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The Unofficial Hunger Games Companion May 05 2020 THE HUNGER GAMES is a global publishing phenomenon and is soon to be a high-octane, big-budget Hollywood box-office hit. With a full author profile and interesting insights into the three-book series and its main themes - from the nature of evil, weaponry, rebellions and surviving the end of the world - this companion guide will give millions of readers the insider information that they've been waiting for since book one! The New York Times bestselling author of THE TWILIGHT COMPANION, Lois Gresh, once again gives fans the fascinating facts behind the fiction.

Exploring Philip Pullman's His Dark Materials Sep 08 2020 His Dark Materials is one of the most popular, award-winning fantasies of all time, a bestselling trilogy hailed as "a modern classic" by The New York Times. Now, for the first time ever, Lois H. Gresh helps young readers examine Pullman's intricate universe with Exploring His Dark Materials, the ultimate companion guide. Gresh's fun, interactive book explores the complex science, religion, and fantastic elements of His Dark Materials in a way that's both informative and fun for younger readers. Exploring His Dark Materials is filled with sidebars, history, facts and an in-depth analysis of the books, answering questions like: *What are daemons? *Why is dust important to the series? * Is Dark Material real and how does it relate to our universe? * What are the origins of ghosts and shapeshifters? *And much more! Exploring His Dark Materials is a thrilling and essential guide for young adults to help them explore this fantastic and challenging fantasy world.

The Twilight Saga Jan 31 2020 When Stephenie Meyer's first novel, Twilight, was published in 2005, it received an astounding reception, selling millions of copies. The three sequels that followed—New Moon, Eclipse, and Breaking Dawn—became international bestsellers as well. The worldwide success of the movie adaptations further cemented the series as a cultural force. In The Twilight Saga: Exploring the Global Phenomenon, Claudia Bucciferro has assembled a collection of essays that examine the series from a variety of perspectives. The essays in this volume consider both the books and the movies, emphasizing the relationship between the texts, the audience, the entertainment industry, and other aspects of the multimillion-dollar franchise. Making sense of how the popular franchise fits within larger contexts, this collection addresses Twilight from an interdisciplinary framework, including insights from history, philosophy, literature, sociology, fan studies, intercultural

communication, film studies, and more.

Virgin Envy Jan 25 2022 *Virginity is of concern here, that is its utter messiness. At once valuable and detrimental, normative and deviant, undesirable and enviable. Virginity and its loss hold tremendous cultural significance. For many, female virginity is still a universally accepted condition, something that is somehow bound to the hymen, whereas male virginity is almost as elusive as the G-spot: we know it's there, it's just we have a harder time finding it. Of course boys are virgins, queers are virgins, some people reclaim their virginities, and others reject virginity from the get go. So what if we agree to forget the hymen all together? Might we start to see the instability of terms like untouched, pure, or innocent? Might we question the act of sex, the very notion of relational sexuality? After all, for many people it is the sexual acts they don't do, or don't want to do, that carry the most abundant emotional clout. Virgin Envy is a collection of essays that look past the vestal virgins and beyond Joan of Arc. From medieval to present-day literature, the output of HBO, Bollywood, and the films of Abdellah Taïa or Derek Jarman to the virginity testing of politically active women in Tahrir Square, the writers here explore the concept of virginity in today's world to show that ultimately virginity is a site around which our most basic beliefs about sexuality are confronted, and from which we can come to understand some of our most basic anxieties, paranoid fears, and desires.*

Seduced by Twilight May 29 2022 *Stephenie Meyer's Twilight saga has maintained a tight grip on the contemporary cultural imagination. This timely and critical work examines how the Twilight series offers addictively appealing messages about love, romance, sex, beauty and body image, and how these charged themes interact with cultural issues regarding race, class, gender and sexuality. Through a careful analysis of the texts, the fandom and the current socio-historical climate, this work argues that the success of the Twilight series stems chiefly from Meyer's negotiation of cultural mores.*

