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*The Ocean of Churn* Nov 11 2021 Much of human history has played itself out along the rim of the Indian Ocean. In a first-of-its-kind attempt, bestselling author Sanjeev Sanyal tells the history of this significant region, which stretches across East Africa, the Middle East and the Indian subcontinent to South East Asia and Australia. He narrates a fascinating tale about the earliest human migrations out of Africa and the great cities of Angkor and Vijayanagar; medieval Arab empires and Chinese 'treasure fleets'; the rivalries of European colonial powers and a new dawn. Sanjeev explores remote archaeological sites, ancient inscriptions, maritime trading networks and half-forgotten oral histories, to make exciting revelations. In his inimitable style, he draws upon existing and new evidence to challenge well-established claims about famous historical characters and the flow of history. Adventurers, merchants, explorers, monks, swashbuckling pirates, revolutionaries and warrior princesses populate this colourful and multifaceted narrative. The Ocean of Churn takes the reader on an amazing journey through medieval geopolitics and eyewitness accounts of long-lost cities to the latest genetic discoveries about human origins, bringing alive a region that has defined civilization from the very beginning.

**Krishna Bk 1 - Slayer Of Kamsa** Jul 07 2021 Forewarned by a prophecy, the demonic King Kamsa orders every newborn to be put to the sword. But even in the womb, the unborn Krishna uses powerful magic to cast a spell across the entire kingdom on the night of his birth. The stage is set for the epic clash of the childgod and the terrible forces of evil with the birth of Krishna, the slayer of Kamsa ... The fantastic adventures of the Hindu god Krishna have entertained and inspired people for millennia. Playful cowherd, mischievous lover, feared demon-slayer - the legendary exploits of this super-being in human form rival the most rousing fantasy epics. Now, the author of the Ramayana Series, the hugely successful epic retelling of the ancient Sanskrit poem, works his magic once again with the tales of Krishna. All the pomp, splendour and majesty of ancient India come alive in this extraordinary eight-book series.

**Siege of Mithila** Jun 06 2021 The invasion has begun and the bestial demon hordes roar towards Ayodhya. If Ayodhya falls, then all mortal-kind will fall. But Rama cannot return home to defend his family. He must journey to Mithila - a city lying directly in the path of destruction. There, a small band of heroes plan a valiant stand against the advancing armies of darkness. It seems a futile quest. Lanka's forces are near boundless and have swept all before them. Even if Rama can unearth a hidden dev-astra - a powerful artefact of the gods - his chances of victory remain slight. For at the head of the demon tide rides Rama's nemesis, a terrible and ruthless slayer of souls - the demonlord Ravana.

**Uttara** May 25 2020 Instead of being a tranquil denouement to a tale studded with dangerous adventure and emotional turbulence, Valmiki's Uttara Kanda is a shattering epilogue to a beloved story. Ravana has been defeated, and Rama and Sita have returned to Ayodhya. Rama is established on the throne that is rightfully his and spends his time listening to the stories that the sages tell him, which answer questions like: Why did Hanuman not know about his special powers? How is it that the mighty rakshasas were defeated by the monkeys? Why did Ravana never touch Sita when she was his prisoner? But these stories are punctuated by events such as the banishment of Sita and the killing of Shambuka. What is said and done in the Uttara Kanda forces us to reconsider the events of the Ramayana, urging us to read the epic through a new and disturbing lens.

**Rider of Garuda** Apr 23 2020 The Lord of Dwarka must ensure the safety of his subjects and uphold the dignity of his title in the seventh book of the Krishna Coriolis Series. Newly married and seeking only to dwell in peace, Krishna is shaken when he learns that his greatest challenge still awaits him. With the help of powerful forces, Jarasandha has summoned Narakasura, the demon lord of hell himself. Tens of thousands of mortal women fall prey to this new menace, even as Krishna is forced to defend his honour and go on the most pointless quest imaginable: the search for a missing jewel! Krishna finally assumes his true form as the master of the great and powerful Garuda and prepares to rid the world of evil, once and for all.

