the back of a carriage and leaves behind the stinking City. He arrives in the dead of night at a remote village, where he crosses paths with the tall and limping figure of Joe Zabbidou - a pawnbroker with a difference. For Joe trades secrets, not goods, for cash. Ludlow is employed to record the villagers' fiendish confessions in The Black Book of Secrets. Bodysnatching; thievery; murder. The people of Pagus Parvus have much to hide. But is Ludlow Fitch ready to release his own skeletons? And will he ever learn to trust his mysterious master?

Dark They Were and Golden Eyed Ray Bradbury 1991

Critical Survey of Long Fiction: Chinua Achebe-Karel apek2000

Haunting Experiences Diane Goldstein 2007-09-15 Ghosts and other supernatural phenomena are widely represented throughout modern culture. They can be found in any number of entertainment, commercial, and other contexts, but popular media or commodified representations of ghosts can be quite different from the beliefs people hold about them, based on tradition or direct experience. Personal belief and cultural tradition on the one hand, and popular and commercial representation on the other, nevertheless continually feed each other. They frequently share space in how people think about the supernatural. In Haunting Experiences, three well-known folklorists seek to broaden the discussion of ghost lore by examining it from a variety of angles in various modern contexts. Diane E. Goldstein, Sylvia Ann Grider, and Jeannie Banks Thomas take ghosts seriously, as they draw on contemporary scholarship that emphasizes both the basis of belief in experience (rather than mere fantasy) and the usefulness of ghost stories. They look closely at the narrative role of such lore in matters such as socialization and gender. And they unravel the complex mix of mass media, commodification, and popular culture that today puts old spirits into new contexts.

A Graveyard for Lunatics Ray Bradbury 1994-03-02

Cthulhu Deep Down Under Christopher Sequeira 2017-05-15 Celebrated horror writer H. P. Lovecraft's first major tale of his Cthulhu Mythos began an entire sub-genre of the macabre, and in that story he made Australia a crucial location in his supernatural universe. Now, a group of Australia's most accomplished writers of speculative fiction return to the promise of the master. Cthulhu Deep Down Under is a series that not only collect the best Australian Lovecraftian fiction but presents for the first time new stories by internationally-lauded Australian creators: KAARON WARREN, JANEEN WEBB and LUCY SUSSEX. Cthulhu Deep Down Under Volume 1 begins a series that will provoke with fresh new imaginings of cosmic horror visited upon the land down under, and remind you that when the stars come right, things for the inhabitants beneath the Southern Cross may go very, very wrong. Tales of terror by: Janeen Webb, B. Michael Radburn, Jason Franks, William Tevelein, Kaaron Warren, Christopher Sequeira, Aaron Sterns, Lucy Sussex, Dmetri Kakmi, Stephen Dedman. Also an introduction by celebrated horror author, Ramsey Campbell.

Where Everything Ends Ray Bradbury 2010-01-15

Ray Bradbury Gene Beley 2006 "The Definitive Ray Bradbury Book" "I volunteered for the Moorpark College newsroom assignment. The speech changed my life just listening to Bradbury speak. I thought he was the greatest orator I had ever heard and thought to myself, "If he can write as well as he can talk, I'll read everything he's written and seek out magazines to sell an article about him." Back then (1968), I had started my freelance writing career and was always looking for new ideas. That first Bradbury speech changed my life and his advice gave me my life's philosophy: 'Follow your loves! Don't listen to anyone else-even your own spouse. However, if you have the love of a good spouse and several good friends, you'll be successful. If you don't yet know what you want to do in life, go out and find your loves and you'll have a happy life.'" You'll find this biography may be more of a self-help book and "the definitive Ray Bradbury" revealed like no other book has yet done. Whether you are a science fiction fan, student, attorney, architect, writer, priest, or just a person trying to find your mission on planet Earth, there is a piece of the jigsaw puzzle to your life awaiting you in this book. If you are going on a trip or simply want something to read for a weekend, this book is designed as a quick, entertaining read for all people. And you need not know anything about science fiction to enjoy reading the study of this genius and American icon. Enjoy! -Gene Beley, author

Conversations with Ray Bradbury Ray Bradbury 2004 Presents a collection of interviews with twentieth-century

novelist, short story writer, and playwright, Ray Bradbury, that covers five decades of his life and works.

