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**Women Who Changed the World: Their Lives, Challenges, and Accomplishments through History [4 volumes]** Nov 29 2020  
Women Who Changed the World: Their Lives, Challenges, and Accomplishments through History features 200 biographies of notable women and offers readers an opportunity to explore the global past from a gendered perspective. The women featured in this four-volume set cover the full sweep of history, from our ancestral forbearer "Lucy" to today's tennis phenoms Venus and Serena Williams. Every walk of life is represented in these pages, from powerful monarchs and politicians to talented artists and writers, from inquisitive scientists to outspoken activists. Each biography follows a standardized format, recounting the woman's life and accomplishments, discussing the challenges she faced within her particular time and place in history, and exploring the lasting legacy she left. A chronological listing of biographies makes it easy for readers to zero in on particular time periods, while a further reading list at the end of each essay serves as a gateway to further exploration and study. High-interest sidebars accompany many of the biographies, offering more nuanced glimpses into the lives of these fascinating women.  
*Early in Orcadia* Aug 27 2020 *Early in Orcadia* was first published in 1987, and consists of five stories, set hundreds of years apart in time and dealing with different characters, but connected by their location in a particular corner of Orkney during the period known as

the Stone Age. Mitchison links them formally by interpolating passages of fact and explanation between the fictional episodes, and by speculating in her own voice about what happened in prehistory, as far as it can be known from archaeological research, and how it fits in with the world of today. The slightly awkward jumps from one story to the next indicate that the development of the human race was not a completely smooth and seamless process. There must have been significant moments when a highly important discovery or invention took place. The structure of the book is demonstrating its theme - that there are sudden advances but just one story running from the earliest times to the present day, and it is the story of humankind. From the Introduction.

Anna Comnena Dec 23 2022

**Hand-Book of the Songs of Scotland, With Music, and descriptive & historical Notes** Apr 03 2021

Memoirs of a Spacewoman Feb 13 2022 Naomi Mitchison, daughter of a distinguished scientist, sister of geneticist J B S Haldane, was always interested in the sciences, especially genetics. Her novels did not tend to demonstrate this, and she did not publish a Science Fiction novel until almost forty years into her fiction-writing career. Isobel Murray's Introduction here argues that it is by no means 'pure' Science Fiction: the success of the novel depends not only on the extraordinarily variety of life forms its heroine encounters and attempts to communicate with on different worlds: she is also a very credible human, or Terran, with recognisably human emotions and a dramatic emotional life. This novel works effectively for readers who usually eschew the genre and prefer more traditional narratives. Explorers like Mary are an elite class who consider curiosity to be Terrans' supreme gift, and in the novel she more than once takes risks that may destroy her life. Her voice, as she records her adventures and experiments, is individual, attractive and memorable. Isobel Murray is Emeritus Professor of Modern Scottish Literature at the University of Aberdeen.

*Beyond this Limit* Jun 17 2022 Short stories written between 1930-1980.

**The Corn King and the Spring Queen** Aug 19 2022 Introduced by Naomi Mitchison. Set over two thousand years ago on the clam and fertile shores of the Black Sea, Naomi Mitchison's *The Corn King and the Spring Queen* tells of ancient civilisations where tenderness, beauty and love vie with brutality and dark magic. Erif Der, a young witch, is compelled by her father to marry his powerful rival, Tarrik the Corn King, so becoming the Spring Queen. Forced by her father, she uses her magic spells to try and break Tarrik's power. But one night Tarrik rescues Sphaeros, an Hellenic philosopher, from a shipwreck. Sphaeros in turn rescues Tarrik from near death and so breaks the enchantment that has bound him. And so begins for Tarrik a Quest – a fabulous voyage of discovery which will bring him new knowledge and which will reunite him with his beautiful Spring Queen. 'This breathtaking recreation of life in the ancient world welds the power of myth and magic to a stirring plot.' Ian Rankin

Naomi Mitchison Mar 26 2023

Travel Light Sep 08 2021 A young woman is transformed by a magical journey.

