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## The Promise of a Pencil

Winner of the 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction  
Winner of the 2016 Edgar Award for Best First Novel  
Winner of the 2016 Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Fiction  
“[A] remarkable debut novel . . . [Nguyen]

brings a distinctive perspective to the war and its aftermath. His book fills a void in the literature, giving voice to the previously voiceless . . . The nameless protagonist-narrator, a memorable character despite his anonymity, is an Americanized Vietnamese with a divided heart and mind. Nguyen's skill in portraying this sort of ambivalent personality compares favorably with masters like Conrad, Greene, and le Carré. . . . Both thriller and social satire. . . . In its final chapters, *The Sympathizer* becomes an absurdist tour de force that might have been written by a Kafka or Genet."—Philip Caputo, *New York Times Book Review* (cover review) The winner of the 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, as well as seven other awards, *The Sympathizer* is the breakthrough novel of the year. With the pace and suspense of a thriller and prose that has been compared to Graham Greene and Saul Bellow, *The Sympathizer* is a sweeping epic of love and betrayal. The narrator, a communist double agent, is a "man of two minds," a half-French, half-Vietnamese army captain who arranges to come to America after the Fall of Saigon, and while building a new life with other Vietnamese refugees in Los Angeles is secretly reporting back to his communist superiors in Vietnam. *The Sympathizer* is a blistering exploration of identity and America, a gripping espionage novel, and a powerful story of love and friendship.

## **In Country**

## **The Sympathizer**

## **Multicultural Reader 1**

This innovative book adopts both a narrative and a comparative approach to the modern history of Southeast Asia. It examines the experiences of Southeast Asian states, peoples, and regimes, and it links those experiences with those of states, peoples, and regimes in other parts of the world.

## **Why America Lost the Vietnam War**

The author describes how he left a lucrative business consulting job to found the nonprofit Pencils of Promise, an organization responsible for building schools for the poor in developing countries around the world and which recently completed its two hundredth school.

## **The Eaves of Heaven**

"Our slogan from the very beginning was 'a computer on every desk and in every home.'" "For me to become gun-shy might require surgery." An icon more powerful than anything on a Windows screen, Bill Gates today stands atop his fabled Microsoft fortress staring down competitors' threats and injunctions from an annoyed U.S. Justice Department. The kind of success Gates has created rarely escapes criticism. And Bill is getting more than his share. The story of how this Harvard dropout created the operating system that would become the worldwide standard for millions of computers is legendary. And equally

legendary has been the take-no-prisoners tactics of his corporate colossus, Microsoft. We've witnessed Gates's transformation from a geeky wunderkind into a business titan. Whether admired or detested, glorified or vilified, Gates is a household name and a worldwide curiosity. Bill Gates Speaks discloses what Bill Gates has to say on everything from financing a start-up to running a conglomerate, developing technology to raising a family, and growing his business to expanding his personal wealth. Drawing on quotes culled from speeches, articles, essays, newscasts, and interviews, this unique book weaves all of this information into a compelling and easy-to-read biography. Here is just a sample of what you'll find inside: \* "My parents weren't all that excited about their son announcing he was dropping out of a fine university to start a business in something almost nobody had heard of called 'microcomputers.'" \* "I think business is very simple. Profit. Loss. Take the sales, subtract the costs, you get this big positive number. The math is quite straightforward." \* "I envy people who thrive on three or four hours of sleep a night. They have so much more time to work, learn, and play." \* "We never waste a lot of time talking about what we're doing well. It just isn't our culture. Every meeting is about 'Sure, we won in seven of the categories, but what about that eighth category?'" \* "The PC industry is the model industry in the entire economy. The rate of innovation, the openness-all of these things are just fantastic. And Microsoft's role in creating this has been absolutely fundamental." The world listens when Bill gates speaks "I'm not competent to judge his technical ability, but I regard his business savvy as extraordinary. If Bill had started

a hot dog stand, he would have become the hot dog king of the world." -Warren Buffett "It is still possible to be a Vanderbilt, an Astor, a Rockefeller. You can still do that, you can be Bill Gates." -David Geffen "Everybody is waiting for this guy to slip. He hasn't slipped, and there's very little chance that he will. Everything that he keeps his hands in will work, and he will win." -Alan Kerr, Ogilvy & Mather "Love him or hate him, but you can't ignore him." -Fortune

### **Overthrow**

### **Global Debates, Local Dilemmas**

### **Inside Out & Back Again**

Based on official army records, these eyewitness accounts offer a brief history of the Vietnam conflict from 1965 to 1968, conveying the heroism and horror of warfare.

### **The Encyclopedia of the Vietnam War: A Political, Social, and Military History, 2nd Edition [4 volumes]**

### **American Eyes**

Each vol. is divided into 2 parts 1st-7th ed.: Dictionary catalog and Classified catalog; 8th-9th ed. have 3rd.

