

A Bet Gone Wrong

This reissue of D. A. Gillies highly influential work, first published in 1973, is a philosophical theory of probability which seeks to develop von Mises' views on the subject. In agreement with von Mises, the author regards probability theory as a mathematical science like mechanics or electrodynamics, and probability as an objective, measurable concept like force, mass or charge. On the other hand, Dr Gillies rejects von Mises' definition of probability in terms of limiting frequency and claims that probability should be taken as a primitive or undefined term in accordance with modern axiomatic approaches. This of course raises the problem of how the abstract calculus of probability should be connected with the 'actual world of experiments'. It is suggested that this link should be established, not by a definition of probability, but by an application of Popper's concept of falsifiability. In addition to formulating his own interesting theory, Dr Gillies gives a detailed criticism of the generally accepted Neyman Pearson theory of testing, as well as of alternative philosophical approaches to probability theory. The reissue will be of interest both to philosophers with no previous knowledge of probability theory and to mathematicians interested in the foundations of probability theory and statistics.

New York fashion designer Jamie Nova has chosen the glitz of Las Vegas as the setting for celebrating her impending divorce. Joined by her two best friends, street-smart Madison Castelli, and Natalie de Barge, an ambitious TV reporter - Jamie plans to make the most of her hard-earned holiday and forget all about her controlling ex. When the threesome encounters Mark Blaine, the fun-loving playboy scion of a real estate billionaire, things start to heat up very quickly. Madison and Natalie receive a frantic midnight phone call telling them Mark is lying in Jamie's bed. And he's dead...

Designed to aid the serious player beat the games in today's modern casino environment. The days when you could simply master a count and expect to be a winner are gone forever. As a result, winning at blackjack requires not only numerous skills, but also a lot of thinking about the game. Unlike most blackjack books, this text assumes that you already know how to count cards, and it introduces techniques that should be useful to the successful player. The topics covered are card domination (more commonly known as shuffle tracking), theoretical concepts, blackjack biases, current blackjack, mistaken ideas, supplemental strategies, playing in a casino, obsolete techniques, and front loading. In addition, advice is offered on gambler's ruin, the one-deck game, back counting, betting strategies, heads-up play, becoming a professional, casino preparation, first basing, and much more.

An eye-opening investigation of the highly profitable, influential, and predatory gambling industry discusses the growing problem of compulsive gambling, the false promise of economic revival that has led communities to depend on the industry, and the criminal connections of many of the industry's leading companies. 15,000 first printing.

"I would sleep better if I knew that Bernanke, Geithner, Bachus, Sen. Tim Johnson, Obama and Romney all kept dog-eared copies of Kevin Mellyn's Broken Markets on their nightstands. . . . Mellyn's work is a fascinating, important, and eminently good read and should inform the debate on overhauling the U.S. and global financial regulatory systems and sustainable macro fiscal and monetary policy." --Eric Grover, in his review of Broken Markets in The American Banker
Broken Markets allows the intelligent non-specialist to understand and navigate the ongoing worldwide aftermath of the 2008 financial market meltdown. The key theme of the book is how the leading financial institutions and the political leadership of the U.S. and European Union have failed us and set the stage for continued market turmoil. It explains what this means for investors, borrowers, society in general, and the financial-services industry. Former banker Kevin Mellyn focuses on providing readers with clear and simple explanations of the forces at work and the potential consequences for their future prosperity. As this book

makes clear, what's coming is a world in which high structural unemployment and flat or declining real income is likely—not to mention a diminished retirement financial safety net. The book therefore provides actionable information for protecting wealth and making prudent investment decisions in an economy that is nothing like the one that has sustained us for decades. As a forward-looking narrative about rapidly changing events and volatile markets and politics, *Broken Markets* will provide no single prediction about the future but rather describe alternative scenarios and provide the reader with signposts to watch out for in deciding which reality is actually unfolding. Unlike most books written by journalists on global finance, the scenarios and signposts described will be largely based on the lessons of financial and political history rather than breaking news. This book: Tells you in plain language how today's financial system threatens your livelihood and wealth Tells you why and how governments worldwide, with some notable exceptions, are taking actions likely to make things worse instead of better Explains how the leading financial institutions lost their way during the bubble years and how they can find the path back to prosperity and value to society Tells you what life will be like in a "post-finance" economy and how you can protect your wealth