**History of International Relations** Mar 03 2021 Existing textbooks on international relations treat history in a cursory fashion and perpetuate a Euro-centric perspective. This textbook pioneers a new approach by historicizing the material traditionally taught in International Relations courses, and by explicitly focusing on non-European cases, debates and issues. The volume is divided into three parts. The first part focuses on the international systems that traditionally existed in Europe, East Asia, pre-Columbian Central and South America, Africa and Polynesia. The second part discusses the ways in which these international systems were brought into contact with each other through the agency of Mongols in Central Asia, Arabs in the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean, Indic and Sinic societies in South East Asia, and the Europeans through their travels and colonial expansion. The concluding section concerns contemporary issues: the processes of decolonization, neo-colonialism and globalization - and their consequences on contemporary society. History of International Relations provides a unique textbook for undergraduate and graduate students of international relations, and anybody interested in international relations theory, history, and contemporary politics.

**A Kiss After Dying** Dec 12 2021 NOTHING TASTES SWEETER THAN REVENGE . . . The irresistible new thriller with a twist you'll never see coming 'An addictive thriller in which revenge is a dish best served deliciously cold' T.M. LOGAN 'Ingenious and thrilling, this novel will have your head spinning in the best possible way' SAMANTHA DOWNING 'Such thrilling, evil fun' MARIAN KEYES \_\_\_\_\_ Meet Hannah. She's quiet. She seems shy. But appearances can be misleading. Because Hannah has a plan. She's been keeping track of the people who destroyed her family. And she'll stop at nothing to get revenge. There's just one problem: Hannah has no idea who's going to be standing in her way . . . \_\_\_\_\_ 'Jaw-dropping twists' SAMANTHA BAILEY READERS LOVE A KISS AFTER DYING! 'I loved everything about this book - it's fast-paced, unpredictable and full of twists and turns. Read it. You won't regret it!' 5\*\*\*\*\* Reader Review 'A real page-turner' 5\*\*\*\*\* Reader Review 'A super smart and slick revenge thriller with an incredible kick-ass female protagonist. I loved it!' 5\*\*\*\*\* Reader Review 'A hugely addictive page-turner' 5\*\*\*\*\* Reader Review

**The Epic Mahabharata - Book 2 - The Darkness before Dawn** Feb 02 2021

**Half Gods** Feb 14 2022 "Following the fractured origins and destinies of two brothers named after demigods from the ancient epic the Mahabharata, we meet a family struggling with the reverberations of the past in their lives. These ten interlinked stories redraw the map of our world in surprising ways: following an act of violence, a baby girl is renamed after a Hindu goddess but raised as a Muslim; a lonely butcher from Angola finds solace in a family of refugees in New Jersey; a gentle entomologist, in Sri Lanka, discovers unexpected reserves of courage while searching for his missing son"--Amazon.com.

*I Am Brown* Oct 22 2022 I am brown. I am beautiful. I am perfect. I designed this computer. I ran this race. I won this prize. I wrote this book. A joyful celebration of the skin you're in - of being brown, of being amazing, of being you.

*The Accidental Investment Banker* Mar 23 2020 Jonathan A. Knee had a ringside seat during the go-go, boom-and-bust decade and into the 21st century, at the two most prestigious investment banks on Wall Street--Goldman Sachs and Morgan Stanley. In this candid and irreverent insider's account of an industry in free fall, Knee captures an exhilarating era of fabulous deal-making in a free-wheeling Internet economy--and the catastrophe that followed when the bubble burst. Populated with power players, back stabbers, celebrity bankers, and godzillionaires, here is a vivid account of the dramatic upheaval that took place in investment banking. Indeed, Knee entered an industry that was typified by the motto "first-class

business in a first-class way" and saw it transformed in a decade to a free-for-all typified by the acronym IBG, YBG ("I'll be gone, you'll be gone"). Increasingly mercenary bankers signed off on weak deals, knowing they would leave them in the rear-view mirror. Once, investment bankers prospered largely on their success in serving the client, preserving the firm, and protecting the public interest. Now, in the "financial supermarket" era, bankers felt not only that each day might be their last, but that their worth was tied exclusively to how much revenue they generated for the firm on that day—regardless of the source. Today, most young executives feel no loyalty to their firms, and among their clients, Knee finds an unprecedented but understandable level of cynicism and distrust of investment banks. Brimming with insight into what investment bankers actually do, and told with biting humor and unflinching honesty, *The Accidental Investment Banker* offers a fascinating glimpse behind the scenes of the most powerful companies on Wall Street.

