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[Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Decoded](#) - David Day 2015-09-29

This gorgeous 150th anniversary edition of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland is also a revelatory work of scholarship. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland--published 150 years ago in 1865--is a book many of us love and feel we know well. But it turns out we have only scratched the surface. Scholar David Day has spent many years down the rabbit hole of this children's classic and has emerged with a revelatory new view of its contents. What we have here, he brilliantly and persuasively argues, is a complete classical education in coded form--Carroll's gift to his "wonder child" Alice Liddell. In two continuous commentaries, woven around the complete text of the novel for ease of cross-reference on every page, David Day reveals the many layers of teaching, concealed by manipulation of language, that are carried so lightly in the beguiling form of a fairy tale. These layers relate directly to Carroll's interest in philosophy, history, mathematics, classics, poetry, spiritualism and even to his love of music--both sacred and profane. His novel is a memory palace, given to Alice as the great gift of an education. It was delivered in coded form because in that age, it was a gift no girl would be permitted to receive in any other way. Day also shows how a large number of the characters in the book are based on real Victorians. Wonderland, he shows, is a veritable "Who's Who" of Oxford at the height of its power and influence in the Victorian Age. There is so much to be found behind the imaginary characters and creatures that inhabit the pages of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. David Day's warm, witty and brilliantly insightful guide--beautifully designed and stunningly illustrated throughout in full colour--will make you marvel at the book as never before.

[The lost symbol](#) - Dan Brown 2010

Robert Langdon, while at the U.S. Capital Building, finds an object encoded with five symbols, which is an ancient invitation to usher its recipient into a long-lost world of esoteric wisdom. When Langdon's beloved mentor, Peter Solomon, is kidnapped, he realizes his only hope of saving Peter is to accept this mystical invitation and follow wherever it leads him. Langdon is instantly plunged into a clandestine world of Masonic secrets, hidden history, and never-before-seen locations - all of which seem to be dragging him toward a single, inconceivable truth.

[The Harbinger](#) - Jonathan Cahn 2011

"The Harbinger opens with the appearance of a man burdened with a message he has received from a mysterious figure called The Prophet. The Prophet has given him nine seals, each containing a message about America's future ... As the story unfolds, each revelation becomes a piece in a greater puzzle -- the ramifications of which will even alter the course of world history."--Publisher's website.

[Rosslyn](#) - Andrew Sinclair 2012-09-28

The mysterious history of Rosslyn Chapel and the Knights Templar is revealed in this authoritative volume by a descendent of its first patrons. In the 15th century, William Sinclair, 1st Earl of Caithness and Baron of Roslin, built a Catholic chapel in the Midlothian region of Scotland. Famous for its esoteric symbolism, this flamboyant Gothic church was of great importance to the Knights Templar, who formed a third Temple of Solomon with the patronage of the Sinclair lairds. Historian Andrew Sinclair, whose own family lineage traces back to William, explores the rise and fall of Rosslyn over the course of centuries. It is a tale of religious conflicts and ancient relics, of epic battles and secret societies. Along the way, he dispels the many myths and misinterpretations that have grown up around Rosslyn, as the fortunes of the Sinclair family declined and the Church and Castle fell into ruin.

[The Da Vinci Hoax](#) - Carl E. Olson 2004-01-01

The Da Vinci Code, Dan Brown's best selling novel, purports to be more than fiction: it claims to be based on fact and scholarly research. Brown wants his readers to believe that he is revealing the long-concealed truth about Jesus, Mary Magdalene, and early Christianity, a truth that he says has been suppressed by the malevolent and conspiratorial forces of the

Catholic Church. The novel alleges that there has been throughout history a secret group of true followers of a Gnostic Jesus and his wife, Mary Magdalene, the true "Holy Grail." Almost everything most Christians and non-Christians think they know about Jesus, according to Dan Brown, is completely wrong, the result of Catholic propaganda designed to hide the truth from the world. But are The Da Vinci Code's claims fact or just plain fiction? Is the novel well-researched as claimed? What is the truth about Jesus, Mary Magdalene, and the early Church? Has the Catholic Church distorted the real Jesus? Why is the novel so popular? What about the anti-Catholic, anti-Christian agenda behind the novel? Best selling author Carl Olson and journalist Sandra Miesel answer these and other important questions. Their painstaking research into The Da Vinci Code and its sources reveals some surprising truths. No one who has read or heard about The Da Vinci Code should miss this provocative and illuminating book.

