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**History of a Pleasure Seeker** - Richard Mason  
2012-02-07

From the acclaimed author of *The Drowning People* (“A literary sensation” —The New York

Times Book Review) and *Natural Elements* (“A magnum opus” —The New Yorker), an opulent, romantic coming-of-age drama set at the height of Europe’s belle époque, written in the grand

tradition with a lightness of touch that is wholly modern and original. The novel opens in Amsterdam at the turn of the last century. It moves to New York at the time of the 1907 financial crisis and proceeds onboard a luxury liner headed for Cape Town. It is about a young man—Piet Barol—with an instinctive appreciation for pleasure and a gift for finding it. Piet's father is an austere administrator at Holland's oldest university. His mother, a singing teacher, has died—but not before giving him a thorough grounding in the arts of charm. Piet applies for a job as tutor to the troubled son of Europe's leading hotelier: a child who refuses to leave his family's mansion on Amsterdam's grandest canal. As the young man enters this glittering world, he learns its secrets—and soon, quietly, steadily, finds his life transformed as he in turn transforms the lives of those around him. *History of a Pleasure Seeker* is a brilliantly written portrait of the senses, a novel about pleasure and those who are in search of it; those

who embrace it, luxuriate in it, need it; and those who deprive themselves of it as they do those they love. It is a book that will beguile and transport you—to another world, another time, another state of being.

**The Pleasure of Reading** - Antonia Fraser  
2015-10-20

In this delightful collection, forty acclaimed writers explain what first made them interested in literature, what inspired them to read, and what makes them continue to do so. First published in 1992 in hardback only, original contributors include Margaret Atwood, J. G. Ballard, Melvyn Bragg, A. S. Byatt, Catherine Cookson, Carol Ann Duffy, Germaine Greer, Alan Hollinghurst, Doris Lessing, Candia McWilliam, Edna O'Brien, Ruth Rendell, Tom Stoppard, Sue Townsend, and Jeanette Winterson. The new edition will include essays from ten new writers. *Promoting Reading for Pleasure in the Primary School* - Michael Lockwood 2008-06-24  
Winner of the UKLA Author Award 2009:UKLA

'Lockwood has written a useful, supportive book which will help teachers and librarians...He describes the background and summarises the research and then proposes thoroughly practical programmes' - Carousel 'Michael Lockwood has produced an excellent, practical overview and analysis of what works in the primary school to promote reading for pleasure....Lockwood's work is grounded and valuable to those who need it most - teachers in the classroom working hard to engender a love of reading' - English Drama Media 'This book is first class. It puts the matter very clearly and succinctly, and presents a great deal of evidence to support the argument that pleasure is not a frivolous extra, but the very heart and essence of what reading is about. It also gives readers plenty of ideas for carrying the principle into the classroom, and for justifying it...This is an excellent piece of work, which I hope will find a place on every staffroom bookshelf.' - Philip Pullman English primary school children are less likely to read for

pleasure than their counterparts in many other countries. This practical and focused book discusses the background to this situation and looks at how government initiatives have tried to address it. Drawing on the author's own research project in order to identify good practice in promoting reading for enjoyment, the book presents specific activities which teachers can use to develop their own whole school and classroom practice, enabling them to put the fun back into reading. Each chapter features case-study material and provides examples of planning from schools that have successfully created thriving reading cultures through schemes such as reading assemblies, book clubs, library loyalty cards, school book evenings and quizzes. There is also an extensive, annotated list of print and internet-based resources. Topics covered include: - Becoming a reading for pleasure school - Promoting a love of reading in the early years - Developing reading enjoyment in the later primary years - Getting boys reading

Promoting Reading for Pleasure in the Primary School is written for all those involved in education who would like to see as many children as possible develop a love of reading. It will be particularly relevant for primary teachers, teaching assistants, trainee teachers, advisers and consultants, as well as teacher educators and researchers.

The Slave - Isaac Bashevis Singer 1988-10

A Hebrew legend in which a messenger from God sells himself into slavery in order to help a poor scribe.

**Of A Boy** - Sonya Hartnett 2011-05-24

The year is 1977, and Adrian is nine. He lives with his gran and his uncle Rory; his best friend is Clinton Tull. He loves to draw and he wants a dog; he's afraid of quicksand and self-combustion. Adrian watches his suburban world, but there is much he cannot understand. He does not, for instance, know why three neighbourhood children might set out to buy ice-cream and never come back home ...

