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## Margaret Atwood

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*Margaret Atwood* - Marion Wynne-Davies 2010

This book traces the chronological development of Atwood's global reputation from Canadian nationhood to world-wide politics and from the role of women to gender identity. Chapters offer a comprehensive overview of her poetry, novels, shorter fiction, children's books, criticism and experimental multi-genre work. There are more detailed analyses of Atwood's most influential writing, from her first novels such as *Surfacing* and *The Edible Woman*, through the works that ensured her international reputation such as *The Handmaid's Tale*, *Cat's Eye* and *The Robber Bride*, to her most recent work, *Alias Grace* and *Oryx and Crake*. Wynne-Davies presents these works through an overall understanding of Atwood's intelligence, humour, linguistic dexterity, breadth of vision and ethical integrity.

**Margaret Atwood and the Female Bildungsroman** - Ellen McWilliams 2017-03-02

Examining Margaret Atwood's work in the context of the complex history of the Bildungsroman, Ellen McWilliams explores how the genre has been appropriated by women writers in the second half of the twentieth century. She demonstrates that Atwood's early work - her own 'coming of age' fiction, including unpublished works as well as *The Edible Woman*, *Surfacing*, and *Lady Oracle* - both engages with and works against the paradigms of identity which are traditionally associated with the

genre. Making extensive use of unpublished manuscripts in the Atwood Collection at the University of Toronto, McWilliams uncovers influences that shaped Atwood's fashioning of identity in her early novels, paying particular attention to Atwood's preoccupation with survival as a key symbol of Canadian literature, culture, and identity. She also considers the genre's afterlife on display in *Cat's Eye*, *The Robber Bride*, *Alias Grace*, *The Blind Assassin*, and *Moral Disorder*, in which the formulations of selfhood and identity in Atwood's early fiction are revisited and developed. Atwood emerges as a writer who self-consciously invokes and then undercuts the traditions of the Bildungsroman, a turn that may be read as a means of at once interrogating and perpetuating the form. McWilliams's book furthers our understanding of subjectivity in Atwood's fiction and contributes to ongoing conversations about the role gender and cultural contexts play in reframing generic boundaries.

**Selected Poems, 1965-1975** - Margaret Atwood 1987

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*The Circle Game* - Margaret Atwood 2012

The appearance of Margaret Atwood's first major

collection of poetry marked the beginning of a truly outstanding career in Canadian and international letters. The voice in these poems is as witty, vulnerable, direct, and incisive as we've come to know in later works, such as *Power Politics*, *Bodily Harm*, and *Alias Grace*. Atwood writes compassionately about the risks of love in a technological age, and the quest for identity in a universe that cannot quite be trusted. Containing many of Atwood's best and most famous poems, *The Circle Game* won the 1966 Governor General's Award for Poetry and rapidly attained an international reputation as a classic of modern poetry.

*Margaret Atwood's Dystopian Fiction* - Sławomir Kuźnicki 2017-05-11

This volume details Margaret Atwood's dystopian novels through the themes of the ambivalent ethics of science and technology, the position of women in the male-dominated world, and the ambiguous role played by religion and spirituality. The book's unique and original approach places Atwood's fiction within the contemporary world, with all the problems of our fast-changing reality. Furthermore, it provides an excellent reading of her dystopias in a broader, humanist context, with an emphasis on the social, cultural and political issues that have been important for both her, the writer, and us, the readers.

*The Door* - Margaret Atwood 2009

Atwood's first book of poetry since "Morning in the Burned House" in 1995, "The Door" contains 50 lucid yet urgent poems which range in tone from lyric to ironic and meditative to prophetic, and in subject from the personal to the political.

