

Greenlights

Raucous stories and outlaw wisdom from the Academy Award-winning actor

Matthew McConaughey

Keynote

From the Academy Award®-winning actor, an unconventional memoir filled with raucous stories, outlaw wisdom, and lessons learned the hard way about living with greater satisfaction.

Description

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I've been in this life for fifty years, been trying to work out its riddle for forty-two, and been keeping diaries of clues to that riddle for the last thirty-five. Notes about successes and failures, joys and sorrows, things that made me marvel, and things that made me laugh out loud. How to be fair. How to have less stress. How to have fun. How to hurt people less. How to get hurt less. How to be a good man. How to have meaning in life. How to be more me.

Recently, I worked up the courage to sit down with those diaries. I found stories I experienced, lessons I learned and forgot, poems, prayers, prescriptions, beliefs about what matters, some great photographs, and a whole bunch of bumper stickers. I found a reliable theme, an approach to living that gave me more satisfaction, at the time, and still: If you know how, and when, to deal with life's challenges - how to *get relative with the inevitable* - you can enjoy a state of success I call 'catching greenlights.'

So I took a one-way ticket to the desert and wrote this book: an album, a record, a story of my life so far. This is fifty years of my sights and seens, felts and figured-outs, cools and shamefuls. Graces, truths, and beauties of brutality. Getting away withs, getting caughts, and getting wets while trying to dance between the raindrops.

Hopefully, it's medicine that tastes good, a couple of aspirin instead of the infirmary, a spaceship to Mars without needing your pilot's license, going to church without having to be born again, and laughing through the tears.

It's a love letter. **To life.**

It's also a guide to catching more greenlights-and to realizing that the yellows and reds eventually turn green too.

Good luck.

Sales Points

- Matthew McConaughey is an Academy Award-winning actor, most famous for his performances in *Dallas Buyers Club*, *Interstellar*, *True Detective*, *The Wolf of Wall Street*, *How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days* and *Magic Mike*.
- One of *Time* magazine's 100's Most Influential People in the World
- Extremely engaged in PR & Marketing campaigns across all territories, McConaughey lived in Australia for a year and has family there.
- This is Matthew McConaughey's first book, and he has written it himself.
- Competitive titles include: TOTAL RECALL by Arnold Schwarzenegger 92k HB, 51k PB; A LIFE IN PARTS by Bryan Cranston 34k HB

Reviews

- 'Unflinchingly honest and remarkably candid, Matthew McConaughey's book invites us to grapple with the lessons of his life as he did - and to see that the point was never to win, but to understand.' - Mark Manson, author of *The Subtle Art of Not Giving a F*ck*
- 'McConaughey is a talented actor and a fine writer, but a total genius at living. He attacks life with an exhilarating ferocity. This is a wildly unexpected and delightful book you can't just read, you have to experience.' - Lawrence Wright, author of *The End of October*
- 'It shouldn't surprise you that this book is good, but it will surprise you just *how* good it is. Wise and entertaining, this is an inspiring memoir and how-to from one of the great outlaw philosophers and artists of our time.' - Ryan Holiday, author of *The Daily Stoic*
- 'A Renaissance man on the big screen, McConaughey shows he is the same on the

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page. Mystical and spiritual but mostly just wonderful, *Greenlights* is an inspired memoir that celebrates the idea that it's the journey rather than the destination that will fulfill us.' - Michael Connelly, author of *Fair Warning*

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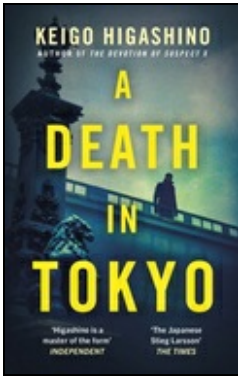
Author Biography

Academy Award-winning actor **Matthew McConaughey** is a married man, a father of three children, and a loyal son and brother. He considers himself a storyteller by occupation, believes it's okay to have a beer on the way to the temple, feels better with a day's sweat on him, and is an aspiring orchestral conductor.

In 2009, Matthew and his wife, Camila, founded the just keep livin Foundation, which helps at-risk high school students make healthier mind, body, and spirit choices. In 2019, McConaughey became a professor of practice at the University of Texas at Austin, as well as Minister of Culture/M.O.C. for the University of Texas and the City of Austin. McConaughey is also brand ambassador for Lincoln Motor Company, an owner of the Major League Soccer club Austin FC, and co-creator of his favorite bourbon on the planet, Wild Turkey Longbranch.

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A Death in Tokyo

Keigo Higashino

Keynote

The third and penultimate novel in the Detective Kyoichiro Kaga series by bestselling Japanese crime writer Keigo Higashino - a twisty, compelling and satisfying mystery with a vivid sense of place.

Description

The third and penultimate novel in the Detective Kyoichiro Kaga series by bestselling Japanese crime writer Keigo Higashino

On the Nihonbashi Bridge in Tokyo stands the statue of a mythic beast - a kirin. One evening a man staggers onto the bridge and collapses beneath the winged creature. The patrolman on watch goes to rouse the man, who he presumes to be drunk - only to discover that the man had been stabbed in the chest. He is dead.

Meanwhile, a young man named Yashima is injured in a car accident nearby while trying to flee from the police. Found on him is the wallet of the murdered man.

But is he actually responsible for the crime? What is his connection to the victim? And why did the dying man drag himself from the crime scene to the Nihonbashi Bridge? Tokyo Police Detective Kyoichiro Kaga must piece together the answers to all of these questions in order to find the killer, but each answer he finds seems to throw up more questions ...

Taking us deep into the heart of Tokyo, and reintroducing the charming and ingenious Detective Kyoichiro Kaga, *A Death in Tokyo* is another mind-bending and hugely satisfying murder mystery from the modern master of classic crime.

Sales Points

- We follow the endearingly likable detective Kyoichiro Kaga as he applies his ingenious brain to **a complex murder mystery - with a satisfying conclusion**
- Full of vivid detail and descriptions of Tokyo's streets, bars and restaurants, it **transports reader completely and immerses them fully in another culture**
- **Book 3 in the Kyoichiro Kaga series**, following *Malice* and *Newcomer*
- **'The Japanese Stieg Larsson' *The Times***

Author Biography

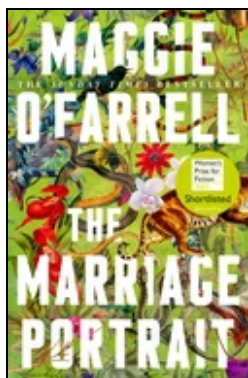
Keigo Higashino is the bestselling, best-known novelist in Japan and around Asia, with numerous television and film adaptations of his work appearing in several languages. He is the author of *The Devotion of Suspect X*, which was a finalist for the Edgar Award for best novel, and *Malice*. He lives in Tokyo, Japan.

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Previous Titles

The Devotion of Suspect X (2011)
Salvation of a Saint (2013)
Malice (2014)
Journey Under the Midnight Sun (2015)
A Midsummer's Equation (2016)
Newcomer (2018)
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The Marriage Portrait the Instant Sunday Times Bestseller, Shortlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction 2023

Maggie O'Farrell

Keynote

Set at the heart of the treacherous political world of the Italian Renaissance, this is the masterful story of a young woman's battle for her very survival, written with all the drama and verve that made *HAMNET* an international bestseller.

Description

Shortlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction 2023

A Reese's Bookclub December Pick (2022)

An Instant Sunday Times, New York Times and Irish Times Bestseller (August 2022)

A Guardian and LitHub Book of the Year (December 2022)

'Every bit as evocative and spellbinding as *Hamnet*. O'Farrell, thank God, just seems to be getting better and better' *i newspaper*

'Her narrative enchantment will wrest suspense and surprise out of a death foretold' *Financial Times*

'Ingenious, inventive, humane, wry, truthful . . . better than her last novel' *Scotsman*

'Finely written and vividly imagined' *Guardian*

'In O'Farrell's hands, historical detail comes alive' *Spectator*

Winter, 1561. Lucrezia, Duchess of Ferrara, is taken on an unexpected visit to a country villa by her husband, Alfonso. As they sit down to dinner it occurs to Lucrezia that Alfonso has a sinister purpose in bringing her here. He intends to kill her.

Lucrezia is sixteen years old, and has led a sheltered life locked away inside Florence's grandest palazzo. Here, in this remote villa, she is entirely at the mercy of her increasingly erratic husband.

What is Lucrezia to do with this sudden knowledge? What chance does she have against Alfonso, ruler of a province, and a trained soldier? How can she ensure her survival.

The Marriage Portrait is an unforgettable reimagining of the life of a young woman whose proximity to power places her in mortal danger.

Sales Points

- THE MARRIAGE PORTRAIT is the work of one of the UK's finest and best loved authors writing at the height of her powers. Maggie O'Farrell brings the emotional immediacy, drama and lavish detail that characterised *HAMNET* to the story of Lucrezia de' Medici, who died only a year into her marriage and depicts her as a woman who will battle for her survival in the face of terrifying odds.
- *HAMNET* won the Women's Prize for Fiction and was Waterstones Book of the Year 2021, Novel of the Year at the 2021 British Book Awards, and won the National Book Critics Award in the United States. It was a bestseller in the UK, where it spent 26 weeks in the top ten, has sold over half a million copies in the English language, and has been translated into 32 languages. It has been optioned for film by Amblin productions.
- THE MARRIAGE PORTRAIT is mostly set in Florence's Palazzo Vecchio and is a stunning reimagining of the high Renaissance, whose artistic exuberance was matched only by its political treachery. Maggie's heroine, Lucrezia, not only sits for a marriage portrait, but is a gifted artist in her own right.

Author Biography

Maggie O'Farrell, *FRSOL*, is the author of *HAMNET*, Winner of the Women's Prize for Fiction 2020, and the memoir *I AM, I AM, I AM*, both *Sunday Times* no. 1 bestsellers. Her novels include *AFTER YOU'D GONE*, *MY LOVER'S LOVER*, *THE DISTANCE BETWEEN US*, which won a Somerset Maugham Award, *THE VANISHING ACT OF ESME LENNOX*, *THE HAND THAT FIRST HELD MINE*, which won the 2010 Costa Novel Award, *INSTRUCTIONS FOR A HEATWAVE* and *THIS MUST BE THE PLACE.*, and *THE MARRIAGE PORTRAIT*. She is also

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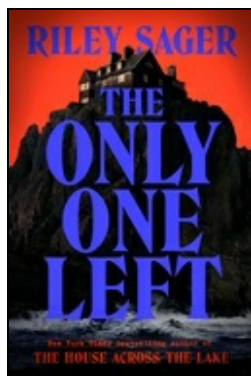
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Author living in	Edinburgh

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The Only One Left

the next gripping novel from the master of the genre-bending thriller for 2023

Riley Sager

Keynote

Bestselling author Riley Sager returns with a Gothic chiller about a young caregiver assigned to work for a woman accused of a massacre decades earlier.

Description

<h2> PRE-ORDER NOW! THE BRAND NEW HEART-POUNING GOTHIC THRILLER FROM THE INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR</h2>

At seventeen, Lenora Hope

Hung her sister with a rope

Now reduced to a schoolyard chant, the Hope family murders shocked the Maine coast one bloody night in 1929. While most people assume seventeen-year-old Lenora was responsible, the police were never able to prove it. Other than her denial after the killings, she has never spoken publicly about that night, nor has she set foot outside Hope's End, the cliffside mansion where the massacre occurred.

Stabbed her father with a knife

Took her mother's happy life

It's now 1983, and home-health aide Kit McDeere arrives at a decaying Hope's End to care for Lenora after her previous nurse fled in the middle of the night. In her seventies and confined to a wheelchair, Lenora was rendered mute by a series of strokes and can only communicate with Kit by tapping out sentences on an old typewriter. One night, Lenora uses it to make a tantalizing offer-I want to tell you everything.

"It wasn't me," Lenora said

But she's the only one not dead

As Kit helps Lenora write about the events leading to the Hope family massacre, it becomes clear there's more to the tale than people know. But when new details about her predecessor's departure come to light, Kit starts to suspect Lenora might not be telling the complete truth-and that the seemingly harmless woman in her care could be far more dangerous than she first thought.

Sales Points

- INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER: Riley is a multiple *New York Times* bestseller whose sales growing rapidly in both the US and UK. His last novel *The House Across the Lake* was an instant *NYT* bestseller.
- STRONG PRAISE: Riley has an impressive raft of author and press endorsements. His fans include Shari Lapena, Ruth Ware, Alex Michaelides, Laura Dave, Simone St. James, Ellery Lloyd, Catherine Ryan Howard, *People*, *USA Today* and *Publishers Weekly*.
- GROWING UK PRESENCE: Riley's sales are on the rise book on book in the UK and his last novel, *The House Across the Lake*, more than tripled in preorders from his previous. He has a dedicated global fanbase which has expanded from love on TikTok/BookTok.
- COMMERCIAL HOOK: Riley is at his very best in *The Only One Left*, a spooky gothic thriller with a haunted house, a cold case murder - and a twist. His writing is gripping, addictive and stands out amongst his peers as feeling truly original with each new book.

Author Biography

Riley Sager is the pseudonym of a former journalist, editor and graphic designer who previously published mysteries under his real name.

Now a full-time author, Riley's first thriller, *Final Girls*, was a national and international bestseller that has been sold in 25 languages. A film version is being developed by Universal Pictures and Anonymous Content.

A native of Pennsylvania, he now lives in Princeton, New Jersey.

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Lock Every Door
Last Time I Lied
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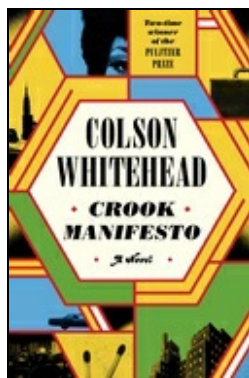
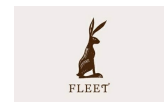
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Crook Manifesto

Colson Whitehead

Keynote

From two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning author Colson Whitehead comes the thrilling and entertaining sequel to *HARLEM SHUFFLE*.

Description

From two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning author Colson Whitehead comes the thrilling and entertaining sequel to *Harlem Shuffle*

1971 - Trash is piled on the streets, crime is at a record high, and the city is careening towards bankruptcy. A shooting war has broken out between the NYPD and the Black Liberation Army. Ray Carney, furniture-store owner and ex fence, is trying to keep his head down, his business up, and his life on the straight and narrow. His only immediate need is Jackson 5 tickets for his daughter May, so what harm could it do to hit up Munson, his old police contact and fixer extraordinaire? And suddenly, staying out of the game becomes more complicated - and deadly. When one of Ray's tenants is badly injured in a fire, he enlists the enduringly violent Pepper to look into how it started, leading the duo to battle their way through a crumbling metropolis run by the shady, the violent and the utterly corrupt.

In scalpel-sharp prose and with unnerving clarity and wit, Colson Whitehead writes about a city that runs on cronyism, threats, ego, ambition, incompetence and even, sometimes, pride. *Crook Manifesto* is a kaleidoscopic portrait of Harlem, and a searching portrait of how families work in the face of indifference, chaos and hostility.

Sales Points

- This is the sequel to the highly acclaimed *HARLEM SHUFFLE*, taking us back into Ray Carney's world.
- Colson Whitehead is a two-time Pulitzer Prize winner, one of only 4 people to achieve this. He's a National Book Award winner and a longlistee for the Booker Prize.
- *THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD* was a bestseller, selling more than 400,000 copies across all Fleet's editions

Reviews

- 'Whitehead's latest book, *Harlem Shuffle*, finds its centre of gravity in Harlem, New York, transporting readers to the precipice of the civil rights movement in the late 1950s and early 1960s, a moment when Harlem uprisings were remaking the literal and political landscape. **From here he crafts a brilliant crime novel that doubles as a meditation on the nature of black geography . . . It is Carney's effort to reconcile the straight and the crooked, the desire to strive for a home on the river, and the pull of the criminal underbelly, that propels the book forward**' - *Financial Times* on *HARLEM SHUFFLE*
- '**Gloriously entertaining** . . . a zingy social drama, that combines flights of high comedy with reflections on the nature of black self-help and black empowerment in America. **A more purely enjoyable novel is unlikely to emerge this year**' - *Evening Standard* on *HARLEM SHUFFLE*
- '**Colson Whitehead's dazzling new thriller** . . . In *Harlem Shuffle*, Whitehead flexes his literary muscles further, **extending the boundaries and expectations of crime writing**. The book is also a social drama interrogating the nature of prejudice and how an environment limits ambition' - *Guardian, Book of the Day* on *HARLEM SHUFFLE*

Author Biography

Colson Whitehead is a multi-award winning and bestselling author whose works include *The Nickel Boys*, *The Underground Railroad*, *The Noble Hustle*, *Zone One*, *Sag Harbor*, *The Intuitionist*, *John Henry Days*, *Apex Hides the Hurt* and a collection of essays, *The Colossus of New York*. He is one of only four novelists to win the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction twice and is a recipient of MacArthur and Guggenheim fellowships. For *The Underground Railroad*, Whitehead won the National Book Award, the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, the Arthur C. Clarke Award for Fiction, the Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence and was longlisted for the Booker Prize. He was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for a second time for *The Nickel Boys*, which also won the George Orwell Prize for Political Fiction and The Kirkus Prize. *The Underground Railroad* has been adapted as an Amazon Prime TV series, produced and directed by the Academy Award winning director Barry Jenkins, and was broadcast in 2021. He lives with his family in New York City.

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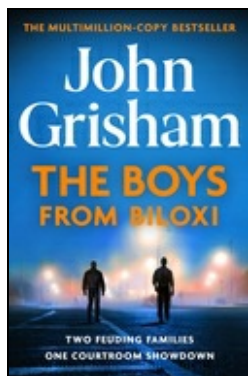
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The Boys from Biloxi

Two families. One courtroom showdown

John Grisham

Keynote

The next astonishing thriller from the master of the legal thriller. **NO ONES WRITES DRAMA LIKE GRISHAM.**

Description

Sunday Times No 1 bestseller John Grisham returns to Mississippi in his most gripping thriller yet.

'As ever with Grisham there are corkscrew twists and turns as he ratchets up the suspense. It is **exceptional story-telling, which leaves the reader begging for the novel never to end. Grisham has sold more than 300 million copies of his work. This shows exactly why'**

DAILY MAIL

For most of the last hundred years, Biloxi was known for its beaches, resorts, and seafood industry. But it had a darker side. It was also notorious for corruption and vice, everything from gambling, prostitution, bootleg liquor, drugs . . . even contract killings. The vice was controlled by a small cabal of mobsters, many of them rumoured to be members of the Dixie Mafia.

Keith Rudy and Hugh Malco grew up in Biloxi in the sixties and were childhood friends. But as teenagers, their lives took them in different directions. Keith's father became a legendary prosecutor, determined to 'clean up the Coast.' Hugh's father became the 'Boss' of Biloxi's criminal underground. Keith went to law school and followed in his father's footsteps. Hugh preferred the nightlife and worked in his father's clubs. The two families were headed for a showdown, one that would happen in a courtroom.

Rich with history and with a large cast of unforgettable characters, *The Boys from Biloxi* is a sweeping saga of two sons of immigrant families who grow up as friends, but ultimately find themselves in a knife-edge legal confrontation in which life itself hangs in the balance.

In this novel, Grisham takes his powerful storytelling to the next level, his trademark twists and turns will keep you tearing through the pages until the stunning conclusion.

'It's a story that spans half a century and ends inevitably in a courtroom showdown. **A morally complex, compelling and illuminating read'** **MAIL ON SUNDAY**

'Invites comparisons with the **Godfather trilogy** - it spans two generations and several postwar decades - and has a vast cast and a winning energy' **SUNDAY TIMES**

 350+ million copies, **45** languages, **10** blockbuster films:
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Reviews

- 'Invites comparisons with the **Godfather trilogy** - it spans two generations and several postwar decades - and has a **vast cast and a winning energy'** - *The Sunday Times*
- 'No one . . . writes courtroom dramas like Grisham . . . As ever with Grisham there are corkscrew twists and turns as he ratchets up the suspense. It is **exceptional story-telling, which leaves the reader begging for the novel never to end. Grisham has sold more than 300 million copies of his work. This shows exactly why'** - *Daily Mail*
- 'Grisham nails a **thriller with a great human backstory** once again' - *Peterborough Telegraph*
- 'Grisham has been stretching his wings in recent books. Having ventured into cosy crime, he now takes on a full-blown **Godfather-type** saga . . . It's a story that spans half a century and ends inevitably in a courtroom showdown. **A morally complex, compelling and illuminating read'** - *Mail on Sunday*

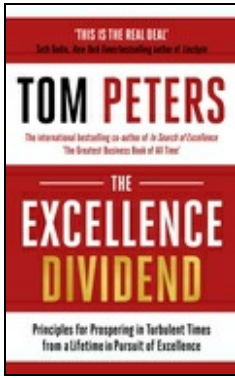
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The Excellence Dividend Principles for Prospering in Turbulent Times from a Lifetime in Pursuit of Excellence

Tom Peters

Keynote

Tom Peters, the international bestselling author of *IN SEARCH OF EXCELLENCE* which has sold over one million copies, concludes his 15 definitive rules on professional excellence and why, today, they are more important than ever.

Description

"The Real Deal" Seth Godin, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Linchpin*

"I'd rather hire someone who has studied [Peters'] writings than someone who has an MBA"

Matthew Kelly, CEO of Floyd Consulting and *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Dream Manager*

"Makes me glad to be alive in 2018" Sally Helgesen, author of *The Female Advantage* and *The Female Vision*, co-author *How Women Rise*

The Excellence Dividend is a critical new book from one of today's leading visionaries in business. This year's winner of the *Thinkers 50* Lifetime Achievement Award and the CEO Reads Lifetime Contribution to the Business Book Industry Award, Tom Peters is one of the world's most revered management gurus and global business thinkers.

For decades, he has been preaching the gospel of putting people first, and in today's rapidly changing business environment, this message is more important than ever. Studies show that fewer than one-third of employees feel engaged with their work and that half of all jobs are at risk due to technology. But Peters has a solution: a sustained commitment to excellence combined with a commitment to people. These are, he argues, the only tools for coping with and thriving amidst the tsunami of change facing business today.

In *The Excellence Dividend*, Peters shows that nothing beats a high-quality product or service, designed and delivered by people who are as dedicated to each other as they are to their shared goal. With his unparalleled expertise and inimitable charisma, Peters offers brilliantly simple, actionable guidelines for success that any business leader can immediately implement.

After spending four decades in in pursuit of professional excellence, giving more than 3,000 presentations on the subject and working with companies around the world, Peters has delivered a contemporary personal excellence manual for any professional looking to make their mark and face today's business challenges.

Sales Points

- Big brand author - written by the international bestselling author of *IN SEARCH OF EXCELLENCE*
- Tom Peters is one of the world's most revered management gurus and global business greats
- Winner of the CEO Reads 2017 Jack Covert Award for Contribution to the Business Book Industry
- Received the 2017 *Thinkers 50* Lifetime Achievement Award
- High impact book - written in a highly engaging impactful style

Reviews

- 'Here's what you need to know: This is 100% pure, unfiltered, unexpurgated, Tom Peters. THIS IS THE REAL DEAL. PERIOD.' - *Seth Godin, New York Times bestselling author of Linchpin*
- 'Tom Peters is a unique and compelling voice of passion, enthusiasm, and insight into organizational and managerial life. *The Excellence Dividend* proves that his thoughts are as vital now as they ever were.' - *Stuart Crainer, co-founder, Thinkers50*
- 'Tom Peters continues to push our thinking and shape our practices. His passion for people, innovation and leadership - critical ingredients fueling a culture of excellence - is contagious.' - *Marianne Lewis, Dean and Professor of Management, Cass Business School*
- 'Tom Peters' new book is a bundle of beautiful dynamite. While I've been a CEO for 30 years (arguably, 50 years), I still learned much worth knowing from *The Excellence Dividend*. You will too.' - *John C. Bogle, founder, Vanguard*

Author Biography

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most revered management gurus and global business thinkers. Tom co-authored the million copy selling IN SEARCH OF EXCELLENCE 35 years ago and has since been hailed as "the consultant, writer, columnist, seminar lecturer, and stage performer-whose energy, style, influence, and ideas have shaped new management thinking" in Movers and Shakers: The 100 Most Influential Figures in Modern Business.

Tom was ranked behind the Pope & Stephen Hawking, but ahead of Elon Musk, Eric Schmidt, George Soros and Michael Porter according to Thought Leaders 2014: The Most Influential Thinkers, by MIT and a Swiss Think Tank raking of influencers and creative minds.

Tom is a keen tweeter, voracious reader, and endlessly enthusiastic. Born in Baltimore, Tom earned an MBA and a Ph.D. in business at Stanford and he holds honorary doctorates from institutions that range from the University of San Francisco to the State University of Management in Moscow and has been honored by dozens of associations in content areas such as management, leadership, quality, human resources, customer service, innovation, marketing, and design. Tom served in the U.S. Navy and the White House before going on to work at McKinsey & Co, becoming partner and co-founding McKinsey's now gargantuan Organization Effectiveness practice. He is the most famous consultant McKinsey has ever produced. In 1981, Tom founded Skunkworks Inc. and The Tom Peters Company.

Praise for Tom Peter's previous book The Little Big Things:
"The single best management book I've ever read."-Warren Bennis

"He says that effective management is management that delivers more value to customers and more opportunity for service, creativity, and growth for workers. He is saying that the decent thing to do is also the smart thing. it's a wonderful message."-Paul Weaver, the Wall Street Journal

We live in a Tom Peters world."-Fortune

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The Rebel and the Kingdom

The True Story of the Secret Mission to Overthrow the North Korean Regime

Bradley Hope

Keynote

The wild story of a college activist's high-stakes attempt to topple the North Korean regime and change the world.

Description

'Propulsive . . . Deeply reported and novelistic. I flew through it' Ed Caesar

'Jaw dropping even for North Korea . . . A terrific piece of up-close reportage that reads like a spy thriller but is all too real' Anna Fifield

HOW DID A COLLEGE KID BECOME A GLOBAL FUGITIVE?

In the early 2000s, Adrian Hong was a soft-spoken Yale undergraduate looking for his place in the world. After reading a harrowing account of life inside North Korea, he realised he had found a cause to which he could devote his life.

Hong journeyed to China, outwitting Chinese security services as he helped ferry asylum-seeking North Korean escapees to safety. Meanwhile, Hong's secret organization, Cheollima Civil Defense (later renamed Free Joseon), began tracking the North Korean government's activities, and its volatile ruler, Kim Jong-un.

Free Joseon targeted North Korean diplomats who might be persuaded to defect, while drawing up plans for a government-in-exile. After the shocking broad-daylight assassination in 2017 of Kim Jong-nam, the dictator's older brother, Hong, along with US Marine veteran Christopher Ahn, helped ferry Jong-nam's family to safety. Then Hong took the group a step further. He initiated a series of high-stakes direct actions, culminating in an armed raid at the North Korean embassy in Madrid - an act that would put Ahn behind bars and turn Hong into one of the world's most unlikely global fugitives.

The Rebel and the Kingdom is an exhilarating account of how a trip down the safe and well-worn path of activism soon morphed into something extremely dangerous. Acclaimed journalist and bestselling author Bradley Hope - who broke numerous details of Hong's operations in the *Wall Street Journal* - reveals his remarkable story of idealism and insanity, hubris and heroism, all set within the secret battle for the future of the world's most mysterious and unsettling nation.

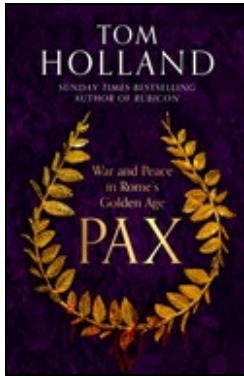
Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING HIGH-IMPACT AUTHOR:** Hope is the co-author of *Billion Dollar Whale*, a #1 international bestseller, and *Blood and Oil*. Both books were finalists for the *Financial Times* Business Book of the Year and have also been optioned by SK Global, the production company behind *Crazy Rich Asians*.
- **WELL CONNECTED:** Hope has big-name supporters in the journalism community, and we expect blurbs from John Carreyrou, Seymour Hersh, and Patrick Radden Keefe.
- **STRONG MEDIA ANGLE:** Hong is STILL A FUGITIVE TO THIS DAY, and as the lead reporter on the front-page WSJ piece that broke the news about Free Joseon's activities, Hope is positioned to be the leading voice on this story as it develops. His extensive and EXCLUSIVE SOURCING will make this book rich in detail.
- **TARGET CONSUMER:**
 - Fans of the author's previous books, including the *New York Times* bestseller *Billion Dollar Whale* (225K+ sold across formats) and *Blood and Oil* (30K+ across formats).
 - Readers of thrilling accounts of international espionage or heist sagas that feature mysterious, complex characters, including Patrick Radden Keefe's *Say Nothing*, Nick Bilton's *American Kingpin*, Bill Browder's *Red Notice*, and Adam Higginbotham's *Midnight in Chernobyl*.
 - Readers of deeply reported accounts of the North Korean regime, including Blaine Harden's *Escape from Camp 14* and Suki Kim's *Without You, There Is No Us*.