**Choose Your Own Disaster** - Dana Schwartz  
2018-06-19

A "hilarious and heartbreaking" (Jo Piazza) and unflinchingly honest memoir about one young woman's terrible and life-changing decisions while hoping--and sometimes failing--to find herself, in the style of Never Have I Ever and Adulthood. Join Dana Schwartz on a journey revisiting all of the awful choices she made in her early twenties through the internet's favorite method of self-knowledge: the quiz. Part-memoir, part-VERY long personality test, CHOOSE YOUR OWN DISASTER is a manifesto about the millennial experience and modern feminism and how the easy advice of "you can be anything you want!" is actually pretty fucking difficult when there are so many possible versions of yourself it seems like you could be. Dana has no idea who she is, but at least she knows she's a Carrie, a Ravenclaw, a Raphael, a Belle, a former emo kid, a Twitter addict, and a millennial just trying her best. "This long-form

personality quiz manages to combine humor with unflinching honesty as one young woman tries to find herself amid the many, many choices that your twenties have to offer."-Bustle [The Truest Pleasure](#) - Robert Morgan 1998-01-09

Ginny, who marries Tom at the turn of the century after her family has given up on her ever marrying, narrates THE TRUEST PLEASURE--the story of their life together on her father's farm in the western North Carolina mountains. They have a lot in common--love of the land and fathers who fought in the Civil War. Tom's father died in the war, but Ginny's father came back to western North Carolina to hold on to the farm and turn a profit. Ginny's was a childhood of relative security, Tom's one of landlessness. Truth be known--and they both know it--their marriage is mutually beneficial in purely practical terms. Tom wants land to call his own. Ginny knows she can't manage her aging father's farm by herself. But there is also mutual attraction, and indeed their "loving" is deeply

gratifying. What keeps getting in the way of it, though, are their obsessions. Tom Powell's obsession is easy to understand. He's a workaholic who hoards time and money. Ginny is obsessed by Pentecostal preaching. That she loses control of her dignity, that she speaks "in tongues," that she is "saved," seem to her a blessing and to Tom a disgrace. It's not until Tom lies unconscious and at the mercy of a disease for which the mountain doctor has no cure that Ginny realizes her truest pleasure is her love for her husband. Like COLD MOUNTAIN, the time and place of THE TRUEST PLEASURE are remote from contemporary American life, but its rendering of the nature of marriage is timeless and universal. Praise for THE TRUEST PLEASURE: "Marvelously vivid imagery. . . . a quietly audacious book."--The New York Times Book Review; "Morgan deeply understands these people and their world, and he writes about them with an authority usually associated with the great novelists of the last

century. . . . the book is astonishing."--The Boston Book Review;

**Henry James and the Imagination of Pleasure** - Tessa Hadley 2002-02-14

Tessa Hadley examines how Henry James progressively disentangled himself from the moralizing frame through which English-language novels in the nineteenth century had imagined sexual passion. Hadley argues that his relationship with the European novel tradition was crucial, helping to leave behind a way of seeing in which only 'bad' women could be sexual. She reads James's transitional fictions of the 1890s as explorations of how disabling and distorting ideals of women's goodness and purity were learned and perpetuated within English and American cultural processes. These explorations, Hadley argues, liberate James to write the great heterosexual love affairs of the late novels, with their emphasis on the power of pleasure and play: themes which are central to James's ambitious enterprise to represent the

privileges and the pains of turn-of-the-century leisure class society.

**This Is Pleasure** - Mary Gaitskill 2019-11-05  
Starting with *Bad Behavior* in the 1980s, Mary Gaitskill has been writing about gender relations with searing, even prophetic honesty. In *This Is Pleasure*, she considers our present moment through the lens of a particular #MeToo incident. The effervescent, well-dressed Quin, a successful book editor and fixture on the New York arts scene, has been accused of repeated unforgivable transgressions toward women in his orbit. But are they unforgivable? And who has the right to forgive him? To Quin's friend Margot, the wrongdoing is less clear. Alternating Quin's and Margot's voices and perspectives, Gaitskill creates a nuanced tragicomedy, one that reveals her characters as whole persons—hurtful and hurting, infuriating and touching, and always deeply recognizable. Gaitskill has said that fiction is the only way that she could approach this subject because it is too

emotionally faceted to treat in the more rational essay form. Her compliment to her characters—and to her readers—is that they are unvarnished and real. Her belief in our ability to understand them, even when we don't always admire them, is a gesture of humanity from one of our greatest contemporary writers.

