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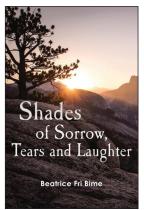
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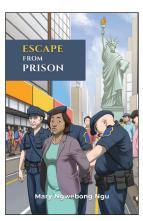
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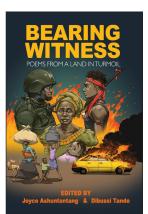
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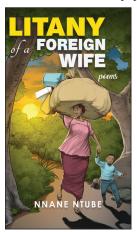
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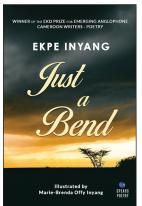
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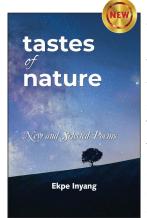
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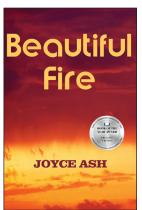
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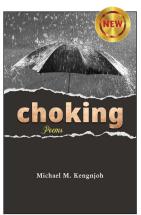
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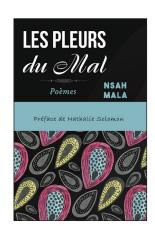


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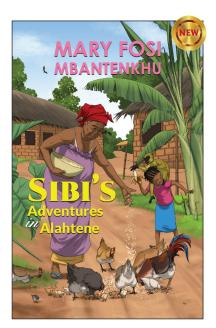
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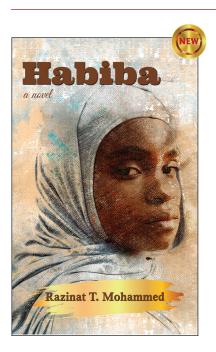
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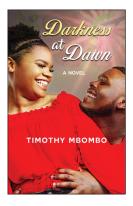
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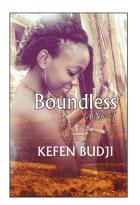
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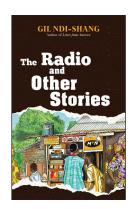
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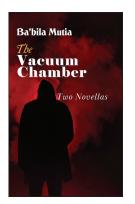


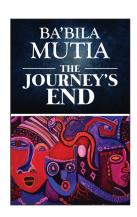


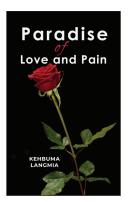


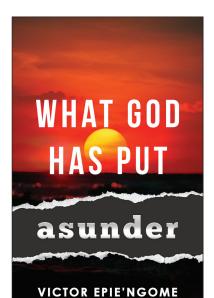




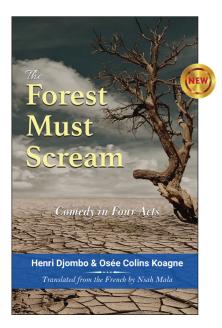








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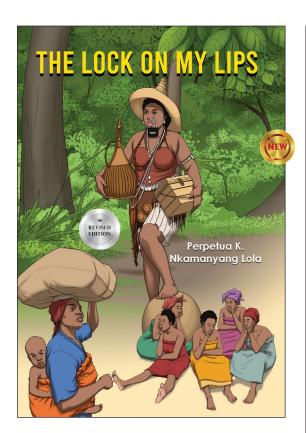