[Da Vinci Code Decoded](#) - Martin Lunn 2004

Da Vinci Code is a modern-day publishing phenomenon. With millions of copies in print, it is the most popular adult novel of the 21st Century. In an introductory note, author Dan Brown tells us that "all descriptions of documents and secret rituals . . . are accurate." But are they? Many scholars and theologians have attacked the book and the "facts" on which it is based. Some claim that Brown is anti-Catholic. Book clubs, reading groups, dedicated web-sites and countless reviews and articles in magazines and newspapers worldwide have fueled the fire, making Da Vinci Code not only the most successful book of its kind ever, but also the most controversial. Now Martin Lunn, an expert historian, reveals the truth behind Dan Brown's research. The reality of Catholic offshoot Opus Dei . . . the hard facts about the bloodline of Christ and King David . . . the origins of the Knights Templar and the infamous Priory of Sion . . . the secrets of Temple Church and Rosslyn Cathedral . . . the real Saunière . . . the mysteries of Rennes-le-Château and much more. Da Vinci Code Decoded also provides an exhaustive tour of the locations visited by the novel's characters: The Louvre Museum, l'Eglise de Saint-Sulpice and Rue Haxo in Paris; Château Villette; Temple Church; Westminster Abbey; Newton's tomb; Chapter House; St. Faith's Chapel; Rosslyn Chapel and many others. Martin Lunn is a recognized expert in the Davidic bloodline and other issues presented in Da Vinci Code. He has a masters degree in history and an extensive background in journalism. He has lived throughout the Far and Middle East, the US and several countries in Europe, currently residing in Barcelona. He is also Grand Master of the Dragon Society, founded originally in 1408 by King Sigismund of Hungary.

[The Da Vinci Code](#) - Dan Brown 2006-03

The bestselling phenomenon finally comes to mass-market paperback just in time for the May 19th release of Columbia Pictures' much-anticipated film adaptation, starring two-time Academy Award( winner for Best Actor Tom Hanks, and directed by Oscar(-winning director Ron Howard (A Beautiful Mind).

[Da Vinci Kit](#) - Andrew Langley 2006-03-07

Capitalizing on the phenomenal success of Dan Brown's The Da Vinci Code and its upcoming movie adaptation, this interactive kit allows buyers to uncover the secrets of Da Vinci's highly debated masterpieces for themselves. Full-color timeline. Charcoal sketching stick. 32-page, full-color history of Leonardo Da Vinci.

[The Notebooks - The Original Classic Edition](#) - Leonardo da Vinci 2012-06

The award-winning and bestselling collection of the exquisite, annotated notebooks of Leonardo now in paperback. Culled from more than 7,000 pages of sketches and writings found in various rare books, papers, and other resources throughout the world, Leonardos Notebooks presents, for the first time, an exhaustive collection of the insights and brilliance of perhaps the finest mind the world has ever known.

[Leonardo Da Vinci](#) - Charles Nicholl 2005-04-07

Leonardo is the greatest, most multi-faceted and most mysterious of all Renaissance artists, but extraordinarily, considering his enormous reputation, this is the first full-length biography in English for several decades. Prize-winning author Charles Nicholl has immersed himself for five years in all the manuscripts, paintings and artefacts to produce an 'intimate portrait' of Leonardo. He uses these contemporary materials - his notebooks and sketchbooks, eye witnesses and early biographies, etc - as a way into the mental tone and physical texture of his life and has made myriad small discoveries about him and his work and his circle of associates. Among much else, the book identifies what Nicholl argues is an unknown portrait of the artist hanging in a church near Lodi in northern Italy. It also contains new material on his eccentric assistant Tomasso Masini, on his homosexual affairs in Florence, and on his curious relationship with a female model and/or prostitute from Cremona. A masterpiece of modern biography.

**The Lost Gospel** - Simcha Jacobovici 2014-11-12

Waiting to be rediscovered in the British Library is an ancient manuscript of the early Church, copied by an anonymous monk. The manuscript is at least 1,450 years old, possibly dating to the first century. And now, *The Lost Gospel* provides the first ever translation from Syriac into English of this unique document that tells the inside story of Jesus' social, family, and political life. *The Lost Gospel* takes the reader on an unparalleled historical adventure through a paradigm shifting manuscript. What the authors eventually discover is as astounding as it is surprising: the confirmation of Jesus' marriage to Mary Magdalene; the names of their two children; the towering presence of Mary Magdalene; a previously unknown plot on Jesus' life (thirteen years prior to the crucifixion); an assassination attempt against Mary Magdalene and their children; Jesus' connection to political figures at the highest level of the Roman Empire; and a religious movement that antedates that of Paul—the Church of Mary Magdalene. Part historical detective story, part modern adventure, *The Lost Gospel* reveals secrets that have been hiding in plain sight for millennia.