**Pleasure Palace** - Marian Thurm 2021-05-25  
Short fiction filled with both warmth and dark wit by a writer who “embraces the ironies and the absurdities of the ordinary world” (Newsday). At the age of twenty-five, Marian Thurm began publishing short stories in the *New Yorker*, and over a remarkable career, her work has been compared to the short fiction of Lorrie Moore, Ann Beattie, and Amy Bloom. Known for her uncanny sense of the absurd along with her empathy for her characters, Thurm's acclaimed writing has been featured in *The Best American Short Stories*, as well as numerous other anthologies. This volume, selected from her four collections—with stories written over a span of

forty-two years—shows Thurm's remarkable craft, never failing to reveal both her emotional acuity and her pitch-dark humor. “Marian Thurm is either a movingly compassionate observer of human foibles or a charmingly ruthless one.”

—The New York Times Book Review  
Jawbone - Mónica Ojeda 2022-02-08

“Was desire something like being possessed by a nightmare?” Fernanda and Annelise are so close they are practically sisters: a double image, inseparable. So how does Fernanda end up bound on the floor of a deserted cabin, held hostage by one of her teachers and estranged from Annelise? When Fernanda, Annelise, and their friends from the Delta Bilingual Academy convene after school, Annelise leads them in thrilling but increasingly dangerous rituals to a rhinestoned, Dior-scented, drag-queen god of her own invention. Even more perilous is the secret Annelise and Fernanda share, rooted in a dare in which violence meets love. Meanwhile, their literature teacher Miss Clara, who is

obsessed with imitating her dead mother, struggles to preserve her deteriorating sanity. Each day she edges nearer to a total break with reality. Interweaving pop culture references and horror concepts drawn from from Herman Melville, H. P. Lovecraft, and anonymous "creepypastas," Jawbone is an ominous, multivocal novel that explores the terror inherent in the pure potentiality of adolescence and the fine line between desire and fear.

[The Magician of Lublin](#) - Isaac Bashevis Singer  
2010

**Pride and Pleasure** - Sylvia Day 2014-07-29

A thief-taker is out to steal the heart of a bluestocking heiress in this sexy Regency romance by the #1 New York Times bestselling author. London, 1818. There are disadvantages to being an heiress, as Eliza Martin knows well. Fortune hunters corner her, friends become opportunistic, and lately, someone is engineering "accidents" designed to propel her

into marriage. But Eliza is too smart to be bullied. To find the culprit, she just needs the right man to infiltrate the nest of suitors—and none comes more highly recommended than thief-taker Jasper Bond. One look at the devastatingly handsome Jasper and Eliza knows he's the wrong man for the job. No one will believe an intellectual like her could be matched with a man of action like him. But Jasper is determined to change her mind. The intriguing mystery—and the undeniable attraction they share—makes this a case he can't resist. For Jasper, client satisfaction is a point of pride. And it's his pleasure to prove he's just the man Eliza needs. "A flawless blend of captivating characters, clever plotting, and searing sensuality."—Booklist

**A Book of Days** - Patti Smith 2022-11-15

A deeply moving and brilliantly idiosyncratic visual book of days by the National Book Award-winning author of Just Kids and M Train, featuring more than 365 images and reflections

that chart Smith's singular aesthetic—inspired by her wildly popular Instagram. In 2018, without any plan or agenda for what might happen next, Patti Smith posted her first Instagram photo: her hand with the simple message "Hello Everybody!" Known for shooting with her beloved Land camera 250, Smith started posting images from her phone including portraits of her kids, her radiator, her boots, and her Abyssinian cat, Cairo. Followers felt an immediate affinity with these miniature windows into Smith's world, photographs of her daily coffee, the books she's reading, the graves of beloved heroes—William Blake, Dylan Thomas, Sylvia Plath, Simone Weil, Albert Camus. Over time, a coherent story of a life devoted to art took shape, and more than a million followers responded to Smith's unique aesthetic in images that chart her passions, devotions, obsessions, and whims. Original to this book are vintage photographs: anniversary pearls, a mother's keychain, and a husband's Mosrite guitar. Here,

