

Tweakers Net Best Buy Guide 2011

This ultra-cool volume invites readers to tap into your inner geek and build seventeen ultra-cool wireless devices including a solar powered access point, a wireless picture frame that dynamically changes its own photos, and even a wireless car-to-car audio and video system With a few simple tools, some off-the-shelf parts, and this book, readers will be creating wireless devices they never thought were possible-toys that certainly can't be found at the local computer store Written by the cofounder and members of the Southern California Wireless Users Group, this book provides readers with hands-on instruction and insider tips and tricks from those who are on the bleeding edge of wireless technology New addition to the ExtremeTech line of books-books for serious technophiles

Do You want to learn how to crochet simply? Don't know where to start? if you want to learn how to make pretty crochet embroideries then..... keep reading. Crocheting is a fun and innovative procedure. And it is also insanely advantageous. Some of the things that make crocheting worthwhile are its easy to learn nature and the fact that recovering from mistakes is miles easier as fewer live stitches are involved. On the other hand, it is also a good business skill as the process is cost effective when it comes to investing in materials required. Moreover, crocheting comes with several health benefits such as stress relief, working and exercise of eyes and muscles in the fingers that can help with Alzheimer's. A crochet can be made of many metals, and has a flexible design policy. You can make it from materials ranging from metals, and woods to plastic with the help of a traditional crochet hook. Crochets are manufactured commercially or produced in artisan workshops. The threads that are used in crochets is made up of mercerized cotton, which is denser and thinner than regular yarn. There are several types of crochet that we must know of. They are: Single crochet - one chain Half double crochet - two chains Double crochet - three chains Treble crochet - four chains The fabric that is made after the process of crocheting depends on the starting chain, the length of which is determined by counting the number of stitches that are needed for the first row of fabric. The goal of the e-Book is simple: To help guide people in the way of creating an attractive crochet pattern easily. You will also learn: About the materials and tools required Techniques and stitches involved Types of crochet Basic and Advanced stitches Other special patterns. You'll end up making 19 fun Amigurumi models. Would you like to know more? Download the eBook, Crochet For Beginners to help yourself understand how to make an attractive crochet pattern easily. Scroll to the top of the page and select the buy now button.

This book, which is a temporary re-release of a DIY basic electronics classic, will teach you exactly how to modify and custom tailor each of your effects pedals to your needs and tastes. No experience needed. Note that since this is a limited release of the last version of the book, some of the links inside may be dead. However, the book is being made available temporarily due to customer demand. Includes: * Complete details on how to modify over 80 different effect pedals * Basic Definitions and Concepts of effect pedals, their circuitry, and mods * -Walk-throughs- of various circuits - what all those parts do, and what you can change it to * Detailed close-up pictures of the pedal's circuit boards showing where the parts are located * Where to get parts and what kind to get * All About Components, the different types, and what they do in guitar pedals *

How to read and understand schematics * Installing Pots and Switches to control mods
* Installing a Pot in place of a Resistor (add your own bass/ mids/ treble controls!) *
True Bypass Box Diagram * Most pedals have several different modifications that can
be performed

Literary Nonfiction. Essays. This book is a chronicle of the overlooked and unsung, a
collection of award-winning essays based on Brian Jabas Smith's popular column,
"e;Tucson Salvage."e;

A guide to the Ubuntu operating system covers such topics as installation and
configuration, productivity applications, the command line, managing users, networking,
remote access, security, kernel and module management, FTP, proxying, and Python.
Besides covering the most recently released versions of GCC, this book provides a
complete command reference, explains how to use the info online help system, and
covers material not covered in other texts, including profiling, test coverage, and how to
build and install GCC on a variety of operating system and hardware platforms. It also
covers how to integrate with other GNU development tools, including automake,
autoconf, and libtool.

