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Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas Hunter S. Thompson 2010-09-29 50th Anniversary Edition • With an introduction by Caitly Weaver, acclaimed New York Times journalist This cult classic of gonzo journalism is the best chronicle of drug-soaked, addle-brained, rollicking good times ever committed to the printed page. It is also the tale of a long weekend road trip that has gone down in the annals of American pop culture as one of the strangest journeys ever undertaken. Also a major motion picture directed by Terry Gilliam, starring Johnny Depp and Benicio del Toro.

Imbeciles Adam Seth Cohen 2016 One of America's great miscarriages of justice, the Supreme Court's infamous 1927 Buck v. Bell ruling made government sterilization of "undesirable" citizens the law of the land New York Times bestselling author Adam Cohen tells the story in Imbeciles of one of the darkest moments in the American legal tradition: the Supreme Court's decision to champion eugenic sterilization for the greater good of the country. In 1927, when the nation was caught up in eugenic fervor, the justices allowed Virginia to sterilize Carrie Buck, a perfectly normal young woman, for being an "imbecile." It is a story with many villains, from the superintendent of the Dickensian Virginia Colony for Epileptics and Feebleminded who chose Carrie for sterilization to the former Missouri agriculture professor and Nazi sympathizer who was the nation's leading advocate for eugenic sterilization. But the most troubling actors of all were the eight Supreme Court justices who were in the majority - including William Howard Taft, the former president; Louis Brandeis, the legendary progressive; and Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., America's most esteemed justice, who wrote the decision urging the nation to embark on a program of mass eugenic sterilization. Exposing this tremendous injustice--which led to the sterilization of 70,000 Americans--Imbeciles overturns cherished myths and reappraises heroic figures in its relentless pursuit of the truth. With the precision of a legal brief and the passion of a front-page exposé, Cohen's Imbeciles is an unquestionable triumph of American legal and social history, an ardent accusation against these acclaimed men and our own optimistic faith in progress.

The Price of Illusion Joan Juliet Buck 2017-03-07 From Joan Juliet Buck, former editor-in-chief of Vogue Paris and "one of the most compelling personalities in the world of style" (New York Times) comes her dazzling, compulsively readable memoir: a fabulous account of four decades spent in the creative heart of London, New York, Los Angeles, and Paris—"If you loved The Devil Wears Prada, you'll adore The Price of Illusion" (Elle). In a book as rich and dramatic as the life she's led, Joan Juliet Buck takes us into the splendid illusions of film, fashion, and fame to reveal, in stunning, sensual prose, the truth behind the artifice. The only child of a volatile movie producer betrayed by his dreams, she became a magazine journalist at nineteen to reflect and record the high life she'd been brought up in, a choice that led her into a hall of mirrors where she was both magician and dupe. After a career writing for Vogue and Vanity Fair, she was named the first American woman to edit Vogue Paris. The vivid adventures of this thoughtful, incisive writer at the hub of dreams across two continents over fifty years are hilarious and heartbreaking. Including a spectacular cast of carefully observed legends, monsters, and stars (just look at the index!), this is the moving account of a remarkable woman's rocky passage through glamour and passion, filial duty and family madness, in search of her true self.

Educated Tara Westover 2018-02-20 #1 NEW YORK TIMES, WALL STREET JOURNAL, AND BOSTON GLOBE BESTSELLER • One of the most acclaimed books of our time: an unforgettable memoir about a young woman who, kept out of school, leaves her survivalist family and goes on to earn a PhD from Cambridge University "Extraordinary . . . an act of courage and self-invention."—The New York Times NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW • ONE OF PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA'S FAVORITE BOOKS OF THE YEAR • BILL GATES'S HOLIDAY READING LIST • FINALIST: National Book Critics Circle's Award In Autobiography and John Leonard Prize For Best First Book • PEN/Jean Stein Book Award • Los Angeles Times Book Prize Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Her family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when one of Tara's older brothers became violent. When another brother got himself into college, Tara decided to try a new kind of life. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge University. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home. "Beautiful and propulsive . . . Despite the singularity of [Westover's] childhood, the questions her book poses are universal: How much of ourselves should we give to those we love? And how much must we betray them to grow up?"—Vogue NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The Washington Post • O: The Oprah Magazine • Time • NPR • Good Morning America • San Francisco Chronicle • The Guardian • The Economist • Financial Times • Newsday • New York Post • theSkimm • Refinery29 • Bloomberg • Self • Real Simple • Town & Country • Bustle • Paste • Publishers Weekly • Library Journal • LibraryReads • Book Riot • Pamela Paul, KQED • New York Public Library