A hysterically funny tale of Lux's hot pursuit of the 3 R's: relationships, real estate, and erotica Welcome to the New York City of the Tuesday Erotica Club, in which four women from different worlds get together once a week to read their erotic fantasies and share their latest real-life adventures in sex, finance, and friendship. Lux Fitzgerald grew up in a family more affected by incarceration rates than interest rates. But she's determined to blaze her own trail, and has gone deeply into debt to buy a neglected mansion to jump start her real estate empire. Surrounded by an old flame restoring the house, a hoodlum mortgage broker, and a gorgeous neighborhood fireman, Lux is destined to either drown in debt or catch fire with opportunities. Lux isn't the only club member who's in over her head, but these women stick together in times of trouble—and anyone standing in their way better watch out. This is a wild, laugh-out-loud story about women who mean business.

Don't miss the latest entry in the incredible Willow Falls series by Wendy Mass! Amanda and Leo have a history with birthdays. Now their friend's little sister, Grace, has fallen into a strange frozen state on her birthday, and Amanda and Leo must travel in time in order to fix whatever's wrong. As they journey back to each of Grace's birthdays, they start seeing all sorts of patterns . . . which raise all sorts of questions. Amanda and Leo are going to have to unravel the threads of the past and present - and travel much further than they ever imagined - if they're going to save Grace. Luckily, a little birthday magic always helps in the charming and funny Willow Falls series by Wendy Mass, where everything is possible and there are no coincidences.

Would you support an illegal programme to destroy terrorism from within? Three years ago, Harry Decker ran a covert spy cell in Baghdad for the British SAS. A mental breakdown cost Decker his career and almost his sanity. All the other members of Decker's cell are dead; victims of suicides, random accidents and multiple murders. In a bid to rebuild his shattered mind, Harry undertakes a record-breaking crossing of Antarctica. However, as he fights for his life on the lethal glaciers, his brain concocts a vast conspiracy theory that might just be true... When Decker broadcasts his wild theory online, it's intercepted by a group of men who will go to the ends of the earth to silence him. On the brink of madness can Harry Decker save his sanity and his life, while being hunted by former colleagues who will not hesitate to put a bullet in his head. Decker hunted people on the kill list, now he's number one on it.

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This book is a major new contribution to decision theory, focusing on the question of when it is rational to accept scientific theories. The author examines both Bayesian decision theory and confirmation theory, refining and elaborating the views of Ramsey

and Savage. He argues that the most solid foundation for confirmation theory is to be found in decision theory, and he provides a decision-theoretic derivation of principles for how many probabilities should be revised over time. Professor Maher defines a notion of accepting a hypothesis, and then shows that it is not reducible to probability and that it is needed to deal with some important questions in the philosophy of science. A Bayesian decision-theoretic account of rational acceptance is provided together with a proof of the foundations for this theory. A final chapter shows how this account can be used to cast light on such vexing issues as verisimilitude and scientific realism.

Modern love plus online anonymity is a recipe for romantic disaster in this lighthearted new romance from the author of *The Geek's Guide to Unrequited Love*. How bad can one little virtual lie be? NYU freshman Mariam Vakilian hasn't dated anyone in five months, not since her high school sweetheart Caleb broke up with her. So, when she decides to take advantage of an expiring coupon and try out a new virtual reality dating service, it's sort of a big deal. It's an even bigger deal when it chooses as one of her three matches none other than Caleb himself. That has to be a sign, right? Except that her other match, Jeremy, just happens to be her new best friend IRL. Mariam's heart is telling her one thing, but the app is telling her another. So, which should she trust? Is all fair in modern love?

