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GORDON BURN PRIZE Chosen as
'BOOK OF THE YEAR' by
Observer, Guardian, Telegraph,
Irish Times, New Statesman, Times
Literary Supplement, Herald When
Olivia Laing moved to New York
City in her mid-thirties, she found
herself inhabiting loneliness on a
daily basis. Increasingly fascinated
by this most shameful of
experiences, she began to explore

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the lonely city by way of art. Moving fluidly between the works and lives of some of the city's most compelling artists, Laing conducts an electric, dazzling investigation into what it means to be alone, illuminating not only the causes of loneliness but also how it might be resisted and redeemed.

Cities are a big deal. More people now live in them than don't, and with a growing world population, the urban jungle is only going to get busier in the coming decades. But how often do we stop to think about what makes our cities work? Cities are built using some of the most creative and revolutionary science and engineering ideas – from steel structures that scrape the sky to

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glass cables that help us communicate at the speed of light – but most of us are too busy to notice. *Science and the City* is your guidebook to that hidden world, helping you to uncover some of the remarkable technologies that keep the world's great metropolises moving. Laurie Winkless takes us around cities in six continents to find out how they're dealing with the challenges of feeding, housing, powering and connecting more people than ever before. In this book, you'll meet urban pioneers from history, along with today's experts in everything from roads to time, and you will uncover the vital role science has played in shaping the city around you. But more than

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that, by exploring cutting-edge research from labs across the world, you'll build your own vision of the megacity of tomorrow, based on science fact rather than science fiction. Science and the City is the perfect read for anyone curious about the world they live in.

In this classic text, Jane Jacobs set out to produce an attack on current city planning and rebuilding and to introduce new principles by which these should be governed. The result is one of the most stimulating books on cities ever written.

Throughout the post-war period, planners temperamentally unsympathetic to cities have been let loose on our urban environment. Inspired by the ideals of the Garden

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City or Le Corbusier's Radiant City, they have dreamt up ambitious projects based on self-contained neighbourhoods, super-blocks, rigid 'scientific' plans and endless acres of grass. Yet they seldom stop to look at what actually works on the ground. The real vitality of cities, argues Jacobs, lies in their diversity, architectural variety, teeming street life and human scale. It is only when we appreciate such fundamental realities that we can hope to create cities that are safe, interesting and economically viable, as well as places that people want to live in. 'Perhaps the most influential single work in the history of town planning... Jacobs has a powerful sense of narrative, a

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lively wit, a talent for surprise and the ability to touch the emotions as well as the mind' New York Times Book Review

Sick City is a call to action prompted by the crisis that crippled our cities, the pandemic. But the pandemic has brought the issues of race, inequality and unaffordability to the forefront as well, illustrating how all of these ills can be traced to unequal access to urban land.

Patrick Condon walks the reader through that history, proving that most of these problems are rooted in the inflation of urban land value - land that is no longer priced for its value for housing but as an asset class in a global market hungry for assets of all kinds. The American

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wage earner who is most affected by COVID is also the worst hit by the surging price of urban land which has made the essential commodity of housing increasingly inaccessible. Not only does Condon dive deep into myriad and credible references to prove these points, but he also wraps up the conversation with some eminently practical and widely precedented policy actions that municipalities can enact - policy tools to establish housing justice at the same time slow the flow of land value increases into the pockets of land speculators.

Sustainability in the Global City
Urban Food Systems Governance
and Poverty in African Cities -

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(Open Access)

The Mechanics Behind the
Metropolis

Some of Us Are Very Hungry Now
Searching for the Just City
Urban Politics

Listening to Urban Design and
Planning

"Handbook of Religion and the
Asian City highlights the creative
and innovative role of urban
aspirations in Asian world cities. It
points out that urban politics and
governance are often about
religious boundaries and
processions--in short, that public
religion is politics. The essays
show how projects of secularism
come up against projects and
ambitions of a religious nature, a
particular form of contestation that

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takes the city as its public arena.

Asian cities are sites of speculation, not only for those who invest in real estate but also for those who look for housing, for employment, and for salvation. In its potential and actual mobility, the sacred creates social space in which they all can meet. Handbook of Religion and the Asian City makes the comparative case that one cannot study the historical patterns of urbanization in Asia without paying attention to the role of religion in urban aspirations"--Provided by publisher.