**Prince of Ayodhya : Volume 1** Jul 27 2020 Adapted by Ashok K. Banker from his internationally best-selling Ramayana Series®, and magnificently illustrated by world-renowned comic book artist Enrique Alcatena, the graphic novels in this spectacular series unfold the Ramayana in a stunning visual style never seen before. *Prince of Ayodhya: Volume 1*, will transport you to a mesmerizing world in which Rama awakens...Ravana reveals himself...Vishwamitra appears ... Manthara kills... Tataka is vanquished... and much, much more. Prepare yourself for an utterly unforgettable journey.

**Vengeance of Ravana** May 17 2022 Ravana is dead. The asura threat is ended. At last Rama is on the throne of Ayodhya, seeking only to live in peace with his beloved Sita. But their peace does not last long because evil never dies, it only changes form and shape. An old enemy breaks free of his subterranean prison to convey a shocking message. An army arrives at the gates of Ayodhya, led by a mysterious being bearing a terrible weapon. Is Rama truly following his dharma or being manipulated by a plot masterfully orchestrated by Ravana? This long-awaited seventh volume in Ashok K. Banker's acclaimed Ramayana Series, soon to be followed by the eighth and final volume *Sons of Sita*, begins an enthralling two-part conclusion to the epic saga. The original Ramayana was written three thousand years ago. Now, with breathtaking imagination and brilliant storytelling, Ashok K. Banker has recreated this epic tale for modern readers everywhere.

**Prince of Ayodhya** Sep 21 2022 An epic fantasy based on the ancient Hindu classic finds young Rama, heir to the throne of Ayodhya, called upon by the legendary mage Vishwamitra when two powerful demons raise an army to defeat the human world. 20,000 first printing.

**Demons of Chitrakut** Jun 18 2022 The Original Ramayana Was Written Three Thousand Years Ago. Now, With Breathtaking Imagination And Brilliant Storytelling, Ashok K. Banker Has Recreated This Epic Tale For Modern Readers Everywhere Rama Has Finally Thwarted The Demonlord Ravana And Quelled The Demon Invasion. He Is Wedded To The Enchanting Sita. But The Young Prince S Problems Are Far From Over. For He Has Been Challenged By Parshurama, The Axe-Wielding Brahmin Who Has Never Been Defeated. And Should He Survive This Confrontation, A Greater Crisis Awaits Him. He Must Prepare To Face Fourteen Years In Exile Deep In The Heart Of The Forest In The Tiny Settlement Of Chitrakut, Where He Will Be Pitted Against The Vengeful Survivors Of Ravana S Rakshasas.

**Slayer Of Kamsa** Jan 01 2021 Forewarned by a prophecy, the demonic King Kamsa orders every newborn to be put to the sword. But even in the womb, the unborn Krishna uses powerful magic to cast a spell across the entire kingdom on the night of his birth. The stage is set for the epic clash of the childgod and the terrible forces of evil with the birth of Krishna, the slayer of Kamsa ... The fantastic adventures of the Hindu god Krishna have entertained and inspired people for millennia. Playful cowherd, mischievous lover, feared demon-slayer - the legendary exploits of this super-being in human form rival the most rousing fantasy epics. Now, the author of the Ramayana Series, the hugely successful epic retelling of the ancient Sanskrit poem, works his magic once again with the tales of Krishna. All the pomp, splendour and majesty of ancient India come alive in this extraordinary eight-book series.

**Fortress Of Dwarka** Jan 21 2020 The Lord of Mathura unravels the secrets of space and time, finds an impregnable new city and finds his eternal mate in her earthly avatar in the thrilling sixth instalment of the Krishna Coriolis Series Jarasandha's relentless attacks threaten Mathura's very existence. With the aid of a talented young architect, Krishna builds an invulnerable fortress-city where his people will be safe from all harm. But with the Magadhan army at the city's gates, Krishna must still find a way to whisk away his subjects in Mathura from under Jarasandha's nose. Even as he does that, a new challenge beckons: Krishna's eternal soulmate has taken birth on the mortal plane to be with him, and no sooner does he find her than he realizes that she is being used as bait in a deadly trap.

**Rage Of Jarasandha** Jun 25 2020 His days as a flirtatious cowherd behind him, the new Lord of Mathura's powers are tested to the limit when a new enemy, perhaps his deadliest yet, threatens the city of his birth in the fifth of the Krishna Coriolis Series Krishna has fulfilled the prophecy and the Usurper has been slain. But barely has old King Ugrasena been restored to the throne when a new threat rears its head. Jarasandha of Magadha encircles Mathura with a great army. Even the combined might of Krishna and Balarama cannot save the citizens of Mathura. Or can it? In an instalment that ramps up the thrill and excitement, discover how the young Preserver realizes that the protection of dharma entails the heartache of collateral damage.