The Hunger Games Companion Oct 02 2022 *The ultimate companion guide to the blockbuster Hunger Games trilogy For all those who adore Katniss and Peeta, and can't get enough, this companion guide to the wildly popular Hunger Games series is a must-read and a terrific gift. Go deeper into the post-apocalyptic world created by Suzanne Collins than you ever thought possible—an alternative future where boys and girls are chosen from twelve districts to compete in "The Hunger Games," a televised fight-to-the-death. When sixteen-year-old Katniss learns that her little sister has been chosen, Kat steps up to fight in her place—and the games begin. This unauthorized guide takes the reader behind the stage. The Hunger Games Companion includes fascinating background facts about the action in all three books, a revealing biography of the author, and amazing insights into the series' main themes and features--from the nature of evil, to weaponry and rebellions, to surviving the end of the world. It's everything fans have been hungering for since the very first book! This book is not authorized by Suzanne Collins, Scholastic Press or anyone involved in the Hunger Games movie.*

Theorizing Twilight Jun 29 2022 *Since the publication of Twilight in 2005, Stephenie Meyer's four-book saga about the tortured relationship between human heroine Bella Swan and her vampire love Edward Cullen has become a world-wide sensation—inciting screams of delight, sighs of derision, and fervent pronouncements. Those looking deeper into its pages and on screen can find intriguing subtexts about everything from gender, race, sexuality, and religion. The 15 essays in this book examine the texts, the films, and the fandom, exploring the series' cultural reach and offering one of the first thorough analyses of the saga.*

The Fan's Guide to The Spiderwick Chronicles Apr 03 2020 *For fans of The Spiderwick Chronicles comes the ultimate unauthorized guide to the facts behind Tony DiTerlizzi and Holly Black's world. This new book by Lois Gresh takes young readers beyond the creepy and captivating fairy world of The Spiderwick Chronicles and answers the burning questions kids have been aching to know. With illustrations, quizzes, facts, and mythology, The Fan's Guide to The Spiderwick Chronicles will provide*

hours of fun. Digging deep into history, legend, and lore, this magical guide helps fans enjoy their favorite series as they never have before. This is the perfect gift for that young reader who can't get enough of the series or wants to find out what the excitement is all about.

The Vampire Book Oct 29 2019 Revised, updated, and enlarged, this vast reference is an alphabetic tour of the psychosexual, macabre world of the blood-sucking undead. Digging deep into the lore, myths, and reported realities of vampires and vampire legends from across the globe, many facets are uncovered—historical, literary, mythological, biographical, and popular. From Vlad the Impaler and Barnabas Collins to Dracula and Lestat, this exhaustive guide furnishes more than 500 essays, a vampire chronology, and 60 pages of vampire resources. Complete with detailed illustrations and photographs, the third edition of this popular authority includes a wealth of current events, including the Twilight phenomenon; contemporary authors of vampire romance; the growth and development of genuine, self-identified vampire communities; and prominent TV shows from Buffy to True Blood.

The Unauthorized Dan Brown Companion Jan 01 2020 The definitive truth within Dan Brown's fantastic fiction—revealed at last. With millions of copies of his books in print, a major motion picture based on The Da Vinci Code in theaters, and religious leaders everywhere launching scathing attacks on his work, Dan Brown is, quite simply, a phenomenon. His novels, intricate mosaics combining well-researched facts with action-packed storytelling, have created their own industry of location tours, seminars—even PBS specials. But perhaps the one thing that still keeps his readers guessing is that nagging question: How much of this is true? The Unauthorized Dan Brown Companion tells all. Unlike the avalanche of books specifically about The Da Vinci Code, The Unauthorized Dan Brown Companion covers all of Dan Brown's books and, crucially, has no religious agenda or political axe to grind—these are the facts. • Could there actually be an unbreakable code that would cripple US intelligence, as in Digital Fortress? • How much truth lies in The Da Vinci Code's history-altering propositions that have so angered the Vatican? • Are the Illuminati from Angels and Demons really alive and well? The answers are here, covering every picture, place, proper name, and historical event through all of Brown's books, explaining what's absolutely true, possible, improbable, or completely fictitious. One of Dan Brown's greatest accomplishments as a writer is his uncanny ability to blur the line between fact and fiction. Now, with The Unauthorized Dan Brown Companion, readers will at last have all of the information to distinguish for themselves between the inventions of a master storyteller and the historical revelations of a first-rate investigator. John Helfers is a full-time writer and editor currently living on Green Bay, Wisconsin. He is the co-editor of The Valdemar Companion, a guide to the work and life of fantasy writer Mercedes Lackey. Recent published books include two anthologies he edited, In the Shadow of Evil and Slipstreams. He has also written nonfiction, with his history of the United States Navy, The Alpha Bravo Delta Guide to the U.S. Navy, published in 2003.

