REALLY, REALLY, REALLY, REALLY WEIRD STORIES

Grimm: The Icy Touch|x|AN ALL NEW STORY BASED ON THE HIT NBC SERIES! Back in the 19th century a Wesen and a Grimm fight to the death. The Grimm wins, but the Wesen's son escapes and vows revenge. In the present day, Captain Renard sends Nick and Hank to investigate an international crime cartel named Le Touche Givre (The Icy Touch). They discover this deadly gang is run by Wesen, and is involved in various illegal activities, including forced prostitution and drug pushing. As they close in on the gang, Nick begins to realise that their charismatic and dangerous leader is just as intent on tracking him down... Grimm: The Icy Touch|x|A BRAND NEW NOVEL BASED ON THE HIT NBC SERIES. There once was a man who lived a life so strange, it had to be true. Only he could see what no one else can: the darkness inside, the real monster within. And he's the one who must stop them. This is his calling. This is his duty. This is the life of a Grimm. When a torched body is found in an underground tunnel, Portland police captain Sean Renard takes one look at the victim's burned claws and assigns the case to homicide detectives Nick Burkhardt and Hank Griffin. They soon discover that a criminal organization known as The Icy Touch is threatening Wesen into joining their illegal drug-smuggling operation, and brutally murdering those who refuse. But as Nick closes in on the gang's charismatic and ruthless leader, the Grimm uncovers an ancient- and deadly—rivalry... Grimm: The Killing Time|x|Portland homicide Detective Nick Burkhardt discovers he is descended from an elite line of criminal profilers known as "Grimms", charged with keeping balance between humanity and the mythological creatures of the world. A brand-new original novel set in the Grimm universe. Grimm|x|A BRAND-NEW ORIGINAL NOVEL BASED ON THE HIT NBC SERIES GRIMM There once was a man who lived a life so strange, it had to be true. Only he could see what no one else can: the darkness inside, the real monster within. And he's the one who must stop them. This is his calling. This is his duty. This is the life of a Grimm. When a pile of human bones is discovered in ?a Portland forest, severed and stripped of flesh, homicide detectives Nick Burkhardt and Hank Griffin quickly rule out an animal attack, but suspect the killer is something other than human. Soon more skeletal remains are unearthed and tests reveal that the human bones were cooked before burial. As the body count increases, Nick, Hank and reformed Blutbad Monroe must track down a Wesen with a taste for human meat, before the killer can butcher their next meal... Grimm: The Chopping Block|x|EVIL GOES GLOBAL Just as she finds a safe haven, free from the Undead, Alice is kidnapped by her former employers-the Umbrella Corporation. Regaining consciousness, she finds herself trapped in the most terrifying scenario imaginable. RESIDENT EVIL: RETRIBUTION THE OFFICIAL MOVIE NOVELIZATION The T-virus continues to ravage the Earth, transforming the world's population into legions of flesh-eating monsters. Reunited with friends and foes alike-Rain Ocampo, Carlos Olivera, Jill Valentine, Ada Wong, Leon Kennedy, and even Albert Wesker—she must fight her way back to reality in order to survive. The countdown has begun, and the fate of the human race rests on her shoulders. My name is Alice. And this is my story... the story of how I died. Resident Evil: Retribution - The Official Movie Novelization|x|Critically acclaimed Fringe explores new cases with endless impossibilities. Set in Boston, the FBI's Fringe Division started when Special Agent Olivia Dunham enlisted institutionalized \"fringe\" scientist Walter Bishop and his globe-trotting, jack-of-all-trades son, Peter, to help in investigations that defy all human logic - and the laws of nature. The first in an all-new series of tie-in novels! Fringe - The Zodiac Paradox (Novel #1)|x|Paying the price... In the action-packed sequel to A Matter of Honor, SG-1 embark on a desperate mission to save SG-10 from the edge of a black hole. But the price of heroism may be more than they can pay... Returning to Stargate Command, Colonel Jack O'Neill and his team find more has changed in their absence than they had expected. Nonetheless, O'Neill is determined to face the consequences of their unauthorized activities, only to discover the penalty is far worse than anything he could have imagined. With the fate of Colonel O'Neill and Major Samantha Carter unknown, and the very survival of the SGC threatened, Dr. Daniel Jackson and Teal'c mount a rescue