Haywire Brooke Hayward 2011-03-08 From the moment of its publication in 1977, Haywire was a national sensation and a #1 bestseller, a celebrated Hollywood memoir of a glittering family and the stunning darkness that lurked just beneath the surface. Brooke Hayward was born into the most enviable of circumstances. The daughter of a famous actress and a successful Hollywood agent, she was beautiful, wealthy, and living at the very center of the most privileged life America had to offer. Yet at twenty-three her family was ripped apart. Who could have imagined that this magical life could shatter, so conclusively, so destructively? Brooke Hayward tells the riveting story of how her family went haywire.

Buck M. K. Asante 2014-02-12 A poetic coming-of-age account of the author's youth in Zimbabwe and violent Philadelphia street gangs explores how his life was shaped by his father's absence, his brother's imprisonment and his mother's and sister's struggles with mental illness. (biography & autobiography).

Buck M.K. Asante 2014-05-13 "A story of surviving and thriving with passion, compassion, wit, and style."—Maya Angelou "In America, we have a tradition of black writers whose autobiographies and memoirs come to define an era. . . . Buck may be this generation's story."—NPR A coming-of-age story about navigating the wilds of urban America and the shrapnel of a self-destructing family, Buck shares the story of a generation through one original and riveting voice. MK Asante was born in Zimbabwe to American parents: his mother a dancer, his father a revered professor. But as a teenager, MK was alone on the streets of North Philadelphia, swept up in a world of drugs, sex, and violence. MK's memoir is an unforgettable tale of how one precocious, confused kid educated himself through gangs, rap, mystic cults, ghetto philosophy, and, eventually, books. It is an inspiring tribute to the power of literature to heal and redeem us.

Buck's Tooth Diane Kredensor 2015-05-12 Feeling like a misfit because of his single large buck tooth in a family that has two front teeth, Buck the beaver enters a talent contest and tries to discover a talent that will not be challenged by his tooth. Simultaneous eBook.

Buck M.K. Asante 2013-08-20 "A story of surviving and thriving with passion, compassion, wit, and style."—Maya Angelou "In America, we have a tradition of black writers whose autobiographies and memoirs come to define an era. . . . Buck may be this generation's story."—NPR A coming-of-age story about navigating the wilds of urban America and the shrapnel of a self-destructing family, Buck shares the story of a generation through one original and riveting voice. MK Asante was born in Zimbabwe to American parents: his mother a dancer, his father a revered professor. But as a teenager, MK was alone on the streets of North Philadelphia, swept up in a world of drugs, sex, and violence. MK's memoir is an unforgettable tale of how one precocious, confused kid educated himself through gangs, rap, mystic cults, ghetto philosophy, and, eventually, books. It is an inspiring tribute to the power of literature to heal and redeem us.

Lucky Bastard Joe Buck 2016-11-15 In this New York Times bestselling memoir, the announcer of the biggest sporting events in the country—including the 2017 Super Bowl and this century's most-watched, historic, Chicago Cubs-winning World Series—reveals why he is one lucky bastard. Sports fans see Joe Buck everywhere: broadcasting one of the biggest games in the NFL every week, calling the World Series every year, announcing the Super Bowl every three years. They know his father, Jack Buck, is a broadcasting legend and that he was beloved in his adopted hometown of St. Louis. Yet they have no idea who Joe really is. Or how he got here. They don't know how he almost blew his career. They haven't read his funniest and most embarrassing stories or heard about his interactions with the biggest sports stars of this era. They don't know how hard he can laugh at himself—or that he thinks some of his critics have a point. And they don't know what it was really like to grow up in his father's shadow. Joe and Jack were best friends, but it wasn't that simple. Jack, the voice of the St. Louis Cardinals for almost fifty years, helped Joe get his broadcasting start at eighteen. But Joe had to prove himself, first as a minor league radio announcer and then on local TV, national TV with ESPN, and then finally on FOX. He now has a successful, Emmy-winning career, but only after a lot of dues-paying, learning, and pretty damn entertaining mistakes that are recounted in this book. In his memoir, Joe takes us through his life on and off the field. He shares the lessons he learned from his father, the errors he made along the way, and the personal mountain he climbed and conquered, all of which have truly made him a Lucky Bastard.

