

**RIGHTS GUIDE SPRING
2025**

ALEXANDRA BLEYER: REVOLUTIONARIES

- The most important female freedom fighters from the 18th century to the present day
- A book for everyone who deeply cares about democracy
- Fascinating portraits, written by a legitimate historian



The most inspiring female freedom fighters in world history.

All over the world, women have been fighting for equality, democracy, freedom, and civil rights for centuries. Historian Alexandra Bleyer tells the inspiring stories of such diverse personalities as Olympe de Gouges and Sojourner Truth, Emily Davison and Bertha von Suttner, Rosa Luxemburg and Alexandra Kollontai, and takes her readers on a fascinating journey from the 18th to the 21st century.

Alexandra Bleyer, Revolutionaries. Women Who Made History

302 pages | February 2025 | Title No 11413

Genre: History

Alexandra Bleyer, born 1974, holds a doctorate in history and is a freelance author. Her research focuses on the "long" 19th century, particularly the age of Napoleon and the Vormärz period up to the 1848 revolution. She also studies matters of propaganda in war and peace across the ages. Alexandra Bleyer lives and works in Carinthia (Austria).

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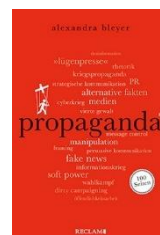


1848.
Success Story of a Failed Revolution

License sold: Chinese

Propaganda.

100 Pages Series



License sold: Turkish

BARBARA SCHMITZ: OPENNESS AND TOUCHABILITY

- Unique perspectives on vulnerability
- Addresses current social issues such as resilience and vulnerability
- Author with a big media presence



Vulnerabilities are vital – for empathy, solidarity, and happiness.

Vulnerability is an issue that affects everyone. It is not only in our capacity to be self-sufficient and autonomous, there is a certain vulnerability to us as well. But how to approach this vulnerability, what paths to take – how to characterize it? What kind of role does it play in our lives? And what does it have to do with nature, power, justice, or resilience?

Barbara Schmitz shows us that we can allow vulnerability in our lives and what a fascinating role this term plays in ethical and political contexts.

**Barbara Schmitz, Openness and Touchability.
New Paths to Vulnerabilities and Resilience**

223 pages | March 2025 | Title No 11534

Genre: Philosophy

Barbara Schmitz, born in 1968, is qualified as a philosopher. She has taught and researched at the universities of Basel, Oxford, Freiburg i. Br., Tromsø, and Princeton. She lives in Switzerland as a private/ assistant lecturer and secondary school teacher.

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What Is a Life Worth Living?
Philosophical and Biographical
Approaches

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JESSICA GIENOW-HECHT: FROM STATE TO BRAND

- The first German book on this subject
- Highlights the increasing commercialization of nations
- A new perspective on globalization and international diplomacy
- In addition to Germany, also takes Japan & the USA into account



Nowadays, nations are marketed like consumer goods – just think of the FIFA World Cup 2006 and the German campaign 'Die Welt zu Gast bei Freunden' ('A time to make friends'). However, nation branding has been a popular strategy since the 19th century.

Jessica Gienow-Hecht is the first to show comprehensively how democracies and dictatorships deliberately use their self-portrayal to cultivate relations with other countries, recruit skilled workers, or influence their own citizens.

"How is it that we live in a world in which the brand determines the image of a country? A world in which states spend millions of taxpayers' money on image cultivation? Where might this lead?"

Jessica Gienow-Hecht

**Jessica Gienow Hecht, From State to Brand.
The History of Nation Branding**

Approx. 180 pages | May 2025 | Title No 11526

Genre: Philosophy / Politics

Jessica Gienow-Hecht, born in 1964, is a professor at the John F. Kennedy Institute for North American Studies at Freie Universität Berlin.

CHRISTIAN NEUHÄUSER: THE VIOLENCE OF INEQUALITY

- A written debate on one of the most pressing issues of our time
- Highly politically relevant
- Plea for a better distribution of burdens and assets



Against inequality and structural violence.

In debates about the super-rich, it is often said that their critics are nothing but envious. But this is not about envy. Christian Neuhäuser's profound and well-founded analysis shows that societies that allow extreme forms of inequality are not peaceful, but structurally deeply violent. And more inequality leads to even more violence.

