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The Complete Idiot's Guide to Celtic Wisdom

The study of children's literature is not just about children and the books said to be for them; it is also about the societies and cultures from which the literature comes, and it is about the assumptions and ideas we hold about children and childhood. For adults, reading children's literature is ultimately both an act of nostalgia and of self-examination. When we consider children's literature, we must include ourselves in the equation: What kinds of readers are we? How do we relate to books and stories? To what degree should we impose our experience upon others? Reading children's literature actively can lead to all kinds of remarkable (and sometimes unsettling) revelations about ourselves and our society.” — from the Introduction

Considering Children's Literature is a collection of previously published essays on a variety of topics that inform the study of children's literature. Exploring issues such as censorship, the canon, the meanings of fairy tales, and the adaptation of children's literature into film, the essays in this anthology are as diverse as they are illuminating. Along with authors like Natalie Babbitt and Margaret Mahy, teachers, scholars, and publishers of children's books are also contributors. Accessible and comprehensive, this book will appeal to anyone interested in children's literature.

The Shamanic Odyssey

An exploration into the beliefs and origins of the Druids, this book examines the role the Druids may have played in the story of King Arthur and the founding of Britain. It explains how the Druids originated in eastern Europe around 850 B.C., bringing to early Britain a cult of an underworld deity, a belief in reincarnation, and a keen interest in astronomy. The work concludes that Arthur was originally a Druid cult figure and that the descendants of the Druids may have founded the Anglo-Saxon kingdom of Wessex. The research draws upon a number of sources, including medieval Welsh tales, the archaeology of Stonehenge's Salisbury Plain, the legends surrounding the founding of Britain, the cult of the Thracian Horseman, the oracle of Dodona, popular Arthurian mythology, and the basic principles of prehistoric astronomy.

A Century of Welsh Myth in Children's Literature

Describes and analyses versions of the ancient Celtic myths adapted for children such as Sidney Lanier's The boy's Mabinogion, and others

Folk-lore of West and Mid-Wales

Here are 80 articles on mythologies from around the world, including Native Americans, African, Celtic, Norse, and Slavic, and about such topics as fire, the cosmos, and creation. Also includes an overview of the Indo-Europeans and an essay on the religions and myths of Armenia. Illustrations.

Medieval Mysteries

Journey into twelve of the world's favorite medieval mysteries and cross the threshold into the world of the High Middle Ages. From Chaucer's 'Canterbury Tales' to Umberto Eco's 'Name of the Rose' to Dan Brown's bestselling 'The Da Vinci Code,' the medieval period continues to intrigue, inspire, entertain and fascinate many today. For the general reader and specialist alike, medieval expert, former Rosslyn Chapel museum exhibition curator and bestselling author Dr. Karen Ralls guides the reader through the key historical facts, legends and lore, affiliated places and major symbolism of each of these 12 popular medieval enigmas, providing a lively introductory portal which includes some of the lesser-known, sidelined or unacknowledged aspects of each of these enduring topics. The story of each subject comes alive as never before, providing a solid introduction for all readers as well as further suggested resources for teachers and researchers. Also included are photographs, a recommended reading section, maps, a list of the key major sites associated with each topic, and a full Bibliography. Topics covered include: King Arthur, Merlin and Glastonbury; The Grail Quest Mary Magdalene; The real meaning of Black Madonnas; The Knights Templar, the Cathers, and Rosslyn Chapel; Medieval Guides and Troubadours; Heresy and Heretics.

Let this book serve as your personal pilgrimage back to the High Middle Ages - a time of potent symbolism, occult knowledge, and spiritual quests.
**Pedeir Keinc Y Mabinogi**

**The World of King Arthur and His Court**

The story of the eventful and controversial life of Margery Kempe - wife, mother, businesswoman, pilgrim and visionary - is the earliest surviving autobiography in English. Here Kempe (c.1373-c.1440) recounts in vivid, unembarrassed detail the madness that followed the birth of the first of her fourteen children, the failure of her brewery business, her dramatic call to the spiritual life, her visions and uncontrollable tears, the struggle to convert her husband to a vow of chastity and her pilgrimages to Europe and the Holy Land. Margery Kempe could not read or write, and dictated her remarkable story late in life. It remains an extraordinary record of human faith and a portrait of a medieval woman of unforgettable character and courage.