Actress Jul 07 2020 First International Edition - May 2021 In the spirit of The Handmaid's Tale comes this explicit autobiographical account of a young actress's initiation into a hidden society of dominating film industry power brokers. Told in an intelligent and unfiltered voice by the young ingénue herself as she learns what a select group of talent agents really wants in exchange for her ascent to notoriety, it is an unapologetic erotically-charged confession unlike anything ever written about life behind the silver screen. The author recounts an intense period of her life when an audition for a film triggers an offer from an elite Hollywood agency to sign her on as a client. When she becomes personally involved with Wyatt, her charismatic agent, she falls madly in love, only to discover the insane world of control and power that he expects her to submit to if she wants to make it. From the unfiltered eroticism to the provocative psychology behind her cult-like ownership to the secretive inner-workings of global movie agencies, Actress tells it all and doesn't leave anything out. Chapters:

The Factory The Audition The Agency The Private, Private Gym True Cinematic Romance Complete Career Control Sky-High Obedience Training The War for Fame Discipline and Punishment A Dream of Slavery A Break from Reality The Grand Auction From The Book: I gave him a swift glance, but he quickly looked away. I put the glass to my lips and could taste that it was vodka. I tipped it to my mouth and gulped it down. The liquor sent a chill through my body and caused my eyes to water. There was a moment of silence as I looked at all the men standing there in front of a long row of windows and the dirty blue skyscape of Los Angeles in the background. I had certainly never been to any meeting like this. "Do you really want to be famous, Madison?" I closed my eyes and opened them again, suddenly realizing what was happening here. There was no way I could do this, I thought. There was no way I was going to be manhandled like this, I told myself. "Yes," I said to him. "In this business, power is all about who owns the stars. The stars are our propaganda and their obedience to us is our collateral," he went on. "And obedience is a very difficult thing to be sure of." "You don't have to worry about me," I insisted. He put his legs against my thighs and pushed them open so I was spread wide for everyone there to see. He began to casually fondle me, rolling his fingers up and down my bare legs. I could feel Wyatt looking at me. I wanted to look back and see that he was in control of what was happening here and that he would protect me. It was just last night that he had been so tender. "Do you understand you need to submit without hesitation?" "Yes," I said again. I wanted more than anything else just to scream out that I couldn't do this, that this wasn't me and I couldn't be controlled by men like this. "Do you understand that you need to be broken in?" he asked, abruptly grabbing me by the hair. There was a sense of exhilaration in his words that made me want to just stop thinking about anything. I had never been treated so roughly before, yet it wasn't that. It was more the looming expectation that this was going to be some kind of ritualistic force. It was as if I was going through a trial of submission that had been established long before I walked into the room and long before I had even started down the path to becoming an actress. "Yes," I told him again in a hesitant attempt to sound confident, yet not having any idea what his words truly meant. I couldn't believe this was happening.