But what is social inequality anyway? And when does it become violence? And what can we do to counter this violence?

Christian Neuhäuser, Violence of Inequality. Dignity and Resistance

Approx. 160 pages | May 2025 | Title No 11533

Genre: Philosophy

Christian Neuhäuser, born in 1977, is professor of practical philosophy at the Technical University of Dortmund. His main areas of research are theories of dignity and responsibility, as well as the philosophy of economics, and international relations.

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How Rich Is Too Rich? On Greed, Envy and Justice

89 pages
July 2019

12.000 copies sold

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What is moralism?

About Wagging Fingers and the Place of Morals

110 pages
September 2022

OLAF MÜLLER: NUCLEAR WAR. A WARNING

- Essay in layman's terms on one of the most important political and ethical topics
- Currently relevant considering increasing nuclear armament in the face of Putin's aggression
- Analysis of the risk of nuclear war helps to better understand the acutely imposing threat



Olaf Müller, Nuclear War. A Warning

111 pages | February 2025 | Title No 14599

Genre: Philosophy
Series: What Does It All Mean?

Self-extinction of mankind – the nuclear danger.

Since the major powers possess large nuclear arsenals, humanity is under threat: we can wipe out our entire civilization in a very short time and transform the planet into a radioactive wasteland. The likelihood of nuclear war depends solely on the key players in the field of foreign policy. We should not ignore the extreme danger: thoughtful worry, the essay argues, is different from panic or German Angst.

Olaf L. Müller, born in 1966, is a professor at Humboldt University in Berlin specializing in the philosophy of science. Reclam published his highly regarded essay *Pacifism. A Defense*.

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Pacifism *A defense.*

November 2022
116 pages
10.000 copies sold

REINOLD SCHMÜCKER: IS THERE SUCH A THING AS A JUST WAR?

- Revised edition due to the current situation
- Expanded to include a new chapter on the Ukraine war
- Philosophical analysis of the criteria for a morally justified war
- 5.000 copies sold since publication



Reinold Schmücker, Is There Such a Thing as a Just War?

Approx. 130 pages | May 2025 | Title No 14596
2nd revised and expanded edition

Genre: Philosophy
Series: What Does It All Mean?

An essay on war and peace: orientation in an eternal question of humanity.

We never thought war could be a possibility in Europe: but if you want to prevent war, you have to ask yourself what makes it morally justifiable. The theory of a just war, further developed and reinterpreted, offers a convincing benchmark for recognizing the illegitimacy of war.

Reinold Schmücker, born in 1964, is professor of philosophy at the Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster.

RUBEN ZIMMERMANN: WHY LESS CAN BE GOOD

- Plea for a positive ethic of renunciation that offers individual and social benefits
- Renunciation not as a threat, but as an opportunity
- An encouraging and constructive change of perspective in a controversial debate



Ruben Zimmermann, Why Less Can Be Good An ethic of renunciation

Approx. 130 pages | May 2025 | Title No 14596

Genre: Philosophy

Series: What Does It All Mean?

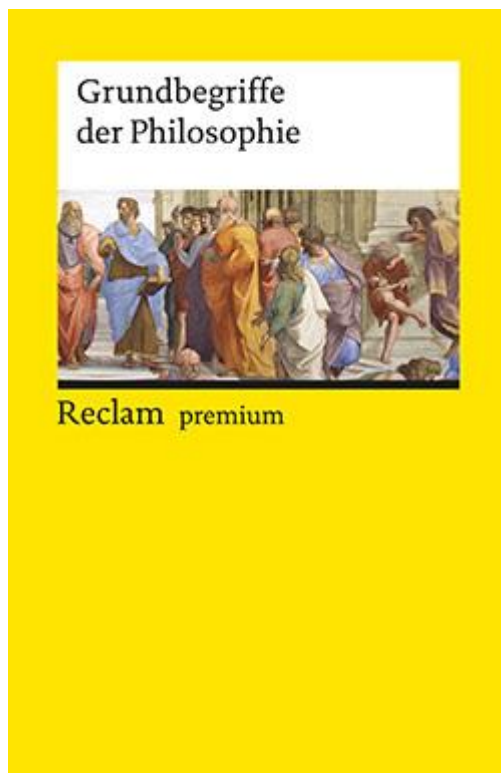
Less is more – what we should, may and can get used to!