A Sound of Thunder and Other Stories Ray Bradbury 2013-05-21 With his disarmingly simple style and complex imagination, Ray Bradbury has seized the minds of American readers for decades. This collection showcases thirty-two of Bradbury's most famous tales in which he lays bare the depths of the human soul. The thrilling title story, *A Sound of Thunder*, tells of a hunter sent on safari -- sixty million years in the past. But all it takes is one wrong step in the prehistoric jungle to stamp out the life of a delicate and harmless butterfly -- and possibly something else much closer to home ...

Pure Andrew Miller 2011 A year of bones, of grave-dirt, relentless work. Of mummified corpses and chanting priests. A year of rape, suicide, sudden death. Of friendship too. Of desire. Of love... A year unlike any other he has lived. Deep in the heart of Paris, its oldest cemetery is, by 1785, overflowing, tainting the very breath of those who live nearby. Into their midst comes Jean-Baptiste Baratte, a young, provincial engineer charged by the king with demolishing it. At first Baratte sees this as a chance to clear the burden of history, a fitting task for a modern man of reason. But before long, he begins to suspect that the destruction of the cemetery might be a prelude to his own.

Bradbury Beyond Apollo Jonathan R. Eller 2020-08-22 Celebrated storyteller, cultural commentator, friend of astronauts, prophet of the Space Age--by the end of the 1960s, Ray Bradbury had attained a level of fame and success rarely achieved by authors, let alone authors of science fiction and fantasy. He had also embarked on a phase of his career that found him exploring new creative outlets while reinterpreting his classic tales for generations of new fans. Drawing on numerous interviews with Bradbury and privileged access to personal papers and private collections, Jonathan R. Eller examines the often-overlooked second half of Bradbury's working life. As Bradbury's dreams took him into a wider range of nonfiction writing and public lectures, the diminishing time that remained for creative pursuits went toward Hollywood productions like the award-winning series *Ray Bradbury Theater*. Bradbury developed the *Spaceship Earth* narration at Disney's EPCOT Center; appeared everywhere from public television to NASA events to comic conventions; published poetry; and mined past triumphs for stage productions that enjoyed mixed success. Distracted from storytelling as he became more famous, Bradbury nonetheless published innovative experiments in autobiography masked as detective novels, the well-received fantasy *The Halloween Tree* and the masterful time travel story "*The Toynbee Convector*." Yet his embrace of celebrity was often at odds with his passion for writing, and the resulting tension continuously pulled at his sense of self. The revelatory conclusion to the acclaimed three-part biography, *Bradbury Beyond Apollo* tells the story of an inexhaustible creative force seeking new frontiers.

The Valley of Kashmir Sir Walter Roper Lawrence 1895

A Memory of Murder Ray Bradbury 1984 Short stories depict the efforts of detectives to solve a variety of strange and baffling murders

A Graveyard for Lunatics Ray Bradbury 2013-04-16 *Halloween Night*, 1954. A young, film-obsessed scriptwriter has just been hired at one of the great studios. An anonymous investigation leads from the giant Maximus Films backlot to an eerie graveyard separated from the studio by a single wall. There he makes a terrifying discovery that thrusts him into a maelstrom of intrigue and mystery—and into the dizzy exhilaration of the movie industry at the height of its glittering power.

The Midnight Palace Carlos Ruiz Zafon 2011-05-31 In the heart of Calcutta lurks a dark mystery.... Set in Calcutta in the 1930s, *The Midnight Palace* begins on a dark night when an English lieutenant fights to save newborn twins Ben and Sheere from an unthinkable threat. Despite monsoon-force rains and terrible danger lurking around every street corner, the young lieutenant manages to get them to safety, but not without losing his own life. . . . Years later, on the eve of Ben and Sheere's sixteenth birthday, the mysterious threat reenters their lives. This time, it may be impossible to escape. With the help of their brave friends, the twins will have to take a stand against the terror that watches them in the shadows of the night--and face the most frightening creature in the history of the City of Palaces.