Reviews

- 'A propulsive investigation into the wild adventures of a man determined to bring down the North Korean regime . . . Deeply reported and novelistic. I flew through it' - Ed Caesar, author of 'The Moth and the Mountain'
- 'One of the most harrowing and inspiring stories I've ever read. This book left me in tears. Hope tells this inconceivable and heart-wrenching story with compassion, humanity, and integrity' - Yeonmi Park, bestselling author of 'In Order to Live'
- 'The engrossing inside story of two recent events that are jaw-dropping even for North Korea, and the obsessive man behind them . . . A terrific piece of up-close reportage

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Pax
War and Peace in Rome's Golden Age
Tom Holland

Keynote

The third in the epic trilogy narrating the history of the Roman Empire from renowned historian Tom Holland

Description

The definitive history of Rome's golden age - antiquity's ultimate superpower at the pinnacle of its greatness

The Pax Romana has long been revered as a golden age. At its peak, the Roman Empire stretched from Scotland to Arabia, and contained perhaps a quarter of humanity. It was the wealthiest and most formidable state the world had yet seen.

Beginning in 69AD, a year that saw four Caesars in succession rule the empire, and ending some seven decades later with the death of Hadrian, *Pax* presents a dazzling history of Rome at the height of its power. From the gilded capital to realms beyond the frontier, historian Tom Holland portrays the Roman Empire in all its predatory glory. Vivid scene follows vivid scene: the destruction of Jerusalem and Pompeii, the building of the Colosseum and Hadrian's Wall, the conquests of Trajan. Vividly sketching the lives of Romans both ordinary and spectacular, from slaves to emperors, Holland demonstrates how Roman peace was the fruit of unprecedented military violence.

A stunning portrait of Rome's glory days, this is the epic history of the pax Romana.

Praise for Tom Holland:

'Terrific: bold, ambitious and passionate' **Peter Frankopan**

'An exceptionally good storyteller with a marvellous eye for detail' **The Economist**

'A book that completely transforms your understanding of the world' **Spectator**

'Narrative history at its best' **Ian McEwan, Guardian**

Sales Points

- The third in the Roman Empire trilogy including *Rubicon* and *Dynasty*
- Holland is well known for his brilliant documentary work and adaptations of Homer, Herodotus, Thucydides and Virgil for the BBC
- Holland's *Dominion* sold over 25,000 copies in hardback
- Holland hosts (with Dominic Sandbrook) the no.1 podcast *The Rest is History*

Author Biography

Tom Holland is an award-winning historian, author and broadcaster. His bestselling books include *Rubicon: The Triumph and the Tragedy of the Roman Republic*, which won the Hessel-Tiltman Prize for History and was shortlisted for the Samuel Johnson Prize; *Persian Fire*, which won the Anglo-Hellenic League's Runciman Award; *Millennium: The End of the World and the Forging of Christendom*; *In the Shadow of the Sword: The Battle for Global Empire and the End of the Ancient World*; *Dynasty: The Rise and Fall of the House of Caesar*; and *Dominion: The Making of the Western Mind*.

Holland has adapted Homer, Herodotus, Thucydides and Virgil for the BBC. His translation of Herodotus was published in 2013 by Penguin Classics and followed in 2016 by a history of Æthelstan published under the Penguin Monarchs series, and in 2019 Æthelflæd England's Forgotten Founder as a Ladybird Expert Book. In 2007, he was the winner of the Classical Association prize, awarded to 'the individual who has done most to promote the study of the language, literature and civilisation of Ancient Greece and Rome'.

Holland hosts (with Dominic Sandbrook) the no.1 podcast *The Rest is History*. He has written and presented a number of TV documentaries for the BBC and Channel 4, on subjects ranging from religion to dinosaurs. He served two years as the Chair of the Society of Authors; as Chair of the PLR Advisory Committee and was on the committee of the Classical Association.

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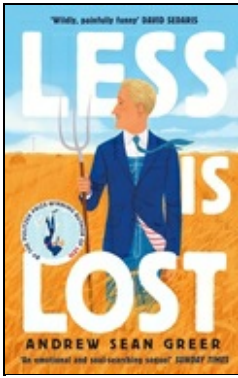
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Less is Lost

'An emotional and soul-searching sequel' (Sunday Times) to the bestselling, Pulitzer Prize-winning Less

Andrew Sean Greer

Keynote

The new novel from the author of *Less*, the winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction and an international bestseller

Description

<H3> **The awkward and lovable hero of Andrew Sean Greer's bestselling and prize-winning novel *Less* returns in this unforgettable road trip across America.** </H3>

'Wildly, painfully funny' David Sedaris

'Unforgettable' Elizabeth Day

'The joyfulness of this book is a balm' Madeline Miller

'What a joy' Katie Kitamura

For Arthur Less, life is going surprisingly well: he is a moderately accomplished novelist in a steady relationship with his partner, Freddy Pelu. But nothing lasts: the death of an old lover and a sudden financial crisis has Less running away from his problems yet again as he accepts a series of literary gigs that send him on a zigzagging adventure across the US.

Less roves across the 'Mild Mild West', through the South and to his mid-Atlantic birthplace, with an ever-changing posse of writerly characters and his trusty duo - a human-like black pug, Dolly, and a rusty camper van nicknamed Rosina. He grows a handlebar mustache, ditches his signature gray suit, and disguises himself in the bolero-and-cowboy-hat costume of a true 'Unitedstatesian'... with varying levels of success, as he continues to be mistaken for either a Dutchman, the wrong writer, or, worst of all, a 'bad gay'.

We cannot, however, escape ourselves - even across deserts, bayous, and coastlines. From his estranged father and strained relationship with Freddy, to the reckoning he experiences in confronting his privilege, Arthur Less must eventually face his personal demons. With all of the irrepressible wit and musicality that made *Less* a bestselling, Pulitzer Prize-winning, must-read breakout book, *Less Is Lost* is a profound and joyous novel about the enigma of life, the riddle of love, and the stories we tell along the way.

Sales Points

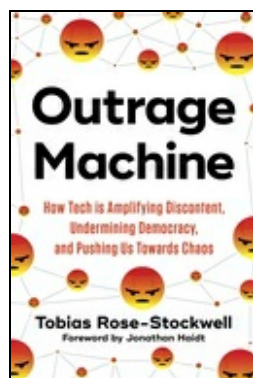
- We published *Less* in 2018, the year it won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. Across the paperback original edition, ebook and audio, we have sold just under 300,000 copies net (181,923 B formats, 105,799 ebooks and 9,600 audio).

Reviews

- 'Affecting and funny - **so hysterical at times you may find yourself laughing aloud.**' - *Daily Mail*
- 'Andrew Sean Greer's writing **nails both the absurdity of the human condition and its wistful beauty.** Arthur Less is an unforgettable literary creation and I was so happy to be back in his company as he continues his elegant muddle through life' - Elizabeth Day, author of *Maggie*
- 'An **emotional and soul-searching** sequel ... recalls the plaintive laconicism of the American humourist David Sedaris' - *Sunday Times*
- 'The hapless protagonist of Greer's prizewinning novel, *Less*, is now touring America's heartlands it's **huge fun.** Greer's delight in language and the comedy of incongruity is **infectious.**' - *Spectator*

Author Biography

Andrew Sean Greer is the bestselling author of five works of fiction, including *The Confessions of Max Tivoli*, which was named a best book of 2004 by the *San Francisco Chronicle* and the *Chicago Tribune*. He is the recipient of the Northern California Book Award, the California Book Award, the New York Public Library Young Lions Award, the O Henry award for short fiction and fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and the New York Public Library. Greer lives in San Francisco.



Outrage Machine

How Tech is Amplifying Discontent, Undermining Democracy, and Pushing Us Towards Chaos

Tobias Rose-Stockwell

Keynote

An invaluable guide to understanding the underlying machinery and technology that controls modern society, with a foreword by social psychologist, Jonathan Haidt, author of *THE RIGHTEOUS MIND*

Description

Foreword by Jonathan Haidt, author of *THE RIGHTEOUS MIND*

A noticeable shift has occurred in the last two decades. The prevalence of hate speech online. The turn toward authoritarianism and populism across the western world. Every day, it seems, we're hearing more angry voices and fearful opinions, we're seeing more threats and frightening news, and we're reacting faster and less rationally.

The cause is hidden in plain sight: for the first time, almost all of the information we consume is controlled and curated by algorithms designed to capture our emotional attention. This, media researcher and strategic advisor Tobias Rose-Stockwell argues, is the outrage machine. It is the wide-cast net of social media that is propelled by tech, has been exploited by all of us, and which has been allowed to steadily replace our newspapers, emergency communication systems, town halls, churches, and more. And this ubiquity has had unintended consequences.

OUTRAGE MACHINE reveals how to navigate a world that has been thoroughly disrupted by technology. It demystifies the underlying machinery that has come to control us and will help guide readers toward reflection rather than reaction. Pulling together 15 years of research and inquiry, Rose-Stockwell gives readers a language with which to comprehend what is happening to society, and offer new mental models for how to manage our time, our technology, and our attention, as well as big-picture recommendations for the way forward, how to redesign these platforms, and methods for fixing this broken system before it changes us for ever.

Sales Points

- **Foreword from Jonathan Haidt**, author of *THE RIGHTEOUS MIND* (38k tcm)
- **Well-connected author:** Tobias came up in Silicon Valley in the years after 2008, and was friends some of the first employees of Facebook, Google, and Twitter, as well as the founders of Change.org and the creators of some of the most viral pieces of content in human history
- **Track record of expertise on this subject:** Tobias' feature in *The Atlantic*, co-authored with *New York Times* bestselling author Jonathan Haidt, 'The Dark Psychology of Social Networks', discusses how social media is changing democracy <https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2019/12/social-media-democracy/600763/>
- **Extremely topical:** appealing to fans of Jamie Bartlett (*THE PEOPLE VS TECH*, 15k tcm), Jaron Lanier (*TEN ARGUMENTS...*, 22k tcm) and Nicholas Carr (*THE SHALLOWS*, 15k TCM) with insights from the latest news stories

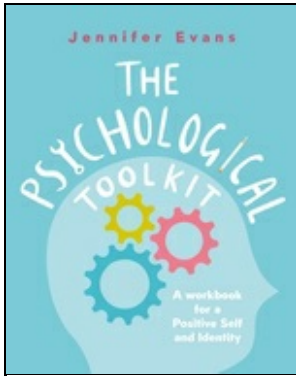
Author Biography

Tobias Rose-Stockwell is a writer, technologist and media researcher who explores the effects of social media on society and democracy. Tobias's work has been featured in major outlets such as *FastCompany*, *Quartz*, *Medium*, NPR, the BBC and many others. As a media researcher, he has advised the directors of Gannett, one of the largest news organizations in America, as well as local news outlets in the US, on digital strategy. Tobias was previously a guest lecturer at Stanford University on the topic of social enterprise design and technology ventures. He is currently a strategic advisor to Jonathan Haidt's organization, OpenMind, which focuses on depolarizing communities online.

Market

Readers of *Factfulness*, Nicholas Carr, *The People vs Tech* and smart thinking books about the darker side of tech/the internet who are looking for practical ways to fight back against the overwhelmingly negative picture; readers of *Ten Arguments for Deleting Your Social Media Accounts Right Now*, particularly for its practical angle

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The Psychological Toolkit A Workbook for a Positive Self and Identity

Jennifer Evans Fitzsimons

Keynote

An interactive workbook for teenagers providing the tools and techniques needed to think about and establish your sense of self and identity in a positive and healthy way.

Description

The way you think about yourself affects how you live your life

In *The Psychological Toolkit*, you will learn how to use psychology on your journey to knowing your true self. It is so important to take the time to understand how you view yourself, and to understand that your most important relationship is the one that you have with yourself.

This workbook will guide you through the development of your own positive theory and view of your unique self and identity. You will learn how to think about yourself on a deeper level, through honest, non-judgemental questioning, and based on what is of value to YOU. You will also:

- Learn to engage proactively with the world and those around you
- Develop new thinking skills and resources
- Improve your autonomy and ownership of your thoughts, feelings and behaviours
- Develop a strong understanding of your own identity and ongoing 'story'
- Take control of your wellbeing, resilience and mental health
- Increase your self-esteem and self-awareness
- Improve your pro-social and citizenship behaviours to make a more positive impact in the world
- Connect to your inner voice and become your own personal advisor

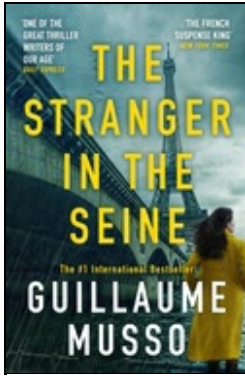
Sales Points

- Very much in the vein of our recent *The Kindness Workbook*, this is a broad, interactive workbook for self-improvement and combatting mental health problems that could find a wide audience.
- Likely to appeal to teenagers, their parents and teachers.
- Illustrated throughout and packed with interactive worksheets and tools.

Author Biography

Jennifer Evans Fitzsimons, PhD is a chartered psychologist with the Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI). During her many years lecturing in psychology and research methods at the American College Dublin and University College Dublin, she also published *Your Psychology Project*.

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The Stranger in the Seine

Guillaume Musso
Translated by Rosie Eyre

Keynote

THE NEW NOVEL FROM THE NO. 1 BESTSELLING AUTHOR

A nameless woman found in the waters of the Seine.
A celebrated musician seemingly back from the dead.
An impossible case.

Description

'THE FRENCH SUSPENSE KING'
NEW YORK TIMES

'ONE OF THE GREAT THRILLER WRITERS OF OUR AGE'
DAILY EXPRESS

Paris, a misty night a few days before Christmas: a young woman is saved from the waters of the Seine. She is naked, doesn't remember her name or how she ended up in the river, but is still alive. The mysterious woman is taken to the hospital - and then disappears in thin air. DNA testing reveals her to be celebrated concert pianist Milena Bergman - but that cannot be: Milena died in a plane crash more than a year before. As police captain Roxane begins to investigate, her fate becomes intertwined with that of writer Raphaël Batailley, Milena's former boyfriend, and the two are plunged deep into an impossible enigma: is it possible to be alive and dead at the same time?

Sales Points

- **A BREATHTAKING SUMMER READ:** The atmosphere Paris mixed with an impossible enigma. You'll devour this novel.
- **A MASSIVE BESTSELLER:** The French edition of this novel shot straight to number 1. *The Stranger in the Seine* has been a hit internationally, hitting the charts across Europe.
- **FRANCE'S BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Guillaume Musso consistently ranks at no. 1 in the end of year charts in France. Combining intensity, suspense and love, his novels are what made him France's favourite author, translated the world over, and adapted for the big screen.

Author Biography

Guillaume Musso is the no. 1 bestselling author in France. He is the author of THE REUNION, THE SECRET LIFE OF WRITERS and THE STRANGER IN THE SEINE, among others. His novels have been translated in forty languages and have sold over 33 million copies worldwide. He was born in Antibes, South of France, and currently lives in Paris.

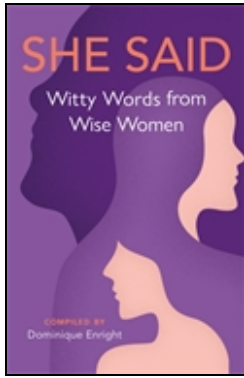
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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Book locale	Paris, France
Author born in	Antibes, France
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Previous Titles

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She Said **Witty Words from Wise Women** **Compiled by Dominique Enright**

Keynote

***She Said* is a wonderful celebration of the wit and wisdom of women through the ages.**

Description

In it you'll find writers, artists, politicians, actors, musicians, fashionistas, from Sappho to Beyoncé and Dorothy Parker to Carrie Fisher, all of whom have two things in common: brilliant minds and barbed wits that sting with their precision. Featuring women from as far back as 700 BC and right up to the modern day, the quotations and classic one-liners found here will inspire and delight, whether they are cheeky retorts from the outspoken, sharp reflections from the thoughtful or righteous indignation from the slighted.

Sales Points

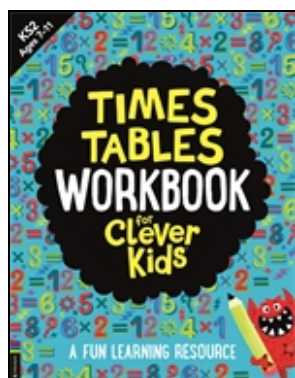
- Celebrates brilliant women
- Inspirational and funny, the perfect book to dip into and enjoy
- Sassy, opinionated and never less than right on the nail
- Would make a perfect gift for the witty women in your life
- From the publishers of *The Wicked Wit of Jane Austen* (over 17,500 copies sold) and *The Wicked Wit of Winston Churchill* (over 395,000 copies sold)

Reviews

- 'Brilliant book' - *Sunday Mirror S Magazine*

Author Biography

Dominique Enright is a freelance writer and editor. Although born in the UK, she spent much of her childhood abroad, notably Thailand and Singapore. She has a degree in English Language and Literature from Oxford University. Her previous works for Michael O'Mara Books include *The Wicked Wit of Winston Churchill* and *The Wicked Wit of Jane Austen*, and she is also the compiler and editor of selections from the verse of Burns, Keats, Kipling and Wordsworth. She lives in London with her husband; they have three grown-up children.



Times Tables Workbook for Clever Kids® A Fun Learning Resource

Gareth Moore (Illustrated By Chris Dickason)

Keynote

A brand-new times-tables workbook for KS2 readers (ages 7–11), featuring puzzles by bestselling author Dr Gareth Moore.

Description

Filled with over 90 Key Stage 2 curriculum-based exercises and puzzles, this workbook is the perfect way for kids to practise their times tables and support their learning at home.

The book is split into 12 sections, each one focusing on a times table. Each section is filled with exercises, puzzles and zany illustrations to make learning times tables fun. Developed with an educational consultant and featuring puzzles, including mazes, dot-to-dots and picture games, created by bestselling author Dr Gareth Moore, author of the chart-topping *Brain Games for Clever Kids*.

Also available:

9781780559247 *Problem Solving Workbook for Clever Kids®*

Sales Points

- Filled with over 90 exercises to help kids practise their 1–12 times tables
- Developed with an educational consultant, this workbook is the perfect way to support KS2 readers with their learning at home
- Makes learning fun with puzzles created by bestselling author Dr Gareth Moore, creator of the bestselling Clever Kids series, which has sold over 1.3 million copies
- Bestselling titles in the Clever Kids series include *Brain Games for Clever Kids*, which has sold over 446,000 copies in the UK and has been published in over 25 languages, and *Wordsearches for Clever Kids*, which has sold over 274,000 copies in the UK
- Zany, monster-themed illustrations bring the activities to life

Author Biography

Dr Gareth Moore (B.Sc (Hons) M.Phil Ph.D) is the internationally bestselling author of a wide range of brain-training and puzzle books for both children and adults, including *Anti-stress Puzzles*, *Ultimate Dot to Dot*, *Brain Games for Clever Kids®*, *Lateral Logic*, *Extreme Mazes* and *The Ordinance Survey Puzzle Book*. His books have sold over a million copies in the UK alone and have sold in 35 different languages.

He is also the creator of online brain-training site BrainedUp.com and runs the daily puzzle site PuzzleMix.com.

Illustrator Biography

Chris Dickason

Chris Dickason's irreverent sense of humour was born from years as both a mild mannered doodler and angry burger flipper. Taking inspiration as much from Henri Matisse as he does The Muppets, as well as odd bits of packaging collected from foreign supermarkets, Chris' work has been described as charming and visually striking with a sharp graphic style. His illustrations are populated with rambunctious characters that are a cleverly crafted mix of an uncomplicated line style and wonky perspectives. Chris is the illustrator of Buster Books' bestselling *Clever Kids* series.

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Tie In **Non Tie-in**

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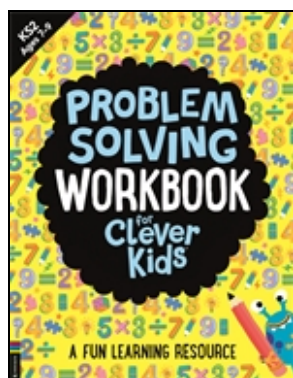
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Problem Solving Workbook for Clever Kids® A Fun Learning Resource

Kirstin Swanson (Illustrated By Chris Dickason)

Keynote

A brand-new problem-solving workbook for lower KS2 readers (ages 7–9) in Buster Books' bestselling *Clever Kids*® series.

Description

Filled with over 100 fun, Key Stage 2 curriculum-based exercises, this workbook is the perfect way for kids aged 7–9 to sharpen their problem-solving and reasoning skills and support their learning at home.

The book features 12 sections, each one focusing on a different maths topic – from multiplication and fractions to geometry and statistics. Each section is filled with exercises to help children practise their problem-solving skills, such as fraction subtractions, co-ordinate grids, written equations and pictograms. Written by an experienced educational consultant and featuring engaging illustrations by artist Chris Dickason. The book also features a glossary of key maths terms at the back.

Also available:

9781780559230 *Times Tables Workbook for Clever Kids*®

Sales Points

- Filled with over 100 exercises to help kids practise their problem-solving and reasoning skills
- Written by an experienced educational consultant, this workbook is the perfect way to support lower KS2 readers with their learning at home
- Topics covered include number skills, geometry, fractions, measurements and statistics
- Bestselling titles in the Clever Kids series include *Brain Games for Clever Kids*, which has sold over 446,000 copies in the UK and has been published in over 25 languages, and *Wordsearches for Clever Kids*, which has sold over 274,000 copies in the UK
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Author Biography

Kirstin Swanson is an Assistant Head Teacher based in the UK. Kirstin is an experienced educational consultant. Her consultancy work for Buster Books includes the Mathsketeers series, Clever Kids series, Sherlock Bones series and *365 Words Every Kid Should Know*. She also co-authored *Sherlock Bones and the Addition and Subtraction Adventure* for Buster Books.

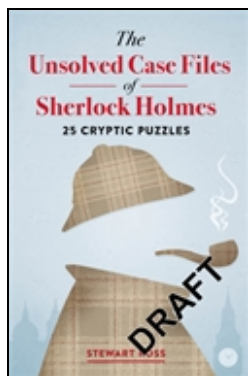
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Word Count	b/w illustrations
Illustrations	throughout
Territorial Rights	World (All Languages)
In-House Editor	Louise Dixon

The Unsolved Case Files of Sherlock Holmes 25 Cryptic Puzzles

Stewart Ross

Keynote

For all puzzle aficionados who have long been devotees of the great detective's ingenious methods, this book is finally your chance pit your wits against the Great Detective.

Description

If you've always fancied yourself a match for the remarkable Sherlock Holmes, there's no better way to test yourself than against these ingenious puzzles.

In this unique puzzle book, prize-winning author Stewart Ross presents 25 Sherlock Holmes cases and challenges you to test your powers of deduction against the man himself. Full of the atmosphere and ambience of 221b Baker Street, you'll feel like you've stepped back into the pages of Arthur Conan Doyle ... except, this time, with the chance to prove you're a match for the super sleuth.

Each case provides all the evidence you'll need to crack it, provided you're sharp enough to pick up on the clues! With conundrums from codebreaking to lateral thinking, memory games to logic puzzles, *The Unsolved Case Files of Sherlock Holmes* will finally put you in the same league as the world's greatest detective – and see if you're up to the challenge.

Sales Points

- Sherlock Holmes's deduction skills are revered the world over. Now, you can pit your wits against the iconic puzzle solver himself.
- Features a range of brainteasers including logic puzzles, codebreaking conundrums, and memory games that will keep the most avid puzzler entertained for hours.
- Prize-winning author Stewart Ross has written on a range of subjects, from popular history to sport, biography, puzzles and fiction.
- The original hardback edition has sold 15,000 copies in the UK since its release in 2018.

Reviews

- 'A must for amateur detectives and super sleuths.. this collection will offer hours of entertainment' - *Daily Express*
- 'Full of the atmosphere and ambience of 221b Baker Street, it will feel like you stepped back into the pages of a Sherlock Holmes book' - *Booktime Magazine*

Author Biography

As well as fiction and non-fiction titles, Stewart Ross has written prize-winning books for children (his book *The Story of Scotland* won the Saltire Society prize). Stewart Ross has written many books including *Solve it Like Sherlock* and *The First of Everything* for Michael O'Mara Books.

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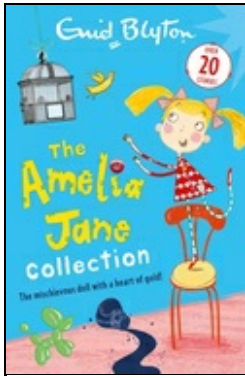
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The Amelia Jane Collection Over 20 stories

Enid Blyton

Keynote

Meet Amelia Jane! She's a mischievous rag doll with a knack for getting into trouble - and a heart of gold! This big bumper edition contains over 20 short stories by the world's best-loved children's author, Enid Blyton.

Description

Meet Amelia Jane! She's a mischievous rag doll and she's about to enchant a whole new generation of readers! This big bumper edition contains over 20 short stories by the world's best-loved children's author, Enid Blyton.

Amelia Jane has an uncanny knack for getting herself into mischief and trouble with the rest of the toys in the playroom, from throwing a big pile of alphabet blocks out the window and pushing shoes into a mouse hole to hiding clockwork keys and popping balloons. But really, Amelia Jane has a brave and adventurous heart of gold - and when the toys need help, it's Amelia Jane to the rescue!

These short, entertaining and accessible stories make *The Amelia Jane Collection* perfect for bedtime reading and for newly independent readers of five and upwards.

Sales Points

- These short stories are perfect for newly confident readers to read alone or for shared reading
- Over 20 stories in one volume at a bargain price
- Fun, colourful cover by Alex T. Smith, author of the *Claude* series

Author Biography

Enid Blyton's books have sold over 500 million copies and have been translated into other languages more often than any other children's author.

She wrote over 700 books and about 2,000 short stories, including favourites such as *The Famous Five*, *The Secret Seven*, *The Magic Faraway Tree*, *Malory Towers* and *Noddy*.

Born in London in 1897, Enid lived much of her life in Buckinghamshire and adored dogs, gardening and the countryside. She died in 1968 but remains one of the world's best-loved storytellers.

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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Series	Amelia Jane
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Enid Blyton wrote many of the 20th century's most popular children's series, including *The Famous Five*, *The Naughtiest Girl*, *The Secret Seven*, *The Magic Faraway Tree*, *The Adventure Series*, *Malory Towers*, *St Clare's* and *The Adventures of Wishing-Chair*.

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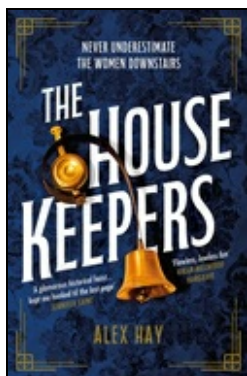


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The Housekeepers

They come from nothing. But they'll leave with everything...

Alex Hay

Keynote

The most audacious launch of 2023, a historical heist blockbuster.

Description

'Flawless, lawless fun' **Kiran Millwood Hargrave**, bestselling author of *The Mercies*

'Prepare to grow hungrier for justice with every page you turn' **Nina de Gramont**, bestselling author of *The Christie Affair*

UPSTAIRS, MADAM IS PLANNING THE PARTY OF THE SEASON.

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When Mrs King, housekeeper to the most illustrious home in Mayfair, is suddenly dismissed after years of loyal service, she knows just who to recruit to help her take revenge.

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'Fun, fast-paced and totally immersive, *The Housekeepers* is a rare jewel worth coveting' **Emma Stonex**

'A rollicking romp of a book, tinged with fury, sadness and mischievous delight' **Claire North**

'Anyone who relishes a good party gone wrong - will devour this' **Sarah Penner**

'I cannot tell you how much fun you'll have with this book. A riotous, explosive mashup of *Bridgerton* and the *Ocean's* films, with perfectly drawn characters. Glorious' **Bobby Palmer**

'I'll miss these resourceful, cunning ladies, the strength of their sisterhood and their collective pursuit of freedom. I badly needed them to win and cheered myself hoarse' **Chikodili Emelumadu**

Sales Points

- **DEBUT OF THE YEAR:** *The Housekeepers* is a slick and wildly entertaining historical heist

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novel about a group of servant women who launch an audacious robbery on the grandest house in Mayfair. This is a super lead launch for Headline Review, featuring an immersive, world-building marketing campaign that will bring the extraordinary cast of characters and the exuberant world of the novel to life.

