

Kafkas Other Trial The Letters To Felice

In *Reclaiming Unlived Life*, influential psychoanalyst Thomas Ogden uses rich clinical examples to illustrate how different types of thinking may promote or impede analytic work. With a unique style of "creative reading," the book builds upon the work of Winnicott and Bion, discussing the universality of unlived life and the ways unlived life may be reclaimed in the analytic experience. The book examines the role of intuition in analytic practice and the process of developing an analytic style that is uniquely one's own. Ogden deals with many forms of interplay of truth and psychic change, the transformative effect of conscious and unconscious efforts to confront the truth of experience and how psychoanalysts can understand their own psychic evolution, as well as that of their patients. *Reclaiming Unlived Life* sets out a new way that analysts can understand and use notions of truth in their clinical work and in their reading of the work of Kafka and Borges. *Reclaiming Unlived Life: Experiences in Psychoanalysis* will appeal to psychoanalysts and psychoanalytic psychotherapists, as well as postgraduate students and anybody interested in the literature of psychoanalysis.

Franz Kafka: The Office Writings brings together, for the first time in English, Kafka's most interesting professional writings, composed during his years as a high-ranking lawyer with the largest Workmen's Accident Insurance Institute in the Czech Lands of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Franz Kafka (1883-1924) is commonly recognized as the greatest German prose writer of the twentieth century. It is less well known that he had an established legal career. Kafka's briefs reveal him to be a canny bureaucrat, sharp litigator, and innovative thinker on the social, political, and legal issues of his time. His official preoccupations inspired many of the themes and strategies of the novels and stories he wrote at night. These documents include articles on workmen's compensation and workplace safety; appeals for the founding of a psychiatric hospital for shell-shocked veterans; and letters arguing relentlessly for a salary adequate to his merit. In adjudicating disputes, promoting legislative programs, and investigating workplace sites, Kafka's writings teem with details about the bureaucracy and technology of his day, such as spa elevators in Marienbad, the challenge of the automobile, and the perils of excavating in quarries while drunk. Beautifully translated, with valuable commentary by two of the world's leading Kafka scholars and one of America's most eminent civil rights lawyers, the documents cast rich light on the man and the writer and offer new insights to lovers of Kafka's novels and stories.

Written by Kafka between 1909 and 1924, these letters offer a unique insight into the workings of the Kafka family, their relationship with the Prague Jewish community, and Kafka's own feelings about his parents and siblings. A gracious but shy woman, and a silent rebel against the bourgeois society in which she lived, Ottla Kafka was the sibling to whom Kafka felt closest. He had a special affection for her simplicity, her integrity, her ability to listen, and her pride in his work. Ottla was deported to Theresienstadt during World War II, and volunteered to accompany a transport of children to Auschwitz in 1943. She did not survive the war, but her husband and daughters did, and preserved her brother's letters to her. They were published in the original German in 1974, and in English in 1982. "Kafka's touching letters to his sister, when she was a child and as a young married woman, are beautifully simple, tender, and fresh. In them one sees the side of his nature that was not estranged. It is lucky they have been preserved." —V. S. Pritchett, *The New York Review of Books*

The Metamorphosis (German: *Die Verwandlung*, also sometimes translated as *The Transformation*) is a novella by Franz Kafka, first published in 1915. It has been called one of the seminal works of fiction of the 20th century and is studied in colleges and universities across the Western world. The story begins with a traveling salesman, Gregor Samsa, waking to find himself transformed (metamorphosed) into a

