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### **Stealing Freedom Along the Mason-Dixon Line**

From legendary playwright August Wilson comes the powerful, stunning dramatic bestseller that won him critical acclaim, including the Tony Award for Best Play and the Pulitzer Prize. Troy Maxson is a strong man, a hard man. He has had to be to survive. Troy Maxson has gone through life in an America where to be proud and black is to face pressures that could crush a man, body and soul. But the 1950s are yielding to the new spirit of liberation in the 1960s, a spirit that is changing the world Troy Maxson has learned to deal with the only way he can, a spirit that is making him a stranger, angry and afraid, in a world he never knew and to a wife and son he understands less and less. This is a modern classic, a book that deals with the impossibly difficult themes of race in America, set during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 60s. Now an Academy Award-winning film directed by and starring Denzel Washington, along with Academy Award and Golden Globe winner Viola Davis.

### **Pet Disasters**

All Mason Dixon wants is to mix classy drinks for classy people Mason owns a bar, and he's not getting any younger. He wants nothing more than to retire in peace, fishing and

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drinking with the locals. But his past as an assassin is catching up with him. Mason moonlights as an assassin, taking jobs to remove "marks" from the playing field. It pays well, and he's good at it. So when he makes a mistake, things quickly get out of hand and he finds himself racing against the clock to save a life he inadvertently put into danger. "Sure to be the new Jack Reacher" "In a word, unputdownable" If you're a fan of Lee Child, Douglas Preston, and James Patterson, you'll love this new series!

### **Mason Dixon: Fourth-Grade Disasters**

#### **Growing Up South of the Mason-Dixon Line**

New Yorker James Baldwin once declared that a black man can look at a map of the United States, contemplate the area south of the Mason-Dixon Line, and thus scare himself to death. In *The Scary Mason-Dixon Line*, renowned literary scholar Trudier Harris explores why black writers, whether born in Mississippi, New York, or elsewhere, have consistently both loved and hated the South. Harris explains that for these authors the South represents not so much a place or even a culture as a rite of passage. Not one of them can consider himself or herself a true African American writer without confronting

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the idea of the South in a decisive way. Harris considers native-born black southerners Raymond Andrews, Ernest J. Gaines, Edward P. Jones, Tayari Jones, Yusef Komunyakaa, Randall Kenan, and Phyllis Alesia Perry, and nonsouthern writers James Baldwin, Sherley Anne Williams, and Octavia E. Butler. The works Harris examines date from Baldwin's *Blues for Mr. Charlie* (1964) to Edward P. Jones's *The Known World* (2003). By including Komunyakaa's poems and Baldwin's play, as well as male and female authors, Harris demonstrates that the writers' preoccupation with the South cuts across lines of genre and gender. Whether their writings focus on slavery, migration from the South to the North, or violence on southern soil, and whether they celebrate the triumph of black southern heritage over repression or castigate the South for its treatment of blacks, these authors cannot escape the call of the South. Indeed, Harris asserts that creative engagement with the South represents a defining characteristic of African American writing. A singular work by one of the foremost literary scholars writing today, *The Scary Mason-Dixon Line* superbly demonstrates how history and memory continue to figure powerfully in African American literary creativity.

### **Against the Day**

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One of The Millions and BuzzFeed's Most Anticipated Books A spectacularly inventive debut novel that reinvents the tall tale for our times—"Cuyahoga defies all modest description...[it] is ten feet tall if it's an inch, and it's a ramshackle joy from start to finish" (Brian Phillips, author of Impossible Owls). Big Son is a spirit of the times—the times being 1837. Behind his broad shoulders, shiny hair, and church-organ laugh, Big Son practically made Ohio City all by himself. The feats of this proto-superhero have earned him wonder and whiskey toasts but very little in the way of fortune. And without money, Big cannot become an honest husband to his beloved Cloe (who may or may not want to be his wife, honestly). In pursuit of a steady wage, our hero hits the (dirt) streets of Ohio City and Cleveland, the twin towns racing to become the first great metropolis of the West. Their rivalry reaches a boil over the building of a bridge across the Cuyahoga River—and Big stumbles right into the kettle. The resulting misadventures involve elderly terrorists, infrastructure collapse, steamboat races, wild pigs, and multiple ruined weddings. Narrating this "deliriously fun" (Brian Phillips) tale is Medium Son—known as Meed—apprentice coffin maker, almanac author, orphan, and the younger brother of Big. Meed finds himself swept up in the action, and he is forced to choose between brotherly love and his own ambitions. His uncanny voice—plain but

