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Chronicles of My Life GRIN Verlag
The volume introduces the central themes in and the main figures of Japanese Buddhist philosophy. It will have two sections, one that discusses general topics relevant to Japanese Buddhist philosophy and one that reads the work of the main Japanese Buddhist philosophers in the context of comparative philosophy. It combines basic information with cutting edge scholarship considering recent publications in Japanese, Chinese, English, and other European languages. As such, it will be an invaluable tool for professors teaching courses in Asian and global philosophy, undergraduate and graduate students, as well as the people generally interested in philosophy and/or Buddhism.

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Introduces Japanese culture, and discusses the aesthetics, poetry, fiction, and theater of Japan

Wartime Diaries of Japanese Writers Columbia University Press

In *Chinese Zen*, author Prof. Yansheng shows how Zen, with its universal concern for the human condition, can help the individual achieve happiness and spiritual stability through a "eureka moment" of enlightenment that liberates the mind from its world of competing interests. By drawing on the vast literature of Chinese Zen Buddhism, Prof. Yansheng presents traditional Buddhist sayings, stories and dialogues that illustrate the way historical masters of Zen sought to induce their pupils to reduced inner conflict. In so doing, he

allows the reader a panoramic view of the origins and development of Zen Buddhism in China and demonstrates its influence on literature in particular.

Essays in Idleness University of Michigan Press

The Buddhist priest Kenko clung to tradition, Buddhism, and the pleasures of solitude, and the themes he treats in his "Essays, " written sometime between 1330 and 1332, are all suffused with an unspoken acceptance of Buddhist beliefs.

Visions of a Torn World SUNY Press
Selections from the writings of Puritans in New England in the first century of colonial life.

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Features 1,000 poems from the oldest Japanese poetry anthology, chosen by a scholarly committee based on their poetic excellence and their role in revealing the Japanese national spirit and character. Text is in English only.

Tsurezuregusa New York : Columbia University Press

An eleventh-century classic, *The Pillow Book of Sei Shōnagon* is frequently paired with *The Tale of Genji* as one of the most important works in the Japanese canon. Yet it has also been marginalized within Japanese literature for reasons including the gender of its author, the work's complex textual history, and its thematic and stylistic depth. In *Unbinding The Pillow Book*, Gergana Ivanova offers a reception history of *The Pillow Book* and its author from the seventeenth century to the present that shows how various ideologies have influenced the text and shaped interactions among its different versions. Ivanova examines how and why *The Pillow Book* has been read over the centuries, placing it in the multiple contexts in which it has been rewritten,

including women's education, literary scholarship, popular culture, "pleasure quarters," and the formation of the modern nation-state. Drawing on scholarly commentaries, erotic parodies, instruction manuals for women, high school textbooks, and comic books, she considers its outsized role in ideas about Japanese women writers. Ultimately, Ivanova argues for engaging the work's plurality in order to achieve a clearer understanding of *The Pillow Book* and the importance it has held for generations of readers, rather than limiting it to a definitive version or singular meaning. The first book-length study in English of the reception history of Sei Shōnagon, *Unbinding The Pillow Book* sheds new light on the construction of gender and sexuality, how women's writing has been used to create readerships, and why ancient texts continue to play vibrant roles in contemporary cultural production.

The Work and Method of Hayashi Fumiko
Columbia University Press

New to Penguin Classics: two of the most important Buddhist tracts from Japan Both of these works on life's fleeting pleasures are by Buddhist monks from medieval Japan, but each represents a different worldview. In *Essays in Idleness*, his lively and sometimes ribald collection of anecdotes, advice, and observations, Kenko displays his fascination with earthly matters. In the short memoir *Hojoki*, however, Chomei recounts his decision to withdraw from worldly affairs and live as a hermit. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers

trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

Unbinding The Pillow Book Columbia University Press

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The Dao Companion to Japanese Buddhist Philosophy Columbia University Press

Japan's capital city of Kyoto was devastated by earthquake, storm, and fire in the late 12th century. Retreating from "this unkind world," the poet and Buddhist priest Kamo-no-Chomei left the capital for the forested mountains, where he eventually constructed his famous "ten-foot-square" hut. From this solitary vantage point Chomei produced *Hojoki*, an extraordinary literary work that describes all he has seen of human misery and his new life of simple chores, walks, and acts of kindness. Yet at the end he questions his own sanity and the integrity of his purpose. Has he perhaps grown too attached to his detachment?

Wabi Sabi Stone Bridge Press

The attack on Pearl Harbor, which precipitated the Greater East Asia War and its initial triumphs, aroused pride and a host of other emotions among the Japanese people. Yet the single year in which Japanese forces occupied territory from Alaska to Indonesia was followed by three years of terrible defeat.

Nevertheless, until the end of the war, many Japanese continued to believe in the invincibility of their country. But in

the diaries of well-known writers -- including Nagai Kafu, Takami Jun, Yamada Futaru, and Hirabayashi Taiko -- and the scholar Watanabe Kazuo, varying doubts were vividly, though privately, expressed. Weaving archival materials with personal recollections and the intimate accounts themselves, the author reproduces the passions aroused during the war and the sharply contrasting reactions in the year following Japan's surrender. These entries communicate the reality of false victory and all-too-real defeat.

Collected Essays on Architecture and the City Storey Publishing

Finding Wisdom in East Asian Classics is an essential, all-access guide to the core texts of East Asian civilization and culture. Essays address frequently read, foundational texts in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Vietnamese, as well as early modern fictional classics and nonfiction works of the seventeenth century.