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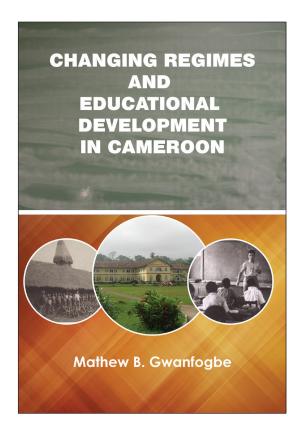
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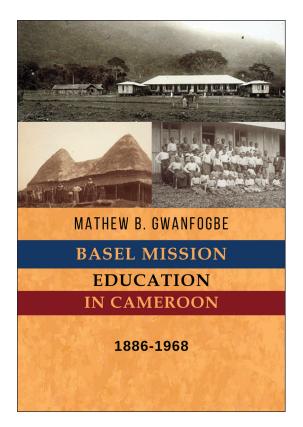
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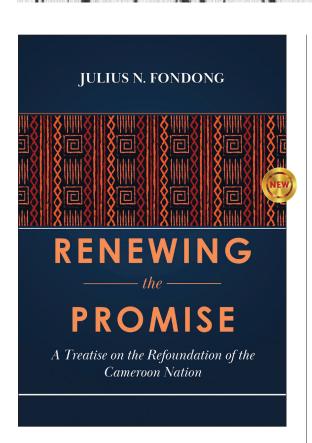


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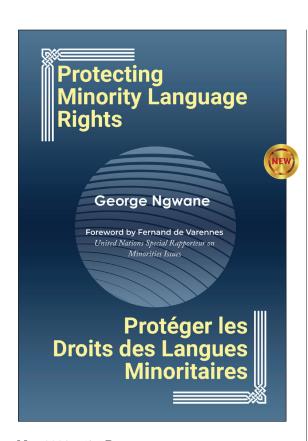
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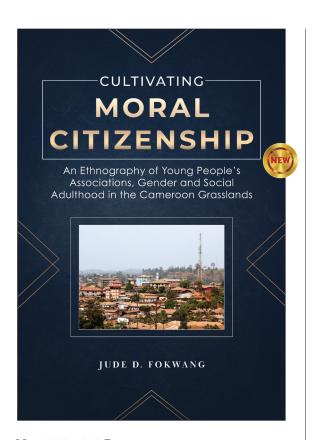
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An Ethnography of Young People's Associations, Gender, and Social Adulthood in the Cameroon Grasslands

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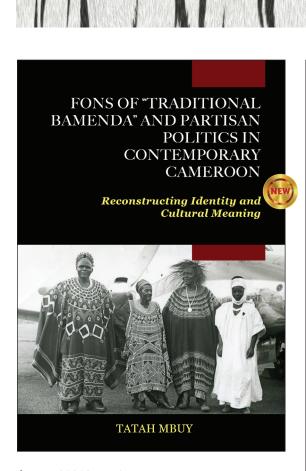
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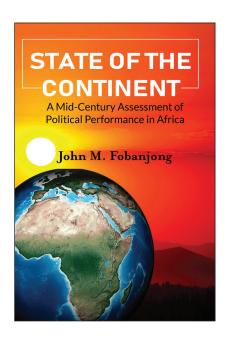
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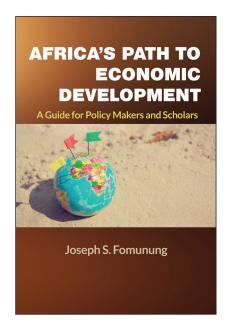
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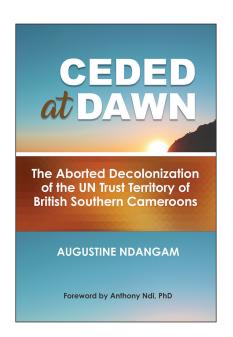
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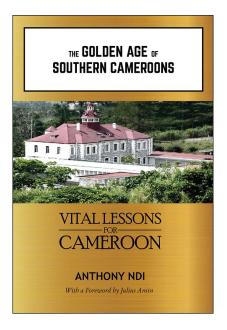
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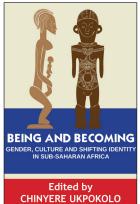


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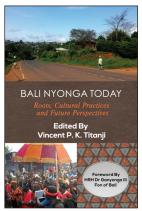
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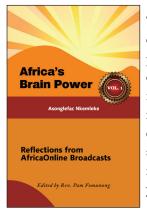
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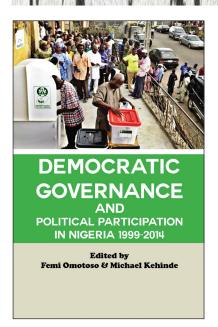