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profound, colloquial but surprisingly poetic—elevates a slapstick frontier tale into a screwball origin myth for the Rust Belt. In Cuyahoga, tragedy and farce jumble together in a riotously original voice. Evoking the Greek classics and the Bible alongside nods to Looney Tunes, Charles Portis, and Flannery O'Connor, Pete Beatty has written a rollicking revisionist (mid)Western with universal themes of family and fate—an old, weird America that feels brand new.

### **The Scary Mason-Dixon Line**

A New York Times Notable Book of the Year, a Washington Post Best Book of the Year. Spanning the era between the Chicago World's Fair of 1893 and the years just after World War I, and constantly moving between locations across the globe (and to a few places not strictly speaking on the map at all), *Against the Day* unfolds with a phantasmagoria of characters that includes anarchists, balloonists, gamblers, drug enthusiasts, mathematicians, mad scientists, shamans, spies, and hired guns. As an era of uncertainty comes crashing down around their ears and an unpredictable future commences, these folks are mostly just trying to pursue their lives. Sometimes they manage to catch up; sometimes it's their lives that pursue them.

## **Mason Dixon: Fourth-Grade Disasters**

On the streets of inner city Baltimore, loyalty means more than love. Raq Overstreet has pledged her loyalty to Ice Taylor, the drug kingpin who made her a star. The cheers Raq receives during the underground boxing matches she excels in almost make up for the hardships she has to endure as she establishes her reputation as the most intimidating enforcer in Ice's crew. Almost. Raq's growing feelings for Bathsheba Morris put her loyalty to the test. For the first time, she allows herself to dream of a life different from her own. But Raq's dream could turn into a nightmare if she discovers Bathsheba is not the naïve newcomer she claims to be but an undercover cop trying to infiltrate Ice's organization in order to bring him and everyone who works for him to justice.

## **Drawing the Line**

### **Boundaries**

Mason Dixon is his usual pessimistic self as he starts fourth grade, dreading joining the school choir and unenthused about his sports-obsessed teacher who plans for the students to be "making a full-court press on writing."

## **On the Mason-Dixon Line**

### **Policy & Politics in Nursing and Health Care - E-Book**

Nine-year-old Mason's parents keep trying to get him a pet, but until he and his best friend Brody adopt a three-legged dog, he is not interested.

### **Gleanings of Freedom**

From drinking sweet tea on a beloved grandmother's porch to playing army to witnessing prejudice and violence or receiving the lash, these stories illustrate growing up in the South during the 1950s and 1960s, what it felt, tasted, and looked like through the eyes of the boys who lived it.

### **Explorer's Guide 50 Hikes in Eastern Pennsylvania: From the Mason-Dixon Line to the Poconos and North Mountain (Fifth Edition) (Explorer's 50 Hikes)**

Rashida Ivey, a high-ranking bank executive, has had much more success in her professional life than her personal one. Too many hours spent shuttling from branch to branch for her Savannah-based employers have left her little time to focus on her neglected love life.

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Everything changes when she meets Destiny Jackson. At first glance, Destiny appears to be too good to be true. Rashida's instincts tell her to stay away from the unemployed blue collar worker with the easy smile, but her heart says otherwise. Rashida's thriving career is on the fast track to the upper echelons of the banking industry. Will it survive a date with Destiny?

### **Cuyahoga**

The story of the demarcation of the boundary between Maryland and Pennsylvania that became the dividing line between free and slave states. Latrobe was a lawyer, inventor, and speaker; he was also president of the American Colonization Society (1853-90), founder of the Maryland Historical Society, and a central figure in the movement to colonize the Republic of Liberia.