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large, monstrous insect-like creature. The cause of Gregor's transformation is never revealed, and Kafka himself never gave an explanation. The rest of Kafka's novella deals with Gregor's attempts to adjust to his new condition as he deals with being burdensome to his parents and sister, who are repelled by the horrible, verminous creature Gregor has become. The Trial During 1914, Kafka began the novel *Der Process* (The Trial), the story of a man arrested and prosecuted by a remote, inaccessible authority, with the nature of his crime revealed neither to him nor to the reader. Kafka did not complete the novel, although he finished the final chapter. According to Nobel Prize winner and Kafka scholar Elias Canetti, Felice is central to the plot of *Der Process* and Kafka said it was "her story." Canetti titled his book on Kafka's letters to Felice *Kafka's Other Trial*, in recognition of the relationship between the letters and the novel. Michiko Kakutani notes in a review for *The New York Times* that Kafka's letters have the "earmarks of his fiction: the same nervous attention to minute particulars; the same paranoid awareness of shifting balances of power; the same atmosphere of emotional suffocation-combined, surprisingly enough, with moments of boyish ardor and delight."

After Franz Kafka died in 1924, his novels and short stories were published in ways that downplayed both their author's roots in Prague and his engagement with Jewish tradition and language, so as to secure their place in the German literary canon. Now, nearly a century after Kafka began to create his fictions, Germany, Israel, and the Czech Republic lay claim to his legacy. *Kafka's Jewish Languages* brings Kafka's stature as a specifically Jewish writer into focus. David Suchoff explores the Yiddish and modern Hebrew that inspired Kafka's vision of tradition. Citing the Jewish sources crucial to the development of Kafka's style, the book demonstrates the intimate relationship between the author's Jewish modes of expression and the larger literary significance of his works. Suchoff shows how "The Judgment" evokes Yiddish as a language of comic curse and examines how Yiddish, African American, and culturally Zionist voices appear in the unfinished novel, *Amerika*. In his reading of *The Trial*, Suchoff highlights the black humor Kafka learned from the Yiddish theater, and he interprets *The Castle* in light of Kafka's involvement with the renewal of the Hebrew language. Finally, he uncovers the Yiddish and Hebrew meanings behind Kafka's "Josephine the Singer, or the Mouse-Folk" and considers the recent legal case in Tel Aviv over the possession of Kafka's missing manuscripts as a parable of the transnational meanings of his writing.

In the first book to study Franz Kafka from the perspective of modern rhetorical theory, Clayton Koelb explores such questions as how Kafka understood the reading process, how he thematized the problematic of reading, and how his highly distinctive style relates to what Koelb describes as the "passion of reading."

For more than forty years, this novel remained a most absolute mystery until *Letters to Felice* was published in the early 1960s and it became known that the enigmatic F.B. in the *Diaries*, *The Judgment* and *The Trial* was Felice Bauer, an up-to-that-moment unknown Berliner who had been his girlfriend for five years and his fiancée twice. Felice Bauer's presence in *The Trial* made the enigma more complex because: What was Kafka's girl doing in the novel? About that time, Elias Canetti's book about the letters to Felice was published. *Kafka's Other Trial: The Letters to Felice* presented the hypothesis that *The Trial* was related with the court of law held against Kafka at the *Askanischer Hof*, which Kafka called "the hotel's court of law," and where the engagement between Kafka and Felice was broken. Canetti based himself on the letters and the *Diaries* to support his hypothesis, but very little on the text of the work itself that remains indifferent to any interpretation, as Canetti himself admitted and to whom his meditation around *The Trial* was an interference "intrusive as they may be, subtract subtract anything from the novel's ever increasing-mystery." As if there weren't enough problems posed by the content and interpretations of the novel, there was also a serious difficulty with the manuscript in that Kafka had kept the chapters in separate envelopes which were titled, but not with numbers,