Given the demands of the market economy and capitalism, what could an ethic of renunciation that emphasizes not the horrors but the opportunities of renunciation look like? Ruben Zimmermann argues that renunciation should not be used as a political term of war or an apocalyptic threat, but that the possibility of renunciation should be understood as individually and socially valuable habits.

Ruben Zimmermann, born in 1968, is a professor at the faculty of protestant theology at Gutenberg University Mainz and was a visiting scholar at Yale University in 2024.

BASIC TERMS OF PHILOSOPHY

- The reference work for beginners and professionals – essential for working with philosophical topics
- Completely revised and enlarged edition of 2025
- 11.000 copies sold since publication



In philosophy, the key terms are not only part of the essential theoretical toolkit, but also mark the pivotal points of philosophical discussions. But how to get an introduction, an overview? Classic encyclopaedia entries are usually too short. Papers by experts are often too presuppositional.

The *Basic Terms of Philosophy* therefore provides comprehensive, well-founded, and generally understandable information in short essays on the meaning of 104 philosophical key terms, from 'altruism', 'aesthetics', 'idea', 'logic', and 'truth' to 'free will' and 'time'.

Basic Terms of Philosophy

387 pages | February 2025 | Title No 14672
2nd revised and expanded edition

Genre: Philosophy

The editors:

Stefan Jordan, born in 1967, is a research associate at the Historical Commission of the Bavarian Academy of Sciences and Humanities.

Christian Nimtz, born 1968, is a professor of theoretical philosophy at the University of Bielefeld.

ULRICH STEINVORTH: WHAT PHILOSOPHY WAS, IS AND CAN BE

- The shortest and most affordable introduction to the history of philosophy ever
- Companion to Thomas Nagel's well-known systematic introduction to philosophy *What does it all mean?*



A history of philosophy and introduction to philosophy in one volume – from the Greeks to the present day.

Philosophy used to be dangerous: Thales was bullied, Anaxagoras was banished, Socrates was killed. Today it is cultivated at universities and schools. But the most important conflict about what philosophy actually is still lives on.

This history of philosophy provides beginners and experts alike with a new overview from antiquity to the present day – and deals with the peculiar question, "What is the meaning of the world?".

Ulrich Steinvorth, What Philosophy Was, Is and Can Be.

A Brief Historical Introduction

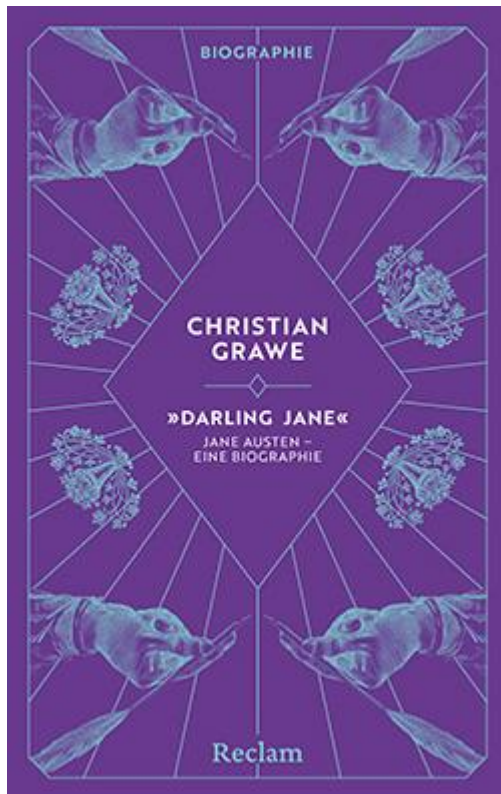
Approx. 110 pages | July 2025 | Title No 14677

Genre: Philosophy

Ulrich Steinvorth, born in 1941, is professor emeritus of practical philosophy at the University of Hamburg.