**The City of Good Death** May 05 2021 Winner of the Restless Books Prize for New Immigrant Writing, Priyanka Champaneri's transcendent debut novel brings us inside India's holy city of Banaras, where the manager of a death hostel shepherds the dying who seek the release of a good death, while his own past refuses to let him go. Banaras, Varanasi, Kashi: India's holy city on the banks of the Ganges has many names but holds one ultimate promise for Hindus. It is the place where pilgrims come for a good death, to be released from the cycle of reincarnation by purifying fire. As the dutiful manager of a death hostel in Kashi, Pramesh welcomes the dying and assists families bound for the funeral pyres that burn constantly on the ghats. The soul is gone, the body is burnt, the time is past, he tells them. Detach. After ten years in the timeless city, Pramesh can nearly persuade himself that here, there is no past or future. He lives contentedly at the death hostel with his wife, Shobha, their young daughter, Rani, the hostel priests, his hapless but winning assistant, and the constant flow of families with their dying. But one day the past arrives in the lifeless form of a man pulled from the river—a man with an uncanny resemblance to Pramesh. Called "twins" in their childhood village, he and his cousin Sagar are inseparable until Pramesh leaves to see the outside world and Sagar stays to tend the land. After Pramesh marries Shobha, defying his family's wishes, a rift opens up between the cousins that he has long since tried to forget. Do not look back. Detach. But for Shobha, Sagar's reemergence casts a shadow over the life she's built for her family. Soon, an unwelcome guest takes up residence in the death hostel, the dying mysteriously continue to live, and Pramesh is forced to confront his own ideas about death, rebirth, and redemption. Told in lush, vivid detail and with an unforgettable cast of characters, *The City of Good Death* is a remarkable debut novel of family and love, memory and ritual, and the ways in which we honor the living and the dead. PRAISE FOR THE CITY OF GOOD DEATH "In Champaneri's ambitious, vivid debut, the dying come to the holy city of Kashi to die a good death that frees them from the burden of reincarnation.... In sharp prose, Champaneri explores the power of stories—those the characters tell themselves, those told about them, and those they believe. . . . This epic, magical story of death teems with life." —Publishers Weekly "Brimming with characters whose lives overlap and whose stories interweave, Champaneri's exquisite debut delves into the consequences of the past, and how stories that are told can become reality even when they contain barely a shred of truth. As Pramesh discovers, the bitterness of past wounds can bring hope for redemption and life." —Bridget Thoreson, Booklist "Lush prose evokes the thick, close atmosphere of Kashi and the intricate religious practices upon which life and death depend. Rumor and superstition hold sway over even the most level-headed people, twisting what's explainable into something extraordinary—with tragic consequences. . . . The City of Good Death is a breathtaking, unforgettable novel about how remembering the past is just as important as moving on." —Eileen Gonzalez, Foreword Reviews, Starred Review "Champaneri's Kashi is teeming and vivid . . . the book frequently charms, and it's as full of humor, warmth, and mystery as Kashi's own marketplace." —Kirkus Reviews "The City of Good Death is the debut novel of Priyanka Champaneri but it has the confidence of a master storyteller. Drawing on the rich literary traditions of Salman Rushdie and Arundhati Roy, Champaneri's epic saga will satisfy armchair travelers thirsty for adventure, and sick of looking out their windows." —Chicago Review of Books "In intricate detail and with remarkable skill, Champaneri writes a powerful tale about the pull of the past and our aching need to understand the mysteries and misunderstandings that thwart our relationships. An atmospheric and immersive debut with a rich



cast of characters you won't soon forget." —Marjan Kamali, author of *The Stationery Shop*