resulting in an ordering process which proved to be another enigma, this time hermetic. For this reason, the novel always appeared in ten chapters of the sixteen which make up the central bulk of the story. The remaining chapters appeared in an appendix, a decision which Max Brod, the editor, tried to justify by stating that the chapters were unfinished instead of speaking frankly and saying that he did not know what to do with them. As can be seen in the following editions, including the 1990 Critical German Edition, no one had the faintest idea where these chapters were to be placed. "With the manuscript in its current state," determined Reiner Stach, "the problem is unsolvable. We can only hope that one day a table of contents written by Kafka himself might be discovered in a forgotten attic in Prague. [...]" The situation was thus when the new kid on the block discovered that *The Trial* is a palimpsest of *Crime and Punishment* in that Kafka uses Dostoevsky's text to cryptically narrate his relations with Felice Bauer, particularly the relations of his marriage promise - the rupture of which being the principal theme of the novel. This signifies that *The Trial* has an onion-esque structure with three texts or superimposed layers: the first layer is the base text, *Crime and Punishment*, which serves as the backdrop; the second is the biographical element (real) of the story; the interweaving of these two (the actual work) is the third layer, the only layer visible for the eyes of the reader, and that which envelops the first two. [...] To write *The Trial*," Kafka disassembled all and each one of the parts of "Crime and punishment" and selected the blocks that he needed for his own construction, following this compositional principle: "The chapters of *The Trial* emerging from the same chapter [or adjacent chapters] of *Crime and Punishment* go together." This principle easily enables the assembling of the puzzle of the novel, and the ordering of the chapters that has been sought for so many years. We now offer, in this edition, the true premiere of *The Trial*, appearing for the first time, complete and ordered."

Philosophy and Kafka is a collection of original essays interrogating the relationship of literature and philosophy. The essays either discuss specific philosophical commentaries on Kafka's work, consider the possible relevance of certain philosophical outlooks for examining Kafka's writings, or examine Kafka's writings in terms of a specific philosophical theme, such as communication and subjectivity, language and meaning, knowledge and truth, the human/animal divide, justice, and freedom.

Kafka's work has been attributed a universal significance and is often regarded as the ultimate witness of the human condition in the twentieth century. Yet his work is also considered paradigmatic for the expression of the singular that cannot be subsumed under any generalization. This paradox engenders questions not only concerning the meaning of the universal as it manifests itself in (and is transformed by) Kafka's writings but also about the expression of the singular in literary fiction as it challenges the opposition between the universal and the singular. The contributions in this volume approach these questions from a variety of perspectives. They are structured according to the following issues: ambiguity as a tool of deconstructing the pre-established philosophical meanings of the universal; the concept of the law as a major symbol for the universal meaning of Kafka's writings; the presence of animals in Kafka's texts; the modernist mode of writing as challenge of philosophical concepts of the universal; and the meaning and relevance of the universal in contemporary Kafka reception. This volume examines central aspects of the interplay between philosophy and literature.

"These magnificent letters, meticulously set up and annotated, show us aspects of Kafka that were only hinted at in

earlier collections and help us trace his development from unhappy young law student and insurance administrator to novelist and short-story writer of originality and genius." --Publishers Weekly "When we turn from Kafka's books to his letters we have a series of self-portraits desperate and courageous, always eager and warm in feeling; the self is lit by fantasy and, of course, by drollery. His candor is of the kind that flies alongside him in the air. He was a marvelous letter writer." --V.S. Pritchett, *The New York Review of Books* "These letters are like messages from the underground, from the dark side of the moon, presenting aspects of Kafka that would have died with his friends. We meet alternately Kafka the artist, friend, son, father figure, marriage counselor, literary critic, insurance official. . . . A full portrait, and a significant contribution to Kafka scholarship." --*Smithsonian Magazine* "An inside view of a writer who, perhaps more than any other novelist or poet in our century, stands at the center of our culture." --Robert Alter, *The New York Times Book Review* Offers a rounded contemporary appraisal of Central Europe's most distinctive Modernist.

Franz Kafka first met Felice Bauer in August 1912, at the home of his friend Max Brod. The twenty-five-year-old career woman from Berlin—energetic, down-to-earth, life-affirming—awakened in him a desire to marry. Kafka wrote to Felice almost daily, sometimes even twice a day. Because he was living in Prague and she in Berlin, their letters became their sole source of knowledge of each other. But soon after their engagement in 1914, Kafka began having doubts about the relationship, fearing that marriage would imperil his dedication to writing and interfere with his need for solitude. Through their break-up, a second engagement in 1917, and their final parting later that year, when Kafka began falling ill with the tuberculosis that would eventually claim his life, their correspondence continued. The more than five hundred letters that Kafka wrote to Felice over the course of those five years were acquired by Schocken from her in 1955. They reveal the full measure of Kafka's inner turmoil as he tried, in vain, to balance his need for stability with the demands of his craft.

