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Here's how you can stay entertained by developing the habit of reading during the pandemic of COVID-19.

NEW ARRIVALS

We've been busy purchasing books for the Derasat library collection. Check out the covers of our recently added books on page 2.

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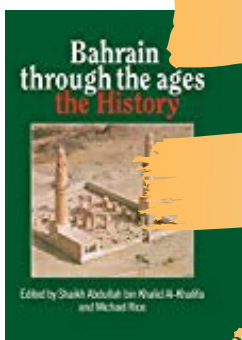
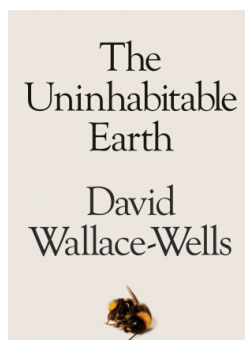
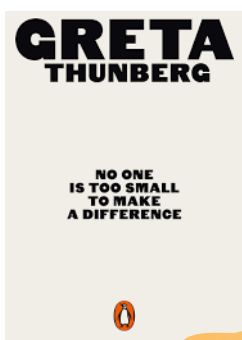
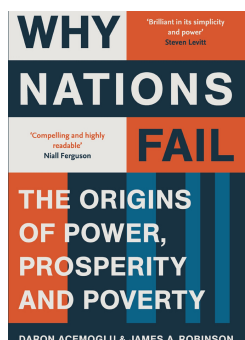
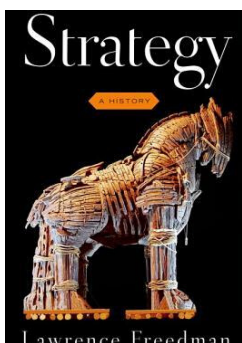
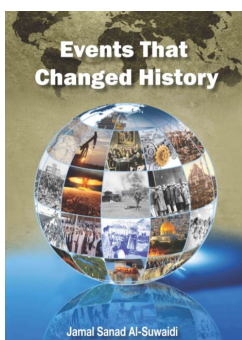
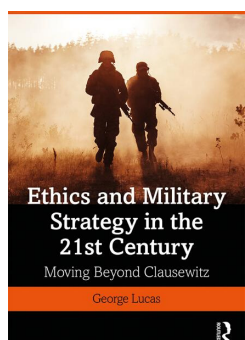
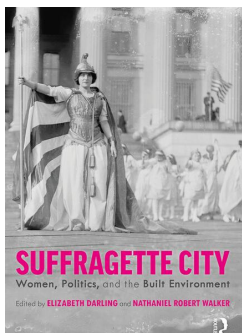
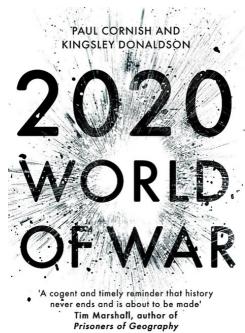
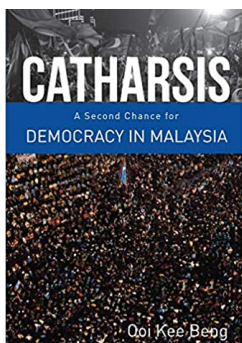
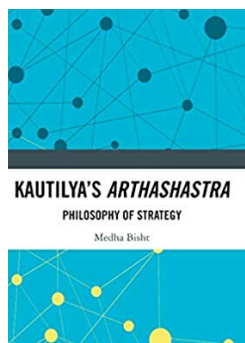
Whether you prefer the smell of paper to the convenience of E-books, find out how we keep the balance in Derasat Library.

E-LIBRARY UPDATE

We've added more useful e-resources to the Derasat E-Library. With your membership, you can now access the following additional e-resources:

- **Infobase** is suitable for visual learners as it includes thousands of videos covering more than 20 subjects; all of which are provided by expert academic film producers and news channels.
- **Journal of World Energy Law and Business** is the official journal of the AIPN and it publishes articles on legal, business and policy issues in the international energy industry.
- **OECD iLibrary** is the online library of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) featuring its books, papers and statistics and is the gateway to OECD's analysis and data.





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Daniel Koontz had seen it coming in his novel "Eye of Darkness". 2020 has proven to be challenging, and since we must find the silver lining in any given situation, here are a few tips that could interest you more in the activity of reading during the quarantine period of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **Start small:** Pick a book that includes more pictures than words and on a topic that you particularly enjoy.

- **Watch it, then read it:** Most TV shows and films were adapted from books. Instead of waiting a whole year for the new season, pick up the book and find out what happens next.

- **Create your favorite setting:** Start reading where you feel comfortable - indoor or outdoor - with your favorite music, snacks or drinks.

- **Don't overwhelm yourself:** No one will judge you if you couldn't finish that book. It's ok, put it down and find another one which is more interesting to you.

- **Manga counts:** Reading is reading; whether it's a graphic novel or a research paper!

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- Stephen Fry