CHRISTIN GRAWE: »DARLING JANE«

- Revised new edition for the Austen anniversary (250th birthday)
- With exciting background information on Austen's life and work
- Christian Grawe is considered one of the best German-speaking Austen experts
- 22.000 copies sold since publication



Elizabeth Bennett, Emma and, of course, Mr. Darcy – the love relationships and sorrows of the characters in Jane Austen's works are well known. But what do we know about the woman who created them?

This biography by literary scholar and Austen expert Christian Grawe offers a lively account of Austen's life and at the same time creates an overall picture of the social, political, and literary environment around 1800, which forms the background of Jane Austen's novels.

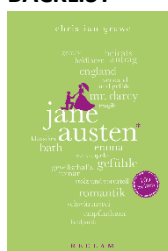
Christina Grawe, »Darling Jane«.
Jane Austen – A Biography

256 pages | March 2025 | Title No 20758
4th revised & expanded edition

Genre: Literature / Biography

Christian Grawe, born in 1935, was professor of German literature at the University of Melbourne. He has published numerous works on Jane Austen and, together with his wife Ursula, translated all of her novels into German for the first time.

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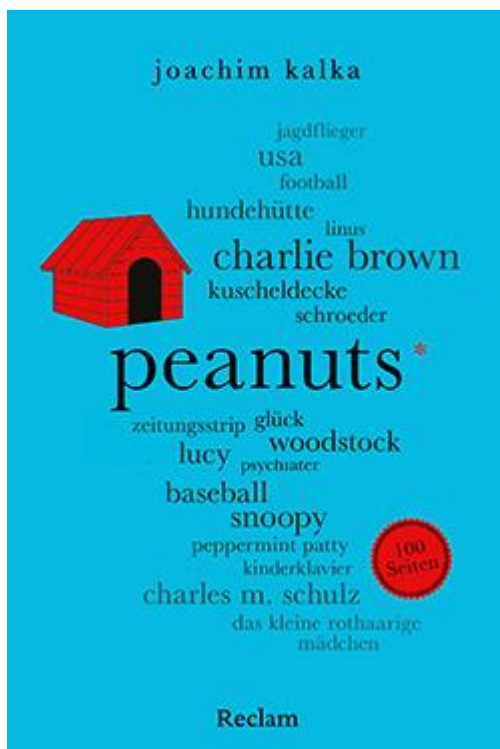
Jane Austen

100 Pages Series
September 2016

6.000 copies sold

JOACHIM KALKA: PEANUTS. 100 PAGES

- 75th birthday of the Peanuts – the comic strip was published continuously from 1950 to 2000
- All about the world's most famous comic strip
- Profound insights and philosophy for everyday life
- 4.000 copies sold since publication



On the 75th birthday of Peanuts – the story of a phenomenon.

"This lovingly drawn comic strip is basically a highly neurotic blackness: a dark fairy tale of perpetual failure. Yet this strange alloy of brutal meanness, confidingness, and comedy is a masterpiece."

Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus with his blanket, Schroeder at the piano, and, of course, daydreamer Snoopy: what fascinates us so much about these children (and the dog) with their games and rituals, who basically experience nothing special? Kalka pulls the blankie away from this comic strip – one of the most important in post-war America. He shows which tendencies of American society are reflected in the Peanuts and to what extent their author, Charles M. Schulz, immortalized himself in his comic strips.

Joachim Kalka, Peanuts.

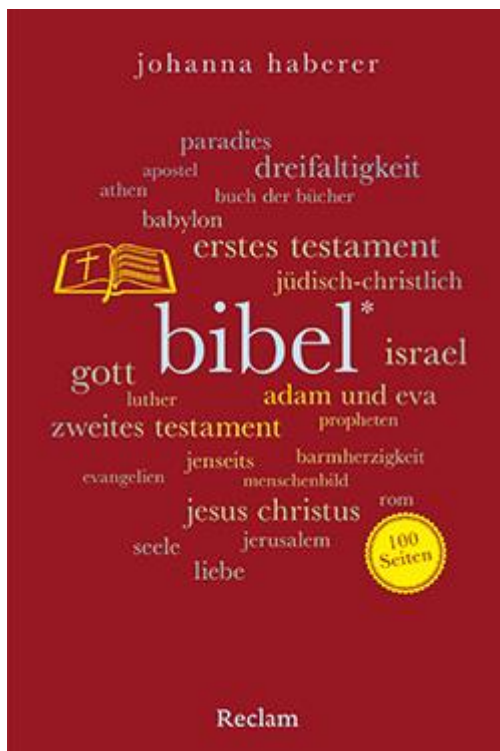
100 pages | February 2025 | Title No 20780
2nd revised edition

