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Urdu was  
born, Russell  
writes, out of

the need of  
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invaders of  
India from the  
10th century  
onwards to  
create a  
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could  
communicate  
with their  
Indian  
subjects. Slow  
to gather  
literary  
momentum, it  
is now one of  
the great  
literatures of  
the area. This  
collection,

selected and translated by Russell, includes the work by Ghalib, Saadat Hasan Manto, Ismat Chughtai, Prem Chand, Krishan Chander and many others. There are sections on popular literature, love poetry, the novel, new and traditional names. Notes on writers and further reading are included, as well as extracts from the letters of Ghalib.

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mid-twentieth  
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this luminous  
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and prose,  
Ralph Russell  
expands our  
world of Urdu  
letters to  
include folk  
and oral  
narratives,

besides prose and poetry. By situating each form historically, he gives us a refreshing perspective on the diverse literary cultures and histories of India. Besides canonical short stories by the likes of Manto and Premchand, there is Ismat Chughtai's a little-known autobiographical essay about her relationship with her brother, the writer Azim Beg Chughtai. There are creation tales from the

Quran, popular stories of Akbar and Birbal, along with the legendary exploits of Sikandar (Alexander the Great). Selections from the sublime poetry of Mir, Ghalib and others are supplemented by astute commentary and roman transcriptions of the original Urdu. Farhatullah Beg's brilliantly imagined account of the 'last Delhi mushaira' captures a

moment in time never seen again, with the horrors of 1857 just around the corner. An accessible introduction for unfamiliar readers, and a pleasurable companion for those familiar with Urdu literature, this volume is a treasure trove of stories, poetry and history. Originally published as Hidden in the Lute(1995), this revised edition has been edited by Russell's student and friendfor

<p>several years, the novelist Marion Molteno.</p> <p><b>Urdu Ghazals</b></p> <p>Oxford University Press, USA</p> <p>Urdu Literary Culture examines the impact of political circumstances on vernacular (Urdu) literary culture through an in-depth study of the writings of Muhammad Hasan Askari, who lived during the Partition of India.</p> <p><i>Hindu History of Urdu Literature</i></p> <p>Springer</p> <p>This Book</p>	<p>Contains Two Kinds Of Essays: Reflections On Urdu Literature And The People And Organizations Which Have Been Concerned With Promoting It, And What Might Be Called Ethnographic Pieces On Islam In South Asia, With Comments On Trends In Islam.</p> <p><u>Early Urdu Literary Culture and History</u></p> <p>Otto Harrassowitz Verlag</p> <p>This book attempts to</p>	<p>determine the nature and meaning of the term 'progressivism' and assess its significance in the larger context of Urdu literature and, ultimately, South Asian literature. It investigates the emergence of the Progressive Movement in the subcontinent along with the indigenous and foreign influences: literary, historical, intellectual, and philosophical which set the</p>
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<p>stage for the Progressive Movement. Contrary to the belief held by some critics that the progressive movement was mostly if not entirely, derived from English and Russian sources and influences, this study indicates that strong indigenous elements contributed equally, if not more, to the movement. <u>A History of Urdu Literature</u> Global Vision Pub House This Path Breaking Work</p>	<p>Raises Several New Questions About Urdu Literary Culture And Traces The Origins And Development Of Urdu Literary Thought From 1300 To 1850 <i>The Greatest Urdu Stories Ever Told</i> Carcanet Press The Encyclopaedic Dictionary Of Urdu Language And Literature Has Been Prepared With A Specific Planning That Goes Under Alphabetic Order To Include Not</p>	<p>Only The Man Of Letters But Also Nearly All Aspects Characterising The Facts Making Up Urdu Literature. It Also Gives A Chronological Picture Of The Development Of Urdu Literature From Around The Sixteen Century To The Present Day. The Contribution Of Many Poets, Writers, Playwrights, Essayists And Critics Are Given Along With Their Biographical Accounts Provided With A</p>
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<p>Bibliography. The Account Of The Contribution Of Poets And Writers Goes With An Implicit Emphasis Upon The After Effects Of A Literary Work On The Human Mind. The Work Serves The Purpose Of Research And Survey Of Urdu Literature Well. It Is A Reference Work And A Compact Guidebook For Research Providing Bibliography With Each Poet And Prose Writer.</p>	<p><u>The Persian Book of Kings</u> OUP India Covering 100 years of literary production, this volume includes poems, essays and sketches, autobiography , drama, humour and satire, and letters by some of the leading lights of modern Urdu literature. The volume also includes interesting anecdotes on well-known literary personages like Ghalib. <b>The Progressive Episode A</b></p>	<p>History of Urdu Literature The main subject under discussion in this book is DEVELOPMENT OF URDU LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE BRITISH IN INDIA. The writers hope is that it will throw fresh light on the subject and facilitate more understanding for the western readers. It is not a comprehensive survey, although, it deals with individual</p>
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thinkers, and their contribution to Urdu literature between modernism and orthodoxy. *Under the Shadow of the British in India* Penguin “Magisterial” (Pankaj Mishra, The New York Review of Books) and “to Urdu fiction what *One Hundred Years of Solitude* is to Hispanic literature” (TLS) The most important novel of twentieth-century Urdu fiction, Qurratulain