*Cosmic Codes* - Chuck Missler 2004

*Fibonacci's Liber Abaci* - Laurence Sigler 2012-12-06

First published in 1202, *Fibonacci's Liber Abaci* was one of the most important books on mathematics in the Middle Ages, introducing Arabic numerals and methods throughout Europe. This is the first translation into a modern European language, of interest not only to historians of science but also to all mathematicians and mathematics teachers interested in the origins of their methods.

**How to Think Like Leonardo da Vinci** - Michael J. Gelb 2009-10-21

This inspiring and inventive guide teaches readers how to develop their full potential by following the example of the greatest genius of all time, Leonardo da Vinci. Acclaimed author Michael J. Gelb, who has helped thousands of people expand their minds to accomplish more than they ever thought possible, shows you how. Drawing on Da Vinci's notebooks, inventions, and legendary works of art, Gelb introduces Seven Da Vincian Principles—the essential elements of genius—from *curiosità*, the insatiably curious approach to life to *connessione*, the appreciation for the interconnectedness of all things. With Da Vinci as your inspiration, you will discover an exhilarating new way of thinking. And step-by-step, through exercises and provocative lessons, you will harness the power—and awesome wonder—of your own genius, mastering such life-changing abilities as:

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- Self-expression
- Enjoying the world around you
- Goal setting and life balance
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**The Rule of Four** - Ian Caldwell 2012-08-21

"One part *The Da Vinci Code*, one part *The Name of the Rose* and one part *A Separate Peace* . . . a smart, swift, multitextured tale that both entertains and informs."—*San Francisco Chronicle* **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** Princeton. Good Friday, 1999. On the eve of graduation, two friends are a hairsbreadth from solving the mysteries of the *Hypnerotomachia Poliphili*, a Renaissance text that has baffled scholars

for centuries. Famous for its hypnotic power over those who study it, the five-hundred-year-old *Hypnerotomachia* may finally reveal its secrets—to Tom Sullivan, whose father was obsessed with the book, and Paul Harris, whose future depends on it. As the deadline looms, research has stalled—until a vital clue is unearthed: a long-lost diary that may prove to be the key to deciphering the ancient text. But when a longtime student of the book is murdered just hours later, a chilling cycle of deaths and revelations begins—one that will force Tom and Paul into a fiery drama, spun from a book whose power and meaning have long been misunderstood. "Profoundly erudite . . . the ultimate puzzle-book."—*The New York Times Book Review*

**The Last Leonardo** - Ben Lewis 2019-06-25

An epic quest exposes hidden truths about Leonardo da Vinci's *Salvator Mundi*, the recently discovered masterpiece that sold for \$450 million—and might not be the real thing. In 2017, Leonardo da Vinci's small oil painting the *Salvator Mundi* was sold at auction. In the words of its discoverer, the image of Christ as savior of the world is "the rarest thing on the planet." Its \$450 million sale price also makes it the world's most expensive painting. For two centuries, art dealers had searched in vain for the Holy Grail of art history: a portrait of Christ as the *Salvator Mundi* by Leonardo da Vinci. Many similar paintings of greatly varying quality had been executed by Leonardo's assistants in the early sixteenth century. But where was the original by the master himself? In November 2017, Christie's auction house announced they had it. But did they? *The Last Leonardo* tells a thrilling tale of a spellbinding icon invested with the power to make or break the reputations of scholars, billionaires, kings, and sheikhs. Ben Lewis takes us to Leonardo's studio in Renaissance Italy; to the court of Charles I and the English Civil War; to Amsterdam, Moscow, and New Orleans; to the galleries, salerooms, and restorer's workshop as the painting slowly, painstakingly emerged from obscurity. The vicissitudes of the highly secretive art market are charted across six centuries. It is a twisting tale of geniuses and oligarchs, double-crossings and disappearances, in which we're never quite certain what to believe. Above all, it is an adventure story about the search for lost treasure, and a quest for the truth. Praise for *The Last Leonardo* "The story of the world's most expensive painting is narrated with great gusto and formidably researched detail in Ben Lewis's book. . . . Lewis's probings of the *Salvator's* backstory raise questions about its historical status and visibility, and these lead in turn to the fundamental question of whether the painting is really an autograph work by Leonardo."—Charles Nicholl, *The Guardian* "As the art historian and critic Ben Lewis shows in his forensically detailed and gripping investigation into the history, discovery and sales of the painting, establishing the truth is like nailing down jelly."—Michael Prodger, *The Sunday Times*