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## **Surprise, Kill, Vanish**

### **Senior High Core Collection**

Many developing countries-Viet Nam included-continue to struggle to raise incomes per capita. A common feature of the growth and development process is a fundamental change in the pattern of economic activity, as households reallocate labour from traditional agriculture to more productive forms of agriculture and modern industrial and service sectors. Broad structural transformation and widespread poverty reduction is the combined result of these large-scale shifts in work and labour allocation when they realise desired development goals. The roots of this volume grow from when the first pilot Viet Nam Access to Resources Household Survey (VARHS) was carried out in 2002. The success of this inspired the Central Institute of Economic Management (CIEM) in Hanoi, the Institute of Policy and Strategy for Agriculture and Rural Development (CAP-IPSARD), the Institute of Labour Science and Social Affairs (ILSSA), and the Development Economics Research Group (DERG) of the University of Copenhagen, together with Danida and later on UNU-WIDER, to plan and carry out a more ambitious VARHS from 2006, increasing coverage and representativeness to more than 2,150 families and 12 provinces across the various regions of Viet Nam. The VARHS covering these very same households had

by 2014 been carried out five times, i.e. every two years. It is on this high quality panel data foundation and almost 15 years of study and policy work using the VARHS data the present volume builds, in its effort to bring out the essential rural micro-economic characteristics and insights of a dynamic South-East Asian economy in transition from a centrally planned towards a more market based economy.

### **Southeast Asia**

Now in its second edition, this comprehensive study of the Vietnam War sheds more light on the longest and one of the most controversial conflicts in U.S. history. • Includes many photographs and illustrations that bring the Vietnam War to life • Contains more than 200 primary sources in a separate documents volume, with full introductions for each • Presents an extensive chronology of historic events and a glossary of terms • Provides cross-references and bibliographies that facilitate further research

### **Kim Vân Kiều**

### **Far Eastern Economic Review**

### **Bill Gates Speaks**

Tells the story of French interaction with Vietnam and the neighboring region from French seizure of Cochinchina and Tonking in the 19th century to their defeat

at Dien Bien Phu in 1954.

## **Public Affairs**

### **Siding with the Other**

The Vietnam War remains one of the most heroic and heartbreaking events in history. This definitive guide charts the unforgettable story of the world's first televised war. Created in association with the Smithsonian Institution, this authoritative guide chronicles America's fight against Communism in southeast Asia during the 1960s and 1970s, and comprehensively explores the people, politics, events, and lasting effects of the Vietnam War. Hundreds of insightful images and a compelling narrative combine to chronicle this catastrophic conflict.?? From 1955, the communist government of North Vietnam waged war against South Vietnam and its main ally, the USA. Over the course of two decades of hostility and warfare, the number of casualties reached an incomprehensible three million people. Detailed descriptions of every episode, including Operation Passage to Freedom and the evacuation of the American embassy in Saigon, tell the stories in iconic photographs and eyewitness accounts. Discover the real people behind the conflict, with gripping biographies of key figures, including Henry Kissinger, General Thieu, President Nixon, and Pol Pot. This incredible visual record is supported by locator maps, at-a-glance timelines, archive photography, and key quotations to ensure an all-encompassing experience.



The Vietnam War is an essential historic reference to help humanity learn the lessons of suffering and sacrifice from one of the bloodiest conflicts of the 20th century.

### **Vietnam Economic News**

#### **The National Union Catalogs, 1963-**

The author was born in 1940 and spent his childhood in two small villages, the paternal and the maternal, in southern Vietnam: Binh Chuan and Tuy An (An Phu). The villages were deeply affected by the powerful political events of the next fifty years. In this memoir (first sentence: "I was born as the Japanese Troops were invading northern Vietnam"), the author writes of what he saw, heard and knew, providing an invaluable social history of the country. Readers will learn about a people who have endured separation, dictatorship, carnage, persistent suffering and poverty, all the while yearning for independence and prosperity. Included are many stories--some funny, some heartbreaking--that reveal how the Vietnamese people lived, as well as their thoughts on war, on the French, Japanese and Americans, on the Nationalist and Communist governments, and on escape. The result is a heartfelt "social painting" of the nation.

### **Summary of World Broadcasts**

From Pulitzer Prize finalist Annie Jacobsen, the untold USA Today bestselling story of the CIA's secret