**Solution Three** Jul 18 2022 A A A As a fast-paced novel about a future shaped by feminist ideals of sexual and racial equality,

"solution three" at first seems to be a peaceful answer to the world's problems. Homosexuality as an international norm and reproduction by cloning have minimized aggression and overpopulation. The sexes have equal rights and status, racial tension has been eliminated through genetic intermixing, and scientists work closely with the governing body, the Council, to keep an eye on the food supply and to heal the earth of prior environmental terrorism. A A A Except in a few outlying areas, things seem to be going smoothly. But even in the privileged center, two women are quietly rebelling. Miryam, a geneticist, is secretly married and rearing her own children. Lilac, a surrogate mother chosen to carry a clone baby, tries to evade releasing him, as customary, for social conditioning. A A A When a mysterious virus appears in distant wheat crops, when deviant sects kill a Council member and a Clone, when even the Clones exhibit unexpected sexual behaviour, Mutumba, the strong and wise leader of the Council, ponders whether the principle of diversity, essential to the food supply, might also hold for people. What is the cost to women of this new model for reproducing life? With Mutumba, and others, one wonders: is it time for a new solution—a solution four? A A A Originally published in 1975, Mitchison's visionary science fiction presents a world created by both women and men that is far ahead of our own. "Like Herland , Solution Three imagines a society in which women have used reproductive control to shape a more equitable life for all, eradicating aggression and providing social support for motherhood... Solution Three presents a new, more positive vision of science as a realm in which women could indeed make a difference, and shape the course of knowledge."-From the Afterword by Susan M. Squier.

**A History of Twentieth-Century British Women's Poetry** May 24 2020 Publisher Description

**A Life for Africa** Mar 14 2022

**Among You Taking Notes** - Aug 07 2021 From 1 September 1939, when Hitler invaded Poland, to 10 August 1945, when the Americans dropped the second atomic bomb, Naomi Mitchison kept a diary at the request of the social research organisation Mass Observation, but what she wrote developed far beyond the limits of a social document.

You May Well Ask Feb 01 2021

The Story of David Livingstone Dec 19 2019 Title Page -- Prologue -- Chapter One -- Chapter Two -- Chapter Three -- Chapter Four -- Chapter Five -- Chapter Six -- Chapter Seven -- Chapter Eight -- Epilogue -- Glossary -- Key Dates -- Quiz -- Copyright

Frederick Douglass: Civil Rights Leader: Band 16/Sapphire (Collins Big Cat) Jul 06 2021 Antislavery campaigner, author, diplomat and political statesman, Frederick Douglass was one of the greatest men of his age. A former slave himself, Frederick fought publicly against slavery and was an inspiration in the fight for social and political change. Written by Amanda Mitchison, find out about this life-long battle to fight for equality. - Sapphire/Band 16 books offer longer reads to develop children's sustained engagement with texts and are more complex syntactically. - Text type: A biography - Curriculum links: History, Citizenship

*The Conquered* Sep 27 2020 Caesar's Gallic wars as witnessed by a Gaul who has become the slave of a Roman officer.

**The History of British Women's Writing, 1920-1945** Mar 02 2021 Featuring sixteen contributions from recognized authorities in their respective fields, this superb new mapping of women's writing ranges from feminine middlebrow novels to Virginia Woolf's modernist aesthetics, from women's literary journalism to crime fiction, and from West End drama to the literature of Scotland, Ireland and Wales.

Among You Taking Notes... Jan 24 2023 'As in a good novel, the people, their feelings and reactions are instantly recognisable and as fresh and immediate today as they were then' GUARDIAN 'She writes vividly and movingly' DAILY TELEGRAPH 26th September 1939. I am beginning to wonder whether the point of a place like this may be that it will keep alive certain ideas of freedom which might easily be destroyed in the course of this totalitarian war... Born in Edinburgh, Naomi Mitchison spent most of the Second World War in the fishing village of Carradale on Kintyre, her home until her death aged 101. Her life was crowded with incident, and her attitudes to events predictably forceful, original and honest. Throughout the war she kept a diary at the request of the research organisation Mass Observation, in which she recorded both the momentous events of the time, and also how one (albeit extraordinary) family and their friends lived, what they hoped for and what actually happened. Her diaries developed far beyond the confines of a social document. Written with the passion of a poet combined with the intellectual curiosity of a radical thinker, they provide a unique and valuable document of the period.

**When We Become Men** Dec 31 2020 'When We Become Men' deals with the contemporary fight for equality across southern Africa and the struggle against apartheid. Naomi Mitchison provides a vivid and clear account of a troubled people in transition, which helps the reader to understand and empathise with the birth-pangs of a new, post-imperial Africa.

**The Wolf Hunters** Apr 22 2020

*Life in Scotland* Mar 22 2020

*The Blood Of The Martyrs* Sep 20 2022 Introduced by Donald Smith. Set in Rome during Nero's reign of terror, *The Blood of the Martyrs* is a disciplined historical novel tracing the destruction of one cell of the early church. With a cast of slaves, ordinary Roman people, exiles and entertainers, it is thorough in its historical interpretation and in its determination to make the past accessible and readable. Written in 1938-9, the novel contains many symbolic parallels to the rise of European fascism in the 1930s and the desperate plight of persecuted minorities such as the Jews and the left-wing activists with whom Naomi Mitchison personally campaigned at the time. With the invasion of Britain a real possibility, she felt compelled to write a testament to the power of human solidarity which, even faced with death, can overcome the worst that human evil can achieve. *The Blood of the Martyrs* is the least autobiographical of Mitchison's major works of fiction, yet, with its implicit credo, is her most passionately self-revealing. ' . . . when a novelist is historically faithful in these treacherous waters of the human psyche, the results are tremendous. As a twentieth-century woman, it no doubt hurt Naomi Mitchison a good deal to describe the savagery of the early Christian persecution in *The Blood of the Martyrs* . . .