As Vincent De Marcos watches a barge carry off a supersonic airliner to a museum in November 2003, he can't help but think: The old boat still has a place in the world, but the Concorde apparently does not. For the first time in the history of transportation, distances have become longer, and it feels like a funeral—only they are burying the future instead of a person. No one seems to care, but sixteen years later Vincent still can't help thinking about what the world has lost. To him, we still live in the past, and smartphones and tablets, as amazing as they are, will never change that. He struggles to focus on work at the Rigor Insurance building and looks forward to sometimes flirting with his friend, the beautiful Nuria Guzman. It's only by chance that he sees a presentation about the supposed existence of a forgotten Jewish community composed of elite, scientific thinkers that have been hiding in Antarctica since World War 2.

Throwing caution to the wind, he decides to search for the community, even though it means risking his life. If he finds it, he'll be forced to decide whether or not the scientists can be trusted to help the world live up to its promise in *Future Man*. Inspired by the findings of historical researcher Rainer Daehnhardt who, in 2005, was awarded "Top One Hundred Scientist 2005" by Cambridge, for his historical scientific research, namely his findings on the activities in Antarctica by the German of the 3rd Reich in the 1930/40s and the secret operations, led by allied forces - especially the U.S. - to find them, long after WWII was over. He has published 80 books and over 600 scientific articles.

Away from Lenoir, Ellie Burke found a place to breathe again. A brighter home surrounded with her loved ones. A once-in-a-lifetime chance to change her life. Everything seemed perfect enough - until she met Riley Flynn. A mysterious young boy with a devilish smile, silently living with a traumatic secret buried away from others. In the midst of rain, uncertainty and burning desire - Ellie Burke finally found her salvation. But when there is hope, there is always a risk for major heartbreak. [Terfaktab] [Write & Brave]

In 2007, a global financial and economic crisis broke out that shook the world. It spun the globe into a common vortex. Whether it was loss of equity value or real estate, salary downgrades, job loss or lack of market demand in business, the crisis affected every one, everywhere. The scale of this crisis was unlike any other economic upheaval since the Great Depression of 1929-1933. It deeply impacted the global economic and financial order, as well as the advent of global trade and the mobility of capital. The long-term effects of the crisis will continue to effect our lives for many years to come. What and who caused the crisis? Was it wall Street? Was it global economic imbalances built on an undervalued Yuan and an overvalued Dollar? Or was it the loose monetary policy which caused asset bubble? More importantly, what should we do to forecast and forestall crises such as this in the future? Unfortunately, discussion on these vital concerns have largely remained the preserve of academics and experts. The lay person has come to understand the crisis only in terms of its tangible impact on home and workplace- and through pop-speak such as sub-prime mortgages and credit -default-swaps'. This book attempts to demystify the crisis for the layman and make him a participant in discussions regarding our collective future. The basic causes of the crisis, though complex, are often shadowed by the various emotions which accompany its aftermath. This book is an attempt to understand the fundamental nature of the crisis in terms of broader trends rather than determining guilty companies, institutions and individuals. Only such an understanding can secure the global community against similar devastating crises in future.

Enter the world of the fae with the complete Fae Queen Of Winter series. Eira has always known she's the descendent of Jack Frost, and that she needs to call the frosts each year, what she didn't know is that fate has a lot more in store for her, including the throne belonging to the Fae Queen Of Winter. Along with her mates, Eira embarks on an adventure like no other. Can she claim the throne and keep the balance between the Winter and Summer Courts? The Fae Queen Of Winter: The Complete series includes Saving Eira, Reigning Eira, and Calling Eira, as well as the prequel, Frost's Forfeit, featuring Nieves and Jack Frost. It is a paranormal/fantasy whychoose romance series packed with fae, witches, and vampires.

An insightful look at the urban sensibility that gives the Great American Songbook its pizzazz.