mission to free their team-mates and reclaim the SGC. Yet returning to the Kinahhi homeworld, they learn a startling truth about its ancient foe. And uncover a horrifying secret... The Cost of Honor \"Damn it!\" Watts yelled from the DHD. \"This is pointless, sir! It won't stay open!\" Standing up slowly, Major Henry Boyd glanced up at the twisting nightmare in the sky. It looked like some hideous creature come to tear them to pieces. \"Keep trying,\" he told the Captain. \"Sir?\" Lieutenant Jessica McLeod ripped her gaze from the sky, voice shaking. \"I've been thinking about why the gate won't activate. The gravitational force of the-\" She stammered over the word. \"Of the black hole would create a massive time distortion effect.\" He stalked toward her, frowning. \"A what?\" \"Time here will be moving much slower than back on Earth, sir. Much slower. The gate was probably open for half an hour at the SGC, but here...just a second.\" Boyd felt his heart clench tight. \"What are you saying, Lieutenant?\" She looked bleak. \"I don't think we're getting out of this one, sir.\" Lucy. His daughter was the first thought in his head. Sweet, innocent, adoring Lucy. Her little arms around his neck, her delighted smile when he came home. Daddy! He swallowed hard. \"I won't accept that, Lieutenant.\" Lucy, barely old enough to understand. Heather, having to explain why he was never coming home again. \"They'll find a way to come get us. They won't leave us here.\" The Cost of Honor|x|The third sinister story in the Grimm series delves even further into the dark heart of the fairy tales you thought you knew and loved. A brother and sister must venture through kingdoms and forests haunted by demons and ogres, all the while seeking their way home. And they must face the most frightening monster of all: death. Enter, if you dare, a world filled with cruel stepsisters, ghastly suppers and a terrifying man known as the Devil. The Grimm Conclusion|x|The second volume in the cyberpunk trilogy A Song Called Youth, this thrilling chapter recounts the struggle between guerilla fighters and neofascists for control of an orbiting space colony. Eclipse Penumbra|x|THE UNKNOWN HAS AN ADDRESS.... Hidden away in the Badlands of South Dakota, Warehouse 13 is a top-secret repository for historical artifacts imbued with dangerous supernatural properties. Secret Service agents Pete Lattimer and Myka Bering are ever on the lookout for loose artifacts threatening to ruin the world's day. Their mission:"Snag it, bag it, tag it." Reports of a genuine psychic healer, along with a simultaneous epidemic of mysterious illnesses, lead Myka and Pete on a hazardous investigation that stretches from a carnival sideshow back to the bloody history of the Civil War. But when Pete is infected with a deadly disease, Myka and the rest of the team, including Artie Nielsen and Claudia Donovan, must track down a pair of cursed gloves—before a madman unleashes a virulent plague upon America! Warehouse 13|x|Introduction -- American dreams : access, mobility, fairness -- Free minds : educating democratic citizens -- Hard facts : knowledge creation and checking power -- Purposeful pluralism : dialogue across difference on campus -- Conclusion. What Universities Owe Democracy|x|Twenty-two years ago, Sam and Dean Winchester lost their mother to a mysterious and demonic supernatural force. In the years after, their father, John, taught them about the paranormal evil that lives in the dark corners and on the back roads of America...and he taught them how to kill it. Sam and Dean have hit New York City to check out a local rocker's haunted house. But before they can figure out why a lovesick banshee in an '80s heavymetal T-shirt is wailing in the bedroom, a far more macabre crime catches their attention. Not far from the house, two university students were beaten to death by a strange assailant. A murder that's bizarre even by New York City standards, it's the latest in a line of killings that the brothers soon suspect are based on the creepy stories of legendary writer Edgar Allan Poe. Their investigation leads them to the center of one of Poe's horror classics, face-to-face with their most terrifying foe yet. And if Sam and Dean don't rewrite the ending of this chilling tale, a grisly serial killer will end their lives forevermore. Supernatural: Nevermore |x|In a secret government lab somewhere in Nevada, a young scientist cowers in darkness-waiting, listening, and calculating his chances of surviving the unspeakable carnage that has left him trapped and alone. Or almost alone. Soon after, a covert military operation "cleanses" all traces of a topsecret project gone horrifically wrong. Three years later, it begins again-when the quiet of a warm autumn night in a sleepy California town is shattered by a streak of light across the sky, the thunder of impact, and the unleashing of something insidious. Spreading, multiplying, and transforming everything in its path, this diabolical intelligence will not be denied until the townsfolk-and eventually, all living things-are conquered. Until they are all crawling.... Crawlers|x|The Brothers Grimm - legendary supernatural assassins - have escaped their prison, and their first day in St. Louis could be Nate Temple's last... Sharing a beer with Death one of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse - really put a few things into perspective for this foul-mouthed, billionaire wizard. Like finally strapping on the boots to propose to his girlfriend. But assassination contracts