**Bridge of Rama** Nov 23 2022 The Original Ramayana Was Written Three Thousand Years Ago. Now, With Breathtaking Imagination And Brilliant Storytelling, Ashok K. Banker Has Recreated This Epic Tale For Modern Readers Everywhere. Sita Has Been Abducted By The Demonlord Ravana And Held Captive In The Island-Kingdom Of Lanka. Rama Is Now Faced With The Bitter Prospect Of A Final, Terrible War Against Ravana And His Rakshasa Hordes. Sita S Fate Hangs In The Balance While Rama S Armies Assemble On The Very Edge Of The Ocean. Using Only Their Wits And Bare Hands They Begin To Build A Bridge To The Island-Kingdom. But Time Is Rapidly Running Out, And The Journey To Lanka Appears Near-Impossible& At This Critical Moment Hanuman Attains A Magnificent Apotheosis. Transformed Into A Being With A Single-Minded Mission, He Prepares For A Terrifying Face-Off With Ravana, And Makes His Awesome Leap Across The Ocean To Rescue Sita. Will He Succeed In Saving Her Life And Averting The Final Battle? Surely A Lone Vanar Cannot Face The Crushing Might Of Lanka And Survive? But Then Hanuman Is No Ordinary Vanar...

**Armies of Hanuman** Jul 19 2022 The Original Ramayana Was Written Three Thousand Years Ago. Now, With Breathtaking Imagination And Brilliant Storytelling, Ashok K. Banker Has Recreated This Epic Tale For Modern Readers Everywhere Rama Finally Achieves Victory Against The Rakshasas In The Bloody Battle Of Janasthana. He Now Looks Forward To A Time Of Harmony In The Lush Environs Of His Retreat At Panchvati. But, As Rama Soon Realizes, The War Is Yet To Be Won& Tormented By Unsatiated Lust, In A Hellish Fury, Supanakha, The Demoness Scorned, Makes A Desperate Journey To The Island-Kingdom Of Lanka. There She Succeeds In Reviving Her Comatose Cousin Ravana, Supreme Lord Of The Asuras, As Ruthlessly Determined To Seek Revenge Against Rama As She Is. Their Diabolic Mission Will Test The Very Limits Of Rama S Courage, Skill And Endurance&

**How Change Happens** Oct 30 2020 "DLP, Developmental Leadership Program; Australian Aid; Oxfam."

**The Blind King's Wrath** Mar 27 2023 The Blind King's Wrath brings the tumultuous Burnt Empire Trilogy to a thrilling end. Krushni, the prophesied Dark Queen, has risen in the East, determined to have her vengeance on Jarsun, her father in her past life and murderer of her mother and grandfather. She is joined in her quest by the five children of Shvate, Karni and Mayla, now grown to young adulthood, and a host of other champions all burning with righteous rage against the God Emperor. As old foes emerge and new allies reveal themselves, the stage is set for the greatest clash of all. A great war. On one side are the valiant but hopelessly outnumbered forces of justice and righteous vengeance led by Krushni and the Shvate Five. Looming against them are the brutal, demonic forces of their enemies led by Jarsun and the tyrant king Dronas. In a shocking turn, Emperor Adri despatches the vast armies of the Burnt Empire, countless tens of millions of brutally efficient killing hordes, against the brave champions. On this bloodsoaked field, the fate of the Burnt Empire will be decided once and for all.

**The Vault of Vishnu** Dec 20 2019 A Pallava prince travels to Cambodia to be crowned king, carrying with him secrets that will be the cause of great wars many centuries later. A Buddhist monk in ancient China treks south to India, searching for the missing pieces of a puzzle that could make his emperor all-powerful. A Neolithic tribe fights to preserve their sacred knowledge, oblivious to the war drums on the Indo-China border. Meanwhile, far away in the temple town of Kanchipuram, a reclusive scientist deciphers ancient texts even as a team of secret agents shadows his every move. Caught in the storm is a young investigator with a complex past of her own, who must race against time to maintain the balance of power in the new world. Welcome back to the exciting and shadowy world of Ashwin Sanghi, where myth and history blend into edge-of-the-seat action.

**Lord Of Mathura** Feb 20 2020 A gopa against a king, a nephew against his uncle - the Slayer of Kamsa returns to Mathura to fulfil the prophecy in the fourth book of the Krishna Coriolis Series As Krishna grows into manhood, Kamsa grows ever more desperate to kill his nemesis. With Jarasandha's aid, the rakshasa king launches a relentless campaign of demonic assaults against Krishna and his fellow Vrishnis. Young gopi Radha realizes that Krishna cannot possibly return her love when the fate of all humankind is in his hands. Using wily machinations, Kamsa forces his nephew to return to the city of this birth and the stage is set for the showdown between the boy-god and the Lord of Mathura.