Twilight and History Oct 10 2020 The first look at the history behind Stephenie Meyer's bestselling Twilight series, timed to release with the third movie, Eclipse The characters of the Twilight Saga carry a rich history that shapes their identities and actions over the course of the series. Edward, for instance, may look like a seventeen-year-old teen heartthrob, but was actually born in 1901 and died during the Spanish Influenza of 1918. His adopted sister, Alice, was imprisoned in an insane asylum in 1920 and treated so badly there that even becoming a vampire was a welcome escape. This book is the first to explore the history behind the Twilight Saga's characters and their stories. You'll learn about what life might have been like for Jasper Whitlock Hale, the Confederate vampire who fought during the Civil War, Carlisle Cullen, the Puritan witch hunter-turned-vampire who participated in the witchcraft persecutions in Early Modern England, and the history of the Quileute culture that shaped Jacob and his people —and much more. Gives you the historical backdrop for Twilight Saga characters and events Adds a whole new dimension to the Twilight novels and movies Offers fresh insights on vampires, romance, and history Twilight and History is an essential companion for every Twilight fan, whether you've just gotten into the series or have followed it since the beginning.

Stephenie Meyer Mar 03 2020 As hard as it may be for some people to imagine a Mormon mother of three writing one of the bestselling vampire love stories in the world, it was even harder for Stephenie Meyer. After all, she had never really done any writing before, and although she knew something was missing in her life, she did not know what it was. It wasn't until she had an unusual, unexpected dream about a romantic young vampire who sparkled in the sunlight that her journey from small-town mother to worldwide author began. Today, Meyer is one of the most recognized writers across the

globe. Her stories have not only created a series of bestselling novels, but also blockbuster movies that have earned millions at the box office. Find out how Meyer, like the heroines of countless fairy tales, went from rags to riches, thanks to a handsome vampire named Edward and a gentle human girl named Bella. Her adventure is almost as exciting as theirs—but without the fangs!

The Twilight Companion Mar 15 2021 *The Twilight series by Stephenie Meyer follows an unlikely couple: Bella, a gawky teenager, and her boyfriend, Edward, a vampire who has sworn off human blood. Seductive and compelling, the four-book series has become a worldwide phenomenon. With legends and lore about vampires and werewolves, insight into the lives and loves of the characters and loads of exclusive facts and quizzes, this guide is a must-have for fans of the Twilight series. This book has not been authorized or endorsed by Stephanie Meyer, Little, Brown and Company, or anyone involved in the Twilight movie.*

Dragonball Z Sep 28 2019 IT DOESN'T GET ANY HOTTER THAN... DRAGONBALL Z *Find out all there is to know about the hotter-than-hot phenomenon called DragonBall Z. Written by a mother and ten-year-old son team, you'll get all the fabulous DBZ facts from a kid's perspective! So DBZ fans unite-and get ready for the adventure of a lifetime as you read about: * All the TV and movie episodes, action figures, trading cards and toys * The characters-good and bad-what they do and where they come from * Awesome anecdotes, entertaining facts, cool quizzes, and side-splitting jokes * Interviews with kids just like you about DragonBall Z: their favorite episodes and characters, fun ways to play with DBZ toys, and much more You know you're a DragonBall Z fanatic if... ..you think your teacher is a Saiyan ...you name your dog "Bubbles" and make him bounce around your backyard "planet" at rocketship speed ...you insist that your power level is 1200 (on bad days) ...you wear red pajamas and a sash to school ...you use magic marker to put dots on your head so you can look like Krillin*

The Long Twilight Feb 11 2021 THE COMBATANTS *Two godlike blood enemies engaged in a war older than history. THE BATTLEGROUND An out-of-control nuclear plant whose cataclysmic destruction will spell the end of the Earth. REFUGE None - on a planet swept up in the awesome terror of the last panic.*

Unlocking the Meaning of Lost Jun 05 2020 *Examines the mysteries, plotlines, and characters of the popular ABC network series, "Lost," and explores the spiritual and philosophical concerns of the show.*