**Celtic Culture: A-Celti**

A comprehensive look at Irish, Scottish, Welsh and continental Celtic traditions, both Pagan and Christian, this guide includes the Celtic approach to shamanism, fairies, Wicca, neopaganism, magic and Druidism. It draws a map for today's Celtic quest, with the way of the pilgrim, honor of one's ancestors and the language and culture. Exploring the Celtic universe-gods and goddesses, mythic heroes and warriors, wonderworkers, underworlds, and otherworlds - this manual also covers legends such as King Arthur, Merlin, and the Quest for the Holy Grail.

**Bibliography of Wales**

"These four volumes cover 791 books or series, 238 of them published during the 1980s and 1990s. the entries are 1,000 words long for single books and 1,500 for series, with a one-sentence summary beginning each entry followed by bibliographical information Volume 4 contains an extensive bibliography of critical works on science fiction and fantasy, a list of major award winners, a genre index." Booklist.

**The Four Branches of The Mabinogi**

The most comprehensive reference resource on Celtic culture; an encyclopedia written by and for scholars, yet accessible to all. This encyclopedia covers the entirety of the Celtic world, both through time and across geography. Although emphasizing the areas where Celtic languages and traditions survive into the present, the work does not slight the reaches of the Celtic empire, which was the largest language and cultural group on earth prior to the rise of Rome. In some 1,500 articles, many representing original research by the finest Celtic scholars, the work covers the Celts from prehistory to the present, giving comprehensive treatment to all topics from myth to music, religion to rulers, literature to language, government to games, and all topics in between. Entry into the rich world of Celtic scholarship has been difficult: The available information must be teased out of dense scholarly tomes or lightweight books emphasizing such popular elements of Celtic tradition as wee people, Druids, and blue-painted pagans. While this work treats those topics within its broad scope, the information is presented as scholarship, without the pop patina. 1,500 A-Z entries cover every aspect of Celtic life, from prehistory to the present, with bibliographic references for further reading Original articles by the world's finest Celtic scholars A comprehensive bibliography of 7,000+ items including both original sources and the most important and up-to-date modern discussions 200 drawings and illustrations A quick-reference and glossary containing 10,000 entries

**Considering Children's Literature**

A breathtaking reimagining of the Russian fairy tale of Baba Yaga, The House with Chicken Legs is the award-winning, spellbinding story of one girl's adventure to find her destiny. Shortlisted for the Blue Peter Book Awards Shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize Shortlisted for the CILIP Carnegie Medal Shortlisted for Children's Fiction Book of the Year at the British Book Awards Shortlisted for the Branford Boase Award Marinka dreams of a normal life, where her house stays in one place long enough for her to make friends. But her house has chicken legs and moves on without warning. For Marinka's grandmother is Baba Yaga, who guides spirits between this world and the next. Marinka longs to change her destiny and sets out to break free from her grandmother's footsteps, but her house has other ideas "Enticing, a little bit dangerous, and thrumming with possibilities." Kiran Millwood Hargrave "A magical tale a captivating and original retelling of a traditional story straight out of folklore. Beautiful escapism.” Sunday Express

