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1.) *Indigenous Methodologies*, Margaret Kovach: What are Indigenous research methodologies, and how do they unfold? Indigenous methodologies flow from tribal knowledge, and while they are allied with several western qualitative approaches, they remain distinct. These are the focal considerations of Margaret Kovach's study, which offers guidance to those conducting research in the academy using Indigenous methodologies.

2.) *Stamped From The Beginning*, Ibram X. Kendi: In this deeply researched and fast-moving narrative, Kendi chronicles the entire story of anti-Black racist ideas and their staggering power over the course of American history. *Stamped from the Beginning* uses the life stories of five major American intellectuals - Puritan minister Cotton Mather, Thomas Jefferson, abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison, W.E.B. Du Bois, and legendary activist Angela Davis. - to offer a window into the contentious debates between assimilationists and segregationists and between racists and antiracists.

3.) *Sisters in the Struggle*, Bettie Collier-Thomas: In *Sisters in the Struggle*, we hear about the unsung heroes of the civil rights movements such as Ella Baker, who helped found the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, Fannie Lou Hamer, a sharecropper who took on segregation in the Democratic party (and won), and Septima Clark, who created a network of "Citizenship Schools" to teach poor Black men and women to read and write and help them to register to vote. We learn of Black women's activism in the Black Panther Party where they fought the police, as well as the entrenched male leadership, and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, where the behind-the-scenes work of women kept the organization afloat when it was under siege. It also includes first-person testimonials from the women who made headlines with their courageous resistance to segregation – Rosa Parks, Charlayne Hunter-Gault, and Dorothy Height.

4.) *Wanderlust A history of walking*, Rebecca Solnit: Drawing together many histories - of anatomical evolution and city design, of treadmills and labyrinths, of walking clubs and sexual mores - Rebecca Solnit creates a fascinating portrait of the range of possibilities presented by walking. Arguing that the history of walking includes walking for pleasure as well as for political, aesthetic, and social meaning, Solnit focuses on the walkers whose everyday and extreme acts have shaped our culture, from philosophers to poets to mountaineers. She profiles some of the most significant walkers in history and fiction - from Wordsworth to Gary Snyder, from Jane Austen's Elizabeth Bennet to Andre Breton's Nadja - finding a profound relationship between walking and thinking

and walking and culture. Solnit argues for the necessity of preserving the time and space in which to walk in our ever more car-dependent and accelerated world.

5.) *Pedagogy of the Oppressed, Paulo Freire*: First published in Portuguese in 1968, *Pedagogy of the Oppressed* was translated and published in English in 1970. The methodology of the late Paulo Freire has helped to empower countless impoverished and illiterate people throughout the world. Freire's work has taken on especial urgency in the United States and Western Europe, where the creation of a permanent underclass among the underprivileged and minorities in cities and urban centers is increasingly accepted as the norm.

6.) *How To Sell A Poison, Elena Conis*: This is the sweeping narrative of generations of Americans who struggled to make sense of the notorious chemical's risks and benefits. Historian Elena Conis follows DDT from postwar farms, factories, and suburban enclaves to the floors of Congress and tony social clubs, where industry barons met with Madison Avenue brain trusts to figure out how to sell the idea that a little poison in our food and bodies was nothing to worry about.

7.) *Cooked, Michael Pollan*: The effects of not cooking are similarly far reaching. Relying upon corporations to process our food means we consume large quantities of fat, sugar, and salt; disrupt an essential link to the natural world; and weaken our relationships with family and friends. In fact, *Cooked* argues, taking back control of cooking may be the single most important step anyone can take to help make the American food system healthier and more sustainable. Reclaiming cooking as an act of enjoyment and self-reliance, learning to perform the magic of these everyday transformations, opens the door to a more nourishing life.

8.) *A Terrible Thing To Waste, Harriet Washington*: The 1994 publication of *The Bell Curve* and its controversial thesis catapulted the topic of genetic racial differences in IQ to the forefront of a renewed and heated debate. Now, in *A Terrible Thing to Waste*, award-winning science writer Harriet A. Washington adds her incisive analysis to the fray, arguing that IQ is a biased and flawed metric, but that it is useful for tracking cognitive damage. She takes apart the spurious notion of intelligence as an inherited trait, using copious data that instead point to a different cause of the reported African American-white IQ gap: environmental racism - a confluence of racism and other institutional factors that relegate marginalized communities to living and working near sites of toxic waste, pollution, and insufficient sanitation services. She investigates heavy metals, neurotoxins, deficient prenatal care, bad nutrition, and even pathogens as chief agents influencing intelligence to explain why communities of color are disproportionately affected -- and what can be done to remedy this devastating problem.

