December 9, 2020

Books Make the Best Gifts

Yes, we are a bit biased, but we really think that books do make terrific gifts, the question is how to select the right one?

We’re here to help. Whether you are looking for something for your grandmother (mysteries but not much violence please), nephew in the fourth grade (“I hate to read”), your sister (doomer lit—novels about climate disaster), or your father (World War II nonfiction), the right books are out there. And we’ll find them.

Drop me a line with the age and interests of your gift recipient. Do you know a few books they have really enjoyed? Or films or games they love? Anything else you want to add? We’ll get back to you with a selection of titles to consider, all available for purchasing online.

We hope to make your gift-giving just a little bit easier.

Take care,

Brian Kenney
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Getting ready for 2021

Please DONATE to the Foundation’s Annual Appeal and help the Library stay innovative and responsive in the coming year.

Please see below for upcoming mobile food pantry distributions.
Click here to read about how community support makes an enormous difference.

How Did I Get Here? Career Panel with Verisk Analytics
Tuesday, December 15th
6:00–7:00 p.m.
Join us for a virtual career panel with members of the Spend Informed Analytics & Data Science team at Verisk Financial | Argus. For information on attending, click here.

Digital Library Resources
Tuesday, December 15th
4:00–4:45 p.m.
Learn about various resources that the White Plains Public Library and larger Westchester Library System have to offer. Click here to register.

in White Plains and visit this link to find out about other locations in Westchester County. This resource is available to all Westchester County residents:

Friday, December 11
9:30—11:30 a.m.
Union Food for Life 31 Manhattan Avenue, White Plains

Saturday, December 12
9:30—11:30 a.m.
Reach Church 294 Old Mamaroneck Road, White Plains

Virtual Table Top Games
Monday, December 14th
4:30—6:00 p.m.
Join librarians Ashley and Erik from the Trove and the Edge to play fun virtual table top games! We use the platform boardgamearena.com to play the games while we have a conversation on Zoom. Kids and teens that haven’t come to the program before will need to create a free account on boardgamearena.com. For information on joining, click here.
Learn English Online
with Your Local Library and Westchester Community College

- Improve your English skills from home
- Live classes by computer or mobile
- Balanced instruction in all language skills
- Advanced beginner/Low intermediate
- Levels 3 & 4

--- CLASS INFORMATION ---
LEVELS: 3 & 4 ONLY

Saturday Schedule (ELI-ESL 2019WL-5)
Saturdays, 9:00 AM — 2:30 PM
January 30 — May 15
Online placement test, 1/30, 9:00 AM 1st Class 2/6

Morning Schedule (ELI-ESL, 2019WL-TWRA)
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Mornings, 9:00 AM — 12:00 PM
Wednesday, February 3—Thursday, April 1
Online placement test, 2/3, 9:00 AM 1st Class: 2/9

Evening Schedule (ELI-ESL 2019NRL-TWRA)
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Evenings, 6:30 PM — 9:30 PM
Wednesday, February 3—Thursday, April 1
Online placement test, 2/3, 9:00 AM 1st Class: 2/9

COST: $22 via credit or debit card at time of registration
BOOKS are required and are purchased at first class. Cost is $20

For information or to register,
please send a message to:
- LibraryESL@sunywcc.edu
- Or call: 914-606-6607

White Plains Public Library
New Rochelle Public Library
Port Chester-Rye Brook Public Library
Ossining Public Library

Westchester Community College
State University of New York
English Language Institute
Aprenda Inglés por Internet
con Su Biblioteca Local y Westchester Community College

- Mejore sus habilidades en inglés desde casa
- Clases en directo por computadora o móvil
- Instrucción equilibrada
- Nivel principiante avanzado/intermedio bajo
- Niveles 3 & 4

--- INFORMACIÓN SOBRE LAS CLASES ---

**NIVELES: 3 & 4 solamente**

**Sábado (Eli-ESL 2019WL-5)**
9:00 AM — 2:30 PM
30 de enero — 15 de mayo
Examen de nivel por Internet, 1/30, 9:00 AM, 1ª clase 2/6

**Horario de la Mañana (ELI-ESL 2019VL-TWRA)**
martes, miércoles y jueves por la mañana, 9:00 AM — 12:00 PM
miércoles, 3 de febrero — jueves, 1 de abril
Examen de nivel por Internet, 2/3, 9:00 AM primera clase: 2/9

**Horario de tarde (ELI-ESL 2019NRL-TWPR)**
martes, miércoles y jueves por la tarde, 6:30 PM — 9:30 PM
miércoles, 3 de febrero — jueves, 1 de abril
Examen de nivel por Internet, 2/1, 9:00 AM primera clase: 2/9

Precio de la inscripción: $22 con tarjeta en el momento de la inscripción
Libros: Se compran en la primera clase. El costo es $20

Para más información o para inscribirse, por favor mande un mensaje al:
- LibraryESL@wvcc.edu
- O llame al: 914-606-6607

**Around the Web**

- **Facts on Coronavirus.**
- Why some libraries are **ending fines**.
- As libraries fight for access to eBooks, a **new copyright champion emerges**.
- Does the Simon & Schuster acquisition **signal an antitrust crisis in publishing**?

**Best books 2020:** worst year, best books.

**Photo of The Week**

**Left:** A portrait from the new BOCES art on display in The Edge at the Library by Erik C.

We want your photos! In each issue of This Week on Martine we feature one patron.
submitted photo that was taken in White Plains. To submit your photography for a chance to be featured, visit our submission page, upload a photo, and fill out our form with a short description of the photo and your name.