Wall Street Journal bestseller! Poker champion turned business consultant Annie Duke teaches you how to get comfortable with uncertainty and make better decisions as a result. In Super Bowl XLIX, Seahawks coach Pete Carroll made one of the most controversial calls in football history: With 26 seconds remaining, and trailing by four at the Patriots' one-yard line, he called for a pass instead of a hand off to his star running back. The pass was intercepted and the Seahawks lost. Critics called it the dumbest play in history. But was the call really that bad? Or did Carroll actually make a great move that was ruined by bad luck? Even the best decision doesn't yield the best outcome every time. There's always an element of luck that you can't control, and there is always information that is hidden from view. So the key to long-term success (and avoiding worrying yourself to death) is to think in bets: How sure am I? What are the possible ways things could turn out? What decision has the highest odds of success? Did I land in the unlucky 10% on the strategy that works 90% of the time? Or is my success attributable to dumb luck rather than great decision making? Annie Duke, a

former World Series of Poker champion turned business consultant, draws on examples from business, sports, politics, and (of course) poker to share tools anyone can use to embrace uncertainty and make better decisions. For most people, it's difficult to say "I'm not sure" in a world that values and, even, rewards the appearance of certainty. But professional poker players are comfortable with the fact that great decisions don't always lead to great outcomes and bad decisions don't always lead to bad outcomes. By shifting your thinking from a need for certainty to a goal of accurately assessing what you know and what you don't, you'll be less vulnerable to reactive emotions, knee-jerk biases, and destructive habits in your decision making. You'll become more confident, calm, compassionate and successful in the long run.

Financial spread betting is a huge industry. But who wins and who loses at this game? What do the winners do that differs from the losers? That is what this book is about. Malcolm Pryor uses the model of climbing a mountain to explain a disciplined, winning approach to spread betting. First a base camp must be established. This includes getting set up with the right corporate data, charting and accounts software, deciding what to bet on and what your time frame should be, learning the nuances of operating an account, controlling risk, and learning from other people's mistakes. Many spread bettors don't even get this far. Next, we start climbing the mountain; this means having strategies that are right for us. The whole of this section is devoted to illustrating strategies which can be used for spread betting, for example trend following, counter-trend strategies and delta-neutral strategies such as pairs trading. Finally, we make our assault on the summit of the mountain. This is where the winners set themselves apart from the losers. Issues covered here include trade planning, record keeping, performance reviews, more on risk management, psychology and continual development. In this enhanced second edition, you also benefit from: - Refreshed and improved trading and risk management techniques, incorporating four additional years of spread betting experience and changes in the markets. - Brand new advice on managing exposure. - Updated analysis of spread betting firms' behaviour, order types and other practical issues. Spread betting is great fun; almost anyone can enjoy the odd bet now and again. But if you want to make money from spread betting then it must be taken seriously and a disciplined, tactical approach is required. This book is the essential guide to get to the top of the mountain.

DUTCH BOYD is a three-time World Series of Poker bracelet winner who has won and lost millions. Read his amazing true story of the sky highs and cavernous lows living the life of a professional poker player, and his struggle to hang on to his bankroll and his sanity.

Eira thought she was done with the fae courts. At least, it seemed that way with the Fae Queen of Summer incapacitated. Except that the Fae Queen of Winter is dying, and her daughter refuses the throne. Leaving only one possible successor. Someone with the powers that belonged to the Winter Fae in the first place. Someone sounding suspiciously like Eira. The Queen is dead. Long live the Queen. - Reigning Eira is a paranormal reverse harem, set in the Paranormal Council universe, and the second book of Fated Seasons: Winter. Reigning Eira is book two in the Fated Seasons: Winter trilogy, a paranormal fantasy romance with some urban fantasy undertones and a reverse harem relationship including fae, witches, and vampires. It includes the royal courts and fae queens as well as some steamy scenes.

Winner of the 2005 Book Prize from the Association for Humanist Sociology In this absorbing account of New York's famous vacation playground, Corey Dolgon goes beyond the celebrity tales and polo games to tell us the story of this complex and contentious land. From the displacement of Native Americans by the Puritans to the first wave of Manhattan elites who built the Summer Colony, to the current infusion of telecommuting Manhattanites who now want to live there year-round, the story of the Hamptons is a vicious cycle of supposed paradise lost. Drawing on this fabled land's history, *The End of the Hamptons* provides a fascinating portrait of current controversies: the Native Americans fighting over land claims and threatening to build a casino, the environmental activists clashing with the McMansion builders, and the Latino day laborers and working-class natives trying to eke out a living in an ever-increasingly expensive town.

