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I Love Led Zeppelin Basic Books

"A heart-healing, mocs-on-the-ground story of music, family and friendship." -- Cynthia Leitich Smith, author of *Tantalize* and *Rain is Not My Indian Name*. Lewis "Shoe" Blake is used to the joys and difficulties of life on the Tuscarora Indian reservation in 1975: the joking, the Fireball games, the snow blowing through his roof. What he's not used to is white kids being nice to him -- kids like George Haddonfield, whose family recently moved to town with the Air Force. As the boys connect through their mutual passion for music, especially the Beatles, Lewis has to lie more and more to hide the reality of his family's poverty from George. He also has to deal with the vicious Evan Reininger, who makes Lewis the special target of his wrath. But when everyone else is on Evan's side, how can he be defeated? And if George finds out the truth about Lewis's home -- will he still be his friend? Acclaimed adult author Eric Gansworth makes his YA debut with this wry and powerful novel about friendship, memory, and the joy of rock 'n' roll.

The Best American Poetry 2015 Open Road Media

From New York Times bestselling author Sherman Alexie and Caldecott Honor winning Yuyi Morales comes a striking and beautifully illustrated picture book celebrating the special relationship between father and son. Thunder Boy Jr. wants a normal name...one that's all his own. Dad is known as big Thunder, but little thunder doesn't want to share a name. He wants a name that celebrates something cool he's done like *Touch the Clouds*, *Not Afraid of Ten Thousand Teeth*, or *Full of Wonder*. But just when Little Thunder thinks all hope is lost, dad picks the best name...Lightning! Their love will be loud and bright, and together they will light up the sky.

Blasphemy Open Road Media

"Stunning" short stories by the National Book Award-winning author of *The Lone Ranger* and *Tonto Fistfight in Heaven* (The Atlanta Journal-Constitution). In this bestselling volume of stories, National Book Award winner Sherman Alexie challenges readers to see Native American Indians as the complex, modern, real people they are. The tender and tenacious tales of *The Toughest Indian in the World* introduce us to the one-hundred-eighteen-year-old Etta Joseph, former co-star and lover of John Wayne, and to the unnamed narrator of the title story, a young Indian journalist searching for togetherness one hitchhiker at a time. Countless other brilliant creations leap from Alexie's mind in these nine stories. Upwardly mobile Indians yearn for a more authentic life, married Indian couples push apart while still cleaving together, and ordinary, everyday Indians hunt for meaning in their lives. *The Toughest Indian in the World* combines anger, humor, and beauty into radiant fictions, fiercely imagined, from one of America's greatest writers. This ebook features an illustrated biography including rare photos from the author's personal collection.

[The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven](#) Open Road Media

The eagerly-awaited new book by Denise Chong, author of the award-winning, national bestseller, *The Concubine's Children*. In her first book in a decade, beloved author Denise Chong, tells the story of a man who humiliated a repressive regime in front of the entire world, and whose daring gesture informs our view of human rights to this day. Despite his family's impeccable Communist roots, Lu Decheng, a small town bus mechanic, grew up intuiting all that was wrong with Mao's China. As a young man he believes truth and decency mattered, only to learn that preserving the Chairman's legacy mattered more. Lu's story reads like Shakespearean drama, peppered with defiance, love and betrayal. His steadfast refusal to acquiesce comes to a head, but not an end, with his infamous defacing of Mao's portrait during the 1989 protests in Tiananmen Square. From the Hardcover edition.

[First Indian on the Moon](#) University of New Mexico Press

The *Outlaw Bible of American Literature* will serve as a primer for generational revolt and an enduring document of the visionary tradition of authenticity and nonconformity in literature. This exuberant manifesto includes lives of the writers, on-the-scene testimony, seminal underground articles never before collected, photographs, cartoons, drawings, interviews, and, above all, the writings. Beat, Punk, Noir, Prison, Porn, Cyber, Queer, Anarchist, Blue Collar, Pulp, Sci-Fi, Utopian, Mobster, Political—all are represented. The Bible includes fiction, essays, letters, memoirs, journalism, lyrics, diaries, manifestoes, and selections from seminal film scripts, including *Easy Rider*, *Apocalypse Now*, and *Taxi Driver*. The editors have brought together an extravagant, eclectic, searing, and unforgettable body of work, showcasing *Hustlers*, *Mavericks*, *Contrarians*, *Rockers*, *Barbarians*, *Gangsters*, *Hedonists*, *Provocateurs*, *Hipsters*, and *Revolutionaries*—all in one raucous cauldron of rebellion and otherness. This prose companion to the best-selling award-winning *Outlaw Bible of American Poetry* features selections from Hunter S. Thompson, Exene Cervenka, Patti Smith, Dennis Cooper, Malcolm X, Sonny Barger, Maggie Estep, Lenny Bruce, Henry Miller, R. Crumb, Philip K. Dick, Iceberg Slim, Gil Scott-Heron, Kathy Acker, Jim Carroll, Charles Mingus, Norman Mailer, and many others.

