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Two Years in the Heart of an African Village

Gramedia Pustaka Utama Named one of the best books of 2017 by NPR's Book Concierge Inspired by the secret life of the author's grandmother, Lotus follows a young woman torn between past traditions and modern desires—as she carves out a life for herself in China's "City of Sins" "Standing outside the Moonflower Massage Parlor with three other girls, Lotus flashed her red smile at every passing man. She leaned against the glass front of the parlor, one leg bent like a crane's. Luring in the clients with sweet and oily words consumed a surprising amount of energy" Reserved, at times defiant, Lotus is different from the other streetwalkers. Her striking eyes glow under Shenzhen's neon lights, capturing the attention of Funny Eye, Family Treasure, and a slew of other demanding clients determined to make Lotus their property. Choosing between wealthy, powerful, and dangerous men is no easy feat, but it is a surprising offer

from Binbing, a soft-spoken and humble photojournalist, that presents the biggest challenge. Is Lotus willing to fall in love? Is she capable of it? Inspired by the deathbed revelation that the author's grandmother had been sold to a brothel in her youth, Lotus offers compelling insight into China's bustling underground world and reveals the surprising strength found in those confronted with impossible choices. Written with compassion and vivid prose, and packed with characters you won't soon forget, Lijia Zhang's Lotus examines what it means to be an individual in a society that praises restraint in and obedience from its women.

A Girl to Remember Indonesia, Etc. Exploring the Improbable Nation Set in the tumultuous days of the mid 1960s, "The Dancer" describes a village community struggling to adapt to a rapidly changing world. It also provides readers with a ground-level view of the political turmoil and human tragedy leading up to and following the abortive Communist coup. This trilogy of novels traces the lives of two characters: Srintil, a dancer whose unwitting involvement

with the region's leftist propaganda machine sets her at odds with Rasus, the love of her life who embraces Islam and finds a career in the army. Through their separate experiences, both learn the concepts of shame and sin: Rasus after he leaves their home village and journeys into the wider world and Srintil when the outside world finally comes crashing into her remote and isolated village.

Politics and Diversity ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute

How to use design as a tool to create not only things but ideas, to speculate about possible futures. Today designers often focus on making technology easy to use, sexy, and consumable. In *Speculative Everything*, Anthony Dunne and Fiona Raby propose a kind of design that is used as a tool to create not only things but ideas. For them, design is a means of speculating about how things could be—to imagine possible futures. This is not the usual sort of predicting or forecasting, spotting trends and extrapolating; these kinds of predictions have been proven wrong, again and again. Instead, Dunne and Raby pose “what if” questions that are intended to open debate and discussion about the kind of future people want (and do not want). *Speculative Everything* offers a tour through an emerging cultural landscape of design ideas, ideals, and approaches. Dunne and Raby cite examples from their own design and teaching and from other projects from fine art, design, architecture, cinema, and photography. They also draw on futurology, political theory, the philosophy of technology, and literary fiction. They show us, for example, ideas for a solar kitchen restaurant; a flypaper robotic clock; a menstruation machine; a cloud-seeding truck; a phantom-limb

sensation recorder; and devices for food foraging that use the tools of synthetic biology. Dunne and Raby contend that if we speculate more—about everything—reality will become more malleable. The ideas freed by speculative design increase the odds of achieving desirable futures.

Speculative Everything ibooks

This book tells the story of Bali—the “paradise island of the Pacific”—its rulers and its people, and their encounters with the Western world. Bali is a perennially popular tourist destination. It is also home to a fascinating people with a long and dramatic history of interactions with foreigners, particularly after the arrival of the first Dutch fleet in 1597. In this first comprehensive history of Bali, author Willard Hanna chronicles Bali through the centuries as well as the islanders' current struggle to preserve their unique identity amidst the financially necessary incursions of tourism. Illustrated with more than forty stunning photographs, *A Brief History of Bali* is a riveting tale of one ancient culture's vulnerability—and resilience—in the modern world.

