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This fascinating volume contains the memoirs of William Alexander Percy, who was born and raised

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in Mississippi and witnessed the social changes at the turn of the century. 'Lanterns on the Levee' is his memorial to the South within which he describes life in the Mississippi Delta, during the time between the semi-feudal South of the 1800s and the

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uncertain South of the early 1940s. This is a book that will be of much value to anyone with an interest in the history and development of southern American society. It is not one to be missed by collectors of William Alexander Percy's important literature.

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William Alexander
Percy (1885 - 1942)
was a lawyer, planter,
and poet from
Greenville,
Mississippi, most
famous for writing
this best-selling
biography. We are
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prefatory biography
of the author.

In Peculiar
Crossroads, Farrell
O'Gorman explains
how the radical
religiosity of both
Flannery O'Connor's
and Walker Percy's
vision made them so
valuable as southern
fiction writers and
social critics. Via

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their spiritual and philosophical concerns, O'Gorman asserts, these two unabashedly Catholic authors bequeathed a postmodern South of shopping malls and interstates imbued with as much meaning as Appomattox or Yoknapatawpha.

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O'Gorman builds his argument with biographical, historical, literary, and theological evidence, examining the writers' work through intriguing pairings, such as O'Connor's *Wise Blood* with Percy's *The Moviegoer*, and O'Connor's *A Good*

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Man Is Hard to Find
with Percy's Lancelot.

An impeccable
exercise in literary
history and criticism,
Peculiar Crossroads
renders a genuine
understanding of the
Catholic sensibility of
both O'Connor and
Percy and their
influence among
contemporary

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southern writers.
In this National Book
Award-winning novel
from a "brilliantly
breathtaking writer,"
a young Southerner
searches for meaning
in the midst of Mardi
Gras (The New York
Times Book Review).
On the cusp of his
thirtieth birthday,
Binx Bolling is a lost

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soul. A stockbroker and member of an established New Orleans family, Binx's one escape is the movie theater that transports him from the falseness of his life. With Mardi Gras in full swing, Binx, along with his cousin Kate, sets out to find his true purpose amid

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the excesses of the
carnival that
surrounds him.

Buoyant yet powerful,
The Moviegoer is a
poignant indictment
of modern values,
and an unforgettable
story of a week that
will change two lives
forever. This ebook
features an illustrated
biography of Walker

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Percy including rare
photos from the
author's estate.

Writings on the
South, Catholicism,
and more from the
National Book Award
winner: "His
nonfiction is always
entertaining and
enlightening"
(Library Journal).

Published just after

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Walker Percy's death, Signposts in a Strange Land takes readers through the philosophical, religious, and literary ideas of one of the South's most profound and unique thinkers. Each essay is laced with wit and insight into the human condition.

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From race relations and the mysteries of existence, to Catholicism and the joys of drinking bourbon, this collection offers a window into the underpinnings of Percy's celebrated novels and brings to light the stirring thoughts and voice of

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a giant of twentieth
century literature.

Diagnosing the

Modern Malaise

The Moviegoer

The Search in the

Desert

Peculiar Crossroads

A Portrait in the

Words of Those who

Knew Him

Love in the Ruins

“Wonderfully

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wicked...a
nonstop, pedal-
to-the-metal
romp.” —Chicago
Tribune Over-
the-hill former
counter-culture
SDS

revolutionaries
decide to turn
bomb-making—and
detonating—from
a political

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statement to a
profitable

enterprise in
the master
Elmore

Leonard's
electrifying
and explosively
funny thriller
Freaky Deaky.

The St. Louis
Post-Dispatch
calls Leonard,

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*"the world's
greatest cops
'n' robbers
novelist." The
Seattle Times
says, "Leonard
is more than
just one of the
all-time greats
of crime
fiction. He's
fast becoming
an authentic*

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American icon.”