Cutting Back Leslie Buck 2017-05-03 This absorbing debut memoir recounts an American gardener's apprenticeship with the most prestigious gardening firm in Kyoto.

Spot Fires and Slop-Overs: Memoir of a Firefighter Buck Wickham 2018-10-23 Buck Wickham was just eighteen years old when he started working for the U.S. Forest Service in 1971. The world was a different place then, and times have definitely changed. In Spot Fires and Slop-Overs, he narrates the story of his career as a forest firefighter—from his beginnings chasing lightning fires on the Mogollon Rim of Northern Arizona through his participation on incident management teams fighting fires across the United States. Offering a candid look at Wickham's specialized work, Spot Fires and Slop-Overs presents an engaging and fascinating memoir of one man's time serving in the U.S. Forest Service. He presents insight into the nuts and bolts of his job throughout his tenure, and he reflects on how things are changing in the forests and in the bureaucracy of forest management. He tells about the friendships and antics he's experienced and also shares compelling stories of what it was like to be on the ground in the nation's forests.

Buck Up, Suck Up . . . and Come Back When You Foul Up James Carville 2003-12-05 Two political strategists offer the tools to become successful in any field, and cover everything from how to present an argument and get the message across to how to compromise and handle negative publicity.

The Only Place to Be Joan J. Buck 1989

Buck 'Em! Randy Poe 2016-01-01 ÉBuck 'Em! The Autobiography of Buck OwensÉ is the life story of a country music legend. Born in Texas and raised in Arizona Buck eventually found his way to Bakersfield California. Unlike the vast majority of country singers songwriters and musicians who made their fortunes working and living in Nashville the often rebellious and always independent Owens chose to create his own brand of country music some 2 000 miles away from Music City ä racking up a remarkable twenty-one number one hits along the way. In the process he helped give birth to a new country sound and did more than any other individual to establish Bakersfield as a country music center. In the latter half of the 1990s Buck began working on his autobiography. Over the next few years he talked into the microphone of a cassette tape machine for nearly one hundred hours recording the story of his life. With his near-photographic memory Buck recalled everything from his early days wearing hand-me-down clothes in Texas to his glory years as the biggest country star of the 1960s; from his legendary Carnegie Hall concert to his multiple failed marriages; from his hilarious exploits on the road to the tragic loss of his musical partner and best friend Don Rich; from his days as the host of a local TV show in Tacoma Washington to his co-hosting the network television show ÉHee HawÉ; and from his comeback hit Streets of Bakersfield to his induction into the Country Music Hall of Fame. In these pages Buck also shows his astute business acumen having been among the first country artists to create his own music publishing company. He also tells of negotiating the return of all of his Capitol master recordings his acquisition of numerous radio stations and of his conceiving and building the Crystal Palace one of the most venerated musical venues in the country. ÉBuck 'Em!É is the fascinating story of the life of country superstar Buck Owens ä from the back roads of Texas to the streets of Bakersfield.

Beeswing Richard Thompson 2022-03-29 "A revealing look at the early years of Richard Thompson, one of the world's most influential guitarists and songwriters, following the formation of his band Fairport Convention, his revival of British folk traditions, and his journey through Sufism-all before the age of 26"--

The Good Earth Pearl S. Buck 1999-10-01 A Chinese peasant overcomes the forces of nature and the frailties of human nature to become a wealthy landowner.

The Buck Book Anne Akers Johnson 1993 All seven projects described are folded out of a \$1 bill. Projects range from the Dollar Bill Ring to the exotic Plumed Peacock to the all-time favorite Bow Tie.

