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Economics

Change of China's development Models at the Crossroads / Chi Fulin (Chief Editor)
Beijing: China Intercontinental Press, 2010
408p. ; 23cm.
ISBN-13: 9787508519807
\$ 29.50 / PB
616 gm.
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Contemporary Logistics in China : An Introduction / Binglian Liu, Shao-ju Lee, Zhilun Jiao & Ling Wang (Editors)
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2012
xxv. 225p. ; 23cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814365888
\$95.00 / HB
580 gm.

With rapid development of China's economy in the past decades, there arises a great demand for a comprehensive report concerning the state of logistics development in China. Yet to date, only brief, fragmented writings in English exist. "Contemporary Logistics in China: An Introduction" is the first systematic, objective and authoritative publication based on the work of experienced researchers from the Logistics Research Center at Nankai University.

This book contains both a panoramic overview of logistics developments in China to afford a broad understanding, as well as specific, in-depth analyses of various logistics sectors, enterprises, policies, and current issues in China. Readers will find this book a valuable reference of relevant and well-founded information on logistics developments in China.
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Handbook of Contemporary China / William S Tay & Alvin Y So (Editors)
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2012
viii. 457p. ; 25cm.
ISBN-13: 9789814350082
\$138.00 / HB
922 gm.

Handbook of Contemporary China is a convenient reference in one single volume that offers comprehensive overviews of crucial cultural dimensions and key institutions of China. The Handbook covers a wide range of topics including: development model, politics, society,

law, population, ethnicity, foreign relations, environment, urbanization, higher education, religion, literature, cinema, leisure and consumption, and internet and society. It is the first of its kind in the field of China Studies that traces the historical evolutions and profound transformations over the last three decades that ultimately allow China to achieve global ascendance. Offering a multi-disciplinary and multi-faceted coverage of the seachanges of the Chinese reform, the Handbook is lucidly written and concisely presented to serve as a handy guide for both professionals and the general public to gain a quick and reliable understanding of the complexities of China.

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China as a Leader of the World Economy / Gregory C Chow
Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., 2012
viii. 223p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789814368797

1. International economic relations
2. China-Economic conditions – 2000-
3. China – Economic policy – 2000-
4. China – Foreign economic relations

\$ 54.00 / HB

536 gm.

After the 1978 Economic Reform, China's economic development has been on a fast track ever since. Later on, the successful accession into the WTO in 2001 accelerated China's economic transformation and made it more integrated with the world. Today, as the second-largest economy in the world, China has earned herself a leading role on the world stage beyond dispute. This book provides readers with answers to why and how China functions as a leader in the world economy.

This book surveys China's economy in four parts — economic institutions, economic problems, economic policies and economic analyses. It is based on the author's latest findings from his scholarly research on China's economy, his involvement with China's economic reform and development, and his personal contacts with Chinese academics, entrepreneurs, government officials and ordinary citizens for over thirty years. The book is written in a style accessible to the general readers, since most chapters are based on articles published in three major Chinese newspapers, of which the author is a columnist. It can also serve as a reference book for professionals, an authoritative guide for general readers and a supplementary text for university students. The author uses it as a supplementary text for his course on the Chinese economy at Princeton University.

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Education

Learning and Teaching in the Chinese Classroom : Responding to Individual Needs / Shane N. Phillipson & Bick-har Lam

Aberdeen, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2011

xx. 393p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789888083428

\$ 30.00 / PB

600 gm.

Learning and Teaching in the Chinese Classroom provides an essential starting point for understanding the contexts of learning and teaching in the Chinese classroom. Drawing upon recent research in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore and China, this book aims to bridge

the gap between traditional texts on educational psychology and the unique nature of the Chinese learner and their teacher. It draws on recent research to illustrate the application of these theories, thereby helping teachers and students in teacher education programmes understand the variability in student achievement.