The ways in which the rapid urbanization of the Global South is transforming food systems and food supply chains, and the food security of urban populations is an

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often neglected topic. This international group of authors addresses this profound transformation from a variety of different perspectives and disciplinary lenses, providing an important corrective to the dominant view that food insecurity is a rural problem requiring increases in agricultural production.

Originally published: London: Chatto & Windus, 2008.

'The mark of a good nature book is that it opens your eyes to what is there, but you missed, and then to the beautiful possibility of what might be. This is a very good book.' John Lewis-Stempel 'An enjoyable and timely reminder that we are never alone' Tristan Gooley The badgers of Brighton's

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most exclusive postcode. The water voles of Glasgow. The Black Country bats who have found a haven in old industrial tunnels. The peregrine falcons nesting on the ledges of tower blocks. The mosquitoes found on the London Underground and nowhere else on earth. In Wild City Florence Wilkinson takes us on a fascinating journey into why we should engage with our fellow urban species. What we might see - if we only take the time to look - and how nature is adapting to human-engineered environments in unexpected and ingenious ways. As more and more of our planet is urbanised, we humans still feel that primal pull to connect with our wilder roots. This gorgeously lyrical book invites us to celebrate

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the natural world, while also offering a clear-eyed glimpse into the challenges faced by urban plants and animals as cities grow and sprawl. Wild City proposes a compelling manifesto for city wildlife, suggesting how we might take action to protect the often-overlooked residents who live alongside us. City-dwellers, it's time to meet your neighbours.

The Structure and Dynamics of
Human Ecosystems

For Hunger-proof Cities

Sitopia

Food as a Tool for Today's

Urbanisation

Farming the City

The Very Hungry City

Sick City

This volume is a vital contribution to conversations about urban

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sustainability, looking beyond the propaganda to explore its consequences for everyday life. This Open Access book is for scientists and experts who work on urban food policies. It provides a conceptual framework for understanding the urban food system sustainability and how it can be tackled by local governments. Written by a collective of researchers, this book describes the existing conceptual frameworks for an analysis of urban food policies, at the crossroads of the concepts of food system and sustainable city. It provides a basis for identifying research questions related to urban local government initiatives in the North and South. It is the result of work carried out within Agropolis International within the framework of

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the Sustainable Urban Food Systems program and an action research carried out in support of Montpellier Méditerranée Métropole for the construction of its agroecological and food policy.

The story of how the emerging food justice movement is seeking to transform the American food system from seed to table. In today's food system, farm workers face difficult and hazardous conditions, low-income neighborhoods lack supermarkets but abound in fast-food restaurants and liquor stores, food products emphasize convenience rather than wholesomeness, and the international reach of American fast-food franchises has been a major contributor to an epidemic of "globesity." To combat these inequities and excesses, a movement

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for food justice has emerged in recent years seeking to transform the food system from seed to table. In *Food Justice*, Robert Gottlieb and Anupama Joshi tell the story of this emerging movement. A food justice framework ensures that the benefits and risks of how food is grown and processed, transported, distributed, and consumed are shared equitably. Gottlieb and Joshi recount the history of food injustices and describe current efforts to change the system, including community gardens and farmer training in Holyoke, Massachusetts, youth empowerment through the Rethinkers in New Orleans, farm-to-school programs across the country, and the Los Angeles school system's elimination of sugary soft drinks from its cafeterias. And they tell how food

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activism has succeeded at the highest level: advocates waged a grassroots campaign that convinced the Obama White House to plant a vegetable garden. The first comprehensive inquiry into this emerging movement, Food Justice addresses the increasing disconnect between food and culture that has resulted from our highly industrialized food system.

