

## What The Victorians Did For Us

Physically frail, badly educated girls, brought up to lead useless lives as idle gentlewomen, married to dominant husbands, and relegated to "separate spheres" of life--these phrases have often been used to describe Victorian upper-middle-class women. M. Jeanne Peterson rejects such formulations and the received wisdom they embody in favor of a careful examination of Victorian ladies and their lives.

Queen Victoria was the ultimate Victorian, and she was 'not' amused. Luckily YOU will be splitting your sides as you discover how disgusting the Victorians really were. They may have looked all prim and proper, but they were a jolly naughty bunch. Lots of Victorians could be vicious and violent and villainous - VILE, in fact. So read on to see... \* When the first public loo was flushed \* What terrible tricks Victorian urchins played on posh people \* Who had a gruesome glass eye for every occasion \* How some Victorians made money from dead bodies \* The gory and gruesome ways that Victorians died \* The nasty things Victorians did to children Plus you can discover the vile names Victorian kids were called, taste some rotten Victorian recipes and try out some terrible tests. History has never been so horrible!

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Victorian Science in Context captures the essence of this fascination, charting the many ways in which science influenced and was influenced by the larger Victorian culture. Leading scholars in history, literature, and the history of science explore questions such as, What did science mean to the Victorians? For whom was Victorian science written? What ideological messages did it convey?

When Victoria came to the throne in 1837, Britain was on the brink of world supremacy in the production of iron, steel, and steam engines, and had seen an explosion of growth and developments that included railways, the electric telegraph, and wool production. The tremendous feeling of national pride was celebrated in the Great Exhibition of 1851. Drawing on his consummate skill as a storyteller, Adam Hart–Davis shows how Victorian movers and shakers changed our world.

A fascinating mixture of science, history, and folklore, "String" provides a sweeping look at string and its essential role in everyday life. Illustrations throughout.

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The Victorians were obsessed with death, bereavement, and funeral rituals, and speculated vigorously on the nature of heaven, hell, and divine judgment. This popular abridgement of Michael Wheeler's award-winning *Death and the Future Life in Victorian Literature and Theology* looks at the literary implications of Victorian views of death and the life beyond, and recreates vividly the fear

and hope embodied in the theological positions of the novelists and poets of the age. Now accessible to a wide readership, *Heaven, Hell, and the Victorians* offers a wide-ranging and attractively illustrated cultural history of nineteenth-century religious experience, belief, and language in the face of death.

With over 900 biographical entries, more than 600 novels synopsized, and a wealth of background material on the publishers, reviewers and readers of the age the *Longman Companion to Victorian Fiction* is the fullest account of the period's fiction ever published. Now in a second edition, the book has been revised and a generous selection of images have been chosen to illustrate various aspects of Victorian publishing, writing, and reading life. Organised alphabetically, the information provided will be a boon to students, researchers and all lovers of reading. The entries, though concise, meet the high standards demanded by modern scholarship. The writing - marked by Sutherland's characteristic combination of flair, clarity and erudition - is of such a high standard that the book is a joy to read, as well as a definitive work of reference.

Projects: a wide triangle, scarf or shawl with a center pattern, large rectangle with center diamond pattern, large rectangle in spider net, the cap shawl, a handsome triangle, alpine knit scarf, spider's-web shawls, Miss Lambert's Shetland pattern for shawl, large rectangle in leaf and trellis, two sampler shawls, a knitted veil, a curved shawl with diamond edging, scarf with striped border, scarf with Clarence border, scarf with edging, scarf with a wide and handsome border, scarf with the open and solid diamond lace and edging, Victorian ruby scarf, scarf with holly berries, scarf with french trellis border, scarf with edging 21 and insertion 25, double-bordered scarf with diamond borders, double dolphin lace

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scarf, lady's circular cape in shell pattern, a harebell fichu, the opera fichu, half-square in Trinity stitch, shoulder shawl in Syrian pattern, shoulder shawl in cherry leaf pattern, three-cornered shawl in clover pattern, myrtle leaf shawl, melon pattern for shawl or scarf, diamonds and triangles, the Victoria shawl, stripes and torchon lace, the Maltese shawl.

Criticism about the neo-Victorian novel — a genre of historical fiction that re-imagines aspects of the Victorian world from present-day perspectives — has expanded rapidly in the last fifteen years but given little attention to the engagement between science and religion. Of great interest to Victorians, this subject often appears in neo-Victorian novels including those by such well-known authors as John Fowles, A. S. Byatt, Graham Swift, and Mathew Kneale. This book discusses novels in which nineteenth-century science, including geology, paleontology, and evolutionary theory, interacts with religion through accommodations, conflicts, and crises of faith. In general, these texts abandon conventional religion but retain the ethical connectedness and celebration of life associated with spirituality at its best. Registering the growth of nineteenth-century secularism and drawing on aspects of the romantic tradition and ecological thinking, they honor the natural world without imagining that it exists for humans or functions in reference to human values. In particular, they enact a form of wonderment: the capacity of the mind to make sense of, creatively adapt, and enjoy the world out of which it has evolved — in short, to endow it with meaning. Protagonists who come to experience reality in this expansive way release themselves from self-anxiety and alienation. In this book, Glendening shows how, by intermixing past and present, fact and fiction, neo-Victorian narratives, with a few instructive exceptions, manifest this pattern.