have a way of putting wedding plans on hold. Perhaps permanently. And with the entire wedding party on the bloodthirsty Grimm's hit-list, and his family fortune in jeopardy, Nate realizes they can't run and they can't hide. So, time to do magic and stuff... But with every flavor of supernatural thug teaming up to help the Grimms, Nate realizes that friends have become enemies and enemies have become friends, and he's forced to cross lines that are better left uncrossed. When magic, claws, and teeth dance to the song of war, the only thing left to learn is who lives and who dies. And if Nate can live with the consequences. No wonder a guy is terrified to propose... If you like Jim Butcher, Kevin Hearne, or Patrick Rothfuss, you will LOVE the fourth installment of The Nate Temple Supernatural Thriller series. Grimm|x|Antiblack racism avows reason is white while emotion, and thus supposedly unreason, is black. Challenging academic adherence to this notion, Lewis R. Gordon offers a portrait of Martinican-turned-Algerian revolutionary psychiatrist and philosopher Frantz Fanon as an exemplar of "living thought" against forms of reason marked by colonialism and racism. Working from his own translations of the original French texts, Gordon critically engages everything in Fanon from dialectics, ethics, existentialism, and humanism to philosophical anthropology, phenomenology, and political theory as well as psychiatry and psychoanalysis. Gordon takes into account scholars from across the Global South to address controversies around Fanon's writings on gender and sexuality as well as political violence and the social underclass. In doing so, he confronts the replication of a colonial and racist geography of reason, allowing theorists from the Global South to emerge as interlocutors alongside northern ones in a move that exemplifies what, Gordon argues, Fanon represented in his plea to establish newer and healthier human relationships beyond colonial paradigms. What Fanon Said|x|What October Brings celebrates the dark traditions of the autumn rituals, of Halloween and Samhain, in homage to the uniquely fascinating fiction of HP Lovecraft. Masters of the short story offer you a \"once in a lifetime\" Trick-or-Treat experience... ... perhaps your last experience! What October Brings|x|What really happened when Jack and Jill went up the hill to fetch a pail of water? Well, yes, Jack did break his crown and, yes, Jill did come tumbling after. BUT, they also went on a quest to find a looking glass, which really turned out to be a quest to find themselves. They challenged giants to an eating competition and were captured by goblins. Did they ever find the looking glass? Well, you'll just have to read this book and find out. In a Glass Grimmly|x|Through its six-season run, television's Grimm used the extraordinary to illuminate the complexity of the ordinary. Drawing on the Brothers Grimm folklore, the series crafted an enchanted present to illuminate social and ethical challenges facing Western--in particular American--culture at the beginning of the 21st century. This collection of new essays explores Grimm's critique of identity and justice in the modern world contexts of race and ethnicity, gender and sexuality, environmentalism, genre and heroism, with a focus on the show's disruptive adaptation of fairy tales and reinterpretation of the police procedural in a fantasy landscape. Grimm Realities x Life and death takes on an entirely new meaning for half-angel, halfhuman hero James Stark, aka, Sandman Slim, in this insanely inventive, high-intensity tenth supernatural noir thriller in the New York Times bestselling series. Hollywood Dead (Sandman Slim, Book 10)|x|\"Detective Nick Burkhardt is one of the Portland PD's finest but he as a secret... he sees fairy tale creatures called Wesen living among us! When a Wesen madman named Silvio forces Nick to help him wage a personal vendetta against a shadowy group that has existed since the dawn of man, Nick finds everything he holds dear caught in the crosshairs. But Silvio's true intentions are not what they seem and the very fate of the world may hang in the balance. Meanwhile, a Wesen attack close to home leaves Juliette questioning her relationship with Nick--maybe the only way to truly protect him, is to leave him. This is the can't-miss conclusion to the Grimm comic series!\"--Page 4 of cover. Grimm Volume 2|x|John Shirley takes us on a journey from the mildly bizarre to the downright weird and then some in this, his latest collection of short fiction. The book incorporates some of Shirley's classic stories along with some revised and hard to find material and is highlighted by nine never before published works. A must have for the Shirley reader or collector. Includes art work by Alan M. Clark. Skyhorse Publishing, under our Night Shade and Talos imprints, is proud to publish a broad range of titles for readers interested in science fiction (space opera, time travel, hard SF, alien invasion, near-future dystopia), fantasy (grimdark, sword and sorcery, contemporary urban fantasy, steampunk, alternative history), and horror (zombies, vampires, and the occult and supernatural), and much more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller, a national bestseller, or a Hugo or Nebula award-winner, we are committed to publishing quality books from a diverse group of authors. Really, Really, Really, Really Weird Stories |x|Does the novel have a future?

Questions of this kind, which are as old as the novel itself, acquired a fresh urgency at the end of the twentieth-century with the rise of new media and the relegation of literature to the margins of American culture. As a result, anxieties about readership, cultural authority and literary value have come to preoccupy a second generation of postmodern novelists. Through close analysis of several major novels of the past decade, including works by Don DeLillo, Philip Roth, Kathryn Davis, Jonathan Franzen and Richard Powers, Late Postmodernism examines the forces shaping contemporary literature and the remarkable strategies American writers have adopted to make sense of their place in culture. Late Postmodernism|x|A retelling, in parallel English and Spanish text, of the traditional tale told in the Southwest and in Mexico of how the beautiful Maria became a ghost. La Llorona|x|With six Academy Awards, four entries on the American Film Institute's list of 100 greatest American movies, and more titles on the National Historic Register of classic films deemed worthy of preservation than any other director, Billy Wilder counts as one of the most accomplished filmmakers ever to work in Hollywood. Yet how American is Billy Wilder, the Jewish émigré from Central Europe? This book underscores this complex issue, unpacking underlying contradictions where previous commentators routinely smoothed them out. Wilder emerges as an artist with roots in sensationalist journalism and the world of entertainment as well as with an awareness of literary culture and the avantgarde, features that lead to productive and often highly original confrontations between high and low. A Foreign Affair|x|A missing girl. A femme fatale. A dark family secret. What starts as an unofficial investigation into his neighbor's disappearance drags Sgt. Wu deep into a world of Wesen intrigue. In the vein of classic film noir tales, Wu unravels a case that could not only cost him his job, but his life. Two complete tales, never before published and set in the official continuity of the Grimm television show! Grimm|x|\"The prequel to the award-winning and bestselling video game franchise\"--Cover. BioShock: Rapture|x|Stu Cole is struggling to keep his nightclub, Club Anesthesia, afloat in the face of mob harassment when he's visited by a manifestation of the city of San Francisco, crystallized into a single enigmatic being. This amoral superhero leads him on a terrifying journey through the rock and roll demimonde as they struggle to save the city. Writing with Results|x|In Grimm Legacies, esteemed literary scholar Jack Zipes explores the legacy of the Brothers Grimm in Europe and North America, from the nineteenth century to the present. Zipes reveals how the Grimms came to play a pivotal and unusual role in the evolution of Western folklore and in the history of the most significant cultural genre in the world-the fairy tale. Folklorists Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm sought to discover and preserve a rich abundance of stories emanating from an oral tradition, and encouraged friends, colleagues, and strangers to gather and share these tales. As a result, hundreds of thousands of wonderful folk and fairy tales poured into books throughout Europe and have kept coming. Zipes looks at the transformation of the Grimms' tales into children's literature, the Americanization of the tales, the \"Grimm\" aspects of contemporary tales, and the tales' utopian impulses. He shows that the Grimms were not the first scholars to turn their attention to folk tales, but were vital in expanding readership and setting the high standards for folk-tale collecting that continue through the current era. Zipes concludes with a look at contemporary adaptations of the tales and raises questions about authenticity, target audience, and consumerism. With erudition and verve, Grimm Legacies examines the lasting universal influence of two brothers and their collected tales on today's storytelling world. City Come A-Walkin'|x|Book may have numerous typos, missing text, images, or index. Purchasers can download a free scanned copy of the original book (without typos) from the publisher. 1891. Excerpt: ... CHAPTER XIV.' A GYPSY MAGIC SPELL. HOKKANI BASO LELLIN DUDIKABIN, OR THE GREAT SECRET CHILDREN'S RHYMES AND INCANTATIONS TEN LITTLE INDIAN BOYS AND TEN LITTLE ACORN GIRLS OF MARCELLUS BURDI- GALENSIS. HERE is a meaningless rhyme very common among children. It is repeated while \"counting off\" --or \"out\" --those who are taking part in a game, and allotting to each a place. There are many versions of it, but the following is exactly word for word what I learned when a boy in Philadelphia: --Ekkeri (or ickery), akkery, u-kcry an, Fillisi', follasy, Nicholas John, Queebee - quabee -- Irishman (or, Irish Mary), Stingle 'em--stangle 'em--buck! With a very little alteration This chapter is reproduced, but with much addition, from one in my work entitled \"The Gypsies,\" published in Boston, 1881, by Houghton and Mifflin. London: Trubner Sc Co. The addition will be the most interesting portion to the folk-lorist. in sounds, and not more than children make of these verses in different places, this may be read as follows: --Ek-keri (yekori) akairi, you kair an, Fillissin, follasy, Nakelas jan Kivi, kavi--Irishman, Stini, stani--buck! This is, of course, nonsense, but it is Romany or gypsy nonsense, and it may be thus translated very

