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For fans of Elena Ferrante and Paulo Coelho comes a moving and elegant novel about the friendship between two young Italian boys from different backgrounds and how their connection evolves and challenges them throughout their lives. “Few books have so accurately described the way stony heights can define one's sense of joy and rightness...an exquisite unfolding of the deep way humans may love one another” (Annie Proulx). Pietro is a lonely boy living in Milan. With his parents becoming more distant each day, the only thing the family shares is their love for the mountains that surround Italy. While on vacation at the foot of the Aosta Valley, Pietro meets Bruno, an adventurous, spirited local boy. Together they spend many summers exploring the mountains’ meadows and peaks and discover the similarities and differences in their lives, their backgrounds, and their futures. The two boys come to find the true meaning of friendship and camaraderie, even as their divergent paths in life—Bruno’s in the mountains, Pietro’s across the world—test the strength and meaning of their connection. “A slim novel of startling expansion that subtly echoes its setting” (Vogue), *The Eight Mountains* is a lyrical coming-of-age story about the power of male friendships and the enduring bond between fathers and sons. “There are no more universal themes than those of the landscape, friendship, and becoming adults, and Cognetti’s writing becomes classical (and elegant) to best tell this story...a true novel by a great writer” (Rolling Stone Italia). From the shores of Europe to the Mexican-US border, mass migration is one of the most pressing issues we face today. Yet at the same time, calls to defend national sovereignty are becoming ever more vitriolic, with those fleeing war, persecution, and famine vilified as a threat

to our security as well as our social and economic order. In this book, written amidst the dark resurgence of appeals to defend 'blood and soil', Donatella Di Cesare challenges the idea of the exclusionary state, arguing that migration is a fundamental human right. She develops an original philosophy of migration that places the migrants themselves, rather than states and their borders, at the centre. Through an analysis of three historic cities, Athens, Rome and Jerusalem, Di Cesare shows how we should conceive of migrants not as an other but rather as resident foreigners. This means recognising that citizenship cannot be based on any supposed connection to the land or an exclusive claim to ownership that would deny the rights of those who arrive as migrants. Instead, citizenship must be disconnected from the possession of territory altogether and founded on the principle of cohabitation – and on the ultimate reality that we are all temporary guests and tenants of the earth. Di Cesare's argument for a new ethics of hospitality will be of great interest to all those concerned with the challenges posed by migration and with the increasingly hostile attitudes towards migrants, as well as students and scholars of philosophy and political theory.

Dr. Pawel Kohoutek, veterinarian and womanizer, looks out the window one morning to see his mistress approaching his house. Farce ensues as Kohoutek attempts to hide the woman from his eccentric family, the family's lodgers, and various offbeat visitors. The woman, expecting love and children and a future, does not make things easy. As he frantically runs around trying to keep her a secret, Kohoutek's memories -- mostly involuntary and (in true postmodern fashion) of questionable accuracy -- reveal in hilarious detail the life and crises of a hapless libertine and the forces that created him.

Eddie and his friends plan to dress up as the slimy Mud Monsters--legendary spooks who

supposedly live in Muddy Creek--but their plans change when they meet the real Mud Monsters.

(Instrumental Play-Along). 23 relaxing hymns arranged for instrumentalists with professionally-recorded backing tracks for play-along fun. Includes: Abide with Me * Amazing Grace * Blessed Assurance * Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing * For the Beauty of the Earth * Great Is Thy Faithfulness * Holy, Holy, Holy * It Is Well with My Soul * Just As I Am * The King of Love My Shepherd Is * Nearer, My God, to Thee * What a Friend We Have in Jesus * and more.

Migration is increasingly being acknowledged as an issue that needs a global approach and coordinated responses. States are not only discussing migration issues at the bilateral level, but also regionally and lately in global arenas. A commonly understood language is indispensable for such coordination and international cooperation to be successful. This glossary attempts to serve as a guide to the mire of terms and concepts in the migration field, in an effort to provide a useful tool to the furtherance of such international cooperation and the common understanding of migration issues.

By bringing the concepts of identity, comparativism, and communication together, this volume invites a reinterpretation of these defining concepts of postmodernism. Composed of contributions from Australia, Azerbaijan, Japan, Romania and the Ukraine, this interdisciplinary and intercultural book investigates the multiple identities activated in broader discursive contexts. This collection of nineteen chapters opens with an introductory overview followed by two parts: the first, focusing on Plural identities and comparativism, contains a series of case studies that can be subsumed within imagology and comparativism; the second,

Communication and discourse, illustrates two directions of research: literary communication and terminology. In spite of the methodological and thematic polyphony of its contributions, the volume adopts a unified and coherent tone. By integrating the study of contextual and discursive identities, this book will be of interest to all those involved in image and literary studies, in both linguistics and culture.