The Dancer W. W. Norton & Company

“A spectacular achievement and one of the very best travel books I have read.” —Simon Winchester, *Wall Street Journal*
 Declaring independence in 1945, Indonesia said it would “work out the details of the transfer of power etc. as soon as possible.” With over 300 ethnic groups spread across over 13,500 islands, the world’s fourth most populous nation has been working on that “etc.” ever since. Author Elizabeth Pisani traveled 26,000 miles in search of the links that bind this disparate nation.

English as a Global Language Granta Books

A Peace Corps worker offers a

fascinating portrayal of an African village that stands on the brink of modernity, caught between ancient superstitions and the era of the cell phone as they struggle with AIDS and other life-threatening problems. Reprint. 20,000 first printing.

Climbing Mount Improbable Government Printing Office

EAT, PAY, LEAVE! Becky Wicks lifted the burqa on Dubai In BURQALICIOUS. Now she turns her attention to Bali as she hilariously navigates life as an adopted Balinese local. A lot can happen when you set out to 'find yourself'. Sometimes, you can even lose the plot. From visiting ancient healers with cellphone addictions to leaving a shaking ashram intent on extracting her soul, Becky Wicks soon discovered that six months travelling round Bali wasn't all going to be about finding inner peace and harmony. In fact, the perils of possessed teens, eating raw, yogic headstands, diving shipwrecks and dicing with black magic and demons all took their toll on the Island of the Gods. And that was before the vaginal steaming. Becky Wicks lifts the sarong on real life in Bali in a blur of locals, tourists, expats and other other eating, praying lovers who arrive... you know... not really knowing who they are.

Brief History of Indonesia Henry Holt and Company

With this visual guide to computer programming for beginners, it has never been easier to learn how to code. Coding skills are in high demand and the need for programmers is still growing.

Covering three of the most popular languages for new coders, this book uses a graphic method to break complex subjects into user-friendly chunks, bringing essential skills within easy reach. Each chapter contains tutorials on

practical projects designed to teach you the main applications of each language, such as building websites, creating games, and designing apps. The book also looks at many of the main coding languages that are out there, outlining the key applications of each language, so you can choose the right language for you. You'll learn to think like a programmer by breaking a problem down into parts, before turning those parts into lines of code. Short, easy-to-follow steps then show you, piece by piece, how to build a complete program. There are challenges for you to tackle to build your confidence before moving on. Written by a team of expert coders and coding teachers, Beginner's Step-by-Step Coding Course is the ideal way to get to set you on the road to code.

Indonesia Tuttle Publishing

In 1945, Indonesia's declaration of independence promised: 'the details of the transfer of power etc. will be worked out as soon as possible.' Still working on the 'etc.' seven decades later, the world's fourth most populous nation is now enthusiastically democratic and riotously diverse - rich and enchanting but riddled with ineptitude and corruption. Elizabeth Pisani, who first worked in Indonesia 25 years ago as a foreign correspondent, set out in 2011, travelling over 13,000 miles, to rediscover its enduring attraction, and to find the links which bind together this disparate nation. Fearless and funny, and sharply perceptive, she has drawn a compelling, entertaining and deeply informed portrait of a captivating nation.

Balilicious Penguin

"Alif had never set foot outside of West Sumatra. He passed his childhood days searching for fallen durian fruit in the jungle, playing soccer on rice paddies, and swimming in the blue waters of Lake

Maninjau. His mother wants him to attend an Islamic boarding school, a pesantren, while he dreams of public high school. Halfheartedly, he follows his mother's wishes. He finds himself on a grueling three-day bus ride from Sumatra to Madani Pesantren (MP) in a remote village on Java. On his first day at MP, Alif is captivated by the powerful phrase *man jadda wajada*. He who gives his all will surely succeed. United by punishment, he quickly becomes friends with five boys from across the archipelago, and together they become known as the Fellowship of the Manara. Beneath the mosque's minaret, the boys gaze at the clouds on the horizon, seeing in them their individual dreams of far-away lands, like America and Europe. Where would these dreams take them? They didn't know. What they did know was: never underestimate dreams, no matter how high they may be. God truly is The Listener. *The Land of Five Towers* is the first book in a trilogy written by A. Fuadi—a former TEMPO & VOA reporter, photography buff, and a social entrepreneur. He went to George Washington University and Royal Holloway, University of London for his masters. A portion of the royalties from the trilogy are intended to build Komunitas Menara, a volunteer-based social organization which aims to provide free schools, libraries, clinics and soup kitchens for the less fortunate. To learn more about Komunitas Menara and their activities, check out www.negeri5menara.com"

