

New Book Alerts

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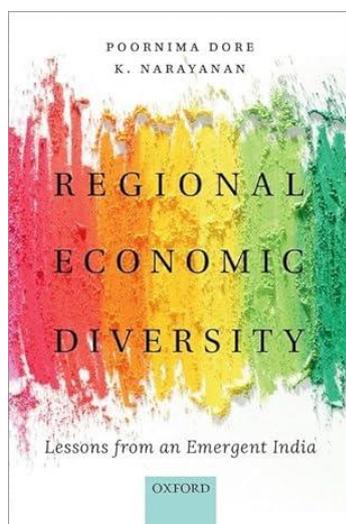
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1. Regional Economic Diversity/Poornima Dore



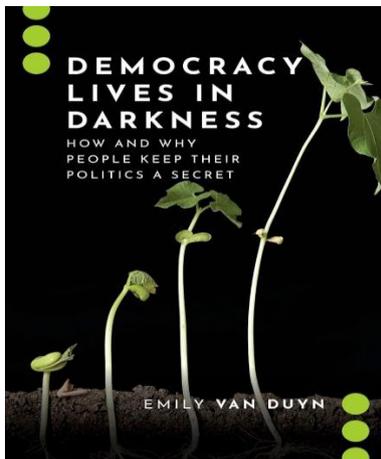
Take a deep dive into the regional economy of India to understand the big debates of our time – Is it wiser to develop specialized regional hubs or should they be diversified? Do high-growth regions within developing economies experience divergence or convergence? How do firms and households decide where to be located? Are there ways to make sense of regional patterns in the absence of granular data on output and skilling? This book explores such questions that lie at the core of decisions taken by business leaders, investors, multilaterals and policymakers in order to be future ready. It uses evidence to underscore that a vibrant regional economy is the backbone of progress. Several key issues namely financial inclusion, digital access, job creation, boosting cities as engines of growth and so on, depend upon the regional economy's ability to attract industry and respond to policy stimuli. The authors give a counter-intuitive twist to public datasets, and analyses markers of regional advancement. They provide invaluable insights and lessons that can fuel growth plans across countries and sectors.

Pub: Oxford University Press

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2. Democracy Lives in Darkness/Emily Van Duyn



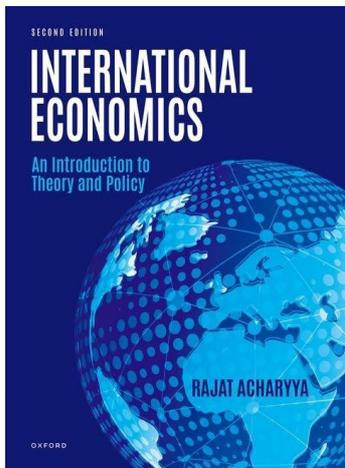
Democracy Lives in Darkness, Emily Van Duyn looks at how these changes in the political and media landscape affect democracy. Van Duyn discovers and follows a secret political organization of progressive women in a conservative community in rural Texas. Its members, a mixture of real estate agents, school teachers, business owners, and retired grandmothers, met in secret to protect themselves from social, economic, and even physical retaliation by their conservative neighbours, friends, and family. They discussed immigrant rights, women's reproductive rights, racism, and intolerance of those of different racial/ethnic and cultural backgrounds in their community. *Democracy Lives in Darkness* is about this group: their daily lives, their choices, and ultimately, their incubation. But it is also about what led them to meet in secret--the political prejudice and hostility that marginalizes and makes people afraid, and the growing political, social, and geographic cleavages that now make even mainstream dissent dangerous.

Pub: Oxford University Press

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3. International Economics /Rajat Acharya



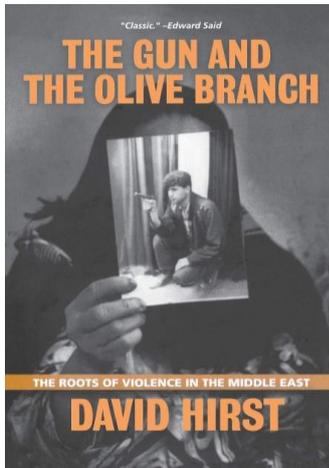
- Detailed discussions of global value chains and virtual trade in intermediate services driven by time zone differences of countries.
- Inclusions on intra-industry Trade: factor endowment and trade in vertically differentiated goods, and firm heterogeneity and export decision.
- Lessons learnt from financial crises in the developing world, and most significantly, occurring under overvalued pegged (or crawling peg) exchange rate regimes with or without capital and exchange controls.