accurately: -- First--here--you begin! Castle, gloves. You don't play! Go on! Kivi--a kettle. How are you? Stdni, buck. The common version of the rhyme begins with-- \"One--ery--two--ery, ickery an.\" But one-ery is an exact translation of ek-keri; ek, or yek, meaning one in gypsy. (Ek-orus, or yek-korus, means once). And it is remarkable that in-- \"Hickory dickory dock, The rat ran up the clock, The clock struck one, And down he run, Hickory dickory dock.\" We have hickory, or ek-keri, again followed by a significant one. It may be observed that while my firs... Grimm Legacies|x|Cuddle up with Nicholas the bunny in Richard Scarry's beloved classic. I am a bunny. My name is Nicholas. I live in a hollow tree. In the spring, Nicholas picks flowers and chases butterflies, and in the summer, watches the frogs in the pond. In the autumn, he sees the animals preparing for the winter. When winter comes, Nicholas watches the snow falling from the sky, then curls up in his hollow tree and dreams about spring. In print for well over 50 years, this beautifully illustrated, gentle story has been a favorite Golden Book for generations. Gypsy Sorcery and Fortunetelling|x|Presents a number of tales of the unreal and the supernatural, including \"The Sentinels,\" \"The Second Staircase,\" and \"Made in Goatswood\" I Am a Bunny/Soy Un Conejito|x|From the bestselling author of Sanctuary comes a gripping Orwellian vision of Britain, with a rebellious Hunger Games heart. Bright Ruin is the third and final title in Vic James's electrifying Dark Gifts Trilogy, following Tarnished City. A shattered country A world-changing magic Magically gifted aristocrats rule Britain, and the people must serve them. But rebellion now strikes at the heart of the old order. Abi has escaped public execution, thanks to an unexpected ally. Her brother Luke is on the run with Silven Jardine, the most mysterious aristocrat of all. And as political and magical conflicts escalate, each must decide how far they'll go for their beliefs. Dragons clash in the skies, as two powerful women duel for the soul of Britain. A symbol of government will blaze as it dies, and doors between worlds will open – and close forever. But the battle within human hearts will be the fiercest of all. Demons by Daylight|x|Defense lawyer Andy Carpenter spends as much time as he can working on his true passion, the Tara Foundation, the dog rescue organization he runs. Lately, Andy has been especially involved in a county prison program where inmates help train dogs the Tara Foundation has rescued to make them more adoptable, benefiting both the dogs and the prisoners. One of the prisoners Andy has been working with is Brian Atkins, who has 18 months left on a 5-year term for fraud. Brian has been helping to train Boomer, an adorable fox terrier the Tara Foundation rescued from a neglectful owner. Brian and Boomer are clearly a terrific match. In fact, Andy hopes that Brian will adopt Boomer himself, once his sentence is up. But one day, Andy arrives at the prison to discover that Brian has used Boomer to make an ingenious escape, and man and dog are both in the wind. The next day, the man on whose testimony Brian was convicted is found murdered. Brian is caught and arrested for the crime, though he forcefully protests his innocence. Suddenly, Andy finds himself with a new client in Brian and a new dog in Boomer. And as he starts to dig deeper into the murder and the events leading up to it, Andy realizes he might be putting them all in far more danger than anyone had realized. Bright Ruin|x|This work has been selected by scholars as being culturally important, and is part of the knowledge base of civilization as we know it. This work was reproduced from the original artifact, and remains as true to the original work as possible. Therefore, you will see the original copyright references, library stamps (as most of these works have been housed in our most important libraries around the world), and other notations in the work. This work is in the public domain in the United States of America, and possibly other nations. Within the United States, you may freely copy and distribute this work, as no entity (individual or corporate) has a copyright on the body of the work. As a reproduction of a historical artifact, this work may contain missing or blurred pages, poor pictures, errant marks, etc. Scholars believe, and we concur, that this work is important enough to be preserved, reproduced, and made generally available to the public. We appreciate your support of the preservation process, and thank you for being an important part of keeping this knowledge alive and relevant. Outfoxed|x|This book explores the subject of metaphor, using the imagery of cartography to set a course. It explores the creative aspects of thinking and learning through literature, writing, and word play, drawing connections between English and other content areas. Theory and practical applications meet in the book, linking activities and resources to current classroom concerns--to multiculturalism, imagination in reading and writing, critical thinking, and expanding language experiences. The first part of the book examines the uses of metaphor in constructing meaning. The second part takes up issues related to multiple perspectives-using metaphors to experience other lives, and exploring cultures through traditions. The third part of the book is devoted to a consideration of the history and current status of the English language and focuses on