The Divergent Companion Jul 31 2022 *The Divergent Companion takes fans deeper into the post-apocalyptic Divergent world created by Veronica Roth: a dystopian Chicago in which society is split into five factions; each with its own core value to uphold. At the age of sixteen, like every other citizen, Beatrice Prior must choose to which faction she will devote her life . . . with devastating consequences. The Divergent Companion includes fascinating background facts, a revealing biography of the author, and amazing insights into the trilogy's major themes and features. A must have-read and a terrific gift for the millions of Divergent fans both young and old. This book is not authorized by Veronica Roth, Katherine Tegen Books, or anyone involved in the Divergent film.*

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Stephenie Meyer Mar 27 2022 *Explores the life and literary career of "Twilight" author Stephenie*

Meyer. Includes photographs, a chronology, a list of her works, and further reading sources.

Love Bites Aug 20 2021 A tribute to the popular book and movie series provides coverage of a range of topics, from the process through which the books were published to how they were adapted for the screen, in a fan's reference that also includes cast biographies and event information.

A New Dawn Jan 13 2021 Fans of the literary phenomenon known as the *Twilight* series can't help wanting more. *A New Dawn* gives it to them, inviting readers to join some of their favorite YA authors as they look at the series with fresh eyes and fall in love with Edward, Bella, and the rest of Forks, Wash., all over again. Edited by bestselling author Ellen Hopkins, *A New Dawn* is packed with the same debates readers engage in with friends: Should Bella have chosen Edward or Jacob? How much control do Meyer's vampires and werewolves really have over their own lives? The collection also goes further: Is Edward a romantic or a (really hot) sociopath? How do the Quileute werewolves compare to other Native American wolf myths? What does the *Twilight* series have in common with Shakespeare? With contributions from Megan McCafferty, Cassandra Clare, Rachel Caine, and many more, *A New Dawn* answers these questions and more for a teen (and adult!) audience hungry for clever, view-changing commentary on their favorite series.

The Twilight Companion: Completely Updated Jan 05 2023 Everyone's in love with vampires, and if the vampire's name happens to be Edward Cullen, then readers of the wildly popular *Twilight* series by Stephenie Meyer can't help but be crazy about him. For all those who adore Bella Swan, Edward, and the rest of the Cullen family and can't get enough, this companion guide is a must. The *Twilight* series follows an unlikely couple: Bella, a teenager, and her boyfriend, Edward, a vampire who has sworn off human blood. Added to the mix is Jacob Black, a werewolf who also loves Bella. Seductive and compelling, the four-book series has become a worldwide phenomenon. With legends and lore about vampires and werewolves throughout history, insight into the series, quizzes, and heaps of fascinating facts, this companion guide will give millions of readers the information they've been hungering for since book one! As a special bonus, the companion guide helps readers determine if they are compatible with a guy like Edward!

Stephenie Meyer Apr 15 2021 The romance of vampire Edward and human Bella in the books *Twilight*, *New Moon*, *Eclipse*, and *Breaking Dawn* has captured the imaginations of millions of readers and become an amazing success story. No less amazing is the story of how an unknown Arizona wife and mother, Stephenie Meyer, became a superstar author. In this revealing biography, fans of all things *Twilight* will follow their favorite writer on her roller-coaster ride to bestselling author—from a childhood steeped in great literature, to a comfortable domestic life, and finally to that fateful dream one night that thrust Stephenie Meyer into a world she could only have imagined. In this book you will discover: * An exclusive interview with Stephenie's creative writing teacher who reveals what kind of student she was * The in-depth story of how *Twilight* started with a dream and became a reality * The tension Stephenie experienced in writing *Twilight* in secret * The challenges and pitfalls involved in her books reaching the silver screen * Stephenie's possible plans for the future * And much more! With eight pages of full-color photos, original interviews with people who are a part of Meyer's life, never-before-revealed details, and info on all of her fabulous books, this biography is a must-have for every *Twilight* fan.