*The Cambridge Introduction to Margaret Atwood* - Heidi Slettedahl Macpherson 2010-09-02

Margaret Atwood offers an immensely influential voice in contemporary literature. Her novels have been translated into over 22 languages and are widely studied, taught and enjoyed. Her style is defined by her comic wit and willingness to experiment. Her work has ranged across several

genres, from poetry to literary and cultural criticism, novels, short stories and art. This Introduction summarizes Atwood's canon, from her earliest poetry and her first novel, *The Edible Woman*, through *The Handmaid's Tale* to *The Year of the Flood*. Covering the full range of her work, it guides students through multiple readings of her oeuvre. It features chapters on her life and career, her literary, Canadian and feminist contexts, and how her work has been received and debated over the course of her career. With a guide to further reading and a clear, well organised structure, this book presents an engaging overview for students and readers.

***Fire in the Soul*** - Dinyar Godrej 2009

Presents a collection of poems, including works by such prominent figures as Pablo Neruda and Margaret Atwood as well as authors known only in their homelands, on human rights issues from the Armenian massacres to the present.

***Margaret Atwood*** - Jonathan Noakes 2012-05-31

In *Vintage Living Texts* teachers and students will find the essential guide to the works of Margaret Atwood. This guide will deal with her themes, genre and narrative technique, and a close reading of the texts will be accompanied with likely exam questions, and contexts and comparisons - as well as providing a rich source of ideas for intelligent and inventive ways of approaching the novels.

*The Cambridge Companion to Margaret Atwood* - Coral Ann Howells 2006-03-30

Margaret Atwood's international celebrity has given a new visibility to Canadian literature in English. This Companion provides a comprehensive critical account of Atwood's writing across the wide range of genres within which she has worked for the past forty years, while paying attention to her Canadian cultural context and the multiple dimensions of her celebrity. The main concern is with Atwood the writer, but there is also Atwood the media star and public performer, cultural critic, environmentalist and human rights spokeswoman, social and political satirist, and mythmaker. This immensely varied

profile is addressed in a series of chapters which cover biographical, textual, and contextual issues. The Introduction contains an analysis of dominant trends in Atwood criticism since the 1970s, while the essays by twelve leading international Atwood critics represent the wide range of different perspectives in current Atwood scholarship.

[The Fiction of Margaret Atwood](#) - Fiona Tolan 2022-09-22

Margaret Atwood is one of the most significant writers working today. Her writing spans seven decades, is phenomenally diverse and ambitious, and has amassed an enormous body of literary criticism. In this invaluable guide, Fiona Tolan provides a clear and comprehensive overview of evolving critical approaches to Atwood's work. Addressing all of the author's key texts, the book deftly guides the reader through the most characteristic, influential, and insightful critical readings of the last fifty years. It highlights recurring themes in Atwood's work, such as gender, feminism, power and violence, fairy tale and the gothic, environmental destruction, and dystopian futures. This is an indispensable companion for anyone interested in reading and writing about Margaret Atwood.

[The Cambridge Companion to Postcolonial Poetry](#) - Jahan Ramazani 2017-02-27

The Cambridge Companion to Postcolonial Poetry is the first collection of essays to explore postcolonial poetry through regional, historical, political, formal, textual, gender, and comparative approaches. The essays encompass a broad range of English-speakers from the Caribbean, Africa, South Asia, and the Pacific Islands; the former settler colonies, such as Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, especially non-Europeans; Ireland, Britain's oldest colony; and postcolonial Britain itself, particularly black and Asian immigrants and their descendants. The comparative essays analyze poetry from across the postcolonial anglophone world in relation to postcolonialism and modernism, fixed and free forms, experimentation, oral performance and

creole languages, protest poetry, the poetic mapping of urban and rural spaces, poetic embodiments of sexuality and gender, poetry and publishing history, and poetry's response to, and reimagining of, globalization. Strengthening the place of poetry in postcolonial studies, this Companion also contributes to the globalization of poetry studies.