**Reference Guide to World Literature**

**American, African, and Old European Mythologies**

Winner of the Jhalak Prize 'A revelation' Owen Jones 'Afropean seizes the blur of contradictions that have obscured Europe's relationship with blackness and paints it into something new, confident and lyrical' Afua Hirsch A Guardian, New Statesman and BBC History Magazine Best Book of 2019 'Afropean. Here was a space where blackness was taking part in shaping European identity A continent of Algerian flea markets, Surinamese shamanism, German Reggae and Moorish castles. Yes, all this was part of Europe too With my brown skin and my British passport - still a ticket into mainland Europe at the time of
writing - I set out in search of the Afropeans, on a cold October morning.’ Afropean is an on-the-ground documentary of areas where Europeans of African descent are juggling their multiple allegiances and forging new identities. Here is an alternative map of the continent, taking the reader to places like Cova Da Moura, the Cape Verdean shantytown on the outskirts of Lisbon with its own underground economy, and Rinkeby, the area of Stockholm that is eighty per cent Muslim. Johny Pitts visits the former Patrice Lumumba University in Moscow, where West African students are still making the most of Cold War ties with the USSR, and Clichy Sous Bois in Paris, which gave birth to the 2005 riots, all the while presenting Afropeans as lead actors in their own story.

**Memory Book**

Overviews of writers and works from the ancient Greeks through the 20th century, written by subject experts. Each author entry provides a detailed overview of the writer's life and works. Work entries cover a particular piece of world literature in detail.

**The Crying Ghost**

The four stories that make up the Mabinogi, along with three additional tales from the same tradition, form this collection and compose the core of the ancient Welsh mythological cycle. Included are only those stories that have remained unadulterated by the influence of the French Arthurian romances, providing a rare, authentic selection of the finest works in medieval Celtic literature. This landmark edition translated by Patrick K. Ford is a literary achievement of the highest order.

**From the Cauldron Born**

**A Bibliographical Guide to Twenty-four Modern Anglo-Welsh Writers**

Discusses the literary, musical, and film versions of the story of King Arthur and surveys the characters, themes, and history of the Arthur legend

**Sir Orfeo.**

**The Book of Margery Kempe**

Like a gathering of flowers from hedge and field, or a cloak made of owl feathers, Blodeuwedd is a figure of great complexity. She is both Flower Maiden and Owl of Wisdom unfaithful wife and representative of Sovereignty fallen woman and feminist heroine medieval cautionary tale and reclaimed divinity. Yet, for all of these seeming inconstancies, the key to understanding Blodeuwedd is being able to see her as a whole. Bringing together strands of Celtic lore, Welsh literature, British folk practice, and modern devotion, Celticist Jhenah Telyndru weaves a solid foundation from which scholars and seekers alike can come into deeper relationship with this oft-misunderstood figure. Ultimately, this journey to reclaim Blodeuwedd's identity - a Sovereignty Goddess who ensured the cycle of the seasons by choosing, in turn, to partner with the Solar Hero of Summer and the Otherworldly Champion of Winter - reveals a transformational mythic pathway that can also guide us in the reclamation of our own sovereignty.

**Contemporary Paganism**

**The Arthurian Encyclopedia**

The focus of this book is medieval vernacular literature in Western Europe. Chapters are written by experts in the area and present the current scholarship at the time this book was originally published in 1996. Each chapter has a bibliography of important works in that area as well. This is a thorough and reliable guide to trends in research on medieval Arthuriana.

**Celtic Culture**

The Pagan tradition celebrates the physical nature of life on earth, blending science with spiritual folklore. Considering the everyday world of food, health, sex, work, and leisure to be sacred, Pagans oppose that which threatens life such as deforestation, overdevelopment, and nuclear power and invoke ancient deities in this struggle for the well-being of the earth and its inhabitants. Contemporary Paganism presents a broad-based introduction to the main trends of contemporary Paganism, revealing the origins and practical aspects of Druidry, Witchcraft, Goddess Spirituality and Magic, Shamanism, and Geomancy, among others. Making use of both traditional history and the movement's more imaginative sources, Harvey reveals how Paganism and its central focus on individual and social lives is evolving and how this "new religion" perceives and relates to more traditional ones. This updated and expanded new edition addresses recent developments among Pagans and includes a new chapter assessing continuing scholarly research about the religion.
**Cart And Cwidder**

Clemen and his family make their living as travelling musicians. A danger deepens around them, Moril is chosen to receive the mysterious musical instrument - the ancient cwidder.