A Letter from Haiti W. W. Norton & Company

On a hot August afternoon in 1811, an army of 10,000 British redcoats splashed ashore through the muddy shallows off Batavia (the former name of Jakarta, Indonesia's capital) to conquer the Dutch

colony of Java. They would remain there for five turbulent years. Drawing on both British and Javanese archival sources, this entertaining and highly readable narrative history-cum-biography explores the bloody battles and furious controversies that marked British rule in Java, and reveals the future founder of Singapore, Thomas Stamford Raffles – long celebrated as a hero, a liberal and a visionary – in a shocking new light, showing how he crushed dissent, looted palaces and incited massacres to further his own insatiable ambitions. The book features the dramatic Battle of Batavia, the sinister British expedition to Palembang, the 1812 sacking and looting of Yogyakarta, and various fights between soldiers and civilians, buffaloes and tigers, and Englishmen and Javanese.

The Politics of Fossil Fuel Subsidies and Their Reform Gramedia Pustaka Utama

Sultans, Spices, and Tsunamis: The Incredible Story of the World's Largest Archipelago Indonesia is by far the largest nation in Southeast Asia and has the fourth largest population in the world after the United States. Indonesian history and culture are especially relevant today as the Island nation is an emerging power in the region with a dynamic new leader. It is a land of incredible diversity and unending paradoxes that has a long and rich history stretching back a thousand years and more. Indonesia is the fabled "Spice Islands" of every school child's dreams—one of the most colorful and fascinating countries in history. These are the islands that Europeans set out on countless voyages of discovery to find and later fought bitterly over in the 15th, 16th and 17th centuries. This was the land that Christopher Columbus sought,

and Magellan actually reached and explored. One tiny Indonesian island was even exchanged for the island of Manhattan in 1667! This fascinating history book tells the story of Indonesia as a narrative of kings, traders, missionaries, soldiers and revolutionaries, featuring stormy sea crossings, fiery volcanoes, and the occasional tiger. It recounts the colorful visits of foreign travelers who have passed through these shores for many centuries—from Chinese Buddhist pilgrims and Dutch adventurers to English sea captains and American movie stars. For readers who want an entertaining introduction to Asia's most fascinating country, this is delightful reading.

Journey Through Indonesia Monsoon Books

Considered the best book ever written about Haiti, now updated with a New Introduction, "After the Earthquake," features first hand-reporting from Haiti weeks after the 2010 earthquake. Through a series of personal journeys, each interwoven with scenes from Haiti's extraordinary past, Amy Wilentz brings to life this turbulent and fascinating country. Opening with her arrival just days before the fall of Haiti's President-for-Life, Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" Duvalier, Wilentz captures a country electric with the expectation of change: markets that bustle by day explode with gunfire at night; outlaws control country roads; farmers struggle to survive in a barren land; and belief in voodoo and the spirits of the ancestors remains as strong as ever. The Rainy Season demystifies Haiti—a country and a people in cruel and capricious times. From the rebel priest Father Aristide and the street boys under his protection to the military strongmen who pass

through the revolving door of power into the gleaming white presidential palace—and the buzzing international press corps members who jet in for a coup and leave the minute it's over—Wilentz's Haiti haunts the imagination.

A History of the Pearl of the Orient

Macmillan International Higher Education

This book is intended to assist English and French speakers who are visiting Burkina Faso and other west African countries where French, Bambara, Jula, and Mòor are spoken. It is not intended to be an exhaustive study of the languages, but serve as an introduction and overview. This new edition is based on our WordsRU Wordnet implementation. It pairs over 6,000 English and French words with over 2,700 Mòor words and phrases. Also included is a guide to English, French, and Mòor pronunciation and grammar.