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Independent Language Learning : Building on Experience, Seeking New Perspectives / Bruce Morrison (Editor)

Aberdeen, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2011

viii. 190p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789888083657

\$ 24.00 / PB

308 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=136468>

Environment

The Wild Orchids of Hong Kong / Gloria Barretto, Phillip Cribb & Stephan Gale

Kota Kinabalu: Natural History Publications (Borneo), 2011

xvii. 697p. ; 26cm.

ISBN-13: 9789838121361

\$ 110.00 / HB

2410 gm.

The cultivation and medicinal use of orchids are Chinese traditions that date back millennia, but scientific documentation of southeast China's native orchids commenced with the establishment of European trade bases at Macau in the 16th Century and at Guangzhou in the 18th Century. João de Loureiro, a Portuguese missionary, collected *Pecteilis susannae* and *Spiranthes sinensis* during his visit to these enclaves from 1779–1782 and John Damper Parks, a collector for the Horticultural Society of London, sent back specimens of *Coelogyne fimbriata* and *Robiquetia succisa* from the region in the 1820s. The earliest survey of orchids on Hong Kong Island is attributed to Dr. Clarke Abel, naturalist aboard HMS Alceste during Lord Amherst's ill-fated diplomatic mission to the court of the Qing Dynasty in 1816, when he botanised the lower slopes of what was to become known as Mt. Victoria. The island was formally ceded to the United Kingdom following the Treaty of Nanking in 1842, and the Kowloon Peninsula and the New Territories were added to the colony in 1860 and 1898 respectively.

A century of exploration ensued: over 40 new orchids were named from plants collected within the territory, and even in the short period that has elapsed since its return to Chinese rule, Hong Kong's narrow valleys and precipitous summits have continued to yield novelties. *Collabium chinense* and *Vanilla shenzhenica* were added to the list of native orchids as recently as 1998. In total, 126 species and varieties representing all five orchid subfamilies have been recorded from Hong Kong, a staggering figure given its diminutive size. Hong Kong's landscape has changed dramatically throughout its history, and emphasis is increasingly placed on developing an understanding of the plants' ecology in order to ensure their persistence for future generations. This book provides descriptions and discusses the discovery of all the native species, and the conservation status of each is assessed. Every species is illustrated with a line drawing, and almost all are depicted in photographs taken in Hong Kong.

This book brings to fruition the work of lifelong Hong Kong resident and countrywoman Gloria Barretto (1916–2007). Gloria acquired her knowledge of botany and orchid taxonomy

under the informal tuition of Professor Shiu-ying Hu, and worked at Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden from 1971 until 2003. Every evening after work, she crouched over her microscope, utilising makeshift dissecting equipment, working with her collection of books, reams of data, photographs and notes, and, guided by her international network of experts, produced draft descriptions for the orchids of Hong Kong. It was always her intention that this would lead to the publication of a comprehensive account of all the native orchids, a task left to her co-authors and an aspiration now realized posthumously.

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History

Merchants of Canton and Macao : Politics and Strategies in Eighteenth-Century Chinese Trade / Paul A. Van Dyke

Aberdeen, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2011

xxxii. 545p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789888028917

\$ 80.00 / HB

1280 gm.

This landmark study of Canton and Macao merchants advances our understanding of the rise and development of international commercial networks. The eighteenth century was a transitional period in world trade when large monopolistic companies gradually lost ground to more efficiently operated private enterprises. The China trade was one of the catalysts propelling this transformation and it is crucial to a better understanding of how and why these changes took place. This study presents much new information about the Canton and Macao merchants and provides fresh insights into the role China played in the rise of global economies.

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China in Revolution : The Road to 1911 / Liu Heung Shing

Aberdeen, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2011

415p. ; 34cm.

ISBN-13: 97898888139507

\$ 100.00 / HB

2470 gm.

China in Revolution assembles a remarkable survey of historical photographs from leading collections around the world. The images stretch from the Second Opium War to the Boxer Rebellion and wars with Russia and Japan, the outbreak of revolution, through the rise and fall of Yuan Shikai and the ensuing warlord era.