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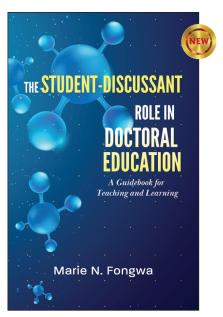
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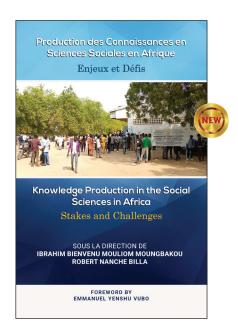
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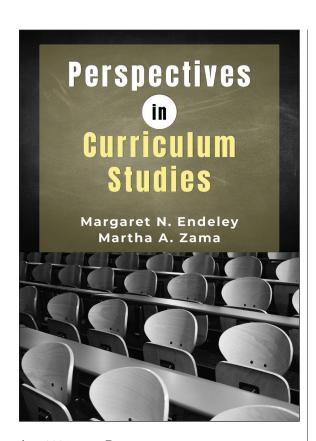


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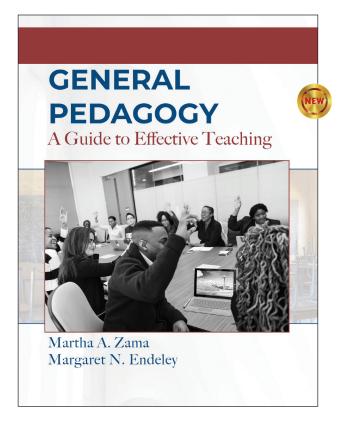
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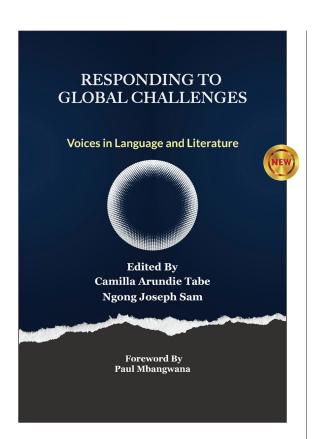
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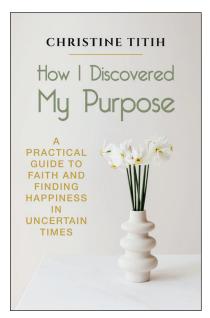
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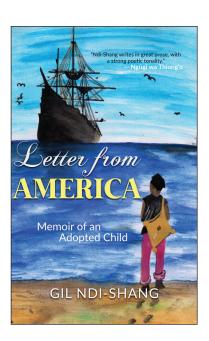
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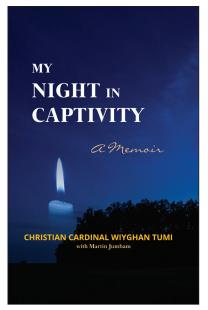
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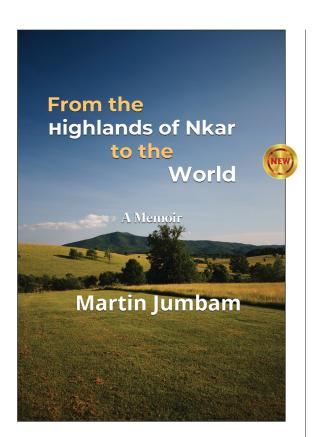
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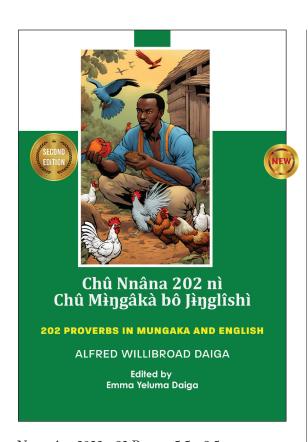
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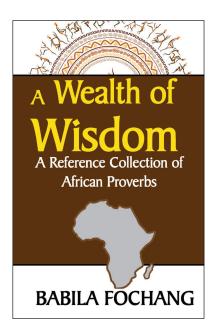
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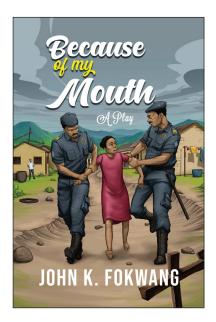
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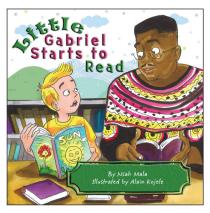
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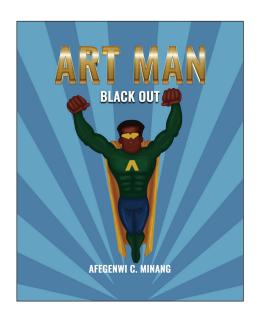
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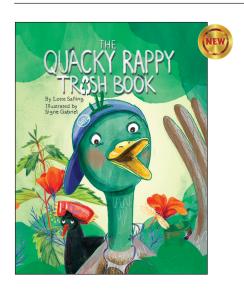
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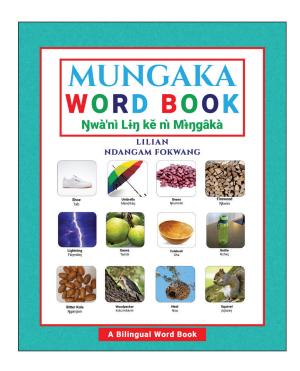
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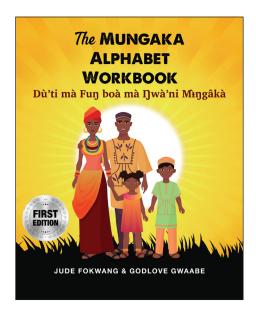