An analysis that offers evidence to challenge the widely held assumption that urbanization and environmental quality are necessarily at odds. Conventional wisdom about the environmental impact of cities holds that urbanization and environmental quality are necessarily at odds. Cities are seen to be sites of ecological disruption, consuming a disproportionate share of natural

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resources, producing high levels of pollution, and concentrating harmful emissions precisely where the population is most concentrated. Cities appear to be particularly vulnerable to natural disasters, to be inherently at risk from outbreaks of infectious diseases, and even to offer dysfunctional and unnatural settings for human life. In this book, William Meyer tests these widely held beliefs against the evidence. Borrowing some useful terminology from the public health literature, Meyer weighs instances of “urban penalty” against those of “urban advantage.” He finds that many supposed urban environmental penalties are illusory, based on commonsense preconceptions and not on solid evidence. In fact, greater degrees of “urbanness” often offer advantages

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rather than penalties. The characteristic compactness of cities, for example, lessens the pressure on ecological systems and enables resource consumption to be more efficient. On the whole, Meyer reports, cities offer greater safety from environmental hazards (geophysical, technological, and biological) than more dispersed settlement does. In fact, the city-defining characteristics widely supposed to result in environmental penalties do much to account for cities' environmental advantages. As of 2008 (according to U.N. statistics), more people live in cities than in rural areas. Meyer's analysis clarifies the effects of such a profound shift, covering a full range of environmental issues in urban settings.

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Impacts, Mitigation and Adaptation in Cape Town

An historical approach

Debates in Urban Theory and Practice

The Geopolitics of Spectacle

Science for the Sustainable City

Designing Urban Food Policies

Energy, Cities and Sustainability

As Africa urbanises and the focus of poverty shifts to urban centres, there is an imperative to address poverty in African cities. This is particularly the case in smaller cities, which are often the most rapidly urbanising, but the least able to cope with this growth. This

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book argues that an
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examination of the food system and food security provides a valuable lens to interrogate urban poverty. Chapters examine the linkages between poverty, urban food systems and local governance with a focus on case studies from three smaller or secondary cities in Africa: Kisumu (Kenya), Kitwe (Zambia) and Epworth (Zimbabwe). The book makes a wider contribution to debates on urban studies and

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urban governance in
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Africa through analysis of the causes and consequences of the paucity of urban-scale data for decision makers, and by presenting potential methodological innovations to address this paucity. As the global development agenda is increasingly focusing on urban issues, most notably the urban goal of the new Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda, the work is

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timely.
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Understanding the modern city and the powerful forces within it is the life's work of Harvard urban economist Edward Glaeser, who at forty is hailed as one of the world's most exciting urban thinkers.

Travelling from city to city, speaking to planners and politicians across the world, he uncovers questions large and small whose answers

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are both
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counterintuitive and
deeply significant.
Should New Orleans be
rebuilt? Why can't my
nephew afford an
apartment in New York?
Is London the new
financial capital of the
world? Is my job headed
to Bangalore? In *Triumph
of the City*, Glaeser
takes us around the
world and into the mind
of the modern city -
from Mumbai to Paris to
Rio to Detroit to
Shanghai, and to any
number of points in

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between - to reveal how
cities think, why they
behave in the manners
that they do, and what
wisdom they share with
the people who inhabit
them. 'A masterpiece'

Steven D. Levitt, co-
author of Freakonomics

'A brilliant read:

persuasive and

provocative' Time Out

'Replete with lightly

borne learning, this is

a tremendous book' Bryan

Appleyard, Literary

Review 'Fascinating'

Sunday Telegraph

'Comprehensive,

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compelling and strongly
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recommended" Tim

Harford, author of The
Undercover Economist and
Adapt 'A hymn to the
city' Metro

Charles Montgomery's
Happy City will
revolutionize the way we
think about urban life.

After decades of
unchecked sprawl, more
people than ever are
moving back to the city.

Dense urban living has
been prescribed as a
panacea for the
environmental and
resource crises of our

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time. But is it better
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or worse for our
happiness? Are subways,
sidewalks and condo
towers an improvement on
the car-dependence of
sprawl? The award-
winning journalist
Charles Montgomery finds
answers to such
questions at the
intersection between
urban design and the
emerging science of
happiness, during an
exhilarating journey
through some of the
world's most dynamic
cities. He meets the

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visionary mayor who
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introduced a “sexy” bus
to ease status anxiety
in Bogotá; the architect
who brought the lessons
of medieval Tuscan hill
towns to modern-day New
York City; the activist
who turned Paris’s urban
freeways into beaches;
and an army of American
suburbanites who have
hacked the design of
their own streets and
neighborhoods. Rich with
new insights from
psychology, neuroscience
and Montgomery’s own
urban experiments, Happy

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City reveals how our cities can shape our thoughts as well as our behavior. The message is as surprising as it is hopeful: by retrofitting cities and our own lives for happiness, we can tackle the urgent challenges of our age. The happy city can save the world--and all of us can help build it.