CLIL, 'a dual-focussed educational approach in which an additional language is used for the learning and teaching of both content and language' can be viewed as an example of curricular integration. This publication is one example of how this is being achieved. It serves to articulate why, and how, good practice can lead to the positive outcomes increasingly reported across Europe. It results from selected presentations given at the Helsinki CLIL 2006 conference -CLIL Competence Building for Globalization: Quality in Teaching Through a Foreign Language-. The 28 contributions to this book, which originate from countries across the European Union, are divided into six sections covering classroom practice, evaluation, research, and programme management."

It was spring in New Mouse City! I love to celebrate the season with my fellow mice by exchanging chocolate eggs and competing in a confectionary challenge. This year, there was also a special exhibition of priceless jeweled Mousebergé eggs in town. Then one of the Mousebergé eggs was stolen... and it was up to

me to find it! Squeak! Could I chase it down?

Observing filmic product translation from multiple perspectives is the challenging subject of this volume, which opens up new ways of reading and sustaining dialogue on both theoretical and didactic levels. Its central focus is an observation of European and Oriental languages, gathering together reflections on English, French, Spanish, German, Portuguese, Russian, Arabic, Chinese and Japanese, as well as specific languages for hearing-impaired Italians, also analysed in their relation to Italian language and culture.
 The work focuses on audiovisual language, investigated in the linguistic and cultural dimensions and includes different genres: from election campaign commercials to short films, from animation films produced in the U.S. to Japanese anime, from classic musicals to television series, and finally European and extra European art-house films. Moreover, the volume assembles contributions concentrating both on the oral aspects dedicated to the study of the socio-cultural dimension (e.g. essays on diachronic and diastratic variations in Spanish films, also analysing specific dubbing problems) and on the written dimension represented by interlinguistic subtitles examined in their relationship with the original spoken text (e.g. German films).

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BBC.com, New York Magazine / Vulture, Bustle, The Millions, Crimereads / LitHub, Book Riot, Asymptote Journal, Vol. 1 Brooklyn , Bust, Pop Sugar and Words Without Borders A novel of glamour, surveillance, and corruption in contemporary Cuba, from an internationally bestselling author--who has never before been translated into English Cleo, scion of a once-prominent Cuban family and a promising young writer in her own right, travels to Spain to collect a prestigious award. There, Cuban expats view her with suspicion--assuming she's an informant for the Castro regime. To Cleo's surprise, that suspicion follows her home to Cuba, where she finds herself under constant surveillance by the government. When she meets and falls in love with a Hollywood filmmaker, she discovers her family is not who she thought they were . . . and neither is the filmmaker.

This edited collection offers the first systematic account in English of Italy's international position from Caporetto – a major turning-point in Italy's participation in the First World War – to the end of the liberal regime in Italy in 1922. It shows that after the 'Great War', not only did Italy establish itself as a regional power but also achieved its post-unification ambition to be recognised, at least from a formal viewpoint, as a great power. This subject is addressed through multiple perspectives, covering Italy's relations and mutual perceptions

vis-à-vis the Allies, the vanquished nations, and the 'New Europe'. Fourteen contributions by leading historians reappraise Italy's role in the construction of the post-war international order, drawing on extensive multi-archival and multi-national research, combining for the first time documents from American, Austrian, British, French, German, Italian, Russian and former Yugoslav archives. *Second Language Acquisition in a Study Abroad Context* brings together for the first time a series of studies which explore the relationship between language learning and the study abroad experience. Utilizing different research methodologies (quantitative, qualitative, descriptive), the focus in this collection is on various aspects of second language learning, including the acquisition of sociolinguistic competence, the acquisition of fluency, the use of communicative strategies and the development of oral and written skills. The studies are cross-linguistic and deal with student populations at the secondary and college levels who spent between three months and one year in study abroad or exchange programs in Japan, Russia, Spain, Mexico, France or Canada.

A Novel

The Council of Europe released a preliminary version of the Manual for Relating Language Examinations to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) in 2003. Over the next 5 years a wide range of institutions

and individuals undertook case studies to pilot this draft version. Towards the close of the piloting phase, a two-day colloquium was held in Cambridge, UK enabling practitioners and academics to reflect on and share their experiences of applying the Manual procedures. Insights from this colloquium informed the Manual revision project during 2008/2009. This volume features selected case studies presented at the Cambridge Colloquium in December 2007. They include the linking of a single test to the CEFR, the CEFR-linking of suites of examinations at different levels and large scale national projects undertaken by examination boards and specialist research institutes. Some studies focus on part of an examination, while others involve all test components. Some apply one or two of the procedures - familiarisation, specification, standardisation, and empirical validation. As well as describing their studies and reporting their findings, contributors reflect and comment on their experience of using the draft Manual. A clear and comprehensive introductory chapter explains the development of the CEFR and the draft Manual for linking tests, and discusses its relevance for the future. The volume will be of interest to examination boards, language test developers and educational policy-makers, as well as academic lecturers, researchers and graduate students interested in the principles and practice of aligning tests to the CEFR.