No matter where

you wish to

place the man

who created the

character of

U.S. Marshal

Raylan Givens,

lately of TV's

hit series

Justified, in

the pantheon of

mystery and

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noir detective
fiction

demigods—John
D. MacDonald,
Dashiell

Hammett, James
M. Cain and the
like—there is
no denying that
nobody does it
better than the
Grand Master
Elmore Leonard!

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In this groundbreaking study, Gary M. Ciuba examines how four of the South's most probing writers of twentieth-century fiction -- Katherine Anne Porter, Flannery O'Connor,

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Cormac
Walker Percy
Walker Percy, and
Walker Percy --
expose the
roots of
violence in
southern
culture. Ciuba
draws on the
paradigm of
mimetic
violence
developed by

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*cultural and
literary critic
René Girard,
who maintains
that individual
human nature is
shaped by the
desire to
imitate a
model. Mimetic
desire may lead
in turn to
rivalry,*

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*cruelty, and
ultimately comm
unity-*

sanctioned --

and sometimes

ritually

sanctified --

victimization

of those deemed

outcasts. Ciuba

offers an

impressively

broad

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*intellectual
discussion that
gives universal
cultural
meaning to the
southern
experience of
desire,
violence, and
divinity with
which these
four authors
wrestled and*

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out of which
they wrote. In
a comprehensive
analysis of
Porter's semiau-
tobiographical
Miranda
stories, Ciuba
focuses on the
prescribed role
of women that
Miranda
imitates and

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Syndrome By
ultimately
Walker Percy
escapes.

*O'Connor's The
Violent Bear It
Away reveals
three
characters
whose
scandalous
animosity
caused by
religious
rivalry leads*

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Syndrome By
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to the
unbearable
stumbling block
of violence.
McCarthy's
protagonist in
Child of God,
Lester Ballard,
appears as the
culmination of
a long
tradition of
the sacred

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violence of
southern

religion,
twisted into
his own bloody
faith. And
Percy's The
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Syndrome brings
Ciuba's
discussion back
to the victim,
in Tom Moore's

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*renunciation of
a society in
which*

*scapegoating
threatens to
become the
foundation of a
new social
regime. From
nostalgia for
the old order
to visions of a
utopian*

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Walker Percy

*tomorrow, these
authors have
imagined the in
terrelationship
of desire,
antagonism, and
religion
throughout
southern
history.*

*Ciuba's
insights offer
new ways of*

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reading Porter,
Walker Percy
O'Connor,

McCarthy, and
Percy as well
as their
contemporaries
who inhabited
the same
culture of
violence --
violence
desired,
dreaded,

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Syndrome By
Walker Percy
denied, and
deified.

*Prophets of the
Posthuman
provides a
fresh and
original
reading of
fictional
narratives that
raise the
question of
what it means*

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Walker Percy

*to be human in
the face of
rapidly
developing
bioenhancement
technologies.*

*Christina
Bieber Lake
argues that
works by
Nathaniel
Hawthorne,
Walker Percy,*

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Walker Percy

*Flannery
O'Connor, Toni
Morrison,
George
Saunders,
Marilynne
Robinson,
Raymond Carver,
James Tiptree,
Jr., and
Margaret Atwood
must be
reevaluated in*

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Syndrome By
Walker Percy

*light of their
contributions
to larger
ethical
questions.*

*Drawing on a
wide range of
sources in
philosophical
and theological
ethics, Lake
claims that
these writers*

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share a
Walker Percy
commitment to
maintaining a
category of
personhood more
meaningful than
that allowed by
utilitarian
ethics.