Aspiration and
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Countering Commonsense
Antiurbanism

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Handbook of Religion and
Cities
the Asian City

Toward a Model for
Understanding and Action
Cities as Sustainable
Ecosystems

An Alternate Approach to
Urbanism

***'Farming the City'
investigates the
increasingly important
phenomenon of urban
farming. Not only does it
examine food in the city,
but also the potential and
possibilities for the bottom-
up developments occurring
in neighbourhoods. Twenty
short essays cover a variety***

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of topics, including social advantages, creating wealth locally, small- and large-scale planning, new and sustainable technologies, and policy issues. Also highlighted are 30 project examples, from the transformation of empty spaces in Boston to roof terraces in New York, and from the People's Supermarket in London to cultivation in shipping containers in Rotterdam. It is an essential resource for education, profitability and sustainable innovation. A presentation of key findings and insights from

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over two decades of research, education, and community engagement in the acclaimed Baltimore Ecosystem Study. In a world of over seven billion people-who mostly reside in cities and their suburbs and exurbs-the Baltimore Ecosystem Study is recognized as a pioneering program for modern urban social-ecological science, critical to the emerging theory of urban ecology. After two decades of research, education, and community engagement in this complex system, there are insights to share,

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generalizations to examine, and gaps to highlight. This timely volume synthesizes the key empirical findings, melds the perspectives of different disciplines, and celebrates the accomplishments of interacting with diverse communities and institutions in improving the understanding of Baltimore's ecology. These widely applicable insights from Baltimore contribute to our understanding the ecology of other cities, provide a comparison for the global process of urbanization, and inform

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**establishment of urban
ecological research
elsewhere. Comprehensive,
interdisciplinary, and highly
original, it gives voice to
the wide array of
specialists who have
contributed to this living
urban laboratory.**

**"Beautiful, brilliant, bold...
Tantamount to a slice from
the Americana songbook."**

**—Christopher John
Stephens, PopMatters With
luminous insight and
fervent prose, Andre
Perry's debut collection of
personal essays, Some of
Us Are Very Hungry Now,
travels from Washington,**

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DC, to Iowa City to Hong Kong in search of both individual and national identity. While displaying tenderness and a disarming honesty, Perry catalogs racial degradations committed on the campuses of elite universities and liberal bastions like San Francisco while coming of age in America. The essays in Some of Us Are Very Hungry Now take the form of personal reflection, multiple choice questions, screenplays, and imagined talk-show conversations, while traversing the daily

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***minefields of childhood
schoolyards and
Midwestern dive-bars. The
impression of Perry's
personal journey is
arresting and beguiling,
while announcing the
author's arrival as a
formidable American voice.
"A complete, deep,
satisfying read... The
variety of structures,
formats, and rhythms Perry
uses in Some of Us Are
Very Hungry Now is
extraordinary... These
essays shine with broken
humanity and announce the
arrival of a new voice in
contemporary nonfiction,***

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***but they do so with heaps
of melancholia and
frustration instead of
answers. That Perry can
hurt us and keep us asking
for more is a testament to
his talent as a storyteller."***

—Gabino Iglesias, NPR

***Challenging the dominance
of the visual in the urban
environment, the exhibition
catalogue Sense of the City
proposes a re-thinking and
re-presenting of the city,
and offers a more complex
analysis of the qualities,
comforts, communication
systems, and sensory
dimensions of urban life.
From darkness and night to***

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urban soundscapes, to the urban air and climate, this book presents a new, "sensorial" approach to urbanism. In defense of public spaces in contemporary cities, writer Cedric Price has observed that "mental, physical, and sensory well-being is required." Included here is a rich collection of images on the different urban themes addressed in the exhibition, along with a series of insightful and critical essays. Contributors include Constance Classen, David Howes, Norman Pressman, Emily Thompson,

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**and Mirko Zardini. Edited
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Hungry City

An Anthropological

Perspective on a New (Old)

Thing

Happy City

Cities and Suburbs in a

Global Age

An Interdisciplinary

Systems Approach

Mercy in the City

Smart and Sustainable

Cities and Buildings

Cities are many things. Among

their least appealing aspects,

cities are frequently

characterized by concentrations

of insecurity and exploitation.