Genre: Literature / Film
Series: 100 Pages

Joachim Kalka, born in 1948, writer and translator, has been awarded the *Johann Heinrich Voß Prize* and the *Johann Friedrich von Cotta Literature and Translation Prize*, among others.

JOHANNA HABERER: BIBLE. 100 PAGES

- Knowledgeable and entertaining introduction to the most frequently printed and translated work in the world
- The ZEIT podcast *Unter Pfarrerstöchtern* by Johanna Haberer and Sabine Rückert is very popular
- Everything you need to know about the book of books



Johanna Haberer, Bible.

100 pages | May 2025 | Title No 20719

Genre: Religion
Series: 100 Pages

What does the Bible tell us today?

The Bible is the Master's certificate of our culture; its thought patterns still provide orientation today. But how did the biblical writings come about in the first place? What image of humanity is the Bible based on and – who is God?

Using striking biblical texts, Johanna Haberer reveals the central cross-cutting themes of the First and Second Testaments and shows how the motifs of the Judeo-Christian religion are reflected in our world view.

Johanna Haberer, born in 1956, is a professor of theology and journalist. Together with her sister Sabine Rückert, she has been publishing the popular ZEIT podcast *Unter Pfarrerstöchtern* since 2019, in which they discuss the Bible and its relevance today.

UWE SPRINGFELD: MONEY. 100 PAGES

- A circumspect introduction to the big topic of money
- With many illustrative examples
- Close to everyday life and expertly told



Uwe Springfeld, Money.

100 pages | February 2025 | Title No 20781

Genre: Politics / Society
Series: 100 Pages

What is money? And how does it work?

*"Money can create moments of perfect happiness.
How does it have such power over people?"*

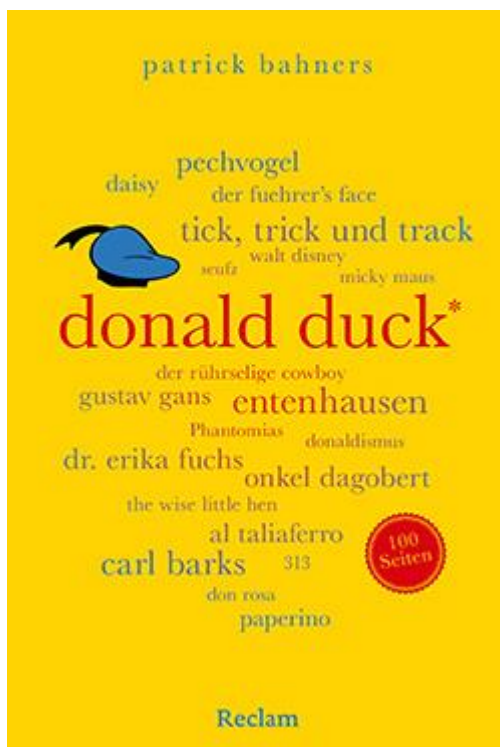
Money structures modern societies. It is a measure of worth as well as a universal medium of exchange and stores value. But where does money get its value from? How do the underlying mechanisms work and what does the infrastructure behind money look like? Uwe Springfeld answers the central questions about money in a close to everyday and competent way – from its creation to inflation and monetary policy. He presents helpful definitions, corrects popular misconceptions, and looks into the future of banking systems.

With four-color illustrations and infographics.

Uwe Springfeld, born in 1956, has been a journalist reporting on economy and natural science for over 30 years. He has received several awards for his podcasts (including those broadcasted by SWR) and essays.