- **STANDOUT CREATIVE CAMPAIGN:** Early waves of superproofs and assets will be created and shared widely. Innovative, fun and theatrical, this campaign will delight, intrigue and build buzz right through to publication and beyond.
- **WORLD RIGHTS:** Acquired pre London Book Fair 2022 in a major whirlwind pre-empt. Rights sold in the USA, Germany, France, Spain, Hungary, Finland, Serbia, Croatia and the Czech Republic - with more to follow.
- **TV DEAL:** Rights sold to Miramax who are planning an eight-part ensemble drama.

Reviews

- 'Punch-the-air good, this is the Edwardian heist novel you never knew you needed. Flawless, lawless fun' - Kiran Millwood Hargrave
- 'A glamorous historical heist novel that kept me hooked 'til the last page. The strong, determined and memorable female characters pull you into their web of intrigue' - Jennifer Saint
- 'Vivid characterisation, irresistible historical detail and a rip-roaring plot... delivers on every page. Sensational!' - Emma Stonex
- 'Imagine *Ocean's 8* had an illegitimate baby with *Fingersmith* - a big fat diamond of a book, sharp and shiny, joyful and generous' - Erin Kelly

Author Biography

Alex Hay grew up in Cambridge and Cardiff and has been writing as long as he can remember. He studied History at the University of York, and wrote his dissertation on female power at royal courts, combing the archives for every scrap of drama and skulduggery he could find. He has worked in magazine publishing and the charity sector, and is a graduate of the Curtis Brown Write Your Novel course. *The Housekeepers* is his debut novel and won the Caledonia Novel Award 2022. Alex lives with his husband in South East London

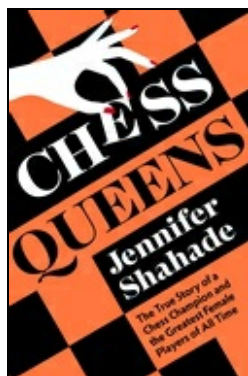
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Chess Queens

The True Story of a Chess Champion and the Greatest Female Players of All Time

Jennifer Shahade

Keynote

For fans of *The Queen's Gambit*, this is the real life story of a female chess champion travelling the world to compete in a male-dominated sport with the most famous players of all time.

Description

'Like *The Queen's Gambit*, this isn't really about chess, but power'

Sunday Times

What does it take to make it to the top of your game?

As a chess champion, Jennifer Shahade has travelled the world playing major tournaments. At the top, she finds rivalry and friendship; sexism and feminism; ecstatic highs and excruciating losses.

Chess Queens invites us behind the scenes of this ultra male-dominated sport. We meet today's elite, as well as the pioneering female players in history who fought against the odds to get to the top.

An essential guide for all aspiring chess queens, Jennifer's story reveals what it takes to break through the glass ceiling.

'Jennifer Shahade is a brilliant, insightful thinker who never fails to entertain and engage'

Maria Konnikova

'An astoundingly intimate, thoughtful and inspirational book by a person who has seen it all from the inside'

Angela Saini

Sales Points

- **STAR AUTHOR:** Jennifer is an absolute super star and a media dream - she is a two-time U.S. Women's Chess Champion, speaker, and podcast host. As the Program Director at US Chess Women, Jennifer is passionate about female empowerment and an advocate for getting young women and girls into chess. She hosts an award-winning podcast, has over 25k followers on Twitter and she was profiled in Vanity Fair last year in the wake of Queen's Gambit fever.
- **REAL LIFE QUEEN'S GAMBIT:** Jennifer has lived the real life of an international chess star travelling the globe. Taught by her Lebanese-American father how to play when she was 5 years old, by age 9 she was playing in her first tournament, and by high school was travelling the world to play on the international circuit. She also introduces us to the glamorous jet setting party girls of the chess world, who seem to have walked straight out of *The Queen's Gambit*.
- **CHESS FEVER:** Since 2020 - thanks to both the popularity of the Netflix show and the global series of lockdowns - there has been a huge wave of interest in chess, particularly from young women and girls. The show was watched by 62 million households in the first 28 days after its release, more than any previous Netflix scripted limited series. Retailers saw YOY growth of 1,100% for chess sets.
- **INTERNATIONAL STORY, WITH WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE:** We have World rights in *Chess Queens* - a book that truly travels the globe, taking us to tournaments in China, Turkey, France, India, Slovenia, Georgia, Iceland, Argentina, Iran, America, Spain, Russia, the Netherlands, Austria... (the list goes on) and introducing us to players from just as many countries.
- **YOUNG, FEMALE MARKET:** We have a fantastic opportunity to relaunch this book (previously published in the US by a tiny press under the title *Chess Bitch*) with huge international appeal, aiming specifically for the growing market of young women and girls who have taken up an interest in the sport. This new edition includes updates to the text to make it relevant in the post Queen's Gambit era, including a new introduction, and will have a cover that appeals to young women who bought FEMINISTS DON'T WEAR PINK and WOMEN DON'T OWE YOU PRETTY.

Reviews

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Author living in	Philadelphia, USA
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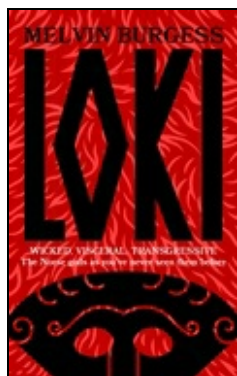
- 'Amazing. I was transfixed throughout, and learned so much. *Chess Queens* is a meditation on why women have always been so under-represented in the game, and the remarkable lives of those who played on against the odds. **An astoundingly intimate, thoughtful and inspirational book by a person who has seen it all from the inside.**'
- 'Angela Saini, author of *INFERIOR*. Like *The Queen's Gambit*, this isn't really about chess, but power... [Shahade] wants to provoke discussion and show how chess is just a starting point for wider liberation.' - *The Sunday Times*
- 'Jennifer's book gives readers an insider look into the complex realities of being a female chess player, while also showcasing the badass women knocking down these barriers. Highly recommended!' - Alexandra Botez, chess champion and Twitch streamer
- 'The fascinating true stories of the lives of champion chessplayers. All women should take up the challenge and pick up a board!' - Yoko Ono

Author Biography

Jennifer Shahade is an Olympic chess champion, poker pro, speaker and award-winning host. She is a two-time United States women's chess champion and was the first female to win the US Junior Open. Jennifer works to bring more women, girls and gender minorities into the game through her advocacy and work. In 2023, she broke international news of #MeToo in chess, forwarding her mission to make the chess safe and fun for all. She has won two Global Poker Awards and is an ambassador for PokerStars and Poker Power. Her books include *Chess Queens* (previously published under the title *Chess Bitch*) and *Play Like a Girl!* She lives in Philadelphia with her family.

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Loki WICKED, VISCERAL, TRANSGRESSIVE: Norse gods as you've never seen them before

Melvin Burgess

Keynote

Step into the ancient fir-tree forests of Scandinavia and bear witness to legends as epic as those of the Greeks and the Romans.

Description

THE FIRST ADULT NOVEL BY THE CARNEGIE PRIZE WINNING AUTHOR OF *JUNK*

'A spirited retelling... witty and insightful.' *i PAPER*

'His prose is electrical, crackling with a mischievous charge.' *BUZZ MAGAZINE*

'Told with wit [and] verve... it's a book that exerts a curious charm.' *MAIL ON SUNDAY*

'Burgess recounts Loki's genius . . . with great gusto, pulling together many tales into one sometimes beautifully lyrical masterwork.' *SFX MAGAZINE*

'a mischievous, unpredictable and clever book that breathes new life into an already fascinating character and godly race.' *CULTUREFLY*

Step into the ancient fir-tree forests of Scandinavia and bear witness to legends as epic as those of the Greeks and the Romans.

Melvin Burgess revolutionised children's literature with the infamous cult novels *Junk* and *Doing It*. In his first adult novel, *Loki*, he breathes new life into Norse myths. Starting with the Norse creation myths, the trickster god Loki takes the reader on a wild ride through Norse mythology, from the time the gods - the founders of Asgard - defeated races of monsters, and hurtling through famous stories, including Odin hanging himself on the World Tree, the theft of the corrupting gold ring and the murder of Baldr, the god of love and the Sun. This narrative may seem familiar enough at first, but the reader should beware.

Born within the heart of a fire in the hollow of a tree-trunk, Loki arrives in Asgard as an outsider. He is a trickster, an unreliable narrator, the god of intelligence and politics. In spite of his cleverness and sparkling wit (or, perhaps, *because* of this...) Loki struggles to find his place among the old patriarchal gods of supernatural power and is constantly at odds with the god of thunder - Thor.

Alongside the politics of Asgard, it charts the course of Loki's many loves and families, from his mothering of Odin's famous horse to his intense, turbulent, and, eventually, fatal relationship with Baldr the Beautiful - a tender and moving story of love that goes wrong, jealousy and a transitioning that is forbidden by society.

This is a retelling that is contemporary in tone, at once amusing and relatable. It is a heartfelt plea to overthrow the old gods of power and authority and instigate a new era ruled by love and intelligence.

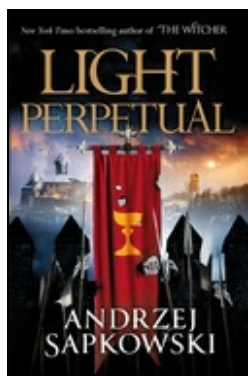
Sales Points

- Melvin Burgess is the Carnegie Medal winning author of children's and YA novels *Junk* and *Doing It* among others. This is his first adult novel.
- *Loki* taps into the growing market for classical retellings with nuanced understandings of gender and sexuality through its inclusion of queer characters.

Author Biography

Melvin Burgess' first book, *THE CRY OF THE WOLF* (1990), was shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal which he then went on to win for the cult novel *JUNK*, along with the Guardian's Children's Fiction Prize. He won the Lancashire County Library Children's Book of the Year Award for *BLOODTIDE* (1999) and the LA Times Book Prize for Young Adult Literature for *DOING IT* (2003). His latest YA book, *3 BULLETS*, was published by

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Light Perpetual Book Three

Andrzej Sapkowski

Keynote

The epic conclusion to the Hussite Trilogy by the bestselling author of The Witcher finds Reynevan – infamous magician and disgraced scoundrel – on the run after being sentenced to death by the Catholic Church.

Description

The epic conclusion to the Hussite Trilogy by the bestselling author of The Witcher finds Reynevan – infamous magician and disgraced scoundrel – on the run after being sentenced to death by the Catholic Church.

Reynevan is besieged on all sides and faces torture and execution if he makes any mistake in his quest to find his beloved, Jutta of Apolda. Aided by his companions - the ever-pragmatic Scharley and the mysterious being known as Samson Honeypot - his journey takes him all over the Bohemian realm.

And Reynevan will need every ounce of his wit, intelligence and cunning if he is to succeed in his search. The political and religious alliances of the Hussite Wars are ever shifting, and the battle for dominance threatens to devour anyone who gets in their way.

Faced too with dark magical forces summoned by the malevolent Birkart of Grelleort, aided by his terrifying band of Back Riders, Reynevan knows the odds of finding Jutta decrease with every obstacle he is forced to overcome along the way. But he has never let impossible odds stop him before - and he will be reunited with his love, whatever the cost.

Sales Points

- **New York Times and international bestselling author of the Witcher books** which have sold over 15 million copies in nearly 40 languages worldwide
- **The hit Netflix show The Witcher** based on Andrzej Sapkowski's previous books was released in December 2019 and instantly became one of Netflix's **most watched series** of 2019
- **Award-winning author:** Andrzej Sapkowski has won the prestigious World Fantasy Lifetime Achievement Award, the David Gemmell Legend Award for Best Fantasy Novel and multiple literary awards in Poland for the original language editions
- **Historical crossover:** based on the Hussite wars of the 15th century, this will appeal to readers of historical fiction who enjoy a magical twist

Reviews

- 'Like a complicated magic spell, a Sapkowski novel is a hodge podge of fantasy, intellectual discourse and dry humour. **Recommended!** - *Time [on the Witcher series]*
- '**Like Mieville and Gaiman**, Sapkowski takes the old and makes it new' - *Foundation [on the Witcher series]*
- 'Sapkowski's love for the period is clear as he touches on notorious historical events and figures . . . **This is historical fantasy done right!** - *Publishers Weekly (starred review)*
- 'A ripping yarn delivered with world-weary wit, **bursting at the seams with sex, death, magic and madness!** - *Joe Abercrombie*

Author Biography

Andrzej Sapkowski was born in 1948 in Poland. He studied economy and business, but the success of his fantasy cycle about the Witcher Geralt of Rivia turned him into a bestselling writer and he is now one of Poland's most famous and successful authors, selling more in his own country than Stephen King or Michael Crichton.

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BIC 2.1	Fantasy (FM) Historical fiction (FV)
Binding	Paperback
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Extent	640 pages
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Series	The Hussite Trilogy
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The Daughter of Doctor Moreau

Silvia Moreno-Garcia

Keynote

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Mexican Gothic* comes an extraordinary feminist reimagining of *The Island of Doctor Moreau* set against the background of 19th century Mexico.

Description

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Mexican Gothic* and *Velvet Was the Night* comes a dreamy reimagining of *The Island of Doctor Moreau* set against the backdrop of nineteenth-century Mexico.

The deeply atmospheric novel blends horror, science fiction, and historical events' *Time*, *100 Must Read Books of 2022*

Carlota Moreau: growing up in a distant and luxuriant estate, safe from the conflict and strife of the Yucatan peninsula, she is the only daughter of an eccentric, and dangerous, genius. His experiments, a motley group of hybrid monstrosities, are blindly loyal to their creator.

Into Carlota's strange but perfectly balanced world comes Eduardo Lizalde, the charming, carefree son of Doctor Moreau's patrons. In the sweltering heat of the jungle, amidst her father's secrets and her own awakening feelings, Carlota will begin asking questions that could ignite a conflagration.

'Genius . . . combine[s] contemporary political awareness with the appeal of a creepy gothic romance' - *Guardian*

'An evocative slow-burn SF drama about colonialism, heredity and scientific hubris, couched in lush prose' - *Financial Times*

'The imagination of Silvia Moreno-Garcia is a thing of wonder, restless and romantic, fearless in the face of genre, embracing the polarities of storytelling' - *New York Times*

'Paints a vivid picture that is as alluring as it is unsettling, filled with action, romance, and monsters' *Booklist*

Sales Points

- SILVIA MORENO-GARCIA IS A MASTER: an author who brings a unique and masterful spin to any genre, her talent transcends the confines of category
- AUTHENTIC VOICE: As a woman of colour writing across genres, Moreno-Garcia introduces elements of history and culture that will be new to many.
- A THRILLING NOVEL SET IN A DISTINCTIVE HISTORICAL PERIOD IN MEXICO: *Mexican Gothic* featured Gothic ghosts in 1950s rural Mexico; *Velvet Was the Night* was a '70s noir in Mexico City. Now, *The Daughter of Doctor Moreau* is a fantastical literary horror novel set in 19th century Yucatán.
- WIDE READER APPEAL: For devotees of historical fiction such as Yangsze Choo's *The Night Tiger*, Esi Edugyan's *Washington Black*, and Kristin Hannah's *The Nightingale*, readers of retellings of classic stories, such as Naomi Novik's *Spinning Silver* and Madeline Miller's *Circe* and lovers of literary supernatural novels such as Victor LaValle's *The Changeling* and Stephen Graham Jones' *The Only Good Indians*

Reviews

- 'Once again the author of *Mexican Gothic* demonstrates her genius for genre mashups, combining contemporary political awareness with the appeal of a creepy gothic romance' - LISA TUTTLE in *THE GUARDIAN* on *THE DAUGHTER OF DOCTOR MOREAU*
- 'An evocative slow-burn SF drama about colonialism, heredity and scientific hubris, couched in lush prose' - *THE FINANCIAL TIMES* on *THE DAUGHTER OF DOCTOR MOREAU*
- 'The imagination of Silvia Moreno-Garcia is a thing of wonder, restless and romantic, fearless in the face of genre, embracing the polarities of storytelling - the sleek and the bizarre, wild passions and deep hatreds - with cool equanimity' - *NEW YORK TIMES* on *THE DAUGHTER OF DOCTOR MOREAU*

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- 'The **brilliant and unstoppable Silvia Moreno-Garcia** continues to **weave her magic** in *The Daughter of Doctor Moreau*, a **smart, sinister fable** about social inequality and exploitation, isolation and abuse of power. In her usual fashion, Moreno-Garcia has given us **an extraordinary heroine** to root for in Carlota, a young woman who can't know until she's tested how much power is hers to claim. **Both lacerating and deeply empathetic, this story satisfies the reader on every page**

' - *PAULA McLAIN*, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *THE PARIS WIFE*, on *THE DAUGHTER OF DOCTOR MOREAU*

Author Biography

Silvia Moreno-Garcia is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the critically acclaimed noir thriller *Velvet Was The Night*; the award-winning gothic *Mexican Gothic*; *Gods of Jade and Shadow*, selected as one of *TIME Magazine's* best fantasy novels of all time; the futuristic vampire novel *Certain Dark Things*, and the magical romance *The Beautiful Ones*, amongst others. Born in Mexico, she now lives in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

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The Girls Bathroom

The Must-Have Book for Messy, Wonderful Women

Sophia Tuxford & Cinzia Baylis-Zullo

Keynote

The first book from the girls behind the chart-topping podcast, The Girls Bathroom, and the ultra-successful YouTube channel, Sophia & Cinzia.

Description

ALL THE LIFE ADVICE AND UPLIFTING CHAT YOU'D EXPECT IN THE GIRLS' BATHROOM ON A NIGHT OUT

We all need incredible women in our life to build us up and keep us on track. To give us those tips and tricks we never knew were essential, and to advise us against making the same mistakes again and again.

In *The Girls Bathroom*, Sophia & Cinzia, the girls behind the chart-topping podcast, will supply you with all the girl chat, support and relationship advice you could ever want!

If you need help with:

- Learning how to keep your life organised and together
- Manifesting and achieving your goals
- Keeping your head in the dating world
- Embracing and falling in love with being independent or single
- Finding a healthy lifestyle that works for you
- Enjoying the present and being comfortable in your skin

Then this is the book for you.

Bringing their learnings, experiences and truth to the book, Sophia & Cinzia will show you you're not alone. No topics are off limits.

THIS IS THE ONLY BOOK FOR YOUNG WOMEN FINDING THEIR WAY IN LIFE

Sales Points

- Sophia Tuxford and Cinzia Baylis-Zullo are life-long friends from Nottingham. Together they've founded the YouTube channel, Sophia & Cinzia (379k subscribers), and retail, podcast and entertainment brand, The Girls Bathroom. They have launched sell-out collaborations with I Saw it First and Slazenger brands, and they have a long-term collaboration with Lounge Underwear.
- The Girls Bathroom podcast reached the no.1 spot in the UK iTunes podcast chart - for both show and episodes - spending over a month in the top 10. The show is a regular visitor to the top 10 chart of all the major podcast platforms. Now in its third series, The Girls Bathroom has amassed over 10 million downloads and sees 0.5 million downloads per month.
- Sophia Tuxford has 405k Instagram followers, and Cinzia Baylis-Zullo has 466k Instagram followers.
- A book sitting in a similar space to Mrs Hinch, Women Don't Owe You Pretty (147k HB sold), It by Alexa Chung (29k HB sold) and a similar audience to Grace Beverley's.

Reviews

- 'The Girls Bathroom is the podcast on everyone's lips. It has created an amazing community, allowing young girls to send in their dilemmas, with co-hosts and BFFs Sophia Tuxford and Cinzia Baylis-Zullo giving their advice and sharing their own experiences along the way.' - *Hello*
- 'One of the country's favourite relationship-based podcasts and a must-listen for millions' - *Grazia*

Author Biography

Cinzia Baylis-Zullo (Author)

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Sophia Tuxford (Author)

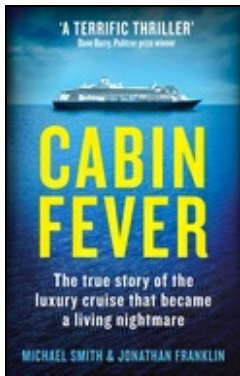
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Cabin Fever

Trapped on board a cruise ship when the pandemic hit. A true story of heroism and survival at sea

Jonathan Franklin and Michael Smith

Keynote

The harrowing story of the *Zaandam* cruise ship, which set sail with a deadly and little-understood stowaway – Covid-19 – days before the world shut down in March 2020. A story of human kindness, peril and bravery.

Description

'The authors of this absorbing book have a strong command of detail, context and narrative structure... the results are impressively claustrophobic.' – *Times Literary Supplement*

'Gripping... The authors skillfully capture the fear and claustrophobia. A riveting real-life drama.' – *Kirkus*

'*Cabin Fever* is riveting, taut, and extensively researched. Smith and Franklin have written a page-turning adventure that will keep you reading late into the night.' – Martin Dugard, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Taking Paris*

'A gripping account of how an invisible stowaway – the Covid-19 virus – transformed a fun-filled luxury cruise into an unimaginable nightmare.' – Sara Gay Forden, bestselling author of *House of Gucci*

'Extensive first-hand testimony and the authors' brisk, matter-of-fact style enrich this propulsive account of how a holiday cruise turned into a nightmare. Readers will be riveted.' – *Publishers Weekly*

In early 2020, the world was on edge. An ominous virus was spreading and no one knew what the coming weeks would bring. Far from the hotspots, the cruise ship *Zaandam* was preparing to sail from Buenos Aires loaded with 1,200 passengers - British, American, Australian, European and South American tourists, plus 600 crew. Most passengers were over the age of 65.

There was concern about the virus in the news but that was oceans away. Escaping to sea at the ends of the earth for a few weeks seemed like it might be a good option. The cruise line had said the voyage would go ahead as scheduled and it would be safe.

Within days, people aboard the *Zaandam* began to fall sick. The world's ports shut down. *Zaandam* became a top story on the news and was denied safe harbour everywhere. With only two doctors aboard and few medical supplies to test for or treat Covid-19, and with dwindling food and water, the ship wandered the oceans on an unthinkable journey.

Cabin Fever is a riveting narrative thriller, taking readers behind the scenes of the ship's complex workings, and below decks into the personal lives of passengers and crew who were caught unprepared for the deadly ordeal that lay ahead. It is a story layered with moments of peril, perseverance and kindness. A remarkable tale that is filled with individual acts of heroism and the struggles and the tragedies of the crew and passengers.

Sales Points

- Aimed at readers drawn to stories of REAL-LIFE HEROISM such as SULLY (83k copies TCM), A CAPTAIN'S DUTY (28k copies TCM), LAST MAN OFF (14k copies TCM) and 438 DAYS (12.5k copies TCM).
- WRITTEN IN A NOVELISTIC STYLE with tense scenes that unfold like a locked-room mystery.
- AUTHORS ARE ACE INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS with a wealth of firsthand interviews with both passengers and crew to draw on.

Reviews

- "The authors of this absorbing book have a strong command of detail, context and narrative structure... the results are impressively claustrophobic." - Henry Hitchings, *Times Literary Supplement*

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Author Biography

Michael Smith (Author)

Michael Smith is an award-winning investigative reporter at *Bloomberg Businessweek*. His stories document financial crimes, the business of narcotics and human trafficking, and environmental and labour abuses in corporate supply chains. Smith has won dozens of awards over his 30-year career, including the prestigious George Polk, Maria Moors Cabot, Robert F. Kennedy and Overseas Press Club prizes. Recently, he has reported extensively on the Covid outbreaks on cruise ships. He is based in Miami. *Cabin Fever* is his first book. Twitter: @SmithMarkets.

Jonathan Franklin (Author)

Jonathan Franklin is an award-winning public speaker, investigative journalist and author. Franklin's previous books include *A Wild Idea*, *438 Days: An extraordinary story of survival at sea* (now under development as a major motion picture) and *The 33*, the inside account of the dramatic Chilean mining rescue and a US bestseller. A native of New Hampshire, he splits his time between Portland, Maine and Punta de Lobos, Chile where he lives with his wife and daughters. Twitter: @FranklinBlog.

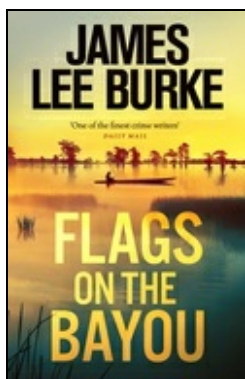
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Flags on the Bayou

James Lee Burke

Keynote

A Civil War thriller shot through with Southern Gothic, from the godfather of Southern noir James Lee Burke.

Description

In the fall of 1863, the Union Army controls the Mississippi River and much of Louisiana, as the Civil War rolls on.

Wade Lufkin is a man without a country or a cause - an idle spectator since New Orleans surrendered, he now paints at his uncle's plantation. That is until he finds an intriguing new subject...

Hannah Laveau is an enslaved woman who stands accused of everything from adultery to insurrection, from magic to murder. But all she wants is to find her missing son - and she will risk her life for it.

When Hannah goes on the run, she must dodge the calculating and merciless local constable and the slavecatchers that prowl the bayou as she flees through Louisiana, from the cottonmouth snakes and tree-lined swamps to the dingy saloons of New Orleans.

From 'the king of Southern noir' (*Daily Mirror*) comes a powerful and deeply moving Civil War thriller - a story of tragic acts of war, lost and desperate people, and love enduring through it all.

PRAISE FOR JAMES LEE BURKE, THE AWARD-WINNING KING OF SOUTHERN NOIR:

'James Lee Burke is the heavyweight champ, a great American novelist whose work, taken individually or as a whole, is unsurpassed' **Michael Connelly**

'A gorgeous prose stylist' **Stephen King**

'No argument: James Lee Burke is among the finest of all contemporary American novelists' **Daily Mail**

Sales Points

- **THE ICONIC GIANT OF AMERICAN CRIME FICTION:** James Lee Burke is a **New York Times** bestselling author, beloved by authors including **Michael Connelly and Stephen King**. His Robicheaux series has been translated into almost **every language in the world**.
- **1.5 million copy bestseller.** His novels have sold over 1.5 million copies in the UK market to date.
- **AWARD-WINNING:** Burke has won Edgar Awards for *Black Cherry Blues* and *Cimarron Rose*, and has also been presented with the Grand Master Award from the Mystery Writers of America.

Author Biography

James Lee Burke is the author of many novels, and the critically-acclaimed, bestselling Detective Dave Robicheaux series. He won the Edgar Award for both *Cimarron Rose* and *Black Cherry Blues*, and *Sunset Limited* was awarded the CWA Gold Dagger. *Two For Texas* was adapted for television, and *Heaven's Prisoners* and *In the Electric Mist* for film. Burke has been a Breadloaf Fellow and Guggenheim Fellow, has been awarded the Grand Master Award by the Mystery Writers of America and has been nominated for a Pulitzer award. He lives with his wife, Pearl, in Missoula, Montana.

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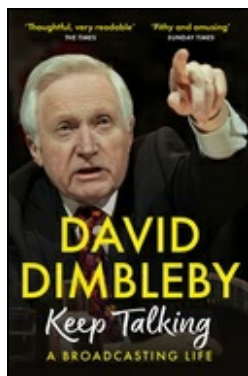
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Keep Talking A Broadcasting Life

David Dimbleby

Keynote

David Dimbleby reflects on his 50 year career at the BBC taking us behind the scenes of some of the biggest moments in British broadcasting.

Description

'Thoughtful, very readable ... We have been lucky, lucky, lucky to have him' - *The Times*

'Pithy and amusing' - *Sunday Times*

David Dimbleby has interviewed prime ministers and presidents, made award-winning documentaries, chaired Question Time for 25 years, and anchored the BBC's live coverage of historic national and world events.

KEEP TALKING is David's wry look at his own extraordinary career, and the people, events and controversies he has encountered along the way. As a broadcaster for the BBC, David had an obligation to appear a neutral observer. Now finally 'off the leash' he writes without inhibition but with his characteristic wit, clarity and insight, about monarchy, politics, and the state of Britain.

His book is enlivened with honest accounts of broadcasting from the inside - from commentating on Diana's funeral to anchoring ten successive General Election night results programmes. The faux pas, the secrets of the craft and what he was really thinking are shared for the first time. He reveals his own battles with politicians; queries the purpose and effect of political interviews; and considers the power of broadcasting - through programmes such as Question Time - to explore and amplify the public voice. Whilst profoundly British, the book ranges wider, in particular reflecting David's time in many countries, including Southern Africa and the United States.