Wedding planner Tyler Warren thought she'd finally found *The One*, and she couldn't wait to live out their fairy tale together. Unfortunately, relationships don't always work out the way we want them to. Sometimes modern-day princes have inner dragons to battle, and when issues from the past threaten to end Tyler's relationship before it really begins, she starts to question whether their love story is real. But the biggest test may be the arrival of a handsome new prince, ready to step in and steal her heart forever. A lot can happen between *Once Upon A Time* and *Happily Ever After*. This second volume in the *Tales Behind the Veils* series picks up where *Diary of a Single Wedding Planner* ended, but Tyler's personal drama dampens her enthusiasm for her crazy wedding clients. As she travels down the sometimes treacherous path of romance, Tyler finds that being a wedding planner in love isn't always the easiest job to have!

Chef Maurice Mysteries - Book #3 in series They say all's Fayre in love and baking... Spring has sprung, the bunting is up, and for the residents of the little Cotswold village of Beakley, this can only mean one thing: it's time for the Beakley Spring Fayre. Drawing the crowds this year is stiletto-strutting celebrity chef Miranda Matthews, a woman for whom making enemies is a piece of (shop-bought) cake. And one of them is lurking around the Fayre, ready to make sure Miranda hangs up her apron—for good. Faced with a murderer with a possible penchant for top(ping) chefs, Chef Maurice must sift through the clues and weigh up the suspects—not to mention contending with a sous-chef with mummy issues, a food critic on a diet, and a bulletproof pudding—as he finds himself on the trail of a killer who's not cooking by the rules...

In the wake of the financial meltdown in 2008, many claimed that it had been inevitable, that no one saw it coming, and that subprime borrowers were to blame. This accessible, thoroughly researched book is Jennifer Taub's response to such unfounded claims. Drawing on wide-ranging experience as a corporate lawyer, investment firm counsel, and scholar of business law and financial market regulation, Taub chronicles how government officials helped bankers inflate the toxic-mortgage-backed housing bubble, then after the bubble burst ignored the plight of millions of homeowners suddenly facing foreclosure. Focusing new light on the similarities between the savings and loan debacle of the 1980s and the financial crisis in 2008, Taub reveals that in both cases the same reckless banks, operating under different names, received government bailouts, while the same lax regulators overlooked fraud and abuse. Furthermore, in 2013 the situation is essentially unchanged. The author

asserts that the 2008 crisis was not just similar to the S&L scandal, it was a severe relapse of the same underlying disease. And despite modest regulatory reforms, the disease remains uncured: top banks remain too big to manage, too big to regulate, and too big to fail.

Damen Aetos. Mob boss. Madman. And soon to be my husband. He doesn't care that I'm a virgin. Doesn't care about my beauty. Nothing matters to him but my last name. By marrying me, the Madman ensures that a centuries-old bargain will be met. The fact that he gets me -- gets to do anything to me that he wants -- is just icing on the cake for him. But I have secrets too, lurking beneath my pretty surface. Secrets, lies, and a power greater than either of us can imagine. The question is, when The High Priestess comes calling, how will he respond?

I have been working on this book since leaving Russia in April of 1972. It was my wish to write this book in English, and there were what seemed to me to be serious reasons for doing so. In recent years there has appeared a wealth of literature, in Russian, about Russia. As a rule, this literature has been published outside the USSR by authors who still live in the Soviet Union or who have only recently left it. A fair amount of important literature is being translated into English, but I believe it will be read mainly by specialists in Russian studies, or by those who have a great interest in the subject already. The majority of Russian authors write, of course, for the Russian reader or for an imagined Western public. It is my feeling that Russian authors have serious difficulties in understanding the mentality of Westerners, and that there still exists a gap between the visions of Russians and non-Russians. I have made my humble attempt to bridge this gap and I will be happy if I am even partly successful. The Russian world is indeed fascinating. Many people who visit Russia for a few days or weeks find it a country full of historical charm, fantastic architecture and infinite mystery. For many inside the country, especially for those in conflict with the Soviet authorities. Each step of Victoria's life has been planned to perfection, but one bet gone wrong changes everything. She's ripped from the safety of her world and thrown into one ruled by Jude Pearson, a notorious criminal. She's collateral he shouldn't want. A weakness he can't afford. A good girl willing to bring a bad man to his knees. This is a story where nothing is what it seems. Where everything wrong seems right.***Be forewarned: This is a love story filled with twists and turns.