"Witty, compelling, and just plain fun to read . . ." —Evelyn Lamb, Scientific American
The Freakonomics of math—a math-world superstar unveils the hidden beauty and logic
of the world and puts its power in our hands The math we learn in school can seem like
a dull set of rules, laid down by the ancients and not to be questioned. In How Not to Be
Wrong, Jordan Ellenberg shows us how terribly limiting this view is: Math isn't confined
to abstract incidents that never occur in real life, but rather touches everything we
do—the whole world is shot through with it. Math allows us to see the hidden structures
underneath the messy and chaotic surface of our world. It's a science of not being
wrong, hammered out by centuries of hard work and argument. Armed with the tools of
mathematics, we can see through to the true meaning of information we take for
granted: How early should you get to the airport? What does "public opinion" really
represent? Why do tall parents have shorter children? Who really won Florida in 2000?
And how likely are you, really, to develop cancer? How Not to Be Wrong presents the
surprising revelations behind all of these questions and many more, using the
mathematician's method of analyzing life and exposing the hard-won insights of the
academic community to the layman—minus the jargon. Ellenberg chases mathematical
threads through a vast range of time and space, from the everyday to the cosmic,
encountering, among other things, baseball, Reaganomics, daring lottery schemes,
Voltaire, the replicability crisis in psychology, Italian Renaissance painting, artificial
languages, the development of non-Euclidean geometry, the coming obesity
apocalypse, Antonin Scalia's views on crime and punishment, the psychology of slime
molds, what Facebook can and can't figure out about you, and the existence of God.
Ellenberg pulls from history as well as from the latest theoretical developments to
provide those not trained in math with the knowledge they need. Math, as Ellenberg
says, is "an atomic-powered prosthesis that you attach to your common sense, vastly
multiplying its reach and strength." With the tools of mathematics in hand, you can
understand the world in a deeper, more meaningful way. How Not to Be Wrong will
show you how.

How To Make A Noise-perhaps the most widely read book about synthesizer
programming-is a comprehensive, practical guide to sound design and synthesizer

programming techniques using subtractive (analog) synthesis, frequency modulation synthesis, additive synthesis, wave-sequencing, and sample-based synthesis. The book looks at programming using examples from six software synthesizers: Cameleon 5000 from Camel Audio, Rhino 2 from BigTick, Surge from Vember Audio, Vanguard from reFX, Wusikstation from Wusik dot com, and Z3TA+ from Cakewalk. Simon Cann is a musician and writer based in London. He is author of Cakewalk Synthesizers: From Presets to Power User, Building a Successful 21st Century Music Career, and Sample This!! (with Klaus P Rausch). You can contact Simon through his website: www.noisesculpture.com.

Over the last forty years, the human landscape of the United States has been fundamentally transformed. The metamorphosis is partially visible in the ascendance of glittering, coastal hubs for finance, infotech, and the so-called creative class. But this is only the tip of an economic iceberg, the bulk of which lies in the darkness of the declining heartland or on the dimly lit fringe of sprawling cities. This is America's hinterland, populated by towering grain threshers and hunched farmworkers, where laborers drawn from every corner of the world crowd into factories and "fulfillment centers" and where cold storage trailers are filled with fentanyl-bloated corpses when the morgues cannot contain the dead. Urgent and unsparing, this book opens our eyes to America's new heart of darkness. Driven by an ever-expanding socioeconomic crisis, America's class structure is recomposing itself in new geographies of race, poverty, and production. The center has fallen. Riots ricochet from city to city led by no one in particular. Anarchists smash financial centers as a resurgent far right builds power in the countryside. Drawing on his direct experience of recent popular unrest, from the Occupy movement to the wave of riots and blockades that began in Ferguson, Missouri, Phil A. Neel provides a close-up view of this landscape in all its grim but captivating detail. Inaugurating the new Field Notes series, published in association with the Brooklyn Rail, Neel's book tells the intimate story of a life lived within America's hinterland.

Although his life was cut tragically short in 2016, Andrew Coulson had a remarkable impact on education policy. As director of the Cato Institute's Center for Educational Freedom from 2005 to 2015, Coulson was committed to excellence in education and consistently advocated for free-market reforms that would make schools more flexible, innovative, and responsive to the needs of parents and students. In this volume, prominent education researchers and thinkers who knew Andrew and his ideas well commemorate his legacy with articles that explore and expand the vitality and urgency of his ideas.