David has been there for us at nearly every major national event of the last fifty years. Serious, outspoken, and leavened with humour, KEEP TALKING reveals how David has seen it all - and is now telling it as he sees it.

Sales Points

- *Keep Talking* is the first book David Dimbleby has written since he left the BBC - it is articulate, opinionated and controversial
- David Dimbleby is hugely respected as a broadcaster, familiar to millions as the voice of royal weddings, elections and Question Time for the past four decades
- David Dimbleby is making and will present a three-part BBC TV series about the past, present and future of broadcasting to be transmitted in Q4 2022

Reviews

- "Thoughtful, very readable ... We have been lucky, lucky, lucky to have him" - *Andrew Billen, The Times*
- 'Pithy and amusing... There is something else that Dimbleby has that all the best journalists do: a sense of mischief running in tandem with a dislike of hierarchy. It's the twinkle in the eye of his cover photo, and it pervades the memoir.' - *Rosamund Urwin, Sunday Times*

Author Biography

David Dimbleby was chairman of the BBC's *Question Time* for 25 years. He has anchored election programmes and many other political programmes, and has been both a reporter for and presenter of *Panorama*. He is the commentator for a variety of State and other events. He has made film series for BBC television about the USA, South Africa, India and Zimbabwe as well as about the art, architecture and history of Britain. He lives in Sussex.

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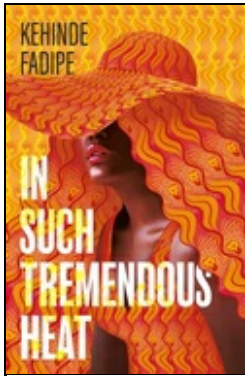
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In Such Tremendous Heat

Kehinde Fadipe

Keynote

Three women living in Singapore have their lives derailed by the arrival of a hotshot young lawyer: this is the sharp, funny book of the summer

Description

<HI>THE HOTTEST DEBUT OF SUMMER 2023</HI>

Basking in Singapore's non-stop sunshine, low tax rate and crocodile Birkins on every other arm, Dara, Amaka, and Lillian are living the dream - until their carefully constructed lives are upended by a handsome and mysterious new arrival . . .

Dara, a workaholic lawyer, is on the brink of partnership at her firm. Estranged from her mother, and perpetually uncomfortable around her hyper-competitive colleagues, her insecurities threaten to overwhelm her when Lani, a new hire from Geneva, is assigned to work on what should have been her career-making case. Pitted against one another, Dara can't help but see Lani as a threat, ready to take her hard-earned place as partner.

Amaka, a sharp-tongued banker, is in the midst of a painful family breakdown. Thousands of miles away from home, she's doing her best to distract herself with a illicit workplace romance - and hiding a spiralling shopping addiction that's threatening not only her finances, but her very sense of self. An instant attraction to Lani jeopardizes her last shred of stability.

Lillian, a piano-prodigy-turned-housewife, is desperately trying to remain in Singapore after her marriage comes to a messy end. Rather than sell her beloved piano, the last precious reminder she has of her parents, she takes a low-paying job at a language school. A chance encounter with Lani-a man who is inexplicably, impossibly, the spitting image of her late father-triggers a grief she's spent a lifetime suppressing, leading to an obsession that threatens everything-and everyone-around her.

Forced to confront the ghosts of their pasts, Dara, Amaka, and Lillian soon learn that unfinished history can follow you anywhere - even to Singapore.

Sales Points

- For fans of *Crazy Rich Asians*, a sexy new take on life in Singapore through the lens of three Black women, seemingly living their best lives.
- Author Kehinde Fadipe is an actress featured in hit TV shows like Channel 4's *Misfits*, and currently based in Singapore.

Author Biography

Kehinde Fadipe is a RADA-trained actress with stage and screen credits including *Misfits* (E4), *Of Mary* (Lesata Productions) and *Ruined* (Almeida Theatre). She began her writing career in the Royal Court Theatre's Young Writer's Programme while studying English at UCL and she has written and produced a short film, *Spirit Children*, starring Pippa Bennett Warner and Jenny Jules, which was screened in two international short film festivals. *In Such Tremendous Heat* is her first novel.

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**Roam
A Search for Happiness**

Juno Roche

Keynote

A radically honest and uplifting memoir about defying death and learning to live.

Description

'Delicate and devastating. Up there with the best of them.' HANNAH LOWE, WINNER OF THE COSTA PRIZE

'Roche is a charming, unflinchingly honest guide on a journey that's as funny as it is heart-breaking.' JUNO DAWSON

How does an untrained eye recognise the process of dying, when your mind is fixed firmly on living?

A radically honest and uplifting memoir about defying death and learning to live.

Juno Roche was born into a working-class family in London in the sixties, who dabbled in minor crime. For their father, **violence and love** lived together; for their mother, addiction was the only way to survive. School was a respite, but shortly after beginning their university course **Juno was diagnosed with HIV, then a death sentence.**

Juno is a survivor; they outlived their diagnosis, got a degree and became an artist. But however hard you try to take the kid out of the family, some scars go too deep; trying to run from AIDS and their childhood threw Juno into **dark years of serious drug addiction**, addiction often financed by sex work.

Running from home eventually took Juno **across the sea to a tiny village in Spain**, surrounded by mountains. Only once they found a quiet little house with an olive tree in the garden did Juno start to wonder if they had run too far, and **whether they have really been searching for a family all along.**

In an incredibly **honest and brave** book, Juno takes us through the moments of their life: Mum sending Christmas cards containing Valium, drug withdrawal on a River Nile cruise, overcoming their father's violence and finding their dream house in Spain. Showing immense resilience, Juno's memoir is **a book about what it means to stay alive.**

Emotional, tragic and incredibly funny, *A Working-Class Family Ages Badly* is an unforgettable must-read memoir for anyone who loves *Educated*, Deborah Levy and *Motherwell*.

'Full of **heart, wit and charm**. I'm **obsessed** with this book.'
Travis Alabanza

'**So gripping**, I had to make myself slow down to appreciate the quality of the writing. Such a **powerful story and so beautifully written**.'
Paul Burston

'Utterly unique. Nobody can write with **warmth and confrontation** the way Juno can.'
Tom Rasmussen

'Compassionate, dreamlike and **deeply moving**.'
CN Lester

'Should be read by **everyone**.'
Irenosen Okojie

'Juno has always been a literary voice like no one else, **scathingly honest and endlessly expansive**.'
Amelia Abraham

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- Emotional, tragic and incredibly funny, *A Working-Class Family Ages Badly* is an unforgettable must-read memoir for anyone who loves **Educated**, **Deborah Levy** and **Motherwell**.
- **CN Lester** says Juno Roche's '**words are a gift**' to anyone looking to open their minds and fall in love with the possibilities of love'.
- A **ground-breaking** and important memoir about growing up working class - Roche's memoir is a **true time capsule of British life** over the last forty years.

Author Biography

Juno Roche is a writer and campaigner whose work around class, gender, sexuality and trans lives has been described as 'provocative and innovative'. They were the recipient of the Blair Peach Award in for their work in education and their work has been supported by The Paul Hamlyn Foundation.

Juno studied Fine Art and Philosophy at Brighton, and English Literature at Sussex, and has written for a wide range of publications including features for *Bitch* magazine, *Dazed*, *Vice*, *Broadly*, *Cosmopolitan*, the *i*, *The Independent*, *i-D*, the *Tate* magazine and *Refinery29*. They are the author of four books: *Queer Sex*, *Trans Power*, *Gender Explorers* and their memoir, *A Working-Class Family Ages Badly*.



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The Villa
The Instant New York Times Bestseller
Rachel Hawkins

Keynote

From the *New York Times* bestselling author comes an enthralling tale of gothic suspense set in an Italian villa with a dark history

Description

<h3> THE INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER </h3>

'Gave me Taylor Jenkins Reid vibes and I loved it from start to finish... captivating' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'Grabbed me by the heart and didn't let go! I was literally gasping with every twist' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'Complex, suspenseful, creepy... perfect for those who love Ruth Ware or Lucy Foley' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'A phenomenal read that kept me up way past my bedtime' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'Daisy Jones and The Six vibes... A fantastic summer read' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

As kids, Emily and Chess were inseparable, but their bond has been strained by the demands of their adult lives. So when Chess suggests a girls trip to Italy, Emily jumps at the chance to reconnect with her best friend.

Villa Aestas in Orvieto is breathtaking, but it has a dark past: in 1974 it was rented by a notorious rockstar, who was joined by up-and-coming musician Pierce Sheldon and his girlfriend, Mari. By the end of the holiday Pierce is dead, and Mari goes on to write one of the greatest horror novels of all time.

As Emily digs into the villa's history, she begins to think that Pierce's murder wasn't just a tale of sex, drugs, and rock & roll gone wrong, but something more sinister - and that there might be clues hidden in the now-iconic works that Mari left behind.

Yet the closer that Emily gets to the truth, the more tension she feels developing between her and Chess. As secrets from the past come to light, equally dangerous betrayals from the present also emerge - and it begins to look like the villa will claim another victim before the summer ends.

An enthralling tale of gothic suspense that will keep you reading late into the night, *The Villa* is perfect for fans of Ruth Ware and Lucy Foley, with the rock-and-roll glamour of *Daisy Jones and the Six*.

<h3> Praise for *The Villa*</h3>

"The White Lotus" vibes with a side of moody, gothic suspense elements? We'll take it' *The Skimm*

'Clever and wickedly fun, *The Villa* is a moody labyrinth of a novel fortified by Hawkins's evident knowledge of Gothic conventions: missing manuscripts, debauched aristocrats, isolated locales... a spooky, intricate thriller' *Washington Post*

'An engrossing tale about betrayal, sisterhood, and the power of telling your own story. Captivating!' *People*

'A deliciously dark tale filled with twisted secrets, suspect loyalties, and deadly encounters. I tore through this haunting thrill ride at breakneck speed but hated to see it end... pitch-perfect' Heather Gudenkauf, *New York Times* bestselling author

'Fans of **twisty, creepy, layered** thrillers will revel in their suspenseful stay at *The Villa*'
Bookpage

'**Slick, twisty... a perfectly delicious read. I devoured it as fast as I could and wanted to read it again** immediately. Buy one for yourself and another for your best friend because **you'll want to talk about it for days**' Deanna Raybourn, *New York Times* bestselling author

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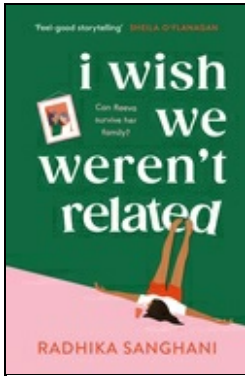
- **Went straight to the *New York Times* bestseller list** and received **rave reviews** from outlets such as *Washington Post* and *People*, and from a host of bestselling authors.
- This has the hallmarks of the best contemporary suspense, but with **a deliciously dark Gothic feel and a hint of retro glamour** that will appeal to fans of *Daisy Jones and the Six*. And with its gorgeous Italian setting, *The Villa* is **the perfect summer read**.
- Rachel Hawkins also writes witchy romance as Erin Sterling and has penned **TikTok bestsellers THE EX-HEX and THE KISS CURSE**
- **Impressive social media stats:** Rachel Hawkins has 25.3k followers on Twitter, 15k followers on Instagram and 1.7M views on TikTok for #rachelhawkins and 12.4M views for #thevilla, as well 900k views for #erinsterning, 8.4M views for #theexhex and 750k views for #thekisscurse

Author Biography

Rachel Hawkins is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Wife Upstairs* and *Reckless Girls*. She also writes as our own Erin Sterling, author of *The Ex-Hex* and *The Kiss-Curse*, and has written multiple books for young readers.

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I Wish We Weren't Related

A hilarious novel about who we become when we go back to our family home

Radhika Sanghani

Keynote

From the author of *THIRTY THINGS I LOVE ABOUT MYSELF*, a witty and uplifting story of learning to accept yourself – and your dysfunctional family. Perfect for fans of Bella Mackie and Dolly Alderton

Description

FOURTEEN DAYS, THREE SISTERS AND THE MOTHER OF ALL LIES

'A heartwarming novel' Sheila O'Flanagan, bestselling author of *Three Weddings and a Proposal*

'Hilariously funny, totally heartfelt and completely original' Laura Price, author of *Single Bald Female*

'I absolutely loved it! It was like a glorious warm hug of a book!' Harriet Minter

Reeva Mehta is thriving. Consumed in her career as one of London's top divorce lawyers, she doesn't bat an eyelid when her mum calls to tell her that her dad is dead. Because he's been dead since she was five . . . hasn't he?

If finding out her dad was alive - until last week - wasn't bad enough, his last request was for his daughters to spend fourteen days in mourning at his house. Which means Reeva must spend a fortnight stuck with the people who betrayed her when she needed them the most - her sisters.

Navigating her absent Bollywood megastar mother, newly dead father and scheming sisters with only a temperamental boyfriend - and even more temperamental cat - by her side, it's no wonder Reeva's hair is falling out. Could confronting the truth help the Mehtas put aside their differences, or will attending a funeral be the death of this family?

A fresh, funny and oh-so-relatable novel about trying to be the grown up when your magnificently messy family seems set to sabotage everything. Get ready to laugh, cry and fall in love with this addictive read.

REAL READERS LOVE I WISH WE WEREN'T RELATED:

'This book had me hooked' REAL READER REVIEW

'Relatable, raw and riotously witty' REAL READER REVIEW

'Absolutely brilliant' REAL READER REVIEW

'Full of heart and so funny in the most awkwardly relatable ways' REAL READER REVIEW

Sales Points

- **WILL BE PUBLISHED SIMULTANEOUSLY IN THE US. (Berkley, 2023)**
- **FEARLESS AND FRESH.** Exploring topics from alopecia to big family funerals, this book centres experiences that are historically underrepresented in commercial fiction - with a deft touch and sensitivity
- **AUTHOR WITH PROFILE.** Radhika is a brilliant and in-demand journalist and campaigner with a strong social following - she writes for all the major national newspapers and magazines, has been a guest on *BBC Radio 4 Woman's Hour*, *Sky News* and *Good Morning Britain*, and is a **TEDx speaker on body positivity**
- **BUILDING ON EXISTING PLATFORM.** Radhika received extensive PR coverage and a wealth of high-profile author endorsements for her debut adult novel, *THIRTY THINGS I LOVE*

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ABOUT MYSELF. Her second novel is another **brilliant, conversation-starting** book

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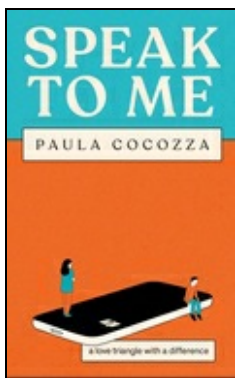
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 - 'I absolutely loved it! It was like **a glorious warm hug of a book!**' - Harriet Minter
 - '**PRAISE FOR THIRTY THINGS I LOVE ABOUT MYSELF: 'So good! Funny, fresh, touching. I'm completely in love with Nina''** - JANE FALLON
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Author Biography

Radhika Sanghani is an award-winning features journalist, an influential body positivity campaigner and a 2020 BBC Writers Room graduate. She writes regularly for the *Daily Telegraph*, *Daily Mail*, *Elle*, *Guardian*, *Grazia*, *Glamour* and *Cosmopolitan*; was recently featured in Italian *Vogue* as well as BBC Radio 4 *Woman's Hour*, and is a regular guest on Sky News and *Good Morning Britain*. She has previously written two YA novels: *Virgin* and *Not That Easy*. Radhika is also a TEDx speaker on body positivity, a yoga teacher, and she runs a charity initiative with Age UK fighting loneliness in older women.

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Speak to Me

A love triangle with a difference - a wry and witty conversation starter

Paula Cocozza

Keynote

A barbed, funny, painfully well observed study of contemporary relationships, centring on the love triangle between a wife, her husband, and his mobile phone.

Description

'Sharp as a skewer about the devices and desires in many modern marriages. I loved it'

Amanda Craig

'Charming, very touching and very funny. Taut and full of surprises' Tessa Hadley

I shall explain about our marriage. We have a modern version of a long-distance relationship. We share a house, but live in different historical eras...

What happens in a relationship when your partner only has eyes for their new phone?

What happens when you lose a treasured possession - a hoard of love letters documenting a relationship that never really ended - and this loss becomes an obsession?

Speak to Me is the story of a woman's quest, in a world ruled by screens and devices, for a conversation that will unlock who she once was, and what she really wants now. Keenly observed, tender and sharply funny, this is a book about all the ways we say, and don't say, the things in our hearts.

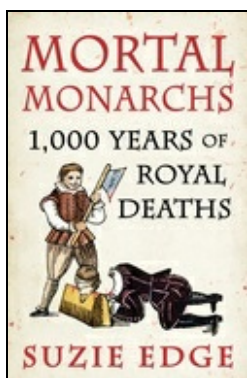
Sales Points

- **A portrait of a marriage on the rocks**, full of unforgettable observations that readers will want to share SPEAK TO ME: the kind of conversation-starting fiction that will generate instant word of mouth.
- **A brilliant study of the impact technology is having on human relationships**: though we have never been more available to one another across so many platforms, SPEAK TO ME skewers the way our obsession with being 'in touch' is pushing us ever further apart.
- **Praise for SPEAK TO ME**: *'There are three of us in this - you, me and your mobile. How many couples have said this to each other? Paula Cocozza's witty, wry new novel is sharp as a skewer about the devices and desires in many modern marriages. I loved it'* Amanda Craig, author of *THE GOLDEN RULE*; *'A beguiling and unsettling modern love story, full of wit, bafflement and razor-sharp swipes at modern desperation. She loves her past; he loves his phone, the centre cannot hold'* Louisa Young, author of *TWELVE MONTHS AND A DAY*; *'A meticulously composed novel about getting and paying attention. Cool, compelling, Speak To Me is both timeless and vividly contemporary'* Richard Beard, author of *THE DAY THAT WENT MISSING*
- **Praise for HOW TO BE HUMAN**: *'Cocozza delves deep into the psyche of a strange and troubled woman... a mordantly witty dissection of contemporary manners'* Sarah Perry; *'How To Be Human vibrates with originality, poetry and guts and I loved every strange, yet beautiful page'* Ali Land, author of *Good Me Bad Me*; *'An intriguing and subversive debut'* Hilary Mantel; *'Unsettling, vivid and rich'* *Observer*

Author Biography

Paula Cocozza is a *Guardian* features writer who has written for a wide range of publications from the *TLS* to *Vogue*. She is the author of a previous novel, *HOW TO BE HUMAN*, which was published by Hutchinson in 2018 and shortlisted for the Desmond Elliot Prize.

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Mortal Monarchs 1000 Years of Royal Deaths

Suzie Edge

Keynote

A humorous deep-dive into the varied - and oft-gruesome - deaths of the King and Queens of England and Scotland from a medical historian with a large TikTok following.

Description

'A brilliant, funny and thought-provoking book' - Jonn Elledge

'Compelling, provocative, and utterly brilliant' - Dr Estelle Paraque

THIS PAPERBACK FEATURES ADDITIONAL MATERIAL ON HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

How the monarchs of England and Scotland met their deaths has been a wonderful mixture of violence, infections, overindulgence and occasional regicide. In *Mortal Monarchs*, medical historian Dr Suzie Edge examines 1,000 years of royal deaths to uncover the plots, accusations, rivalries, and ever-present threat of poison that the kings and queens of old faced.

From the "bloody" fascinating story behind Oliver Cromwell's demise and the subsequent treatment of his corpse and whether the arrow William II caught in the chest was an accident or murder, to Henry IV's remarkable skin condition and the red-hot poker up Edward II's rear end, *Mortal Monarchs* captivates, grosses-out and informs.

In school many of us learned the dates they died and who followed them, but sadly never heard the varied - and oft-gruesome - way our monarchs met their maker. Featuring original medical research, this history forms a rich record not just of how these people died, but how we thought about and treated the human body, in life and in death.

Sales Points

- **BONUS CHAPTER:** this paperback features new material about Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second.
- **Huge Social Media Following:** Suzie has over 360,000 TikTok followers since August 2020 where she regularly goes viral for gruesome stories about royal deaths.
- **Perfect CV:** Suzie is uniquely well placed to write this book, being both a doctor who's worked in a variety of medical specialities and holding an MLitt in Modern History where she studied the history of medicine.
- **Original Medical Research:** Features original medical research into the demise of British monarchs, told through Suzie's trademark humorous and engaging tone
- **Quirky History:** *Mortal Monarchs* will appeal to fans of *A Field Guide to the English Clergy* and the works of John O'Farrell. Suzie is the latest social media star to turn to this genre, following in the footsteps of Arran Lomas from the Thoughty2 Youtube channel and James Felton, whose *52 Times Britain Was a Bellend* (Sphere, 2019) has sold 39k hardbacks.

Reviews

- 'A brilliant, funny and thought-provoking book' - Jonn Elledge
- 'Compelling, provocative, and utterly brilliant' - Dr Estelle Paraque

Author Biography

Suzie Edge trained as a molecular cell biologist before moving to clinical medicine, to spend more time talking to people, rather than just bugs in test tubes. She went on to work as a junior doctor in a variety of medical specialties including infectious diseases, haematology, and trauma and orthopaedic surgery. She recently completed an MLitt in Modern History to feed her fascination for the history of the human body and the history of medicine.

Always on the lookout for gory historical details, Suzie loves telling stories of how we have treated our human bodies in life and in death. She has over 325,000 followers on TikTok who love tuning into her stories of how famous monarchs met their end.

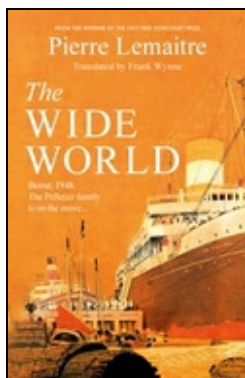
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The Wide World

An epic novel of family fortune, twisted secrets and love - the first volume in THE GLORIOUS YEARS series

Pierre Lemaitre
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Keynote

From **Beirut in 1948, to Saigon and Paris**, this is the story of **the Pelletier family, rich with corruption, death, blackmail - and murder**. The first volume of **THE GLORIOUS YEARS series**, translated by Frank Wynne

Description

'Literature with conviction; a furious talent' *L'Obs*

The first volume of **THE GLORIOUS YEARS series**, translated by Frank Wynne

Beirut, 1948. The Pelletier family returns...

The Pelletiers are a prominent French family living in Beirut. The patriarch, Louis, has built a successful business manufacturing and exporting artisanal soaps. He hoped to pass the business on to his eldest son, Jean, but Jean doesn't have the sharpness or aptitude for such an enterprise. After nearly running the company into the ground, Jean marries a money-grubbing young woman who quickly makes him miserable, and they emigrate to Paris. But there's another reason Jean must leave - he has committed a terrible crime...

His brother, Etienne, travels to Saigon, where he soon uncovers irregularities in the local currency office and begins investigating what he believes is a scheme to channel smuggled goods and cash to the Viet Minh. It is evidence that presents a real threat to his own life.

François, the middle Pelletier brother, has gone to Paris, ostensibly to study, but finds himself working as a journalist. His career flies when he reports on the brutal murder of an actress in a cinema ladies' room. It seems a serial killer is on the loose.

'You have the ingredients Balzac would have cooked with. And it is exactly those great 19th century novels that Lemaitre will remind you of' *Sunday Times*

'Pierre Lemaitre skilfully captivates and stuns the reader' *Le Figaro*

Sales Points

- The first volume in THE GLORIOUS YEARS tetralogy
- A vivid, twisty epic of greed, corruption and power - set in Beirut 1948, Saigon and Paris - from the author of *The Great Swindle*
- The Pelletier characters have appeared in THE GREAT SWINDLE and ALL HUMAN WISDOM
- A big, historical epic, for fans of series such as *Peaky Blinders*, or readers of the great French writers such as Balzac and Zola - the world - and period France - illustrated with vivid detail
- On first publication in France, THE GREAT WORLD stayed on the bestseller lists for 6 weeks, with sales of over 200,00 hardback copies

Reviews

- 'Pierre Lemaitre does not spare his characters or twists. Dumas is not far away, Zola remains in ambush with Hugo, leaning on the shoulder of a Lemaitre who is bickering while winking at his readers' - *Telerama*
- 'Pierre Lemaitre finds his legendary verve [...] to crunch with relish the follies of the time' - *Les Echos*
- 'Pierre Lemaitre skilfully captivates and stuns the reader' - *Le Figaro Litteraire*
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Author Biography

Pierre Lemaitre was born in Paris in 1951. He worked for many years as a teacher of literature before becoming a novelist.

He has won the Crime Writers' Association International Dagger three times, once alongside Fred Vargas, for *Alex*, and twice as sole winner for *Camille* and *The Great Swindle*. In 2013 *The Great Swindle* (published in French as *Au revoir là-haut* won the Prix Goncourt, France's leading literary award.

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In addition to his *Brigade Criminelle* novels starring Commandant Camille Verhoeven, Lemaitre writes standalone thrillers including *Blood Wedding*.

Frank Wynne is an award-winning writer and translator. His previous translations include works by Virginie Despentes, Javier Cercas and Michel Houellebecq. He chaired the jury of the 2022 Booker International. Most recently his translation of *The Art of Losing* won the 2022 Dublin Literary Award.



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The Air Raid Book Club

The most uplifting World War 2 historical fiction inspired by true events

Annie Lyons

Keynote

An emotional and uplifting novel set in WW2 London about the remarkable power of books to bring hope and light in dark times, inspired by true events, from the USA Today bestselling author.

Description

<h2> 'A warm and tender tale about the power and healing of friendship and community and the magic of books' - **Ruth Hogan** </h2>

As the bombs began to fall, the book club kept their hopes alive...

The most emotional, uplifting and captivating story of wartime London and the extraordinary power of books to shine a light and draw people together in the darkest of days, inspired by true events.

London, 1938. Bookseller **Gertie Bingham** is facing difficult times, having just lost her beloved husband, Harry, and with a lingering sadness at never having been able to have a child of her own. Struggling to face running the bookshop she and Harry opened together, Gertie is preparing to sell up and move away when she is asked if she would be willing to take in a young Jewish refugee from Germany. Gertie is unsure and when sullen teenager **Hedy Fischer** arrives, Gertie fears she has nothing left to give the troubled girl.

But when the German bombers come and the lights go out over London, **Gertie and Hedy** realise that joining forces will make them stronger, and that books have the power to bring young and old together and unite a community in need in its darkest hour...

Annie Lyons was shortlisted for the RNA Contemporary Romantic Novel of the Year Award

Readers adore *The Air Raid Book Club*:

'A charming, uplifting story of resourceful women and the healing power of books' - **Clare Chambers**

'A tender, touching and utterly heart-warming tale' - **Sarah Steele**

'Annie Lyons has cleverly woven the horror and heartbreak of war with the resilience of human nature, the strength of love, and the importance of friends . . . **perfect for fans of Lissa Evans and AJ Pearce**' - **Kerry Barrett**

'This is **a book to be read and re-read** - each time there will be something new to discover . . . a triumph' - **Celia Anderson**

'Warm and nostalgic . . . This story of love, bravery and found family is heart-wrenching and utterly charming. **I sobbed my way through the final chapters**' - **Fiona Lucas**

'A wonderful story of strong female friendship and found family . . . I absolutely adored it' - **⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ Real reader review**

'A gentle, heartwarming read . . . [with] two main characters who are lovely ordinary people living in remarkable times' - **⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ Real reader review**

'[A] beautiful depiction of a community striving to survive and thrive together . . . I came to

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love the many characters and I felt like I, too, would be welcomed into their book club' -
⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ **Real reader review**

'One of my favourite books ever . . . **reading this beautiful, heartfelt, heartbreaking, but yet promising story leaves me feeling hope for the human spirit**' - ⭐ ⭐
⭐ ⭐ ⭐ **Real reader review**

Sales Points

- **International rights snapped up worldwide at auction:** US rights - William Morrow, HarperCollins; Portugal - Bertrand; Germany - Rowohlt (at auction); Italy - Garzanti (pre-empt); Holland - Xander (pre-empt); Finland - Aula (pre-empt); Spain - Planeta Mexico (at auction); Brazil - Rocco (at auction)
- **Inspired by the story of a real woman** who lived in South-East London (where Annie Lyons lives) who took in young Jewish girl from Germany during WW2.
- **For fans of THE LITTLE WARTIME LIBRARY by Kate Thompson**, THE PARIS LIBRARY by Janet Skeslien Charles and THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL SOCIETY by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows, this is the perfect book for times like these: a story that celebrates the joy and power of literature, that offers hope and demonstrates how a small community can give shelter and warmth in dark times.
- **THE BRILLIANT LIFE OF EUDORA HONEYSETT** by Annie Lyons was a *USA Today* bestseller and #1 on Audible and #5 on Kindle.com (UK title was EUDORA HONEYSETT IS QUITE WELL, THANK YOU)

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Reviews

- **'A warm and tender tale about the power and healing of friendship and community and the magic of books** . . . Annie writes her characters with humanity, humour and respect and their stories will stay with me for a very long time. A wonderful, heart-warming read' - Ruth Hogan
- **'A charming, uplifting story** of resourceful women and the healing power of books' - Clare Chambers, bestselling author of *Small Pleasures*
- **'A tender, touching and utterly heart-warming** tale, set against the horrors of the Blitz. Readers will adore Gertie and Hedy' - Sarah Steele, author of *The Lost Song of Paris*
- **'Annie Lyons has the rare gift of bringing an unfamiliar world alive in such a way that the reader drops right into the heart of the action . . . This is a book to be read and re-read** - each time there will be something new to discover . . . **a triumph**' - Celia Anderson

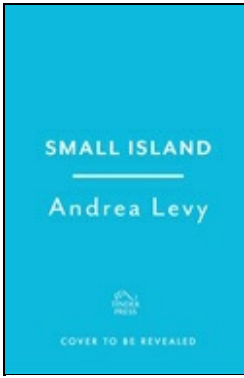
Author Biography

After a career in bookselling and publishing, Annie Lyons became an author. When not working on her novels, she teaches creative writing. She lives in south-east London with her husband and two children and puppy, Nelson.



