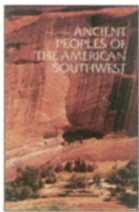
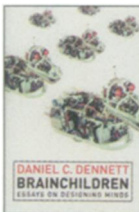


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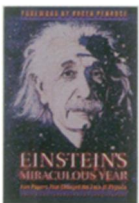
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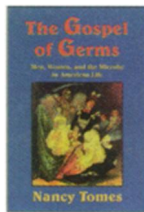
Brainchildren: Essays on Designing Minds—Daniel C. Dennett. The publication of *Darwin's Dangerous Idea* and *Consciousness Explained* placed Dennett firmly in center stage of the debate raging about the foundations and inner workings of the mind. In building the arguments presented in those books, Dennett published widely in a number of scholarly journals and participated in many academic conferences. Such works are gathered here as Dennett ponders the possibility of possessing multiple personalities and the intricacies of High Church Computationalism, which bridges folk psychology and brain science. MIT Pr, 1998, 418 p., paperback, \$20.00.



Einstein's Miraculous Year: Five Papers That Changed the Face of Physics—John Stachel, ed. In a single year, with the publication of five papers, Albert Einstein essentially changed the foundations of physics. These complete writings are prefaced by text defining the impact of Einstein's work and explaining his ideas. The concepts proffered include: replacing absolute time with a new absolute—the speed of light; asserting the equivalence of mass and energy; calculating Avogadro's number and the size of molecules; deriving an equation for the mean free path of small particles suspended in liquids; and asserting that light could be a collection of particles. Princeton U Pr, 1998, 198 p., b&w illus., hardcover, \$19.95.

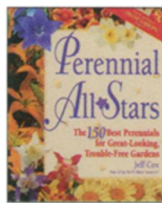


Francis Bacon—Perez Zagorin. "The Great Instauration," Bacon's phrase for the engine of scientific progress, sums up the doctrine developed throughout the philosopher's lifetime some 400 years ago. In this writing, he anticipated the role of science in advancing society. Zagorin's focus encompasses the ways in which Bacon strove to perpetuate the progression of the sciences and examines the breadth of Bacon's diverse interests, from law to morals. The author also places these ideas in their historical context and portrays the influence of Bacon's philosophies and his characteristics as a thinker. Princeton U Pr, 1998, 286 p., hardcover, \$29.95.

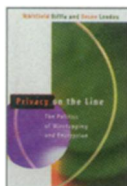


The Gospel of Germs: Men, Women, and Microbes in American Life—Nancy Tomes. In the movie *As Good As It Gets*, Jack Nicholson's character is obsessed with cleanliness and germs to the point of using a bar of soap only once and bringing plastic utensils to a restaurant.

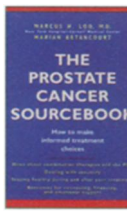
These habits merely exaggerate modern-day hygiene. In the late 1800's, by contrast, people commonly took a swig from the community drinking cup, left milk out in a warm kitchen, and emptied their chamber pots in the street. Tomes explores how we came to associate germs with disease and how society became convinced to make lifestyle changes in the wake of this news. HUP, 1998, 351 p., b&w illus., hardcover, \$29.95.



Perennial All-Stars: The 150 Best Perennials for Great-Looking, Trouble-Free Gardens—Jeff Cox. Floral, fragrant, drought-resistant, pest-defiant, low-maintenance, and adaptable to most any kind of soil—these are the qualities that make a perennial an "all-star" in Cox's book. In colorful and informative two-page spreads, Cox presents his selection of such plants and specifies flower color, light and soil requirements, seasons of bloom, methods of propagation, and tips for companion planting for these "foolproof" plants. Rodale Pr, 1998, 344 p., color photos/illus., hardcover, \$29.95.



Privacy on Line: The Politics of Wiretapping and Encryption—Whitfield Diffie and Susan Landau. Pending legislation in Congress signals the breadth of current concern about the security and accessibility of information exchanged via electronic communication. The technological and political aspects of these issues are dissected by two computer scientists versed in electronic security. The government contends that ultrasecure computer systems threaten national security and has proposed a key escrow system allowing official access for wiretapping. Diffie and Landau, however, argue for the importance of privacy in democratic societies and favor cryptography and built-in security systems. MIT Pr, 1998, 342 p., hardcover, \$25.00.



The Prostate Cancer Sourcebook: How to Make Informed Treatment Choices—Marcus H. Loo and Marian Betancourt. Geared toward men already diagnosed with prostate problems, this guide neatly outlines the essential characteristics of the prostate and whatever ails it. The advent of a blood test to diagnose the disease in its earliest stage has now generated concern about overtreatment. A description of the physiology of the prostate segues to the role of diet and environment and then to discussion of the diagnosis of prostate cancer and recovery. Wiley, 1998, 230 p., paperback, \$14.95.

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