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Cities have also long represented promises of opportunity and liberation. Public decision-making in contemporary cities is full of conflict, and principles of justice are rarely the explicit basis for the resolution of disputes. If today's cities are full of injustices and unrealized promises, how would a Just City function? Is a Just City merely a utopia, or does it have practical relevance? This book engages with the growing debate around these questions. The notion of the Just City emerges from philosophical discussions about what justice is combined with the intellectual history of utopias

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and ideal cities. The contributors to this volume, including Susan Fainstein, David Harvey and Margit Mayer articulate a conception of the Just City and then examine it from differing angles, ranging from Marxist thought to communicative theory. The arguments both develop the concept of a Just City and question it, as well as suggesting alternatives for future expansion. Explorations of the concept in practice include case studies primarily from U.S. cities, but also from Europe, the Middle East and Latin America. The authors find that a forthright call for justice in all aspects of city life, putting the question of what

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a Just City should be on the agenda of urban reform, can be a practical approach to solving questions of urban policy. This synthesis is provocative in a globalised world and the contributing authors bridge the gap between theoretical conceptualizations of urban justice and the reality of planning and building cities. The notion of the Just City is an empowering framework for contemporary urban actors to improve the quality of urban life and Searching for the Just City is a seminal read for practitioners, professionals, students, researchers and anyone interested in what urban futures

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should aim to achieve.

This popular text mixes classic theory and research on urban politics with the most recent developments and data in urban and metropolitan affairs. Its balanced and realistic approach helps students understand the nature of urban politics and the difficulty of finding effective "solutions" in a suburban and global age. The ninth edition has been thoroughly rewritten and updated with a continued focus on economic development and race, plus renewed attention to globalization, gentrification, and changing demographics. Boxed case studies of prominent recent and current urban development

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efforts provide material for class discussion, and concluding material demonstrates the tradeoff between more "ideal" and more "pragmatic" urban politics. Key changes in this edition include: Every chapter has been thoroughly updated and rewritten. The Ninth Edition reflects the most current census data and the newest trends in such areas as the "new immigration," suburbanization, gentrification, and big-city revivals; There is coverage of the big-city pension crisis and politics in Stockton, Detroit, and other cities facing possible bankruptcy; A brand-new opening chapter introduces the

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concepts of the Global City, the Entertainment City, and the Bankrupt City; New photos and boxes appear throughout the book; Increased coverage of policies for sustainable urban development.

Over half of the world's population now lives in urban areas. Few who live in cities understand that cities, too, are ecosystems, as beholden to the laws and principles of ecology as are natural ecosystems.

Understanding Urban Ecology: An Interdisciplinary Systems Approach introduces students at the college undergraduate level, or those in advanced-standing college credit high school

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courses, to cities as ecosystems. For graduate students it provides an overview and rich literature base. Urban planners, educators, and decision makers can use this book to help in designing a more sustainable or “green” future. The authors use a systems approach to explore the complexity and interactions of different components of a city’s ecology with an emphasis on the energy and materials required to maintain such concentrated centers of human activity and consumption. The book is written by seventeen specialized contributors and includes ten accompanying detailed field exercises to promote hands-on

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experience, observation, and quantification of urban ecosystem structure and function. The chapters describe one by one the different subsystems of the urban environment, their individual components and functions, and the interactions among them that create the social-ecological environments in which we live. The book's emphasis on social-ecological metabolism provides students with the knowledge and methods needed to evaluate proposed policies for urban sustainability in terms of ecosystem capacity, potential positive and negative feedbacks, the laws of thermo-dynamics,

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**and socio-cultural perception
and adaptability.**

This book brings together the papers presented at the Smart and Sustainable Built Environments Conference, 2018 (SASBE). This latest research falls into two tracks: smart and sustainable design and planning cities; and the technicalities of smart and sustainable buildings. The growth of smart cities is evident, but not always linked to sustainability. This book gives an overview of the latest academic developments in increasing the smartness and sustainability of our cities and buildings. Aspects such as inclusivity, smart cities, place

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and space, the resilient city, urbanity and urban ecology are prominently featured in the design and planning part of the book; while energy, educational buildings, comfort, building design, construction and performance form the sub-themes of the technical part of the book. This book will appeal to urban designers, architects, urban planners, smart city designers and sustainable building experts.