"These letters are indispensable for anyone seeking a more intimate knowledge of Kafka and his fragmented world."

—*Library Journal*

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"Kafka's Zoopoetics is the first extensive account of animals and human-animal relations in the work of Franz Kafka. The book appeals to a broad audience, including scholars and students of Comparative Literature, German Studies, Cultural Studies, and Human-Animal Studies. Kafka's pivotal role in world literature cannot be overestimated. Exploring the multidimensional relations between humans and animals, the rapidly growing interdisciplinary field of Human-Animal Studies intertwines political and environmental critical paradigms, which are at the core of the contemporary intellectual discussion"--

A masterful new translation by Michael Hofmann of some of Kafka's most fantastical and visionary short fiction Animals, strange beasts, bureaucrats, businessmen, and nightmares populate this collection of stories by Franz Kafka. These matchless short works, all unpublished during Kafka's lifetime, range from the gleeful dialogue between a cat and a mouse in "Little Fable" to the absurd humor of "Investigations of a Dog," from the elaborate waking nightmare of "Building the Great Wall of China" to the creeping unease of "The Burrow," where a nameless creature's labyrinthine hiding place turns into a trap of fear and paranoia.

Student guide to Franz Kafka, focusing on giving guidance through the difficulties readers can encounter in studying his work.

More than 800 alphabetically arranged entries detail the life and works of one of the most enduring authors of world literature.

"Refreshingly factual. . . . Here prophet Kafka and quotidian Kafka are not in conflict." —Zadie Smith, *New York Review of Books* Franz Kafka is the voice of the outsider at once defined by its affiliations and completely, utterly alone. He was a Jew among Christians, a nonobservant Jew among believers. Louis Begley, himself a multilingual exile and, like Kafka, a lawyer and writer, renders Kafka's life with sensitivity and insight.

This book argues that both Franz Kafka's personality and his literary activity were perceived by himself as exemplifying the modern Jewish predicament of aspiring to modernity while being tied to a past-civilization, thus finding oneself struggling in a vacuum.

Nonhuman figures are ubiquitous in the work of Franz Kafka, from his early stories down to his very last one. Despite their prominence throughout his oeuvre, Kafka's animal representations have been considered first and foremost as mere allegories of intrahuman matters. In recent years, the allegorization of Kafka's animals has been poetically dismissed by Kafka's commentators and politically rejected by posthumanist scholars. Such critique, however, has yet to inspire either an overarching or an interdiscursive account. This book aims to fill this lacuna. Positing animal stories as a distinct and significant corpus within Kafka's entire poetics, and closely examining them in dialogue with both literary and

posthumanist analysis, Kafka's Zoopoetics critically revisits animality, interspecies relations, and the very human-animal contradistinction in the writings of Franz Kafka. Kafka's animals typically stand at the threshold between humanity and animality, fusing together human and nonhuman features. Among his liminal creatures we find a human transformed into vermin (in "The Metamorphosis"), an ape turned into a human being (in "A Report to an Academy"), talking jackals (in "Jackals and Arabs"), a philosophical dog (in "Researches of a Dog"), a contemplative mole-like creature (in "The Burrow"), and indiscernible beings (in "Josefine, the Singer or the Mouse People"). Depicting species boundaries as mutable and obscure, Kafka creates a fluid human-animal space, which can be described as "humanimal." The constitution of a humanimal space radically undermines the stark barrier between human and other animals, dictated by the anthropocentric paradigm. Through denying animalistic elements in humans, and disavowing the agency of nonhuman animals, excluding them from social life, and neutralizing compassion for them, this barrier has been designed to regularize both humanity and animality. The contextualization of Kafka's animals within posthumanist theory engenders a post-anthropocentric arena, which is simultaneously both imagined and very real.