Prophets of the
Posthuman
insists that
because

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*technology can
never ask
whether we
should do
something that
we have the
power to do,
literature must
step into that
role. Each of
the chapters of
this interdis-
ciplinary study*

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*sets up a
typical ethical
scenario
regarding human
enhancement
technology and
then
illustrates how
a work of
fiction
uniquely speaks
to that
scenario,*

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*exposing a
realm of human
motivations
that might
otherwise be
overlooked or
simplified.
Through the
vision of the
writers she
discusses, Lake
uncovers a deep
critique of the*

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*ascendancy of
personal*

*autonomy as
America's most
cherished
value. This
ascendancy,
coupled with
technology's
glamorous
promises of
happiness,
helps to shape*

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*a utilitarian
view of persons
that makes
responsible
ethical
behavior toward
one another
almost
impossible.*

*Prophets of the
Posthuman
charts the
essential role*

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*that literature
must play in
the continuing
conversation of
what it means
to be human in
a posthuman
world.*

*In Walker
Percy: Books of
Revelations,
Gary M. Ciuba
examines how*

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*Percy's
apocalyptic
vision inspires
the structure,
themes, and
strategies of
his fiction.
This book
explores the
unity of the
southern
novelist's
fiction by*

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Syndrome By
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*focusing on its
religious and
artistic
design—one of
the first
studies to
approach
Percy's work
from this
perspective.*

*Ciuba considers
Percy's six
published*

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novels—*The
Moviegoer, The
Last Gentleman,
Love in the
Ruins,
Lancelot, The
Second Coming,
and The
Thanatos
Syndrome*—and
also offers the
first extended
critical

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Walker Percy
analysis of his
unpublished
work "The
Gramercy
Winner."

Although the
novels are
often seen as
increasingly
satiric
jeremiads about
the possible
doom of

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Syndrome By
Walker Percy
America, Ciuba
argues that

*Percy's fiction
is principally
shaped by a
demythologized
and partially
realized form
of eschatology.*

*This
apocalyptic
vision has less
to do with the*

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Syndrome By
Walker Percy

*end of the
external world
than with the
demise of the
protagonists'
internal
worldviews.*

*According to
Ciuba, Percy
does more than
offer direly
comic warnings
about the end*

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*of the world;
he shows how
the world
actually ends
and then may
begin again in
the everyday
lives and
extraordinary
loves of his
astonished
seers.*

A Political
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*Companion to
Walker Percy
Walker Percy
and the Moral
Life of
Medicine
Walker Percy
Remembered
Signposts in a
Strange Land
Walker Percy's
Search for
Community*

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*American Utopia
and Social*

*Engineering in
Literature,
Social Thought,
and Political
History*

Interviews with
Walker Percy's
family, close
friends, and
acquaintances,
by David Horace

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Harwell.

Walker Percy
Dr. Tom More,
puzzled by the
unusual actions
of some of his
female patients,
uncovers a
criminal
experiment to
control the
behavior of the
citizens of
Feliciana,
Louisiana

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Walker Percy

through the use
of drugs in the
water supply.

"A study of the
phenomenon of
suicide, both
actual and
spiritual, in
the major
fictional works
of Fyodor
Dostoevsky and
Walker Percy,
drawing lines of

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Walker Percy

continuity
between the two
authors and
noting their
differences. In
the epilogue,
Desmond offers a
Christian
counter-vision
to the
'suicidal' ethos
he has
documented"--
In "Message" i"n

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the "Bottle,"
Walker Percy
offers insights
on such varied
yet
interconnected
subjects as
symbolic
reasoning, the
origins of
mankind, Helen
Keller,
Semiotics, and
the incredible

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Walker Percy
Delta Factor.
Confronting

difficult
philosophical
questions with a
novelist's eye,
Percy rewards us
again and again
with his keen
insights into
the way that
language
possesses all of
us.

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Pilgrim in the
Walker Percy
Ruins

The Adventures
of a Bad
Catholic at a
Time Near the
End of the World
Essays

The House of
Percy
Walker Percy's
Sacramental
Landscapes
Books of

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Revelations

Walker Percy
(1916-1990)

considered novels
the strongest tool
with which to
popularize great
ideas among a
broad audience,
and, more than
half a century
after they first
appeared in

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Walker Percy
print, his works
of fiction

continue to
fascinate
contemporary
readers. Despite
their lasting
appeal, however,
Percy's engaging
narratives also
contain
intellectual
elements that

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Walker Percy
demand further
explication.