[Not Even Past](#) Grove Press

Jan Brett's bestselling snowy "Goldilocks" retelling is now available in this popular large, durable format. Painted in her signature style, the familiar story and depiction of playful Arctic animals and birds dressed in colorful Inuit costumes make this classic tale a perfect choice for Jan's youngest fans.

[The Water Is Wide](#) Lake Union Publishing

Title page verso indicates hardcover edition, but this ISBN is for the paperback printing.

[Sacred Smokes](#) Basic Books

This lighthearted and eye-opening book explores the role of comedy in cultural and political critiques of American society from the past century. This unprecedented look at the history of satire in America showcases the means by which our society is informed by humor—from the way we examine the news, to how we communicate with each other, to what we seek out for

entertainment. From biographical information to critical reception of material and personalities, the book features humorists from both literary and popular culture settings spanning the past 100 years. Through its 180 entries, this comprehensive volume covers a range of artists—individuals such as Joan Rivers, Hunter S. Thompson, and Chris Rock—and topics, including vaudeville, cartoons, and live performances. The content is organized by media and genre to showcase connections between writers and performers. Chapters include an alphabetical listing of humorists grouped by television and film stars, stand-up and performance comics, literary humorists, and humorists in popular print.

Rain Is Not My Indian Name Vintage

The bestselling, award-winning author's "fiercely freewheeling collection of stories and poems about the tragicomedies of ordinary lives" (O, The Oprah Magazine). Winner of the PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction, *War Dances* blends short stories, poems, call-and-response, and more into something that only Sherman Alexie could have written. Ordinary men stand at the threshold of profound change, from a story about a famous writer caring for a dying but still willful father, to the tale of a young Indian boy who learns to value his own life by appreciating the deaths of others. Perceptions change, too, as "Another Proclamation" casts a shadow over Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, and "Invisible Dog on a Leash" limns the heartbreak of shattered childhood illusions. And nostalgia for antiquated technology is tenderly rendered in "Ode to Mix Tapes" and "Ode for Pay Phones." With his versatile voice, Alexie explores love, betrayal, fatherhood, alcoholism, and art in this spirited, soulful, and endlessly entertaining collection, transcending genre boundaries to create something truly unique. This ebook features an illustrated biography including rare photos from the author's personal collection.

The Outlaw Bible of American Literature Random House Digital, Inc.

A New York Times bestseller—over one million copies sold! A National Book Award winner A Boston Globe-Horn Book Award winner Bestselling author Sherman Alexie tells the story of Junior, a budding cartoonist growing up on the Spokane Indian Reservation. Determined to take his future into his own hands, Junior leaves his troubled school on the rez to attend an all-white farm town high school where the only other Indian is the school mascot. Heartbreaking, funny, and beautifully written, *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, which is based on the author's own experiences, coupled with poignant drawings by Ellen Forney that reflect the character's art, chronicles the contemporary adolescence of one Native American boy as he attempts to break away from the life he was destined to live. With a forward by Markus Zusak, interviews with Sherman Alexie and Ellen Forney, and black-and-white interior art throughout, this edition is perfect for fans and collectors alike.

God Grew Tired of Us Grove/Atlantic, Inc.

Poetry. Native American Studies. Sherman Alexie's poems, fiction, and essays have won him an international following since his first book, *THE BUSINESS OF FANCYDANCING*, was published to great acclaim in 1992. *SMOKE SIGNALS*, the film he adapted from one of his stories and coproduced, enlarged his audience still further. Alexie's honors include awards from the NEA, the Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Foundation, and the Washington State Arts Commission, and a citation as One of the 20 Best American Novelists Under the Age of 40 from *GRANTA* magazine. An enrolled Spokane/Coeur d'Alene Indian, Alexie lives in Seattle with his wife and son.