The Twilight Saga: The Official Illustrated Guide Aug 27 2019 This must-have edition is the definitive encyclopedic reference to the *Twilight* Saga and provides readers with everything they need to further explore the unforgettable world Stephenie Meyer created in *TWILIGHT*, *NEW MOON*, *ECLIPSE*, and *BREAKING DAWN*. Featuring almost 100 colour pages, *The Twilight Saga: The Official Illustrated Guide* includes exclusive new material, character profiles, genealogical charts, maps, extensive cross-references and much more, this comprehensive companion guide is essential for

every *Twilight* Saga fan.

The Raw Shark Texts Nov 10 2020 This genre-bending national bestseller is “a horror-dystopic-philosophical mash-up, drawing comparisons to Borges, *The Matrix* and *Jaws*” (*The New York Times Magazine*). Eric Sanderson wakes up in a house he doesn’t recognize, unable to remember anything of his life. A note instructs him to call a Dr. Randle, who informs him that he is undergoing yet another episode of memory loss, and that for the last two years—since the tragic death of his great love, Clio, while vacationing in Greece—he’s been suffering from an acute dissociative disorder. But there may be more to the story, or it may be a different story altogether. With the help of allies found on the fringes of society, Eric embarks on an edge-of-your-seat journey to uncover the truth about himself and escape the predatory forces that threaten to consume him. Moving with the pace and momentum of a superb thriller, exploring ideas about language and information, as well as identity, this is ultimately a novel about the magnitude of love and the devastating effect of losing that love. “Paced like a thriller, it reads like a deluge . . . Herman Melville meets Michael Crichton, or Thomas Pynchon meets Douglas Adams.”—*San Francisco Chronicle* “Rousingly inventive.”—*The Washington Post* “Unforgettable fiction.”—*Playboy* “A thriller that will haunt you.”—*GQ* “Sharp and clear . . . Writing on the edge of the form.”—*Los Angeles Times* “Huge fun, and I gleefully recommend it.”—Audrey Niffenegger, international–bestselling author of *The Time Traveler’s Wife* “Fast, sexy, intriguing, intelligent.”—Toby Litt

Stephenie Meyer Dec 24 2021 *Explores the life of Stephanie Meyer and her fiction.*

Everything I Need to Know I Learned in the Twilight Zone Jul 19 2021 Can you live your life by what *The Twilight Zone* has to teach you? Yes, and maybe you should. The proof is in this lighthearted collection of life lessons, ground rules, inspirational thoughts, and stirring reminders found in Rod Serling’s timeless fantasy series. Written by veteran TV critic, Mark Dawidziak, this unauthorized tribute is a celebration of the classic anthology show, but also, on another level, a kind of fifth-dimension self-help book, with each lesson supported by the morality tales told by Serling and his writers. The notion that “it’s never too late to reinvent yourself” soars through “*The Last Flight*,” in which a World War I flier who goes forward in time and gets the chance to trade cowardice for heroism. A visit from an angel blares out the wisdom of “follow your passion” in “*A Passage for Trumpet*.” The meaning of “divided we fall” is driven home with dramatic results when neighbors suspect neighbors of being invading aliens in “*The Monsters Are Due on Maple Street*.” The old maxim about never judging a book by its cover is given a tasty twist when an alien tome is translated in “*To Serve Man*.”

The Vampire in Folklore, History, Literature, Film and Television Apr 27 2022 This comprehensive bibliography covers writings about vampires and related creatures from the 19th century to the present. More than 6,000 entries document the vampire’s penetration of Western culture, from scholarly discourse, to popular culture, politics and cook books. Sections by topic list works covering various aspects, including general sources, folklore and history, vampires in literature, music and art, metaphorical vampires and the contemporary vampire community. Vampires from film and television--from Bela Lugosi’s *Dracula* to *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, *True Blood* and the *Twilight Saga*--are well represented.

Sirens: Collected Papers 2009-2011 Sep 20 2021 *Sirens: Collected Papers 2009-2011* combines written versions of presentations from three years of *Sirens*, a conference on women in fantasy literature. During those years, presenters were encouraged to analyze women warriors, fairies, and monsters. Presentations for *Sirens* were chosen by vetting boards made up of scholars, professionals, and readers. Following each year’s conference, presenters were invited to submit text versions of their presentations for the *Sirens* compendium; twenty-five of the nearly ninety presentations from

2009-2011 are represented in these collected papers.