PATRICK BAHNERS: DONALD DUCK. 100 PAGES

- Everything you need to know about Donald Duck, one of the most popular of all Disney characters
- A clever and funny introduction to the Duckburg universe
- Patrick Bahners, long-time features editor of the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, is considered the Donald Duck expert par excellence



Donald Duck has always been the most popular character in the Disney cosmos. But how did the duck in the sailor suit achieve such an international career? And what exactly is so great about *The Greatest Stories* and what is so funny about *Stories from Duckburg*?

Patrick Bahners, a Donaldist from the very beginning, portrays the Duckburg universe and shows why the lovable loud-mouth and unlucky fellow Donald Duck offers such great potential for identification.

Patrick Bahners, Donald Duck.

100 pages | May 2025 | Title No 20584

Genre: Film / Literature
Series: 100 pages

Patrick Bahners, born in 1967, founded the Donaldist Institute for Legal Studies and Politics (German abbreviation: Direpol) in Bonn in 1983. He is honorary president of the German Organization of Non-Commercial Supporters of Loud Donaldism (German abbreviation: D.O.N.A.L.D.) and has been an honorary member since 2023. For the *F.A.Z.*, he reports on beautiful, good, and true things from North Rhine-Westphalia.

BARBARA STREIDL: FEMINISM. 100 PAGES

- *The book on the current gender debate*
- *With new perspectives on gender diversity and multiple discrimination*
- *Completely revised new edition*
- *10.000 copies sold since publication*



The future is female.

"It is not enough to oppose structural discrimination based on gender. Racism and discrimination based on social background or age must also be taken into account."

Gender debates, #MeToo scandals, and domestic violence are stirring up heavy emotions – it's time for more feminism! How can we live together equally and safely still minding our diversity? And what can feminism contribute to this?

Barbara Streidl has completely revised her successful book in the light of current discussions. A book for everyone who dreams of a better society.

Barbara Streidl, Feminism.

100 pages | February 2025 | Title No 20782
2nd revised edition

Genre: Politics / Society
Series: 100 Pages

Barbara Streidl, born in 1972, is a journalist and lives in Munich. Her areas of focus include women's political issues and growth criticism considering the world. She regularly publishes non-fiction books and hosts podcasts.

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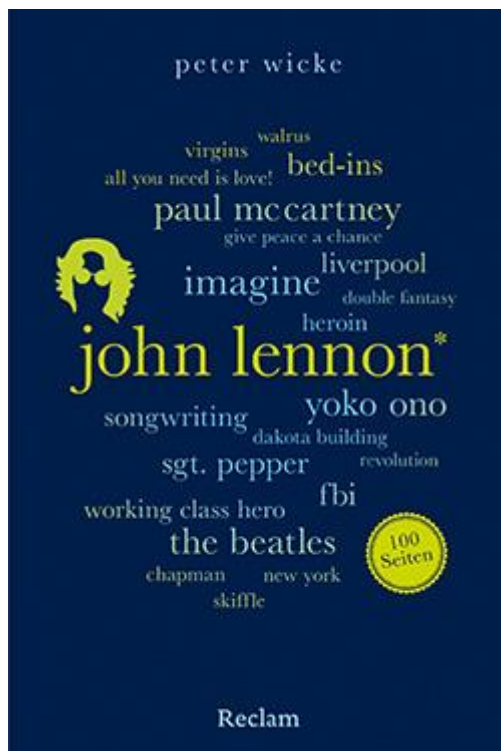


Boredom
100 Pages Series
July 2018

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PETER WICKE: JOHN LENNON. 100 PAGES

- Portrait of one of the most influential and impressive people of the 20th century
- 85th birthday of John Lennon on October 9, 2025
- About the Beatles career and the solo work of the exceptional musician



Peter Wicke, John Lennon.

100 pages | May 2025 | Title No 20783

Genre: Music

Series: 100 Pages

An icon – his life and his legacy.

"The more I see, the less I know for sure."

John Lennon

December 8, 1980 – for many a momentous day: John Lennon was shot dead in New York. The former Beatle, who had just come out of the studio and was pursuing his solo career with hits such as 'Imagine' and 'Give Peace a Chance', died by the side of his wife Yoko Ono. The world lost a self-confident and unique voice.