**The Mabinogi in Children's Literature**

Reveals how the ancient Celtic text of the Mabinogi was the mythical predecessor to the legends of King Arthur. • Revised edition of Arthur and the Sovereignty of Britain (UK) that includes the author's latest research and insights. • A comprehensive reader’s companion with synopsis of stories and full commentary. • Written by renowned scholar Caitlin Matthews, author of The Celtic Wisdom Tarot (15,000 sold). The ancient Celtic stories of the Mabinogion have received universal recognition from scholars as both sources of the Arthurian legend and keys to insights into the ancient magic of the Celtic Otherworld. Now renowned Celtic scholar Caitlin Matthews, drawing on a full range of medieval texts and ancient Welsh writings, provides a fully revised and updated reader’s guide to these rich and far-reaching tales. In King Arthur and the Goddess of the Land, Matthews sheds particular light on Sovereignty, the Goddess of the sacred land of Britain, and the spiritual principle of the Divine Feminine. Clearly revealed are the many alternate forms taken by the Goddess of the Land— including her incarnation as Morgan of Avalon, who plays a dominant role in the Arthurian cycle. Also established are links between the legendary characters of the Mabinogion and their counterparts in other living myths of the Western world. Through the marriage of the Celtic kings to the Goddess of the Land, the sacred contract between political rulership and responsibility for the land’s well-being is dramatically revealed. In King Arthur and the Goddess of the Land, Matthews once again articulates definitively the continuing relevance of ancient Celtic thought and belief as illustrated in the powerful myths and legends of ancient Britain.

**The Girl Who Speaks Bear**

This exhilarating exploration provides authentic textual background to a complex mythology about nine of the women in Arthurian legend. In addition, there are guided visualizations for each of the Ladies, which will open pathways to readers on their own personal quest.

**Afropean**

**Medieval Arthurian Literature**

Introduces the world of the Celts, their gods and goddesses, heroes, monsters and villains. As well as vividly exploring the tales, the author brings her expertise in the archaeology of the Iron Age and particularly shamanism to bear on the mythical worlds she describes, with evidence as diverse as the Gundestrup Cauldron and the famous bog bodies. Starting with a discussion of how myths are transmitted and by whom, the author continues with an account of the Irish and Welsh myths and their key actors and motifs, before moving on to consider themes such as heroes, animals, women, environment and the Otherworld. Finally, the author asks how the myths survived the Christianization of Europe and looks at the influence of monastic chronicles on the tales, which they preserved and adapted. Includes more than 80 illustrations.

**Utopia**

Reveals the striking parallels between indigenous cultures of the Americas and the ancient Homeric world as well as Tolkien's Middle Earth • Explores the shamanic use of healing songs, psychoactive plants, and vision quests at the heart of the Odyssey and the fantasy works of J. R. R. Tolkien • Examines Odysseus's encounters with plant divinities, altered consciousness, animal shapeshifting, and sacred topography— all concepts vital to shamanism • Reveals how the Odyssey emerged precisely at the rupture between modern and primal consciousness Indigenous, shamanic ways of healing and prophecy are not foreign to the West. The native way of viewing the world— that is, understanding our cosmos as living, sentient, and interconnected— can be found hidden throughout Western literature, beginning with the very origin of the European literary tradition: Homer's Odyssey. Weaving together the narrative traditions of the ancient Greeks and Celts, the mythopoetic work of J. R. R. Tolkien, and the voices of plant medicine healers in North and South America, the authors explore the use of healing songs, psychoactive plants, and vision quests at the heart of the Odyssey, The Lord of the Rings trilogy, and Tolkien's final novella, Smith of Wootton Major. The authors examine Odysseus's encounters with plant divinities, altered consciousness, animal shapeshifting, and sacred topography— all concepts vital to shamanism. They show the deep affinities between the healing powers of ancient bardic song and the icaros of the shamans of the Amazon rain forest, how Odysseus's battle with Circe— wielder of narcotic plants and Mistress of Animals— follows the traditional method of negotiating with a plant ally, and how Odysseus's journey to the land of the dead signifies the universal practice of the vision quest, a key part of shamanic initiation. Emerging precisely at the rupture between modern and primal consciousness, Homer’s work represents a window into the lost native mind of the Western world. In this way, the Odyssey as well as Tolkien's work can be seen as an awakening and healing song to return us to our native minds and bring our disconnected souls back into harmony with the living cosmos.