Home Front Girl Random House

Weaves characters, themes and language in 22 linked stories that evoke the complex density of life in and around the Spokane

Indian Reservation. The author is one of *Granta's* 20 Best Young American Writers.

One Stick Song Scholastic Inc.

A rarely discussed aspect of children's literature--the politics behind a book's creation--has been thoroughly explored in this intelligent, enlightening, and fascinating account.

Was the Cat in the Hat Black? HarperCollins

A collection of critical essays on the writing and films of American Indian author Sherman Alexie.

Make 'em Laugh! Scribner

Wednesday, December 10, 1941 "Hitler speaks to Reichstag tomorrow. We just heard the first casualty lists over the radio. ... Lots of boys from Michigan and Illinois. Oh my God! ... Life goes on though. We read our books in the library and eat lunch, bridge, etc. Phy. Sci. and Calculus. Darn Descartes. Reading Walt Whitman now." This diary of a smart, astute, and funny teenager provides a fascinating record of what an everyday American girl felt and thought during the Depression and the lead-up to World War II. Young Chicagoan Joan Wehlen describes her daily life growing up in the city and

War Dances Random House

In this widely acclaimed literary debut, Benjamin Cavell stalks the male ego, unleashing a ferocious volley of nine sharply written and deeply penetrating stories. In *Balls, Balls, Balls*, we are introduced to Logan Bryant, the star member of the "fourth best paintball team in the tristate area." Despite his knowledge of napalm recipes and his skill during Military Simulations—MilSim, for short—Logan's armor shows fractures with every move he makes. In *The Death of Cool*, an insurance adjuster has come to realize much too clearly the range of threats that surround him. "Tired of trusting in the other guy's morality," he embraces his paranoia and leaves as little to chance as possible. *The Ropes* opens in a hospital room after Alex Folsom has sustained a devastating concussion. With both college and his boxing career behind him, he reunites with his father on Martha's Vineyard to assess the damage--both physical and emotional. *Rumble, Young Man*, *Rumble* is a ground-shaking announcement of the next heavy hitter in American letters.

Rumble, Young Man, Rumble NYU Press

Sixteen new stories and fifteen classics by the National Book Award-winning, New York Times--bestselling author of *War Dances*. Sherman Alexie's stature as a writer of stories, poetry, and novels has soared over the course of his twenty-book, twenty-year career. His wide-ranging, acclaimed fiction throughout the last two decades—from *The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven* to his most recent PEN/Faulkner Award-winning *War Dances*—have established him as a star in contemporary American literature. A bold and irreverent observer of life among Native Americans in the Pacific Northwest, the daring, versatile, funny, and outrageous Alexie showcases his many talents in *Blasphemy*, where he unites fifteen beloved classics with sixteen new stories in one sweeping anthology for devoted fans and first-time readers. Included here are some of his most esteemed tales, including "What You Pawn I Will Redeem," in which a homeless Indian man quests to win back a family heirloom; "This Is What It Means to Say Phoenix, Arizona," a road-trip morality tale; "The Toughest Indian in the World," about a night shared between a writer and a hitchhiker; and his most recent, "War Dances," about a man grappling with sudden hearing loss in the wake of his father's death. Alexie's new stories are fresh and quintessential, about donkey basketball leagues, lethal wind turbines, a twenty-four-hour Asian manicure salon, good and bad marriages, and all species of warriors in America today. An indispensable Alexie collection, *Blasphemy* reminds us, on every thrilling page, why Alexie is one of our greatest

contemporary writers and a true master of the short story. Praise for *Blasphemy* “Alexie once again reasserts himself as one the most compelling contemporary practitioners of the short story. In *Blasphemy*, the author demonstrates his talent on nearly every page. . . . [Alexie] illuminates the lives of his characters in unique, surprising, and, ultimately, hopeful ways.” —Boston Globe “Alexie writes with arresting perception in praise of marriage, in mockery of hypocrisy, and with concern for endangered truths and imperiled nature. He is mischievously and mordantly funny, scathingly forthright, deeply and universally compassionate, and wholly magnetizing. This is a must-have collection.” —Donna Seaman, *Booklist* (starred review) “[A] sterling collection of short stories by Alexie, a master of the form. . . . The newer pieces are full of surprises. . . . These pieces show Alexie at his best: as an interpreter and observer, always funny if sometimes angry, and someone, as a cop says of one of his characters, who doesn’t “fit the profile of the neighborhood.”” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review)