The Girl Who Was on Fire (Movie Edition) Aug 08 2020 Includes 3 brand new essays on Gale, the Games, and Mockingjay! ****Already read the first edition of *The Girl Who Was on Fire*? Look for *The Girl Who Was on Fire - Booster Pack* to get just the three new essays and the extra movie content.**** Katniss Everdeen's adventures may have come to an end, but her story continues to blaze in the hearts of millions worldwide. In *The Girl Who Was on Fire - Movie Edition*, sixteen YA authors take you back to the world of the Hunger Games with moving, dark, and funny pieces on Katniss, the Games, Gale and Peeta, reality TV, survival, and more. From the trilogy's darker themes of violence and social control to fashion and weaponry, the collection's exploration of the Hunger Games reveals exactly how rich, and how perilous, Panem, and the series, really is. • How does the way the Games affect the brain explain Haymitch's drinking, Annie's distraction, and Wiress' speech problems? • What does the rebellion have in common with the War on Terror? • Why isn't the answer to "Peeta or Gale?" as interesting as the question itself? • What should Panem have learned from the fates of other hedonistic societies throughout history—and what can we? **CONTRIBUTORS:** Jennifer Lynn Barnes, Mary Borsellino, Sarah Rees Brennan, Terri Clark, Bree Despain, Adrienne Kress, Sarah Darer Littman, Cara Lockwood, Elizabeth M. Rees, Carrie Ryan, Ned Vizzini, Lili Wilkinson, Blythe Woolston, Diana Peterfreund (NEW), Brent Hartinger (NEW), Jackson Pearce (NEW)

Book Clubbing! Nov 22 2021 Learn how to sponsor a successful, student-led book club for grades K through 12 that is fun, easy-to-implement, and encourages reading. * Bibliographic lists of works cited after each chapter * An index of authors, titles, and reading activities by age * Figures are included with selected activities and reading games

The Ultimate Unauthorized Eragon Guide Jun 17 2021 In Christopher Paolini's thrilling *Inheritance* series, when a young boy named Eragon finds a blue gemstone in the middle of the forest, he has no idea what magic is in store for him. It hatches a sapphire-blue dragon, a member of a race thought to be extinct. Eragon bonds with the dragon and soon discovers that he is the first in a new line of Dragon Riders, fated to play a part in a war that is poised to sweep his land. *The Ultimate Unauthorized Eragon Guide* is an interactive book that looks deep inside the complex world of Alagaësia to reveal facts behind the magical people, places, and creatures that fill the *Inheritance* series. Also included in this comprehensive guide: * An in-depth look at the many folk references, myths, and legends that form the basis of the books * Fascinating facts about dwarves, giants, shades, and other creatures * A fascinating trip through the lore of dragons * Tips for writing your own fantasy story * A biography of the author Plus tons of fun boxes and more! This book is a must-have for any fan of the *Inheritance* books.

The Twilight Companion Dec 04 2022 Analyzes the main characters, themes, mythology, imaginary creatures, and lore depicted in the vampire series "Twilight" written by Stephenie Meyer.

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Monsters of the Week Dec 12 2020 The complete critical companion to *The X-Files*, covering every episode and both films and featuring interviews with screenwriters and stars. In *Monsters of the Week: The Complete Critical Companion to The X-Files*, TV critics Zack Handlen and Emily Todd VanDerWerff look back at exactly what made the long-running cult series so groundbreaking. Packed