But it is the pain that gives the history its lifeblood. The imagination that is a novelist's fuel must be harnessed to serve history as history was, not as anyone wishes it had been.' Joanna Trollope

**David Livingstone** Jan 20 2020 Born a poor Glasgow cotton-mill worker, David grew up to become a great explorer and hero of his time. This is his incredible story. The tough man of Victorian Britain would stop at nothing in his determination to be the first white man to explore Africa, even if it meant dragging his wife and children along with him. He trekked hundreds of miles through dangerous territory, braving terrible illness and pain, and was attacked by cannibals, rampaging lions and killer ants... Short Books is re-releasing some of its finest writing as a newly designed series of six children's biographies called The Great Victorians. These are entertaining and engaging stories of some of history's most fascinating characters. They tell history in a novelistic, engaging way, a halfway house between storybooks and traditional history. There is abundant humour and drama too. With beautifully designed covers these books will catch the eyes of parents as well as children. Also published in a highly collectable set.

**A History of Scotland** Oct 29 2020 First published in 2002. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

*The Burning Glass* Oct 21 2022 'It is always a bore being ahead of one's time.' Naomi Mitchison was a novelist, socialist, feminist and tireless campaigner for sexual freedom. She lived through the entire twentieth century and wrote more than seventy books. Her political activism took her from the Soviet Union to her adopted Botswana as a champion of liberty and equality. *The Burning Glass* draws a fascinating portrait of a truly inspiring life.

All Change Here May 16 2022

*The Book of the Dead* Jan 12 2022 The team behind the New York Times bestseller *The Book of General Ignorance* turns conventional biography on its head—and shakes out the good stuff. Following their Herculean—or is it Sisyphean?—efforts to save the living from ignorance, the two wittiest Johns in the English language turn their attention to the dead. As the authors themselves say, “The first thing that strikes you about the Dead is just how many of them there are.” Helpfully, Lloyd and Mitchinson have employed a simple—but ruthless—criterion for inclusion: the dead person has to be interesting. Here, then, is a dictionary of the dead, an encyclopedia of the embalmed. Ludicrous in scope, whimsical in its arrangement, this wildly entertaining tome presents pithy and provocative biographies of the no-longer-living from the famous to the undeservedly and—until now—permanently obscure. Spades in hand, Lloyd and Mitchinson have dug up everything embarrassing, fascinating, and downright weird about their subjects' lives and added their own uniquely irreverent observations. Organized by capricious categories—such as dead people who died virgins, who kept pet monkeys, who lost limbs, whose corpses refused to stay put—the dearly departed, from the inventor of the stove to a cross-dressing, bear-baiting female gangster finally receive the epitaphs they truly deserve. Discover: \* Why Freud had a lifelong fear of trains \* The one thing that really made Isaac Newton laugh \* How Catherine the Great really died (no horse was involved) Much like the country doctor who cured smallpox (he's in here), Lloyd and Mitchinson have the perfect antidote for anyone out there dying of

boredom. *The Book of the Dead*—like life itself—is hilarious, tragic, bizarre, and amazing. You may never pass a graveyard again without chuckling.

**The Big House** Dec 11 2021 All the children hate Su because she is from the Big House. All that is except Winkie, the fisherman's son, and together he and Su become involved in a dangerous mission to rescue a magic piper from the clutches of an evil fairy prince.

**An Uncommon Reader** Feb 19 2020 "I know you've made me." Some of the most illustrious writers of the early twentieth century would recognize and endorse the sentiments contained in Joseph Conrad's letter to his literary mentor and friend Edward Garnett, the renowned publisher, critic, and editor. Over a career spanning half a century, from 1887 to 1937, Garnett wheedled, coaxed, and cajoled great books into being. Aside from having exquisite taste, he was also considered a mentor by many writers, including Joseph Conrad, D. H. Lawrence, Edward Thomas, John Galsworthy, Henry Green, and T. E. Lawrence. To be mentored by Garnett was to enter into a relationship as much personal as it was professional. In this fascinating biography, Helen Smith charts his relationships with legendary authors, from his early days with Joseph Conrad and his battles with D. H. Lawrence to his nurturing of a later generation of talent. He was instrumental in bringing Russian literature to a British readership and enthusiastically advocated the work of American and Australian authors, including Stephen Crane, Sarah Orne Jewett, Robert Frost, and Sherwood Anderson. The novelist Ford Madox Ford once declared that when in the States he never lectured or went to a university or a literary party without someone asking, "What about Garnett! What sort of a fellow is he?" Smith's biography of Edward Garnett provides a fascinating response to that question. Drawing on extensive archive material, some of which is previously unpublished, *The Uncommon Reader* presents an intimate portrait of the life and world of a man who did much to shape the literary landscape of early twentieth-century Britain and beyond.

