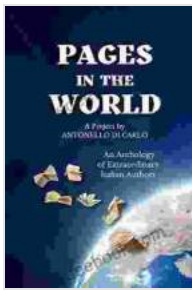


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The Divine Comedy by Dante Alighieri



Dante's Divine Comedy is arguably the greatest work of Italian literature, and one of the most influential works of world literature. This epic poem tells the story of Dante's journey through Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise, and along the way he encounters a host of characters, both historical and fictional. The Divine Comedy is a masterpiece of allegory and symbolism, and its intricate structure and beautiful language have inspired generations of readers.

The Decameron by Giovanni Boccaccio



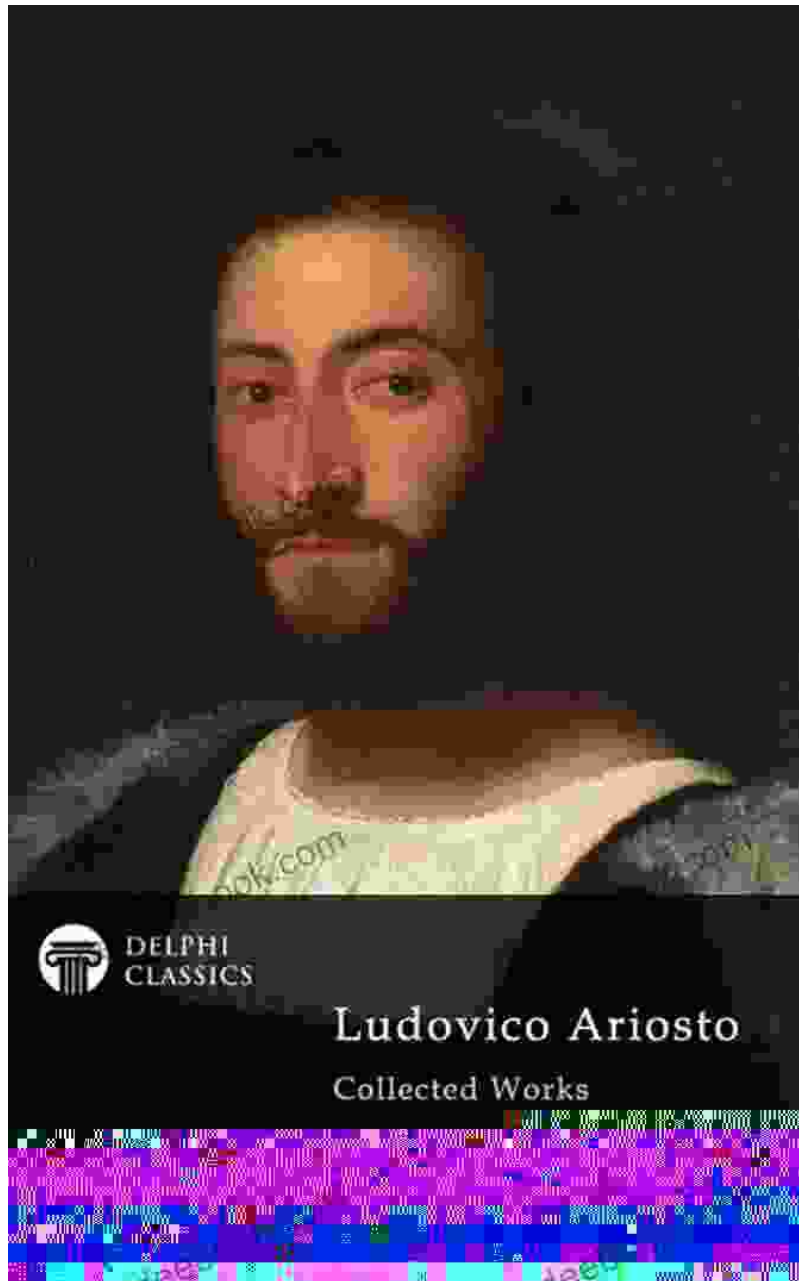
Boccaccio's Decameron is a collection of one hundred tales told by a group of young people who have fled Florence to escape the Black Death. These tales are full of wit, humor, and adventure, and they offer a fascinating glimpse into the social and cultural life of Italy in the 14th century. The Decameron is a classic of Italian literature, and its influence can be seen in the works of many later authors, including Chaucer and Shakespeare.

The Prince by Niccolò Machiavelli



Machiavelli's *The Prince* is a political treatise that has been both admired and reviled for centuries. This book offers advice to rulers on how to acquire and maintain power, and it is full of cynical insights into the nature of human nature. *The Prince* is a controversial work, but it is also a fascinating one, and it provides a valuable glimpse into the political thinking of the Renaissance.

Orlando Furioso by Ludovico Ariosto



Ariosto's *Orlando Furioso* is an epic poem that tells the story of the knight Orlando, who goes mad after he is betrayed by his love interest. This poem is full of adventure, romance, and humor, and it is considered one of the masterpieces of Italian Renaissance literature. *Orlando Furioso* is a long and complex work, but it is also a rewarding one, and it offers a fascinating glimpse into the world of chivalry and courtly love.

I Promessi Sposi by Alessandro Manzoni



Manzoni's *I Promessi Sposi* is a historical novel that tells the story of two young lovers who are trying to overcome the obstacles that stand in their way. This novel is a masterpiece of Italian Romanticism, and it is full of beautiful language and vivid descriptions. *I Promessi Sposi* is a long and complex work, but it is also a rewarding one, and it offers a fascinating glimpse into the social and political conditions of Italy in the 17th century.

My Brilliant Friend by Elena Ferrante

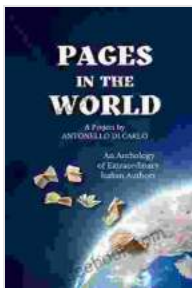


Ferrante's *My Brilliant Friend* is the first book in a series of four novels that tell the story of two friends, Lila and Elena, who grow up in a poor neighborhood of Naples. These novels are full of insights into female friendship, poverty, and the complexities of human nature. *My Brilliant Friend* is a masterpiece of contemporary Italian literature, and it has been praised for its beautiful prose and its powerful storytelling.

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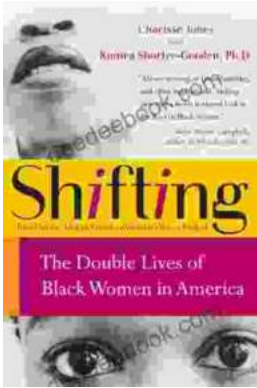
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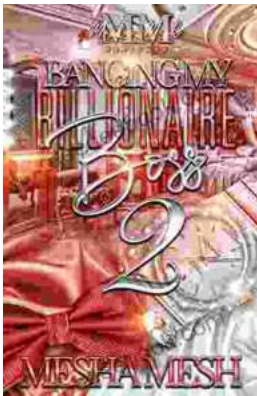
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