**Upon a Burning Throne** Jan 25 2023 First of a new epic fantasy series inspired by an ancient Sanskrit epic and Indian mythology, Upon a Burning Throne evokes the expansive world-building and complex twists of George R.R. Martin's *A Song of Ice and Fire*, N.K. Jemisin's *Inheritance* trilogy, and Ken Liu's *The Dandelion Dynasty* series.

**Lost Boys** Mar 15 2022 For Step Fletcher, his pregnant wife DeAnne, and their three children, the move to tiny Steuben, North Carolina, offers new hope and a new beginning. But from the first, eight-year-old Stevie's life there is an unending parade of misery and disaster. Cruelly ostracized at his school, Stevie retreats further and further into himself -- and into a strange computer game and a group of imaginary friends. But there is something eerie about his loyal, invisible new playmates: each shares the name of a child who has recently vanished from the sleepy Southern town. And terror grows for Step and DeAnne as the truth slowly unfolds. For their son has found something savagely evil ... and it's coming for Stevie next.

**Prince at War** Nov 30 2020 Ashok Banker S Ramayana Series Is Presented Here The Way The Author Originally Intended For His Retelling. Three Magnificent Omnibus Editions Bring Together All The Six Books Published Earlier. Prince At War, Part Three Of The Ramayana Series Is The Final Volume And Includes The Fifth And Sixth Books, Bridge Of Rama And King Of Ayodhya. Rama S Armies Assemble On The Edge Of The Ocean In Order To Make A Decisive Onslaught On Lanka, Island-Kingdom Of The Demonlord Ravana. Hanuman, Devoted Disciple Of Rama And Leader Of The Vanar Army, Makes His Awesome Leap Across The Ocean In A Bid To Rescue Sita. When Rama Finally Crosses Over To Wage His War Of Dharma Against The Asuras, The Confrontation Spirals Into A Maelstrom Of Unimaginable Carnage. The Prince Of Dharma, Soon To Be King Of Ayodhya, Has To Draw Upon His Ultimate Reservoir Of Brahman Shakti To Fight For A Reckoning And A Victory Like No Other.

**So Much** Oct 10 2021 Auntie and Uncle and Nannie and Gran-Gran and all the cousins want to hug and kiss the new baby — they all love the baby SO MUCH! Illustrations by Helen Oxenbury brim with the warmth of a large, loving extended family. Mom and baby are home alone when — DING DONG! — Auntie and then Uncle and Nannie and Gran-Gran and the cousins come to visit. And they all want to hug and kiss and squeeze and eat the baby right up — because everybody loves the baby SO MUCH! With Helen Oxenbury lending her characteristic warmth and humor to a most exuberant family party, Trish Cooke's rhythmic, cumulative story captures the joy of being the baby in a large extended family — a baby who knows that he is absolutely, utterly adored.

**King Of Ayodhya** Feb 26 2023 The Original Ramayana Was Written Three Thousand Years Ago. Now, With Breathtaking Imagination And Brilliant Storytelling, Ashok K. Banker Has Recreated This Epic Tale For Modern Readers Everywhere. Rama, Soon To Be King Of Ayodhya, Crosses The Ocean To Wage His War Of Dharma Against The Rakshasa Forces Of The Demonlord Ravana. The Valiant Vanars And Bears Suffer Huge Losses When Ravana Unleashes His Iniquitous Sorcery On Them, Destroying Tens Of Thousands Of Rama'S Loyal Soldiers. Despite The Formidable Odds They Fight On Even As The Warfare Spirals Into A Maelstrom Of Unimaginable Carnage And Brutality. And Then, Ravana Does The Unthinkable. Hovering Over The Battlefield In His Flying Vehicle He Executes Sita In Full Public View, Right Before Rama'S Unbelieving Eyes. Rama'S Grief And Rage Know No Bounds And On This Cataclysmic Day He Finally Draws Upon His Ultimate Reservoir Of Brahman Shakti. Invoking The All-Powerful Dev-Astras, The Bow Of Vishnu And The Arrow Of Shiva, He Prepares For A Reckoning And A Victory Like No Other . . .

