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Education

Evaluation of the Distance Learning Systems in Turkey / Dr. Yakup Celikbilek (Ed) Hatice Bahtiyar
Istanbul: Hiperyayin (Hiperlink), 2019
80p. ; 24cm.
9786052812907
\$ 20.00 / PB
86gm.

Education is one of the most important component for people from the beginning of humanity, with the globalizing and fasten World, distance learning has gain an increasing importance, especially information Technologies increase the spread and importance of the distance learning systems. Various qualified distance learning programs are being opened increasingly day by day for the potential students all around the World. Distance learning systems principally have four main supplements. Distance learning systems also decrease the costs of both institutions and students with an effective learning way. At this point, aims of this book are to find out the most important components of distance learning systems in Turkey and prioritize them to lead the distance learning systems more effective and better, both for the students and for the investors.

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History

Notes from the Graveyard of Diplomats, Cyprus 2002-2004 / Ingemar Lindahl
Nicosia, Cyprus: Heterotopia Publications, 2019
360p.
Includes Index
9789925735938
\$ 60.00 / PB
340gm.

(From the Diaries of Ingemar Lindahl, 2004 – 2004)

A book based on the diaries of the author who served as the Ambassador of Sweden to Cyprus during this period.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=675813>

An Ornamental Journal for Ottoman Turkish Women: *Süs* (16 June 1932 – 26 July 1924)

/ Esra Con Yilmaz

Istanbul: Libra Kitapçılık ve Yayıncılık Ticaret A.S., 2019

288p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

9786057884619

\$ 50.00 / PB

302gm.

The publication of women-oriented class journals, which was initiated within the last period of the Ottoman Empire and accelerated during the Second Constitutional Period, was pursued in the first years of the Turkish Republic as well. Women's journals published within this period can be reckoned as the descendants of those published in the Ottoman Period. *Süs* is a women's journal published precisely during this process of transition (1923-1924). The diversity of the content from literary works to entertaining parts, practical guides, political news and also intellectual articles, and the object to keep an equal distance between all of these different elements, brings forth the idea that *Süs* was published in accordance with commercial motives rather than an intellectual mission. Furthermore, the actual target mass of the journal is observed to be the educated young girls.

Considering the fact that, the majority of the editorial staff was experienced literary people and the people who were previously engaged in publication of various magazines, *Süs* can be evaluated respectively successful in terms of anticipating the overall tendency of the target mass and preparing a relevant content that appeals to them. One of the most significant objectives of this work is to obtain an opinion about the agenda, interests and intellectual worlds of the target mass of *Süs*, which was skillfully issued with commercial motives, namely the educated young girls who used to live in Istanbul or other big cities between 1923 and 1924. Moreover, it is aimed to discuss the remarkable "women's issues" of the related period through the perspective of an Ottoman women's journal.

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Protestant Missionaries to the Jewish Communities of Istanbul, Salonika and Izmir, 18290-1914 / Leah Bornstein-Makovetsky

Istanbul: Libra Kitapçılık ve Yayıncılık Ticaret A.S., 2019

388p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9786057884596

\$ 60.00 / PB
406gm.

The book discusses the extensive evangelical, educational, medical and philanthropic activities of three Protestant missionary organizations in Jewish society in Ottoman Empire during the nineteenth century up to the First World War. The study concentrates on the three large Jewish communities of Istanbul, Salonika and Izmir. It covers many aspects of Jewish life, such as the legal and social status of Jews in Ottoman Empire, the traditional and modern education, intra-communal bitter disputes, the process of secularization, class affiliation, family life and status of women. The focus of the research is on the missionaries' achievements and failure. Leah Bornstein Makovetsky emphasizes the Jewish communities response to the missionaries' various activities and examines the ways in which the Jewish leadership fought against any Christian influence on Jewish society in the course of decades in which far-reaching political, social and religious changes have taken place both in the Ottoman Empire and in Ottoman Jewish society. The book shows that protestant missionaries arrived in the Ottoman Empire with firm convictions and grandiose plans, and foremost to lead to conversion of many Jews. At the same time the research considers the question of whether the Protestant mission had any real chance of success in its work among the Jews of Istanbul, Salonika and Izmir. The data and most of the information cited in the book are drawn largely from missionary reports and journals, and from Jewish sources, especially Responsa literature and Jewish Journals.

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Al-Quds: History, Religion and Politics / (Eds) Abd Al-Fattah El-Awaisi & Muhittin Ataman

Ankara: SETA, 2019

216p.

9786057544773

\$ 40.00 / PB

294gm.

The controversial decision of U.S. President Donald Trump to formally recognize the Holy City of al-Quds (Jerusalem) as the capital of Israel overturned decades of official U.S. policy. This decision resulted in moving the American embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem on the eve of the Palestinian commemoration of 70 years of the Nakbah (Catastrophe) on May 15, 2018, during which Palestinians have been suffering persecutions, massacres, and ethnic cleansing. Not only is this decision against international law, but it is also in direct conflict with a number of resolutions by the UN Security Council. It brings an end to the two-state solution, which the international community has been trying to achieve for a long time. Moreover, this action is a practical step of the "Deal of the Century" which the Trump administration is trying to impose in the region.

These developments require urgent publications to address different dimensions of this delicate issue, which lies at the heart of most of the regional problems. In order to develop a better understanding of this issue and other related regional problems, it is necessary to produce inclusive materials about the city. Accordingly, at this critical time, we have designed this edited book to provide a better understanding of this core issue to intellectuals, academics, politicians, and the wider public interested in the Holy Land.

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Literature

Sapphire: The Promised Time, Book One / Kemal B. Caymaz (Ed) Marion E. Stuart B. D. (Translator) Ceren Karanar

Turkey: Kemal B. Caymaz, 2019

328p.

9789925574032

\$ 50.00 / HB

464gm.

A fantasy adventure from Saint Hilarion Castle on the mountains of Cyprus, to Notre Dame Cathedral in the heart of Paris...Seçkin was leading an ordinary life until a Jinni named ParuParu appears before him. So, he finds himself in a world of demons, fairies and many kinds of magical beings. A destiny concealed with challenging events awaits him on an unpredictable journey. "Good news has come - good news! The morning star shines, "The Promised one" is being revealed! As jinn and fairies rush So rushes evil after the boy. Buy the book - see what unfolds."

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