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Small Island

Andrea Levy

Keynote

The multi-award-winning, million copy bestseller... 'the literary equivalent of a switch-back ride' - *Sunday Times*

Description

Winner of the Orange Prize for Fiction, the Orange Prize 'Best of the Best', the Commonwealth Writers' Prize and the Whitbread Award

With an introduction by Monique Roffey

I did not dare to dream that it would one day be I that would go to England. It would one day be I that would sail on a ship as big as a world and feel the sun's heat on my face gradually change from roasting to caressing. But there was I! Standing at the door of a house in London and ringing the bell. Pushing my finger to hear the ding-a-ling, ding-a-ling. Oh, Celia Langley, where were you then with your big ideas and your nose in the air? Could you see me? Could you see me there in London? Hortense Roberts married with a gold ring and a wedding dress in a trunk. Mrs Joseph. Mrs Gilbert Joseph. What you think of that, Celia Langley? There was I in England ringing the door bell on one of the tallest houses I had ever seen.

'A great read . . . honest, skilful, thoughtful and important'

Guardian

'An engrossing read - slyly funny, passionately angry and wholly involving'

Daily Mail

'Gives us a new urgent take on our past'

Vogue

Sales Points

- **Stunning hardback classics with Althea McNish artwork:** to celebrate Tinder Press's 10th anniversary, we have reissued Andrea Levy's novels in Demy hardbacks, with artwork by textile designer Althea McNish, whose work was the subject of a major V&A retrospective last year
- **New introduction:** by Monique Roffey, author of *The Mermaid of Black Conch* - 'It's hard to think of a more decorated literary novel, or one that's more well-loved or read . . . a literary landmark'
- **Sold in twelve countries,** including the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Macedonia, Poland, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain and the USA
- **Adaptations:** The novel was adapted for television in two parts by the BBC in 2009. A stage adaptation by Helen Edmundson opened at the National Theatre in April 2019

Author Biography

After she passed away on the 14th of February 2019, the *Bookseller* wrote: 'Andrea Levy will be remembered as a novelist who broke out of the confines assigned to her by prejudice to become a both a forerunner of Black British excellence and a great novelist by any standards.'

Born in England to Jamaican parents who came to Britain in 1948, Andrea Levy wrote the novels that she had always wanted to read as a young woman, engaging books that reflect the experiences of black Britons and at the intimacies that bind British history with that of the Caribbean. She was described by BBC News as 'a writer who tackled important social issues . . . her writing . . . witty, humane and often moving, and full of richly drawn characters'.

She was the author of six books, including *SMALL ISLAND*, which won the Orange Prize for Fiction, and the Whitbread book of the Year, and was adapted for TV and for the stage, by the National Theatre. It was selected by the BBC as one of its '100 Novels That Shaped

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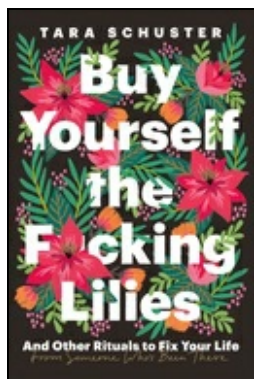


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Our World'. Her most recent novel, THE LONG SONG, won the Walter Scott Prize and was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize, and was adapted for TV by the BBC.

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Buy Yourself the F*cking Lilies

And other rituals to fix your life, from someone who's been there

Tara Schuster

Keynote

Brutally honest, often hilarious, hard-won lessons in learning to love and care for yourself from a former vice president at Comedy Central.

Description

'This is the book I wish I'd had to guide me through my twenties' - Anjelica Huston

'A fierce-but-tender guide to conquering our self doubt' - Glennon Doyle

By the time she was in her late twenties, Tara Schuster was a rising TV executive who had worked for The Daily Show with Jon Stewart and helped launch Key & Peele to viral superstardom. By all appearances, she had mastered being a grown-up. But beneath that veneer of success, she was a chronically anxious, self-medicating mess. No one knew that her road to adulthood had been paved with depression, anxiety, and shame, owing in large part to her minimally parented upbringing. She realized she'd hit rock bottom when she drunk-dialed her therapist pleading for help.

*Buy Yourself the F*cking Lilies* is the story of Tara's path to re-parenting herself and becoming a 'ninja of self-love'. Through simple, daily rituals, Tara transformed her mind, body and relationships, and shows how to:

- * fake gratitude until you actually feel gratitude
- * excavate your emotional wounds and heal them with kindness
- * identify your self-limiting beliefs, kick them to the curb, and start living a life you choose
- * silence your inner frenemy and shield yourself from self-criticism
- * carve out time each morning to start your day empowered, inspired, and ready to rule
- * create a life you truly, totally f*cking LOVE

This is the book Tara wished someone had given her and it is the book many of us desperately need: a candid, hysterical, addictively readable, practical guide to growing up (no matter where you are in life) and learning to love yourself in a non-throw-up-in-your-mouth-it's-so-cheesy way.

Sales Points

- A **finalist for Goodreads' Best Non-fiction Book** of the Year in 2020.
- Selected by *Cosmopolitan*, *Real Simple*, *Goop*, *Publishers Weekly* and many more as **one of the best books of the year on mental health and self-care.**

Reviews

- 'You're going to want Tara Schuster to become your new best friend. This is the book so many of us need right now: a fierce-but-tender guide to conquering our self-doubt so that we can breathe, be kind to ourselves, and enjoy the one life we've been given.' - Glennon Doyle, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Untamed*
- 'Ahead of her time.' - Jordan Peele, actor and comedian
- 'I have to wonder what my life would have been like if I'd had a friend (or imaginary friend) like Tara Schuster when I was in my twenties. Her candor and sincerity are unimpeachable. The lessons she's extrapolated from her unsentimental education are compelling, persuasive, and useful no matter where you are in your life. Good work, Tara!' - Chelsea Handler, author of #1 New York Times bestseller *Life Will Be the Death of Me*
- 'Filled with gems of wisdom, Schuster's chronicle of her ups and downs is a winner.' - *Publishers Weekly*

Author Biography

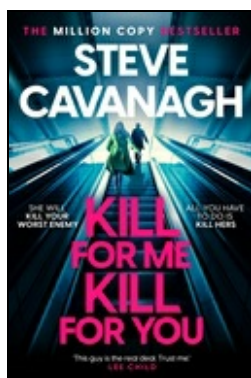
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Kill For Me Kill For You

The twisting new thriller from the Sunday Times bestseller

Steve Cavanagh

Keynote

The breathless new thriller from the multi-award-winning author of the acclaimed and *Sunday Times* bestselling novels **FIFTY FIFTY**, **THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE** and **THE ACCOMPLICE**.

Description

The twisting new thriller from the award-winning, top ten bestseller...

SHE WILL KILL YOUR WORST ENEMY. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS KILL HERS.

One dark evening in New York City, two strangers meet by chance. Over drinks, Amanda and Wendy realise they have so much in common.

They both feel alone. They both drink alone. And they both desperately want revenge against the two men who destroyed their families.

Together, they have the perfect plan. If you kill for me, I'll kill for you...

Why readers are totally hooked on Steve Cavanagh's gripping thrillers:

'A masterclass in misdirection' **THE GUARDIAN**

'This guy is the real deal. Trust me' **LEE CHILD**

'A brilliant, twisty, ingeniously constructed puzzle of a book' **RUTH WARE**

'Steve Cavanagh writes the best hooks in the business' **MICK HERRON**

'The real magic is in Steve Cavanagh's hypnotic storytelling power' **SUNDAY EXPRESS**

'Cavanagh is a genius... page-turning stuff' **EVENING STANDARD**

Sales Points

- **ONE OF THE BIGGEST THRILLER BRAND NAMES IN THE UK:** Steve Cavanagh is top ten bestseller and one of the most popular UK thriller writers, having sold over one million books in the UK alone.
- **AN ACCLAIMED AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** With irresistible plots and a stunning cinematic style, Steve's novels receive massive praise from bestselling authors (including Lee Child, Ian Rankin, Ruth Ware, Shari Lapena, Michael Connelly and Mick Herron), national newspaper reviewers and high-profile media book clubs such as Richard & Judy and BBC's *Between The Covers*.
- **A MAJOR NEW AUTHOR AND MASSIVE LAUNCH FOR HEADLINE:** This standalone thriller - Steve's first novel published by Headline - will be a superlead titles, with a huge marketing and campaign publicity campaign across all channels.
- **A STUNNING STANDALONE WITH AN IRRESISTIBLE HOOK:** Building on the massive and growing success of Steve's previous bestsellers, this masterful thriller is both audaciously original and utterly gripping - the perfect summer read for the huge thriller market.

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR TOP TEN BESTSELLER AND MULTI-AWARD-WINNER STEVE CAVANAGH:'**
- **'Top notch thrills and court room drama!' - Shari Lapena**
- **'Cavanagh is a genius... page-turning stuff' - Evening Standard**
- **'A great book by a great author' - Martina Cole**

Author Biography

Steve Cavanagh has sold over a million copies of his novels in the UK alone. His eight books have all been nominated for major awards and many are international bestsellers.

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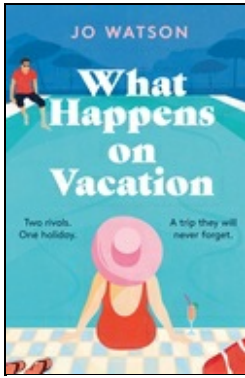
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His third novel, *The Liar*, won the CWA Gold Dagger for Crime Novel of the Year 2018. *Thirteen* won the Theakston Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year 2019. *Fifty-Fifty* was a Richard and Judy Book club choice and was also selected for the BBC 'Between the Covers' book club. *Twisted*, *Fifty-Fifty*, *The Devil's Advocate* and *The Accomplice* were all *Sunday Times* Top 10 bestsellers.

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What Happens On Vacation

The brand-new enemies-to-lovers rom-com you won't want to go on holiday without!

Jo Watson

Keynote

Two rivals. One holiday. A trip they will *never* forget. A hilarious and heartfelt new enemies-to-lovers, forced-proximity romance, from the rom-com queen, Jo Watson, author of the smash-hit *Love to Hate You*.

Description

Two rivals. One holiday. A trip they will *never* forget.

Jo Watson returns with a hilarious and heartfelt new enemies-to-lovers, forced-proximity rom-com! It's the book you won't want to go on holiday without! Perfect for fans of Emily Henry, Beth O'Leary and Christina Lauren.

Journalist Margaret needs a vacation.

After a difficult couple of years, some R&R is on the cards, and she's taking her mom with her. Luckily, the office Quiz Night is coming up and the prize is an all-expenses-paid trip to Zanzibar. Good thing Margaret has never met a quiz question she didn't like.

But Margaret has also never played against Jagger Villain. For the last six months, they have shared a desk and not a day has gone by when he hasn't driven her to distraction.

The idea of sharing anything else with Jagger is unthinkable. But if she's going get what she needs from this trip, Margaret might have to compromise.

Away from the office and in a tropical paradise, Margaret begins to wonder if her archnemesis maybe has *some* qualities.

Could the holiday from hell turn into the vacation of her dreams?

Love funny, romantic stories? You don't want to miss Jo Watson:

'The perfect choice for fans of romantic comedies' *Gina's Bookshelf*

'It was amazing, it was hilarious' *Rachel's Random Reads*

'A brilliant read from beginning to end' *Hopeless Romantics*

'Sitting here open mouthed in disbelief at just how wonderful this book is' *Rachel's Random Reads*

'A stunning heart-warming read' *Donna's Book Blog*

Sales Points

- **JO WATSON IS BACK!** Headline Eternal is delighted to announce the first of a brand-new **four-book deal** for smash-hit digital bestseller, Jo Watson, whose sales through Eternal are **over 600,000 copies across all formats. No one makes you laugh like Jo Watson, whose gift for humour and heart is unmatched.**
- **TROPE APPEAL:** Perfectly aimed at fans of **Emily Henry, Beth O'Leary and Christina Lauren**, in **WHAT HAPPENS ON VACATION, JO Watson put her own spin on an enemies-to-lovers, opposites-attract, forced-proximity rom-com**, combined with emotional depth about family, loss and self-acceptance.
- **SUPPORTED BY AN EXTENSIVE SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN** via the Headline Eternal online communities on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and TikTok, with early proofs to enhance the buzz around the highly anticipated new book from Eternal's rom-com queen!

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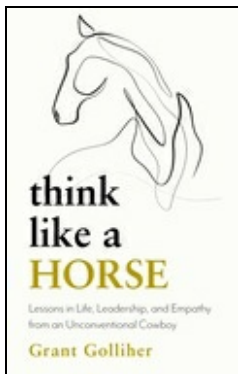
Author Biography

Jo Watson is a bestselling author of romantic comedies, including *Love to Hate You* which has sold over 100,000 copies. She's a two-time Watty Award winner with over 50 million reads on Wattpad and 85,000 followers. Jo is an Adidas addict and a Depeche Mode devotee. She lives in South Africa with her family.

Visit her website www.jowatsonwrites.co.uk for exclusive extras and follow her on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram: [@JoWatsonWrites](https://www.instagram.com/JoWatsonWrites).

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Think Like a Horse Lessons in Life, Leadership and Empathy from an Unconventional Cowboy

Grant Golliver

Keynote

Grant Golliver applies his hard-won horse sense to teach invaluable lessons anyone can use to live a fuller, more successful life.

Description

Discover the profound lessons we can learn from horses.

Veteran 'horse whisperer' and communication expert, Grant Golliver, has trained thousands of horses, many of which have been traumatised or abused, and can tame a wild horse to calmly accept a saddle and a rider in just hours - without the use of any force. Through his work, Golliver has learnt essential lessons about communication, boundaries, fairness, trust and respect - lessons that apply not just to horses but to humans as well. It's why celebrities, Fortune 500 executives, professional coaches, supreme court justices, and even ordinary families from around the world flock to his Wyoming ranch every year to take part in what one CEO called 'the most transformational experience I have ever encountered'.

In the decades that Golliver has been doing this work, he has seen tough and insensitive people become gentle and more empathetic, and timid and fearful people grow in firmness and confidence. Now for the first time, in *Think Like a Horse*, he shares fundamental and ageless lessons about life, underpinned by all he has learnt from horses. It's an approach that anyone should learn to better understand our common humanity, overcome trauma and unlock our untapped potential in all aspects of our lives.

All you need to do is think like a horse.

Sales Points

- The ranch @diamondcrossranch on Instagram has a large platform of 103k followers.
- Diamond Cross Ranch has lots of exposure through its hosting of corporate events, film/photo shoots and weddings.
- The concept of the book taps into the collective love for animals and nature and our fascination with horses - both in the UK and Ireland.
- US will be doing extensive influencer outreach to Friends of the Ranch, including Harrison Ford, Kathi Lee Gifford, Channing Tatum, Dick Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld, Patrick Schwarzenegger, Macy's, Kohl's, and many more.
- With its compelling package, this has the breakout potential of similar philosophical self-help titles from the US such as MAKE YOUR BED.

Reviews

- 'Grant Golliver's example and the lessons captured in this masterful collection of stories have produced a profound impact in my life. Over the years, his wisdom has inspired me to become a better family member, a more effective business executive, and a committed servant leader in higher education' - Brad D. Smith, President, Marshall University and former CEO, Intuit
- 'I can't wait for the world to be able to experience Grant's horse whispering philosophies. I left that demonstration aware of my need to improve my approach to relationships with friends and family, but most importantly, how I raise my children.'
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- 'As the book's subtitle suggests, these lessons apply to interpersonal relationships as well as personal and career advancement; beyond that, Golliver paints a beautiful picture of the internal peace that good behaviour and kindness can bring, describes the importance of boundaries in teacher/learner relationships, and brings to life an image of the individual strength that trusting relationships can confer.' - Library Journal

Author Biography

Grant Golliver is a horse trainer, rancher and renowned speaker. Struggling to make sense of his difficult childhood, Grant turned to mules and horses for companionship which shaped the course of his life. He left home at a young age to pursue the life of a cowboy and worked his way round the West with the horses he loves. Grant now owns and operates Diamond Cross Ranch near Jackson Hole, Wyoming, where he shares valuable life lessons through corporate workshops and demonstrations with horses. He lives with his wife Jane Golliver and they have three children.

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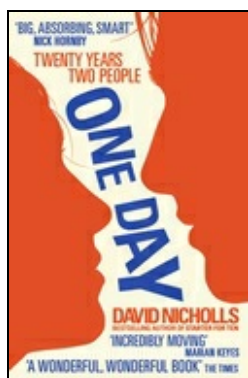


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One Day Soon to be a Netflix TV series

David Nicholls

Keynote

ONE DAY is the multi-million copy bestselling novel that brilliantly captures the experiences of a generation.

Description

'ONE DAY is destined to be a modern classic' - *Daily Mirror*

Twenty years, two people, ONE DAY. The multi-million copy bestseller that captures the experiences of a generation.

'I can imagine you at forty,' she said, a hint of malice in her voice. 'I can picture it right now.'

He smiled without opening his eyes. 'Go on then.'

15th July 1988. Emma and Dexter meet for the first time on the night of their graduation. Tomorrow they must go their separate ways.

So where will they be on this one day next year?

And the year after that? And every year that follows?

Sales Points

- Incredibly moving and funny novel that brilliantly captures the experiences of a generation - unmissable for everyone who came of age with *When Harry Met Sally* or *Friends*
- The hardback was a top ten bestseller and received fantastic review coverage across the broadsheets, magazines and radio, and was selected for Radio 4 Book at Bedtime
- 'I couldn't think of anyone who wouldn't love this book' BBC Radio Five Live Simon Mayo Book Panel
- David's debut novel, *STARTER FOR TEN*, has sold over 200,000 (Bookscan) in paperback to date
- The film of *STARTER FOR TEN*, also written by David and starring James McAvoy and Dominic Cooper, was seen by more than 2 million BBC TV viewers at Christmas 2008

Awards

Winner of the Galaxy Book Awards

Reviews

- 'It's rare to find a novel which ranges over the recent past with such authority, and even rarer to find one in which the two leading characters are drawn with such solidity, such painful fidelity, to real life that you really do put the book down with the hallucinatory feeling that they've become as well known to you as your closest friends. Hard to imagine anyone encountering characters as well drawn as this and not recognizing the extraordinary talent of the writer who has created them.' - *Jonathan Coe* <i>Guardian</i> *Books of the Year*
- 'I finished it last night and I'm still quite wobbly and affected by it. It was BRILLIANT. . . the jealously nearly made me puke. I wish I'd written this book' - *Marian Keyes*
- 'The ultimate zeitgeist love story for anyone who ever wanted someone they couldn't have' - *Adele Parks*
- 'Big, absorbing, smart, fantastically readable . . . brilliant on the details of the last couple of decades of British cultural and political life' - *Nick Hornby*
- 'The novel of the year - a brilliantly funny and moving will-they, won't-they romance tracing a relationship on the same day each day for two decades' - <i>Heat</i>
- 'It is a cleverly and astutely constructed book - but that is worthy of a mere footnote compared with its emotional impact. I am not ashamed to say that upon finishing it I pressed it to my chest as a big fat tear splashed onto its upturned spine' - <i>The Times Book Club</i>
- 'You'd be hard pressed to find a sharper, sweeter romantic comedy this year than the story of Dex and Em' - <i>Independent</i>
- 'Nicholls' book is the sort of thing you can't put down, and I read it over a weekend, creeping upstairs to gulp down another chapter when I should have been downstairs preparing dinner of helping with homework' - <i>Dylan Jones</i>
- 'I felt that I had been emotionally taken apart by the very best. This perfectly executed novel is a reminder that reading can be the finest entertainment there is' - <i>Guardian</i>
- 'If you measure your love for a book by the number of times you buy it for people, then my favourite is ONE DAY by David Nicholls. I read it about a year ago and must have bought it for at least 20 people since' - <i>The Times Book Club</i>
- 'We could fill a page with descriptive proclamations of its brilliance, but we'll stick with

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- intoxicating, engrossing and verging on genius'. If this has never graced your bedside table, then go directly to the nearest bookshop, purchase one copy and start 2010 with a read that has taken the literary world by storm' - <i>Daily Record</i>
- 'It made me laugh and sob, and the characters just walk off the page into your head, where they remain. How I wish I'd written it, as does every novelist I know' - <i>Polly Williams</i>
 - 'A totally brilliant book about the heartbreaking gap between the way we were and the way we are...the best weird love story since THE TIME TRAVELER'S WIFE. Every reader will fall in love with it. And every writer will wish they had written it.' - *Tony Parsons*
 - 'A wonderful, wonderful book: wise, funny, perceptive, compassionate and often unbearably sad . . . the best British social novel since Jonathan Coe's WHAT A CARVE UP! . . . Nicholls's witty prose has a transparency that brings Nick Hornby to mind: it melts as you read it so that you don't notice all the hard work that it's doing' - <i>The Times</i>
 - 'The funniest, loveliest book I've read in ages. Most of all it is horribly, cringingly, absolutely 100% honest and true to life: I lived every page.' - *Jenny Colgan*
 - 'I really loved it . . . it's absolutely wonderful . . . just so moving and engaging' - *Kate Mosse*
 - 'With its beautifully rounded, real characters and deeply poignant storytelling, this is one of the year's best novels.' - <i>Heat</i>
 - 'With a nod to WHEN HARRY MET SALLY, this funny, emotionally engaging third novel from David Nicholls traces the unlikely relationship between Emma Morley and Dexter Mayhew . . . Told with toe-curlingly accurate insight and touching observation . . . If you left college sometime in the Eighties with no clear idea of what was going to happen next, or who your lifelong friends might turn out to be, this one's a definite for your holiday suitcase. If you didn't, it still is . . . The feelgood film must surely be just around the corner. I can't wait.' - <i>Daily Mail</i>
 - 'Page by page, the funniest book of the year' - <i>Uncut</i>
 - '[Nicholls] has both a very deft prose style and a great understanding of human emotion. His characterisation is utterly convincing . . . ONE DAY is destined to be a modern classic.' - <i>Daily Mirror</i>
 - 'A moving and feel-good read. Nicholls is an expert at capturing that essence of young adulthood, first love, heartbreak, and the tangled, complicated course of romance . . . Deserves to be the must-read hit of the summer.' - <i>News of the World</i>
 - 'I couldn't think of anyone who wouldn't love this book' - *Simon Mayo Books Panel, BBC Radio Five Live*
 - 'Nicholls captures superbly the ennui of post graduation . . . The writing is almost faultless, there's a great feeling for the period and it's eminently readable.' - <i>Herald</i>
 - 'David Nicholls' third novel captivates love in a way that's real and unassuming . . . Relaying the essence of friendship and unrequited love with fall-off-your-seat humour, this is an unputdownable romance for the 21st century' - <i>SHE</i>
 - 'You're gripped from the opening pages . . . Nicholls, author of STARTER FOR TEN, writes faultless, engaging dialogue and keeps up a cracking pace. You will find this hard to put down' - <i>Psychologies</i>
 - 'As a study of what we once were and what we can become, it's masterfully realised' - <i>Esquire</i>
 - 'Perfect for the beach or summer in the city' - <i>In Style</i>
 - 'An off-kilter romantic comedy with charm to spare' - <i>Harpers Bazaar</i>
 - 'A delicious love story' - <i>Sunday Herald</i>
 - 'funny and moving' - <i>Scotsman</i>
 - 'David STARTER FOR TEN Nicholls is back with this smart comedy, packed with the mistakes, mismatches and meandering conversations that make up real life' - <i>Marie Claire</i>, *Book of the Month*
 - 'A modern fairy tale, slickly put together. A gifted story-teller with lots of technical savvy.' - <i>Scottish Review of Books</i>
 - 'An edgy romantic tale' - <i>Woman & Home</i>
 - 'I loved this book . . . moved me profoundly' - *Amanda Ross*
 - 'Snort-out-loud stuff . . . it deserves to be a huge hit' - <i>thelondonpaper</i>
 - 'A romantic comedy that the gents needn't be ashamed to read. Chronicling a friendship spanning two decades, Nicholls perfects the will-they-won't-they trick, starting with his leads at university in the 1980s and poking gentle fun at the decades following. A genuine tear-jerker as well as laugh-out-loud funny.' - <i>Independent on Sunday</i> *Books of the Year 2009*
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 - 'A compulsive read you'll want to devour in one sitting' - <i>Woman</i>
 - 'This is a real cancel-all-calls, leave-me-alone book' - <i>The Times Book Club</i>
 - 'I can't recommend it more highly' - <i>The Word</i>
 - 'A cross between Jonathan Coe and Nick Hornby, this is romantic, sharp and very English' - <i>Scotsman</i>
 - 'Laugh out loud funny with razor dialogue' - <i>Nadia Sawalha</i>
 - 'One Day should come with a health warning attached: This Book is Seriously Addictive' - <i>Belfast Telegraph</i>
 - 'It's Love Actually meets High Fidelity meets This Life - i.e. perfect.' - <i>Sydney Sunday Herald</i>
 - 'It's a book that speaks to my generation, and I found it totally gripping. The characters are complex and their relationship uncertain. I don't want to give away the ending, but everyone who has read it agrees how powerful it is.' - *Ed Miliband*
 - 'I know this is The Book That Everyone Has Read, but it's especially a book for my life . . . There is something devastatingly sad about it. The writing reminds you how, when you were young, despite everything you thought you knew, you never fully grasped the transience and precious power of youth itself.' - *Jeremy Vine in We Love This Book</i>*

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Author Biography

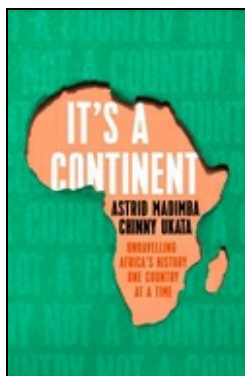
David Nicholls is the bestselling author of *Sweet Sorrow, Us, The Understudy* and *Starter for Ten*. *One Day* was published in 2009 to extraordinary critical acclaim. Published in 40 languages, it became a global bestseller, winning the 2010 Galaxy Book of the Year Award. David was named Author of the Year at the 2014 National Book Awards after his fourth novel, *Us*, was another no. 1 bestseller and was long-listed for the Man Booker Prize for Fiction.



On screen, David has written adaptations of *Far From the Madding Crowd*, *When Did You Last See Your Father?* and *Great Expectations*, as well as turning his own novels, *Starter for Ten* and *One Day*, into feature films. His adaptation of Edward St. Aubyn's *Patrick Melrose*, starring Benedict Cumberbatch, was nominated for an Emmy and won him a BAFTA for best writer. Other works for TV include episodes of *Cold Feet*, *Tess of the D'Urbervilles* and two-part love story *The 7.39*, and he has also adapted his novel *Us* as a four part drama for BBC1, starring Tom Hollander and Saskia Reeves.

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It's a Continent Unravelling Africa's history one country at a time "We need this book." SIMON REEVE

Chinny Ukata and Astrid Madimba

Keynote

IT'S A CONTINENT is the illuminating history book that aims to unravel misconceptions and celebrate Africa's rich and diverse history one country at a time.