Philosophical
themes, including
existentialism,
language
acquisition
theory, and
modern Catholic
theology, provide
a deeper layer of
meaning in
Percy's writings.

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Jessica Hooten
Wilson's Reading
Walker Percy's
Novels serves as
a companion
guide for readers
who enjoy Percy's
novels but may
be less familiar
with the works of
Sartre, Camus,
Kierkegaard, and
Dante. In

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Walker Percy

addition to
clarifying Percy's
philosophies,
Wilson highlights
allusions to other
writers within his
narratives,
addresses
historical and
political contexts,
and provides
insight into the
creation and

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Walker Percy
reception of The
Moviegoer, The
Last Gentleman,
Love in the
Ruins, Lancelot,
The Second
Coming, and The
Thanatos
Syndrome. An
introduction
covers aspects of
Percy's biography
that influenced

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his writing,
including his
deep southern
roots, faith, and
search for
meaning in life.
An appendix
offers an
explanation of
Percy's satirical
parody *Lost in
the Cosmos: The
Last Self-Help*

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Book. Written in an accessible and conversational style, this primer will appeal to everyone who appreciates the nuances of Walker Percy's fiction.

The novels of
Walker
Percy--The

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Moviegoer,
Lancelot, The
Second Coming,
and The Thanatos
Syndrome to
name a few--have
left a permanent
mark on
twentieth-century
Southern fiction;
yet the history of
the Percy family
in America

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Walker Percy

matches
anything,
perhaps, that he
could have
created. Two
centuries of
wealth, literary
accomplishment,
political
leadership,
depression, and
sometimes
suicide

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established a
fascinating

legacy that lies
behind Walker
Percy's acclaimed
prose and
profound insight
into the human
condition. In *The
House of Percy*,
Bertram Wyatt-
Brown
masterfully

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Walker Percy
interprets the life
of this gifted
family, drawing
out the twin
themes of an
inherited
inclination to
despondency and
an abiding sense
of honor. The
Percy family
roots in
Mississippi and

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Louisiana go
back to "Don
Carlos" Percy, an
eighteenth-
century soldier of
fortune who
amassed a large
estate but fell
victim to mental
disorder and
suicide. Wyatt-
Brown traces the
Percys through

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Walker Percy
the slaveholding
heyday of

antebellum

Natchez, the

ravages of the

Civil War (which

produced the

heroic Colonel

William

Alexander Percy,

the "Gray

Eagle"), and a

return to

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prominence in
the Mississippi
Delta after
Reconstruction.
In addition, the
author recovers
the tragic lives
and literary
achievements of
several Percy-
related women,
including Sarah
Dorsey, a popular

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Walker Percy
post-Civil War
novelist who
horrified her
relatives by
befriending
Jefferson Davis--a
married man--and
bequeathing to
him her
plantation home,
Beauvoir, along
with her entire
fortune. Wyatt-

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Brown then chronicles the life of Senator LeRoy Percy, whose climactic re-election loss in 1911 to a racist demagogue deeply stung the family pride, but inspired his bold defiance to the Ku Klux Klan in

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the 1920s. The author goes on to tell the poignant story of poet and war hero Will Percy, the Senator's son. The weight of this family narrative found expression in Will Percy's memoirs, *Lanterns on the*

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Levee--and in the works of Walker Percy, who was reared in his cousin Will's Greenville home after the suicidal death of Walker's father and his mother's drowning. As the biography of a powerful dynasty,

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steeped in
Sou8thern
traditions and
claims to kinship
with English
nobility, The
House of Percy
shows the
interrelationship
of legend,
depression, and
grand
achievement.

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Written by a leading scholar of the South, it weaves together intensive research and thoughtful insights into a riveting, unforgettable story.

In this criticism of Percy, John F.

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Desmond traces
the writer's
enduring
concerns with
community.

These concerns,
Desmond argues,
were grounded in
the realism of
such Scholastics
as Aquinas and
Duns Scotus.