A Popular History of Malaysia and Singapore Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

A riveting study of the violent and turbulent nation of Indonesia describes how the tumultuous end of the reign of the dictator General Suharto led to a savage and murderous rampage, a situation complicated by economic turmoil, volcanic eruption, East Timor's struggle for independence, and other disasters. Reprint.

Haiti-Then and Now Macmillan

Recognised as the most authoritative general account of Indonesia, this revised and expanded fourth edition has been updated in the light of new scholarship. New chapters at the end of the book bring the story up to the present day, including discussion of recent events such as the 2002 Bali terrorist bombings and the 2004

tsunami.

Ethnic and Religious Violence in Post-Suharto Indonesia W. W. Norton & Company

"Centuries ago, there was, in the eastern part of the island of Java, a kingdom by the name of Daha..." So begins *The King, the Witch and the Priest*, a fable with contemporary allure that is based on the story of Calon Arang, a Javanese legend dating from the twelfth century. As tradition tells it, Calon Arang was a powerful witch from the village of Girah who had a beautiful daughter named Ratna Manggali who could find no husband. No man would have her for fear of her mother. Calon Arang became so angered by her daughter's plight that she spread pestilence throughout the kingdom. To deal with the problem, King Erlangga ordered his most respected priest, Empu Baradah, to get rid of Calon Arang. This proved to be no easy task as Calon Arang owned a book containing all the secrets of sorcery. This ancient tale, as retold by Pramoedya Ananta Toer, exhibits a remarkable relevance to contemporary life with timeless lessons such as the triumph of good over evil and the ever-possible eternal salvation of one's soul. Pramoedya Ananta Toer (1925-2006) is Indonesia's most celebrated writer, with over thirty works of fiction translated into over thirty languages. A recipient of many major international awards, he was most recently awarded the Grand Prize in the 2000 Fukuoka Asian Culture Prize competition, Japan's highest literary honor. Willem Samuels is a long-time resident of Jakarta and has translated several of Pramoedya's works including *The Fugitive*, *The Mute's Soliloquy*, *The Girl From the Coast* and *All That is Gone*. **The Penang Adventure** W. W. Norton Whether readers are planning a trip to

Bali or just fantasizing about one, *Journey Through Indonesia* makes for an unforgettable Indonesia travel guide. With hundreds of full-color photographs, *Journey Through Indonesia* takes readers on a tour of the world's most magnificent archipelago, a vast island nation with all the diversity of an entire continent. This vibrantly illustrated book is the perfect introduction to this most colorful of countries, for both Indonesian history enthusiasts, armchair travelers, and those planning explorations and adventures in Indonesia. Indonesia is Southeast Asia's largest nation, a place of endless contrasts and myriad cultures. This comprehensive Indonesian travel guide features over 400 stunning photographs, nine detailed maps, and insightful descriptions of the country's geography, culture, history, arts, crafts, and wildlife species. *Journey Through Indonesia* transports readers to each of Indonesia's significant regions including: The impressive temples and volcanoes of Java The exquisite beaches of Bali The magnificent national parks of Kalimantan The traditional villages of Nusa Tenggara The tiger-haunted forests of Sumatra The spice-scented islets of Maluku The untrammelled wilderness of Papua and much more *Journey Through Indonesia* beautifully captures the diversity of the culture, terrain, and population of Indonesia and creates a deeper understanding of this unique island nation.

Crossroads Monsoon Books

This comprehensive volume provides the first book-length account on the politics of fossil fuel subsidies. This title is also available as Open Access.

Understanding Islam in Indonesia W. W. Norton & Company

"[A] solid how-to book...For amateur dream researchers, this is a must."

WHOLE EARTH REVIEW This book goes far beyond the confines of pop dream psychology, establishing a scientifically researched framework for using lucid dreaming--that is, consciously influencing the outcome of your dreams. Based on Dr. Stephen LaBerge's extensive laboratory work at Stanford University mapping mind/body

relationships during the dream state, as well as the teachings of Tibetan dream yogis and the work of other scientists, including German psychologist Paul Tholey, this practical workbook will show you how to use your dreams to: Solve problems; Gain greater confidence; improve creativity, and more. From the Paperback edition.