**Once upon a Time** - Sarah A. Appleton 2009-10-02

While it is often acknowledged that Margaret Atwood's novels are rife with allusions from the oral tradition of myth, legends, fables, and fairy tales, the implications of her liberal usage bear study. The essays in this volume have been written by some of the most influential Margaret Atwood scholars internationally, each exploring Atwood's use of primal, indeed archetypal, narratives to illuminate her fiction and poetry. These essays interact with all types of such narratives, from fairy tales and legends, to Greek, Roman, Biblical, and pagan mythologies, to contemporary processes of myth and tale creation. And, as the works in this collection demonstrate, Atwood's use of myths and fairy tales allows for an abundance of old, yet fresh material for contemporary readers. By reconciling, yet by also revisioning, the archetypal motifs, characters, and narratives, Atwood's writings present a familiar, yet unique, reading experience.

[Selected Poems 1](#) - Margaret Atwood 2013-01-29

Gathered from Margaret Atwood's work over the decade of 1965-1975, *Selected Poems I* is a lasting collection from one of our most celebrated contemporary writers. Margaret Atwood's early poetry garnered widespread critical recognition and helped establish her reputation as one of the most provocative modern literary talents. *Selected Poems I* draws from six collections published early in Atwood's career: *The Circle Game* (1966), which received the Governor General's Award, *The Animals in That Country* (1968), *Procedures for Underground* (1970), *The Journals of Susanna Moodie* (1970), *Power Politics* (1971), and *You Are Happy* (1975). In these early poems, Atwood considers the space between the cruelties of

civilization and wonders of nature, the dissonance of Canadian identity, and the line where beauty becomes sinister. With poems that “glisten . . . with terse bright images, untentative, closing like a vise” (New York Times Book Review), this is an essential collection to be treasured for years to come.

[Inkspell \(Inkheart Trilogy, Book 2\)](#) - Cornelia Funke 2011-10-01

The captivating sequel to INKHEART, the critically acclaimed, international bestseller by Cornelia Funke--available for the first time in a beautifully designed trade paperback! Although a year has passed, not a day goes by without Meggie thinking of INKHEART, the book whose characters became real. But for Dustfinger, the fire-eater brought into being from words, the need to return to the tale has become desperate. When he finds a crooked storyteller with the ability to read him back, Dustfinger leaves behind his young apprentice Farid and plunges into the medieval world of his past. Distraught, Farid goes in search of Meggie, and before long, both are caught inside the book, too. But the story is threatening to evolve in ways neither of them could ever have imagined.

**Identity Issues** - Vesna Lopičić 2010-10-12

The book *Identity Issues: Literary and Linguistic Landscapes* is a collection of essays, set out to explore the notion of identity as a constantly relevant, very complex, multi-faceted phenomenon.

Understanding identity in a very broad sense, the authors approach it from various angles, highlighting its various aspects. The first section includes literary explorations that discuss identity issues of class, race, nation and history, as depicted in several works of, mostly, contemporary Anglo-American literature. The second section brings various linguistic studies of identity, starting with the usual sociolinguistic issues, but also including a range of other research routes, which draw upon insights from psychology, sociology, historical linguistics, cognitive linguistics, lexicology, functional grammar, and applied linguistics. The book addresses a broad academic audience. Due to its

wide scope, both in topics covered and in varied theoretical approaches, it is not only aimed towards literary scholars studying modern Anglo-American literature, nor only at sociolinguists interested in language identity, but at numerous academics, as well as undergraduate and graduate students, who are interested in some of the disciplines that provided the framework for various articles (literary studies, sociology, cognitive linguistics, lexicology, functional grammar, academic writing, and English teaching). The book would be particularly appealing to all those who are interested in examining a variety of identity issues from diverse angles. The authors of the articles come from Serbia, the UK, Canada, Japan, Norway, and Romania.