"It takes thousands of hours of sailing to get the kind of knowledge contained in this book." -- from the Foreword by Bruce Schwab The ONLY bible for how to sail your boat fast, safe, and alone Solo sailing is within any sailor's grasp with a little forethought--and this essential guide. Got a 35-foot sailboat? No problem. Is the wind blowing 20 knots? No problem. Are you racing offshore overnight? Even better. Singlehander Andrew Evans learned the hard way how to sail and race alone--with lots of mishaps, including broaches and a near tumbling over a waterfall--and in Singlehanded Sailing he shares the techniques, tips, and tactics he has developed to make his solo sailing adventures safe and enriching. Learn everything you need to know to meet any solo challenge, including: Managing the power consumption aboard a

boat to feed the electric autopilot Setting and gybing a spinnaker Finding time to sleep Dealing with heavy weather

Hundreds of millions of people use social technologies like Wikipedia, Facebook and YouTube every day, but what makes them work? And what is the next step? The Social Design of Technical Systems explores the path from computing revolution to social evolution. Based on the assumption that it is essential to consider social as well as technological requirements, as we move to create the systems of the future, this book explores the ways in which technology fits, or fails to fit, into the social reality of the modern world. Important performance criteria for social systems, such as fairness, synergy, transparency, order and freedom, are clearly explained for the first time from within a comprehensive systems framework, making this book invaluable for anyone interested in socio-technical systems, especially those planning to build social software. This book reveals the social dilemmas that destroy communities, exposes the myth that computers are smart, analyses social errors like the credit meltdown, proposes online rights standards and suggests community-based business models. If you believe that our future depends on merging social virtue and technology power, you should read this book.

#1 New York Times bestseller With a new afterword Now a Major Motion Picture Starring Steve Carell * Timothée Chalamet * Maura Tierney * and Amy Ryan “A brilliant, harrowing, heartbreaking, fascinating story, full of beautiful moments and hard-won wisdom. This book will save a lot of lives and heal a lot of hearts.” — Anne Lamott “‘When one of us tells the truth, he makes it easier for all of us to open our hearts to our own pain and that of others.’ That’s ultimately what Beautiful Boy is about: truth and healing.” — Mary Pipher, author of Reviving Ophelia What had happened to my beautiful boy? To our family? What did I do wrong? Those are the wrenching questions that haunted David Sheff’s journey through his son Nic’s addiction to drugs and tentative steps toward recovery. Before Nic became addicted to crystal meth, he was a charming boy, joyous and funny, a varsity athlete and honor student adored by his two younger siblings. After meth, he was a trembling wraith who lied, stole, and lived on the streets. David Sheff traces the first warning signs: the denial, the three a.m. phone calls—is it Nic? the police? the hospital? His preoccupation with Nic became an addiction in itself. But as a journalist, he instinctively researched every treatment that might save his son. And he refused to give up on Nic. “Filled with compelling anecdotes and important insights . . . An eye-opening memoir.” — Washington Post

So your neighbor's giant sequoia is blocking your view. Who ya gonna call? The search for a 'dispute buster' should end with this helpful new book. Sunset Magazine - For anyone with a neighbor problem, [Neighbor Law] is a handy book indeed. It walks the reader through written and common law, tells you what your rights are and how to follow through on a complaint all the way to court, if necessary.- Oakland Tribune - Explains how to use mediation services, research local laws, and present a convincing case in small claims court. - Reuters - Surprisingly, this is a fun read. The author includes interesting sidebars and court decisions to clarify her explanations. - Sacramento Bee - A Nolo book that gives practical, no-nonsense approaches to handling neighbor disputes. - Los Angeles Times - This classic book, which keeps getting better with each new edition, answers virtually all questions regarding fences, trees, boundaries and noise.- Orlando Sentinel - Jordan peppers the book with real

stories of problems neighbors have with each other. The stories are interesting and, in some cases, hilarious. - Arizona Republic - Even if you don't have a serious neighbor problem yet, this well-written and complete book is a fun and educational read. It is extremely thorough and well-documented. 4 stars: excellent. - Robert Bruss, nationally syndicated real-estate columnist

