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The author of *Men Explain Things to Me* explores the moments of altruism and generosity that arise in the aftermath of disaster. Why is it that in the aftermath of a disaster? whether manmade or natural? people suddenly become altruistic, resourceful, and brave? What makes the newfound communities and purpose many find in the ruins and crises after disaster so joyous? And what does this joy reveal about ordinarily unmet social desires and possibilities? In *A Paradise Built in Hell*, award-winning author Rebecca Solnit explores these phenomena, looking at major calamities from the 1906 earthquake in San Francisco through

the 1917 explosion that tore up Halifax, Nova Scotia, the 1985 Mexico City earthquake, 9/11, and Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. She examines how disaster throws people into a temporary utopia of changed states of mind and social possibilities, as well as looking at the cost of the widespread myths and rarer real cases of social deterioration during crisis. This is a timely and important book from an acclaimed author whose work consistently locates unseen patterns and meanings in broad cultural histories. **Infinite City** Penguin
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Haymarket Books
 “A landmark book that gives impassioned challenge to the social meaning of disasters” (The New York Times Book Review) from the author of Orwell's Roses “Solnit argues that disasters are opportunities as well as oppressions, each one a summons to rediscover the powerful engagement and joy of genuine altruism, civic life, grassroots community, and meaningful work.”
 —San Francisco Chronicle Chosen as a Best Book of the Year by the New York Times, Los Angeles Times, New Yorker, San Francisco Chronicle, Washington Post, and Chicago Tribune The most startling thing about disasters,

according to award-winning author Rebecca Solnit, is not merely that so many people rise to the occasion, but that they do so with joy. That joy reveals an ordinarily unmet yearning for community, purposefulness, and meaningful work that disaster often provides. *A Paradise Built in Hell* is an investigation of the moments of altruism, resourcefulness, and generosity that arise amid disaster's grief and disruption and considers their implications for everyday life. It points to a new vision of what society could become—one that is less authoritarian and fearful, more collaborative and local.

As Eve Said to the Serpent Penguin

From the author of Orwell's *Roses*, a personal, lyrical narrative about storytelling and empathy—a fitting companion to Solnit's *A Field Guide to Getting Lost* Finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award In this exquisitely written book by the author of *A Paradise Built in Hell*, Rebecca Solnit explores the ways we make our lives out of stories, and how we are connected by empathy, by narrative, by imagination. In the course of unpacking some of her own stories—of her mother and her decline from memory loss, of a trip to Iceland, of an illness—Solnit revisits fairytales and entertains other stories: about arctic explorers, Che Guevara

among the leper colonies, and Mary Shelley's *Dr. Frankenstein*, about warmth and coldness, pain and kindness, decay and transformation, making art and making self. Woven together, these stories create a map which charts the boundaries and territories of storytelling, reframing who each of us is and how we might tell our story.

Landscapes for Politics
Verso

An anthology of nearly forty essays, representing the author's work over the past ten years, offers an insightful overview of American politics, current affairs, culture, society, and history, written from the perspective of a noted environmentalist, anti-

globalization activist, and public intellectual. By the author of *A Field Guide to Getting Lost*. Verso Books
 Explores the phenomenon through which people become resourceful and altruistic after a disaster and communities reflect a shared sense of purpose, analyzing events ranging from the 1906 San Francisco earthquake to Hurricane Katrina.

A Paradise Built In Hell: The Extraordinary Communities that Arise in Disaster

Haymarket Books
 The best political essays from Orion Magazine

A Novel Trinity University Press
 A collection of feminist essays steeped in “Solnit’s

unapologetically observant and truth-speaking voice on toxic, violent masculinity” (*The Los Angeles Review*). In a timely and incisive follow-up to her national bestseller *Men Explain Things to Me*, Rebecca Solnit offers sharp commentary on women who refuse to be silenced, misogynistic violence, the fragile masculinity of the literary canon, the gender binary, the recent history of rape jokes, and much more. In characteristic style, “Solnit draw[s] anecdotes of female indignity or male aggression from history, social media, literature, popular culture, and the news . . . The main essay in the book is about the various ways that women are silenced,

and Solnit focuses upon the power of storytelling—the way that who gets to speak, and about what, shapes how a society understands itself and what it expects from its members. The Mother of All Questions poses the thesis that telling women’s stories to the world will change the way that the world treats women, and it sets out to tell as many of those stories as possible” (The New Yorker). “There’s a new feminist revolution—open to people of all genders—brewing right now and Rebecca Solnit is one of its most powerful, not to mention beguiling, voices.”—Barbara Ehrenreich, New York Times–bestselling author of *Natural Causes* “Short, incisive