too, are never-before-seen photos of life on and off the road, train stations, obscure cafés, a notebook always nearby. In wide-ranging yet intimate daily notations, Smith shares dispatches from her travels around the world. With over 365 photographs taking you through a single year, *A Book of Days* is a new way to experience the expansive mind of the visionary poet, writer, and performer. Hopeful, elegiac, playful—and complete with an introduction by Smith that explores her documentary process—*A Book of Days* is a timeless offering for deeply uncertain times, an inspirational map of an artist's life.

**Sammlung** - Isaac Bashevis Singer 1982

The Noble laureate has selected nearly 150 of his acclaimed stories, from his eight previous collections, offering abundant evidence of his mastery of the genre

*French Women Don't Get Fat* - Mireille Guiliano  
2007-12-26

A gourmand's guide to the slim life shares the principles of French gastronomy, the art of

enjoying all edibles in proportion, arguing that the secret of being thin and happy lies in the ability to appreciate and balance pleasures, not in deprivation, in a guide that includes inspirational true-life stories, simple advice, and dozens of delectable recipes. Reprint.

**A Day of Pleasure** - Harriet Myrtle 1853

*Pleasure and Purpose* - Megan Hart 2019-09-05  
Three women, bound to serve so that they might bring their patrons absolute solace. Stillness, Honesty and Determinata, all Handmaidens in the Order of Solace, and all women in their own regard. Edward, Cillian and Alaric, three best friends torn apart by the tragedies of their youth, each unable to find the solace they crave. Each Handmaiden must do her best to provide peace, passion and optimism to the man she's been sent to soothe - no matter how they are fought or discouraged or refused. Love is not the endgame in this war for solace, yet it's entirely possible that in the end, love might be the only

real victory.

**Pleasure for Pleasure** - Eloisa James 2009-10-13  
The conclusion of New York Times bestselling author Eloisa James's Essex Sisters series! Fueled by the knowledge that notoriety is better than failure, witty, unconventional Josie does what no proper young lady should—she challenges fate. She discards her corset and flirts outrageously. She attends the horse races and allows an arrogant rakehell to whisk her behind the stables for a surreptitious kiss . . . and is caught! She doesn't want to marry the young hellion—but who's to help? Her chaperone keeps disappearing for mysterious appointments; her guardian is on his wedding trip; and his friend the Earl of Mayne is too busy staring into the eyes of his exquisite French fiancée. Can a marriage forced by stuffy convention and unwilling desire become the match of the season?

**A Crown of Feathers and Other Stories** - Isaac Bashevis Singer 1973

Twenty-four stories depicting life in the United States and pre-war Poland explore the depths and dimensions of truth

Seconds of Pleasure - Neil LaBute 2007-12-01  
Stories from the award-winning director and playwright. “Labute’s smart, edgy offering delivers pleasures well beyond the time frame his title suggests.”—Booklist In *Seconds of Pleasure*, Neil LaBute brings to the page his cutting humor and compelling take on the shadowy terrain of the human heart. Best known for his controversial plays and films, his short fiction has appeared in *The New Yorker* and *Playboy*. Seductive and provocative, each potent and pithy tale in *Seconds of Pleasure* finds men and women exploiting—or at the mercy of—the hidden fault lines that separate them: In “Time Share,” a woman leaves her family at their vacation home after discovering her husband in a compromising situation; a middle-aged man obsesses over a scab on the calf of a pretty young girl in “Boo-Boo”; and a vain Hollywood

actor gets his comeuppance in “Soft Target.” LaBute infuses *Seconds of Pleasure* with his trademark wit and black humor and unleashes his imagination in stories that offer unflinching insight into our very human shortcomings and impure urges with shocking candor. “LaBute’s usual sleazy suspects are prepared to risk family, love, career, and freedom for the momentary satisfaction of their sometimes brutal desires. It will end badly, we know, and that’s what makes each dark tale as irresistible as good gossip. Fallibility and weakness, LaBute has demonstrated once again, have their own allure.”—Black Book “*Seconds* captures in print both the nuanced rhythms of contemporary speech and the pitfalls of dark I-Me-Mine gratification.”—LA Weekly “LaBute is a master at crafting shocking situations and nasty characters.”—Publishers Weekly

