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*Broken Verses* Back Bay Books

Critical reevaluation of the concept of hybridity within postcolonial studies.

Penguin

Dominican American author and Pulitzer Prize-winner Junot Díaz has gained international fame for his blended, cross-cultural fiction. Reading Junot Díaz is the first study to focus on his complete body of published works. It explores the totality of his work and provides a concise view of the interconnected and multilayered narrative that weaves

throughout Díaz's writings. Christopher González analyzes both the formal and thematic features and discusses the work in the context of speculative and global fiction as well as Caribbean and Latino/a culture and language. Topics such as race, masculinity, migration, and Afro-Latinidad are examined in depth. González provides a synthesis of the prevailing critical studies of Díaz and offers many new insights into his work. Arresting Communication Sourcebooks, Inc.

The national bestseller by the award-winning Thai American author. "A brilliant collection . . . brimming with sharp-clawed survival lessons" (Los

Angeles Times). Set in contemporary Thailand, these are generous, radiant tales of family bonds, youthful romance, generational conflicts, and cultural shiftings beneath the glossy surface of a warm, Edenic setting. Written with exceptional acuity, grace, and sophistication, the stories present a nation far removed from its exoticized stereotypes. In the prize-winning opening story “Farangs,” the son of a beachside motel owner commits the cardinal sin of falling for a pretty American tourist. In the novella, “Cockfighter,” a young girl witnesses her proud father’s valiant but foolhardy battle against a local delinquent whose family has a vicious stranglehold on the villagers. Through his vivid assemblage of parents and children, natives and

transients, ardent lovers and sworn enemies, Lapcharoensap dares us to look with new eyes at the circumstances that shape our views and the prejudices that form our blind spots. Gorgeous and lush, painful and candid, *Sightseeing* is an extraordinary reading experience, one that powerfully reveals that when it comes to how we respond to pain, anger, hurt, and love, no place is too far from home. “Lapcharoensap is a commanding, animated tour guide, and a lot more than that—he can write with the bait and the hook of genuine talent . . . [He] has a gift for the detail that catches not only his Thai milieu but teenage life everywhere.” —Darin Strauss, *The New York Times Book Review*  
*Hybridity* MACMILLAN

Winner of the National Book Award in 1991 “This collection amounts to a hymn of praise for all the workers of America. These proletarian heroes, with names like Lonnie, Loo, Sweet Pea, and Packy, work the furnaces, forges, slag heaps, assembly lines, and loading docks at places with unglamorous names like Brass Craft or Feinberg and Breslin’s First-Rate Plumbing and Plating. Only Studs Terkel’s *Working* approaches the pathos and beauty of this book. But Levine’s characters are also significant for their inner lives, not merely their jobs. They are unusually artistic, living ‘at the borders of dreams.’ One reads *The Tempest* ‘slowly to himself’; another ponders a diagonal chalk line drawn by his teacher to suggest a triangle, the roof of a barn, or the mysterious

separation of ‘the dark from the dark.’ *What Work Is* ranks as a major work by a major poet . . . very accessible and utterly American in tone and language.” —Daniel L. Guillory, *Library Journal*  
*Parrot in the Oven* Penguin UK  
Looking for an escape from childhood abuse, Reymundo Sanchez turned away from school and baseball to drugs, alcohol, and then sex, and was left to fend for himself before age 14. The Latin Kings, one of the largest and most notorious street gangs in America, became his refuge and his world, but its violence cost him friends, freedom, self-respect, and nearly his life. This is a raw and powerful odyssey through the ranks of the new mafia, where the only people more dangerous than rival gangs are members of your own gang, who in one

breath will say they'll die for you and in the next will order your assassination.