paramilitary units. Surprise . . . your target. Kill . . . your enemy. Vanish . . . without a trace. When diplomacy fails, and war is unwise, the president calls on the CIA's Special Activities Division, a highly-classified branch of the CIA and the most effective, black operations force in the world. Originally known as the president's guerrilla warfare corps, SAD conducts risky and ruthless operations that have evolved over time to defend America from its enemies. Almost every American president since World War II has asked the CIA to conduct sabotage, subversion and, yes, assassination. With unprecedented access to forty-two men and women who proudly and secretly worked on CIA covert operations from the dawn of the Cold War to the present day, along with declassified documents and deep historical research, Pulitzer Prize finalist Annie Jacobsen unveils -- like never before -- a complex world of individuals working in treacherous environments populated with killers, connivers, and saboteurs. Despite Hollywood notions of off-book operations and external secret hires, covert action is actually one piece in a colossal foreign policy machine. Written with the pacing of a thriller, *Surprise, Kill, Vanish* brings to vivid life the sheer pandemonium and chaos, as well as the unforgettable human will to survive and the intellectual challenge of not giving up hope that define paramilitary and intelligence work. Jacobsen's exclusive interviews -- with members of the CIA's Senior Intelligence Service (equivalent to the Pentagon's generals), its counterterrorism chiefs, targeting officers, and Special Activities Division's Ground Branch operators who conduct today's close-quarters killing operations

around the world -- reveal, for the first time, the enormity of this shocking, controversial, and morally complex terrain. Is the CIA's paramilitary army America's weaponized strength, or a liability to its principled standing in the world? Every operation reported in this book, however unsettling, is legal.

## **Growth, Structural Transformation, and Rural Change in Viet Nam**

### **The Vietnam War**

## **Journal of Southeast Asian Language Teaching**

### **Two Hamlets in Nam Bo**

Covering the thirty years between 1945 and 1975, In Country: The Illustrated Encyclopedia of the Vietnam War is a balanced, comprehensive "A to Z" encyclopedia on the conflict that includes definitive coverage of all aspects of the war--both on the home front and "in country."

### **Seven Firefights in Vietnam**

A look at the career of Vo Nguyen Giap, based on interviews with the Vietnamese general, reveals how an army so poor in material resources accomplished

so much militarily, discussing Giap's early days as a resistance fighter and more.

## **Giáp**

### **Making Two Vietnams**

This comparative study of North and South Vietnam, the first of its kind, shows how young Vietnamese were raised during the war. Through the prism of adult-youth relations, it analyzes how the two societies dealt with their wartime experience and strove to shape their futures.

### **A War Too Long**

### **Media Asia**

### **The Last Emperors of Vietnam**

Through a series of poems, a young girl chronicles the life-changing year of 1975, when she, her mother, and her brothers leave Vietnam and resettle in Alabama.

### **Voice of Youth Advocates**

The practice of sex-selective abortion is on the rise globally, stirring debates about gender inequality, medical ethics and reproductive autonomy. This book is the first ethnography to document practices of sex

selection in Viet Nam. It shows how and why abortions are used to select the sex of children and how Vietnamese individuals and health professionals are implicated in this illicit and controversial practice. Telling the stories of women who have undergone sex-selective abortions, it traces their passage through sex determination and abortion decision-making phases, and investigates their experiences during and after their sex-selective abortions. It describes the turmoil experienced by individuals who undergo such abortions and explores their interactions with the spectrum of social actors and health institutions that facilitate practices of sex selection. As the first ethnographic study on sex-selective abortions in Viet Nam, this book delves into socially sensitive terrain and sheds light on personally fraught individual experiences of reproductive agency. It documents societal responses to sex-selective abortions in Viet Nam and identifies gaps in the state's capacity to regulate reproductive desire in a marketised economy. A resource for researchers, it contributes to ongoing debates on sex selection and provides a framework for developing relevant social policies, interventions and support services. 'This pioneering study offers a nuanced and sensitive account of sex-selective abortion as human experience. Through thought provoking case studies, the book provides rare ethnographic documentation of the complex quandaries that arise as selective reproductive technologies are routinised across the globe.' — Tine M. Gammeltoft, Department of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen

## **Book Review Digest**

### **Vietnam Economic Times**

United States Army in Vietnam. CMH Pub. 91-13. Draws upon previously unavailable Army and Defense Department records to interpret the part the press played during the Vietnam War. Discusses the roles of the following in the creation of information policy: Military Assistance Command's Office of Information in Saigon; White House; State Department; Defense Department; and the United States Embassy in Saigon.

### **Senior High School Library Catalog**

Ten Asian-American writers explore the choices young people must make in order to enter the adult world, while considering how those choices are affected by the sometimes incompatible values of two distinct home worlds. Original. PW. K. SLJ.

### **Vietnam Journal**

Offers a narrative history of the role of the U.S. in a series of coups, revolutions, and invasions that toppled fourteen foreign governments, from the overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy in 1893 to the 2003 war in Iraq, and examines the sometimes disastrous long-term repercussions of such operations. Reprint.

## **Understanding Vietnam**

A Vietnamese son's account of his father's experiences in three wars remembers how his former wealthy landowner family was shattered by the French occupation of Indochina, the Japanese invasion during World War II, and the Vietnam War. Reprint.

## **Language in Vietnamese Society**

Winner of the Outstanding Academic Book, American Library Association, 1994

## **National Union Catalog**

Includes entries for maps and atlases.

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