Description

'... we need this book. Of course Africa needs it as well, because no other huge area of the planet is treated as such a singular region, and that has to change. But the rest of the planet needs It's a Continent because we miss out by not recognising the individual majesty, the complexity, the beauty, the culture and the stories of the dozens of African countries. We owe it to ourselves and our history to put that right.' - Simon Reeve

Why is Africa still perceived as a single country?

How did African soldiers contribute to World War II?

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There are (hi)stories you were never taught in school.

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Each chapter focuses on a different country and uncovers stories that mainstream education doesn't address at its peril.

This book aims to highlight the consequences of colonialism and how this legacy reverberates today, as well as how many African countries continue to re-build in its wake.

IT'S A CONTINENT is a bold and colourful corrective to the perception of Africa as a monolith. It reveals the fascinating, often overlooked, histories of its 54 nation states too often misrepresented, its inhabitants and its place in the world too often neglected.

Sales Points

- Chinny and Astrid are both UK-based and keen to promote.
- Authors host the It's a Continent Podcast, which has been featured on Apple Music highlights
- The podcast the book is based on was an Apple top 25 UK history podcast in 2020
- The authors are dedicated to re-educating global audiences on the history of Africa
- UK, ROI and South Africa are in the top 5 countries of podcast listeners (Germany and USA being the other two).

Author Biography

Astrid Madimba (Author)

Astrid was born in the Democratic Republic of Congo and grew up in the UK. She studied at the University of Exeter and is a marketing professional by day. *It's a Continent* is her first book.

Chinny Ukata (Author)

Chinny is British-Nigerian and studied at the University of Southampton. Her previous work has featured in publications including *gal-dem* and *Black Ballad*. *It's a Continent* is her first book.

Market

Natives and *Why I'm No Longer Talking to White People About Race* meets *Black and British* in this sharp, witty and important book about and challenges the misconception that Africa is a country with a monolithic identity.

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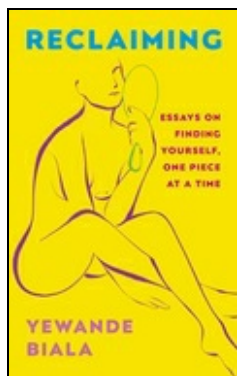
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Reclaiming

Essays on finding yourself one piece at a time

'Yewande offers piercing honesty... a must-read book for anyone who has been on social media.'- The Skinny

Yewande Biala

Keynote

An important, enlightening, celebratory book about being who you are, not who you are expected to be and why that is key to maintaining your own identity.

Description

Reclaiming is a **brilliantly written** and **thought-provoking** book. Through amazing story telling, Yewande highlights the richness in her culture that so many other black women can relate to. It was **extremely gripping right from beginning.** -- **Oloni**

'This book highlights the **topics and issues we still face in our society daily**, including some that I've struggled with myself. I think it's hugely important we keep having these conversations and this **book certainly helps do just that.**' -- **Olivia Bowen**

'Reclaiming is **comforting, yet inspiring.** Yewande has admirably opened up about her experiences growing up and facing difficulties such as colourism and mental health problems, how she's so bravely over come them and found her voice. **I whole heartedly recommend this book** to anyone mixed up in this complex generation looking for **a relatable, authentic and aspirational read.**' -- **Demi Jones**

'I absolutely loved it. I think it's clear to anyone who's read Yewande's earlier essay that she's a phenomenal writer and talent, and this is an incredible debut. **Empowering, instructive, loving & honest...**the kind of text that **makes me excited to be a reader'** -- **Beth McColl**

'I'm so proud of the strong, intelligent woman Yewande is. She is **using her platform and own experiences to educate, inspire, empower and to help others!**' -- **Amy Hart**

'**Reclaiming is more than just a book title. It's a statement. It's power. It's an announcement.** It's a force I feel Yewande is making on behalf of all men and women of colour. Thank you Yewande.' -- **Rachel Finni**

I am more than enough, and I am perfect with all my imperfections.

In 2021, Yewande Biala wrote a searing viral essay on the debilitating effects of having your name constantly mispronounced or changed. From the incredible response to the essay, it was clear that there are still so many conversations to be had around the way that we as a society respond to each other, and the direct effect it is having on our sense of self. *Reclaiming* consists of interlinked essays covering a wide breadth of topics from struggling with your body image and mental health to navigating social media and dating apps without damaging your self-esteem. Each essay covers a different topic, affirming that maintaining your sense of self in a world that is not supportive of you is difficult, but not impossible. Nuanced, distinctly sharp, and full of wit, *Reclaiming* holds a mirror up to us all, and encourages us to like what we see.

Sales Points

- Author is London-based and keen to promote
- Author is also based in Ireland and keen to promote there too
- Author is Nigerian Irish, with a strong following and fanbase in Ireland
- Yewande was a popular contestant on ITV 2's LOVE ISLAND in 2018 - the most viewed and acclaimed season of the show.

Reviews

- 'Reclaiming is a **brilliantly written** and **thought provoking** book. Through amazing story

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	224 pages
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telling, Yewande highlights the richness in her culture that so many other black women can relate to. It was **extremely gripping right from beginning.** -- Oloni'

- **'I absolutely loved it.** I think it's clear to anyone who's read Yewande's earlier essay that she's a phenomenal writer and talent, and this is an **incredible debut. Empowering, instructive, loving & honest...**the kind of text that **makes me excited to be a reader'** -- Beth McColl'
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Author Biography

Yewande Biala is an Operations Specialist in the biopharmaceutical industry who rose to fame after appearing on Love Island in 2019. In January 2021, she led a viral conversation about racial renaming and wrote about her experience in the Independent, for which she received acclaim and an outpouring of support.

Yewande has since written for the paper about colourism and is fast becoming an authoritative commentator on our most pressing issues.

Reclaiming is her first book.

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Market

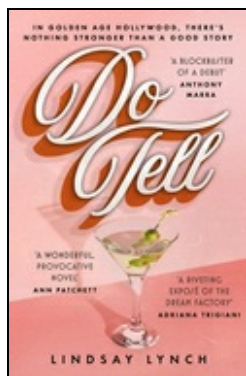
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An enlightening and celebratory book about being who you are, not who you are expected to be, and why that is key to maintaining your own identity.



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Do Tell

Lindsay Lynch

Keynote

A glamorous, gossipy, whip-smart and poignant vision of behind-the-scenes 1940s Hollywood, perfect for fans of *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* and *Mercury Pictures Presents*

Description

'Do Tell is an absolute marvel: page-turning yet thought-provoking, historical in its setting yet contemporary in its concerns. . . A deeply moving, immensely satisfying, blockbuster of a debut novel'

Anthony Marra

THERE'S NOTHING STRONGER THAN A GOOD STORY.

THE QUESTION IS: WHO GETS TO TELL IT?

The clock is ticking on Hollywood actress Edie O'Dare's contract with FWM Studios. Her acting career is going nowhere, and she's running out of time to find a new role in the industry - other than providing salacious details of the latest party or premiere to the press.

So when an up-and-coming starlet hands her an explosive letter - alleging an assault by an A-list actor - Edie helps get the story into print, and buys herself a new career as Tinseltown's new reigning gossip columnist.

Edie has more power on the page than she ever commanded in front of the camera. But dealing in your former friends' secrets comes at a price - and when her scoop turns into the trial of the decade, Edie's decisions have the potential to ruin more than one life . . .

***Do Tell* is a glittering journey into golden age Hollywood, and a sharply relevant exploration of secrets, power, and who gets to tell your story.**

Praise for *Do Tell*:

'Like our intrepid narrator, *Do Tell* manages to be both funny and substantive, breezy and wise. I stepped into the stream of the narrative and didn't look up until I came to the last page'

Ann Patchett, author of *The Dutch House*

'There is little more alluring than the promise of secrets, and *Do Tell* is full of them-- glamorous, tawdry, and human. Lindsay Lynch has created a rich portrait of the lives of early Hollywood's beautiful puppets and those holding their strings'

Emma Straub, author of *This Time Tomorrow*

'Gossip columnist Edie O'Dare has enemies and sources, but no friends in a Golden Age Hollywood whose gleam is tarnished by exploitation, cruelty and betrayal. Like a latter-day Cecil B. DeMille, Lindsay Lynch deftly directs her large cast of morally complex characters to illuminate issues of fame and notoriety as relevant now as they were almost a century ago'

Geraldine Brooks, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Horse*

'In *Do Tell* Lindsay Lynch takes a glance back at golden-age Hollywood and captures the fizzy magic, the secret lives, and the deep, destructive misogyny within the industry's DNA. This is a wry, entertaining, and incisive debut'

Lily King, bestselling author of *Writers & Lovers*

Sales Points

- **A sizzling but smart summer read:** For fans of Taylor Jenkins Reid, *Great Circle* and *Mercury Pictures Presents*, DO TELL combines the glamour of golden age Hollywood and the salacious tattle of the gossip columns with a slyly clever and poignant story about the price of fame, resonances of the contemporary Hollywood #MeToo scandals, and the unreliability of assumptions and memory.

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BIC 2.1	Historical fiction (FV) Second World War fiction (FJMS) Historical romance (FRH)

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DEBUT	
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Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Lucy Morris
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- **Major US deal and international buzz:** Bought for six figures by Doubleday in a competitive auction, DO TELL already has a blurb from prize-winning author Ann Patchett and will have a huge marketing campaign in the US.
- **Original, addictive voice:** Gossipy, whip-smart, dry and funny, Edie's narrative voice is brilliantly done - like a classic film narrated by Dorothy Parker. This is the novel you want on your sunlounger and for your bookclub.
- **Clear package and positioning:** A gorgeously glamorous upmarket-commercial package that will appeal to TikTok as well as leap off shelves.

Reviews

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- 'Lindsay Lynch has written a novel so thoroughly immersive, I looked up from its pages disoriented -- confused not to find myself amid the couture gowns and hushed secrets of old Hollywood. I'll tell every reader I know: I adored *Do Tell*' - Mary Laura Philpott, author of *Bomb Shelter: Love, Time, and Other Explosives*

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Author Biography

Lindsay Lynch is a writer from Washington, DC. She is the author of the novel *Do Tell*, forthcoming from Doubleday Books in July 2023. Her work has appeared in *The Adroit Journal*, *The Rumpus*, *Electric Lit*, *The Atlantic*, *The Offing* and *Lit Hub*, among other places.

A longtime indie bookseller, she currently lives in Nashville, TN, where she works as a book buyer for Parnassus Books.

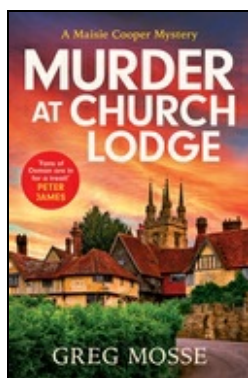
Market

Women, 25-55, they like commercial fiction that feels escapist and glamorous, but is also sharply written with resonant themes - for your summer holiday and your bookclub. Fans of Taylor Jenkins Reid



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Murder at Church Lodge

the first in an absolutely gripping new small village cosy crime series

Greg Mosse

Keynote

The first in a brand new British cosy crime mystery series featuring amateur sleuth Maisie Cooper. Perfect for fans of Richard Osman, Rev Richard Coles and Robert Thorogood.

Description

PRE-ORDER NOW! A gripping British cosy crime mystery with a mysterious death and a village full of secrets...

MAISIE COOPER IS NO DETECTIVE, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BUT SHE MIGHT JUST SOLVE A MURDER...

Maisie left the picture-perfect village of Framlington years ago. But when her brother asks for her help out of the blue she soon finds herself back among the windy lanes and open green fields. But it's not the family reunion she hoped for - upon arrival she learns that she's too late. Stephen is dead. And not just dead - murdered.

Frustrated by the slow police investigation headed up by handsome Sergeant Wingard, Maisie determines to start asking questions herself. In a village where everyone knows everyone, surely *someone* has some information about Stephen. But the longer Maisie stays, and the deeper she digs, the more she begins to sense something sinister at the heart of the village. What secrets are the residents so desperate to keep hidden? And what exactly was her brother going to tell her before his mysterious demise?

And when another death rocks the community, Maisie fears that she needs to catch the killer before they catch her...

Sales Points

- **DIGITAL PRIORITY TITLE:** We'll be launching the start of this new cosy crime mystery series with a bang in the digital market, with a 99p launch and comprehensive online marketing campaign.
- **PERFECTLY PITCHED FOR THE MARKET:** This is top-quality cosy crime mystery writing, full of authenticity, knowledge of the local area in Surrey and has all the hallmarks of a successful cosy novel that readers will love - an unexpected and dynamic amateur sleuth, a quaint English village where secrets abound, a shocking death and a killer on the loose.
- **FOUR-MONTHLY PUBLISHING:** We want to build momentum in this new series quickly with four-monthly publishing. We'll publish with the title, cover and text ready for book two and drive readers to preorder the next book in the series - which the ending of book one will have them desperate to do!
- **EXPERIENCED AND WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Greg Mosse is an experienced writer, well-known on the festival circuit and a favourite to lead creative writing workshops. He's hugely involved in the wider writing community across a range of genres and is supported by his wife, bestselling author of historical fiction, Kate Mosse. Greg has spent years in the world of theatre and his writing is cinematic and dramatic, making it leap off the page.

Reviews

- 'I was **addicted from the first page!** - *Sunday Times* bestselling author Fern Britton
- 'A **web of intrigue** with a spider at its heart - a **gripping** read' - *Sunday Times* bestselling author Susan Lewis
- '**Engaging** and **delicious** fun! **Fans of Osman are in for a real treat!**' - *Sunday Times* bestselling author Peter James

Author Biography

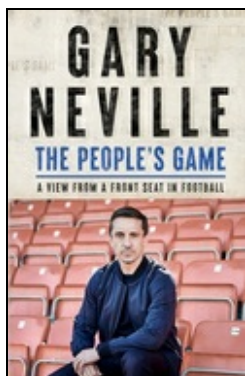
Greg Mosse is a 'writer and encourager of writers' and husband of international bestselling author, Kate Mosse. He has lived and worked in Paris, New York, Los Angeles and Madrid as an interpreter and translator, but grew up - like his cosy-hero Maisie Cooper - in rural south-west Sussex. In 2014, he founded the Criterion New Writing playwriting programme in the heart of the West End and, since then, has produced more than 25 of his own plays and musicals. His creative writing workshops are highly sought after at festivals at home and abroad. His previous novel, *The Coming Darkness*, was published by Moonflower in 2022.

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The People's Game: How to Save Football THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

Gary Neville

Keynote

A PASSIONATE, PERSONAL AND CRITICAL ACCOUNT OF HOW FOOTBALL LOST ITS SOUL AND WHAT WE CAN DO TO GET IT BACK, BY THE UK'S LEADING VOICE IN FOOTBALL

Description

THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

'Neville at his authentic best. [He] is the closest thing to a spokesman there is for English football.' *Sunday Times*

'Brilliant.' *Mail on Sunday*

'Gary Neville usually talks a lot of sense, and writes it too . . . Neville's words are timely.' Henry Winter, *The Times*

The beautiful game is under threat. The greed and selfishness of the biggest clubs is harming the sport, with smaller clubs struggling for financial survival and supporters being left behind.

It's time to fix football.

Football is the people's game. A sport accessible to everyone and enjoyed by millions around the world.

But football is broken. Beneath the glamorous sheen of the Premier League, it's a game that's rusting and rotten. The growing influence and wealth of the biggest teams is harming the game, leaving fans out of pocket and smaller clubs clinging to survival. The European Super League, which looked to eradicate competition in favour of guaranteed profits, was just the beginning.

This isn't what football is about. Something's got to change. Enough is enough.

Gary Neville has had a front-row seat in football for over 30 years, witnessing the sport at every level - as a player, a coach, a pundit and an owner. Most of all, he's a fan. Shocked by the state of the game, Gary looks to find out how we got into this mess, who's responsible, and what we can do about it.

The People's Game is Gary's vision for a brighter future. Drawing on interviews with those at the epicentre of the sport's biggest issues - from the role of ownership to the lack of funding in the football league, the rise in racism, ownership models and the future of the women's game - he explains how football has sleepwalked into this mess and offers a new path forward. With stories from his own playing career, as well as insight into some of the biggest footballing decisions in recent history, this is a total look at the game today.

This is a passionate, personal and critical account of how football lost its soul, and what we can do to get it back.

Sales Points

- **AUTHOR:** Gary Neville is one of the most recognisable faces in football. He had an illustrious career at Manchester United (winning the Premier League, FA Cup and Champions League). Since retiring, he has become the more trusted pundit working in the game. **His passionate monologues about the state of football often go viral, garnering millions of views.**
- **PLATFORM:** Gary has **5.2m followers on Twitter** and **1.5m followers on Instagram**. His podcast, The Gary Neville Podcast frequently tops the UK podcast chart. **His previous book, Red, was a No.1 Sunday Times Bestseller, selling over 100K copies.** His YouTube channel The Overlap has over 350K subscribers and the videos regularly get over 1 million views.

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SUBJECT: This book has the potential to change football forever. It will touch on some of the biggest issues facing the game today - money, racism, player-welfare, etc. Following the intense outcry about the European Super League, this book is a must-read for any fan of the beautiful game. **There will be interviews with past and present footballers, such as Marcus Rashford and Raheem Sterling.**

- **TIMING:** 2022 is the 30th Anniversary of the Premier League as well as the 2022 Qatar World Cup. These two events can be used as newsworthy angles to hang the book on.

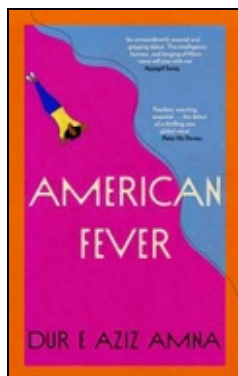
Author Biography

Gary Neville is one of the most successful English football players of all time. He won 20 trophies in 20 years at Manchester United, including eight Premier League titles and two Champions Leagues. He represented England for more than 10 years, winning 85 caps. He has seen it all in football as a player, coach, owner, businessman, pundit and journalist. His autobiography *Red* was a no. 1 Sunday Times bestseller and The Gary Neville Podcast frequently tops the UK podcast chart.



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American Fever

Dur e Aziz Amna

Keynote

A deeply compelling and funny coming-of-age novel about a teenaged girl's life-changing journey from Pakistan to America, and the challenges of a debilitating illness.

Description

'Unforgettable... Rarely does a book sharpen how you see the world around you, but *American Fever* does just that. It dazzled me on every page' Julie Buntin, author of *Marlena*

On a year-long exchange programme in rural Oregon, sixteen-year-old Hira must swap Kashmiri chai for volleyball practice and understand why everyone around her seems to dislike Obama. An unforgettably witty narrator, Hira finds herself stuck between worlds. The experience is memorable for reasons both good and bad; a first kiss, new friends, racism, Islamophobia, homesickness. Along the way Hira starts to feel increasingly unwell until she begins coughing up blood, and receives a diagnosis of tuberculosis, pushing her into quarantine and turning her newly-established world upside down.

'Marks the debut of a thrilling new global voice' Peter Ho Davies

Sales Points

- A prize-winning debut author with a profile in the UK: Dur e Aziz Amna won the Bodley Head / *Financial Times* Essay Prize and the *London Magazine* Short Story Competition and has been longlisted for the prestigious *Sunday Times* Audible Short Story Award.
- An award-winning novel: drafts of AMERICAN FEVER won the Hopwood and Busch Prizes.
- Page-turning, warm and witty, but with its fair share of heartbreak, AMERICAN FEVER is perfect for reading groups who loved SUCH A FUN AGE while also has prize potential.
- Fantastic blurb from Peter Ho Davies we can build on: 'The immigrant experience is frequently one of defamiliarization, but in *American Fever*, Dur e Aziz Amna, has hit on a brilliant means of defamiliarizing the immigrant novel: exploring the liminal experience - not quite settler, not quite expatriate - of the foreign exchange student... This is a fearless, exacting, essential work, and marks the debut of a thrilling new global voice' - Peter Ho Davies

Reviews

- 'Marks the debut of a thrilling new global voice.' - *Peter Ho Davies*
- '*American Fever* is the unforgettable story of a teenage girl in a year of transformation. Dur e Aziz Amna navigates the choppy waters of adolescence with blistering insight and humour, and exquisitely captures the way we can long for home while yearning to escape it. Rarely does a book sharpen how you see the world around you, but *American Fever* does just that. It dazzled me on every page' - Julie Buntin, author of *Marlena*

Author Biography

Dur e Aziz Amna is a graduate of Yale College and the University of Michigan Helen Zell Writers' Program, where drafts of AMERICAN FEVER won the Hopwood and Busch Prizes. She won the Bodley Head / *Financial Times* Essay Prize and the *London Magazine* Short Story Competition and has been longlisted for the prestigious *Sunday Times* Audible Short Story Award. Her writing has been featured or shortlisted elsewhere, including the *New York Times*, *Longreads*, *Roads & Kingdoms*, and *Dawn*. She lives in Ann Arbor with her husband and child.

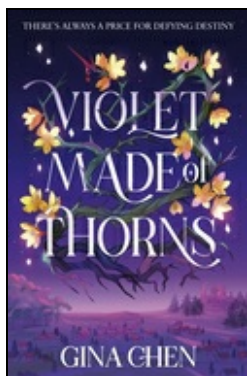
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Violet Made of Thorns

The darkly enchanting New York Times bestselling fantasy debut

Gina Chen

Keynote

The first in a darkly enchanting fairytale-tinged fantasy duology about a morally grey witch, a cursed prince, and a prophecy that ignites their fate-twisted destinies, perfect for fans of *The Cruel Prince and Serpent & Dove*.

Description

There's always a price for defying destiny.

Violet is a seer and a liar, influencing the court with her cleverly phrased - and not always true - divinations. Honesty is for suckers, like the oh-so-not-charming Prince Cyrus, who plans to banish her once he's crowned.

But when the king orders her to predict Cyrus's love story for an upcoming ball, Violet accidentally awakens a dreaded curse that could ruin them all. Her wits may protect her in the cutthroat court, but they can't change her fate - nor the doomed attraction growing between her and the prince . . .

The first in a darkly enchanting fantasy duology about a morally grey witch, a cursed prince, and a prophecy that ignites their fate-twisted destinies.

'Beautifully vicious'

Chloe Gong

'Endlessly fascinating'

Sabaa Tahir

'Entrancing'

Joan He

Sales Points

- Readers are hungry for lush, fairy tale-tinged fantasy in the vein of hugely popular bestsellers like *The Cruel Prince*, *House of Salt and Sorrows*, and *A Curse So Dark and Lonely*.
- **Written by Chinese American author Gina Chen, this #ownvoices story centres on an Asian main character, draws out themes of Asian diaspora, and unravels Eurocentric fairy tale tropes, setting this fantasy novel apart.**
- Violet's sharp, sardonic voice is disarmingly funny, and her ruthless ambition will entice readers who love to root for captivating, morally grey anti-heroines.

Reviews

- **'Perfect for the fairytale reader who has always wanted the heroine to grow sharp teeth and bite Prince Charming'** - *Chloe Gong, #1 New York Times bestselling author of These Violent Delights*
- **'An enchanting dark fantasy'** - *Sabaa Tahir, #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Ember in the Ashes series*
- **'Violet Made of Thorns introduces us to a lush land where dark curses and magic reign'** - *Erin A. Craig, New York Times bestselling author of House of Salt and Sorrows*
- **'Violet has everything: court intrigue, cruel witches, aloof but hot princes, ambitious girls who will do anything to win'** - *Victoria Lee, author of A Lesson in Vengeance and The Fever King*

Author Biography

Gina Chen spent most of her life thinking she hated writing, until she churned out a few hundred thousand words of fanfiction and decided that *maybe* she was a writer. Her stories lean toward the fantastic, featuring heroines, antiheroines, and the kind of cleverness that brings trouble in its wake.

A self-taught artist with a degree in computer science, she generates creative nonsense in all forms of media and always has a project stewing. She has particular fondness for fairy tales, demon tales, romantic comedies, and quiz shows. Currently, she resides in Southern California, where the sunshine is as plentiful as its tea shops.

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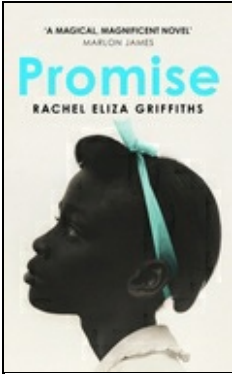
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Promise

Rachel Eliza Griffiths

Keynote

Two Black sisters growing up in small-town New England fight to protect their home, their bodies, and their dreams as the civil right movement sweeps the nation.

Description

'A magical, magnificent novel, that amounts to a secret history of an America we think we know, but never really knew' Marlon James

The people of Salt Point are afraid of the world beyond their rural town. Most of them are born, live and die never having gone more than twenty or thirty miles from houses that are crammed with generations of their families. But something shifts at the end of summer 1957. Change makes its way to Salt Point.

The Kindred sisters - Ezra and Cinthy - grew up with an abundance of love. Love from their parents, who let them believe that the stories they tell on stars can come true. Love from their neighbours, the Junketts, the only other Black family in town, whose home is filled with spice-rubbed ribs and ground-shaking hugs. And love for their adopted hometown of Salt Point, a beautiful New England village perched high up on coastal bluffs.

But as the girls hit adolescence, their white neighbours, including Ezra's best friend, Ruby, start to see their maturing bodies and minds in a different way. And as the news from distant parts of the country fills with calls for freedom, equality, and justice for Black Americans, the white villagers of Salt Point begin to view the Kindreds and the Junketts as a threat to their way of life. Amidst escalating violence, prejudice, and fear, bold Ezra and watchful Cinthy must reach deep inside the wells of love they've built to commit great acts of heroism and grace on the path to survival.

In luminous, richly descriptive writing, *Promise* celebrates one family's story of resistance. It's a book that will break your heart - and then rebuild it with courage, hope, and love.

'A novel so potent, one wonders if it's secretly a magic spell' Kiran Desai

Sales Points

- This is a powerful and complex story about the relentless violence that devastated Black families in 1950s America. But it is also a timeless, universal tale about sisterhood, identity, and the search for belonging.
- **Promising author:** this is the debut novel by Eliza Griffiths, award-winning poet and artist (winner of the 2021 Hurston/Wright Foundation Legacy Award in Poetry and the 2021 Paterson Poetry Prize, 2020 Stella Adler Poet-in-Residence.) She has a large circle of supporters in the US, and is the wife of Salman Rushdie.

Reviews

- **'A novel so potent, one wonders if it's secretly a magic spell' - Kiran Desai**
- **'A magical, magnificent novel, that amounts to a secret history of an America we think we know, but never really knew' - Marlon James**

Author Biography

Rachel Eliza Griffiths is an artist, poet, and novelist. Her recent hybrid collection of poetry and photography, *Seeing the Body*, was selected as the winner of the 2021 Hurston/Wright Foundation Award in Poetry, the winner of the 2020 Paterson Poetry Prize, and a finalist for the 2021 NAACP Image Award. Griffiths' work has appeared widely, including *The New Yorker*, *the Paris Review*, *Best American Poetry (2020, 2021)*, *Tin House*, and many others. She lives in New York City.

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Ethnic minorities & multicultural studies (JFSL1)

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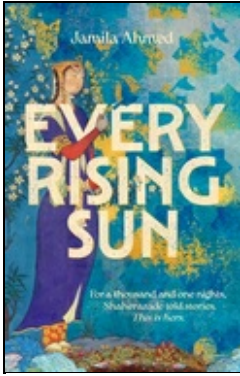
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Every Rising Sun

For a thousand and one nights Shaherazade told stories. This is hers.

Jamila Ahmed

Keynote

FOR A THOUSAND AND ONE NIGHTS SHAHERAZADE TOLD STORIES. THIS IS HERS. A spellbinding reimagining of the *Arabian Nights* and the fearless woman at the heart of it all: Shaherazade.

Description

Before she was the legendary Persian queen who spun a thousand tales, Shaherazade was a girl who saw something she shouldn't have.

She told the king.

She thought she was doing what was right.

She couldn't have imagined what was to come.

The Seljuk Empire is on fire and the king is on a rampage after learning of his wife's infidelity. Unsated by her execution, he has gone on to wed and behead a new wife night after night. Fear spreads through the city and Shaherazade must do something, anything, to halt the horror she has set in motion. When the king starts searching for his next bride, Shaherazade steps forward.

As the sun sets on her wedding night, she begins to weave a tale that will go down in history.

If you had to tell one story to save your life, what would it be?