**The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao** Open Road + Grove/Atlantic

\_\_\_\_\_ 'A richly woven novel ... The voice that guides us around this world darts with wit and lightness in a way that is unique and often lovely' - Rana Dasgupta, Guardian 'The plot gallops along, ensuring a gripping read ... thought-provoking' - Independent 'A highly accomplished novel ... A multi-layered but shrewdly simple tale' - New Statesman, Books of the Year

\_\_\_\_\_ BY THE ACCLAIMED WINNER OF THE WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION Fourteen years ago Aasmaani's mother Samina, a blazing beauty and fearless activist, walked out of her house and was never seen again. Aasmaani

refuses to believe she is dead and still dreams of her glorious return. Now grown up and living in Karachi, Aasmaani receives what could be the longed-for proof that her mother is still alive. As she comes closer to the truth she is also irresistibly drawn to Ed, her ally and sparring partner, and the only person who can understand the profound hurt - and the profound love - that drives her. \_\_\_\_\_ 'An elegant, challenging novel about love, loss and deception ... vibrant' - Daily Mail 'Sparkling prose and formidable wit' - Daily Telegraph

The Routledge Handbook of Translation and Globalization Vanderbilt University Press

Spanning four centuries, this collection features the work of Latino writers from

Chicano, Puerto Rican and Cuban- and Dominican-American traditions and Spanish-speaking countries, from letters to the Spanish crown by conquistadors to modern-day cartoonistas.

*The Cheater's Guide to Love* Penguin Classics

In a personal memoir, the author describes her relationships with the two men closest to her--her father and his brother, Joseph, a charismatic pastor with whom she lived after her parents emigrated from Haiti to the United States.

**Reading Junot Diaz** Bloomsbury Publishing USA

Eleven short stories of the Cuban immigrant experience as characters adjust to life in the United States, from an award-winning author. From the

prize-winning title story—a masterpiece of humor and heartbreak—unfolds a collection of tales that illuminate the landscape of an exiled community rich in heritage, memory, and longing for the past. In *Cuba I Was a German Shepherd* is at once “tender and sharp-fanged” as Ana Menéndez evocatively charts the territory from Havana to Coral Gables, Florida, and explores whether any of us are capable, or even truly desirous, of outrunning our origins (LA Weekly).

“With the grace of Margaret Atwood and the sensuality of Laura Esquivel,” Menéndez makes an unforgettable debut “rich in metaphor, wisdom, and delicious subtlety” (St. Petersburg Times).

*Dark Holds No Terrors* Penguin UK Presents a collection of stories that explores the heartbreak and radiance of

love as it is shaped by passion, betrayal, and the echoes of intimacy.

Flight Tor Books

From the beloved and award-winning author Junot Díaz, a spellbinding saga of a family's journey through the New World. A coming-of-age story of unparalleled power, *Drown* introduced the world to Junot Díaz's exhilarating talents. It also introduced an unforgettable narrator—Yunior, the haunted, brilliant young man who tracks his family's precarious journey from the barrios of Santo Domingo to the tenements of industrial New Jersey, and their epic passage from hope to loss to something like love. Here is the soulful, unsparing book that made Díaz a literary sensation.

Into the Beautiful North Penguin UK

An anthology of some 80 stories, including two dozen translations. The latter range from *The Elephant Vanishes*, a look at Japanese society by Haruki Murakami, to *My Father, the Englishman*, and *I*, a satire on colonialism by the Somalian, Nuruddin Farah.

Punished Copper Canyon Press

Anke's father is abusive. He attacks her brother and sister. Anke's just an invisible witness on the brink of disappearing altogether until she makes the volleyball team. As Anke becomes part of the team, her confidence builds.

**Lima :: Limón** Open Road + Grove/Atlantic

Winner of: The Pulitzer Prize The National Book Critics Circle Award The Anisfield-Wolf Book Award The Jon Sargent, Sr. First Novel Prize A Time



Magazine #1 Fiction Book of the Year  
One of the best books of 2007 according to: The New York Times, San Francisco Chronicle, New York Magazine, Entertainment Weekly, The Boston Globe, Los Angeles Times, The Washington Post, People, The Village Voice, Time Out New York, Salon, Baltimore City Paper, The Christian Science Monitor, Booklist, Library Journal, Publishers Weekly, New York Public Library, and many more...  
Nominated as one of America's best-loved novels by PBS's The Great American Read Oscar is a sweet but disastrously overweight ghetto nerd who—from the New Jersey home he shares with his old world mother and rebellious sister—dreams of becoming the Dominican J.R.R. Tolkien and, most

of all, finding love. But Oscar may never get what he wants. Blame the fukú—a curse that has haunted Oscar's family for generations, following them on their epic journey from Santo Domingo to the USA. Encapsulating Dominican-American history, The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao opens our eyes to an astonishing vision of the contemporary American experience and explores the endless human capacity to persevere—and risk it all—in the name of love.