If you want to give yourself a Web presence without spending a lot of time or money, a blog is your answer and this is your guide. Blogs (Web logs) are short, diary-like entries on a Web site that has a chronological, journal format. Fun or informative, but not formal, blogs are easy to set up, maintain, and update. You can share your personal, stream-of-consciousness musings or your expertise on any subject ranging from your family vacation to world peace. This guide helps beginners (even technophobes) get started fast, with the essential info on: The elements of blogs, such as entries, sidebars, categories, comments, and index pages The different types of hosting services, from free to fee and from "turn key" services that are easy-to-use to DIY programs Details on two popular, free "social community" hosted Web services that are ideal for casual bloggers—MSN Spaces and Yahoo! 360 The scoop on Blogger, a popular free hosted service that has some community tools like the social networks, but is basically blog-intensive DIY blogging, covering three of the most powerful and flexible blog programs—Movable Type, WordPress, and Radio Userland Hooking into RSS feeds to distribute your blog entries beyond your site Choosing a newsreader Ways to raise the visibility of your blog and make money from blogging Complete with step-by-step instructions and lots of screen shots, this guide walks you through everything from setting up your blog and posting your first entry to adding photos, audio, and more. It includes the URLs of lots of sample sites to see to give you an idea of blog possibilities. In addition to the essential how-to, it fills you in on: The blogosphere, blog culture and etiquette, snarks, macrologues, and more Moblogs that let you post entries remotely using your portable computer, PDA, or cell phone Buying a domain through a registrar such as Network Solutions, Register.com, or Go Daddy MP3 blogs, vlogs (videoblogs), photoblogging, audioblogging, podcasting, and more You know you have something to say, whether it's heavy stuff or just your thought for the day. Make your opinions known. Get your photos shown. With *Blogging For Dummies*, you'll soon be blogging with the best of 'em.

Forty Stories is the first long-form work published under the aegis of *Fifty-Two Stories*, the short fiction blog of Harper Perennial. Since its inception in 2009, *Fifty-Two Stories* (www.fiftytwostories.com) has hosted work by writers both new and established, including Neil Gaiman, Louise Erdrich, Mary Gaitskill, Dennis Cooper, Jennifer Haigh, Tom Piazza, Lydia Peelle, Willy Vlautin, Marcy Dermansky, and more. *Fifty-Two Stories* has attracted particular attention for the early exposure it has given to innovative young writers such as Blake Butler, Ben Greenman, Amelia Gray, Seth Fried, and Catherine Lacey. *Forty Stories* features work by Harper Perennial authors including Butler, Greenman, Elizabeth Crane, Adam Wilson, Matthew Norman, and Greg Bardsley. It also includes stories by novelists Jess Walter (*Beautiful Ruins*) and Shane Jones (*Daniel Fights a Hurricane*), and acclaimed short-form writers Jamie Quatro (*I Want to Show You More*), Roxane Gay, and Lindsay Hunter. New voices include Nigerian writer Adetokunbo Abiola; recent Center for Fiction fellow Mitchell S. Jackson; and adult film actress Kayden Kross. The full list of contributors includes: Adetokunbo Abiola • David

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The Audio Expert is a comprehensive reference that covers all aspects of audio, with many practical, as well as theoretical, explanations. Providing in-depth descriptions of how audio really works, using common sense plain-English explanations and mechanical analogies with minimal math, the book is written for people who want to understand audio at the deepest, most technical level, without needing an engineering degree. It's presented in an easy-to-read, conversational tone, and includes more than 400 figures and photos augmenting the text. The Audio Expert takes the intermediate to advanced recording engineer or audiophile and makes you an expert. The book goes far beyond merely explaining how audio "works." It brings together the concepts of audio, aural perception, musical instrument physics, acoustics, and basic electronics, showing how they're intimately related. Describing in great detail many of the practices and techniques used by recording and mixing engineers, the topics include video production and computers. Rather than merely showing how to use audio devices such as equalizers and compressors, Ethan Winer explains how they work internally, and how they are spec'd and tested. Most explanations are platform-agnostic, applying equally to Windows and Mac operating systems, and to most software and hardware. TheAudioExpertbook.com, the companion website, has audio and video examples to better present complex topics such as vibration and resonance. There are also videos demonstrating editing techniques and audio processing, as well as interviews with skilled musicians demonstrating their instruments and playing techniques.