Sales Points

- **FRESH TAKE ON THE RETELLINGS GENRE:** Retellings of mythology (particularly feminist retellings with a female protagonist) have been wildly successful recently from *Circe* (250k TCM) to *The Silence of the Girls* (180k) to *Ariadne* (60k) and *A Thousand Ships* (55k). But the genre is saturated with heroes from Greek myth - Shaherazade is an iconic figure from Islamic folklore, and a welcome breath of fresh air to the genre
- **PERFECT BOOK CLUB PICK:** Gripping, pacey and gorgeously written, filled with unforgettable characters, romance, drama and intrigue, the writing sits nicely in the literary-crossover sweet spot and is a perfect book club pick.
- **RECLAIMING SHAHERAZADE:** Readers may be unfamiliar with this spelling of the storyteller's name, but this version was deliberately chosen. The 'c' in the common spelling 'Scheherazade' is an orientalist import, a relic from Western studies of the *Arabian Nights*. Jamila's spelling Shaherazade is much more closely tied to Farsi and the character's Persian roots.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR'S STORY OF A LIFETIME:** Jamila studied medieval Islamic history at Barnard College, so is an expert in the time period of the novel. She started writing the novel when she was 17, and Islam was the media's villain and Muslim women were depicted as needing saving. She wanted to see a woman like herself in fiction, with power and intelligence, as well as reflecting Islam's rich, sophisticated history.

Author Biography

Jamila Ahmed is a Pakistani-American lawyer and writer whose writing focuses on the stories and histories of the South Asian and Muslim diaspora.

Coming of age during the American wars and occupation of Iraq and Afghanistan - and the attendant propaganda about the barbarity of Islam - Jamila wanted to find novels that authentically reflected her experience as a young Muslim woman and the rich complexity of Islamic history. When she couldn't find any, she picked up her pen and began writing *Every Rising Sun*.

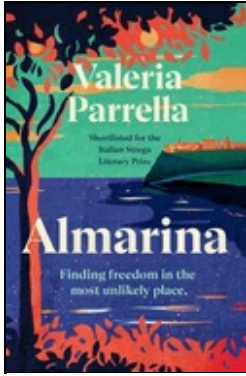
Jamila is a graduate of Barnard College, where she studied medieval Islamic history, and Harvard Law School. She lives in Brooklyn, New York.

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BIC 2.1	Myth & legend told as fiction (FQ) Folklore, myths & legends (JFHF) Middle Eastern history (HBJF1) Historical fiction (FV) Persian (Farsi) (2BXF)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
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Book locale	Iran (Persia)
Author born in	Columbia, South Carolina, USA
Author living in	Brooklyn, New York, USA
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Almarina

Valeria Parrella

Keynote

An Italian novel in translation about the relationship between a teacher and a young Romanian girl serving time on Nisida, Naples juvenile detention centre

Description

'One of the most beautiful books published in recent years: an intense, poignant story'

Caterina Bonvicini

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Price	£9.99 Rs.599
EAN\ISBN-13	9781529352443
BIC 2.1	Fiction in translation (FYT) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA) Italy (1DST)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	128 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	A small island off Naples, Italy
Author living in	Italy
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
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Podcast	Refer to Publisher
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Can a prison free those who enter?

Nisida, moored like a boat in the Mediterranean, is a small island nestled between Capri and Bagnoli, off the coast of Naples. Each day, through the early morning light, Elisabetta Maiorano travels across the city, passes by the guards on the way into the detention centre, hands over her bag and arrives at her classroom. All thoughts are suspended once inside. Usually Elisabetta hasn't spoken to anyone since the day before; her only reason for living to teach mathematics to the group of young inmates who arrive not long after she does. But one day, Almarina shows up and everything changes. She is Romanian and bears the signs of her personal history on her body. Together, closed up in a small classroom, a true island within an island, Elisabetta and Almarina discover a possible pathway to freedom.

Warm and intimate, intense and political, Valeria Parrella touches our emotions, giving voice to a loneliness that is universal. *Almarina* is about finding love in unexpected places, about atonement, forgetting and starting over. But mostly it is about two women learning how to live again.

Translated by Alex Valente

Sales Points

- **TOPICAL IN CURRENT TIMES:** deals with an immigrant woman in a detention centre in Italy who has made the journey from Romania
- **PRIZE ATTENTION:** *Almarina* was shortlisted for the Strega Prize, Italy's equivalent of the Booker Prize
- **COMP TITLES:** *The Mars Room* by Rachel Kushner
- **PROMOTABLE ENGLISH-SPEAKING AUTHOR:** Valeria Parrella spoke about her book and its background with the Italian Cultural Centre in London: <https://vimeo.com/455775683>

Reviews

- 'One of the most beautiful books published in recent years: an intense, poignant story' - *Caterina Bonvicini*

Author Biography

Valeria Parrella was born in 1974 and lives in Naples. Since the publication in 2003 of her debut short story collection, *Mosquito and Whale*, she has been widely regarded as one of Italy's most exciting authors. She is also the author of the novels *The White Space* and *The Verdict*. *Almarina* was shortlisted for the Strega Prize.

Alex Valente (he/him) is a half-Tuscan, half-Yorkshire white European currently living on x?m??k??y??m, S?wx_wú7mesh, and s?liiw?ta? land. He is an award-winning literary translator from Italian into English, though he also dabbles with French. His work has also been published in *NYT Magazine*, *The Massachusetts Review*, *The Short Story Project*, and *PEN Transmissions*.

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Mercury Pictures Presents Anthony Marra

Keynote

The *New York Times* bestseller

Description

Chosen as a **BOOK OF THE YEAR** in the *Sunday Times*, *Stylist* and *Observer*

'A multifaceted novel that is funny, verbally inventive and moving' *Sunday Times*, *Book of the Year*

'In *Mercury Pictures Presents* . . . the story moves between the real war and the better version Hollywood is busy creating. Sometimes tragic, often hilarious' KAREN JOY FOWLER, *Observer*, *Books of the Year*

'Its prose pulses with humour, wit and affection' *Mail on Sunday*

The epic tale of a brilliant woman who must reinvent herself to survive, moving from Mussolini's Italy to 1940s Los Angeles—a timeless story of love, deceit, and sacrifice from the award-winning, *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Constellation of Vital Phenomena*

Like many before her, Maria Lagana has come to Hollywood to outrun her past. Born in Rome, where every Sunday her father took her to the cinema instead of church, Maria immigrates with her mother to Los Angeles after a childhood transgression leads to her father's arrest.

Fifteen years later, on the eve of America's entry into World War II, Maria is an associate producer at Mercury Pictures, trying to keep her personal and professional lives from falling apart. Her mother won't speak to her. Her boss, a man of many toupees, has been summoned to Washington by congressional investigators. Her boyfriend, a virtuoso Chinese American actor, can't escape the studio's narrow typecasting. And the studio itself, Maria's only home in exile, teeters on the verge of bankruptcy.

Over the coming months, as the bright lights go dark across Los Angeles, Mercury Pictures becomes a nexus of European émigrés: modernist poets trying their luck as B-movie screenwriters, once-celebrated architects becoming scale-model miniaturists, and refugee actors finding work playing the very villains they fled. While the world descends into war, Maria rises through a maze of conflicting politics, divided loyalties, and jockeying ambitions. But when the arrival of a stranger from her father's past threatens Maria's carefully constructed facade, she must finally confront her father's fate - and her own.

Written with intelligence, wit, and an exhilarating sense of possibility, *Mercury Pictures Presents* is a love letter to life's bit players, a panorama of an era that casts a long shadow over our own, and a tour de force by a novelist whose work *The Washington Post* calls 'a flash in the heavens that makes you look up and believe in miracles'.

Sales Points

- For readers of *A Gentleman in Moscow* and *All the Light We Cannot See* and *Beautiful Ruins*, a wonderfully rich tour de force lit up by characters to fall in love with
- Anthony Marra is a *Granta Best of Young American Novelists*, appearing on the same list as Yaa Gyasi, Lauren Groff and Ben Lerner

Reviews

- 'The author's fans will recognize his elegant resolution of tangled disasters, his heartbreaking poignancy, his eye for historical curiosities that exceed the parameters of fiction... Marra unspools this period comedy with so much old-time snappy wit that *Mercury Pictures Presents* should come with popcorn and a 78-ounce Coke' - *Washington Post*
- 'Summer is a time for blockbusters and Anthony Marra has delivered the goods with *Mercury Pictures Presents*, a sweeping book about 1940s Hollywood, Mussolini's Italy and America's entry into the second world war . . . a deft and convincing writer with a sharp turn of phrase and a dark sense of humour that ignites every page... [It] will win him committed new fans and, if there is any literary justice, prizes' - *Spectator*
- 'It is impossible to do justice to Marra's smooth, sweeping style in bits - viewed in isolation, such descriptions could easily seem overwrought and clumsy - but knit together, these pieces have striking command and authority' - *International New York Times*
- 'You'll laugh, you'll cry in the marvelous 'Mercury Pictures Presents' about 1940s

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Author Biography

Anthony Marra is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Tsar of Love and Techno* and *A Constellation of Vital Phenomena*, winner of the National Book Critics Circle's John Leonard Prize and the Anisfield-Wolf Book Award, and longlisted for the National Book Award.



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Stronger than Death Hart Crane's Last Year in Mexico

Francesca Bratton

Keynote

Part-biography, part-memoir, *Stronger than Death* is the story of modernist poet Hart Crane's final year in Mexico; the story of his mother's grief after his death; and an exploration of the author's struggles with mental illness in the years she first discovered the power of Hart's poetry.

Description

In April 1931, modernist poet Hart Crane arrived in Mexico City. Between mood swings, dire financial difficulties, and a rotating series of personal estrangements, Hart was struggling to make the parts of a fragmentary world cohere. This move to Mexico was one in a long list of attempts to find security. In just over a year he would be dead.

In July 1932, Grace Crane picks up the morning paper. Scanning the headlines, she is halted on page five. Her son's eyes stare back at her, tinted pink by the thin paper: 'POET LOST AT SEA FROM SHIP'.

Hart Crane's last year has accrued a morbid mythology, seen as a period of self-destructive creative drought. In *Stronger than Death* Francesca Bratton tracks Hart's year among the vibrant artistic and political communities of Mexico City. His story is interwoven with that of his mother, exploring Grace's lifelong frustrated creativity and, after his death, debilitating grief. Finally the book explores Hart's legacy as a queer man and as a poet, informed by Francesca's responses to his work during her own periods of struggling with mental illness.

Part-memoir, part-biography, *Stronger than Death* is a profound and lyrical meditation on grief, mental health, enduring love and the power of poetry.

Sales Points

- **A perfect fit for JMO:** with three subjects, Francesca Bratton's intelligent and exquisite writing experiments with ideas of biography and life writing, exploring how we construct the truths of ourselves and others, how we try and possess and exorcise the past.
- **JMO success:** we've had many successes on the JM Originals list including Jessie Greengrass winning the Edge Hill Prize for *An Account of the Decline of the Great Auk*, *According to One Who Saw it*, Fiona's Mozley's Booker Prize shortlisting with *Elmet* and Oisín Fagan's seven Book of the Year mentions with *Nobber*
- **Award-winning author:** In 2022, Francesca was awarded the Irish Arts Council Next Generation Award in Literature, a prestigious bursary awarded to emerging artists

Author Biography

Francesca Bratton is a writer, critic, poet and researcher at the Department of English at the University of Maynooth. Her academic monograph, *Visionary Company: Hart Crane and Modernist Magazines* was published by Edinburgh University Press (June 2021). She has previously taught at Durham University, where she studied for a doctorate on Hart Crane, and she is a graduate of St John's College, Oxford and UCL. Francesca has lived in Paris, worked as a bookseller and as a librarian. In 2022 she was awarded the Irish Arts Council Next Generation Award in Literature.

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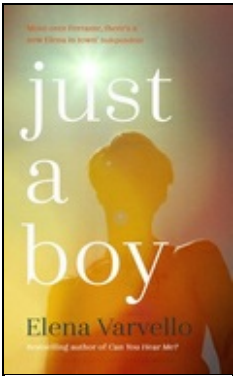
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Just A Boy

Elena Varvello

Keynote

'Move over Ferrante, there's a new Elena in town' *Independent*

'A beauty of a novel in which the pain and alienation of a teenage boy goes unnoticed until it is too late to halt its gripping conclusion' *Kate Mayfield*

Description

'Move over Ferrante, there's a new Elena in town' *Independent*

A gripping novel about family, loss and secrets, from the author of *The Times* bestselling sensation *Can You Hear Me?*

The boy is almost eighteen and has a loving family. He's polite and well-educated, quiet but always smiling.

When word spreads that he has broken into and stolen from a neighbour's house, his parents and sisters can't believe it. Then the unthinkable happens: an attack that will rip through the town and his family for years to come.

Just a Boy is a gripping, incisive novel about secrets, adolescence and how we can love someone - a child, a partner - without ever knowing their mind.

Praise for *The Times* bestseller *Can You Hear Me?*

'A novel of crime and darkness that eschews straightforward domestic noir' *Guardian*

'Utterly gripped me from beginning to end' *Victoria Hislop*

Sales Points

- **TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Elena's previous book, *CAN YOU HEAR ME?*, was a *Times* bestselling book, was longlisted for the CWA International Dagger and was Waterstones Thriller of the Month.
- **AWARD-WINNING TRANSLATOR:** Alex Valente worked on Elena's previous novel which was awarded an English PEN grant and received other awards shortlistings, and he will be bringing his exquisite translation style to this book.

Reviews

- '**Varvello knows how to construct a drama full of suspense, working towards revelation . . . a fascinating read**' - Josephine Felton, *Irish Examiner*
- 'A moving portrait of a grieving family painted by the **utterly compelling** talent of author Elena Varvello. **JUST A BOY** is **a beauty of a novel in which the pain and alienation of a teenage boy goes unnoticed until it is too late to halt its gripping conclusion**' - *Kate Mayfield*
- '**Haunting and surreal**, Elena Varvello's **JUST A BOY** is beautifully written, a **gripping and masterful** account of a troubled family's struggle in the aftermath of tragedy. Shifting effortlessly between past and present, Varvello creates an almost dreamlike atmosphere as she interweaves each character's story, drawing their connections ever tighter until it's impossible to look away. **I loved this book!**' - Karen Dionne, author of #1 internationally bestselling *The Marsh King's Daughter* and *The Wicked Sister*

Author Biography

ELENA VARVELLO was born in Turin, Italy, in 1971, and grew up in a small village in the woods not far from her birthplace. In 1996 she completed a Master Degree in Creative Writing at the Scuola Holden in Turin. Since 1999 she has been teaching Creative Writing at the same school. Elena has published two collections of poetry, *Perseveranza è salutare* and *Atlanti*, a collection of short stories, *L'economia delle cose* (nominated for the Premio Strega, winner of the Settembrini Award and the Bagutta Opera Prima Award), and three novels. The UK translation of *La vita felice*, *Can You Hear Me?*, published by Two Roads, received an English PEN Award and was selected as Waterstones Thriller of the Month in June 2018. She still lives in that small village with her husband and their two sons.

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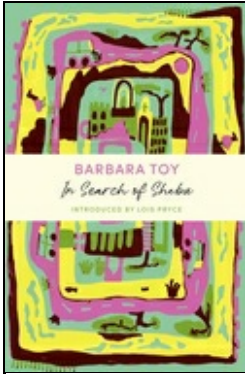
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In Search of Sheba A John Murray Journey

Barbara Toy

Keynote

An epic journey by solo traveller Barbara Toy through desert, mountains, and equatorial jungle from Libya to Ethiopia.

Description

Introduced by Lois Pryce, author of *Lois on the Loose*, *Red Tape & White Knuckles* and *Revolutionary Ride*.

In 1959 Barbara Toy, famous for her solo overland travels in North Africa and Arabia, set out in her trademark Land Rover to drive from Libya to Ethiopia.

Alone, she crossed the Sahara Desert and the equatorial forests of the Congo before ascending the highlands of Haile Selassie's empire. Her Ethiopian travels took her from modern Addis Ababa to the ancient ruins of Aksum, through bandit-ridden countryside to the summit of Mount Wehni - where male heirs to the emperor were traditionally imprisoned for life - on a quest to explore the legend of the Queen of Sheba. Full of good humour and grit, *In Search of Sheba* chronicles a remarkable feat of endurance and adventure by one of the twentieth century's greatest travellers.

Sales Points

- **INTRODUCED BY LOIS PRYCE:** author of *Lois on the Loose*, *Red Tape & White Knuckles* and *Revolutionary Ride*
- **A JOHN MURRAY JOURNEY:** a series of classic and rediscovered travel books
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- A **solo female traveller**, the missing link between Freya Stark and Dervla Murphy.

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African history (HBJH)
Sub-Saharan Africa (1HF)
Biography: general (BG)**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **B Format**

Extent **320 pages**

Word Count

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Author born in **Australia**

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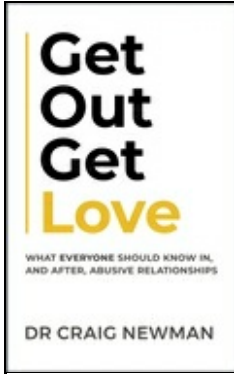
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Get Out, Get Love

What everyone should know in, and after, abusive relationships

Craig Newman

Keynote

A ground-breaking, compassionate and trauma-informed guide to understanding, escaping, and thriving after an abusive relationship.

Description

- Is *this* what they mean by abuse?
- Why am I tolerating such a bad relationship?
- Will I ever be able to get out and feel free?

If you have ever asked yourself any of these questions, you may be, or have been, in an abusive relationship, even without realising.

Every minute, more than 20 people in the UK or US are abused by their partner.

Get Out, Get Love is an essential guide to the journey that anyone who is in, leaving or has left an abusive relationship must undertake. It takes the reader through three key stages - **getting understanding** (of the reasons we fall into abuse and why we tolerate it), **getting out** (escaping, breaking the cycle and staying away) and **getting love** (seeking closure, regaining trust and developing self love).

Unlike other books on this subject, *Get Out, Get Love* focuses uniquely on putting control of the narrative in your hands. By helping you understand yourself better, it will show you how to embrace both growth and change, to create a future of freedom and joy.

Author and psychologist Dr Craig Newman, who was himself in an abusive relationship, presents a supportive and proven recovery plan that has helped so many of his clients, and will help you, to **Get Out** and **Get Love**.

Your journey starts here.

Sales Points

- Domestic abuse statistics are rising and there is an escalating need for such resources
- There have been no significant new publications of this kind, and certainly none that offer a 360% platform with accompanying resources, since the Freedom Programme/LIVING WITH THE DOMINATOR, which is now over 14 years old
- **GET OUT GET LOVE** aims to be the new category killer, replacing the Freedom Programme with a book, and a modality, that more accurately reflects both society and the reality of domestic abuse in the 2020s
- Author is not only a highly respected clinical psychologist, but also a multi-award-winning creator community projects on areas such as burnout, dementia and epilepsy

Author Biography

Craig Newman is a Chartered Clinical Psychologist with 23 years' experience in supporting transformation and personal growth. He is an experienced therapist and coach with expertise in pain management, neuropsychology and disabilities. He has worked in both the private and public sector, most recently providing NHS leadership and teams coaching. An award-winning innovator within the digital health sector, he has created a range of digital solutions that have gone on to improve the lives of both NHS staff and patients and was the driving force behind Project5, a free wellbeing service he set up to support NHS staff during the COVID pandemic.

As a survivor of domestic abuse, Craig's aim now is to offer clients and fellow survivors the same freedom and personal growth that he has enjoyed, showing them how to Get Out, and Get Love.

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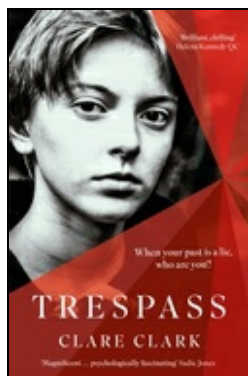
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Trespass

Clare Clark

Keynote

A brilliant and hugely topical psychological suspense novel about the ultimate trespass. A young woman discovers that the man she shared her life with was an undercover cop.

Description

When your past is a lie, who are you?

'Provocative, moving and timely' **Mail on Sunday**

'All the excitement of a thriller with the depth of a literary novel' **Cathy Rentzenbrink**

'As memorable for her sharp and even funny social observation as it is for the powerful outrage that drives it' **Sunday Times**

'Brilliant, chilling' **Helena Kennedy QC**

As a teenager, Tess falls into environmental activism - and the arms of an older, charismatic protester. She has never been happier. When he suddenly disappears, leaving her pregnant and alone, she is shattered. Slowly, though, she rebuilds a life for herself and her daughter Mia. 'We're all we need,' she sings to Mia as they dance around the kitchen. 'Me and you, us two.'

But, as Mia nears her thirteenth birthday, the death of a relative sparks questions - about activism, about her family, about her father - that Tess cannot answer. And when a hidden letter is found, Tess suddenly has urgent questions of her own. As mother and daughter pull apart, caught up in their own private quests for answers, the certainties of memory and history begin to unravel and a single shocking question emerges: if your past is all a lie, then who are you?

Complex, profound and devastatingly timely, this brilliant psychological suspense explores the twisted world of undercover operations, the most secretive part of the secret state where nothing is sacred and no one cares to count the cost.

Sales Points

- The seventh novel from critically acclaimed, twice-Women's Prize longlisted, award winning novelist Clare Clark
- Clark's latest novel *In the Full Light of Sun* received brilliant reviews from the *Guardian*, *Sunday Times*, *Mail on Sunday* and many more

Reviews

- 'I read *Trespass* in one go. So perceptive and clever. All the excitement of a thriller with the depth of a literary novel' - Cathy Rentzenbrink
- 'As memorable for her sharp and even funny social observation as it is for the powerful outrage that drives it' - Phil Baker, *Sunday Times*
- 'Provocative, moving and timely' - Hephzibah Anderson, *Mail on Sunday*
- 'A magnificent, nuanced and intricate novel. *Trespass* is as political as it is personal, both moving and psychologically fascinating' - Sadie Jones

Author Biography

Clare Clark is the author of six highly acclaimed historical novels, including *The Great Stink*, *Savage Lands* (both longlisted for the Orange Prize) and *The Nature of Monsters*. Born in 1967, she graduated from Trinity College, Cambridge with a double first in History, and now lives in London with her husband and two children.

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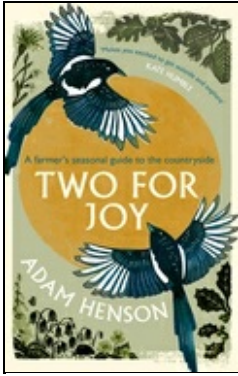
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Two for Joy The untold ways to enjoy the countryside

Adam Henson

Keynote

In *Two for Joy*, Adam Henson - much-loved and long-standing presenter of *Countryfile* and *Lambing Live* - goes on a journey through the seasons to show you what you can find, spot, observe and do in the countryside, to help you find joy in nature all year round.

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No matter whether you've always loved the countryside or are recent converts to nature (perhaps owing to lockdown and the pandemic), farmer Adam Henson is here to gift you all the knowledge needed to keep that joy and wonder of the British and Irish countryside alive the whole year through.

Divided into the four seasons, *Two for Joy* will help you understand what's happening on farms and in hedgerows throughout the year; show us the animals we might see around us and what they're busy doing; bring to life the stories behind countryside superstitions and folklore; revisit old traditions and show us how we can include them today; and encourage us to look up at the trees, sky and stars.

Whether you read this book in the depths of winter in an armchair by the fire, or on a picnic rug in a field on a sunny day, it promises to open your eyes to the awe-inspiring powers of our uniquely British countryside in ways you've never noticed before.

Sales Points

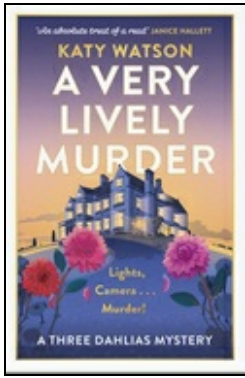
- There's incredible precedent for books on the countryside e.g. *The Walker's Guide to Outdoor Clues and Signs* (117k); *The Almanac for 2022* (63k); *The Forager's Calendar* (49k); *Red Sky at Night: The Book of Lost Country Wisdom* (49k). *Two for Joy* combines all of these popular topics for a mass audience from a trusted, beloved TV presenter.
- Adam has had great success with previous books (up until now published by BBC Books at Ebury): his first from 2011 sold 27k and continues to sell on. More recently in 2016/17 he had *Like Farmer, Like Son* which sold 21k hb and 19k pb; and *A Farmer and His Dog* in 2017/18 which sold 13.5k HB and 13k PB.
- This is a new space for Adam to occupy - an expert voice on the countryside rather than memoir.
- Suited to both gifting (especially because of the beautiful illustrative cover) and self-purchase.
- *Countryfile* (on every Sunday night) pulls in an average audience of 4-5m. The audience is dominated by 45+ and especially 65+ - the audience the book is aimed at too

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Previous Titles

Countryfile: Adam's Farm - 2011 - 27k
Like Farmer, Like Son (HB) - 2016 - 21k
Like Farmer, Like Son (PB) - 2017 - 19k
A Farmer and His Dog (HB) - 2017 - 13.5k
A Farmer and His Dog (PB) - 2018 - 13k
A Year on Adam's Farm (children's book HB) - 2021 - 7k

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A Very Lively Murder

Katy Watson

Keynote

Whip-smart crime by established romance writer now breaking into the crime fiction field. Crime fiction fans will love this as she writes the follow up to her contemporary Golden Age country house murder mystery.

Description

One murder mystery movie. Three Dahlias. And a whole cast of suspects...

Ex child star Posy Starling is finally filming her dream role - Dahlia Lively in *The Lady Detective* movie. But things take a nightmare turn when a prop weapon is replaced with the real thing - with almost fatal consequences for her fellow Dahlia, Rosalind King. There's something very wrong on the set of *The Lady Detective* - which means it's time to call in Caro Hooper, so the three Dahlias can investigate.

In between filming scenes, signing autographs for locals, photoshoots on set and jetting off to France for an impromptu party, the three Dahlias do what they do best - surreptitiously sleuth. And very soon the evidence starts to point towards one particular co-star...

But before they can prove it, a murder rocks the production. And this time, with a storm raging, the river flooded and the bridge washed out, there are no police to rely on so it's up to the three Dahlias to stop a murderer in their tracks... before another victim is claimed.

Praise for Katy Watson

'An absolute treat of a read with all the ingredients of a vintage murder mystery: a country house, mysterious dead bodies and three actresses all keen to catch the killer. Perfect weekend reading!' **Janice Hallett, author of *The Appeal***

'Celebrates and gently satirises Golden Age crime novels in a hugely entertaining country house mystery' **The Times**

'Dame Agatha would approve' **Daily Mail**

'A wonderful celebration of Golden Age crime. . . a read you can sink into, just like the perfect country house weekend. You will definitely love Dahlia in all her guises by the end' **S.J. Bennett, author of *The Windsor Knot***

'I loved it - witty, engaging and hugely enjoyable. A must for fans of classic mysteries' **Frances Brody**

'An affectionate homage to the Golden Age of Detective Fiction and a wry nod to our continuing fascination with it. Great fun. Warm, ingenious and. . . lively!' **LC Tyler**

'A sprightly offering. . . a pleasant summer read' **The Critic**

'A pleasure to read from beginning to end' **Shots**

'A fun, 1930s style murder-mystery, which makes for perfect holiday reading' **Woman's Weekly**

'Perfect Holiday Read' **Woman and Home**

'Smartly executed with wit and a cunning plot' **Peterborough Telegraph**

'A cosy whodunnit told with modern flair' **Yours**

Sales Points

- Perfect for fans of *The Appeal*, Robert Thorogood and Thursday Murder Club
- 2,500 HBs of the first book in the series were printed, and subs of over 20k are expected for the paperback of the first book -- setting this sequel up well.
- Author is a growing presence in the crime writer community, attending as a guest panellist/speaker both Harrogate and Bloody Scotland in 2023.

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Author Biography

Growing up in a family of murder mystery addicts, Katy Watson learned early to look for means, motive and opportunity.

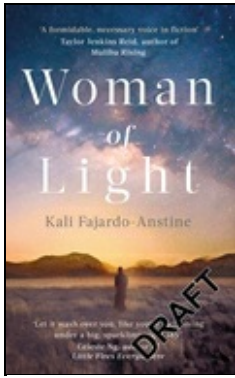
After studying English Literature - with a sideline in crime fiction - at Lancaster University, she set about teaching herself to write her own stories, while also experiencing enough of the world to have things to write about.

Two careers, a lot of airmiles, one husband, two children, three houses and forty five published books for children and adults later, lockdown finally gave her the means, motive and opportunity to create her own murder mystery - with the aid of her scientist husband's knowledge of poisons. *Three Dahlias* is the result.



