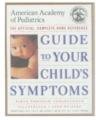
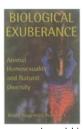
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this quick reference lists alphabetically almost 200 general ailments and circumstances. It helps readers to understand symptoms and to take appropriate action at home and tells when to call a pediatrician. Originally published in hardcover in 1997. Villard, 1998, 256 p., b&w illus., paperback, \$18.95.



Biological Exuberance: Animal Homosexuality and Natural Diversity-Bruce Bagemihl. At once thoroughgoing and accessible, Biological Exuberance underscores the diversity of animal behavior. As Bagemihl illustrates, animals are not exclusively heterosexual. The primary emphasis of this book is on

mammals and birds, and it describes hundreds of scientifically documented instances of sexual behavior outside of reproduction. The author gives examples of celibacy, transgenderism, and same-sex encounters in a species-by-species catalog making up the second half of the book. This follows chapters discussing the implications of diversity in sexuality. Scholars will benefit from extensive notes. St Martins, 1999, 751 p., b&w photos/illus., hardcover, \$40.00.



Charging Ahead—Joe Sherman. Since the mid-1980s, James Worden's mission has been to produce a lightweight, highly efficient, four-passenger electric sedan. Worden's efforts paid-off in the form of Sunrise: the world's most advanced electric vehicle, according to this account. Why, then, aren't these amazing cars

ubiquitous? As Sherman reports, Worden's biggest challenge was not mastering the technology but battling two of the world's most powerful industries. Both aspects of Worden's challenge are detailed, and Sherman provides perspective on the state of electric vehicles. OUP, 1998, 224 p., b&w photos/illus., hardcover, \$25.00.



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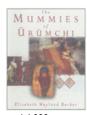
Deep Atlantic: Life, Death, and Exploration in the Abyss-Richard Ellis. Little did anyone know even just a few years ago that clams the size of footballs and the "vampire squid from hell" lurked on the deep-ocean floor. However, technology is now allowing researchers to troll the ocean floor at least 5

miles down. Ellis surveys such finds and the history of such exploration, from submersibles such as William Beebe's bathysphere to robotic diving devices. Originally published in hardcover in 1996. Lyons Pr., 1998, 395 p., b&w illus., paperback, \$18.95.



The Math Behind Wall Street: How the Market Works and How to Make It Work for You-Nicholas Teebagy. For those who have caught stock-market fever but are still intimidated by the parlance of brokers and trade publications, Teebagy offers a crash course in the mathematical

concepts that drive the markets. In chapters that address the laws of probability and statistics, he introduces the basics of variability, trends, covariance, and beta. Armed with this knowledge, he feels, amateur traders can better understand how to predict rates of return and minimize risk. FWEW, 1998, 100 p., illus., hardcover, \$18.00.



The Mummies of Ürümchi-Elizabeth Wayland Barber. As an expert in ancient textiles, Barber was summoned to China in 1995 to study a bonanza of recently discovered artifacts. These items accompanied meticulously preserved mummies dating to between 2,000

and 4,000 years ago. While the antiquity is an oddity in itself, even more bizarre is the corpses' heritage: They were tall, fair-haired Caucasians, not Chinese or Mongolians. Lavish, brightly colored garments adorned the bones alongside tools and baskets. Readers follow Barber as she sifts through the mummies' belongings and renders opinions about their origins and way of life. Norton, 1999, 240 p., color plates/b&w photos /illus., hardcover, \$35.00.



No More Snoring-Victor Hoffstein and Shirley Linde. At the Sleep, Nose, and Sinus Clinic in St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto, where Hoffstein is the director, researchers have determined snoring to be not only annoying but also potentially dangerous. Snoring and apnea cause brief

arousals that disrupt sleep. A sufferer of either can lose enough sleep to cause drowsiness and irritability. Studies also associate snoring with hearing loss due to the high decibel levels generated. Data about the causes and hazards of snoring and apnea preface options for alleviating the problem. Wiley, 1999, 185 p., paperback, \$12.95.



The Science of Aliens-Clifford Pickover. Drawing on an arsenal of recent discoveries about our own evolution and the life forms present in every crevice of Earth, Pickover surmises about extraterrestrial creatures. Often with his tongue firmly planted in his cheek, he ponders everything

from aliens' senses to their methods of travel. He also considers what aliens may think of us. For example, if we are to believe that our first contact may be through radio signals à la the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence program, then aliens are likely to size us up according to the heavily transmitted Super Bowl or episodes of Baywatch. Basic Bks, 1998, 222 p., illus., hardcover, \$21.00.

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