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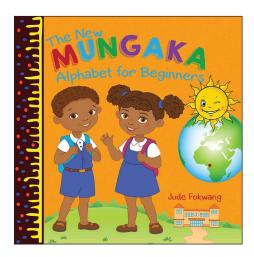


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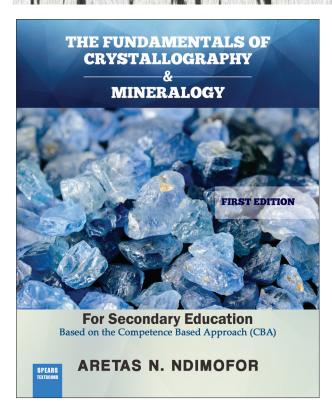


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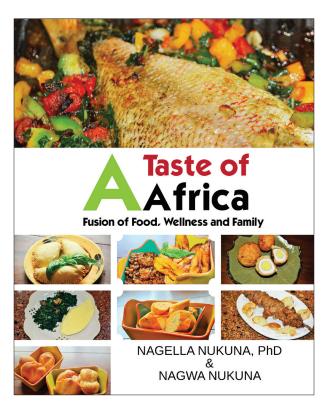
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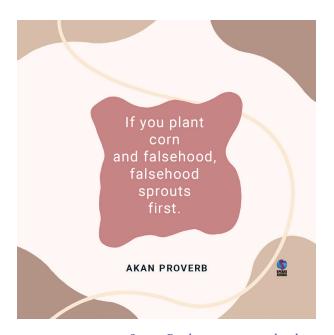
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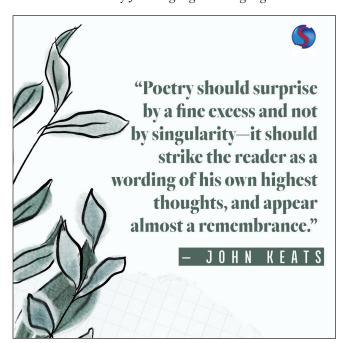
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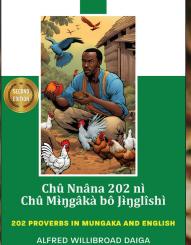
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