**Chanakya: The legend begins** Apr 16 2022

**A Dark Queen Rises** Dec 24 2022 "Returning to Ashok K. Banker's brilliant #ownvoices, epic fantasy world of the Burnt Empire first introduced in *Upon a Burning Throne*, *A Dark Queen Rises* features Krushni and Karni, two women on quests to protect the innocent and bring down tyrants"--

**Yes Man** Aug 08 2021 The Rise and Fall of One of India's Most Promising Bankers The year was 2004, India's economy was booming and 'India Shining' seemed like a true slogan. Around the same time, a non-banking financial company applied for and received a licence to operate as a private bank. Yes Bank was born. Its rise was phenomenal and it soon became the fourth-largest private bank in the country, with approved permissions to operate in Singapore, London and Dubai. The returns were also immense: shareholders received hefty dividends on their investments for years on end. That is, till the skeletons began tumbling out of the Yes Bank lockers. Stories of the bank's reckless lending were going around, and allegations of bribery and corruption became rife. Ultimately, in March 2020, the bank ran out of money, and customers were unable to get their own savings out

of their accounts. The bank's promoter Rana Kapoor was arrested, and multiple agencies began what is still an ongoing probe. *Yes Man* is the story of Rana Kapoor, and his Icarus-like flight that eventually led to the Yes Bank crisis. From starting out as a junior employee at Bank of America to leading a bank worth billions, Kapoor's rise and fall is a case study in ambition, greed and deceit. In this hard-hitting book, Pavan C. Lall details not only Rana Kapoor's journey, but also asks tough questions about the banking system, its regulators and even the business environment that led to a point of no return for Yes Bank.

**The Missing Queen** Jan 13 2022 It has been ten years since Ram's return from fallen Lanka. Ayodhya is shining. Ayodhya is prosperous. But darkness lurks at the heart of the victorious regime. A pointed question piques a young journalist's curiosity: What happened to Sita? Where is Ram's absent wife whose abduction triggered the war with Lanka? And so begins the journalist's search for the missing queen. Soon her investigation attracts the notice of Ayodhya's all-powerful secret police and its mysterious head, the Washerman. Forced to flee Ayodhya, the journalist makes her way through a war-devastated Lanka in search of answers. In this stylish speculative thriller, Samhita Arni skilfully combines her love for mythology with riveting storytelling. Published by Zubaan.

*Scion of Ikshvaku* Sep 28 2020 3400 BCE. INDIA Ayodhya is weakened by divisions. A terrible war has taken its toll. The damage runs deep. The demon King of Lanka, Raavan, does not impose his rule on the defeated. He, instead, imposes his trade. Money is sucked out of the empire. The Sapt Sindhu people descend into poverty, despondency and corruption. They cry for a leader to lead them out of the morass. Little do they appreciate that the leader is among them. One whom they know. A tortured and ostracised prince. A prince they tried to break. A prince called Ram. He loves his country, even when his countrymen torment him. He stands alone for the law. His band of brothers, his Sita, and he, against the darkness of chaos. Will Ram rise above the taint that others heap on him? Will his love for Sita sustain him through his struggle? Will he defeat the demon Lord Raavan who destroyed his childhood? Will he fulfil the destiny of the Vishnu? Begin an epic journey with Amish's latest: the Ram Chandra Series.

Rethinking the Mahabharata Sep 09 2021 The ancient Indian Sanskrit tradition produced no text more intriguing, or more persistently misunderstood or underappreciated, than the Mahabharata. Its intricacies have waylaid generations of scholars and ignited dozens of unresolved debates. In *Rethinking the Mahabharata*, Alf Hiltebeitel offers a unique model for understanding the great epic. Employing a wide range of literary and narrative theory, Hiltebeitel draws on historical and comparative research in an attempt to discern the spirit and techniques behind the epic's composition. He focuses on the education of Yudhishthira, also known as the Dharma King, and shows how the relationship of this figure to others—especially his author-grandfather Vyasa and his wife Draupadi—provides a thread through the bewildering array of frames and stories embedded within stories. Hiltebeitel also offers a revisionist theory regarding the dating and production of the original text and its relation to the Veda. No ordinary reader's guide, this volume will illuminate many mysteries of this enigmatic masterpiece. This work is the fourth volume in Hiltebeitel's study of the Draupadi cult. Other volumes include *Mythologies: From Gingee to Kuruksetra (Volume One)*, *On Hindu Ritual and the Goddess (Volume Two)*, and *Rethinking India's Oral and Classical Epics (Volume Three)*.