Written by a team of eminent historians, these essays explore

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how ten twentieth-century intellectuals and social reformers sought to adapt such familiar Victorian values as 'civilisation', 'domesticity', 'conscience' and 'improvement' to modern conditions of democracy, feminism and mass culture. Covering such figures as J.M. Keynes, E.M. Forster and Lord Reith of the BBC, these interdisciplinary studies scrutinize the children of the Victorians at a time when their private assumptions and public positions were under increasing strain in a rapidly changing world. After the Victorians is written in honour of the late Professor John Clive of Harvard, and uses, as he did, the method of biography to connect the public and private lives of the generations who came after the Victorians.

The Victorian fascination with fairyland is reflected in the literature of the period, which includes some of the most imaginative fairy tales ever written. They offer the shortest path to the age's dreams, desires, and wishes. Authors central to the nineteenth-century canon such as Thackeray, Oscar Wilde, Ford Madox Ford, and Rudyard Kipling wrote fairy tales, and authors primarily famous for their work in the genre include George MacDonald, Juliana Ewing, Mary De Morgan, and Andrew Lang. This anthology brings together fourteen of the best stories, by these and other outstanding practitioners, to show the vibrancy and variety of the form and its ability to reflect our deepest concerns. The stories in this selection range from pure whimsy and romance to witty satire and darker, uncanny mystery. Paradox proves central to a form offered equally to children and adults. Fairyland is a dynamic and beguiling place, one that permits the most striking explorations of gender, suffering, love, family, and the travails of identity. Michael Newton's introduction

and notes explore the literary marketplace in which these tales appeared, as well as the role they played in contemporary debates on scepticism and belief. The book also includes a selection of original illustrations by some of the masters of the field such as Richard Doyle, Arthur Hughes, and Walter Crane.

Victorian Britain is often considered as the high point of 'laissez-faire', the place and the time when people were most 'free' to make their own lives without the aid or interference of the State. This book explores the truth of that assumption and what it might mean. It considers what the Victorian State did or did not do, what were the prevailing definitions and practices of 'liberty', what other sources of discipline and authority existed beyond the State to structure people's lives - in sum, what were the broad conditions under which such a profound belief in 'liberty' could flourish, and a complex society be run on those principles. Contributors include leading scholars in British political, social and cultural history, so that 'liberty' is seen in the round, not just as a set of ideas or of political slogans, but also as a public and private philosophy that structured everyday life. Consideration is also given to the full range of British subjects in the nineteenth century - men, women, people of all classes, from all parts of the British Isles - and to placing the British experience in a global and comparative perspective.

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Originally published by Routledge Kegan and Paul in

1973, "The Victorian City" is a major landmark, particularly in the study of the social and intellectual attitudes of Victorian society to the challenge of urbanization. This reissue can be purchased as a 2 volume set or as individual volumes. "The Victorian City, Volume 1" 0-415-19323-0: \$165.00/Y [Can. \$247.50/Y] "The Victorian City, Volume 2" 0-415-19324-9: \$165.00/Y [Can. \$247.50/Y]

A spectacular and engaging non-fiction Eyewitness guide to one of history's most fascinating periods, the Victorian era What did the Victorians invent? Was this a peaceful era? How many children did Queen Victoria have? Find out in Eyewitness Victorians and discover this peaceful and prosperous era which produced huge developments in technology and engineering, alongside voting reforms. Eyewitness reference books are now more interactive and colourful, with new infographics, statistics, facts and timelines, plus a giant pull-out wall chart; you'll be an expert on the Victorian era in no time. Great for projects or just for fun, learn everything you need to know about the Victorians with Eyewitness. Through the Victorian and Edwardian eras, various health movements emerged in the transition to the modern age of scientific medicine. Strange medical devices and quack cures were pushed, often using crude remedies based on simplistic beliefs and the placebo effect. Currently, some of these treatments appear absurd, even cruel. Because some were properly used as appropriate therapies, it is difficult to label them altogether as bogus. This book takes a thorough look at unconventional medical gadgets, as well as the strange

devices and therapies used by both fringe and legitimate healers, and places them in the perspective of modern medicine. The author argues that quackery should not be defined by the ineffectiveness of a therapy, but rather be based on the fraudulent intent of the people who pushed dishonest and deceptive remedies.

Logan's study is distinguished by its exclusive focus on women writers, including Charlotte Bronte, George Eliot, Elizabeth Gaskell, Harriet Martineau, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Florence Nightingale, Sarah Grand, and Mary Prince. Logan utilizes primary texts from these Victorian writers as well as contemporary critics such as Catherine Gallagher and Elaine Showalter to provide the background on social factors that contributed to the construction of fallen-woman discourse.

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