Building strong links between these writings and the critical traditions of Confucianism, Buddhism, and Daoism, this volume shows the vital role of the classics in the shaping of Asian history and in the development of the humanities at large. Wm. Theodore de Bary focuses on texts that have survived for centuries, if not millennia, through avid questioning and contestation. Recognized as perennial reflections on life and society, these works represent diverse historical periods and cultures and include the Analects of Confucius, Mencius, Laozi, Xunxi, the Lotus Sutra, Tang poetry, the Pillow Book, The Tale of Genji, and the writings of Chikamatsu and Kaibara Ekken. Contributors explain the core and most commonly understood aspects of these works and how they operate within their traditions. They trace their reach and reinvention

throughout history and their ongoing relevance in modern life. With fresh interpretations of familiar readings, these essays inspire renewed appreciation and examination. In the case of some classics open to multiple interpretations, de Bary chooses two complementary essays from different contributors. Expanding on debates concerning the challenges of teaching classics in the twenty-first century, several pieces speak to the value of Asia in the core curriculum. Indispensable for early scholarship on Asia and the evolution of global civilization, *Finding Wisdom in East Asian Classics* helps one master the major texts of human thought.

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"Translation, in one form or another, has been present in all major exchanges between cultures in history. Japan is no exception, and it is part of the standard narrative of Japanese history that translation has played a formative role in the development of indigenous legal and religious systems as well as literature, from early contact with China to the present-day impact of world literatures in Japanese translation. Yet translation is by no means a mainstream area of study for historians of Japan and there are no monograph-length overviews of the history of pre-modern Japanese translation available in any language"--
Essays in Idleness Columbia University Press

Yearning for a life of leisure? In 24 chapters representing each hour of a typical working day, this book will coax out the loafer in even the most diligent and schedule-obsessed worker. From the founding editor of the celebrated magazine about the freedom and fine art of doing nothing, *The Idler*, comes not

simply a book, but an antidote to our work-obsessed culture. In *How to Be Idle*, Hodgkinson presents his learned yet whimsical argument for a new, universal standard of living: being happy doing nothing. He covers a whole spectrum of issues affecting the modern idler—sleep, work, pleasure, relationships—bemoaning the cultural skepticism of idleness while reflecting on the writing of such famous apologists for it as Oscar Wilde, Robert Louis Stevenson, Dr. Johnson, and Nietzsche—all of whom have admitted to doing their very best work in bed. It's a well-known fact that Europeans spend fewer hours at work a week than Americans. So it's only befitting that one of them—the very clever, extremely engaging, and quite hilarious Tom Hodgkinson—should have the wittiest and most useful insights into the fun and nature of being idle. Following on the quirky, call-to-arms heels of the bestselling *Eat, Shoots and Leaves: The Zero Tolerance Approach to Punctuation* by Lynne Truss, *How to Be Idle* rallies us to an equally just and no less worthy cause: reclaiming our right to be idle.

The Tsurezuregusa of Kenkō

Shanghai Press

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Essays in Idleness *Essays in Idleness* The *Tsurezuregusa of Kenkō* Embrace tranquil simplicity, rustic elegance, and imperfect beauty. Diane Durston's meditation on the Japanese philosophy of wabi sabi will inspire you to focus on the blessings hiding in your daily life. Celebrating the way things are

rather than how they should be, Durston encourages you to bask in the subtle joys of the natural world and cultivate an appreciation for everyday objects. Step back from the hectic modern world and find enjoyment and gratitude as you explore the ancient and powerful concepts of wabi sabi.

Modernity, National Identity, and Japanese Literature

SUNY Press

The *Cambridge History of Japanese Literature* provides, for the first time, a history of Japanese literature with comprehensive coverage of the premodern and modern eras in a single volume. The book is arranged topically in a series of short, accessible chapters for easy access and reference, giving insight into both canonical texts and many lesser known, popular genres, from centuries-old folk literature to the detective fiction of modern times. The various period introductions provide an overview of recurrent issues that span many decades, if not centuries. The book also places Japanese literature in a wider East Asian tradition of Sinitic writing and provides comprehensive coverage of women's literature as well as new popular literary forms, including manga (comic books). An extensive bibliography of works in English enables readers to continue to explore this rich tradition through translations and secondary reading.

How to Be Idle

Columbia University Press
This first Western language study of one of Japan's most popular writers includes translations of key passages, critical commentary, and full translations of three essays by Hayashi Fumiko.

The Tsurezuregusa of Kenkō Tuttle Publishing

Gathers two hundred poems by the twelfth-century Japanese poet, and

offers a brief introduction to his life and the traditions of Japanese court poetry [Formless in Form](#) Cambridge University Press

Shotetsu monogatari was written by a disciple of Shotetsu (1381-1459), whom many scholars regard as the last great poet of the courtly tradition. The work provides information about the practice of poetry during the 14th and 15th centuries, including anecdotes about famous poets, advice on how to treat certain standard topics, and lessons in etiquette when attending or participating in poetry contests and gatherings. But unlike the many other works of that time that stop at that level, Shotetsu's contributions to medieval aesthetics gained prominence, showing him as a

worthy heir—both as poet and thinker—to the legacy of the great poet-critic Fujiwara no Teika (1162-1241). The last project of the late Robert H. Brower, *Conversations with Shôtetsu* provides a translation of the complete *Nihon koten bungaku taikai* text, as edited by Hisamatsu Sen'ichi. Steven D. Carter has annotated the translation and provided an introduction that details Shôtetsu's life, his place in the poetic circles of his day, and the relationship of his work to the larger poetic tradition of medieval Japan. *Conversations with Shotetsu* is important reading for anyone interested in medieval Japanese literature and culture, in poetry, and in aesthetics. It provides a unique look at the literary world of late medieval Japan.

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