Buck Seventy Two Larry Bernard Perkins 2015-10-12 Enfield, North Carolina is not a large spot on the map, but for a young Larry Perkins, it was his whole world. Born to a sharecropper father and a mother who dreamed of the finer life, Larry's childhood was tumultuous. In early child hood, his mother abandoned him and left for New York City to chase her dreams. Larry spent the first 9 years of his life bouncing from family member to family member before landing in his father and stepmother's home. His father soon enslaved him, forcing him to work day and night - on the farm. The rules and demands of sharecropping life left little time for play, and work quickly overshadowed school. Through hard work in the fields and his refusal to quit, Larry found a path out of the poverty. Armed with just a few dollars, Larry ran away at the age of 16. He purchased a one-way ticket to New York, with the goal of finding his mother. When he arrived in the big city, all he had was \$1.72, his courage and his persistence. Through all the hardships, Larry was able to use his traits and his refusal to quite to bring him from farm to fame.

North Star Over My Shoulder Bob Buck 2005-01-03 A delightful memoir follows the life of a legendary pilot, author, and member of the National Advisory for Aeronautics, who in 1930, at the age of sixteen, flew solo from coast to coast, breaking the junior transcontinental speed record, and traces his illustrious career, from his World War II experiences to his stint as a co-pilot for TWA. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

The Power of Determination John Langan 2017-01-01 The Power of Determination tells the stories of fourteen people who carry the following belief in their hearts: I have taken charge of my life. I am determined to do what is needed to grow and succeed in this world. I will let nothing stop me. In the face of obstacles, I will persist. when I get knocked down, I'll get back up. I believe in the words of Muhammad Ali: I hated every minute of training, but I said, 'Don't quit. Suffer now and live the rest of your life as a champion.'" Read these inspiring stories--of Maria, Paul, Erika, Jeroboam, Tay Thi, Indonesia and Ericka, Peter, Melissa, Suashunn, Tricia, Richard, Crystal, Juan, and Amanda--to increase your own resolve to pursue your dreams and live a proud and determined life.

Capitol of Freedom Ken Buck 2020-08-04 Progressives in Washington have big plans. Plans to take over every part of the U.S. economy and manage Americans' lives. Embracing the Green New Deal, abolishing

the electoral college, promoting late term abortion, and implementing socialism are just a few of the progressives' latest attempts to remake America. In the process, they abandon the Constitution and our individual liberties. Congressman Ken Buck argues that every American should rediscover our nation's unique freedom story. This book tells the story of how our nation's founders carefully designed a political system that would guard against tyranny and protect individual liberty. Using the Capitol and its features as the backdrop, Buck shows how our heritage as a free people is woven into every institution in America, and how progressives are attempting to undermine individual liberty. The book offers clear recommendations for steps liberty-minded Americans can take to reverse the progressives' damaging course. For all who are willing to listen, the Capitol speaks, showing how conservatives can halt the progressives' plans, preserve our remaining freedoms, and reclaim what we've lost.

Let 'Er Buck! Vaunda Micheaux Nelson 2019-02-05 "Nelson plait her narrative with Western lingo and homespun similes. . . . James' painterly oils swirl with energy, visible daubs creating the dusty, monumental landscape and equally monumental horses and humans. . . . A champion indeed." —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) The true tale of a cowboy's epic rodeo ride from acclaimed author Vaunda Micheaux Nelson and Caldecott Honoree Gordon C. James. In 1911, three men were in the final round of the famed Pendleton Round-Up. One was white, one was Indian, and one was black. When the judges declared the white man the winner, the audience was outraged. They named black cowboy George Fletcher the "people's champion" and took up a collection, ultimately giving Fletcher far more than the value of the prize that went to the official winner. Award-winning author Vaunda Micheaux Nelson tells the story of Fletcher's unlikely triumph with a western flair that will delight kids—and adults—who love true stories, unlikely heroes, and cowboy tales.

