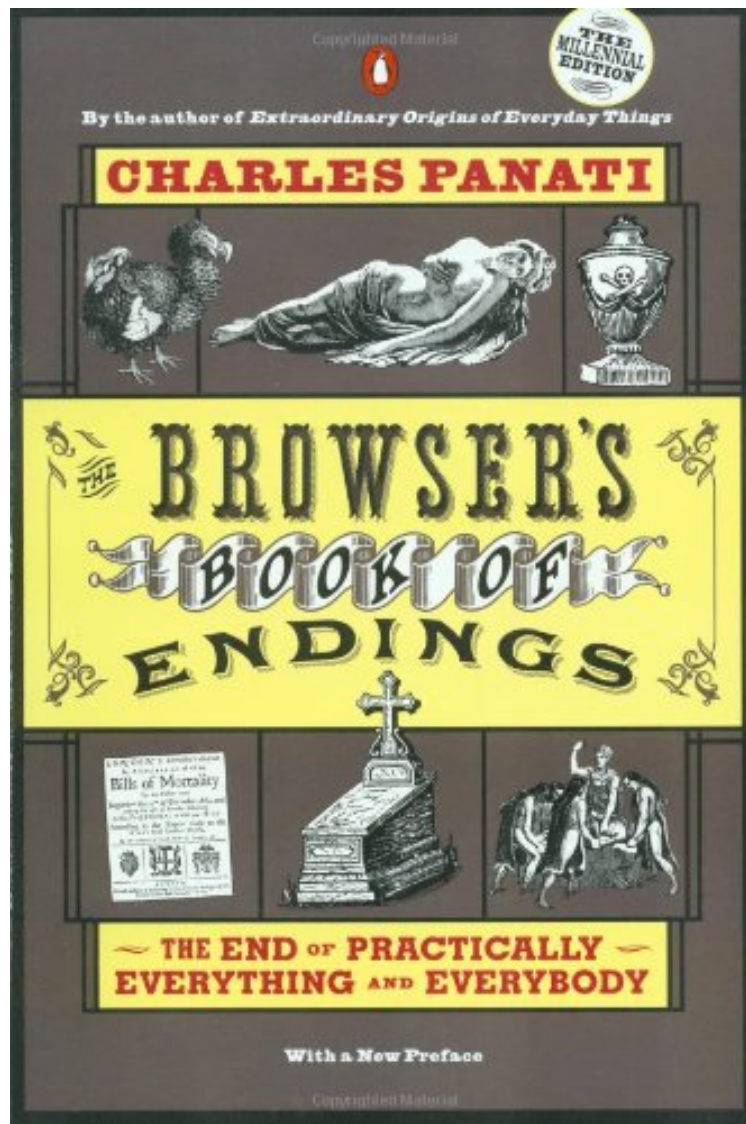


[Read free] The Browser's Book of Endings: The End of Practically Everything and Everybody

The Browser's Book of Endings: The End of Practically Everything and Everybody

Charles Panati

DOC | *audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF | ePub



DOWNLOAD



READ ONLINE

#2634739 in Books 1999-12-01 1999-12-01 Original language: English PDF # 1 8.98 x 1.08 x 6.06l, #File Name: 014028690X496 pages | File size: 18.Mb

Charles Panati : The Browser's Book of Endings: The End of Practically Everything and Everybody before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Browser's Book of Endings: The End of Practically Everything and Everybody:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy KarenGreat endings---very interesting and enjoyable!0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. WRY WITTY A WONDEFUL WEEKEND READBy Alan W.

PetrucelliOscar Wilde's last words? What caused the extinction of the Dodo bird? Author Charles Panati has compiled a most fascinating look at the end of practically everything and everybody. Last words of famous folk. Final resting places of the rich and famous. Bequests of dying Presidents. There are all here, in this witty (and highly readable) compendium of all things dead and dying. Think of it as the beginning of the end and you'll finish first. Or is it last? As for the answers to our questions . . . 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Death Was Never So InterestingBy JordangoCharles Panati has always been a fascinating author. His books are typically dedicated to information, mostly about the origin of things. There's his *Browser's Book of Beginnings* and his *Sexy Origins of Intimate Things*. But I use this book the most by far when it comes to information I need to know, along with his *Sacred Origins of Profound Things*. Where as most of his books deal with beginnings, this book deals with endings. There of course origins of instruments of death such as the electric chair and the guillotine, but the whole is concerned with death and the ways it happens. Great for reference and great for just reading. Though at first it is a grim subject, Panati deals with it in such a way, that you could almost read it as humorous yet respectful. Points of interest include last wills and testaments of past presidents and the last words along with cause and description of death with famous figures in history such as Buddha, Joan of Arc, Edgar Allan Poe, and Ludwig van Beethoven. And in reflecting how these monumental people died, we also reflect on how they lived and realize that no one is exempt from death, and that we need to make the most of it, and laugh about it in the end.

Charles Panati, America's favorite gatherer of origins, now offers the last word on how people, places, and things of all sorts have met their ends through the centuries. From famous presidents to frightening epidemics, from ancient extinctions to vanished vogues, from bizarre last wills to the death styles of the rich and renowned, *The Browser's Book of Endings* presents the amusing, the surprising, and the generally little-known stories behind the terminations of practically everything and everybody. Illustrated with more than 100 drawings, diagrams, and archival photographs, with an extensive reference list and index, this is the most readable and complete compendium of deliciously trivial and profound facts about history's endings.

About the AuthorCharles Panati, a former physicist and science editor of Newsweek, is the author of fourteen books. He lives in West Sayville, New York.