The ideas of psychoanalyst Otto Gross (1877 – 1920) have had a seminal influence on the development of the psychoanalytic discipline and yet his work has been largely overlooked. *Sexual Revolutions* introduces the work of Otto Gross to the academic and clinical fields of psychoanalysis and Jungian Analysis.

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Sander L. Gilman brings together Kafka's literary works, personal writings, and biography to create a compelling and accessible narrative of the literary master's life.

In Stanley Corngold's view, the themes and strategies of Kafka's fiction are generated by a tension between his concern for writing and his growing sense of its arbitrary character. Analyzing Kafka's work in light of "the necessity of form," which is also a merely formal necessity, Corngold uncovers the fundamental paradox of Kafka's art and life. The first section of the book shows how Kafka's rhetoric may be understood as the daring project of a man compelled to live his life as literature. In the central part of the book, Corngold reflects on the place of Kafka within the modern tradition, discussing such influential precursors of Cervantes, Flaubert, and Nietzsche, whose works display a comparable narrative disruption. Kafka's distinctive narrative strategies, Corngold points out, demand interpretation at the same time they resist it. Critics of Kafka, he says, must be aware that their approaches are guided by the principles that Kafka's fiction identifies, dramatizes, and rejects.

The story of the international struggle to preserve Kafka's literary legacy. Kafka's Last Trial begins with Kafka's last instruction to his closest friend, Max Brod: to destroy all his remaining papers upon his death. But when the moment arrived in 1924, Brod could not bring himself to

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burn the unpublished works of the man he considered a literary genius—even a saint. Instead, Brod devoted his life to championing Kafka's writing, rescuing his legacy from obscurity and physical destruction. The story of Kafka's posthumous life is itself Kafkaesque. By the time of Brod's own death in Tel Aviv in 1968, Kafka's major works had been published, transforming the once little-known writer into a pillar of literary modernism. Yet Brod left a wealth of still-unpublished papers to his secretary, who sold some, held on to the rest, and then passed the bulk of them on to her daughters, who in turn refused to release them. An international legal battle erupted to determine which country could claim ownership of Kafka's work: Israel, where Kafka dreamed of living but never entered, or Germany, where Kafka's three sisters perished in the Holocaust? Benjamin Balint offers a gripping account of the controversial trial in Israeli courts—brimming with dilemmas legal, ethical, and political—that determined the fate of Kafka's manuscripts. Deeply informed, with sharply drawn portraits and a remarkable ability to evoke a time and place, Kafka's Last Trial is at once a brilliant biographical portrait of a literary genius, and the story of two countries whose national obsessions with overcoming the traumas of the past came to a head in a hotly contested trial for the right to claim the literary legacy of one of our modern masters.

This collection gives a diversified account of world literature, examining not only the rise of the concept, but also problems such as the relation between the local and the universal, and the tensions between national culture and global ethics. In this context, it focuses on the complex relationship between Chinese literature and world literature, not only in the sense of providing an exemplary case study, but also as an introspection and re-location of Chinese literature itself. The book activates the concept of world literature at a time when it is facing the rising modern day challenges of race, class and culture.

A major critical reassessment of the fable and of the literary representation of the human-animal relationship after Darwin.

I have only one request," Kafka wrote to his publisher Kurt Wolff in 1913. "'The Stoker,' 'The Metamorphosis,' and 'The Judgment' belong together, both inwardly and outwardly. There is an obvious connection among the three, and, even more important, a secret one, for which reason I would be reluctant to forego the chance of having them published together in a book, which might be called The Sons."

A record of Kafka's turbulent romance with Felice Bauer reveals her influence on his literary endeavors

The Trial (German: Der Prozess) is a novel by Franz Kafka about a character named Josef K., who awakens one morning and, for reasons never revealed, is arrested and prosecuted for an unspecified crime.