*Good Bones* - Margaret Atwood 2010-07-01

A treasure trove of collected works from the legendary author of *The Handmaid's Tale* and *Alias Grace* Queen Gertrude gives Hamlet a piece of her mind. An ugly sister and a wicked stepmother put in a good word for themselves. A reincarnated bat explains how Bram Stoker got Dracula hopelessly wrong. *Bones and Murder* is a bewitching cocktail of prose and poetry, fiction and fairytales, as well as some of Atwood's own illustrations. It's pure distilled Atwood: deliciously strong and bittersweet. 'A marvellous miniature sample case of Atwood's sensuous and sardonic talents' *Times Literary Supplement*

**Understanding Margaret Atwood** - Donna M. Bickford 2023-08-31

A timely, accessible introduction to Margaret Atwood's most recent novels and enduring themes. In 2017, the Hulu adaptation of Margaret Atwood's *The Handmaid's Tale* introduced the acclaimed and bestselling Canadian author to a new generation and reminded Atwood's long-established readers of her uncanny prescience. *Understanding Margaret Atwood* provides an overview of the author's life, descriptions and analyses of the key themes present in her most recent novels, signposts to the connections and intertextual references between

them, and attention to their critical reception.

Following a biographical overview, author Donna M. Bickford studies *The Handmaid's Tale* (1985) and its sequel *The Testaments* (2019), retellings of *The Odyssey* in *The Penelopiad* (2005) and *The Tempest* in *Hag Seed* (2016), the *MaddAddam* trilogy (2003, 2009, 2013), and *The Heart Goes Last* (2015). Written in clear language and a style appropriate both for scholars and for new students of Atwood, Bickford locates Atwood's recent works in the literary, political, and social context. Atwood is the author of more than fifty books of fiction, essays, and poetry, which have collectively sold more than eight million copies worldwide; has received numerous awards and accolades, including multiple Booker Prizes and a PEN Center USA Lifetime Achievement Award; and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

**Encyclopedia of Feminist Literature** - Kathy J. Whitson 2004-12-30

Many women writers have secured a solid place in the literary canon, while others have remained marginalized. This reference includes alphabetically arranged entries on roughly 70 women writers whose works are widely read in English, and on some 20 related topics. While some of the writers profiled are widely known, others have not yet received as much attention. And while most of the writers are from England and America, the volume also profiles Chilean, Brazilian, Indian, South African, Australian, French, and German authors. The writers selected are feminist, in that their works have challenged traditional gender roles, explored female oppression, or critiqued patriarchal social structures. In addition to providing biographical information, the entries include interpretative summaries of major works. Each author entry includes biographical information, an extensive summary treatment of at least one of her works, an list of her other major works, cross-references to related entries, and a list of works for further reading. What distinguishes this encyclopedia from the many other volumes

addressing feminist literature or literature by women is the interpretative summary in each entry. The volume closes with a list of works cited. Entries are clearly written and are accessible to high school students and undergraduates.

*Fahrenheit 451* - Ray Bradbury 2003-09-23

Set in the future when "firemen" burn books forbidden by the totalitarian "brave new world" regime.

*Margaret Atwood* - J. Brooks Bouson 2010-11-18

A collection of original essays by well-known Atwood scholars offering contemporary critical readings and assessments of three well known Atwood texts.

*Margaret Atwood's Textual Assassinations* - Sharon Rose Wilson 2003

*Moral Disorder* - Margaret Atwood 2009-03-31

In these ten dazzling interrelated stories Atwood traces the course of a life and also the lives intertwined with it, while evoking the drama and the humour that colour common experiences—the birth of a baby, divorce and remarriage, old age and death. With settings ranging from Toronto, northern Quebec, and rural Ontario, the stories begin in the present, as a couple no longer young situate themselves in a larger world no longer safe. Then the narrative goes back in time to the forties and moves chronologically forward toward the present. In "The Art of Cooking and Serving," the twelve-year-old narrator does her best to accommodate the arrival of a baby sister. After she boldly declares her independence, we follow the narrator into young adulthood and then through a complex relationship. In "The Entities," the story of two women haunted by the past unfolds. The magnificent last two stories reveal the heartbreaking old age of parents but circle back again to childhood, to complete the cycle. By turns funny, lyrical, incisive, tragic, earthy, shocking, and deeply personal, *Moral Disorder* displays Atwood's celebrated storytelling gifts and unmistakable style to their best advantage. This is vintage Atwood,

writing at the height of her powers.