### **Mason & Dixon**

Nine-year-old Mason's parents keep trying to get him a pet, but until he and his best friend Brody adopt a three-legged dog, he is not interested.

### **Crossing the Mason-Dixon Line**

In this unique travelogue, the author describes his walking journey along the

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length of the "Mason-Dixon Line" separating Pennsylvania from the South, covering everything from the taste of grits to the meaning of "Yankee."

### **The History of Mason and Dixon's Line**

This essential Companion to Thomas Pynchon provides all the necessary tools to unlock the challenging fiction of this postmodern master.

### **Walkin' the Line**

Measuring the World marks the debut of a glorious new talent on the international scene. Young Austrian writer Daniel Kehlmann's brilliant comic novel revolves around the meeting of two colossal geniuses of the Enlightenment. Late in the eighteenth century, two young Germans set out to measure the world. One of them, the aristocratic naturalist Alexander von Humboldt, negotiates jungles, voyages down the Orinoco River, tastes poisons, climbs the highest mountain known to man, counts head lice, and explores and measures every cave and hill he comes across. The other, the reclusive and barely socialized mathematician Carl Friedrich Gauss, can prove that space is curved without leaving his home. Terrifyingly famous and wildly eccentric, these two polar opposites finally meet in Berlin in 1828, and are

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immediately embroiled in the turmoil of the post-Napolean world. From the Trade Paperback edition.

### **The Cambridge Companion to Thomas Pynchon**

Fourth-grader Mason struggles to enjoy playing basketball after his best friend persuades him to join a team, and learns that the dog-hating lady next door is not so bad after all.

### **Date with Destiny**

Examines Thomas Pynchon's fifth novel, *Mason and Dixon*, published in the spring of 1997. Reviews Pynchon's career and works, then examines critical reception of *Mason and Dixon*, his combination of fact and fiction in the novel, and critical perspectives from which to view the novel. Includes excerpts from *The Journal of Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, 1763-1768*. Clerc is a writer and critic. He has written previously on the work of Thomas Pynchon. Annotation copyrighted by Book News Inc., Portland, OR

### **Cumulative List of Organizations Described in Section 170 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986**

Chock-full of amusing anecdotes and helpful

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tips for knitters, this book also includes 30 patterns for practical but lovely dishcloths, cushions, and rugs, as well as sexy knitted nightwear, ethereal scarves, and cute baby gifts.

### **The History of Mason and Dixon's Line**

This is a collection of 52 of the best poems, stories, memories, novel excerpts, and creative non-fiction by writers who have called the tiny state of Delaware their home.

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#### **Fences**

". . . no American can be pleased with the treatment of Negro Americans, North and South, in the years before the Civil War. In his clear, lucid account of the Northern phase of the story Professor Litwack has performed a notable service."—John Hope Franklin, *Journal of Negro Education* "For a searching examination of the North Star Legend we are indebted to Leon F. Litwack. . . ."—C. Vann Woodward, *The American Scholar*

### **Charm City**

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### **Cumulative List of Organizations Described in Section 170 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954**

A compelling history of one of the great feuds in American history retraces the history of the Mason-Dixon line, from the eighty-year border dispute to the survey team that eventually settled it.

### **Mason-Dixon Knitting Field Guide No. 13**

The many worlds interpretation of quantum physics, states, that all possibilities that can happen do happen in a steadily increasing number of parallel universes. In our universe, the Northern United States defeated the Confederacy in the North American Civil War, creating the Mason Dixon Universe and the separation of our world as we know it.  
[www.masondixontrilogy.com](http://www.masondixontrilogy.com)

### **Mark for Blood - Mass Market**

Fourth-grader Mason struggles to enjoy playing basketball after his best friend persuades him to join a team, and learns that the dog-hating lady next door is not so bad after all.

## **Mason Dixon: Pet Disasters**

Looks at the history of the boundary which served as the barrier between the North and the South and represented the tensions over slavery.