essays that pack a powerful punch.” —Publishers Weekly “A keen and timely commentary on gender and feminism. Solnit’s voice is calm, clear, and unapologetic; each essay balances a warm wit with confident, thoughtful analysis, resulting in a collection that is as enjoyable and accessible as it is incisive.” —Booklist
Wanderlust Haymarket Books+ORM
In this acclaimed exploration of the culture of others, Rebecca Solnit travels through Ireland, the land of her long-forgotten maternal ancestors. *A Book of Migrations* portrays in microcosm a history made of great human tides of invasion, colonization, emigration, nomadism and tourism. Enriched

by cross-cultural comparisons with the history of the American West, *A Book of Migrations* carves a new route through Ireland's history, literature and landscape.

The Extraordinary Communities That Arise in Disaster
Penguin

What makes a place? Rebecca Solnit reinvents the traditional atlas, searching for layers of meaning & connections of experience across San Francisco.

A Paradise Built in Hell Univ of California Press

The son of a singer mother whose career forcibly separated her from her family and an influential father who runs an orphan work camp, Pak Jun Do rises to prominence using

instinctive talents and eventually becomes a professional kidnapper and romantic rival to Kim Jong Il. By the author of *Parasites Like Us*.

A Novel Penguin
"[A] landmark book . . . Solnit illustrates how the uprisings that begin on the streets can upend the status quo and topple authoritarian regimes" (Vice). A book as powerful and influential as Rebecca Solnit's *Men Explain Things to Me*, her *Hope in the Dark* was written to counter the despair of activists at a moment when they were focused on their losses and had turned their back to the victories behind them—and the unimaginable changes soon to come. In it, she makes a radical case for hope as a

commitment to act in a world whose future remains uncertain and unknowable. Drawing on her decades of activism and a wide reading of environmental, cultural, and political history, Solnit argues that radicals have a long, neglected history of transformative victories, that the positive consequences of our acts are not always immediately seen, directly knowable, or even measurable, and that pessimism and despair rest on an unwarranted confidence about what is going to happen next. Now, with a moving new introduction explaining how the book came about and a new afterword that helps teach us how to hope and act in our

unnerving world, she brings a new illumination to the darkness of our times in an unforgettable new edition of this classic book. “One of the best books of the 21st century.” —The Guardian “No writer has better understood the mix of fear and possibility, peril and exuberance that’s marked this new millennium.” —Bill McKibben, New York Times–bestselling author of *Falter* “An elegant reminder that activist victories are easily forgotten, and that they often come in extremely unexpected, roundabout ways.” —The New Yorker

The Most Radical Thing You Can Do
Univ of California Press
Presents twenty-two color maps and accompanying essays

providing details on the people, ecology, and culture of the city.

Storming the Gates of Paradise University of Chicago Press

“An exhilarating romp through Orwell’s life and times and also through the life and times of roses.”
—Margaret Atwood “A captivating account of Orwell as gardener, lover, parent, and endlessly curious thinker.” —Claire Messud, Harper’s
“Nobody who reads it will ever think of Nineteen Eighty-Four in quite the same way.” —Vogue
A lush exploration of roses, pleasure, and politics, and a fresh take on George Orwell as an avid gardener whose political writing was grounded in his passion for the natural world “In the year 1936

a writer planted roses.”
So begins Rebecca Solnit’s new book, a reflection on George Orwell’s passionate gardening and the way that his involvement with plants, particularly flowers, and the natural world illuminates his other commitments as a writer and antifascist, and the intertwined politics of nature and power. Sparked by her unexpected encounter with the surviving roses he planted in 1936, Solnit’s account of this understudied aspect of Orwell’s life explores his writing and his actions—from going deep into the coal mines of England, fighting in the Spanish Civil War, critiquing Stalin when much of the international left still supported him (and then critiquing

that left), to his analysis of the relationship between lies and authoritarianism. Through Solnit's celebrated ability to draw unexpected connections, readers encounter the photographer Tina Modotti's roses and her Stalinism, Stalin's obsession with forcing lemons to grow in impossibly cold conditions, Orwell's slave-owning ancestors in Jamaica, Jamaica Kincaid's critique of colonialism and imperialism in the flower garden, and the brutal rose industry in Colombia that supplies the American market. The book draws to a close with a rereading of Nineteen Eighty-Four that completes her portrait of a more hopeful Orwell, as well

as a reflection on pleasure, beauty, and joy as acts of resistance.