using cross-cultural stories in the English classroom, offering a number of resources for teaching multicultural literature in English. The fourth part examines the sensory experience of metaphors by seeing, hearing, tasting, smelling, and touching with the imagination. Contains 14 pages of references and an index. (NKA) Sketches in Crude-Oil|x|They call it Stormland: a sprawling, largely abandoned region of the southeastern coast of the USA, where climate change's extreme weather conditions have brought about a "perfect storm" of perpetual tempests; where hurricane-strength storms return day after day, 365 days a year. The heart of Stormland is Charleston, South Carolina, a flooded ruin where hundreds of people remain for their own peculiar reasons; where thugs prey on the weak, and a strangely benevolent cult tries to keep everyone insanely sane. Here, plutocratic evil takes advantage of Stormland's lawlessness to cultivate a weirdly puppeted theater of cruelty. Swept into the turbulent vortex of Stormland is an unlikely duo—a former serial killer and a former US Marshal—who must work together to bring light to America's late twenty-first century heart of darkness. A cyberpunk detective thriller set in a maelstrom of climatic upheaval, classism, and corrupt power, Stormland paradoxically dramatizes the resilience of the human spirit. Backlash Export Header|x|Adventures Into Otherness|x|Metaphorical Ways of Knowing|x|Stormland|x|

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Last night, I submitted a paper for publication — for the first time since April 2013. I'd almost forgotten what it felt like.

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This concluding chapter explains that the modern theory of light falls within the field of quantum mechanics. At first glance, quantum mechanics does not seem that strange—its name is based on the fact that light comes in units and that electrons have discrete energy states. It also includes the uncertainty principle, which states that one cannot know certain pairs of physical properties with perfect precision. Moreover, quantum mechanics involves the wave-particle duality of photons. The chapter then explores two of the most unusual aspects of quantum mechanics: two-slit interference and quantum entanglement. Both violate the most fundamental notions about how the world works.

API 602 MSS SP 118 ASME B16 JLX VALVE FACTORY

What is API 602 valve? API 602 is the standard specification for Gate, Globe, and check valves with sizes DN 100 [NPS 4] or Smaller in the Petroleum and Natural Gas Industries. These valves are intended to withstand extreme pressure or temperature conditions.

What is the difference between ASME B16 34 and API 600? One important area in which API 600 differs from ANSI B16. 34 is minimum wall thickness. API 600 requires a heavier wall for a given pressure rating than does ASME B16. 34.

What is the API standard for a globe valve? Globe Valve design complies to API 623 (higher stem diameter than BS 1873)

What is API 602 Class 800 pressure rating? Class 800 is listed in API 602 and is equivalent to about 132.4 bar or 1920 psi pressure. It is an intermediate class between 600 and 900 and is usually rounded to PN140 or 2000 PSI.

What does API stand for in valves? API 6D is the American Petroleum Institute's specification for pipeline and pipeline valves in the petroleum and natural gas industries. It contains requirements for the design, manufacture, assembly, documentation, and testing of ball, gate, plug, and check valves for pressure ratings up to ASME class 2500.

What is API vs ASME valves? API standards often specify materials that are more suitable for the corrosive and high-pressure environments typical in the oil and gas industry. ASME standards provide a broader range of material choices, suitable for various industrial applications.

What is the difference between API and ANSI valves? The difference between ASME/ANSI and API is the fabrication material and a higher rated API operating pressure. ASME/ANSI flanges are commonly used in industrial process systems handling water, steam, air and gas.

What is the ASME class for valves? For valves built in accordance with ASME B16. 34, the pressure class values found are 150, 300, 600, 900, 1500 and 2500 for temperatures between -29°C and 270°C in class 150 and up to 454°C in classes 300 and above, e.g., ASTM A216 Gr.

What is the difference between API and ASME flanges? ASME/ANSI flanges are common in industrial process systems handling water, steam, air and gas. API flanges are manufactured for high strength operating refinery systems with products such as oil and explosive gases.

What is the ASME standard for a globe valve? GLOBE VALVE Vastas Globe Valves are designed according to API 623, BS1873 and ASME B16. 34 standards.

What is the most common globe valve? T- or Z globe valve (Figure 3 left): This is the most common design for globe valves, characterized by a body that forces the flow to change direction twice, creating a path that resembles the letter "Z." This design is effective for throttling because the seat and disc configuration allows for precise control over the ...

Are all globe valves full port? The port size in other types of valves tends not to vary; gate and globe valves are almost always full port by design.