**Isambard Brunel** Nov 10 2021 From tunnels and railways to bridges and ships, Isambard Kingdom Brunel would stop at nothing to realise his amazing engineering ideas. Born at the beginning of the nineteenth century, Brunel had a brilliant brain for design, and never tired of building new and exciting things – the deepest tunnel, the longest bridge, the fastest train. For Brunel, the average and the ordinary were just not good enough. A perfectionist and a control freak, he would stop at nothing to complete a project, even when it meant taking hair-raising risks. Short Books is re-releasing some of its finest writing as a newly designed series of six children's biographies called *The Great Victorians*. These are entertaining and engaging stories of some of history's most fascinating characters. They tell history in a novelistic, engaging way, a halfway house between storybooks and traditional history. There is abundant humour and drama too. With beautifully designed covers these books will catch the eyes of parents as well as children. Also published in a highly collectable set.

*Essays and Journalism 2 Carradale* Nov 22 2022 Volume two of Naomi Mitchison's *Essays and Journalism* is devoted to the West Highland village of Carradale, to which she moved in the late 1930s. She writes about many aspects of Carradale: her farm, the local

fishing industry, the big garden which was particularly dear to her heart, and 'the village and the Big House'.

**The Fourth Pig** Jun 05 2021 An enchanting collection that introduces the author and activist Naomi Mitchison to a new generation of readers *The Fourth Pig*, originally published in 1936, is a wide-ranging collection of fairy tales, poems, and ballads that reflect the hopes and forebodings of their era but also resonate with those of today. From a retelling of "Hansel and Gretel" to the experimental title story, a dark departure from "The Three Little Pigs," this book is a testament to the talents of Naomi Mitchison (1897–1999), who was an irrepressible phenomenon—a prominent Scottish political activist as well as a prolific author. Mitchison's work, exemplified by the tales in this superb new edition, is stamped with her characteristic sharp wit, magical invention, and vivid political and social consciousness. Marina Warner, the celebrated scholar of myths and fairy tales and writer of fiction, provides an insightful introduction to Mitchison as a remarkable writer and personality.

Naomi Mitchison Apr 27 2023

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**The Nine Lives of Naomi Mitchison** Feb 25 2023 Scottish novelist and poet, Naomi Mitchison was born in Edinburgh in 1897, the daughter of philosopher John Scott Haldane. She was an early campaigner for women's birth control and became involved with pacifism and women's rights. At Oxford she was a close friend of Aldous Huxley. she married Labour MP G.R Mitchison in 1916, and during the World War I worked as a VAD nurse in London. Her literary career commenced in the early 1920s with poems and plays, and she has now written more than 72 books - novels as well as travel and history books and autobiography. In 1935, her novel *We Have Been Warned* which dealt with rape and abortion was censored. In the same year she stood as Labour Candidate and in 1937, moved to Carradale where she still lives. This biography explores her literary and political life and career.

*The Bull Calves* Jul 26 2020 "The Bull Calves" was researched and written during the Second World War. This is very surprising, as Naomi Mitchison was tremendously busy at her home in Carradale, Kintyre, keeping open house for evacuees and refugees, running the farm and driving the tractor, organising the local Labour Party, and writing and producing for the dramatic society - and so on. She also wrote a diary for Mass Observation, of more than a million words. But she had to take her time with the novel and plan it more

carefully than she usually had time for. She wanted to give Scotland and the world a message, of the need for peace and working together after a bitter war. She chose to write about the aftermath of the Jacobite rising of 1745, and set her novel at Gleneagles, on the Highland line, with her characters her own ancestors. A very personal prefatory poem indicates that the whole operation was very close to her heart, and the ensuing novel is her best historical novel, and still topical today.

**The Young Alexander the Great** May 04 2021

**QI: the Book of the Dead** Jun 24 2020 QI's biographical dictionary of incredible lives.

*Small Talk* Oct 09 2021 This double volume covers the years from Naomi Mitchison's birth in 1897 to the end of World War I. Her Edwardian childhood in Oxford and Scotland, the academic and intellectual background of her family life and early schooling set the scene.

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