Killer, Come Back To Me: The Crime Stories of Ray Bradbury Ray Bradbury 2020-08-18 Celebrating Ray Bradbury's centennial, a deluxe illustrated commemorative collection of his finest crime stories -- tales as strange and wonderful as his signature fantasy. Time travelers...dark carnivals...living automata...and detectives? Honoring the 100th birthday of Ray Bradbury, renowned author of *Fahrenheit 451*, this new, definitive collection of the master's less well-known crime fiction, published in a high-grade premium collectible edition, features classic stories and rare gems, a number of which became episodes of *ALFRED HITCHCOCK PRESENTS* and *THE RAY BRADBURY THEATER*, including the tale Bradbury called "one of the best stories in any field that I have ever written." Is it murder to destroy a robot if it looks and speaks and thinks and feels like a human being? Can a ventriloquist be incriminated by the testimony of his own dummy? Can a time traveler prevent his younger self

from killing the woman they both loved? And can the survivor of a pair of Siamese twins investigate his own brother's murder? No other writer has ever rivaled the imagination and narrative gifts of Ray Bradbury, and the 20 unforgettable stories in this collection demonstrate this singular writer's extraordinary range, influence and emotional power.

**A Pleasure to Burn** Ray Bradbury 2013-05-21 Ray Bradbury's novel *Fahrenheit 451* is an enduring masterwork of twentieth-century American literature—a chilling vision of a dystopian future built on the foundations of ignorance, censorship, and brutal repression. The origins and evolution of Bradbury's darkly magnificent tale are explored in *A Pleasure to Burn*, a collection of sixteen selected shorter works that prefigure the grand master's landmark novel. Classic, thematically interrelated stories alongside many crucial lesser-known ones—including, at the collection's heart, the novellas “*Long After Midnight*” and “*The Fireman*”—*A Pleasure to Burn* is an indispensable companion to the most powerful work of America's preeminent storyteller, a wondrous confirmation of the inimitable Bradbury's brilliance, magic . . . and fire.

**Beacham's Encyclopedia of Popular Fiction** Kirk H. Beetz 1996

**Cyclopedia of World Authors** Frank Northen Magill 1997 Containing biographical and critical essays on 2,057 writers from antiquity to present. Averaging 1000 words per entry.

**The Halloween Tree** Ray Bradbury 2015-08-04 Make storytime a little spookier this fall with fantasy master Ray Bradbury as he takes readers on a riveting trip through space and time to discover the true origins of Halloween. Join the shadowy Carapace Clavicle Moundshroud as he takes eight trick-or-treaters on an unforgettable journey to find their missing friend, Pip. Travel through space and time, from the tombs of ancient Egypt to the gargoyles of Notre-Dame Cathedral, all the way to the cemeteries of Mexico on el Día de Los Muertos, the Day of the Dead. Is Pip still alive? And if so, can his friends save him from a ghastly fate before it's too late? "If you want to know what Halloween is, or if you simply want an eerie adventure, take this mystery history trip. You couldn't ask for better than master fantasizer Ray Bradbury." --The Boston Globe

**Exploring the Horror of Supernatural Fiction** Miranda Corcoran 2020-05-07 Detailing the adventures of a supernatural clan of vampires, witches, and assorted monstrosities, Ray Bradbury's Elliott family stories are a unique component of his extensive literary output. Written between 1946 and 1994, Bradbury eventually quilted the stories together into a novel, *From the Dust Returned* (2001), making it a creative project that spanned his adult life. Not only do the stories focus on a single familial unit, engaging with overlapping twentieth-century themes of family, identity and belonging, they were also unique in their time, interrogating post-war American ideologies of domestic unity while reinventing and softening gothic horror for the Baby Boomer generation. Centred around diverse interpretations of the Elliott Family stories, this collection of critical essays recovers the Elliotts for academic purposes by exploring how they form a collective gothic mythos while ranging across distinct themes. Essays included discuss the diverse ways in which the Elliott stories pose questions about difference and Otherness in America; engage with issues of gender, sexuality, and adolescence; and interrogate complex discourses surrounding history, identity, community, and the fantasy of family.

**Quicker Than the Eye** Ray Bradbury 2013-04-30 The internationally acclaimed author of *The Martian Chronicles*, *The Illustrated Man*, and *Fahrenheit 451*, Ray Bradbury is a magician at the height of his powers, displaying his sorcerer's skill with twenty-one remarkable stories that run the gamut from total reality to light fantastic, from high noon to long after midnight. A true master tells all, revealing the strange secret of growing young and mad; opening a Witch Door that links two intolerant centuries; joining an ancient couple in their wild assassination games; celebrating life and dreams in the unique voice that has favored him across six decades and has enchanted millions of readers the world over.