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Narratives of Free Trade: The Commercial Cultures of Early US-China Relations / Edited by Kendall Johnson

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2011

272p. 37 Color or B/w Illus.

97898888083541

Global Connections

\$ 25.00

500gms

This collection of essays discusses the first commercial encounters between a China on the verge of social transformation and a fledgling United States struggling to assert itself

globally as a distinct nation after the Revolutionary War with Great Britain. In early accounts of these encounters, commercial activity enabled cross-cultural curiosity, communication and even mutual respect. But it also involved confrontation as ambitious American traders pursued lucrative opportunities, often embracing British-style imperialism in the name of "free trade."

The book begins in the 1780s with the arrival in Canton of the very first American ship The Empress of China and moves through the nineteenth century, with Caleb Cushing negotiating the Treaty of Wangxia in Macao after the First Opium War and, at the century's close, Secretary of State John Hay forging the Open Door Policy (1899). Considering Sino-American relations in their broader context, the nine essays are attuned to the activities of competing European traders, especially the British, in Canton, Macao, and the Pearl River Delta.

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Escape from Hong Kong: Admiral Chan Chak's Christmas Day Dash, 1941 / Tim Luard
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2011
384p.; 23cm.
68 b/w illus.
9789888083763
Royal Asiatic Society Hong Kong Studies Series
\$ 38.00
720gm

On 25 December 1941, the day of Hong Kong's surrender to the Japanese, Admiral Chan Chak – the Chinese government's chief agent in Hong Kong – and more than 60 Chinese, British and Danish intelligence, naval and marine personnel made a dramatic escape from the invading army. They travelled on five small motor torpedo boats – all that remained of the Royal Navy in Hong Kong – across Mirs Bay, landing at a beach near Nan'ao. Then, guided by guerrillas and villagers, they walked for four days through enemy lines to Huizhou, before flying to Chongqingor travelling by land to Burma. The breakout laid the foundations of an escape trail jointly used by the British Army Aid Group and the East River Column for the rest of the war. Chan Chak, the celebrated 'one-legged admiral', became Mayor of Canton after the war and was knighted by the British for his services to the Allied cause. His comrade in the escape, David MacDougall, became head of the civil administration of Hong Kong in 1945.

This gripping account of the escape draws on a wealth of primary sources in both English and Chinese and sheds new light on the role played by the Chinese in the defence of Hong Kong, on the diplomacy behind the escape, and on the guerillas who carried the Admiral in a sedan chair as they led his party over the rivers and mountains of enemy-occupied China.

Escape from Hong Kong will appeal not just to military and other historians and those with a special interest in Hong Kong and China but also to anyone who appreciates a good old-fashioned adventure story.

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Dictionary of Hong Kong Biography /Edited by May Holdsworth and Christopher Munn
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2011
544p.; 26cm.
371 illustrations
9789888083664
\$ 75.00
1600gm

The Dictionary of Hong Kong Biography collects in one volume more than 500 specially commissioned entries on men and women from Hong Kong history. Ninety contributors, including prominent academics, journalists and other experts, have written entries for the collection. The contents are arranged alphabetically and include some 370 illustrations in colour and black and white. The first of its kind for Hong Kong, the dictionary will be an enduring work of reference for scholars and researchers and a source of pleasure for the general reader.

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Linguistics

English in Asian Popular Culture / Edited by Jamie Shinhee Lee and Andrew Moody
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2011
288p.; 23cm.
9789888083572
Asian Englishes Today
\$ 25.00
534g

Linguistic research has dealt with culture as one of its main concerns, but popular culture has not been the main focus. Considering how readily available pop culture is across different speech communities and how routinely it is consumed by so many people on a daily basis, it is crucial for linguists to engage in systematic observation, description and interpretation of everyday cultural and linguistic practices so many participate in. English in Asian Popular Culture discusses this important, yet under-researched, sociolinguistic component of culture by looking at a region, which is still viewed as foreign or exotic 'other' in Western academic discourse. The volume features six domains of pop culture: music, TV, film, advertising, magazines, and the Internet, in a variety of speech communities in Asia including China, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, and the Philippines. While English functions differently from domain to domain and in different cultures, each demonstrates the bilingual creativity and linguistic innovation that has developed from the spread of English into Asia. In all the cases described within this volume, English comes to facilitate the development of a modern identity across progressive generation of Asians.