Peter Wicke explores the career of this exceptional artist and his legacy.

Peter Wicke, born in 1951, taught as a professor at the Humboldt University in Berlin, is a member of the German Music Council and is considered a pioneer of pop music research.

JENNI ZYLKA: TINA TURNER. 100 PAGES

- One of the most fascinating women of the 20th century
- Extraordinary ascent from humble beginnings to global icon
- All-around and multifaceted portrait, written by an experienced cultural journalist



Everything about the icon with the great, distinctive voice.

Tina Turner is simply put a role model: in her six decades long career, she not only fought against sexism and racism, but also overcame classism, ageism, and lookism. As a musician and mother, partner and fighter, actress, author and dancer, she was a true all-rounder. Jenni Zylka sensitively portrays the life and work of this fascinating, exceptional artist, who created timeless earworms with songs such as 'Private Dancer' and 'What's Love Got to Do With It'.

Jenni Zylka, Tina Turner.

100 pages | May 2025 | Title No 20718

Genre: Music

Series: 100 Pages

Jenni Zylka, born 1969, journalist and author, writes for the *taz*, *Der Freitag*, *Die Zeit* and *Spiegel Online*, among others, is a commentator (*RBB* and *DLF*), *Grimme Prize* juror and is responsible for German newcomer films at the *Berlinale*.

MICHAEL BEHRENDT: PLAYLIST FOR HAPPINESS

- Songs on prescription: doses of happiness in three to five minutes
- Musical voyage of discovery and a life guide
- With tips for further listening sessions and a playlist to listen along to
- German and English titles



**Michael Behrendt, Playlist for happiness.
99 ½ Songs for a Fulfilled Life**

272 pages | March 2025 | Title No 11508

Genre: Music

What wisdom and advice on how to live your life are pop, rock, rap, or soul songs able to convey? How can they contribute to a happy life? Music is able to comfort, inspire, motivate, and have a therapeutic effect, as both science and fans of music confirm.

In his *Playlist for Happiness*, Michael Behrendt offers numerous tips for harmonious coexistence, successful relationships, professional success, work-life balance, dealing with crises and grief, and managing change. A musical guide to life!

With songs by Kansas, Bob Dylan, Marvin Gaye, David Bowie, Peter Gabriel, Tears for Fears, The Fixx, Reinhard Mey, Christina Stürmer, Dota Kehr, Oehl, Großstadtgeflüster, Kontra K, Paramore, Dua Lipa, Ariana Grande, Taylor Swift, and many more.

Michael Behrendt, born in 1959, is a freelance editor, music journalist, and non-fiction author. He is considered *the* expert on pop and rock lyrics.

FRANZISKA GREINER DÖCHERT & FRIEDERIKE GRABOWSKI:

SCHOOL ANXIETY

- School anxiety – a rapidly growing phenomenon in all types of schools since the coronavirus crisis
- Guide for teachers: Where does school anxiety come from? How do I recognize school anxiety? How do I appropriately deal with it?
- Combines concise background knowledge with specific practical recommendations
- With lots of tips for school practice!



Performance anxiety, test anxiety, and social phobias are on the rise among pupils – what can teachers do?

Mental stress and disorders among children and adolescents are on the rise. This applies in particular to performance anxiety, test anxiety, and social phobias. These can lead to isolation, truancy, and even dropping out of school – a serious problem with serious consequences. What do teachers need to know and what can they do? This volume provides information: where does school anxiety come from? How do I recognize it in pupils? How do I appropriately deal with it as a teacher?