Encounters With Urban Wildlife

How Food Can Save the World

Sense of the City

Space, Synecdoche, and the New Capitals of Asia

How to Feed the Hungry, Give

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***Drink to the Thirsty, Visit the
Imprisoned, and Keep Your Day
Job***

Archigram

***Feeding Istanbul: The Political
Economy of Urban Provisioning***

In cities throughout the world, bicycles have gained a high profile in recent years, with politicians and activists promoting initiatives like bike lanes, bikeways, bike share programs, and other social programs to get more people on bicycles. Bicycles in the city are, some would say, the wave of the future for car-choked, financially-

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strapped, obese, and sustainability-sensitive urban areas. This book explores how and why people are reconsidering the bicycle, no longer thinking of it simply as a toy or exercise machine, but as a potential solution to a number of contemporary problems. It focuses in particular on what reconsidering the bicycle might mean for everyday practices and politics of urban mobility, a concept that refers to the intertwined physical, technological, social, and

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experiential dimensions of human movement. This book is for Introductory Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology, Cultural Sociology, Environmental Anthropology, and all undergraduate courses on the environment and on sustainability throughout the social sciences.

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Planning by the University
IUAV of Venice and the
École des Hautes Études en
Sciences Sociales, Paris, she
draws on her
multidisciplinary
background in
environmental design,
architecture, urbanism,
music and sound design, in
her interactive and
multisensorial approach to
urban design. She
collaborates with a range of
non-profit and governmental
organizations around the
world towards improving
urban liveability and
sustainability through

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participatory design and
planning.

'A visionary look at how
quality food should replace
money as the new world
currency' Tim Spector

'Hugely ambitious and
beautifully written...destined
to become a modern classic'

Bee Wilson How we search
for, make and consume food
has defined human history.

It transforms our bodies and
homes, our politics and our
trade, our landscapes and
our climate. But by
forgetting our culinary
heritage and relying on
cheap, intensively produced

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food, we have drifted into a way of life that threatens our planet and ourselves. What if there were a more sustainable way to eat and live? Drawing on many disciplines, as well as stories of the farmers, designers and economists who are remaking our relationship with food, this inspiring and deeply thoughtful book gives us a provocative and exhilarating vision for change, and points the way to a better future. 'Utterly brilliant' Thomasina Miers
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Security in the Global South
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When Jesus asked us to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, and visit the imprisoned, he didn't mean it literally, right? Kerry Weber, a modern, young, single woman in New York City sets out to see if she can practice the Corporal Works of Mercy in an authentic, personal, meaningful manner while maintaining a full, robust, regular life. Weber, a lay Catholic, explores the Works of Mercy in the real world, with a gut-level honesty and transparency that people of urban, country, and suburban locales alike can relate to. Mercy in the City is for anyone who is struggling to live in a

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meaningful, merciful way amid the pressures of “real life.” For those who feel they are already overscheduled and too busy, for those who assume that they are not “religious enough” to practice the Works of Mercy, for those who worry that they are alone in their efforts to live an authentic life, Mercy in the City proves that by living as people for others, we learn to connect as people of faith.

Climate change impacts are scale and context specific, and cities are likely to bear some of the greatest costs. In recent years cities have begun to craft their own climate change responses against the backdrop of the reluctance displayed by nation-states in committing to emissions reductions and managing the consequences of climate change. *Climate Change at the City Scale* presents a fresh contribution to climate change literature, which has largely neglected the role of cities in spite of their

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increasingly important role in the global economy. The book focuses on the impacts of climate change in the rapidly evolving city of Cape Town, and captures the experiences of the Cape Town Climate Change Think Tank, a hybrid knowledge partnership which has produced research on a range of urban governance, impacts, mitigation and adaptation challenges by the City. Cape Town has long been acknowledged as an innovator in the area of urban environmental management, notwithstanding its limited resources to manage the demand for a more resilient and equitable future. By documenting the work and experiences of the City ' s efforts to define its own climate future, the book provides a provocative case study of the way in which the science-policy interface can be managed to inform urban transformation. Celebrated urban theorist Davis provides a global overview of the diverse religious,

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ethnic, and political movements competing for the souls of the new urban poor.