**I am Leonardo da Vinci** - Brad Meltzer 2020-04-14

The famous Renaissance artist and inventor Leonardo da Vinci is the twentieth hero in the *New York Times* bestselling picture book biography series. (Cover may vary) This friendly, fun biography series focuses on the traits that made our heroes great—the traits that kids can aspire to in order to live heroically themselves. Each book tells the story of an icon in a lively, conversational way that works well for the youngest nonfiction readers and that always includes the hero's childhood influences. At the back are an excellent timeline and photos. This book features Leonardo da Vinci, the Renaissance artist and inventor. He always followed his interests, no matter where they led! His quest to fly led him to study birds' wings and his invention designs were the very earliest sketches of helicopters and other flying machines. Da Vinci's hard work and dedication to his curiosities is why we still remember him today. This friendly, fun biography series inspired the PBS Kids TV show *Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum*. One great role model at a time, these books encourage kids to dream big. Included in each book are:

- A timeline of key events in the hero's history
- Photos that bring the story more fully to life
- Comic-book-style illustrations that are irresistibly adorable
- Childhood moments that influenced the hero
- Facts that make great conversation-starters
- A virtue this person embodies:

Leonardo da Vinci's creativity is seen in everything he accomplished in his life You'll want to collect each book in this dynamic, informative series!

**Da Vinci Decoded** - Michael J. Gelb 2005-09

Drawing on the notebooks, inventions, and artistic masterpieces of Leonardo da Vinci, the author of *How to Think Like Leonardo da Vinci* examines the seven key principles that shaped and guided his life, work, and art and explains how readers can adapt these principles in order to realize their own spiritual and creative potential. Reprint. 30,000 first

printing.

**The Da Vinci Code** - Nicky Gumbel 2006

What is The Da Vinci Code about? What does Dan Brown himself believe? Is there any evidence that Jesus married Mary Magdalene? Did an earlier form of Christianity exist? Where does the truth lie? In this short response Nicky Gumbel addresses these and other questions raised by the bestselling hardback fiction book of all time.

**The Montefeltro Conspiracy** - Marcello Simonetta 2008-06-03

A brutal murder, a nefarious plot, a coded letter. After five hundred years, the most notorious mystery of the Renaissance is finally solved. The Italian Renaissance is remembered as much for intrigue as it is for art, with papal politics and infighting among Italy's many city-states providing the grist for Machiavelli's classic work on take-no-prisoners politics, *The Prince*. The attempted assassination of the Medici brothers in the Duomo in Florence in 1478 is one of the best-known examples of the machinations endemic to the age. While the assailants were the Medici's rivals, the Pazzi family, questions have always lingered about who really orchestrated the attack, which has come to be known as the Pazzi Conspiracy. More than five hundred years later, Marcello Simonetta, working in a private archive in Italy, stumbled upon a coded letter written by Federico da Montefeltro, the Duke of Urbino, to Pope Sixtus IV. Using a codebook written by his own ancestor to crack its secrets, Simonetta unearthed proof of an all-out power grab by the Pope for control of Florence. Montefeltro, long believed to be a close friend of Lorenzo de Medici, was in fact conspiring with the Pope to unseat the Medici and put the more malleable Pazzi in their place. In *The Montefeltro Conspiracy*, Simonetta unravels this plot, showing not only how the plot came together but how its failure (only one of the Medici brothers, Giuliano, was killed; Lorenzo survived) changed the course of Italian and papal history for generations. In the course of his gripping narrative, we encounter the period's most colorful characters, relive its tumultuous politics, and discover that two famous paintings, including one in the Sistine Chapel, contain the Medici's astounding revenge.