9.) *The Environmental Case, Judith A. Layzer*: Answers to environmental issues are not black and white. Debates around policy are often among those with fundamentally

different values, and the way that problems and solutions are defined plays a central role in shaping how those values are translated into policy. The Environmental Case captures the real-world complexity of creating environmental policy, and this much-anticipated Fifth Edition contains fifteen carefully constructed cases. Through her analysis, Sara Rinfret continues the work of Judith Layzer and explores the background, players, contributing factors, and outcomes of each case, and gives readers insight into some of the most interesting and controversial issues in U.S. environmental policymaking.

10.) *Decolonizing Methodologies*, Linda Tushnet Smith: This essential volume explores intersections of imperialism and research - specifically, the ways in which imperialism is embedded in disciplines of knowledge and tradition as 'regimes of truth.' Concepts such as 'discovery' and 'claiming' are discussed and an argument presented that the decolonization of research methods will help to reclaim control over indigenous ways of knowing and being.

11.) *Sixty Meters to Anywhere*, Brendan Leonard: In Montana, he took his first steps into the Rocky Mountains, unwittingly beginning a decade-long obsession with climbing and a journey that would take him all over the West and Europe. Told with unflinching honesty and vulnerability, *Sixty Meters to Anywhere* is the memoir of a barstool storyteller who left the bar and found adventure, redemption, and a life that almost never happened.

12.) *How Bad Are Bananas?*, Mike Berners-Lee: *How Bad Are Bananas?* was a groundbreaking book when first published in 2009, when most of us were hearing the phrase 'carbon footprint' for the first time. Mike Berners-Lee set out to inform us what was important (aviation, heating, swimming pools) and what made very little difference (bananas, naturally packaged, are good!).

13.) *On Looking*, Alexandra Horowitz: Alexandra Horowitz shows us how to see the spectacle of the ordinary—to practice, as Sir Arthur Conan Doyle put it, “the observation of trifles.” Structured around a series of eleven walks the author takes, mostly in her Manhattan neighborhood, *On Looking* features experts on a diverse range of subjects, including an urban sociologist, the well-known artist Maira Kalman, a geologist, a physician, and a sound designer. Horowitz also walks with a child and a dog to see the world as they perceive it. What they see, how they see it, and why most of us do not see the same things reveal the startling power of human attention and the cognitive aspects of what it means to be an expert observer.

14.) *Reduce Reuse Recycle*, Nicky Scott: Answers all of your recycling questions with a complete A-Z listing of everyday household items and how to recycle them. From old cell phones and E-waste to expired medicines and motor oil this little guide shows you

where you can send your unwanted items and how you might make a bit of money while you're at it. Also includes great ideas for reducing consumption and your volume of trash—ideal for businesses and consumers alike!

15.) *Elements of Indigenous Style, Gregory Younging*: This guide features: Twenty-two succinct style principles. Advice on culturally appropriate publishing practices, including how to collaborate with Indigenous Peoples, when and how to seek the advice of Elders, and how to respect Indigenous Oral Traditions and Traditional Knowledge. Terminology to use and to avoid. Advice on specific editing issues, such as biased language, capitalization, and quoting from historical sources and archives. Case studies of projects that illustrate best practices.

16.) *Hyperobjects, Timothy Morton*: Moving fluidly between philosophy, science, literature, visual and conceptual art, and popular culture, the book argues that hyperobjects show that the end of the world has already occurred in the sense that concepts such as world, nature, and even environment are no longer a meaningful horizon against which human events take place. Instead of inhabiting a world, we find ourselves inside a number of hyperobjects, such as climate, nuclear weapons, evolution, or relativity. Such objects put unbearable strains on our normal ways of reasoning.

17.) *The Talking Earth, Jean Craighead George*: Billie Wind lives with her Seminole tribe. She follows their customs, but the dangers of pollution and nuclear war she's learned about in school seem much more real to her. How can she believe the Seminole legends about talking animals and earth spirits? She wants answers, not legends. You are a doubter, say the men of the Seminole Council and so Billie goes out into the Everglades alone, to stay until she can believe. In the wilderness, she discovers that she must listen to the land and animals in order to survive. With an otter, a panther cub, and a turtle as companions and guides, she begins to understand that the world of her people can give her the answers she seeks This description may be from another edition of this product.