What is the pressure on a Class 800 valve? ANSI Class 800 Ball Valve is an 800 class rating ball valve (140 bar g; 2000 psi g) in forged steel body with 2-pc or 3-pc split body, also called 800#/800LB ball valves.

What is the pressure rating of a Class 600 valve? 34). According to the ASME B16. 34 standard, for example, a class 600 valve has a maximum working pressure, at a temperature between -29 °C to 38 °C, of 1480 psig (102.1 barg), and a class 900 has a maximum pressure of 2220 psig (153 barg) for WCB cast carbon steel.

What is class 300 valve pressure rating? Class 300 ball valves can withstand the maximum pressure rating 50 bar during the temperature -29/38?. The high pressure seat test is 56 bar, shell test pressure is 76.6 bar for carbon steel body.

What is the difference between API 600 and API 602? RE: API 600 vs API 602 valve API 602 is for 4" and smaller forged "compact" steel gate valves. Like API 600 the spec details valve design/construction criteria as well as material/trim designations.

Are API standards mandatory? API Recommended Practices (API RP) These practices are not mandatory but are considered industry best practices. They focus on specific areas and offer guidance on how to achieve desired outcomes safely and efficiently.

What is the API standard for valve inspection? API 598. This standard covers valve testing, inspection, and pressure test requirements for ball, butterfly, gate, glove, and check valves. It specifies the acceptable rates of leakage for various sizes and materials. The API 598 standard applies especially to the oil and gas industries.

What does the ASME stand for? The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) is a 120,000member professional organization focused on technical, educational, and research issues of the engineering and technology community.

What is the meaning of API ASME? The ASME, or the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, provides codes that govern the safety of mechanical equipment. These codes are meant to provide overarching specifications for mechanical engineering applications. The API, or the American Petroleum Institute, on the other hand, produces recommended guidelines.

What is the difference between ASTM API and ASME? Differences and connections For example, ASME standards in material are from ASTM, and API is used for valve standards, while for pipe fittings, they are from ANSI. The difference is that the industry focuses on different, so the standards adopted are different.

What is an API 600 valve? This standard specifies the requirements for a heavy-duty series of bolted bonnet steel gate valves for petroleum refinery and related applications where corrosion, erosion, and other service conditions would indicate a need for full port openings, heavy wall sections, and large stem diameters.

What is the API standard for pressure safety valve? API Standards API 526: Covers the flanged steel safety relief valves, providing detailed specifications including dimensions, materials, pressure-temperature ratings, and inspection and testing requirements for safety valves used in the oil and gas industry.

What does API 607 mean? API 607 is a standard established by the American Petroleum Institute (API) that specifies fire testing requirements and methods for confirming the pressure-containing capability of quarter-turn valves with nonmetallic or metallic seat(s) and other operated valves with nonmetallic seating under pressure during and ...

What is API 609 standard? Full Description. This standard covers design, materials, face-to-face dimensions, pressure-temperature ratings, and examination, inspection, and test requirements for gray iron, ductile iron, bronze, steel, nickel-based alloy, or special alloy butterfly valves.

A TOUR OF C

A Comprehensive Guide to Learning C++: Answering Your Top Questions**

How many pages is a tour of C++?

The length of a tour of C++ depends on the specific resource you choose. Some bite-sized introductions may be just a few pages long, while comprehensive guides can span hundreds of pages.

Is a tour of C++ good for beginners?

Yes, a tour of C++ can be a good starting point for beginners. It provides a brief overview of the language's syntax and basic concepts, helping you get a taste of what C++ is all about.

Do I need a book to learn C++?

While a book can provide a structured learning path, it's not essential. Numerous online resources, tutorials, and courses can teach you C++. However, if you prefer a physical reference, a book can be a valuable addition.

How hard is C++?

C++ is known for its complexity and steep learning curve. It requires a deep understanding of programming fundamentals, data structures, and memory management. The difficulty level varies depending on your prior programming experience.

Which is better, Python or C++?

Both Python and C++ have their strengths and weaknesses. Python is known for its ease of use and versatility, while C++ offers superior speed and control over hardware. The choice depends on your specific project requirements and preferences.

Is C++ enough to get a job?

Depending on the industry and job role, C++ proficiency can significantly enhance your employability. It's a highly valued skill in game development, financial software, and embedded systems. However, most employers prefer candidates with a broader knowledge of programming concepts and technologies.

How many hours a day should I practice C++?

Consistency is key when learning C++. Aim to practice regularly, even if it's just for 30-60 minutes a day. Focus on understanding the concepts and solving practical problems.

Do I need math for C++?

Yes, a basic understanding of algebra and calculus can be helpful for comprehending C++'s vector operations, floating-point arithmetic, and other mathematical concepts.

Is it OK to learn C++ before C?

While it's possible to learn C++ directly, it's recommended to start with C if you're new to programming. C provides a solid foundation for understanding low-level concepts and memory management, which will make learning C++ easier.

Can I learn C++ easily if I know C?

Having a strong foundation in C will undoubtedly make learning C++ smoother. The two languages share many similarities in syntax and concepts, allowing you to leverage your existing knowledge.

Is Java harder than C++?

Java is generally considered easier to learn than C++ due to its simplicity, built-in garbage collection, and extensive libraries. However, C++ offers more flexibility, control, and performance.

Is C++ still relevant in 2024?

Yes, C++ remains highly relevant in 2024 and beyond. It's a staple language in performance-intensive applications such as game engines, operating systems, and embedded devices.

Is C++ really that fast?