This is the first comprehensive introduction to Deleuze's work on literature. It provides thorough treatments of Deleuze's early book on Proust and his seminal volume on Kafka and minor literature. Deleuze on Literature situates those studies and many other scattered writings within a general project that extends throughout Deleuze's career—that of conceiving of literature as a form of health and the writer as a cultural physician.

Franz Kafka has given his name to a world of nightmare, but in Kafka's world, it is never completely clear just what the nightmare is. Kafka deals in dark and quirkily humorous terms with the insoluble dilemmas of a world which offers no reassurance, and no reliable guidance to resolving our existential and emotional uncertainties and anxieties.

Kafka's Creatures: Animals, Hybrids, and Other Fantastic Beings is an interdisciplinary collection of essays on Franz Kafka's use of non-human creatures in his writings. It is written from a variety of interpretive perspectives and highlights diverse ways of understanding how Kafka's use of these creatures illuminate his work in general.

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In 1916, Kafka writes of *The Sugar Baron*, a dime-store colonial adventure novel, '[it] affects me so deeply that I feel it is about myself, or as if it were the book of rules for my life.' John Zilcosky reveals that this perhaps surprising statement - made by the Prague-bound poet of modern isolation - is part of a network of remarks that exemplify Kafka's ongoing preoccupation with popular travel writing, exoticism, and colonial fantasy. Taking this biographical peculiarity as a starting point, *Kafka's Travels* elegantly re-reads Kafka's major works (*Amerika*, *The Trial*, *The Castle*) through the lens of fin-de siècle travel culture. Making use of previously unexplored literary and cultural materials - travel diaries, train schedules, tour guides, adventure novels - Zilcosky argues that Kafka's uniquely modern metaphors of alienation emerges out of the author's complex encounter with the utopian travel discourses of his day.

A collection of critical essays on Kafka and his work arranged in chronological order of publication.

This is the acclaimed central volume of the definitive biography of Franz Kafka. Reiner Stach spent more than a decade working with over four thousand pages of journals, letters, and literary fragments, many never before available, to re-create the atmosphere in which Kafka lived and worked from 1910 to 1915, the most important and best-documented years of his life. This period, which would prove crucial to Kafka's writing and set the course for the rest of his life, saw him working with astonishing intensity on his most seminal writings--*The Trial*, *The Metamorphosis*, *The Man Who Disappeared (Amerika)*, and *The Judgment*. These are also the years of Kafka's fascination with Zionism; of his tumultuous engagement to Felice Bauer; and of the outbreak of World War I. *Kafka: The Decisive Years* is at once an extraordinary portrait of the writer and a startlingly original contribution to the art of literary biography.

Narrates the experiences and reactions of a respectable bank functionary after his abrupt arrest on an undisclosed charge
Kafka's five-year correspondence with the woman he claimed to love reveals much about his complex personality and his literary life.

From the Academy Award–winning *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* (2004) and Academy Award–nominated *Adaptation* (2002) to the cult classic *Being John Malkovich* (1999), writer Charlie Kaufman is widely admired for his innovative, philosophically resonant films. Although he only recently made his directorial debut with *Synecdoche, New York* (2008), most fans and critics refer to “Kaufman films” the way they would otherwise discuss works by directors Woody Allen, Martin Scorsese, or the Coen brothers. Not only has Kaufman transformed our sense of what can take place in a film, but he also has made a significant impact on our understanding of the role of the screenwriter. *The Philosophy of Charlie Kaufman*, edited by David LaRocca, is the first collection of essays devoted to a rigorous philosophical exploration of Kaufman’s work by a team of capable and critical scholars from a wide range of disciplines. From political theorists to philosophers, classicists to theologians, professors of literature to filmmakers, the contributing authors delve into the heart of Kaufman’s innovative screenplays, offering not only original philosophical analyses but also extended reflections on the nature of film and film criticism.

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