When The

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Walker Percy
Moviegoer, an
extraordinary

first novel by an
unknown

Louisiana author,
won the National
Book Award in
1962, it marked
the arrival of an
exceptional
literary talent.

With his five
successive novels

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Walker Percy
and his wide-
ranging

philosophical and
occasional
essays, Walker
Percy shored up
his reputation as
one of America's
greatest writers -
an ironic moralist
and perhaps the
shrewdest
chronicler of life

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Walker Percy
in the New
South. Yet even
by the time of his
death in 1990,
little was known
about this
intensely private
man. Based on
extensive
interviews,
written with
access to Percy's
letters and

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manuscripts, Jay
Walker Percy
Tolson has

fashioned the
first major
biography of the
writer, an
authoritative
portrait that
brings Percy alive
as it illuminates
his distinguished
body of work. We
see Percy's life

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and his brilliant
career against
the background
of the American
South, whose
colorful and
tragic history is
rooted deeply in
the hearts and
minds of its most
talented sons and
daughters. With a
novelist's eye for

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character and the
judgment of an
informed critic,
Tolson captures
the lifelong
drama of genius,
always attentive
to its artistic,
psychological and
spiritual
dimensions.

Percy was the
scion of a proud,

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Walker Percy
honorable and
accomplished

family, a clan
haunted by a
crippling streak
of melancholy
that issued
repeatedly in
suicides,
including the self-
inflicted deaths
of Walker Percy's
father and

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grandfather.

Walker Percy
Tolson depicts
the struggle of
Percy's life and
the heroism with
which he battled
his family
demons (and his
own tubercular
condition) and
worked his way
toward a writing
career. Here is

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Walker Percy
the young Percy
in the days after
his father's
death, traveling
with his brother
and his mother
(who would soon
die herself, in
mysterious
circumstances)
from his
childhood home
of Birmingham,

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Walker Percy
Alabama, to
Athens, Georgia,
and then on to
Greenville,
Mississippi, and
the sprawling
house of his
Uncle Will.

Adopted at 16 by
this remarkable "
bachelor-poet-
lawyer-planter",
the most

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Walker Percy

important single
influence on the
future author's
life, Percy came
to maturity in
what he later
described as an
"all-male
household visited
regularly by
other poets,
politicians,
psychiatrists,

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sociologists,
black preachers,
folk singers, Civil
Rights leaders
and itinerant
guitar players".
We follow Percy
as he travels
north to New
York, where he
attended medical
school and - with
the help of a

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psychiatrist -
began to make
sense of his
complex family
legacy. Tolson
details Percy's
movement
toward the
Catholic Church,
his first struggles
as a writer, his
early involvement
with the

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Walker Percy
publishing world,
the steady

support of his
friend and fellow
writer Shelby
Foote, and a
demanding
apprenticeship
under the
supervision of the
gifted novelist
Caroline Gordon
and her husband,

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the late Allen
Tate. Percy

emerged an
altogether
distinctive writer:
a Catholic artist
who, like
Flannery
O'Connor,
worked in a
predominantly
Protestant
culture; an heir

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to the literary
traditions of the
Southern
Renaissance who
adopted the
strategies of
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fiction and
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forge his own
narrative art.
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creation of both
the unpublished
and published
novels - from The
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well as the
philosophical
works that
underlie and
complement

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Percy's fiction.
The biographer
shows us how the
demands of his
work were eased
by rich
friendships,
including those
with fellow
writers
Thomas Merton,
Eudora Welty and
Robert Coles. We

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man in all his
shifting moods,
"the gracious,
easy, almost
avuncular
manner straining
against a
powerful, furious
intensity, an
almost furious
energy". Here is
the dark tragedy,
the humor, and

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the hard-earned
wisdom of a life
whose outward
calm concealed
an internal drama
- an unrelenting
fight against
hopelessness and
despair. Percy's
story is that of a
writer and
moralist who
made enduring

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art out of his
search for truth.