The Great Financial Crisis that began in 2007-2008 reminds us with devastating force that financial instability and crises are endemic to capitalist economies. This Handbook describes the theoretical, institutional, and historical factors that can help us understand the forces that create financial crises.

Change is difficult but essential—Esther Derby offers seven guidelines for change by attraction, an approach that draws people into the process so that instead of resisting change, they embrace it. Even if you don't have change management in your job description, your job involves change. Change is a given as modern organizations respond to market and technology advances, make improvements, and evolve practices to meet new challenges. This is not a simple process on any level. Often, there is no indisputable right answer, and responding requires trial and error, learning and unlearning. Whatever you choose to do, it will interact with existing policies and structures in unpredictable ways. And there is, quite simply, a natural human resistance to being told to change. Rather than creating more rigorous preconceived plans or

imposing change by decree, agile software developer turned organizational change expert Esther Derby offers change by attraction, an approach that is adaptive and responsive and engages people in learning, evolving, and owning the new way. She presents a set of seven heuristics—guides to problem-solving—that empower people to achieve outcomes within broad constraints using their personal ingenuity and creativity. When you work by attraction, you give space and support for people to feel the loss that comes with change and help them see what is valuable about the future you propose. Resistance fades because people feel there is nothing to push against—only something they want to move toward. Derby's approach clears the fog to provide a new way forward that honors people and creates safety for change.

A stop order is an essential tool used for money management and risk limitation, but for many investors and traders it is not terribly well understood. Do you know how to apply stop orders effectively at entry, and maintain them properly until exit, so as to buy low and sell high, or buy high and sell higher? Do you know how to limit your downside risk by combining stop orders with effective position sizing? What will you do if the market gaps and you get stopped out? This book provides the answers. The author begins by presenting a thorough survey of the various stops available, including buy and sell stop orders and trailing stop orders. This provides a vital introduction for beginners, and a handy reference guide for those more experienced. Having described these tools, Stop Order then moves on to examine their practical applications by explaining how to use the different stop order techniques when making your trades in the markets. The book is illustrated throughout with charts for stock indices, individual stocks, commodities and foreign exchange currency pairs to provide a range of real-life examples. This book covers everything you need to know about stop orders and how to make them work for you. Whether you are a trader, an investor, or a spread bettor, you should regard the stop order as essential in helping you lock in your profits and succeed in the markets. This volume is a collection of original essays focusing on a wide range of topics in the History and Philosophy of Science. It is a festschrift for Peter Machamer, which includes contributions from scholars who, at one time or another, were his students. The essays bring together analyses of issues and debates spanning from early modern science and philosophy through the 21st century. Machamer's influence is reflected in the volume's broad range of topics. These include: underdetermination, scientific practice, scientific models, mechanistic explanation in contemporary and historical science, values in science, the relationship between philosophy and psychology, experimentation, supervenience and reductionism.

The High Priestess - 1: Damen Aetos. Mob boss. Madman. And soon to be my husband. He doesn't care that I'm a virgin. Doesn't care about my beauty. Nothing matters to him but my last name. By marrying me, the Madman ensures that a centuries-old bargain will be met. The fact that he gets me -- gets to do anything to me that he wants -- is just icing on the cake for him. But I have secrets too, lurking beneath my pretty surface. Secrets, lies, and a power greater than either of us can imagine. The question is, when The High Priestess comes calling, how will he respond? Provoke – 2: I meet her in a wedding dress, walking down the aisle towards my sworn enemy. Our eyes catch from across the room. And monster that I am, I know I have to have her. Not just because she is precious to my sworn enemy... but also because her wide blue eyes tell me things. That she's afraid of me. That she's even more afraid of my enemy. That

she'll do almost anything to escape him. I seize on her fear. I abduct her, while she's screaming and fighting me. And that's when our story begins. Punish – 3: Stolen and abducted... yet in the same stroke, saved. On one hand, I escaped certain death at the hands of people who have already hurt me. On the other, now I'm trapped with him. The rival of my abuser, who is every bit as terrifying. Dark and sinfully handsome, he wants me. He wants me to turn my back on the religion that has raised me. He wants me to spread my legs for him and him alone. He wants to punish me. He wants to teach me to like his lessons. Or else he'll kill my little sister and turn me over to the men who controlled me before. Either way, I will have to make sacrifices. Sacrifices that have lasting consequences. I walk on the knife's edge between falling prey again and completely losing myself. And if I'm not careful, I may end up worse than dead...