C++ is renowned for its exceptional speed. It compiles directly to machine code, providing unparalleled execution speed and low-level control over hardware resources.

DESIGN OF CONCRETE STRUCTURES 14TH EDITION NILSON SOLUTION

Design of Concrete Structures 14th Edition by Nilson Solutions: A Comprehensive Q&A Guide**

1. What are the key design philosophies in concrete structures?

- Strength and serviceability
- Structural safety
- Durability and sustainability

2. What are the different types of concrete used in construction?

- Normal-weight concrete
- Lightweight concrete
- High-strength concrete
- Ultra-high-performance concrete

3. What is the modulus of elasticity of concrete?

• Typically 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 psi (27,600 to 34,500 MPa)

4. What are the different types of reinforcing steel used in concrete structures?

- Deformed bars
- Welded wire fabric
- Prestressed tendons

5. What is the yield strength of typical reinforcing steel?

• 60,000 psi (414 MPa)

6. What is the ultimate tensile strength of typical reinforcing steel?

• 80,000 psi (552 MPa)

7. What is the concrete cover required for steel reinforcement?

• Varies depending on exposure conditions, but typically 1 to 2 inches (25 to 51 mm)

8. What is the minimum reinforcement required in concrete slabs?

• 0.18% of the gross cross-sectional area

9. What is the maximum reinforcement ratio allowed in concrete columns?

• 0.08

10. What is the spacing of transverse reinforcement in concrete beams?

• Typically less than 12 inches (305 mm)

11. What is the shear capacity of a reinforced concrete beam?

• Depends on the reinforcement, concrete strength, and beam size

12. What is the flexural capacity of a reinforced concrete beam?

• Depends on the reinforcement, concrete strength, and beam size

13. What is the moment-curvature relationship of a reinforced concrete beam?

• A nonlinear relationship that describes the behavior of the beam under bending

14. What is the deflection of a reinforced concrete beam?

• Depends on the load, span, concrete strength, and reinforcement

15. What is the creep of concrete?

• The time-dependent increase in strain under sustained stress

16. What is the shrinkage of concrete?

• The time-dependent decrease in volume due to moisture loss

17. What is the durability of concrete?

• Depends on factors such as exposure conditions, concrete quality, and design

18. What are the causes of concrete cracking?

- Drying shrinkage
- Creep
- Thermal expansion
- Overloading

19. What are the types of concrete repairs?

- Patching
- Resurfacing
- Structural strengthening

20. What are the methods of concrete strengthening?

- External reinforcement
- Internal reinforcement
- Post-tensioning

21. What are the different types of concrete foundations?

- Spread footings
- Continuous footings
- Raft foundations
- Pile foundations

22. What is the bearing capacity of a concrete footing?

• Depends on the soil conditions and footing size

23. What are the design considerations for concrete columns?

- Axial load capacity
- Slenderness effects
- Transverse reinforcement

24. What is the design philosophy for concrete shear walls?

• To provide resistance to lateral forces such as earthquakes

25. What are the different types of concrete connections?

- Beam-to-column connections
- Wall-to-floor connections
- Floor-to-floor connections

26. What is the design process for concrete structures?

- Determine loads
- Design members for strength and serviceability
- Detail reinforcement
- Design connections

27. Who needs to read the book "Design of Concrete Structures 14th Edition" by Nilson?

- Structural engineers
- Architects
- Contractors
- Building inspectors
- Students of structural engineering

This book provides comprehensive guidance on the design and analysis of concrete structures, making it an essential resource for anyone involved in the field. Its clear explanations, numerous examples, and in-depth coverage of the latest codes and standards ensure that readers have access to the most up-to-date information and best practices for designing safe, durable, and efficient concrete structures.

5 THINGS YOU NEED TO DO BEFORE DIE BO SANCHEZ

5 Things You Need to Do Before You Die by Bo Sanchez

In his book, "5 Things You Need to Do Before You Die," renowned author and life coach Bo Sanchez shares five essential tasks that can bring purpose and fulfillment to our lives. Here are the questions and answers he poses to guide us on this journey:

1. What will make you really happy?

Happiness is not a destination but a journey. Sanchez emphasizes that true happiness comes from pursuing what brings us joy and fulfillment. This could be spending time with loved ones, pursuing a passion, or making a positive impact on the world.

2. Who should you forgive?

Holding onto grudges can weigh us down and prevent us from moving forward. Sanchez encourages us to let go of anger and resentment by forgiving those who have wronged us. Forgiveness frees us from the chains of the past and allows us to live in the present with peace of mind.

3. What do you need to be free from?

We all carry burdens that hinder our growth and happiness. These could be fears, addictions, or unhealthy relationships. Sanchez challenges us to identify the things that hold us back and break free from their grip. Freedom empowers us to live life to the fullest.

4. What must you do to be where you want to be?

Our dreams and aspirations require action. Sanchez reminds us that we must take steps towards our goals, even when they seem daunting. It involves setting clear intentions, creating a plan, and persevering through challenges. The journey may not always be easy, but it is essential for reaching our desired destination.

5. What can you leave behind?

Our lives have a ripple effect on the world around us. Sanchez encourages us to use our time, resources, and talents to make a positive impact on others. This could involve mentoring, volunteering, or simply being a kind and compassionate person. Leaving a legacy that enriches the lives of others is a powerful way to make our lives truly meaningful.

GRAMSCI ON HEGEMONY INTELLECTUALS AND IDEOLOGY

What is hegemony and ideology in Gramsci? Gramsci saw civil society as the public sphere where trade unions and political parties gained concessions from the bourgeois state, and the sphere in which ideas and beliefs were shaped, where bourgeois 'hegemony' was reproduced in cultural life through the media, universities and religious institutions to ' ...