Selected Poems II - Margaret Atwood 1987

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**Margaret Atwood** - Shannon Hengen 2007-05-22

Authors Shannon Hengen and Ashley Thomson have assembled a reference guide that covers all of the works written by the acclaimed Canadian author Margaret Atwood since 1988, including her novels *Cat's Eye*, *The Robber Bride*, *Alias Grace*, and the 2000 Booker Prize winner, *The Blind Assassin*. Rather than just including Atwood's books, this guide includes all of Atwood's works, including articles, short stories, letters, and individual poetry. Adaptations of Atwood's works are also included, as are some of her more public quotations. Secondary entries (i.e. interviews, scholarly resources, and reviews) are first sorted by type, and then arranged alphabetically by author, to allow greater ease of navigation. The individual chapters are organized chronologically, with each subdivided into seven categories: *Atwood's Works*, *Adaptations*, *Quotations*, *Interviews*, *Scholarly Resources*, *Reviews of Atwood's Works*, and *Reviews of Adaptations of Atwood's Works*. The book also includes a chapter entitled 'Atwood on the Web,' as well as extensive author and subject indexes. This new bibliography significantly enhances access to Atwood material, a feature that will be welcomed by university, public, and school librarians.

*Margaret Atwood: A Reference Guide* 1988-2005 will appeal not only to Atwood scholars, but to students and fans of one of Canada's greatest writers.

**Women Writing Nature** - Barbara J. Cook 2008

Since *Silent Spring* was published in 1962, the number of texts about the natural world written by women has grown exponentially. The essays in *Women Writing Nature: A Feminist View* argue that women writing in the 20th century are

utilizing the historical connection of women and the natural world in diverse ways. For centuries women have been associated with nature but many feminists have sought to distance themselves from the natural world because of dominant cultural representations which reflect women as controlled by powerful natural forces and confined to domestic spaces. However, in the spirit of Rachel Carson, some writers have begun to invoke nature for feminist purposes or have used nature as an agent of resistance. This collection considers women's writings about the natural world in light of recent and current feminist and ecofeminist theory and finds a variety of approaches and perspectives, both by the scholars and by the authors discussed, culminating with the voices of two women, activist and scientist Joan Maloof and Irish poet Rosemarie Rowley, who both write about the natural world from a feminist perspective.

*The Handmaid's Tale: York Notes for A-level ebook edition* - Emma Page 2017-07-27

Get everything you need to achieve your full potential at English Literature A Level or AS with York Notes Study Guides, now updated for Assessment Objectives 1 to 5.

*The Handmaid's Tale* - Margaret Atwood 1986-02-17

Now a Hulu series starring Elizabeth Moss. *The Handmaid's Tale* is an instant classic and eerily prescient cultural phenomenon, from "the patron saint of feminist dystopian fiction" (*New York Times*) *The Handmaid's Tale* is a novel of such power that the reader will be unable to forget its images and its forecast. Set in the near future, it describes life in what was once the United States and is now called the Republic of Gilead, a monotheocracy that has reacted to social unrest and a sharply declining birthrate by reverting to, and going beyond, the repressive intolerance of the original Puritans. The regime takes the Book of Genesis absolutely at its word, with bizarre consequences for the women and men in its population. The story is told through the eyes of

Offred, one of the unfortunate Handmaids under the new social order. In condensed but eloquent prose, by turns cool-eyed, tender, despairing, passionate, and wry, she reveals to us the dark corners behind the establishment's calm facade, as certain tendencies now in existence are carried to their logical conclusions. *The Handmaid's Tale* is funny, unexpected, horrifying, and altogether convincing. It is at once scathing satire, dire warning, and a tour de force. It is Margaret Atwood at her best.