Possess – 4: There is something blooming between my captor and I, hot and wet and fragile. Lust. Obsession. Maybe it's even love. But there are still secrets that stand between us, looming large over whatever happiness we might find together. Dangerous secrets. Things worth killing over. If I reveal my secret to Dryas, he very well might die to protect me. The last thing I want is to confront those that hurt me without him at my side. But I might not get a choice, if Dryas has his way... Protect – 5: I wake up in the wreckage, ready to fight for Rue. Only she is gone, stolen away by my archenemy. I start to see red. No one touches my girl and expects to live. The deck is stacked against us. Emotions are running high. There is one thing that no one else realizes, though. Rue is mine, and I will get her back if it is the last f*cking thing I do.

A guy walks into a bar... With this guide, aspiring comics will learn to navigate the complex world of comedy writing. Discover how to tap into your natural sense of humor through real-life examples and hands-on skill-building exercises. Learn the best ways to come up with ideas and write comedy that gets laughs--every time! Mike Bent, an accomplished stand-up comedian and teacher, provides the inside scoop on techniques to jump-start your comedy writing career, including how to: Develop comic characters for sketches and scenes Create and polish a standup routine Write for TV and movies Use the web to advance your comedy career Everyone loves a comedian. But breaking into this tough field is no laughing matter. After sharpening your comedy-writing skills with this practical (and funny!) guide, you'll feel comfortable adding humor to everyday situations and may even take a chance on your dream job in show business!

Rhys went to Las Vegas to marry his fiancée, but ended up walking down the aisle with his best man instead. That bad idea was the best decision he ever made.

A crafty Cops and Robbers tale with a twist of Vietnam mixed in. Try to follow the evidence trail as the robbers move from state to state robbing banks. See if you can figure out the clues to the mystery inside. A great read if you like cops and robbers—real crime drama told by a Police Detective...in the style of catch me if you think you can.

Your hero is not the most important character in your book. Your villain is. Are you fed up of drowning in two-dimensional villains? Frustrated with creating clichés? And failing to get your reader to root for your villain? In *13 Steps to Evil*, you'll discover: + How to develop a villain's mindset + A step-by-step guide to creating your villain from the ground up + Why getting to the core of a villain's personality is essential to make them credible + What pitfalls and clichés to avoid as well as the tropes your story needs Finally, there is a comprehensive writing guide to help you create superbad villains.

Whether you're just starting out or are a seasoned writer, this book will help power up your bad guy and give them that extra edge. These lessons will help you master and control your villainous minions, navigate and gain the perfect balance of good and evil, as well as strengthening your villain to give your story the tension and punch it needs. If you like dark humor, learning through examples and want to create the best villains you can, then you'll love Sacha Black's guide to crafting superbad villains. Read *13 Steps to Evil* today and start creating kick-ass villains.

The recent boom of Texas hold 'em has forever changed the way the game is played. Many more people know how to play this game well. Even the "loose" players who come to gamble have become far more aggressive, making them more difficult to play against. So a basic tight and patient strategy will no longer guarantee that you can make a significant amount of money in games at the higher stakes. This is especially true short-handed, which have become increasingly popular in the online poker rooms. This novel is a "Cops and Robbers" story with a twist of Vietnam mixed in. Detective First Class Salvatore A. Joseph retired after twenty-five years of police service. He chased armed felons most of his career. He took up flying along the way and worked his way up from co-pilot to captain on several different jets. Today, he is a captain on two popular business airplanes: the Hawker Siddeley 800-XP Mid-Size Jet and the large cabin Challenger-601-3A series. He knows what he is talking about when it comes to hijackers and jet airplanes.

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