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less than a grand
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fugue." —The New
York Times Book
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Confederacy of
Dunces is an
American comic
masterpiece. John
Kennedy Toole's
hero, one Ignatius
J. Reilly, is "huge,
obese, fractious,

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zaniest series of
high and low
comic
adventures"
(Henry Kisor,
Chicago Sun-
Times).

Sometimes
oblivious to the
sacramental signs
of life, sometimes
clear-eyed, both
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Coming and Tom
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wondrous
possibilities these
signs signify.
They begin to
believe in the
possibilities for a
life that waits for

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horizon and down
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JACKET.

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Book Award for

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and authentic
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produce a
singular view of
humanity's place
in the cosmos
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the best

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yet complex

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Morning News).
The United States
seems to be on
the brink of
catastrophe.

From the
abandoned cars
littering the
highways (no one
remembers how
to fix them) to the
endless hours
spent on the golf

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course (now open
twenty-four hours
for those who
can't bother to
wait until daylight
to putt) to the
starkly polarized
political and
religious factions
dividing the
country (which
are increasingly
difficult to tell

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apart), it is
startlingly evident
that the great
experiment of the
American Dream
has failed. The
only problem is
that no one has
noticed. No one,
that is, except Dr.
Thomas More. Dr.
More, an
alcoholic,

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womanizing,
lapsed-Catholic
psychiatrist, has
invented the
lapsometer: a
machine capable
of diagnosing and
curing the
spiritual
afflictions that
are speeding
society toward its
inevitable

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collapse. If used correctly, the lapsometer could make anxiety, depression, alienation, and racism things of the past. But, in the wrong hands, it could propel the nation even more quickly into chaos. Hailed as

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“vividly
entertaining” by
the Los Angeles
Times and
“profoundly
moving” by the
Milwaukee
Journal, Love in
the Ruins is a
towering, mind-
bending work of
satirical
speculative fiction

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by the National
Book

Award-winning
author of The
Moviegoer.

Lancelot

Reading Walker
Percy's Novels
Flannery

O'Connor, Walker
Percy, and

Catholic Vision in
Postwar Southern

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Fiction

The Last Self-Help
Book

Honor,

Melancholy, and
Imagination in a
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Nor Beasts"

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of crucial issues,
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*manner in which
employers & unions
formulate strategies,
the specific tactics
utilized by both
sides, & the impact
of strategies &
tactics on union
organizing
effectiveness.*

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the Politics of the*

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Wayfarer is the first sustained treatment of Percy as a political thinker. The book argues that Percy provides a distinctive approach to politics, one that might allow us to give up the dangerous longing for limitless progress

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*and perfection in our
lives.*

*“A mock self-help
book designed not to
help but to provoke .
. . . to inveigle us into
thinking about who
we are and how we
got into this mess.”
(Los Angeles Times
Book Review). Filled
with quizzes, essays,*

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*short stories, and
diagrams, Lost in the
Cosmos is National
Book*

*Award-winning
author Walker
Percy's humorous
take on a familiar
genre—as well as an
invitation to serious
contemplation of
life's biggest*

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*questions. One part
parody and two*

*parts philosophy,
Lost in the Cosmos
is an enlightening
guide to the
dilemmas of human
existence, and an
unrivaled spin on
self-help manuals by
one of modern
America's greatest*

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literary masters.

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Culture, Not Politics

*We live in a
politicized time.*

*Culture wars and
increasingly
partisan conflicts
have reduced public
discourse to
shouting matches
between ideologues.*

But rather than

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merely bemoaning
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*the vulgarity and
sloganeering of this
era, says acclaimed
author and editor
Gregory Wolfe, we
should seek to enrich
the language of civil
discourse. And the
best way to do that,
Wolfe believes, is to
draw nourishment*

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*from the deepest
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sources of culture:*

*art and religious
faith. Wolfe has been
called “one of the
most incisive and
persuasive voices of
our generation,” and
this penetrating and
wide-ranging book
makes a powerful
case for the*

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*importance of beauty
and imagination to
cultural renewal. He
begins by tracing his
own journey from a
young culture
warrior bent on
attacking the modern
world to a career
devoted to nurturing
the creation of
culture through*

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contemporary
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literature and art
that renew the
Western tradition.