Greiner Döcher / Grabowski, School Anxiety Understand and support pedagogically

110 pages | March 2025 | Title No 14670

Genre: Pedagogy

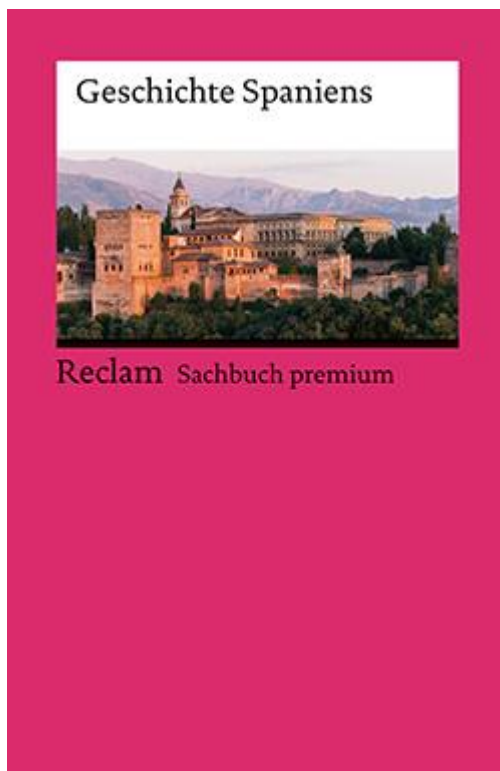
Series: Education & Teaching

Friederike Carlotta Grabowski, psychologist at the Institute for Special Needs Education at the European University of Flensburg.

Franziska Greiner-Döcher, research assistant at the Institute of Educational Sciences at Leipzig University (department of educational psychology with a focus on teaching, learning, and development).

HISTORY OF SPAIN

- The 5th edition – completely reviewed and revised
- Written by an international team of experts
- 50 years of Spanish democracy in 2025
- 22.000 copies sold since publication



Spain is not only a popular vacation destination, but also impresses with its successful transition to democracy after Franco's dictatorship.

Nevertheless, Spanish society is often torn between tradition and modernity. And coming to terms with the colonial era is also a constant source of debate.

This volume has been completely reviewed and revised for the 5th edition.

History of Spain

621 pages | May 2025 | Title No 14679
5th revised and expanded edition

Genre: History

HARALD FRITZ POTEPA: THE AIR WAR OVER EUROPE 1939-1945

- A factual overview of an emotional topic
- The most discussed aspect of the Second World War
- With numerous color illustrations and maps
- 80 years after the end of the war in 1945



Harald F. Potempa, The Air War Over Europe 1939-1945

Approx. 160 pages | May 2025 | Title No 11528

Genre: History

Series: Wars of Modernity

The Second World War in the air.

Warsaw, Rotterdam, Coventry: the names of these cities exemplify the massive attacks by the German Luftwaffe during the Second World War. From 1942 onwards, the German Reich itself experienced widespread bombing; cities such as Cologne, Hamburg, and Dresden were completely destroyed. What strategies and tactics did the air forces pursue? How did the air strikes affect the course of war? And how did it get this far?

Harald Fritz Potempa, born in 1963, is a historian and research associate at the Bundeswehr Center for Military History and Social Sciences in the field of historical education.

JUTTA JACOBI: KRISTINA'S ROBE

- 400th birthday of Queen Kristina Augusta of Sweden on December 8, 2026
- One of the most fascinating and eccentric rulers in history
- Particularly interesting considering today's gender debates



2026 marks the 400th anniversary of the birth of Queen Christina of Sweden (1626-1689), one of the most fascinating and eccentric rulers in history. Her life, which has been depicted in operas, plays, and films such as the one starring Greta Garbo, is particularly noteworthy in light of today's gender debates: she was raised as a boy, wore men's clothing, and preferred male activities. It was only later in life that she reconciled with her femininity. She is said to have had relationships with women and refused to marry throughout her life.

Christina also caused a stir with her abdication at the age of 27 and her conversion to Catholicism, which was banned in Sweden at the time. Her complex personality was marked by political astuteness and patronage of the arts and sciences, but also by eccentricity, extravagance, and scandals such as art theft and contract killings.

Kristina's Robe or: The Fabric of Power. Biography of Queen Kristina Augusta of Sweden (working title)

Approx. 300 pages | Spring 2026 | Title No 11452

Genre: History / Biography

Jutta Jacobi lives in Hamburg and Roslagen, Sweden. She loves Stockholm as much as Rome. Her mother came from a family of silk weavers and shoe manufacturers. After Zarah Leander and Arthur Schnitzler, she would like to dedicate herself once again to a strongly polarizing, loved, and admired, but also hated and reviled personality.