**The Lore of the Bard**

Set in a primal past, the Mabinogi bridges many genres; it is part pre-Christian myth, part fairytale, part guide to how nobles...
should act, and part dramatization of political and social issues. This edition of what has become a canonical text provides a highly engaging new translation of the work, an informative introduction, and a set of background contextual materials that help place the Mabinogi in the context of medieval Welsh history and culture.

**Pagan Portals - Blodeuwedd**

Inspirational Journal - Collie Dog Vintage Notebook to Write in for Journals Notebooks for Dog Lovers Notebook Diary for Women and Girls. Creatively express your thoughts and ideas Preserve your memories Functional and convenient size Memory journal measures 6x9 Diary notebook 126 lined writing pages perfect for jotting down notes, poems, personal reflection Preserve memories, poems, or sketches Perfect Christmas gift for dog lovers Beautiful vintage Collie dog inspiration Perfect birthday gift idea Perfect Mother's day gift idea

**The Mabinogi and Other Medieval Welsh Tales**

The only book available on the complete practice of the Celtic bard, this title is designed for anyone drawn to the enchantment of Celtic music, myth, and poetry.

**Magill's Guide to Science Fiction and Fantasy Literature: Dream**

Surveys the known history of King Arthur, the legends and lore surrounding him, his treatment in literature, and the possible historical background of his associates and stories.

**The Celtic Myths**

A story about a sad ghost and the friends who help him. Artwork and story to help children understand compassion, caring, and true helpfulness.

**Studies on the Legend of the Holy Grail**

The Druids and King Arthur

The tale of Taliesin and the magical cauldron of Cerridwen speaks from the heart of the Celtic Pagan tradition. In From the Cauldron Born, you are invited not only to read the story but to live it. You are invited to resonate with the magic of the witch mother Cerridwen and her cauldron of inspiration. You are invited to become Taliesin, the prophetic spirit with the radiant
brow. You are invited to awaken to a lucidity of spirit born from the archetypes of sacred myth. Join Kristoffer Hughes on a yearlong journey of rituals based on one of Wales’s most profound legends. With deeply transformative exercises and lyrical wisdom, you will experience beauty and knowledge, imagination and creation as never before. Praise: “If you are captivated by the exploration of Welsh and Celtic myth, Kristoffer Hughes’s in-depth, scholarly work belongs on your bookshelf.”—Ellen Dugan, author of Seasons of Witchery “In this book, Kris Hughes takes up his Druid’s staff and guides us through the winding paths of the tale of Taliesin with insight, learning, and inspiration so that we too may drink the magical brew in the cauldron of Cerridwen and emerge transformed.”—Anna Franklin, author of The Sacred Circle Tarot

**Avalon Within**

This is the most detailed guide in existence to a significant portion of the now extensive English-language literature of Wales. Two dozen major writers, who are generally associated with the Anglo-Welsh literary renaissance, are covered here. Some, like Dylan Thomas, are internationally known figures who have been the subject of bibliographies: in these cases the treatment here is the most up-to-date and comprehensive yet published. Others, less well-known outside Wales, are given full bibliographical treatment for the first time. The volume will therefore be indispensable to students and teachers of literature in English at all levels. The bibliography lists publications by and about each chosen writer. Primary sections record the writer’s monographic output - in all editions and translations - as well as uncollected contributions to books, periodicals and newspapers. Secondary lists include critical and biographical studies of each writer: independent monographs, sections of books, periodical essays and academic theses. Two important sections preface the individual author bibliographies, one covering anthologies of Anglo-Welsh poetry and prose, the other a range of general critical and background studies. In all, this bibliography, with close on 6,000 selectively annotated entries, provides an indispensable reference guide to a developing area of literary and cultural research.

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