Packed with humor, inspiration, and advice, You Are a Badass is the #1 New York Times bestselling self-help book that teaches you how to get better without getting busted. In this refreshingly entertaining how-to guide, bestselling author and world-traveling success coach, Jen Sincero, serves up twenty-seven bite-sized chapters full of hilariously inspiring stories, sage advice, easy exercises, and the occasional swear word, helping you to: Identify and change the self-sabotaging beliefs and behaviors that stop you from getting what you want, Create a life you totally love. And create it NOW, and Make some damn money already. The kind you've never made before. By the end of You Are a Badass, you'll understand why you are how you are, how to love what you can't change, how to change what you don't love, and how to use The Force to kick some serious ass.

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Meth cooks practice late industrial alchemy—transforming base materials, like lithium batteries and camping fuel, into gold Meth alchemists all over the United States tap the occulted potencies of industrial chemical and big pharma products to try to cure the ills of precarious living: underemployment, insecurity, and the feeling of idleness. Meth fires up your attention and makes repetitive tasks pleasurable, whether it's factory work or tinkering at home. Users are awake for days and feel exuberant and invincible. In one person's words, they "get more life." The Alchemy of Meth is a nonfiction storybook about St. Jude County, Missouri, a place in decomposition, where the toxic inheritance of deindustrialization meets the violent hope of this drug-making cottage industry. Jason Pine bases the book on fieldwork among meth cooks, recovery professionals, pastors, public defenders, narcotics agents, and pharmaceutical

executives. Here, St. Jude is not reduced to its meth problem but Pine looks at meth through materials, landscapes, and institutions: the sprawling context that makes methlabs possible. The *Alchemy of Meth* connects DIY methlabs to big pharma's superlabs, illicit speed to the legalized speed sold as ADHD medication, uniquely implicating the author's own story in the narrative. By the end of the book, the backdrop of St. Jude becomes the foreground. It could be a story about life and work anywhere in the United States, where it seems no one is truly clean and all are complicit in the exploitation of their precious resources in exchange for a livable present—or even the hope of a future.

When Rob, the charismatic leader of the senior class, turns the school nerd into Prince Charming, his actions lead to unexpected violence.

OpenBSD, the elegant, highly secure Unix-like operating system, is widely used as the basis for critical DNS servers, routers, firewalls, and more. This long-awaited second edition of *Absolute OpenBSD* maintains author Michael Lucas's trademark straightforward and practical approach that readers have enjoyed for years. You'll learn the intricacies of the platform, the technical details behind certain design decisions, and best practices, with bits of humor sprinkled throughout. This edition has been completely updated for OpenBSD 5.3, including new coverage of OpenBSD's boot system, security features like *W^X* and *ProPolice*, and advanced networking techniques. You'll learn how to: –Manage network traffic with VLANs, trunks, IPv6, and the PF packet filter –Make software management quick and effective using the ports and packages system –Give users only the access they need with groups, sudo, and chroots –Configure OpenBSD's secure implementations of SNMP, DHCP, NTP, hardware sensors, and more –Customize the installation and upgrade processes for your network and hardware, or build a custom OpenBSD release Whether you're a new user looking for a complete introduction to OpenBSD or an experienced sysadmin looking for a refresher, *Absolute OpenBSD, 2nd Edition* will give you everything you need to master the intricacies of the world's most secure operating system.

Physics is really important to game programmers who need to know how to add physical realism to their games. They need to take into account the laws of physics when creating a simulation or game engine, particularly in 3D computer graphics, for the purpose of making the effects appear more real to the observer or player. The game engine needs to recognize the physical properties of objects that artists create, and combine them with realistic motion. The physics ENGINE is a computer program that you work into your game that simulates Newtonian physics and predict effects under different conditions. In video games, the physics engine uses real-time physics to improve realism. This is the only book in its category to take readers through the process of building a complete game-ready physics engine from scratch. The Cyclone game engine featured in the book was written specifically for this book and has been utilized in iPhone application development and Adobe Flash projects. There is a good deal of master-class level information available, but almost nothing in any format that teaches the basics in a practical way. The second edition includes NEW and/or revised material on collision detection, 2D physics, casual game physics for Flash games, more references, a glossary, and end-of-chapter exercises. The companion website will include the full source code of the Cyclone physics engine, along with example applications that show the physics system in operation.