Although rarely explored in academic literature, most inhabitants and visitors interact with an urban landscape on a day-to-day basis is on the street level. Storefronts, first floor apartments, and sidewalks are the most immediate and common experience of a city. These "plinths" are the ground floors that negotiate between inside and outside, the public and private spheres. *The City at Eye Level* qualitatively evaluates plinths by exploring specific examples from all over the world. Over twenty-five experts investigate the design, land use, and road and foot traffic in rigorously researched essays, case studies, and interviews. These pieces are supplemented by over two hundred beautiful color images and engage not only with issues in design, but also the concerns of urban communities. The editors have put together a comprehensive guide for anyone

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concerned with improving or building
plinths, including planners, building owners,
property and shop managers, designers, and
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entertaining and mind-bending adventure into the deep history of urban life. Investigating across the centuries and around the world, Newitz explores the rise and fall of four ancient cities, each the center of a sophisticated civilization: the Neolithic site of Çatalhöyük in Central Turkey, the Roman vacation town of Pompeii on Italy's southern coast, the medieval megacity of Angkor in Cambodia, and the indigenous metropolis Cahokia, which stood beside the Mississippi River where East St. Louis is today. Newitz travels to all four sites and investigates the

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cutting-edge research in archaeology, revealing the mix of environmental changes and political turmoil that doomed these ancient settlements. Tracing the early development of urban planning, Newitz also introduces us to the often anonymous workers—slaves, women, immigrants, and manual laborers—who built these cities and created monuments that lasted millennia. Four Lost Cities is a journey into the forgotten past, but, foreseeing a future in which the majority of people on Earth will be living in cities, it may also reveal something of our own fate.

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Planet of Slums

Modern city dwellers are largely detached from the environmental effects of their daily lives. The sources of the water they drink, the food they eat, and the energy they consume are all but invisible, often coming from other continents, and their waste ends up in places beyond their city boundaries. Cities as Sustainable Ecosystems shows how cities and their residents can begin to reintegrate into their

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bioregional environment, and how cities themselves can be planned with nature's organizing principles in mind. Taking cues from living systems for sustainability strategies, Newman and Jennings reassess urban design by exploring flows of energy, materials, and information, along with the interactions between human and non-human parts of the system. Drawing on examples from all corners of the world, the authors explore natural patterns and processes that cities can emulate in order to move toward sustainability. Some cities have adopted simple strategies such as harvesting rainwater,

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greening roofs, and producing renewable energy. Others have created biodiversity parks for endangered species, community gardens that support a connection to their foodshed, and pedestrian-friendly spaces that encourage walking and cycling. A powerful model for urban redevelopment, Cities as Sustainable Ecosystems describes aspects of urban ecosystems from the visioning process to achieving economic security to fostering a sense of place.

According to some estimates, humanity has now passed the point at which city dwellers outnumber country dwellers.

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This simple fact encapsulates a multitude of historical trends and contentions, not the least being "is this sustainable"? Energy, Cities and Sustainability aims to illuminate this question by tracing the evolution of the modern city, the energy sources that power it and the motivations behind increasing urbanisation. The book examines changing energy use across history, analysing the origins and significance of the Industrial Revolution to reveal how the modern city came into being. Transport, population size, housing, electricity use and growing consumption are each discussed, showing how the

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cultural aspects of energy use have influenced urban form in the developed world and developing countries. Finally, in contemplating the future, it is considered whether this model of modern urban life is sustainable. This book is a valuable resource for researchers, academics and policy-makers in the areas of planning, energy policy and environment and sustainability. Picture a city. What do you see? Traffic and tower blocks? Or maybe you imagine something a little . . . wilder? These are the astonishing stories of the animals who are adapting to live in our urban world - and how you

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