**The Da Vinci Code (The Young Adult Adaptation)** - Dan Brown 2016-09-13

Dan Brown's mega-bestseller is now available for a new generation of readers. This young adult adaptation is the perfect way to get ready for *Origin*, the latest novel featuring the character Robert Langdon. It will remind fans everywhere why the *New York Times* calls *The Da Vinci Code* "blockbuster perfection." Includes over twenty color photos showing important locations, landmarks, and artwork, taking readers from Paris to London and beyond! The greatest conspiracy of the past two thousand years is about to unravel. Robert Langdon, professor of religious symbology at Harvard, is in Paris to give a lecture. At the reception that follows, he is scheduled to meet with a revered curator from the world-famous Louvre museum. But the curator never shows up, and later that night Langdon is awakened by authorities and told that the curator has been found dead. He is then taken to the Louvre—the scene of the crime—where he finds out that baffling clues have been left behind. Thus begins a race against time, as Robert Langdon becomes a suspect and, with the help of French cryptologist Sophie Neveu, must decipher a mystifying trail of clues that the two come to realize have been left specifically for them. If Robert and Sophie cannot solve the puzzle in time, an ancient truth could be lost forever—and they themselves might end up as collateral damage. Praise for the adult edition of *The Da Vinci Code* "WOW . . . Blockbuster perfection. An exhilaratingly brainy thriller. Not since the advent of Harry Potter has an author so flagrantly delighted in leading readers on a breathless chase and coaxing them through hoops."—*The New York Times* "A new master of smart thrills. A pulse-quickening, brain-teasing adventure."—*People*

**Decoded Messages** - Hou-mei Sung 2009

During the Ming Dynasty numerous new animal themes were created to convey political and ethical messages current at court. As the result a sophisticated language of Chinese animal painting was developed, employing both the animals' symbolic associations and homonymic puns. Hou-mei Sung's exciting rediscovery of some of these lost meanings has led to a full-scale investigation of the evolving history of Chinese animal painting. Distinct symbolic meanings were associated with individual motifs, but all animals were assigned a place in the universe according to the Chinese concept of nature. From the very early yin/yang cosmology to later developments of Daoist and Confucian philosophies and ethics, Chinese animals gained new meanings related to their historical contexts. This book explores these new findings, using the colorful animal images and their rich and evolving symbolic meanings to gain insight into unique aspects of Chinese art, as well as Chinese culture and

history.

**The Templar Revelation** - Lynn Picknett 2004-09-21

THE MOST CLOSELY GUARDED SECRET OF THE WESTERN WORLD IS ABOUT TO BE REVEALED -- AND YOU WILL NEVER SEE CHRISTIANITY IN THE SAME LIGHT AGAIN. In a remarkable achievement of historical detective work that is destined to become a classic, authors Lynn Picknett and Clive Prince delve into the mysterious world of the Freemasons, the Cathars, the Knights Templar, and the occult to discover the truth behind an underground religion with roots in the first century that survives even today. Chronicling their fascinating quest for truth through time and space, the authors reveal an astonishing new view of the real motives and character of the founder of Christianity, as well as the actual historical -- and revelatory -- roles of John the Baptist and Mary Magdalene. Painstakingly researched and thoroughly documented, *The Templar Revelation* presents a secret history, preserved through the centuries but encoded in works of art and even in the great Gothic cathedrals of Europe, whose final chapter could shatter the foundation of the Christian Church.

**Think Like da Vinci** - Peter Hollins 2019-08-16

How to systematically engineer creativity from nothing and unleash your inner ingenuity. Creative thinking is surrounded by so much mystique and myth. It's time to cut through the static and learn how to become an idea-generating machine. Spark your imagination, improve your thinking, and solve problems. *Think Like da Vinci* will take you inside the mind of Leonardo da Vinci, famous polymath of the Italian Renaissance - but it won't stop there. You will learn not only about da Vinci's thinking techniques, but the general building blocks of creative thought, and habits and other famous creatives. This book is a thorough handbook on what it means to think different and get outside the box. Stop relying on inspiration or motivation and make thinking outside the box second nature. Peter Hollins has studied psychology and peak human performance for over a dozen years and is a bestselling author. He has worked with a multitude of individuals to unlock their potential and path towards success. His writing draws on his academic, coaching, and research experience. Think like one of history's most famous creatives - and then some. •Learn the biology and psychology of the creative mind. •Building blocks for creativity - from da Vinci and on. •7 techniques to literally thousands of ideas. •Creativity routines and habits of household names. •How to instantly switch to perspectives and angles. Less theory, and more of exactly how to become a prolific creative like the masters.