Buck Fifty Saga 2007-12-01

The Child Who Never Grew Pearl S. Buck 2012-08-21 A "groundbreaking" memoir about raising a special-needs daughter in an era of misinformation and prejudice—a classic that helped transform our perceptions (Publishers Weekly). It was my child who taught me to understand so clearly that all people are equal in their humanity and that all have the same human rights. Pearl S. Buck is known today for earning a Nobel Prize in Literature and for such New York Times—bestselling novels as *The Good Earth*. What many do not know is that she wrote that great work of art with the motivation of paying for a special school for her oldest daughter, Carol, who had a rare developmental disorder. What was called "mental retardation" at the time—though some used crueler terms—was a disability that could cause great suffering and break a parent's heart. There was little awareness of how to deal with such children, and as a result some were simply hidden away, considered a source of shame and stigma, while others were taken advantage of because of their innocence. In this remarkable account, which helped bring the issue to light, Pearl S. Buck candidly discusses her own experience as a mother, from her struggle to accept Carol's diagnosis to her determination to give her child as full and happy a life as possible, including a top-quality education designed around her needs and abilities. Both heartrending and inspiring, *The Child Who Never Grew* provides perspective on just how much progress has been made in recent decades, while also offering common sense and timeless wisdom for the challenges still faced by those who love and care for someone with special needs. It is a clear-eyed and compelling read by a woman renowned for both her literary talent and her humanitarian spirit. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Pearl S. Buck including rare images from the author's estate.

*The Soul of Baseball* Joe Posnanski 2009-10-13 From the author of *Baseball 100* "A fascinating account of a man who outlasted the ignorance of a nation and persevered to become a beloved figure...One of the best baseball books in years, filled with depth style and clarity." —Cleveland Plain Dealer An award-winning sports columnist and a baseball legend tour the country to recapture the joys and wonders of two of America's greatest pastimes When legendary Negro League player Buck O'Neil asked sports columnist Joe Posnanski how he fell in love with baseball, that simple question eventually led the pair on a cross-country quest to recapture the love that first drew them to the game. *Baseball & Jazz* recounts their emotional quest to find the heart of America's beloved sport that still beats despite the scandal-ridden, steroid-shooting, money hungry athletes who currently seem to define the sport. At its heart is the story of 94-year-old Buck O'Neil—a man that truly played for the love of the game. After an impressive career in the Negro Baseball Leagues in which he earned two hitting titles and one championship, O'Neil made baseball history by becoming the first African-American coach in major league baseball. Posnanski writes about that love and the one thing that O'Neil cherishes almost as much as baseball: jazz. This heartwarming and insightful journey is an endearing step back in time to the days when the crack of a bat and the smokey notes of a midnight jam session were the sounds that brought the most joy to a man's heart.

*Wicked and Weird* Rich Terfry 2015-08-11 Star radio-host Rich Terfry presents the amazing tales of his alter ego, musician Buck 65, in this rollicking account of growing up poor, talented, baseball-obsessed, music-mad and girl-smitten. With wit, style and a born writer's knack for telling detail, Rich Terfry gives us the wildly entertaining story of his unusual life through the eyes of his shy but brilliant and preternaturally observant alter-ego, Buck. Born in a small town in Nova Scotia to a mother who begins yelling at him the moment he is born and a father who keeps his own counsel, Buck imbibes fear and insecurity like other kids guzzle milk. Hobbled by his fears and demons, Buck almost disappears into the "evil in the woods" that lurks just beyond the town's border . . . until he is saved by three gifts: baseball, romantic love and music. His epic journey—full of diversions, coincidences, and larger-than-life characters—out of the darkness of his suicide-plagued childhood and into the bright wide world begins with a killer pitching arm (Buck almost makes it to the pros) and continues with his transformation into hip hop artist Buck 65. Along the way, Buck develops into a hopeless romantic and an obsessively creative, shape-shifting man who both fears life and dives into it with abandon. *Wicked and Weird* is a lively, sometimes shocking portrait of a life lived on the edge, by turns funny and heartbreaking.

*A Most Fortunate Life* James H. Harless 2012-04-10

Flight of Passage Rinker Buck 2013-03-05 Writer Rinker Buck looks back more than 30 years to a summer when he and his brother, at ages 15 and 17 respectively, became the youngest duo to fly across America, from New Jersey to California. Having grown up in an aviation family, the two boys bought an old Piper Cub, restored it themselves, and set out on the grand journey. Buck is a great storyteller, and once you get airborne with the boys you find yourself absorbed in a story of adventure and family drama. And *Flight of Passage* is also an affecting look back to the summer of 1966, when the times seemed much less cynical and adventures much more enjoyable.

*Football for a Buck* Jeff Pearlman 2018 From a multiple New York Times best-selling author, the rollicking, outrageous story of the United States Football League, a bona fide professional sports phenomenon full of larger-than-life characters and you-can't-make-this-up stories featuring some of the biggest celebrities and buffoons in the game.