Along the way,
Wolfe finds in
Renaissance
Christian humanists
like Erasmus and
Thomas More—and
their belief that
imagination and the

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*arts are needed to
offset the danger of
ideological
abstractions— a
“distant mirror” in
which to see our own
times.*

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Beauty Will Save the
World*

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Last Catholic

Novelist

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Percy's, the

Thanatos Syndrome

The United States today
is afflicted with political
alienation, militarized
violence,

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institutionalized poverty,
and social agony. Worst
of all, perhaps, it is
afflicted with chronic
and acute ahistoricism.
America insist on
ignoring the context of
its present dilemmas. It
insists on forgetting
what preceded the
headlines of today and
on denying continuity
with history. It insists, in
short, on its

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exceptionalism.

American Utopia and Social Engineering sets out to correct this amnesia. It misses no opportunity to flesh out both the historical premises and the political promises behind the social policies and political events of the period. These interdisciplinary concerns provide, in

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turn, the framework for the analyses of works of American literature that mirror their times and mores. Novels considered include: B.F. Skinner and Walden Two (1948), easily the most scandalous utopia of the century, if not of all times; Ken Kesey ' s One Flew Over the Cuckoo ' s Nest (1962), an anatomy of political

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American-style; Bernard
Malamud ' s God ' s
Grace (1982), a neo-
Darwinian beast fable
about morality in the
thermonuclear age;
Walker Percy ' s The
Thanatos Syndrome
(1986), a diagnostic
novel about engineering
violence out of
America ' s streets and
minds; and Philip

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Roth ' s The Plot

Walker Percy
Against America (2004),
an alternative history of
homegrown ' soft '
fascism. With the help of
the five novels and the
social models outlined
therein, Swirski
interrogates key aspects
of sociobiology and
behavioural psychology,
voting and referenda
procedures, morality
and altruism, multilevel

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selection and proverbial wisdom, violence and chip-implant technology, and the adaptive role of emotions in our private and public lives.

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excesses of the 1970s,
Lancelot Andrews
Lamar, a liberal lawyer
and distinguished
member of the New
Orleans gentry, is
determined to stop the
modern world ' s
ethical collapse. His
quest begins with his
wife—an actress who he
suspects has been
cheating on him for
years. Though he

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initially plans only to gather proof of her infidelity, Lancelot quickly descends into a fog of obsession. And as he crosses the line from sanity into madness, he will try once and for all to purify the world or destroy it in the attempt. Mesmerizing and unforgettable, Lancelot is a masterful story of one man ' s collision

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trained as a pathologist.
Percy 's stirring sequel
to Love in the Ruins
follows Tom More ' s
redemptive mission to
cure the mysterious
ailment afflicting the
residents of his
hometownDr. Tom
More returns to his
parish in Louisiana
determined to live a
simpler life. Fresh out of
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caught selling uppers to truck drivers, he wants nothing more than to live “ a small life. ” But when everyone in town begins acting strangely—from losing their sexual inhibitions to speaking only in blunt, truncated sentences—More, with help from his cousin Lucy Lipscomb, takes it upon himself to reveal

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Modernity : an Honors
Thesis

Freaky Deaky

Katherine Anne Porter,

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Cormac McCarthy,

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deeply flawed
psychiatrist
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More (USA
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"shimmers with
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to truck
drivers,
returns home
to Louisiana,
determined to
live a simpler
life (The New
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strangely—from
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speaking only
in blunt,
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ences—More,

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with help from
his cousin,
epidemiologist
Lucy Lipscomb,
takes it upon
himself to
investigate.

Together, they
uncover a
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free will, and
ultimately
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Thanatos
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to take on the
world, to

wrestle with
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glories." —The

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Louisiana, and
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criminal
experiment to
"improve"
behavior

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