**Leonardo Da Vinci. Il Codice Leicester** - Domenico Laurenza 2018

**Breaking the Da Vinci Code** - Darrell L. Bock 2004-04-19

Many who have read the *New York Times* bestseller *The Da Vinci Code* have questions that arise from seven codes-expressed or implied-in Dan Brown's book. In *Breaking the Da Vinci Code: Answers to the Questions Everyone's Asking*, Darrell Bock, Ph.D., responds to the novelist's claims using central ancient texts and answers the following questions: Who was Mary Magdalene? Was Jesus Married? Would Jesus Being Single be Un-Jewish? Do the So-Called Secret Gnostic Gospels Help Us Understand Jesus? What Is the Remaining Relevance of *The Da Vinci Code*? Darrell Bock's research uncovers the origins of these codes by focusing on the 325 years immediately following the birth of Christ, for the claims of *The Da Vinci Code* rise or fall on the basis of things emerging from this period. *Breaking the Da Vinci Code*, now available in trade paper, distinguishes fictitious entertainment from historical elements of the Christian faith. For by seeing these differences, one can break the *Da Vinci* code.

**Chip, of the Flying U** - B. M. Bower 2011-06-01

Prolific writer Bertha Muzzy Bower wasn't stymied by gender-based notions of propriety -- this trailblazing female author penned a critically acclaimed series of novels about life on the Western ranch. Several of her narratives centered on a ranch called *The Flying U*, and this entry in the series, which offers plenty of action and romance, will appeal to a wide range of readers.

**Creativity on Demand** - Michael J. Gelb 2014-09-01

Do moments of inspiration have to be few and far between—or can you develop the ability to access your deepest creativity at any time? Michael Gelb has discovered the missing key that allows genius to flourish: an open, reliable connection to the vital life energy we all possess. "The practices for accessing energy have been developed for thousands of years in yoga, martial arts, and Chinese medicine," Gelb says. "I've asked today's greatest living masters of these arts to contribute their most effective practices for cultivating creative energy—in a way that the average person can do in 20 minutes or less." With *Creativity On*

Demand, Gelb teaches a series of time-tested practices to clear blockages and open the flow of creative energy, then reveals how these techniques can be integrated with the renowned creative mindset and creative process tools he's taught to individuals and organizations worldwide. Join him as he shares potent secrets for: Mastering creative energy—discover qi, the “fire of genius,” and learn movement-based practices to amplify it Mastering creative mindset—how to break out of conventional thinking and fear-based limitations to unleash your potential Mastering the creative process—guidance to help you channel your creative energy, refine your ideas, and translate inspiration into reality Effective, easy-to-learn techniques and strategies for accessing the power of qi and creating a reservoir of creative energy you can rely on when you need it “Creative energy is a resource that doesn't get depleted when you use it,” teaches Michael Gelb. “Rather, the more you access it, the stronger it becomes. With an investment of less than half an hour a day, you'll discover that within a few months you've significantly strengthened your core creative energy.” Here is Michael Gelb's most powerful work yet on unlocking our potential to innovate, achieve, and access our Creativity on Demand.

**Da Vinci Decoded** - Michael J. Gelb 2004-09-28

Author Michael Gelb ignited the current fascination with all things Da Vinci with his runaway bestseller, *How to Think like Leonardo da Vinci: Seven Steps to Genius Every Day*. Just as that book showed readers how to use the seven Da Vincian principles to develop their creative potential, his new book, *Da Vinci Decoded*, will help you use the same principles to cultivate your spiritual potential. Wonder. Appreciation. Awareness. Wholeness...In the Western world of the fifteenth century, these personal qualities were all boldly embodied in one extraordinary man. From art to botany, anatomy to mechanics, Da Vinci was a profoundly original thinker fully in tune with the world of man and nature, and with the divine spirit that bridges the two. In this bold new guide to awakening the soul, Michael Gelb draws on Leonardo's writings, inventions, and works of art to show how you, too, can practice the seven essential principles by which Leonardo lived and worked: Filled with practical exercises that will help you put each of the seven principles into use, a series of reflective questions designed for self-assessment, and inspirational sayings drawn from the world's great wisdom traditions, *Da Vinci Decoded* offers a wide range of tools to use in your spiritual quest. Now you can let Leonardo and this book be your personal guides to creating your own personal spiritual renaissance today.