*Black Buck* Mateo Askaripour 2021 For fans of *Sorry to Bother You* and *The Wolf of Wall Street* comes a blazing, satirical debut novel about a young man given a shot at stardom as the lone black salesman at a mysterious, cult-like, and wildly successful startup where nothing is as it seems.

*It's Bigger Than Hip Hop* M. K. Asante, Jr. 2008-09-16 In *It's Bigger Than Hip Hop*, M. K. Asante, Jr. looks at the rise of a generation that sees beyond the smoke and mirrors of corporate-manufactured hip hop and is building a movement that will change not only the face of pop culture, but the world. Asante, a young firebrand poet, professor, filmmaker, and activist who represents this movement, uses hip hop as a springboard for a larger discussion about the urgent social and political issues affecting the post-hip-hop generation, a new wave of youth searching for an understanding of itself outside the self-destructive, corporate hip-hop monopoly. Through insightful anecdotes, scholarship, personal encounters, and conversations with youth across the globe as well as icons such as Chuck D and Maya Angelou, Asante illuminates a shift that can be felt in the crowded spoken-word joints in post-Katrina New Orleans, seen in the rise of youth-led organizations committed to social justice, and heard around the world chanting "It's bigger than hip hop."

*The Oregon Trail* Rinker Buck 2015-06-30 In the bestselling tradition of Bill Bryson and Tony Horwitz, Rinker Buck's *The Oregon Trail* is a major work of participatory history: an epic account of traveling the 2,000-mile length of the Oregon Trail the old-fashioned way, in a covered wagon with a team of mules—which hasn't been done in a century—that also tells the rich history of the trail, the people who made the migration, and its significance to the country. Spanning 2,000 miles and traversing six states from Missouri to the Pacific Ocean, the Oregon Trail is the route that made America. In the fifteen years before the Civil War, when 400,000 pioneers used it to emigrate West—historians still regard this as the largest land migration of all time—the trail united the coasts, doubled the size of the country, and laid the groundwork for the railroads. The trail years also solidified the American character: our plucky determination in the face of adversity, our impetuous cycle of financial bubbles and busts, the fractious clash of ethnic populations competing for the same jobs and space. Today, amazingly, the trail is all but forgotten. Rinker Buck is no stranger to grand adventures. The New Yorker described his first travel narrative, *Flight of Passage*, as "a funny, cocky gem of a book," and with *The Oregon Trail* he seeks to bring the most important road in American history back to life. At once a majestic American journey, a significant work of history, and a personal saga reminiscent of bestsellers by Bill Bryson and Cheryl Strayed, the book tells the story of Buck's 2,000-mile expedition across the plains with tremendous humor and heart. He was accompanied by three cantankerous mules, his boisterous brother, Nick, and an "incurably filthy" Jack Russell terrier named Olive Oyl. Along the way, Buck dodges thunderstorms in Nebraska, chases his runaway mules across miles of Wyoming plains, scouts more than five hundred miles of nearly vanished trail on foot, crosses the Rockies, makes desperate fifty-mile forced marches for water, and repairs so many broken wheels and axles that he nearly reinvents the art of wagon travel itself. Apart from charting his own geographical and emotional adventure, Buck introduces readers to the evangelists, shysters, natives, trailblazers, and everyday dreamers who were among the first of the pioneers to make the journey west. With a rare narrative power, a refreshing candor about his own weakness and mistakes, and an extremely attractive obsession for history and travel, *The Oregon Trail* draws readers into the journey of a lifetime.

*My Several Worlds* Pearl S. Buck 2013-05-21 A memoir from the first American woman to win the Nobel Prize for Literature. "Not only [Buck's] most important book, but—on many counts—her best book" (Kirkus Reviews). Often regarded as one of Pearl S. Buck's most significant works, *My Several Worlds* is the memoir of a major novelist and one of the key American chroniclers of China. Buck, who was born to missionary parents in 1892, spent much of the first portion of her life in China, experiencing the Boxer Rebellion first hand and becoming involved with the society with an intimacy available to few outside observers. The book is not only an important reflection on that nation's modern history, but also an account of her re-engagement with America and the intense activity that characterized her life there, from her prolific novel-writing to her loves and friendships to her work for abandoned children and other humanitarian causes. As alive with incident as it is illuminating in its philosophy, *My Several Worlds* is essential reading for travelers and readers alike. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Pearl S. Buck including rare images from the author's estate.