Whether you are dreaming of steaming jungle treks, conquering untamed peaks, chatting up the hottie in the hostel or simply chilling out on an isolated beach - this book is your ticket to turning your travel dreams into reality. Packed to bursting with backpacking tips and tricks, *How to Travel the World on \$10 a Day* is the ultimate planning resource for the low-budget traveller. Better still, you'll learn how to stretch your dollars further by picking up work on the road, so if you don't want to go back home, you don't have to. Ditch your desk, take the plunge and hit the road... With this book by your side you'll save thousands of dollars, skip

unnecessary headaches and be able to travel the world with confidence. "Will Hatton has been on the road for nine years, travelling to far-flung lands and visiting close to 100 countries all over the world. His blog, the Broke Backpacker, is one of the most popular adventure travel blogs in the world. A keen hitchhiker, Will has hitchhiked tens of thousands of kilometers, crossing Europe, Iran, Pakistan, India and South East Asia by thumb. Will plans to open a backpacker hostel in the mountains of Pakistan. If you find yourself nearby -- come say hey! Winner of the 2020 Dashiell Hammett Award for Literary Excellence in Crime Writing Acclaimed author and "remarkably gifted storyteller" (The Charlotte Observer) David Joy returns with a fierce and tender tale of a father, an addict, a lawman, and the explosive events that come to unite them. When his addict son gets in deep with his dealer, it takes everything Raymond Mathis has to bail him out of trouble one last time. Frustrated by the slow pace and limitations of the law, Raymond decides to take matters into his own hands. After a workplace accident left him out of a job and in pain, Denny Rattler has spent years chasing his next high. He supports his habit through careful theft, following strict rules that keep him under the radar and out of jail. But when faced with opportunities too easy to resist, Denny makes two choices that change everything. For months, the DEA has been chasing the drug supply in the mountains to no avail, when a lead--just one word--sets one agent on a path to crack the case wide open . . . but he'll need help from the most unexpected quarter. As chance brings together these men from different sides of a relentless epidemic, each may come to find that his opportunity for redemption lies with the others.

Though the exact nature and delineation of Big Data is still unclear, it seems likely that Big Data will have an enormous impact on our daily lives. 'Exploring the Boundaries of Big Data' serves as preparatory work for The Netherlands Scientific Council for Government Policy's advice to the Dutch government, which has asked the Council to address questions regarding Big Data, security and privacy. It is divided into five parts, each part engaging with a different perspective on Big Data: the technical, empirical, legal, regulatory and international perspective.

The instant New York Times bestseller End the struggle, speak up for what you need, and experience the freedom of being truly yourself. Healthy boundaries. We all know we should have them--in order to achieve work/life balance, cope with toxic people, and enjoy rewarding relationships with partners, friends, and family. But what do "healthy boundaries" really mean--and how can we successfully express our needs, say "no," and be assertive without offending others? Licensed counselor, sought-after relationship expert, and one of the most influential therapists on Instagram Nedra Glover Tawwab demystifies this complex topic for today's world. In a relatable and inclusive tone, Set Boundaries, Find Peace presents simple-yet-powerful ways to establish healthy boundaries in all aspects of life. Rooted in the latest research and best practices used in cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT), these techniques help us identify and express our needs clearly and without apology--and unravel a root problem behind codependency, power struggles, anxiety, depression, burnout, and more.

A Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist takes readers on a surprising tour of America's biggest export, our most prodigious product, and our greatest legacy: our trash The average American produces 102 tons of garbage across a lifetime and \$50 billion in squandered riches are rolled to the curb each year. But our bins are just the starting point for a strange, impressive, mysterious, and costly journey that may also represent the greatest untapped opportunity of the century. In Garbology, Edward Humes

investigates trash—what's in it; how much we pay for it; how we manage to create so much of it; and how some families, communities, and even nations are finding a way back from waste to discover a new kind of prosperity. Along the way, he introduces a collection of garbage denizens unlike anyone you've ever met: the trash-tracking detectives of MIT, the bulldozer-driving sanitation workers building Los Angeles' Garbage Mountain landfill, the artists residing in San Francisco's dump, and the family whose annual trash output fills not a dumpster or a trash can, but a single mason jar. Garbology reveals not just what we throw away, but who we are and where our society is headed. Waste is the one environmental and economic harm that ordinary working Americans have the power to change—and prosper in the process. Garbology is raising awareness of trash consumption and is sparking community-wide action through One City One Book programs around the country. It is becoming an increasingly popular addition to high school and college syllabi and is being adopted by many colleges and universities for First Year Experience programs.