**The Rough Guide to the Da Vinci Code** - Michael Haag 2004

Examines the historical facts and myths behind the best-selling novel, including discussions on the Templars, the Holy Grail, and the "Apocryphal Gospels"; a tour guide to sites of interest; and reviews of sources used by the author.

**History Decoded** - Brad Meltzer 2013-10-22

It's an irresistible combination: Brad Meltzer, a born storyteller, counting down the world's most intriguing unsolved mysteries. And to make this richly illustrated book even richer, each chapter invites the reader along for an interactive experience through the addition of removable facsimile documents—the evidence! It's a treasure trove for conspiracy buffs, a Griffin and Sabine for history lovers. Adapted from *Decoded*, Meltzer's hit show on the HISTORY network, *History Decoded* explores fascinating, unexplained questions. Is Fort Knox empty? Why was Hitler so intent on capturing the Roman “Spear of Destiny”? What's the government hiding in Area 51? Where did the Confederacy's \$19 million in gold and silver go at the end of the Civil War? And did Lee Harvey Oswald really act alone? Meltzer sifts through the evidence; weighs competing theories; separates what we know to be true with what's still—and perhaps forever—unproved or unprovable; and in the end, decodes the mystery, arriving at the most likely solution. Along the way we meet Freemasons, Rosicrucians, Nazi propagandists, and the real DB Cooper. Bound in at the beginning of each story is a custom-designed envelope—a faux 19th-century leather satchel, a U.S. government classified file—containing facsimiles of relevant evidence: John Wilkes Booth's alleged unsigned will, a map of the Vatican, Kennedy's death certificate. The whole is a riveting, interactive adventure through the compelling world of mysteries and conspiracies.

**The Codex Huygens and Leonardo Da Vinci's Art Theory** - Erwin Panofsky 1976

**ORMUS The Secret Alchemy of Mary Magdalene ~ Revealed ~ [Part A]** - 2007-12

**Opus Dei** - John L. Allen 2006

The first serious journalistic investigation of the highly secretive, controversial organization Opus Dei provides unique insight about the wild rumors surrounding it and discloses its significant influence in the Vatican and on the politics of the Catholic Church. Opus Dei (literally "the work of God") is an international association of Catholics often labeled as conservative who seek personal Christian perfection and strive to implement Christian ideals in their jobs and in society as a whole. It has been accused of promoting a right-wing political agenda and of cultlike practices. Its notoriety escalated with the publication of the runaway bestseller *The Da Vinci Code* (Opus Dei plays an important and sinister role in the novel). With the expert eye of a longtime observer of the Vatican and the skill of an investigative reporter intent on uncovering closely guarded secrets, John Allen finally separates the myths from the facts.--From publisher description.

**The Notebooks of Leonardo da Vinci** - Leonardo da Vinci 2012-07-12  
Volume 1 of 2-volume set. Total of 1,566 extracts includes writings on painting, sculpture, architecture, anatomy, mining, inventions, and music. Dual Italian-English texts, with 186 plates plus over 500 additional drawings.

**Inferno Decoded** - Michael Haag 2013-06-19

An all-inclusive guide to key concepts and details about Dan Brown's novel *Inferno*—featuring black-and-white illustrations. Go deep into the provocative and always compelling world of Dan Brown's novel, *Inferno*. Delivering crucial background on the characters, codes, symbols, secrets, and setting of the novel, *Inferno Decoded* also offers a wealth of fascinating details about the historical and cultural background and the questions it raises. As in Michael Haag's previous bestseller, *The Rough Guide to The Da Vinci Code*, the author illuminates the life and work of Dante Alighieri and the world of medieval Florence. Also included: an overview of Dante and his work, along with the other themes of Brown's thriller; a guide to its sources and Tuscan locations; and a look back at the earlier career of Brown's hero, Harvard Professor of Symbology, Robert Langdon.

**The Girl in the Golden Atom** - Ray Cummings 2013-09-16

Now with an Historical Afterword by Ron Miller Includes the original illustrations Featured in Ron Miller's *The Conquest of Space Book Series*. Ó Ray Cummings' 1923 fantasy classic about a man who discovers a new universe hidden in single atom of gold...and the golden woman he finds there. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

**The Jesus Papers** - Michael Baigent 2009-03-17

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