18.) *Silent Spring, Rachel Carson*: First published by Houghton Mifflin in 1962, *Silent Spring* alerted a large audience to the environmental and human dangers of indiscriminate use of pesticides, spurring revolutionary changes in the laws affecting our air, land, and water. "*Silent Spring* became a runaway bestseller, with international reverberations . . . [It is] well crafted, fearless and succinct . . . Even if she had not inspired a generation of activists, Carson would prevail as one of the greatest nature writers in American letters" (Peter Matthiessen, for *Time*'s 100 Most Influential People of the Century). This fortieth anniversary edition celebrates Rachel Carson's watershed book with a new introduction by the author and activist Terry Tempest Williams and a new afterword by the acclaimed Rachel Carson biographer Linda Lear, who tells the story of Carson's courageous defense of her truths in the face of ruthless assault from

the chemical industry in the year following the publication of *Silent Spring* and before her untimely death in 1964.

19.) *Wisconsin Blue Book*, 2017-18 ed:

20.) *Who Knew?*, Jeanne Bossolina Lubin: *How do we sell for such low prices? We have to move our product fast, so we can buy more. All items are in date, new, and condition described. We don't want surprises and we know you don't either.*

21.) *Building Excellence: University of Wisconsin Eau Claire 1916-2016*, Robbert J. Gough

22.) *Evicted*, Matthew Desmond: In *Evicted*, Princeton sociologist and MacArthur "Genius" Matthew Desmond follows eight families in Milwaukee as they each struggle to keep a roof over their heads. Hailed as "wrenching and revelatory" (*The Nation*), "vivid and unsettling" (*New York Review of Books*), *Evicted* transforms our understanding of poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving one of twenty-first-century America's most devastating problems. Its unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible.

23.) *Lab Girl*, Hope Jahren: In these pages, Hope takes us back to her Minnesota childhood, where she spent hours in unfettered play in her father's college laboratory. She tells us how she found a sanctuary in science, learning to perform lab work "with both the heart and the hands." She introduces us to Bill, her brilliant, eccentric lab manager. And she extends the mantle of scientist to each one of her readers, inviting us to join her in observing and protecting our environment.

24.) *Entangled*, Merlin Sheldrake: When we think of fungi, we likely think of mushrooms. But mushrooms are only fruiting bodies, analogous to apples on a tree. Most fungi live out of sight, yet make up a massively diverse kingdom of organisms that supports and sustains nearly all living systems. Fungi provide a key to understanding the planet on which we live, and the ways we think, feel, and behave.

25.) *The Intersectional Environmentalist*, Leah Thomas: *The Intersectional Environmentalist* examines the inextricable link between environmentalism, racism, and privilege, and promotes awareness of the fundamental truth that we cannot save the planet without uplifting the voices of its people -- especially those most often unheard. Written by Leah Thomas, a prominent voice in the field and the activist who coined the term "Intersectional Environmentalism," this book is simultaneously a call to action, a guide to instigating change for all, and a pledge to work towards the empowerment of all people and the betterment of the planet.

26.) *The Secret Wisdom of Nature*, Peter Wohlleben: In *The Secret Wisdom of Nature*, master storyteller and international sensation Peter Wohlleben takes listeners on a thought-provoking exploration of the vast natural systems that make life on Earth

possible. In this tour of an almost unfathomable world, Wohlleben describes the fascinating interplay between animals and plants and answers such questions as "How do they influence each other?", "Do lifeforms communicate across species boundaries?", and "What happens when this finely tuned system gets out of sync?".

27.) *You Can Prevent Global Warming*, Jeffrey Langholz Ph.D: Whether you're one of the nearly three-quarters of Americans who consider themselves environmentalists or you're interested in practical ways to reduce household expenses—or both!—you'll find hundreds of straightforward tips and suggestions to start putting into practice today.

28.) *A Sand County Almanac*, Aldo Leopold: These astonishing portraits of the natural world explore the breathtaking diversity of the unspoiled American landscape—the mountains and the prairies, the deserts and the coastlines. Conjuring up one extraordinary vision after another, Aldo Leopold takes readers with him on the road and through the seasons on a fantastic tour of our priceless natural resources, explaining the destructive effects humankind has had on the land and issuing a bold challenge to protect the world we love.

29.) *The Global Environment. Institutions, Law, and Policy*, Regina S. Axelrod: The new edition of this award-winning volume reflects the latest events in the in global environmental politics and sustainable development, while providing balanced coverage of the key institutions, environmental issues, treaties, and policies. The book highlights global environmental institutions, major state and non-state actors, and includes a wide range of cases such as climate change, biodiversity, hazardous chemicals, ozone layer depletion, nuclear energy and resource consumption.