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*Survival* - Margaret Atwood 2013-03-26

When first published in 1972, *Survival* was considered the most startling book ever written about Canadian literature. Since then, it has continued to be read and taught, and it continues to shape the way Canadians look at themselves.

Distinguished, provocative, and written in effervescent, compulsively readable prose, *Survival* is simultaneously a book of criticism, a manifesto, and a collection of personal and subversive remarks. Margaret Atwood begins by asking: "What have been the central preoccupations of our poetry and fiction?" Her answer is "survival and victims."

Atwood applies this thesis in twelve brilliant, witty, and impassioned chapters; from Moodie to MacLennan to Blais, from Pratt to Purdy to Gibson, she lights up familiar books in wholly new perspectives. This new edition features a foreword by the author.

*The Year of the Flood* - Margaret Atwood  
2009-09-22

**NATIONAL BESTSELLER** • From the bestselling author of *The Handmaid's Tale* and *The Testaments*—the second book of the internationally celebrated MaddAddam trilogy, set in the visionary

world of Oryx and Crake, is at once a moving tale of lasting friendship and a landmark work of speculative fiction. The long-feared waterless flood has occurred, altering Earth as we know it and obliterating most human life. Among the survivors are Ren, a young trapeze dancer locked inside the high-end sex club Scales and Tails, and Toby, who is barricaded inside a luxurious spa. Amid shadowy, corrupt ruling powers and new, gene-spliced life forms, Ren and Toby will have to decide on their next move, but they can't stay locked away.

*The Cambridge Companion to Margaret Atwood* - Coral Ann Howells 2021-04-01

The field of Margaret Atwood studies, like her own work, is in constant evolution. This second edition of *The Cambridge Companion to Margaret Atwood* provides substantial reconceptualization of Atwood's writing in multiple genres that has spanned six decades, with particular focus on developments since 2000. Exploring Atwood in our contemporary context, this edition discusses the relationship between her Canadian identity and her role as an international literary celebrity and spokesperson on global issues, ranging from environmentalism to women's rights to digital technology. As well as providing novel insights into Atwood's recent dystopias and classic texts, this edition highlights a significant dimension in the reception of Atwood's work, with new material on the striking Hulu and MGM television adaptation of *The Handmaid's Tale*. This up-to-date volume illuminates new directions in Atwood's career, and introduces students, scholars and general readers alike to the ever-expanding dimensions of her literary art.

Margaret Atwood - Reingard M. Nischik 2000

Novelist, poet, cultural critic, Margaret Atwood is one of the most fascinating, versatile, and productive authors of our time, a superb writer in any genre she chooses to tackle. This book was prepared on the occasion of Atwood's sixtieth birthday in November 1999. Its first aim is therefore to take stock of Atwood's multifarious works and international impact at the height of her

creative powers. Secondly, the book serves as a wide-ranging introduction to the writer and her works. Fifteen informative articles written specifically for this volume by Atwood specialists from Canada, the USA, the UK, Germany, and France treat her life and status, her works (up-to-date survey articles on Atwood's novels, short fiction, poetry, and literary and cultural criticism), and important approaches to her works (from the standpoints of gender politics, mythology, ecology, popular culture, constructivism, and Canadian nationalism). A final section on creativity, transmission, and reception includes an interview with Atwood on creativity, statements by some of Atwood's important transmitters, including publishers, editors, literary agents, and translators, and some 15 statements by Atwood's fellow writers, in which they explore her importance for them. A number of photographs of Atwood, several cartoons drawn by her, an up-to-date bibliography of works by and about Atwood, and an index round out the volume. Reingard M. Nischik is Professor of American literature at the University of Konstanz, Germany.

