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Perestroika University of Chicago Press
 Winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Drama
 Angels in America: A Gay Fantasia on
 National Themes includes Part One,
 Millennium Approaches and Part Two,
 Perestroika "Glorious. A monumental,
 subversive, altogether remarkable
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Capitalism and Socialism with a Key to the Scriptures. He wrote the screenplays for Mike Nichols's film of *Angels in America* and for Steven Spielberg's *Munich* and *Lincoln*. His books include *The Art of Maurice Sendak: 1980 to the Present*; *Brundibar*, with illustrations by Maurice Sendak; and *Wrestling with Zion: Progressive Jewish-American Responses to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*, co-edited with Alisa Solomon. Among many honors, Kushner is the recipient of a Pulitzer Prize, two Tony Awards, three Obie Awards, two Evening Standard Awards, an Olivier Award, an Emmy Award, two Oscar nominations, and the Steinberg Distinguished Playwright Award. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters. In 2012, he was awarded a National Medal of Arts by President Barack Obama. He lives in Manhattan with his husband, Mark Harris.

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A Meditation from Angels in America Tcg Translations

America in the mid-1980s. In the midst of the AIDS crisis and a conservative Reagan administration, New Yorkers grapple with life and death, love and sex, heaven and hell. This edition, published alongside the major revival at the National Theatre in 2017, contains both plays, Part One: *Millennium Approaches*, and Part Two: *Perestroika*.

The Illusion Bloomsbury Publishing USA Seminar paper from the year 2012 in the subject American Studies - Miscellaneous, grade: 1,0, University of Göttingen

(Philosophische Fakultät), course: The American Rhetorical Tradition, language: English, abstract: While this extensive film encompasses a variety of themes and topics, the focus of this paper will be its proposition of progress. It will be argued that *Angels in America* confirms progress to be inevitable and essential by drawing on, and redefining, American concepts and myths of westward movement and migration, equality and pluralism. Thus, traditional elements of the construct "American Dream" will be analyzed. The first part will consist of a short overview of different approaches to progress employed in the film: historical, religious and political. Subsequently, the second and third part will focus on a set of selected scenes and investigate how progress, and the lack thereof, is communicated in the depiction of different characters as they are caught in a constant struggle between motion and staying put, between moving on and giving up, between living and death. From this, the redefinition of aforementioned American concepts will be derived. In 2003, playwright Tony Kushner adopted his two-part play premiered in 1991 and 1992, *Angels in America*, to the screen. The HBO miniseries was directed by Mike Nichols and starred celebrated actors such as Al Pacino, Meryl Streep and Emma Thompson. Set in New York City in the mid 1980s, a time of Reagan's politics and the silencing of AIDS, the series revolves around a set of characters differing greatly in ethnicity, religion, worldview and sexual orientation. They include Louis and Prior, a homosexual couple having to cope with Prior's AIDS diagnosis, and Harper and Joe, Mormons, who are faced with Joe's oppressed homosexuality destroying their marriage. Other characters are Hannah, Joe's mother from Salt Lake City, Roy Cohn, a lawyer also diagnosed with AIDS, and Belize, Prior's black homosexual friend who is also Roy's nurse. Throughout the film, these characters come together in unexpected ways in an attempt to move out of their crises and transform themselves.

The Notion of Progress in Kushner's "Angels in America" University of Michigan Press

This sequel to the Pulitzer Prize winning play, picks up the story when, in the final scene of "Millennium approaches", the angel makes a traumatic entry. Prior is fighting for his life, but in the end he lectures his friends about what AIDS has done and how the world will go on. *Angels in America: A Gay Fantasia on National Themes* Image Leading critics, scholars, and theater

practitioners consider the most talked-about play of the 1990s

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Lincoln HarperCollins

Tony Kushner's two-part masterwork is now available in a single edition to coincide with the broadcast of the epic HBO special directed by Mike Nichols and starring Meryl Streep, Al Pacino, Emma Thompson, Mary-Louise Parker, Jeffrey Wright, Michael Gambon and Simon Callow, scheduled for December 2003.

Angels in America Random House

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Angels in America, Part One Theatre Communications Group

This is the second part of Tony Kushner's award-winning play (*Angels in America: A Gay Fantasia on National Themes*) entitled *Perestroika*. In this play, the characters first introduced in the first part, *Millennium Approaches*, move from the opportunistic 1980s to a new sense of community in the 1990s as they struggle to overcome catastrophic loss.

Angels in America A&C Black

Examining the intolerance of homosexuality in the early medieval period, this study challenges the long-held belief that the early Middle Ages tolerated same-sex relations. The work focuses on Anglo-Saxon literature but also includes examinations of contemporary opera, dance and theatre.