Elsewhere, California
Knopf

Reporting from the front lines of gentrification in San Francisco, Rebecca Solnit and Susan Schwartzenberg sound a warning bell to all urban residents.

Wealth is just as capable of ravaging cities as poverty.

Mutual Aid During the COVID-19 Crisis

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 Prize for Nonfiction
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 Rebecca Solnit is the
 author of more than
 twenty books,
 including the
 international bestseller
*Men Explain Things to
 Me*. Called “the voice
 of the resistance” by
 the New York Times,
 she has emerged as an
 essential guide to our
 times, through incisive
 commentary on

feminism, violence,
 ecology, hope, and
 everything in between.
 In this powerful and
 wide-ranging collection
 of essays, Solnit turns
 her attention to the
 war at home. This is a
 war, she says, “with so
 many casualties that
 we should call it by its
 true name, this war
 with so many dead by
 police, by violent ex-
 husbands and partners
 and lovers, by people
 pursuing power and
 profit at the point of a
 gun or just shooting
 first and figuring out
 who they hit later.” To
 get to the root of these
 American crises, she
 contends that “to
 acknowledge this state
 of war is to admit the
 need for peace,”
 countering the despair
 of our age with a dose
 of solidarity, creativity,
 and hope. “Solnit’s
 exquisite essays move

between the political and the personal, the intellectual and the earthy." —Elle "Solnit is careful with her words (she always is) but never so much that she mutes the infuriated spirit that drives these essays."

—Kirkus Reviews (starred review) "Solnit [is] a powerful cultural critic: as always, she opts for measured assessment and pragmatism over hype and hysteria."

—Publishers Weekly "Essential reading for anyone living in America today." —The Brooklyn Rail

How to Rebuild Civilization in the Aftermath of a Cataclysm NYU Press

A collection of the year's best essays selected by Robert Atwan and guest editor Rebecca Solnit. Award-

winning writer, cultural critic, and activist, Rebecca Solnit, an "unparalleled high priestess of nuance and intelligent contemplation" (Maria Popova), selects the best essays of the year from hundreds of magazines, journals, and websites.

Voyage of the Sable Venus Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Robin Coste Lewis's electrifying collection is a triptych that begins and ends with lyric poems meditating on the roles desire and race play in the construction of the self.

In the center of the collection is the title poem, "Voyage of the Sable Venus," an amazing narrative made up entirely of titles of artworks from ancient times to the present—titles that

feature or in some way comment on the black female figure in Western art. Bracketed by Lewis's own autobiographical poems, "Voyage" is a tender and shocking meditation on the fragmentary mysteries of stereotype, juxtaposing our names for things with what we actually see and know. A new understanding of biography and the self, this collection questions just where, historically, do ideas about the black female figure truly begin—five hundred years ago, five thousand, or even longer? And what role did art play in this ancient, often heinous story? Here we meet a poet who adores her culture and the beauty to be found within it. Yet she is also a cultural critic alert to

the nuances of race and desire—how they define us all, including her own sometimes painful history. Lewis's book is a thrilling aesthetic anthem to the complexity of race—a full embrace of its pleasure and horror, in equal parts.

And Other Poems
Viking Adult

This book announces the new, interdisciplinary field of critical disaster studies. Unlike most existing approaches to disaster, critical disaster studies begins with the idea that disasters are not objective facts, but rather are interpretive fictions—and they shape the way people see the world. By questioning the concept of disaster itself, critical disaster studies reveals the

stakes of defining people or places as vulnerable, resilient, or at risk. As social constructs, disaster, vulnerability, resilience, and risk shape and are shaped by contests over power. Managers and technocrats often herald the goals of disaster response and recovery as objective, quantifiable, or self-evident. In reality, the goals are subjective, and usually contested. Critical disaster studies attends to the ways powerful people often use claims of technocratic expertise to maintain power. Moreover, rather than existing as isolated events, disasters take place over time. People commonly imagine disasters to be unexpected and

sudden, making structural conditions appear contingent, widespread conditions appear local, and chronic conditions appear acute. By placing disasters in broader contexts, critical disaster studies peels away that veneer. With chapters by scholars of five continents and seven disciplines, *Critical Disaster Studies* asks how disasters come to be known as disasters, how disasters are used as tools of governance and politics, and how people imagine and anticipate disasters. The volume will be of interest to scholars of disaster in any discipline and especially to those teaching the growing number of courses on disaster studies.

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