The Impossible Will Take a Little While Houghton Mifflin Harcourt A “miraculous” (Newsweek) human drama, based on a true story, from the renowned author of *The Prince of Tides* and *The Great Santini* The island is nearly deserted, haunting, beautiful. Across a slip of ocean lies South Carolina. But for the handful of families on Yamacraw Island, America is a world away. For years the people here lived proudly from the sea, but now its waters are not safe. Waste from industry threatens their very existence unless, somehow, they can learn a new way. But they will learn nothing without someone to teach them, and their school has no teacher—until one man gives a year of his life to the island and its people. Praise for *The Water Is Wide* “Miraculous . . . an experience of joy.” —Newsweek “A powerfully moving book . . . You will laugh, you will weep, you will be proud and you will rail . . . and you will learn to love the man.” —Charleston News and Courier “A hell of a good story.” —The New York Times “Few novelists write as well, and none as beautifully.” —Lexington Herald-Leader “[Pat] Conroy cuts through his experiences with a sharp edge of irony. . . . He brings emotion, writing talent and anger to his story.” —Baltimore Sun

You Don't Have to Say You Love Me Simon and Schuster From the National Book Award-winning author of *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, the tale of a troubled boy’s trip through history. Half Native American and half Irish, fifteen-year-old “Zits” has spent much of his short life alternately abused and ignored as an orphan and ward of the foster care system. Ever since his mother died, he’s felt alienated from everyone, but, thanks to the alcoholic father whom he’s never met, especially disconnected from other Indians. After he runs away from his latest foster home, he makes a new friend. Handsome, charismatic, and eloquent, Justice soon persuades Zits to unleash

his pain and anger on the uncaring world. But picking up a gun leads Zits on an unexpected time-traveling journey through several violent moments in American history, experiencing life as an FBI agent during the civil rights movement, a mute Indian boy during the Battle of Little Bighorn, a nineteenth-century Indian tracker, and a modern-day airplane pilot. When Zits finally returns to his own body, “he begins to understand what it means to be the hero, the villain and the victim. . . . Mr. Alexie succeeds yet again with his ability to pierce to the heart of matters, leaving this reader with tears in her eyes” (The New York Times Book Review). Sherman Alexie’s acclaimed novels have turned a spotlight on the unique experiences of modern-day Native Americans, and here, the New York Times–bestselling author of *The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven* and *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* takes a bold new turn, combining magical realism with his singular humor and insight. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Sherman Alexie including rare photos from the author’s personal collection.

Thunder Boy Jr. Dial Press Trade Paperback Winner of the Children’s Literature Association’s 2014 Honor Book Award Crockett Johnson (born David Johnson Leisk, 1906–1975) and Ruth Krauss (1901–1993) were a husband-and-wife team that created such popular children’s books as *The Carrot Seed* and *How to Make an Earthquake*. Separately, Johnson created the enduring children’s classic *Harold and the Purple Crayon* and the groundbreaking comic strip *Barnaby*. Krauss wrote over a dozen children’s books illustrated by others, and pioneered the use of spontaneous, loose-tongued kids in children’s literature. Together, Johnson and Krauss’s style—whimsical writing, clear and minimalist drawing, and a child’s point-of-view—is among the most revered and influential in children’s literature and cartooning, inspiring the work of Maurice Sendak, Charles M. Schulz, Chris Van Allsburg, and Jon Scieszka. This critical biography examines their lives and careers, including their separate achievements when not collaborating. Using correspondence, sketches, contemporary newspaper and magazine accounts, archived and personal interviews, author Philip Nel draws a compelling portrait of a couple whose output encompassed children’s literature, comics, graphic design, and the fine arts. Their mentorship of now-famous illustrator Maurice Sendak (*Where the Wild Things Are*) is examined at length, as is the couple’s appeal to adult contemporaries such as Duke Ellington and Dorothy Parker. Defiantly leftist in an era of McCarthyism and Cold War paranoia, Johnson and Krauss risked collaborations that often contained subtly rendered liberal themes. Indeed, they were under FBI surveillance for years. Their legacy of considerable success invites readers to dream and to imagine, drawing paths that take them anywhere they want to go.