For those interested in becoming slot managers, or those just curious about how casinos work, *Tales from the Slot Floor* gives you the inside story of slot operations, from those who do it.

Cassie Wright, porn princess, intends to cap her legendary career by breaking the world record for serial fornication. On camera. With six hundred men. *Snuff* unfolds from the perspectives of Mr 72, Mr 137 and Mr 600, who await their turn on camera in a very crowded green room...

In this witty and perceptive debut, a former editor at *Psychology Today* shows us how magical thinking makes life worth living. Psychologists have documented a litany of cognitive biases- misperceptions of the world-and explained their positive functions. Now, Matthew Hutson shows us that even the most hardcore skeptic indulges in magical thinking all the time-and it's crucial to our survival. Drawing on evolution, cognitive science, and neuroscience, Hutson shows us that magical thinking has been so useful to us that it's hardwired into our brains. It encourages us to think that we actually have free will. It helps make us believe that we have an underlying purpose in the world. It can even protect us from the paralyzing awareness of our own mortality. In other words, magical thinking is a completely irrational way of making our lives make rational sense. With wonderfully entertaining stories, personal reflections, and sharp observations, Hutson reveals our deepest fears and longings. He also assures us that it is no accident his surname contains so many of the same letters as this imprint.

An autobiography by the original "shock jock" shares his observations on politics, current affairs, women, and the entertainment business

Xeno yearns to have access to The Nth Dimension like The White Boys, famed telepaths who suffered brain damage when they made contact with extraterrestrial intelligence. Out of work as a bartender since the Shoki Pao dance club mysteriously burned down, Xeno's lackluster lifestyle in the city of Metropa is getting harder to maintain. The public pill silos that dispense Sunlite, a one-size-fits-all antidepressant, haven't been refilled in months, so the citizens of Metropa turn to designer drugs, like Black Magic, an addictive Sunlite knock-off with terrible side effects. Having survived an overdose of Black Magic, and successfully revived by Drinama, a brain implant slipped to him as a Mickey at a job fair, Xeno earns an entry level position as an agent for secret service organization Intellegella. Garry, his handler, introduces Xeno to the industrial version of the black box, allowing Xeno's pineal gland access to SSP-synthetic sensory perception-with the turn of a dial, along with the Noumenol patch, a skin

absorbed drug that stabilizes his vital signs so that he doesn't suffer a cardiac arrest. Xeno's initial mission is to test the black box in the field, under Garry's watchful eye, and to locate Trianne, an ex co-worker, ex pole dancer, ex model, gone missing and showing signs of spontaneous human combustion, an emerging side effect of Black Magic, and a public safety hazard. All Xeno has to do is bring Trianne back to Intellegella for treatment. It's that simple . . . according to Garry.

In this wide-ranging, brilliantly written account, Nehamas provides an incisive reevaluation of Socrates' place in the Western philosophical tradition and shows the importance of Socrates for Montaigne, Nietzsche, and Foucault.

The art, science, history, and mystery of sails and sailmaking. Written in concise, layperson's language and full of photographs and personal anecdotes, this book goes step-by-step through the process of creating and using sails. Provided is a definitive look at the latest developments in sails, sailcloth, engineering, hardware, and sail trim. Also offered are case studies that illustrate which fibers, fabrics, and sails are suitable for a variety of different sailing applications, from simple dinghies and day sailors to offshore racing and cruising yachts. Sailors of all levels of interest and ability will find information they can apply to their own boats and sail choices.

In a sequel to the best-selling *Starfish and Maelstrom*, deep-sea cyborg Lenie Clarke, having discovered that she helped destroy the world by responding to a lie, finds that she is the only one who can protect the rifter cyborgs and their corrupt former masters from a dangerous adversary.

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