Hyder’s *River of Fire* encompasses the fates of four recurring characters over two and a half millennia. These characters become crisscrossed and strangely inseparable over different eras, forming and reforming their relationships in romance and war, in possession and dispossession. *River of Fire* interweaves parables, legends, dreams, diaries, and letters,

forming a rich tapestry of history and human emotions and redefining Indian identity. But above all, it’s a unique pleasure to read Hyder’s singular prose style: “Lyrical and witty, occasionally idiosyncratic, it is always alluring and allusive: Flora Annie Steel and E. M. Forster encounter classical Urdu poets; Eliot and Virginia Woolf meet Faiz Ahmed Faiz” (The Times Literary Supplement).

<p><u>The Making of Modern Urdu Literary Culture in Colonial South Asia</u> Oxford University Press, USA</p> <p>The Book Seeks To Present A Compact Survey Of The Rich And Varied Contribution Of Urdu To The Indian Literary Mainstream Through Centuries Of Shared Creative Endeavour And Inspiration. Designed To Serve As A Reliable Guide For Interested Readers From</p>	<p>Sister Languages, It Brings Into Focus The Currents And Cross Currents That Have Shaped Its History And Produced Personalities Of Distinction And Prestige Whose Works Have Stood The Test Of Time. The Lucid And Balanced Treatment Of Numerous Forms Of Poetry And Prose Has Both Range And Depth And Reveals A Broad Understanding Of The Historical Forces Behind</p>	<p>Deviations From Convention And Transformations In Styles That Have Given Us Perennial Sources Of Joy And Intellectual Fulfilment.</p> <p><i>A History of Urdu Literature South Asia Books</i></p> <p>Though Barely A Hundred Years Old, The Urdu Short Story, Or 'Afsana', Has Established Itself At The Forefront Of Urdu Literature. Emerging As A Discrete Narrative</p>
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## A Select History

Xlibris Corporation Urdu language, member of the Indo-Aryan group within the Indo-European family of languages. Urdu is spoken by more than 100 million people, predominantly in Pakistan and India. It is the official state language of Pakistan and is also officially recognized, or "scheduled," in the constitution of India. Significant

speech communities exist in the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and the United States as well. Notably, Urdu and Hindi are mutually intelligible. Urdu developed in the 12th century CE from the regional Apabhramsha of northwestern India, serving as a linguistic modus vivendi after the Muslim conquest. Its first major poet was Amir Khosrow (1253-1325), who

composed Dohas (couplets), folk songs, and riddles in the newly formed speech, then called Hindvi. This mixed speech was variously called Hindvi, Zaban-e-Hind, Hindi, Zaban-e-Delhi, Rekhta, Gujar, Dakkhani, Zaban-e-Urdu-e-Mualla, Zaban-e-Urdu, or just Urdu, literally 'the language of the camp.' Major Urdu writers continued to refer to it as Hindi or Hindvi until the

beginning of the 19th century, although there is evidence that it was called Hindustani in the late 17th century (Hindustani now refers to a simplified speech form that is India's largest lingua franca). Urdu is closely related to Hindi, a language that originated and developed in the Indian subcontinent. They share the same Indic base and are so similar in phonology and grammar that they appear to be one

language. In terms of lexicon, however, they have borrowed extensively from different sources--Urdu from Arabic and Persian, Hindi from Sanskrit--so they are usually treated as independent languages. Their distinction is most marked in terms of writing systems: Urdu uses a modified form of Perso-Arabic script, while Hindi uses Devanagari.

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**n Dreams**  
Oxford University Press, USA  
The definitive translation by Dick Davis of the great national epic of Iran—now newly revised and expanded to be the most complete English-language edition A Penguin Classic Dick Davis—“our pre-eminent translator from the Persian” (The Washington Post)—has revised and expanded his acclaimed translation of Ferdowsi’s masterpiece,

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literature.  
*A History of Urdu Literature*  
Hassell Street Press

This work has successfully managed to order a vast and amorphous body of literary activity into one volume. The book marked a stage in the development of literary consciousness even more deeply than preceding works by Abdul Latif and Ram Babu Saxena. Taking a historical view, the

study regards the formative Deccan period as most creditable both for the natural bent of the language and the natural inclination of the poets. The author regards the pure, indigenous Urdu better than the Persianised Urdu. The literary history ends with a notice on Mohammad Iqbal. The Progressive Writers Movement was yet to be launched, and the author was standing

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