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Literature

The Changing Room / Zhai Yongming ; Translated from Chinese by Andrea Lingenfelter
Hong Kong : Chinese University Press, 2011

184p.; 21cm.

9789629964900

\$ 18.00

The JINTIAN [今天] series of contemporary literature features new and innovative writing from mainland China and abroad. Titles in the series are edited by Bei Dao, Lydia H. Liu, and Christopher Mattison.

A collaborative venture between Zephyr Press, the Jintian Literary Foundation, and The Chinese University Press, each bilingual title highlights the ever-changing literary culture of China while simultaneously expanding the English language with a wave of new voices in translation.

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Sociology

Cantonese Culture: Aspects of life in Modern Hong Kong and Southeast Asia / Shirley C.

Ingram & Rebecca S. Y. Ng

Revised 3rd Edition

Hong Kong: Asia 2000 Ltd., 2010

101p. ; 18cm.

ISBN-13: 9789627160373

\$ 14.50 / PB

84 gm.

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Conditional Spaces : Hong Kong Lesbian Desires and Everyday Life / Denise Tse-Shang Tang

Aberdeen, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2011

xiii. 194p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789888083022

\$ 25.00 / PB

318 gm.

Dense living conditions in Hong Kong do not provide much privacy for lesbians and other sexual minorities living with their families. As a result, lesbians often locate alternative spaces to develop support networks with other women. Others reject the notion of lesbian spaces and instead assert their visibility in different aspects of everyday life. Based on life history interviews with several dozen lesbians living in Hong Kong, this book maps the complex relations between personal subjectivities and spatialities as they emerge and interact with various social justice movements and alternative communities.

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Desiring Hong Kong, Consuming South China: Transborder Cultural Politics, 1970-2010 /
Eric Kit-wai Ma
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2011
220p. ; 23cm.
9789888083466
Hong Kong Culture and Society
\$ 25.00
413gm

Desiring Hong Kong, Consuming South China is a study of the complex and changing cultural patterns in Hong Kong's relationship with the neighbouring mainland. From interviews, TV dramas, media representations and other sources, Eric Ma traces the fading of Hong Kong's once-influential position as a role model for less-developed mainland cities and explores changing perceptions as China grows in confidence.

The first part (Desiring Hong Kong) examines the history of cross-border relations and movements from the 1970s, focusing on Hong Kong as an object of desire for people in South China. The second part (Consuming South China) moves to the turn of the century when, despite increased communications and a 'disappearing border', Hong Kong is no longer a powerful role model; it nevertheless continues to be an important link in the chain of global capitalism stretching across southern China.

The book will be of interest to scholars and students in cultural studies, political science, sociology and cultural geography.

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Culture & History in Postrevolutionary China: The Perspective of Global Modernity
/ Arif Dirlik
Hong Kong : Chinese University Press, 2011
356p.; 23cm.
9789629964740
\$ 52.00

The essays in this volume grew from a series of talks delivered in late 2010 as the Liang Qichao Memorial Lectures at the Academy of National Learning (Guoxue yuan) of Tsinghua University, Beijing.

Offering critical perspectives on a number of ideological issues that have figured prominently in Chinese intellectual discourse since the beginning of the so-called "reform and opening" (gaige kaifang) in the late 1970s, these essays range widely in subject matter, from Marxist historiography to sociology and anthropology in China to guoxue/national studies.

Together they are conceived as different windows into a basic problem: the deployment of culture and history in postrevolutionary Chinese thought. Dirlik touches on a number of themes, including the repudiation of the revolutionary past after 1978, which has led to a rise of cultural nationalism. He further places these developments within a global context, ultimately making a case methodologically for "worlding" China: bringing China into the world, and the world into China.

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