*Jack Buck* Jack Buck 1999 In his forthright and honest autobiography, *St. Louis Cardinal, World Series, and Super Bowl* broadcaster Jack Buck entertains all of his fans once more in a different setting. Jack Buck: "That's a Winner!" does more than entertain, however. It provides readers with an inside look at a man they have listened to so often, they consider him part of the family.

*Occupy: American Spring* Buck Sexton 2012-04-24 Glenn Beck TV and Blaze correspondent Buck Sexton goes behind the scenes at Occupy Wall Street and explores the radical roots and revolutionary goals that lie beneath the not-so-ragtag movement. Occupy Wall Street (OWS) became the biggest news story in the world during the fall of 2011. Under the banner of the "99%", the Occupiers spread their message of class warfare and revolution across the globe. Using cutting-edge digital media propaganda combined with the street protest strategies honed by 1960s radicals, OWS has already changed our political system. Now they seek to change our future. The American Spring has arrived. The Occupiers plan to dominate news headlines by using direct action protests across the country during this pivotal presidential election year. They intend to take to the streets in every major U.S. city. The stakes could not be higher. Buck Sexton, a former CIA counterterrorism and counterinsurgency analyst, has covered the Occupiers from the start. He's infiltrated their marches and "general assemblies" at every major OWS event to uncover the truth about this neo-Marxist movement. With a focus on history, ideology and tactics, Sexton breaks down OWS—and its plans for reshaping America.

*First Job* Rinker Buck 2021-05-01 The classic coming-of-age memoir from the author of the #1 New York Times bestseller *The Oregon Trail*, about a special time in every young adult's life—the first "real" job out of college. Ask Rinker Buck about his first job, and you'll get the enchanting and engaging account that not only captures the experience of being a "twenty-two-year-old with the maxed-out brain," but also evokes a special time and place: the Berkshire Mountains of western Massachusetts in the early 1970s. As a recent grad, Buck was determined to find his voice as a writer and every moment felt like a new world opening wide. His memoir *First Job* is, on its most basic level, the story of Buck's years as a cub reporter at *The Berkshire Eagle*, a great country newspaper in its glory years. But on a deeper level, it is a story that serves as a paradigm for everyone's first job. Buck's tale introduces the mentors who guided him through a raw and anxious time, lovers who exposed him to new levels of intimacy, and adventures that could only have happened to a young man who didn't know any better. From Buck's impromptu job interview with the *Eagle's* venerable and eccentric publisher, Pete Miller—who quizzed him on Civil War history—to his picaresque adventures on the front lines of the sexual revolution, to his exhilarating hikes along the purple-black Berkshire peaks with Roger Linscott, he reconstructs a magical time in his life, a time when nothing seemed impossible or out of reach. The first job experience and its meaning may be vastly underrated and misunderstood, but Buck shows that it is as timely and important as any other life passage. First jobs are our baptism into the real world, our immersion in to the real "stuff" of life. Everyone has a first job, and with rare storytelling power and emotions laid bare, Rinker Buck brings back just how it felt.

*Pearl Buck in China* Hilary Spurling 2010-06 Presents a tribute to the life and work of the author known for her books portraying ordinary life in China, covering her fundamentalist upbringing, witness to the Boxer Rebellion, and two marriages.

*Pearl of China* Anchee Min 2011-05-12 In the small southern town of Chin-kiang, two young girls from very different worlds collide and become inseparable companions. Willow is hardened by poverty and fearful for her future; Pearl is the daughter of a Christian missionary who desperately wishes she was Chinese too. Neither could have foreseen the transformation of the little American girl embarrassed by her blonde hair into the Nobel Prize-winning writer and one of China's modern heroines, Pearl S. Buck. When the country erupts in civil war between the Nationalists and the Communists, Pearl and Willow are brutally reminded of their differences. Pearl's family is forced to flee the country and Willow is punished for her loyalty to her 'cultural imperialist' friend. And yet, in the face of everything that threatens to tear them apart, the paths of these two women remain intimately entwined.