When Maggie has her palms read at a carnival, they reveal that something evil lurks deep within her. *Nightmare Room*.

A French reader for intermediate students *La Fugue de Bach* (Lango and Bouotégége) is a mystery reader designed to motivate students to read in French. The story takes place in Geneva, where a prima ballerina has been found murdered before one of the most important performances of her life. This reader is softcover, 6" x 9", and 128 pages in length.

While research into aspects of standardised language tests is growing, the area of classroom-based language assessment (CBLA) is still not well-defined and relatively under-researched. Studies investigating CBLA practices within the ESL/EFL school contexts as well as the tertiary level have stressed the need for further research as the picture is not yet complete. The volume aims to address this challenge by presenting a wide scope of research interests that discuss theoretical and practical underpinnings of CBLA. It is also meant to promote the notion of CBLA for a wide membership of the language teaching and testing community covering topics that consider both realities and prospects of CBLA in the assessment world.

Career Express Level C1 Teacher's Book Career Express Business English C1 is the second part of a two-level multimedia course, for students on a Business

English language course at university level. Reading -The texts focus on the most interesting topics from the world of business. They provide the springboard for a discussion of contemporary business issues. Listening -Realistic conversations, presentations and lectures expose you to a variety of native and non-native speaker accents and help you to develop core listening comprehension skills. Business Skills -This section introduces you to the skills most needed in business, such as taking part in meetings, using diplomacy at work, describing charts and presenting products. Discussion and Role-Play -These features give you the opportunity to pick up on issues raised in the reading and listening sections, and to practise functional language. Company Case -These task-based case studies have been inspired by real business scenarios. They require you to work in teams, find strategic solutions to real-life problems and present them to the class. Audio CDs -Complete recordings for all the listening activities in the Course Book. Career Express Self Study Online -This website offers an abundance of additional material: Electronic Workbook with interactive practice exercises to consolidate vocabulary, grammar, reading and skills Self-assessment tests for each unit Tailor-made videos with interactive exercises The complete Course Book listening material as MP3 downloads

With an emphasis on evidence-based medicine, this practical resource offers

clinical examples, historical and theoretical information, and current research for four groups of therapies. It also covers some of the most widely encountered clinical conditions in rehabilitation, focusing on clinical practice and solid research.

Literature and Character Education in Universities presents the potential of literary and philosophical texts for character education in modern universities. The book engages with theoretical and practical aspects of character development in higher education, combining conceptual discussion of the role of literature in character education with applied case studies from university classrooms. Character education within the academic context of the university presents unique challenges and opportunities. Literature and Character Education in Universities presents perspectives from academics in Europe, the USA and Asia, offering unique insights into the ways that engaged reading and discussion of core texts can promote the development of intellectual and moral virtues. Chapters draw on a wide range of texts from Confucius' Analects to J. D. Salinger's *The Catcher in the Rye*, focusing on themes such as truthfulness, self-knowledge, prudence, tolerance, friendship, and humility. Literature and Character Education in Universities will be of real use to researchers, academics and postgraduates in the fields of higher education, philosophy, and literature. It

should be essential reading for university educators interested in character development and advocates of literary education in modern universities.

e-Learning Ecologies explores transformations in the patterns of pedagogy that accompany e-learning—the use of computing devices that mediate or supplement the relationships between learners and teachers—to present and assess learnable content, to provide spaces where students do their work, and to mediate peer-to-peer interactions. Written by the members of the "new learning" research group, this textbook suggests that e-learning ecologies may play a key part in shifting the systems of modern education, even as technology itself is pedagogically neutral. The chapters in this book aim to create an analytical framework with which to differentiate those aspects of educational technology that reproduce old pedagogical relations from those that are genuinely innovative and generative of new kinds of learning. Featuring case studies from elementary schools, colleges, and universities on the practicalities of new learning environments, *e-Learning Ecologies* elucidates the role of new technologies of knowledge representation and communication in bringing about change to educational institutions.