The Red Woman - Yata Mcelrath 2017-01-31  
The *Red Woman* will reward Women for their existence. It will rejuvenate her confidence and

reimburse her for the life and unselfish love that she has given. She is deserving of so much more and these Pleasure Principles are the more, which will speak into her spirit and penetrate her heart while pleasing all of her principles. She is Woman and is worth more than less and considered valuable because she is priceless. These Pleasure Principles will penetrate the hearts of our Women and allow them to give birth to The Red Woman that dwells inside of her.

**In My Father's Court** - Isaac Bashevis Singer  
1966

An autobiographical collection of episodes remembered by the son of a rabbi

*The Perils of Pleasure* - Julie Anne Long  
2008-01-29

A rescued rogue . . . Scandal has rocked the city of London. Colin Eversea, a handsome, reckless unapologetic rogue is sentenced to hang for murder and, inconveniently for him, the only witness to the crime disappears. Then again,

throughout history, the Everseas have always managed to cheat fate in style: Colin is snatched from the gallows by a beautiful, clever mercenary. A captivating captor. . . Cool-headed, daring Madeleine Greenway is immune to Colin's vaunted charm. Her mission is not to rescue Colin but to kidnap him, and to be paid handsomely for it. But when it becomes clear that whoever wants Colin alive wants Madeline dead, the two become uneasy allies in a deadly race for truth. Together, they'll face great danger—and a passion neither can resist.

**Fahrenheit 451** - Ray Bradbury 2003-09-23

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

*The Limits of Pleasure* - Daniel M Jaffe  
2010-11-13

With great humor and sensitivity, bear writer Daniel M. Jaffe's novel *The Limits of Pleasure* follows Dave Miller, a forty-year old bearish gay man, living in Boston in an escalating skirmish to

reconcile his Jewish and gay identities. A year after the death of his Holocaust-surviving grandmother, Dave leaves Boston for Amsterdam, the home of Anne Frank, whom his Grandma revered. Dave, feeling underserving to confront the suffering that Grandma endured in the concentration camps, cannot bring himself to visit Anne Frank's house. Angry at himself and the world, Dave repeatedly seeks out risky erotic trysts that mix sacred ritual with profane hedonism. Then he meets Alexander, a sexually reserved Dutchman of Indonesian heritage, who has identity conflicts of his own. The relationship shakes both men's lives to their core.

**Restoring the Pleasure** - Clifford Penner

2016-03-08

Do you need help restoring the pleasure to your marriage? Whether you've been married a day, a decade, or half a century, if your sexual relationship is marred by pain, tension, or disappointment—you are not alone. Thousands of couples struggle with sexual problems that

keep their marriages from being all that God intended them to be. But there is hope! Now, sexual therapists and best-selling authors Joyce and Cliff Penner share their proven methods in this comprehensive, easy-to-follow book of detailed explanations, realistic anecdotes, and clearly written exercises. Providing the biblical basis for the sexual relationship, as well as helpful diagnostic aids, the Penners help you improve communication and educate yourselves about your God-given sexual response. Then they lead you step-by-step through creative (and fun) sexual-retraining assignments to help you overcome various problems. The Penners provide straightforward advice and reassuring encouragement to help you start restoring the pleasure to your marriage. Beginning counselors and pastors will also find this an invaluable resource for helping others overcome their sexual barriers.

**Nine Stories** - J.D. Salinger 2019-08-13

The "original, first-rate, serious, and beautiful"

short fiction (New York Times Book Review) that introduced J. D. Salinger to American readers in the years after World War II, including "A Perfect Day for Bananafish" and the first appearance of Salinger's fictional Glass family. Nine exceptional stories from one of the great literary voices of the twentieth century. Witty, urbane, and frequently affecting, *Nine Stories* sits alongside Salinger's very best work--a treasure that will be passed down for many generations to come. The stories: A Perfect Day for Bananafish Uncle Wiggily in Connecticut Just Before the War with the Eskimos The Laughing Man Down at the Dinghy For Esmé--with Love and Squalor Pretty Mouth and Green My Eyes De Daumier-Smith's Blue Period Teddy

**A Day of Pleasure and Other Stories for Children** - Isaac Bashevis Singer 1996-09-01  
A collection of autobiographical and fantasy tales for children reflects the Nobel Prize-winning author's deeply rooted Polish cultural tradition.