Angels in America Paw Prints

"Marvelous . . . A vital book about how to make political art that offers lasting solace in times of great trouble, and wisdom to audiences in the years that follow." - Washington Post NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY NPR A STONEWALL BOOK AWARDS HONOR BOOK The oral history of *Angels in America*, as told by the artists who created it and the audiences forever changed by it--a moving account of the AIDS era, essential queer history, and an exuberant backstage tale. When Tony Kushner's *Angels in America* hit Broadway in 1993, it won the Pulitzer Prize, swept the Tonys, launched a score of major careers, and changed the way gay lives were represented in popular culture. Mike Nichols's 2003 HBO adaptation starring Meryl Streep, Al Pacino, and Mary-Louise Parker was itself a tour de force, winning Golden Globes and eleven Emmys, and introducing the play to an even wider public. This generation-defining classic continues to shock, move, and inspire viewers worldwide. Now, on the 25th anniversary of that Broadway premiere, Isaac Butler and Dan Kois offer the definitive account of *Angels in America* in the most fitting way possible: through oral history, the vibrant conversation and debate of actors

(including Streep, Parker, Nathan Lane, and Jeffrey Wright), directors, producers, crew, and Kushner himself. Their intimate storytelling reveals the on- and offstage turmoil of the play's birth--a hard-won miracle beset by artistic roadblocks, technical disasters, and disputes both legal and creative. And historians and critics help to situate the play in the arc of American culture, from the staunch activism of the AIDS crisis through civil rights triumphs to our current era, whose politics are a dark echo of the Reagan '80s. Expanded from a popular Slate cover story and built from nearly 250 interviews, *The World Only Spins Forward* is both a rollicking theater saga and an uplifting testament to one of the great works of American art of the past century, from its gritty San Francisco premiere to its starry, much-anticipated Broadway revival in 2018.

Angels in America SIU Press

Angels in America paved a new way for American theatre in its combination of heightened theatricality and politics. Tony Kushner has emerged as one of the American theatre's leading playwrights and productions worldwide have meant that the play has been recognized as the most important American play in decades. With the scope of the characters' sexual, class and religious affiliations in the play, *Angels in America* offers a unique possibility to discuss the construction of American identity in the late 1980s and 1990s. This guide provides a comprehensive critical introduction to the play, giving students an overview of the background and context; detailed analysis of the play including its structure, style and characters; analysis of key production issues and choices; an overview of the performance history from the first performances of *Millennium Approaches* and *Perestroika* to recent productions and the 2003 HBO adaptation; and an annotated guide to further reading highlighting key critical approaches.

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specific time in the richness of its portrait of an America Lost, perhaps to be regained... It's a pretty funny play, too. How we still need it! It ranks as nothing less than one of the greatest plays of the twentieth century' John Heilpern, New York Observer *Angels in America* is a SET TEXT for English Literature A-Level (AQA) *Meditation from Angels in America* Theatre Communications Group

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Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Tony Kushner's free adaptation of Pierre Corneille's neoclassical French comedy, *L'Illusion Comique*.

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Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jon Meacham helps us understand the present moment in American politics and life by looking back at critical times in our history when hope overcame division and fear. ONE OF OPRAH'S "BOOKS THAT HELP ME THROUGH" • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY NPR • The Christian Science Monitor • Southern Living Our current climate of partisan fury is not new, and in *The Soul of America* Meacham shows us how what Abraham Lincoln called the "better angels of our nature" have repeatedly won the day. Painting surprising portraits of Lincoln and other presidents, including Ulysses S. Grant, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S.

Truman, Dwight Eisenhower, and Lyndon B. Johnson, and illuminating the courage of such influential citizen activists as Martin Luther King, Jr., early suffragettes Alice Paul and Carrie Chapman Catt, civil rights pioneers Rosa Parks and John Lewis, First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt, and Army-McCarthy hearings lawyer Joseph N. Welch, Meacham brings vividly to life turning points in American history. He writes about the Civil War, Reconstruction, and the birth of the Lost Cause; the backlash against immigrants in the First World War and the resurgence of the Ku Klux Klan in the 1920s; the fight for women's rights; the demagoguery of Huey Long and Father Coughlin and the isolationist work of America First in the years before World War II; the anti-Communist witch-hunts led by Senator Joseph McCarthy; and Lyndon Johnson's crusade against Jim Crow. Each of these dramatic hours in our national life have been shaped by the contest to lead the country to look forward rather than back, to assert hope over fear—a struggle that continues even now. While the American story has not always—or even often—been heroic, we have been sustained by a belief in progress even in the gloomiest of times. In this inspiring book, Meacham reassures us, “The good news is that we have come through such darkness before”—as, time and again, Lincoln's better angels have found a way to prevail. Praise for *The Soul of America* “Brilliant, fascinating, timely . . . With compelling narratives of past eras of

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