## **Mason Dixon**

New essays examining the interface between 18th- and 20th-century culture both in Pynchon's novel and in the historical past.

## **Inherent Vice**

A Time magazine and New York Times Best Book of the Year Charles Mason (1728-1786) and Jeremiah Dixon (1733-1779) were the British surveyors best remembered for running the boundary between Pennsylvania and Maryland that we know today as the Mason-Dixon Line. Here is their story as reimagined by Thomas Pynchon, featuring Native Americans and frontier folk, ripped bodices, naval warfare, conspiracies erotic and political, major caffeine abuse. Unreflectively entangled in crimes of demarcation, Mason and Dixon take us along on a grand tour of the Enlightenment's dark hemisphere, from their first journey together to the Cape of Good Hope, to pre-Revolutionary America and back to England, into the shadowy yet redemptive turns of their later lives, through

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incongruities in conscience, parallaxes of personality, tales of questionable altitude told and intimated by voices clamoring not to be lost. Along the way they encounter a plentiful cast of characters, including Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, and Samuel Johnson, as well as a Chinese feng shui master, a Swedish irredentist, a talking dog, and a robot duck. The quarrelsome, daring, mismatched pair—Mason as melancholy and Gothic as Dixon is cheerful and pre-Romantic—pursues a linear narrative of irregular lives, observing, and managing to participate in the many occasions of madness presented them by the Age of Reason.

### **Mason & Dixon & Pynchon**

The Mason-Dixon Line's history, replete with property disputes, persecution, and ideological conflicts, traverses our country's history from its founding to today. We live in a world of boundaries — geographic, scientific, cultural, and religious. One of America's most enduring boundaries is the Mason-Dixon Line, most associated with the divide between the North and the South and the right to freedom for all people. Sibert Medal-winning author Sally M. Walker traces the tale of the Mason-Dixon Line through family feuds, brave exploration, scientific excellence, and the struggle to define a cohesive country. But above all,

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this remarkable story of surveying, marking, and respecting lines of demarcation will alert young history buffs to their guaranteed right and responsibility to explore, challenge, change, and defend the boundaries that define them.

### **Exploring the Mason Dixon Line**

#### **North of Slavery**

The mountain ranges of North Carolina are distinguished by steep gorges, spectacular waterfalls, lush forests, open vistas, and temperate weather, making them a popular hiking destination in every season. This updated edition offers day hikes for all abilities, including an underground hike through an old gold mine and a climb to the top of the highest peak on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Historical anecdotes and natural history information round out the package.

#### **Measuring the World**

A mix-and-match set of designs from the legendary genius of exuberant color, Kaffe Fassett. Dozens of stitch patterns are included. Apply them as you like to simple cushions, cowls, scarves and throws.

#### **The Mason-Dixon Line**

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Late eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century landowners in the hinterlands of Baltimore, Maryland, cobbled together workforces from a diverse labor population of black and white apprentices, indentured servants, slaves, and hired workers. This book examines the intertwined lives of the poor whites, slaves, and free blacks who lived and worked in this wheat-producing region along the Mason-Dixon Line. Drawing from court records, the diaries, letters, and ledgers of farmers and small planters, and other archival sources, Max Grivno reconstructs how these poorest of southerners eked out their livings and struggled to maintain their families and their freedom in the often unforgiving rural economy.

### **The Multiple Worlds of Pynchon's Mason & Dixon**

Learn how to influence policy and become a leader in today's changing health care environment. Featuring analysis of cutting-edge healthcare issues and first-person insights, *Policy & Politics in Nursing and Health Care*, 8th Edition continues to be the leading text on nursing action and activism. Approximately 150 expert contributors present a wide range of topics in policies and politics, providing a more complete background than can be found in any other policy textbook on the market. This expanded