**Fahrenheit 451** - Ray Bradbury 1968  
A fireman in charge of burning books meets a revolutionary school teacher who dares to read. Depicts a future world in which all printed reading material is burned.

*The Debt to Pleasure* - John Lanchester  
2001-12-07  
An impeccable, epicurean Englishman and lifelong Francophile recounts his past pleasures in Provence, in a meditation on food, vodka, and restaurant-going that becomes a dark satire on hedonism, in a critically acclaimed novel by the former restaurant critic of the London Observer. Reprint.

**The Day I Ate Whatever I Wanted** - Elizabeth Berg 2008-04-15  
NATIONAL BESTSELLER Now with an additional story. Every now and then, right in the middle of an ordinary day, a woman kicks up her heels and commits a small act of liberation. What would you do if you could shed the "shoulds" and do, say—and eat—whatever you

really desired? Go AWOL from Weight Watchers and spend an entire day eating every single thing you want? Start a dating service for people over fifty to reclaim the razzle-dazzle in your life—or your marriage? Seek comfort in the face of aging, look for love in the midst of loss, find friendship in the most surprising of places? In these beautiful, funny stories, Elizabeth Berg takes us into the heart of the lives of women who do all these things and more—confronting their true feelings, desires, and joys along the way.

**Gimpel the Fool** - Isaac Bashevis Singer  
2006-01-10

Twelve short stories about Jewish life in Poland.  
*Too Much Happiness* - Alice Munro 2009-08-25  
An international literary event: Ten new stories from a beloved and award-winning author. This stunning collection of new stories demonstrates once again why Alice Munro is celebrated as a pre-eminent master of the short story. While some of the stories are traditional, set in “Alice Munro Country” in Ontario or in B.C., dealing

with ordinary women’s lives, others have a new, sharper edge. They involve child murders, strange sex, and a terrifying home invasion. By way of astonishing variety, the title story, set in Victorian Europe, follows the last journey from France to Sweden of a famous Russian mathematician. This daring, superb collection proves that Alice Munro will always surprise you.

Classics for Pleasure - Michael Dirda 2008  
Organized thematically, a collection of essays introduces nearly ninety of the world's most entertaining and informative books, covering masterpieces of fantasy and science fiction, horror and adventure, epics, history, philosophy, essays, and children's literature, by authors ranging from Sappho and Petronius to Frederick Douglass, Arthur Conan Doyle, and Georgette Heyer. Reprint.

Shadows on the Hudson - Isaac Bashevis Singer  
2008-04-29

Boris Makaver, a wealthy Jewish businessman

living in New York City after the Holocaust, endures the tribulations of his daughter, Anna, as she makes many unfortunate decisions in her love life. 25,000 first printing.

*A Crown of Feathers* - 1972

*Parade of Pleasure* - Geoffrey Atheling Wagner  
1955

*The Pleasure of My Company* - Steve Martin  
2003-10-01

From the bestselling author of *Shopgirl* comes the tender story of a troubled man who finds love, and life, in the most unexpected place. Daniel resides in his Santa Monica apartment, living much of his life as a bystander: He watches from his window as the world goes by,

and his only relationships seem to be with people who barely know he exists. He passes the time idly filling out contest applications, counting ceiling tiles, and estimating the wattage of light bulbs. It is through Daniel's growing attachment to Clarissa, and to Teddy, that he finally gains the courage to begin to engage the world outside, and in doing so, he discovers love, and life, in the most surprising places. Filled with his trademark humor, tenderness, and out and out hilarious wordplay, *The Pleasure of My Company* is a tour de force sure to delight all of Steve Martin's fans.

*A Day of Pleasure* - Isaac Bashevis Singer  
1986-05-01

An ALA Notable Book. *A Day of Pleasure* is the winner of the 1970 National Book Award for Children's Books.