**Charlie Chan: The Untold Story of the Honorable Detective and His Rendezvous with American History** Yunte Huang 2010-08-30 Winner of the 2011 Edgar Award for Best Critical/Biographical Book and Shortlisted for the 2010 National Book Critics Circle Award in Biography: "An ingenious and absorbing book...It will permanently change the way we tell this troubled yet gripping story." —Jonathan Spence Hailed as “irrepressibly spirited and entertaining” (Pico Iyer, *Time*) and “a fascinating cultural survey” (Paul Devlin, *Daily Beast*), this provocative first biography of Charlie Chan presents American history in a way that it has never been told before. Yunte Huang ingeniously traces Charlie Chan from his real beginnings as a bullwhip-wielding detective in territorial Hawaii to his reinvention as a literary sleuth and Hollywood film icon. Huang finally resurrects the “honorable detective” from the graveyard of detested postmodern symbols and reclaims him as the embodiment of America's rich cultural diversity. The result is one of the most critically acclaimed books of the year and a “deeply personal . . . voyage into racial stereotyping and the humanizing force of story telling” (Donna Seaman, *Los Angeles Times*).

**Rip-roaring Reads for Reluctant Teen Readers** Gale W. Sherman 1993 Forty books for teen readers are reviewed, listing genres, themes, reading level, interest level, reviews, author information, plot summary, book

talks and literature extensions.

Green Shadows, White Whale Ray Bradbury 1992

Encyclopedia of the American Novel Abby H. P. Werlock 2015-04-22 Provides a comprehensive reference to the novel in American literature with over 900 entries containing critical analyses and synopses of individual novels, novelist biographies, essays on fiction genres, and more.

Dark Asylum E. S. Thomson 2018-06 "Set in a crumbling Victorian asylum where a gruesome murder is committed, this sequel to Beloved Poison explores the early science of brain study while giving chilling insight into an asylum's workings"--

Fahrenheit 451 Harold Bloom 2008 - Critical essays reflecting a variety of schools of criticism - Notes on the contributing critics, a chronology of the author's life, and an index - An introductory essay by Harold Bloom.

Now and Forever Ray Bradbury 2012-06-25 Two dazzling novellas from the celebrated author of Fahrenheit 451.

The Anthem Sprinters Ray Bradbury 1963 Four one-act plays. For contents, see Author Catalog.

The Name of the Star Maureen Johnson 2011-09-29 New York Times bestseller Maureen Johnson takes on Jack the Ripper in this captivating paranormal thriller! The day that Louisiana teenager Rory Deveaux arrives in London to start a new life at boarding school is also the day a series of brutal murders breaks out over the city, killings mimicking the horrific Jack the Ripper spree of more than a century ago. Soon "Rippermania" takes hold of modern-day London, and the police are left with few leads and no witnesses. Except one. Rory spotted the man police believe to be the prime suspect. But she is the only one who saw him--the only one who can see him. And now Rory has become his next target. In this edge-of-your-seat thriller, full of suspense, humor, and romance, Rory will learn the truth about the secret ghost police of London and discover her own shocking abilities.

Fahrenheit 451 Ray Bradbury 1951 A totalitarian regime has ordered all books to be destroyed, but one of the book burners suddenly realizes their merit.

The Devil's Dictionary (or The Cynic's Wordbook: Unabridged with all the Definitions) Ambrose Bierce 2013-08-20 This carefully crafted ebook: "The Devil's Dictionary (or The Cynic's Wordbook: Unabridged with all the Definitions)" is formatted for your eReader with a functional and detailed table of contents. The book is a classic satire in the form of a dictionary on which Bierce worked for decades. It was originally published in 1906 as The Cynic's Word Book before being retitled in 1911. A number of the definitions are accompanied by satiric verses, many of which are signed with comic pseudonyms. It offers reinterpretations of terms in the English language which lampoon cant and political double-talk as well as other aspects of human foolishness and frailty. The definitions provide satirical, witty and often politically pointed representations of the words that it seeks to "define". The Devil's Dictionary has inspired many imitations both in its day and more recently. Ambrose Gwinnett Bierce (1842 – 1914?) was an American satirist, critic, poet, editor and journalist. Bierce became a prolific author of short stories often humorous and sometimes bitter or macabre. His dark, sardonic views and vehemence as a critic earned him the nickname, "Bitter Bierce".