with insightful reviews of every episode—including the tenth and eleventh seasons and both major motion pictures—Monsters of the Week leaves no mystery unsolved and no monster unexplained. This crucial collection includes a foreword by series creator Chris Carter as well as exclusive interviews with some of show's stars and screenwriters, including Carter, Vince Gilligan, Mitch Pileggi, James Wong, Robert Patrick, Darin Morgan, and more. Monsters of the Week is the definitive guide to The X-Files—whether you're a lifelong viewer or a new fan uncovering the conspiracy for the first time. "This rich critical companion provides what every X-Files fan deserves." —Entertainment Weekly "The X-Files is my favorite show and Zack and Emily are my favorite reviewers of my favorite show and this is my favorite quote about it." —Kumail Nanjiani, writer and star of The Big Sick; creator of The X-Files Files podcast "If Mulder and Scully had access to this terrific book, they would've solved every mystery of The X-Files in a single season. . . . The truth is in here!" —Damon Lindelof, co-creator of Lost and The Leftovers

The Psychology of Twilight Nov 30 2019 You've read the books. You've seen the films. Now get inside the heads of your favorite Twilight characters (just like Edward can!) in The Psychology of Twilight. Explore the minds and motives of Bella, Edward, Jacob, and more with a deeper look at the series that's captured the hearts—and psyches—of millions. Find out: • How Edward and Jacob match up in an evolutionary psychology smackdown for Bella's—and our—affection • Whether Bella's motorcycle-riding and cliff diving in New Moon are suicidal—or her salvation • Why vampires and werewolves aren't so different after all (at least psychologically) • The emotional appeal of love stories like Bella and Edward's • Why being a part of Twilight fandom is good for your psychological health Snuggle up on the closest chaise, and get ready to revisit the Twilight Saga—with some professional help.

The Mortal Instruments Companion Feb 23 2022 The first companion guide to the blockbuster bestselling Mortal Instruments series - now a major motion picture - City of Bones. The Mortal Instruments Companion takes fans deeper into the world of the Shadowhunters created by Cassandra Clare - a gritty urban fantasy world full of demon hunters into which Clary Fray, previously unaware of the magical world, is suddenly and inexplicably pulled. Includes fascinating background facts about the action in all five books, a revealing biography of the author, and amazing insights into the major themes of the series. This book is not authorized by Cassandra Clare or anyone involved in the City of Bones Movie.

Violence in Suzanne Collins' The Hunger Games Trilogy May 17 2021 Suzanne Collins' dystopian trilogy envisions a world where survival and violence quite literally take the center stage. To maintain order, suppress independence, and punish past rebellions, the Capitol selects two participants, or tributes, from each of the twelve districts to fight in an annual televised death match called the Hunger Games. This compelling edition explores Suzanne Collins' The Hunger Games through the lens of violence. The book provides biographical information about the author and offers a perspective on her influences. A series of essays, which discuss aspects of the novel, focusing on Katniss, her struggles, and the meaning and impact of violence, allow readers to gain a greater insight into the intersection between social issues and literature.

Abstinence Cinema Oct 22 2021 From the perspective of cultural conservatives, Hollywood movies are cesspools of vice, exposing impressionable viewers to pernicious sexually-permissive messages. Offering a groundbreaking study of Hollywood films produced since 2000, Abstinence Cinema comes to a very different conclusion, finding echoes of the evangelical movement's abstinence-only rhetoric in everything from Easy A to Taken. Casey Ryan Kelly tracks the surprising sex-negative turn that Hollywood films have taken, associating premarital sex with shame and degradation, while romanticizing traditional nuclear families, courtship rituals, and gender roles. As he demonstrates, these movies are particularly disempowering for young women, concocting plots in which the decision

to refrain from sex until marriage is the young woman's primary source of agency and arbiter of moral worth. Locating these regressive sexual politics not only in expected sites, like the Twilight films, but surprising ones, like the raunchy comedies of Judd Apatow, Kelly makes a compelling case that Hollywood films have taken a significant step backward in recent years. Abstinence Cinema offers close readings of movies from a wide spectrum of genres, and it puts these films into conversation with rhetoric that has emerged in other arenas of American culture. Challenging assumptions that we are living in a more liberated era, the book sounds a warning bell about the powerful cultural forces that seek to demonize sexuality and curtail female sexual agency.

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