30.) *The Transition Handbook*, Rob Hopkins: We live in an oil-dependent world, and have become reliant in a very short space of time, using vast reserves of oil in the process – and without planning for when the supply is not so plentiful. Most of us avoid thinking about what happens when the oil runs out (or becomes prohibitively expensive), but the reality may not be as bad as we think.

31.) *The Plant Hunter*, Cassandra Leah Quave: Traveling by canoe, ATV, mule, airboat, and on foot, Dr. Cassandra Quave has conducted field research everywhere from the flooded forests of the remote Amazon to the isolated mountaintops in Albania and Kosovo—all in search of natural compounds, long-known to traditional healers, that could help save us all from the looming crisis of untreatable superbugs. Dr. Quave is a leading medical ethnobotanist—someone who identifies and studies plants that may be able to treat antimicrobial resistance and other threatening illnesses—helping to provide

clues for the next generation of advanced medicines. And as a person born with multiple congenital defects of her skeletal system, she's done it all with just one leg. In *The Plant Hunter*, Dr. Quave weaves together science, botany, and memoir to tell us the extraordinary story of her own journey.

32.) *Invisible Women*, *Caroline Criado Perez*: Data is fundamental to the modern world. From economic development to health care to education and public policy, we rely on numbers to allocate resources and make crucial decisions. But because so much data fails to take into account gender, because it treats men as the default and women as atypical, bias and discrimination are baked into our systems. And women pay tremendous costs for this insidious bias: in time, in money, and often with their lives.

33.) *Braiding Sweetgrass*, *Robin Wall Kimmerer*: Drawing on her life as an indigenous scientist, and as a woman, Kimmerer shows how other living beings—asters and goldenrod, strawberries and squash, salamanders, algae, and sweetgrass—offer us gifts and lessons, even if we've forgotten how to hear their voices. In reflections that range from the creation of Turtle Island to the forces that threaten its flourishing today, she circles toward a central argument: that the awakening of ecological consciousness requires the acknowledgment and celebration of our reciprocal relationship with the rest of the living world. For only when we can hear the languages of other beings will we be capable of understanding the generosity of the earth, and learn to give our own gifts in return.

34.) *Building The New American Economy*, *Jeffrey D. Sachs*: In this passionate and powerful book—part manifesto, part plan of action—the renowned economist Jeffrey D. Sachs offers a practical strategy to move America, seemingly more divided than ever, toward a new consensus: sustainable development. Sustainable development is a holistic approach that emphasizes economic, social, and environmental objectives in shaping policy. In focusing too much on economic growth, the United States has neglected rising economic inequality and dire environmental threats. Now, even growth is imperiled.

35.) *2312*, *Kim Stanley Robinson*: The year is 2312. Scientific and technological advances have opened gateways to an extraordinary future. Earth is no longer humanity's only home; new habitats have been created throughout the solar system on moons, planets, and in between. But in this year, 2312, a sequence of events will force humanity to confront its past, its present, and its future.

36.) *Profit Without Honor*, *Stepan M Rosoff*: White-collar crime and the looting of America.

37.) *The Vertigo of Late Modernnity*, Jock Young: 'Immersing himself in the whirling uncertainty of late modernity, confronting its odd deformities of essentialism and exclusion, Jock Young has produced a comprehensive account of contemporary trouble, anxiety, and transgression. If this is criminology-and it's surely criminology of the best sort-it is a criminology able to account not just for crime and inequality, but for the cultural and the economic, for the existential and the ontological as well. Perhaps most importantly, it is a criminology designed to discover in these intersecting social dynamics real possibilities for critique, hope, and human transformation. Jock Young's *The Vertigo of Late Modernity* is a work of sweeping-dare I say, dizzying-intellect and imagination.

38.) *The Moon And The Ghetto*, Richard Nelson: An essay on public policy analysis.

39.) *Philosophy of Natural Science*, Carl G. Hempal: Based on basic features analysis of grid engineering construction project risk under PMC model, the paper sets up grey analytic evaluate model for project owner's risk management, addressing specific and realistic problems propping up during the project process. The model provides a framework for the project owner to control and manage risks, with depth discussion on the nature, evaluation, control and causes of man-made, economic, natural and specific risks. In this way, the paper enriches the theory of risk management and control and also studies the realistic problems. Therefore, the paper is operational oriented with a solid theoretical foundation and provide a useful guidance for the project owners.

40.) *Castle*, Isabel Wilkerson: In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched, and beautifully written narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings.