Pub: Oxford University Press

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4. The Gun and the Olive Branch/David Hirst



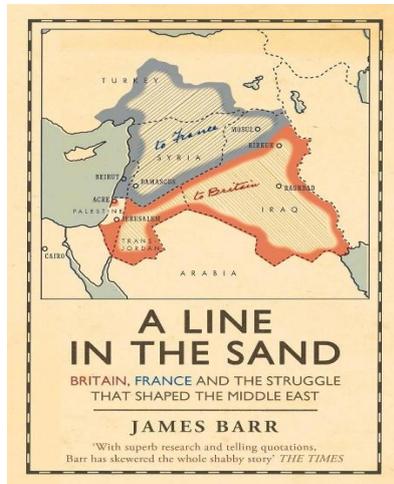
More than a decade before Israel's New Historians revolutionized the study of Israeli history, English journalist David Hirst wrote *The Gun and the Olive Branch*, a classic, myth-breaking general history of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Hirst, former Middle East correspondent of the *Guardian*, traces the origins of the terrible conflict back to the 1880s to show how Arab violence, although often cruel and fanatical, is a response to the challenge of repeated aggression. *The Gun and the Olive Branch* is an absorbing, potentially controversial, history of the Middle Eastern conflict that is indispensable to anyone with an interest in world politics and by partisans of both sides. This classic and controversial account of the origins of the Middle East conflict returns to print updated with a lengthy introduction that reflects on the course of recent Middle Eastern history, especially the abortive Israeli-Palestinian peace process and 9/11.

Pub: Thunder's Mouth Press

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5. A Line In The Sand/James Barr



In 1916, in the middle of the First World War, two men secretly agreed to divide the Middle East between them. Sir Mark Sykes was a visionary politician; François Georges-Picot a diplomat with a grudge. They drew a line in the sand from the Mediterranean to the Persian frontier, and together remade the map of the Middle East, with Britain's 'mandates' of Palestine, Transjordan and Iraq, and France's in Lebanon and Syria.

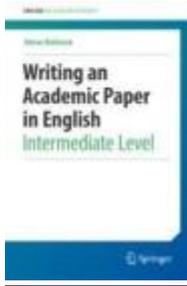
Over the next thirty years a **sordid tale of violence and clandestine political maneuvering unfolded**, told here through a stellar cast of politicians, diplomats, spies and soldiers, including **T.E. Lawrence, Winston Churchill and Charles de Gaulle**. Using declassified papers from the British and French archives, James Barr vividly depicts the covert, deadly war of intrigue and espionage between Britain and France to rule the Middle East, and reveals the shocking way in which the French finally got their revenge.

Pub: Simon & Schuster

Accession No: 157990

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6. Writing an Academic Paper in English/Adrian Wallwork



This book is for university students, with at least a mid-intermediate level of English.

It can be used as part of an English for Academic Purposes (EAP) course, either alone or with the companion volume Giving an Academic Presentation in English.

The chapters are independent so that EAP teachers and students can choose those sections that best fit their needs. This means that a course can range from a minimum of 20 hours, up to 60 hours or more.

There is an introductory chapter that includes what role academics play in today's world, where success is not just measured in terms of paper output but also involvement in interdisciplinary projects and supporting society at large.

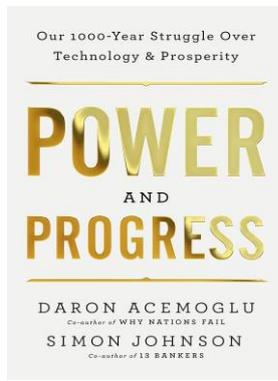
Each chapter covers a particular section of a paper (Abstract, Introduction, Methods etc) and begins with a discussion exercise on what the exact purpose of each section is. This purpose is also highlighted by comparisons with non-academic situations where similar skills are required. There are many examples and templates – none of which are lengthy or complex - but which are designed to highlight key points.

Pub: Springer

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7. Power and Progress: Our Thousand-Year Struggle Over Technology and Prosperity/Daron Acemoglu



A thousand years of history and contemporary evidence make one thing clear: progress depends on the choices we make about technology. New ways of organizing production and communication can either serve the narrow interests of an elite or become the foundation for widespread prosperity.

The wealth generated by technological improvements in agriculture during the European Middle Ages was captured by the nobility and used to build grand cathedrals, while peasants remained on the edge of starvation. The first hundred years of industrialization in England delivered stagnant incomes for working people. And throughout the world today, digital technologies and artificial intelligence undermine jobs and democracy through excessive automation, massive data collection, and intrusive surveillance.

With their bold reinterpretation of economics and history, Daron Acemoglu and Simon Johnson fundamentally change how we see the world, providing the vision needed to redirect innovation so it again benefits most people

Pub: Basic Books

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