#### Don't Get Caught Penguin

A modern, action-packed detective story. Salahadin El Nur is an inspector in the Antiquities Department of the Egyptian police. The death of a visiting European archaeologist leads Salahadin to investigate the whereabouts of a priceless statuette. He is soon on the

trail of a gang of international smugglers.

*Brother, I'm Dying* Chicago Review Press  
Victor Rios grew up in the ghetto of Oakland, California in the 1980s and 90s. A former gang member and juvenile delinquent, Rios managed to escape the bleak outcome of many of his friends and earned a PhD at Berkeley and returned to his hometown to study how inner city young Latino and African American boys develop their sense of self in the midst of crime and intense policing. *Punished* examines the difficult lives of these young men, who now face punitive policies in their schools, communities, and a world where they are constantly policed and stigmatized. Rios followed a group of forty delinquent Black and Latino boys for three years.

These boys found themselves in a vicious cycle, caught in a spiral of punishment and incarceration as they were harassed, profiled, watched, and disciplined at young ages, even before they had committed any crimes, eventually leading many of them to fulfill the destiny expected of them. But beyond a fatalistic account of these marginalized young men, Rios finds that the very system that criminalizes them and limits their opportunities, sparks resistance and a raised consciousness that motivates some to transform their lives and become productive citizens. Ultimately, he argues that by understanding the lives of the young men who are criminalized and pipelined through the criminal justice system, we can begin to develop empathic solutions

which support these young men in their development and to eliminate the culture of punishment that has become an overbearing part of their everyday lives.

**Because I Am Furniture** Faber & Faber  
Originally published in 1997, *Drown* instantly garnered terrific acclaim. Moving from the barrios of the Dominican Republic to the struggling urban communities of New Jersey, these heartbreaking, completely original stories established Díaz as one of contemporary fiction's most exhilarating new voices. 'There's a new excitement in *Drown*, the fierce, sharp-edged, painful stories of a young Dominican-American writer, Junot Díaz: a dazzling talented first book'. Hermione Lee, *Independent on Sunday*, Books of the Year 'A voice so

original and compelling as to reach far beyond his immediate environment. It has put Díaz at the forefront of American writing'. *GQ* 'He has that rare gift of delineating a recognizable trademark world of his own with just a few deft strokes'. *Guardian* 'Wrings the heart with finely calibrated restraint'. *New York Times*

**Wait for Me** Penguin Books

A collection of short stories that explore the lives of teenagers affected directly or indirectly by drugs.

*The Queen and I* Faber & Faber

This is the first handbook to provide a comprehensive coverage of the main approaches that theorize translation and globalization, offering a wide-ranging selection of chapters dealing with substantive areas of research. The

handbook investigates the many ways in which translation both enables globalization and is inevitably transformed by it. Taking a genuinely interdisciplinary approach, the authors are leading researchers drawn from the social sciences, as well as from translation studies. The chapters cover major areas of current interdisciplinary interest, including climate change, migration, borders, democracy and human rights, as well as key topics in the discipline of translation studies. This handbook also highlights the increasing significance of translation in the most pressing social, economic and political issues of our time, while accounting for the new technologies and practices that are currently deployed to cope with growing translation demands. With five

sections covering key concepts, people, culture, economics and politics, and a substantial introduction and conclusion, this handbook is an indispensable resource for students and researchers of translation and globalization within translation and interpreting studies, comparative literature, sociology, global studies, cultural studies and related areas.

My Bloody Life Fawcett

A teen pretends to be a perfect daughter, but her reality is far darker, in this penetrating look at identity and finding yourself amidst parents' dreams for you, by Printz Award-winning novelist An Na. Mina seems like the perfect daughter. Straight A student. Bound for Harvard. Helps out at her family's dry cleaning store. Takes care of her

hearing-impaired little sister. She is her parents' pride and joy. From the outside, Mina is doing everything right. On the inside, Mina knows the truth. Her perfect-daughter life is a lie. And it isn't until she meets someone to whom she cannot lie that she's willing to consider

what the truth might mean, and what it will cost. Because Ysrael, the young migrant worker who dreams of becoming a musician and who comes to work for her family, asks Mina the one question that scares her the most: What does she actually want?

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