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Mistero Buffo is Dario Fo's one-man tour de force, in which he creates his own subversive version of Biblical stories. Infused with the rhythmic drive of a jazz improvisation, the immediacy of a newspaper headline, and the epic scope of a historical novel, Fo and his wife/collaborator Franca Rame have performed *Mistero Buffo* throughout the world to over 10 million people. One of the major theatrical artists of the twentieth century, Italy's Dario Fo was

awarded the 1997 Nobel Prize in Literature. Ron Jenkins' translations of Dario Fo have been performed across the country. He is the theater department chair at Wesleyan University. JFK: The Last Speech explores the dramatic relationship between two seminal Americans- President John F. Kennedy and the poet Robert Frost-which reached its tragic climax in a surprising encounter with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev at the height of the Cold War. Born out of these events is Kennedy's remarkable speech about poetry and power, which alters the life course of a group of Amherst College classmates who witness this compelling address and continue to exemplify in their contemporary lives a portrait of the challenges facing America. Study faster, learn better-and get top grades with Schaum's Outlines Millions of students trust Schaum's Outlines to help them succeed in the classroom and on exams. Schaum's is the key to faster learning and higher grades in every subject. Each Outline presents all the essential course information in an easy-to-follow, topic-by-topic format. You also get hundreds of examples, solved problems, and practice exercises to test your skills. Use Schaum's Outlines to: Brush up before tests Find answers fast Study quickly and more effectively Get the big picture without spending hours poring over lengthy textbooks Fully compatible with your classroom text, Schaum's highlights all the important facts you need to know. Use Schaum's to shorten your study time-and get your best test scores! This Schaum's Outline gives you: A full treatment of contemporary conversational Italian, including expressions, slang, and idioms New English-Italian, Italian-English glossary section Winner of the 2011 Strega Prize, this blend of essay, social criticism, and memoir is a striking portrait of the effects of globalization on Italy's declining economy. Starting from his family's textile factory in Prato, Tuscany, Edoardo Nesi examines the recent shifts in Italy's

manufacturing industry. Only one generation ago, Prato was a thriving industrial center that prided itself on craftsmanship and quality. But during the last decade, cheaply made goods—produced overseas or in Italy by poorly paid immigrants—saturated the market, making it impossible for Italian companies to keep up. In 2004 his family was forced to sell the textile factory. How this could have happened? Nesi asks, and what are the wider repercussions of losing businesses like his family's, especially for Italian culture? *Story of My People* is a denouncement of big business, corrupt politicians, the arrogance of economists, and cheap manufacturing. It's a must-read for anyone seeking insight into the financial crisis that's striking Europe today.

What does our ability to use words--that is, our lexical competence--consist of? What is the difference between a system that can be said to understand language and one that cannot? Most approaches to word meaning fail to account for an essential aspect of our linguistic competence, namely, our ability to apply words to the world. This monograph proposes a dual picture of human lexical competence in which inferential and referential abilities are separate--a proposal confirmed by neuropsychological research on brain-damaged persons. According to the author, artificial systems for natural-language understanding could come much closer to achieving their goal if they conformed to this dual picture of competence. Topics discussed include classical issues in the philosophy of language and the philosophy of mind such as the analytic/synthetic dichotomy, semantic holism, causal theories of reference, dual-factor theories, publicness, verificationism, and Searle's Chinese room. Language, Speech, Communication series

An autobiographical novella that tells the story of Bill Plantagenet, a piano player

and ex-sailor who has lost his band and his mind drinking in New York.

The Italian project 1 is the first level of a modern multimedia course of Italian language. Suitable to adolescent and adult students. It provides a balanced information, with pleasant and amusing conversation and useful grammatical examples. Introduces students to modern Italy and its culture.

This collection addresses Anglo-Italian influences, correspondences and relationships through the lens of an expansive notion of eighteenth-century political history, explored in its fecund dialogue with cultural history. Its multifaceted approach fleshes out the idea of the Enlightenment community of people linking and sharing different forms and structures of knowledge into a comprehensive picture of the Age of Reason. This book probes fields of great relevance for the cultural interpretation of historical experience, and composes a lively, and as yet unexplored, map of an interconnected European world. Anglo-Italian encounters are explored here primarily through the interweaving of political and cultural history, adding a valuable cog to contemporary insight into the cosmopolitan nature of Enlightenment Europe. The essays here range in scope from the public economy and international trade to finance, moral philosophy, the ethics and politics of translation, travel, the cosmopolitan impact of Italian music and taste, and the art of gardening.

The past few years have witnessed a growing academic interest in Italian Studies and an increasing number of symposia and scholarly activities. This volume originates from the Society for Italian Studies Postgraduate Colloquia that took place at the University of Leicester and Cambridge in June 2004 and April 2005 respectively. It gathers together articles by young researchers working on various aspects of Italian Studies. It well illustrates current trends in both typical areas of research, like literature and 'high culture', and in those which have gained momentum in recent years, like translation and language studies. The volume offers a taste of the dynamic outlook of current research in Italian Studies: the interdisciplinary approach of the essays in translation and gender studies, and the innovative methodological perspectives and findings offered by the new fields of Italian L2 and ethnography. The book is divided into three sections, each grouping contributions by broad subject areas: literature and culture, translation and gender studies, language and linguistics. Cross-fertilizations and interdisciplinary research emerge from several essays and the coherent ensemble constitutes an example of the far-reaching results achieved by current research.

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