**Prince of Patliputra** Apr 04 2021 Bharatvarsha, Land Of The Aryas: 272 BC Bindusar, the second Samrat Chakravartin of all the Aryas, rules the Indian sub-continent from his capital, Patliputra. Fifty years previously, his father, Chandragupta Maurya, had laid the foundations of this vast Samrajya, guided by the famed Guru, Arya Chanakya. But the pinnacle of the Empire's wealth and glory has now passed... As the Samrat's health declines due to a mysterious illness, problems and factions, in-fighting and rebellion, raise their heads across his realm. There is no clear successor as the ninety-nine sons of Bindusar vie to ascend the throne. Bharatvarsha waits for a warrior-king to rise up and lead the Empire once again. Can young Prince Asoka, least favoured of Bindusar's sons, take on his grandfather's mantle? Can Radhagupta, a mere Councillor at Court, be the inspiration Chanakya was to his Emperor and his people? Book I of the epic Asoka Trilogy revolves around the haunting question: Who will be the next Samrat of the revered land of the Aryas? The first book of this riveting narrative captures the decline of a golden age, the upsurge of greed and chaos, the dark aspirations of royal heirs, and the dramatic events in the remarkable life of a man of destiny.

Quick ID Guide - Avian Architects Aug 28 2020 Another title in the 'Quick Guide' series, this compact little book is a handy identification guide to the surprising variety of nests built by southern African birds. Covering multiple species, it is arranged according to nest type - ground, woven, stick, cup, mud-pellet and domed, as well as nests in tree holes, on water, on cliffs and in scrapes on the ground. It is packed with photographs and illustrations showing the ingenuity of the designs, the birds that built them, and the eggs that are laid in them. In pithy fashion, the text - matched to the photographs - describes: nesting site and nest structure; building materials used to construct outer and inner layers; nesting habits of the architects; clutch size. A simple key to nest types on the inside front cover directs readers to the relevant section in the book. Sales points: Quick reference on a popular subject; packed with full-colour images of birds and nests; highly regarded authors; excellent price point.

*Ten Kings* Apr 28 2023

**The Battle of Ten Kings** Aug 20 2022 War has burst the banks of the river Parushni and floods across the land. A confederacy of ten tyrannical kings threatens to drown the lives of millions in their greed. Great and sacred powers lie in the balance and with them hangs the fate of the entire world. In the distant past, an arrogant king kneels defeated before a great sage - a magi of uncommon power - and is told to command that power himself he must abandon everything, even his crown. In the present, a young prince is presented with his father's crown and a sacred duty to protect his people, at all costs. The heroic doctor Upaas from Harappa bids farewell to his good friend, Shushun of Elam, and travels homeward with his love Lopa, and his trusty friend Parthava, but is drawn into a mission of the utmost secrecy, which may change the fate of the entire kingdom. The conquering King Sudas rules his country Bharata from the 'centre of the world' Ilaspada with the assistance of the peaceful Sage Vasishta and the proud Sage Vishvamitra, having waged a successful war of conquest on the neighbouring territories. Upaas is commanded to serve at the royal hospital there, forcing him to leave his home city Harappa with Lopa and his young child still a babe, to live in the centre of the greatest empire the has ever seen. Yet even at the height of its power, Sudas' kingdom lies under threat from all sides, from apostate kings and barbarians that have banded together in competition with Sudas, defiantly wielding demonic powers and threatening the life of the king himself. As Sudas moves to mobilise against forces that threaten Harappa, Sage Vishvamitra, the wielder of a power capable of defeating entire armies, abandons the kingdom prophesying doom and destruction. Upaas must learn to counter mystic powers, under the guidance of Vasishta, to protect all that he holds dear from annihilation. With Lopa and Parthava at Upaas' side, he seeks the assistance of the mystical Ghandharis - custodians of the powerful Soma plant -, which is needed for the holy rituals of power. Meanwhile the usurper kings gather their allies and plan for a war on a scale never before seen, not since the Avestans marched greedily on Harappa. Sudas rides against them, against the dark powers of the Dasyus and their merciless armies of raiders. And the proud-orphaned prince, Cayamana, has grown to fill the heavy crown left for him. A prophesied saviour among his people he leads the confederacy against Sudas wielding the powers of Magi and threatens the capital, Ilaspada. When they see Vishvamitra behind Cayamana, the fears of Sudas and Vasishta seem to be confirmed, and nothing less than an act of God can save from the brutally superior forces arrayed against the city. The fate of the world lies in the balance as a tide of war threatens to engulf both Ilaspada and Upaas.