What did Gramsci say about hegemony? It is based on the equilibrium between consent and coercion. Gramsci first noted that in Europe, the dominant class, the bourgeoisie, ruled with the consent of subordinate masses. The bourgeoisie was hegemonic because it protected some interests of the subaltern classes in order to get their support.

What does Gramsci say about intellectuals? The role of the intellectual, for Gramsci, is to create a new consciousness for a social strata that can bring meaning and understanding to one's position in society and their role in life (thus, intellectuals are like a glue that keeps society together and in harmony).

What is the difference between ideology and hegemony? Hegemony, unlike the concept of ideology, was not a fixed or rigid category instead any group or class could in theory gain hegemonic control over society at a certain time. Gramsci's writing on hegemony also reflects upon the institutions which function as cultural intermediaries through which hegemony is secured.

What is Gramsci's theory? In Gramsci's view, a class cannot dominate in modern conditions by merely advancing its own narrow economic interests, and neither can it dominate purely through force and coercion. Rather, it must exert intellectual and moral leadership, and make alliances and compromises with a variety of forces.

What is power hegemony and ideology? Hegemony, then, refers to this shifting blend of coercion and consent that allows a dominant class to stabilize its rule. Such hegemonic ideologies should not be mistaken for "false consciousness," as if people could simply "awaken" into a better world.

What is the main idea of hegemony? Hegemony is the political, economic, or military dominance or control by one state over others. This term can be applied to situations in ancient times. In Ancient Greece, the city-state of Sparta was designated as the hegemon, or leader, of the Peloponnese League.

How does Gramsci define hegemony and counter hegemony? Gramsci developed the concept of hegemony in the context of the anti-capitalist and anti-fascist struggles of the first half of the 20th century. Counter-hegemony refers to the efforts of social and political actors that challenge the cultural and institutional foundations of hegemony.

What is an example of a hegemony? Examples of hegemony in a Sentence They discussed the national government's hegemony over their tribal community. European intellectuals have long debated the consequences of the hegemony of American popular culture around the world.

What is the theory of hegemony? Hegemony occurs when "the dominance of a single world power" ensues from the creation of a particular ideological order that sustains the leading social classes' dominance and includes secondary benefits for the less powerful, whether they are social groups or states, thereby ensuring their continued support.

Who Recognised the concept of hegemony and the role of intellectuals? According to Gramsci, in a state's struggle for hegemony, intellectuals had an important role due to their capacity to influence civil society and gain the consent of the masses. They are used as tools of the state to maintain their hegemonic power.

What are the two types of intellectuals? He identified two types of intellectuals – traditional and organic. Traditional intellectuals are those who do regard themselves as autonomous and independent of the dominant social group and are regarded as such by the population at large. They seem autonomous and independent.

How do ideology and hegemony work together? According to Gramsci, hegemony ("predominance by consent") is a condition in which a fundamental class exercises a political, intellectual, and moral role of leadership within a hegemonic system cemented by a common world-view or "organic ideology." The exercise of this role on the ethico-political as well as on the ...

What is the critical theory of ideology and hegemony? The theory of Cultural hegemony explains how a democratic political system can be ruled by one class of society (or a coalition of interests), and their dominant ideology can provide the foundation, via their privileged access to institutions (such as the media and educational institutions), to become dominant.

What is the dominant ideology or hegemonic approach? As a mechanism of social control, the dominant ideology frames how the majority of the population thinks about the nature of society, their place in society, and their connection to a social class.

What is ideology according to Gramsci? Gramsci instead argued that ideology was a "terrain" of particular ideas, concepts, and beliefs that individuals may follow. He believed it was an independent concept that could impact economic and political society and operate across classes.

What does Gramsci mean by intellectuals? Intellectuals are the group of people most responsible for social stability and change. According to Gramsci, "it is them who sustain, modify and alter modes of thinking and behavior of the masses. They are purveyors of consciousness"(Gramsci, 1994, p. 14).

What is the philosophy of practice Gramsci? Gramsci's Philosophy of Praxis was an attempt to present Marxism as a political philosophy promoting the inter-definable relation between theory and practice. No practice without theory; every man was a philosopher. Marx's call to change the world (act) more than interpret it (think) did not repudiate philosophy.

What's the difference between hegemony and ideology? Hegemony is the dominance of one group or State over another often by force; the subjugated peoples have no voice and are oppressed... Ideology is merely a set of ideas, ideals and beliefs that any person or group may hold.

What is cultural hegemony according to Gramsci? Cultural Hegemony According to Antonio Gramsci Gramsci argued that consent to the rule of the dominant group is achieved by the spread of ideologies—beliefs, assumptions, and values—through social institutions such as schools, churches, courts, and the media, among others.

What is hegemony best defined as? Hegemony is political or cultural dominance or authority over others. The hegemony of the popular kids over the other students means that they determine what is and is not cool.

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What is the difference between a realist and a Gramscian understanding of hegemony? Traditionally, Realist hegemony describes the dominance of one state over several others, while Gramscian theory defines hegemony as a combination of coercion and consent which is not merely exercised by the state, but by civil society as well (Howson and Smith 2008).

What is the concept of ideology in Marxism? The Marxism ideology is a theory about the primacy of economic distinctions and class struggle in the course of human events. Thus, one of the primary principles of Marxism is that the modes of production and the relationships of exchange form the base of society, i.e., its primary features.