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Comprehensive coverage of healthcare policies and politics provides a broader understanding of nursing leadership and political activism, as well as complex business and financial issues. Key Points at the end of chapters helps you review important, need-to-know lesson content. Taking Action essays include personal accounts of how nurses have participated in politics and what they have accomplished. Expert authors make up a virtual Nursing Who's Who in healthcare policy, sharing information and personal perspectives gained in the crafting of healthcare policy. NEW! The latest information and perspectives are provided by nursing leaders who influenced health care reform, including the Affordable Care Act. NEW! Added information on medical marijuana presents both sides of this ongoing debate. NEW! More information on health care policy

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### **Mason Dixon**

A Best Book of the Year for the Chicago Tribune, Washington Post, San Francisco Chronicle, and Los Angeles Times Part noir, part psychedelic romp, all Thomas Pynchon—private eye Doc Sportello surfaces, occasionally, out of a marijuana haze to watch the end of an era. It's been awhile since Doc Sportello has seen his ex-girlfriend. Suddenly out of nowhere she shows up with a story about a plot to kidnap a billionaire land developer whom she just happens to be in love with. It's the tail end of the psychedelic sixties in L.A., and Doc knows that "love" is another one of those words going around at the moment, like "trip"

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or “groovy,” except this one usually leads to trouble. In this lively yarn, Thomas Pynchon, working in an unaccustomed genre, provides a classic illustration of the principle that if you can remember the sixties, you weren't there . . . or . . . if you were there, then you . . . or, wait, is it . . .

### **Mason-Dixon Knitting**

King Charles I of England granted the Calvert Family a charter for the Colony of Maryland in 1632. Forty-nine years later, in 1681, Charles II awarded the Penn Family a similar charter for Pennsylvania. However, the ambiguity of the language and lack of precision in both grants sowed the seeds of dispute over a sixty-nine mile parcel of land between the 39th and 40th degrees of North Latitude. Had the Calverts prevailed, part of the City of Philadelphia would now be in Maryland, and had the Penns succeeded Baltimore would today be in the state of Pennsylvania! Arguments between the opposing parties dragged on for more than half a century before the English Courts finally issued a decree: Neither the Calverts nor the Penns would prevail; the border between Maryland and Pennsylvania would be a line of latitude located fifteen miles due south of the most southern point in the city of Philadelphia. As a result, in 1763 two British mathematicians and surveyors—Charles

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Mason and Jeremiah Dixon—were commissioned to accurately survey and mark the 244-mile boundary between the two colonies. We all have referred to the resulting Mason Dixon Line in casual conversation as the line that divides Pennsylvania and Maryland, or perhaps as the line between the free and slave states during the Civil War. But what do we actually know about Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, and why is an imaginary line named after them? Author Jack Layton decided to find out. Over the course of several years he literally walked the line, recording his observations and taking revealing photographs along the entire route. The results—informative, entertaining, ironic and amusing—form the heart of this book. Luckily for us, Charles Mason was a meticulous man who kept a detailed journal of his remarkable experiences in the New World. Mr. Layton used his daily record, kept during the three years that he and his partner spent traipsing through the mountains and valleys of America, as the backbone for this book, with liberal use of direct quotations. Amazingly, some of what the men saw and described has not changed much in the intervening two-and-a-half centuries, while other sights would not be recognizable at all today. Enjoy a trip back to colonial America. Join Jack Layton as he takes a walk in the footsteps of history, following the path blazed by two men whose names and the boundary they surveyed are today a household word—the Mason Dixon Line!

### **National Highway and Airway Carriers and Routes**

This is the story of Thomas McCreary, a slave catcher from Cecil County, Maryland. Reviled by some, proclaimed a hero by others, he first drew public attention in the late 1840s for a career that peaked a few years after passage of the Fugitive Slave Act of 1850. Living and working as he did at the midpoint between Philadelphia, an important center for assisting fugitive slaves, and Baltimore, a major port in the slave trade, his story illustrates in raw detail the tensions that arose along the border between slavery and freedom just prior to the Civil War. McCreary and his community provide a framework to examine slave catching and kidnapping in the Baltimore-Wilmington-Philadelphia region and how those activities contributed to the nation's political and visceral divide.

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