**The Heart Goes Last** - Margaret Atwood 2015-09-29  
From the bestselling author of *The Handmaid's Tale* and *The Testaments*—in the gated community of Consilience, residents who sign a contract will get a job and a lovely house for six months of the year...if they serve as inmates in the Positron prison system for the alternate months. “Captivating...thrilling.”  
—The New York Times Book Review  
Stan and Charmaine, a young urban couple, have been hit by job loss and bankruptcy in the midst of nationwide economic collapse. Forced to live in their third-hand Honda, where they are vulnerable to roving gangs, they think the gated community of Consilience may be the answer to their prayers. At first, this seems worth it: they will have a roof over their heads and food on the table. But when a series of troubling events unfolds, Positron begins to look less like a prayer answered and more like a chilling prophecy fulfilled. *The Heart Goes Last* is a vivid,

urgent vision of development and decay, freedom and surveillance, struggle and hope—and the timeless workings of the human heart.

**Reading, Learning, Teaching Margaret Atwood** - Paul Lee Thomas 2007

Literature that confronts our students' assumptions about the world and about text is the lifeblood of English classes in American high schools and colleges. Margaret Atwood offers works in a wide variety of genres that fulfill that need. This volume introduces readers, students, and teachers to the life and works of Atwood while also suggesting a variety of ways in which her works can become valuable additions to classroom experiences with literature and writing. Furthermore, this volume confronts how and why we teach English through Atwood's writing.

**Miles from Nowhere** - Nami Mun 2009

Fleeing her 1980s Bronx family home in the wake of her unfaithful father's abandonment and her mother's mental illness, Korean teen Joon struggles through an adolescence marked by homeless shelters, addiction, and demeaning jobs.

**The Complete Idiot's Guide to American Literature** - Laurie E. Rozakis 1999

Looks at American authors from Washington Irving to John Updike and provides brief biographical sketches, excerpts and summaries of major works, and explanations of major literary movements

**The Complete World of Greek Mythology (The Complete Series)** - Richard Buxton 2004-06-28

A full, authoritative, and wholly engaging account of these endlessly fascinating tales and of the ancient society in which they were created. Greek myths are among the most complex and influential stories ever told. From the first millennium BC until today, the myths have been repeated in an inexhaustible series of variations and reinterpretations. They can be found in the latest movies and television shows and in software for interactive computer games. This book combines a retelling of Greek myths with a comprehensive account of the world in which they



developed—their themes, their relevance to Greek religion and society, and their relationship to the landscape. "Contexts, Sources, Meanings" describes the main literary and artistic sources for Greek myths, and their contexts, such as ritual and theater. "Myths of Origin" includes stories about the beginning of the cosmos, the origins of the gods, the first humans, and the founding of communities. "The Olympians: Power, Honor, Sexuality" examines the activities of all the main divinities. "Heroic exploits" concentrates on the adventures of Perseus, Jason, Herakles, and other heroes. "Family sagas" explores the dramas and catastrophes that befall heroes and heroines. "A Landscape of Myths" sets the stories within the context of the mountains, caves, seas, and rivers of Greece, Crete, Troy, and the Underworld. "Greek Myths after the Greeks" describes the rich tradition of retelling, from the Romans, through the Renaissance, to the twenty-first century. Complemented by lavish illustrations, genealogical tables, box features, and specially commissioned drawings, this will be an essential book for anyone interested in these classic tales and

in the world of the ancient Greeks.

Negotiating with the Dead - Margaret Atwood  
2002-03-06

Margaret Atwood examines the nature of writing and the role of writers.

Moral Disorder and Other Stories - Margaret Atwood  
2008-02-12

From the bestselling author of *The Handmaid's Tale* and *The Testaments* • This brilliant collection of connected short stories strings together several decades of moments in the life of one woman—as an ambitious girl in the 1930s, as a young professional coming of age in the uncertain '50s and '60s, and as half of a couple growing old together. In a series of vividly evoked settings that span cities, backwoods, and farm country, we see this woman contending over time with an unstable sister, a married lover, aging parents, mystifying stepchildren, vulnerable farm animals, and her own changing self. By turns funny, lyrical, earthy, shocking, and deeply personal, *Moral Disorder* displays Margaret Atwood's celebrated storytelling gifts and unmistakable style to their best advantage.