41.) *Ecofeminist Philosophy*, Keren J. Warren: How are the unjustified dominations of women and other humans connected to the unjustified domination of animals and nonhuman nature? What are the characteristics of oppressive conceptual frameworks and systems of unjustified domination? How does an ecofeminist perspective help one understand issues of environmental and social justice? In this important new work, Karen J. Warren answers these and other questions from a Western perspective. Warren looks at the variety of positions in ecofeminism, the distinctive nature of ecofeminist philosophy, ecofeminism as an ecological position, and other aspects of the

movement to reveal its significance to both understanding and creatively changing patriarchal (and other) systems of unjustified domination.

42.) *How To Be An Antiracist, Ibram X. Kendi*: Antiracism is a transformative concept that reorients and reenergizes the conversation about racism—and, even more fundamentally, points us toward liberating new ways of thinking about ourselves and each other. At its core, racism is a powerful system that creates false hierarchies of human value; its warped logic extends beyond race, from the way we regard people of different ethnicities or skin colors to the way we treat people of different sexes, gender identities, and body types. Racism intersects with class and culture and geography and even changes the way we see and value ourselves. In *How to Be an Antiracist*, Kendi takes readers through a widening circle of antiracist ideas—from the most basic concepts to visionary possibilities—that will help readers see all forms of racism clearly, understand their poisonous consequences, and work to oppose them in our systems and in ourselves.

43.) *Heart Waters, Kevin Van Tighem*: Water does not come from the river. It comes to the river. *Heart Waters* takes us to the sources of that water and into the living beauty, human stories and future possibilities that also arise from the green slopes and valleys of Alberta's Eastern Slopes where the Bow River is born.

44.) *Urban Wilderness, Eddie Daniel*: In rich color photographs and engaging text, Daniel explores the natural and cultural history of the Menomonee River. The development and rapid growth of Milwaukee as one of the leading cities in the Midwest is deeply intertwined with the river, and Daniel reveals the river's moods and ecological conditions and its ills and strengths. The book charts the exemplary preservation efforts to rescue the river from pollution and neglect, ultimately showing how parks and nature preserves are crucial to the quality of life and economic success of a thriving city such as Milwaukee. A compelling in-depth chronicle, *Urban Wilderness* is an invaluable read for environmental scholars, urbanists, and everyday citizens who are concerned about the environment.

45.) *All Our Relations, Winona*: This thoughtful, in-depth account of Native struggles against environmental and cultural degradation features chapters on the Seminoles, the Anishinaabeg, the Innu, the Northern Cheyenne, and the Mohawks, among others. Filled with inspiring testimonies of struggles for survival, each page of this volume speaks forcefully for self-determination and community.

46.) *Red Sky at Morning, James Gustave Speth*: The ultimate insider offers a devastating critique of global environmental efforts.

47.) *The Lost Continent, Bill Bryson*: Travels in small-town America

48.) *Our Land Before We Die*, Jeff Guinn: In *Our Land Before We Die*, Jeff Guinn traces the little-known history of the runaway slaves who fled to the Florida Everglades to live alongside the Seminole Indians. Deeply rooted in tribal oral history, and based on extensive interviews with descendants, this book describes the incredible circumstances of a people who sought shelter in the shadow of a tribe whose land and welfare already hung in the balance. And yet, in their tireless journey-from Florida to Indian Territory in Oklahoma; on the seven-hundred-mile flight from persecution that took them across the Rio Grande into Mexico; and then back across the Rio Grande to Texas-they never surrendered the hope of one day attaining land of their own. *Our Land Before We Die* brings to life the largely forgotten history of a courageous people and the descendants for whom this story is their only legacy.

49.) *Cities, Poverty, and Development*, Alan Gilbert: Urbanization in the third world.

51.) *Empire of Dust*, David C. Jones: Settlers in 1912 knew it as Carlstadt, the "Star of the Prairie"; survivors remember it as Alderson, the ghost town. The history of this doomed village west of Medicine Hat is a life-sized saga of frothy boosterism, lightning expansion and utter miscalculations-a tragedy of drought, destitution and depopulation. It is the tale of the disaster that befell the prairie dry belt after the Great War, the untold sorrow of southwestern Saskatchewan and especially southeastern Alberta, an empire of dust.

52.) *Grass Roots*, Paul Gruchow: In these eloquent essays, Paul Gruchow meditates on living with the land and reinvigorating the values of community. Combining personal reflection and memoir with a powerful look at the state of our rural towns and people, Gruchow postulates a society in which our lives are more than commodities and our land is more than an extension of our industries.