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Woman of Light

Kali Fajardo-Anstine

Keynote

A dazzling epic of betrayal, love, and fate that spans five generations of an Indigenous Chicano family in the American West, from the author of the National Book Award finalist *Sabrina & Corina*

Description

'Sometimes you just step into a book and let it wash over you, like you're swimming under a big, sparkling night sky' Celeste Ng, author of *Little Fires Everywhere*

'A formidable, necessary voice in fiction' Taylor Jenkins Reid, author of *Malibu Rising*

'A feat of old-school storytelling' *The Observer*

There is one every generation, a seer who keeps the stories.

Luz "Little Light" Lopez, a tea leaf reader and laundress, is left to fend for herself after her older brother, Diego, a snake charmer and factory worker, is run out of town by a violent white mob. As Luz navigates 1930s Denver, she begins to have visions that transport her to her Indigenous homeland in the nearby Lost Territory. Luz recollects her ancestors' origins, how her family flourished, and how they were threatened. She bears witness to the sinister forces that have devastated her people and their homelands for generations. In the end, it is up to Luz to save her family stories from disappearing into oblivion.

Written in Kali Fajardo-Anstine's singular voice, the wildly entertaining and complex lives of the Lopez family fill the pages of this multigenerational western saga. *Woman of Light* is a transfixing novel about survival, family secrets, and love-filled with an unforgettable cast of characters, all of whom are just as special, memorable, and complicated as our beloved heroine, Luz.

'Captivating' Mieko Kawakami, author of *Breasts and Eggs*

'[A] bewitching debut novel' BBC's *History* magazine

Sales Points

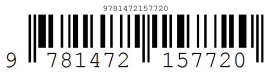
- **Roxane Gay has previously chosen *Woman Of Light* for her book club and said described it as 'wholly engrossing' in her Goodreads review.**
- ***Sabrina & Corina* (the author's collection of stories) was a finalist for the 2019 National Book Award, the PEN/Bingham Prize, The Story Prize, and winner of an American Book Award**
- **It's a national bestseller in the US.**

Reviews

- **'Sometimes you just step into a book and let it wash over you, like you're swimming under a big, sparkling night sky' - Celeste Ng, author of *Little Fires Everywhere* and *Everything I Never Told You***
- **'An intimate and intensely moving story of a Latinx and Indigenous family in the American West. Kali Fajardo-Anstine's lyrical, unpretentious prose renders the generations of women of this story in all of their complexity, offering a nuanced perspective on how the past can inform the future . . . A formidable, necessary voice in fiction' - Taylor Jenkins Reid, author of *Malibu Rising***
- **'With a single phrase, line of dialogue, description, Fajardo-Anstine has the power to accurately express the joy and sadness in a person's life, their history, how the world comes into contact with us, and how we come into contact with the world. . . Captivating' - Mieko Kawakami, author of *Breasts and Eggs***
- **'This novel is indelible, and shines its big light on the Lopez family so brightly that I could draw a map of their breath. . . An absolutely glorious novel' - Emma Straub, author of *All Adults Here***

Author Biography

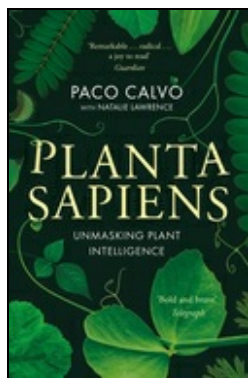
Kali Fajardo-Anstine is the author of *Woman of Light* and *Sabrina & Corina*, a finalist for the 2019 National Book Award, the PEN/Bingham Prize, The Story Prize, and winner of an American Book Award. She is the 2021 recipient of the Metcalf Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. Her work has been honored with the Denver Mayor's Award for Global Impact in the Arts and the Mountains and Plains Independent Booksellers Association Reading the West Award. She has written for *The New York Times*, *Harper's*



Bazaar, ELLE, The American Scholar, Boston Review, and elsewhere, and has received fellowships from MacDowell, Yaddo, Hedgebrook, and Tin House. Fajardo-Anstine earned her MFA from the University of Wyoming and has lived across the country, from Durango, Colorado, to Key West, Florida. She is the 2022/2023 Endowed Chair of Creative Writing at Texas State University. She is from Denver, Colorado.

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Planta Sapiens Unmasking Plant Intelligence

Paco Calvo with Natalie Lawrence

Keynote

A mind-bending journey into the overlooked world - and intelligence - of plants

Description

'A joy to read ... mind-expanding' **Book of the Week, Guardian**

'A bold and brave paean to our planet's ligneous, leafy kingdom' **Telegraph**

'An impressive exploration and dazzling insight into the lives of plants' **Reaction Book Digest**

What is it like to be a plant?

It's not a question we might think to contemplate, even though many of us live surrounded by plants. Science has long explored the wonderful ways in which plants communicate, behave and shape their environments: from chemical warfare to turning their predators to cannibalism. But they're usually just the backdrop to our frenetic animal lives.

While plants may not have brains or move around as we do, cutting-edge science is revealing that they have astonishing inner worlds of an alternate kind to ours. They can plan ahead, learn, recognise their relatives, assess risks and make decisions. They can even be put to sleep. Innovative new tools might allow us to actually see them do these things - from electrophysiological recordings to MRI and PET scans. If you can look in the right way, a world full of drama unfurls.

In *PLANTA SAPIENS*, Professor Paco Calvo offers a bold new perspective on plant biology and cognitive science. Using the latest scientific findings, Calvo challenges us to make an imaginative leap into a world that is so close and yet so alien - one that will expand our understanding of our own minds.

From their rich subjective experiences to how they are inspiring novel ways of approaching the ecological crisis, *PLANTA SAPIENS* is a dazzling exploration of the lives of plants and a call to approach how we think about the natural world in a new, maverick way.

Sales Points

- Paco Calvo is a world-leading researcher in the field of how plants behave and might think, and is regularly approached by the media for his expertise in matters relating to plant intelligence
- Fresh and utterly new approach to plant life that has roots in some of Charles Darwin's own research and follows the trend of popular science books on the nature of consciousness/intelligence
- 'Slow biology': interest in science paying attention to the slower processes of nature and less easily imaginable states like alternative levels of being conscious chimes with wider trends related to slowing down and savouring

Reviews

- 'Calvo has a wonderfully infectious enthusiasm for his subject that makes this book, for all its complex science, **a joy to read**. He challenges us to set aside our 'zoocentric' perspective and to change our view of plants radically **a genuinely mind-expanding book**' - Book of the Day, *Guardian*
- 'PLANTA SAPIENS is **[a] bold and brave paean to our planet's ligneous, leafy kingdom**. I mostly relished the intellectual interrogation, the maverick thinking, and add my voice to his call to think beyond our prejudices and our anthropocentric indoctrination' - *Daily Telegraph*
- 'Are plants conscious? Before you say no, read this **fascinating** new book' - @michaelpollan via Twitter, author of *THIS IS YOUR MIND ON PLANTS*
- '[PLANTA SAPIENS] takes readers on a journey into a seemingly alien world ... Read this **fascinating** book and **your view of nature will never be the same again**' - *The Countryman Magazine*

Author Biography

Paco Calvo is Professor of Philosophy of Science at the Minimal Intelligence Lab (MINTLab) in the University of Murcia, Spain, where his research is primarily in exploring and experimenting with the possibility of plant intelligence. In his research at MINTLab, he

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studies the ecological basis of plant intelligence by conducting experimental studies at the intersection of plant neurobiology and ecological psychology. He has given many talks on the topic of plant intelligence to academic and non-academic audiences around the world during the last decade.

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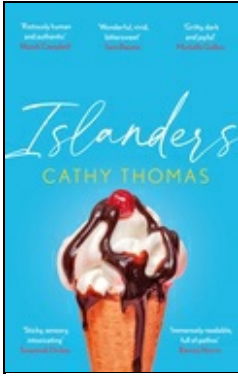
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Readers of Peter Wohlleben's *HIDDEN LIFE OF TREES*, Merlin Sheldrake's *ENTANGLED LIFE*, Peter Godfrey Smith's *OTHER MINDS*, and fans of *THE OVERSTORY*



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Islanders

Cathy Thomas

Keynote

A gritty, beautiful and darkly funny book of linked stories covering twenty years in the lives of a group of intertwined people on the island of Guernsey.

Description

'Wonderful, vivid, bittersweet' Sara Baume, author of *Spill Simmer Falter Wither*

'Gritty, dark and joyful' Michelle Gallen, author of *Big Girl, Small Town*

'Riotously human and authentic' Niamh Campbell, author of *This Happy*

'Elegant, gritty, funny and unflinching' Luiza Sauma, author of *Everything You Ever Wanted*

Annie needs to lose her virginity, so she's waiting in a car park for **Paul**.

Paul needs drugs for the party, but he's got to keep an eye on his sister, **Josie**.

Josie needs a father figure. Or that's how it seems to her driving instructor, **Neil**.

Eva needs to get away from the island. She could do without bumping into the school bully, **Kat**.

Claire needs to drink herself into the mood for the hen do. But she's been betrayed by her childhood friend, **Becky**. And she can't stop thinking about what's happened to her sister, **Kat**...

Set on the island of Guernsey over a period of twenty years, these closely linked stories reveal the desires, friendships, betrayals, regrets and heartaches of twelve intertwined people. Against a backdrop of picturesque cliffs and beaches, grimy clubs and pubs and chip shops, their stumbling attempts to connect with each other are depicted with wrenching pathos, wry humour and moving empathy.

Sales Points

- A collection of closely linked stories covering twenty years in the lives of a group of intertwined people living on the island of Guernsey
- Engages with multiple current and pressing issues such as sexuality and consent, power, class, poverty, addiction and depression
- Recalls other linked collections set in small communities such as Thomas Morris' *We Don't Know What We're Doing* or Elizabeth Strout's *Olive Kitteredge* - or our own *Good Citizens Need Not Fear* by Maria Reva
- Offers readers a vivid insight into a place and a community not often represented in modern fiction, and richly, evocatively described
- Moving fluidly from light-hearted, entertaining dialogue to the anguish of heartbreak, bereavement and lost opportunities, these stories are full of deeply imagined characters living lives full of yearning, desire and pathos

Author Biography

Cathy Thomas grew up in the South West of England and Guernsey. She now lives in London. Her short fiction has appeared in publications including the *Stinging Fly*, *Banshee* and *Litro*. She has an MA in playwriting and was selected for the 2014/5 Jerwood/Arvon Mentoring Scheme as a dramatist.

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The Cat Prince & Other Poems

Michael Pedersen

Keynote

A new collection by one of Scotland's best loved and liveliest poets, touching on themes of friendship, loss, nature and love

'Michael Pedersen is one of Britain's most exciting poets' Daljit Nagra

Description

'Pedersen bends words like no-one else. There's a naughtiness, an innocence and surprising vulnerability in this collection. It's poetry to intoxicate. Just sublime.' Juno Dawson

'Every page of *The Cat Prince* brought me gladsome joy. Pedersen has the astonishing power of finding the astonishing in every moment that deserves a raised glass' Daljit Nagra

'This laser focused collection of poetry by Michael Pedersen will gut you like a fish and smash your heart in. Searingly specific, exquisite and requisite. I relished reading every tiny morsel of it' Shirley Manson

'Open-hearted, gut-wrenching and yet elegiac, these poems pack a hefty emotional punch. Michael Pederson's poems display a huge vocabulary for love, love in all its many forms and guises. These poems chart the journey from boyhood to manhood, the highs and the lows, the losses and the gains, always working their way towards an essential, emotional truth' Jackie Kay

'If the alphabet is a piano keyboard then Michael Pedersen plays it with the confidence and panache of a jazz improviser who knows that every note can have the potential to change someone's life. Be amazed by this book' Ian McMillan

'Michael's poems are so physical you can almost touch the images in them. Fabulously sensual and alive. I adore poetry like this' Stephen Fry

The Cat Prince & Other Poems is the third collection from prize-winning poet, and author of *Boy Friends*, Michael Pedersen.

All *moggy moxie*, Pedersen croons to the beauty and devastation of love, loss, friendship, cats and careless joy. Equal parts tender and trenchant, raw and ribald, plangent and smutty, these poems exhibit an emotionally charged, fantastical playground of language and lore.

From the brutalising death of a cherished friend comes a gut-wrenching grief. And so begins a tenacious quest for light, lustre and survival as Pedersen pays tender tribute to a gorgeous, life-altering friendship. In doing so, he harks back to the hilarity of being young, reckless and petrified: memories of boys showboating in a fishing tackle shop, games of feline metamorphosis, laments for demolished buildings and a case of constipation of the most pernicious stock.

As frisky as it is fierce, *The Cat Prince* pounces around the poet's emotional and physical landscapes, past and present, unfangling a Scotland full of gothic splendour and nature's majesty.

These poems reveal a poet at his bravest and most vulnerable. *The Cat Prince & Other Poems* purrs with affection, flashes its teeth, then digs in the claws.

Sales Points

- Michael performs throughout the UK and Internationally with his partner, Hollie McNish. His recent tour for *Boy Friends* included dates with Kae Tempest, Dean Atta, Ocean Vuong, Shirley Manson and Charlotte Church
- Has produced work for the likes National Theatre of Scotland, Edinburgh International Festival, and Scottish Poetry Library. He has read at literature festivals in five

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continents, features regularly on BBC Radio and appeared on BBC Arts Night.

- Pedersen also co-rms and co-founded Neu! Reekie!
- Awarded the John Mather Trust Rising Star of Literature, the Robert Louis Stevenson Fellowship in 2015 and was a finalist for the 2018 'Writer of the Year' at *The Herald* Scottish Culture Awards

Reviews

- 'Every page of *The Cat Prince* brought me gladsome joy. Pedersen has the astonishing power of finding the astonishing in every moment that deserves a raised glass. This celebration of life is partly achieved through his humorous way with words that constantly made me laugh out!' - Daljit Nagra
- 'Pedersen bends words like no-one else. There's a naughtiness, an innocence and surprising vulnerability in this collection. It's poetry to intoxicate. Just sublime.' - *Juno Dawson*
- **'This laser focused collection of poetry by Michael Pedersen will gut you like a fish and smash your heart in. Searingly specific, exquisite and requisite. I relished reading every tiny morsel of it'** - Shirley Manson
- **'If the alphabet is a piano keyboard then Michael Pedersen plays it with the confidence and panache of a jazz improviser who knows that every note can have the potential to change someone's life. Be amazed by this book'** - Ian McMillan

Author Biography

MICHAEL PEDERSEN is a prize-winning Scottish poet, author and arts producer. His second collection, *Oyster*, was a collaboration with Scott Hutchison of Frightened Rabbit. His poetic prose debut, *Boy Friends*, came out with Faber & Faber in 2022 in the UK and North America, and is now travelling into translation editions. Among other accolades, he won a Robert Louis Stevenson Fellowship and a John Mather Trust Rising Star Award. Pedersen also co-founded Neu! Reekie!, a prize-winning arts collective who produced cutting-edge shows across the UK (and the world) for over a decade.

Market

Hollie McNish, Jackie Kay, Daljit Nagra

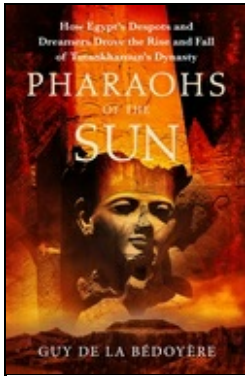
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Pharaohs of the Sun

Radio 4 Book of the Week, How Egypt's Despots and Dreamers Drove the Rise and Fall of Tutankhamun's Dynasty

Guy de la Bédoyère

Keynote

Guy de la Bédoyère's new book is a history of a key period in ancient Egypt's astonishing history that tears away the gold and glamour to show how some of the first great historical personalities ruled Egypt ruthlessly for 250 years between 1550 BC and 1295 BC.

Description

For more than two centuries Egypt was ruled by the most powerful, successful, and richest dynasty of kings in its long end epic history. They included the female king Hatshepsut, the warrior kings Thutmose III and Amenhotep II, the religious radical Akhenaten and his queen Nefertiti, and most famously of all for the wealth of his tomb the short-lived boy king Tutankhamun. The power and riches of the Pharaohs of the 18th Dynasty came at enormous cost to Egypt's enemies and most of its people. This was an age of ruthless absolutism, exploitation, extravagance, brutality, and oppression in a culture where not only did Egypt plunder its neighbours but Egyptian kings and their people robbed one another.

3,500 years ago ancient Egypt began two centuries in which it became richer and more powerful than any other nation at the time, ruled by the kings of the 18th Dynasty. They presided over a system built on war, oppression, and ruthlessness, pouring Egypt's wealth into grandiose monuments, temples, and extravagant tombs. Tutankhamun was one of the last of the line and one of the most obscure. Among his predecessors were some of the most notorious and enigmatic figures of all of Egypt's history. *Pharaohs of the Sun* is their story, showing how the glamour and gold was tainted by selfishness, ostentation, and the systematic exploitation of Egypt's people and enemies.

Sales Points

- Spans an epic 250 years of ancient Egyptian history
- Guy appears regularly on the Channel 4 archaeological television series *Time Team*

Author Biography

Guy de la Bédoyère has written many books on the ancient world in the last three decades, most recently *Gladius: Living, Fighting and Dying in the Roman Army* and *Pharaohs of the Sun*, a history of Egypt's 18th Dynasty. He was part of Channel 4's archaeology series *Time Team* for many years. He has degrees from Durham, London and University College, London, and is a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries. He has lectured widely in Britain, Australia, and New Zealand.

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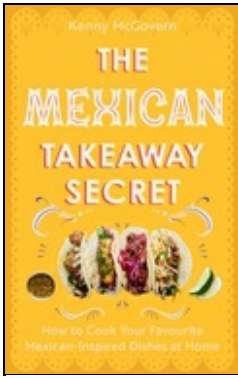
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The Mexican Takeaway Secret How to Cook Your Favourite Mexican-Inspired Dishes at Home

Kenny McGovern

Keynote

Recreate your favourite Mexican takeaway dishes at home, for a fraction of the cost

Description

Make your favourite Mexican takeaway dishes at home!

As a nation we spend £10 billion each year on takeaways. But 'fakeaway' dishes are proving increasingly popular, and are much more cost-effective.

The Mexican Takeaway Secret offers a wide selection of popular recipes that will ensure your homemade dishes look and taste exactly like those offered by your favourite Mexican restaurants and street food spots. Make side dishes and snacks from Fried Tostadas and Charred Corn Salsa to Queso Fresco and Carne Asada, and with chef's specials for every palette including Baja Fish Tacos, Chicken and Chorizo Enchiladas, Huevos Rancheros, Chimichanga and Chilli Verde.

There are delicious toppings, fillings and cocktail recipes too - including Refried Pinto Beans, Pork, Barbacoa Beef Chicken Tinga, Spiced Jackfruit, Churros with Chocolate Cream Sauce and Margaritas.

With this definitive collection of almost 100 takeaway recipes, you'll be able to sample incredible Mexican food from the comfort of your own home - and at half the price!

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** 120,000 copies sold across series
- **FAKEAWAY TREND:** Since lockdown, more of us are cooking our favourite takeaway food at home than ever before - net sales of Kenny's books increased by 40% between 2019 and 2020

Author Biography

At the age of nineteen, Kenny McGovern was diagnosed with what is known as 'social anxiety disorder' and eventually became too ill to carry on working. As the years passed, he became almost housebound as a result of his illness and as such lost touch with many parts of life which although enjoyable are often taken for granted. Simple pleasures such as buying a nice sandwich from a local café or going out for a meal became impossible for him to do.

As a result of this, and because of his love of food and cooking, he eventually took to trying to recreate many of his favourite shop-bought foods at home. 'If I can't go to McDonalds, I'll make my own,' was his philosophy. Over a period of five years or more, he tested and tweaked many, many recipes, his new hobby quickly building into an obsession.

In 2010, Kenny decided to publish some selected recipes in his first book *The Takeaway Secret* - it became an instant bestseller, following word-of-mouth recommendations on the internet.

With huge support and encouragement from readers, his confidence has grown, along with his food obsession. As a result Kenny once more ventured out into the world, researching and learning about the historic links between street food and local people and the recent upsurge in the modern, exciting and vibrant street food culture. His next book, *The Street Food Secret*, followed in 2017.

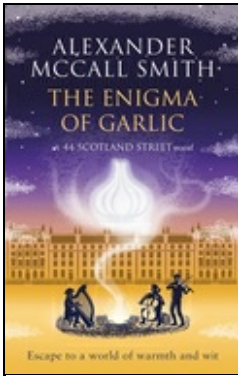
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Author born in	Glasgow, Scotland
Author living in	Glasgow, Scotland

Previous Titles

The Takeaway Secret
More Takeaway Secrets
The Street Food Secret
The American Diner Secret
The Indian Takeaway Secret
The Chinese Takeaway Secret

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The Enigma of Garlic

Alexander McCall Smith

Keynote

The latest in the hugely popular 44 Scotland Street series from the worldwide bestselling author, Alexander McCall Smith

Description

The latest in the hugely popular 44 Scotland Street series from the worldwide bestselling author, Alexander McCall Smith

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It's the most anticipated event of the decade: Big Lou and Fat Bob's wedding and everyone is invited! After a wonderful day, Big Lou crashes back down to earth and finds that she is a victim of her own success. The lure of those famous bacon rolls is preventing her from leaving hungry customers without their daily dose of deliciousness - even to go for a long-awaited honeymoon. Will Big Lou find the happiness she so richly deserves? Everyone in Scotland Street hopes so, but, as Burns warned, the best laid plans...

The relative peace and tranquillity of 44 Scotland Street is about to be disrupted. Irene is to return for a two-month stay, consigning Bertie to a summer camp. Not satisfied with that, she somehow manages to come between the enigmatic nun, Sister Maria-Fiore dei Fiori di Montagna, and her friend, the hagiographer, Antonia Collie.

Can a person really change, even after being struck by lightning? Bruce's metamorphosis and new-found outlook on life is put to the test as he prepares to leave his creature comforts for the monastic simplicity of Pluscarden Abbey. His house sitter, meanwhile, gets a little too comfortable in his new life and discovers that the talented Bruce Anderson's shoes are all too easy to slip into. With great taste comes great responsibility.

Come and discover *The Enigma of Garlic* and join the delightful denizens of Edinburgh's most famous address. This latest instalment of the much-loved 44 Scotland Street series is wise, witty, and full of warmth.

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9780349144719 A Promise of Ankles
9780349145174 Love in the Time of Bertie

Sales Points

- Abacus's editions of Alexander McCall Smith's Scotland Street series have sold over 1.6 million copies
- English language sales for McCall Smith's titles now exceed **20 million copies** worldwide

Author Biography

Alexander McCall Smith is the author of over one hundred books on a wide array of subjects, including the award-winning The No.1 Ladies' Detective Agency series. He is also the author of the Isabel Dalhousie novels and the world's longest-running serial novel, 44 Scotland Street. His books have been translated into forty-six languages. Alexander McCall Smith is Professor Emeritus of Medical Law at the University of Edinburgh and holds honorary doctorates from thirteen universities.

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Big Girl
'Absolutely incredible. Beautiful, powerful writing. These pages will stay with me forever' CANDICE CARTY-WILLIAMS, author of QUEENIE

Mecca Jamilah Sullivan

Keynote

A beautifully written debut novel, *Big Girl* is a smart, moving coming-of-age story, with issues of race, size, class and belonging. It is also a love letter to a community that is vanishing before the protagonist's eyes - Harlem in the 80s and 90s.

Description

SHORTLISTED FOR THE CENTRE FOR FICTION FIRST NOVEL PRIZE

***'Absolutely incredible. Beautiful, powerful writing. These pages will stay with me forever' CANDICE CARTY-WILLIAMS, author of QUEENIE**

***'A gift as big, beautiful and complicated as living itself' Jacqueline Woodson, author of RED AT THE BONE**

***'Hilariously funny and quietly devastating' Nicole Dennis-Benn, author of PATSY and HERE COMES THE SUN**

***'There are three books on earth that I would give anything to be able to write and reread until the suns burn us up. *Big Girl* is one of those books' Kiese Laymon, author of HEAVY**

A THING IS MIGHTY BIG WHEN TIME AND DISTANCE CANNOT SHRINK IT
It was a quote by Zora Neale Hurston. Malaya liked the words. The message was a mouthful of meaning, and it changed each time she read it. At first it had seemed ominous, but now she looked at it differently. She wondered for the first time if there could be something good about bigness, something mighty about not shrinking, after all.

Growing up in rapidly gentrifying 90s Harlem, Malaya struggles to fit into a world that makes no room for her. She's funny, creative and smart, but all people see - even those who love her - is her size. At eight, her mother takes her to Weight Watchers; at twelve, her parents fear she'll be taken from them; by sixteen, a gastric bypass is discussed.

On good days, Malaya braids bright colours into her hair, turns up Biggie Smalls on her Walkman, and strides through Harlem, his words galvanising her; on bad days, she doesn't leave her bed other than for furtive trips for the forbidden food that will comfort her - for a while.

Compelling and compassionate, *Big Girl* is an unforgettable portrait of a queer Black girl as she learns to take up space in the world on her own terms.

Sales Points

- PERFECT FOR BOOKCLUBS: This is a novel with so many resonances - from Maya Angelou to Roxane Gay; from *Shrill* to *Dietland*; from *Such a Fun Age* to *Dumplin'*. It's funny, quietly devastating, yet joyful - beautifully written and will appeal to a broad market.
- A beautifully written coming-of-age novel with a protagonist you will fall for. Compare to *Such a Fun Age* by Kiley Reid and *The Secret Lives of Church Ladies* by Deesha Philyaw.
- PROMOTABLE AUTHOR: Mecca Jamilah Sullivan is a professor of literature, specialising in gender, the African diaspora and queer studies. This novel is also something of a roman a clef.

Reviews

- "Mecca Jamilah Sullivan has given us a gift as big, beautiful and complicated as living itself, filled with everyday people who in her gifted hands, show us the love and struggle of what it means to be inside bodies that don't always fit with the outside world. I found myself cheering for Percy, Nyela, the Harlem streets and of course, for Malaya" - Jacqueline Woodson, author of *Red at the Bone*
- 'What is a child's body worth when it is big, Black and female - when it is under constant demand to be something other than what it naturally is? In Mecca Jamilah Sullivan's achingly beautiful coming-of-age debut novel, *Big Girl*, this body carries the weight of an entire neighborhood ... *Big Girl* triumphs as a love letter to the Black girls who are forced to enter womanhood too early - and to a version of Harlem that no longer exists' - *New York Times*
- 'There are three books on earth that I would give anything to be able to write and reread until the suns burn us up. *Big Girl* is one of those books. The sound, the expansiveness of the whispers, the critical, brilliant, sometimes bruising, beautiful

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Black girlness explored in this novel is literally second to none... I know I have just read and reread a new American classic that we as a culture and country desperately need. Believe that - Kiese Laymon, author of HEAVY

• read this one - Kies Laymon, author of HEAVY with Malaya Clondon from the very first page. This book is hilariously funny and quietly devastating - a compelling narrative about what it means to define ourselves and make space for our bodies as women' - Nicole Dennis-Benn, author of PATSY and HERE COMES THE SUN

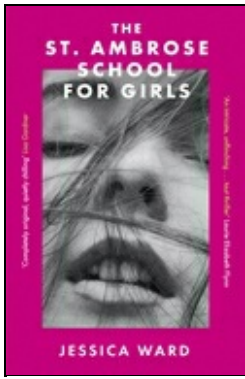
Author Biography

Mecca Jamilah Sullivan, Ph.D. is the author of the novel *Big Girl*, a New York Times Editors' Choice selection and a Phenomenal Book Club pick, as well as a best books selection from *Time*, *Vulture*, *Ms*, *The Root*, *Essence*, Goodreads and Lambda Literary. Her previous books are *The Poetics of Difference: Queer Feminist Forms in the African Diaspora*, and the short story collection, *Blue Talk and Love*, winner of the Judith Markowitz Award for Fiction from Lambda Literary. She is Associate Professor of English at Georgetown University. A native of Harlem, she currently lives in Washington, DC.



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The St. Ambrose School for Girls

A darkly gripping coming-of-age story, filled with secrets and twisted friendships

Jessica Ward

Keynote

A dark, gripping story of secrets and obsession set in an exclusive girls' boarding school.

Description

'Completely original, quietly chilling. *Mean Girls* meets *We Were Liars* in this compelling, cat-and-mouse thriller featuring enemies made, secrets kept, and tables turned' LISA GARDNER

If *Heathers* met *The Secret History* . . . a darkly gripping coming-of-age story in which friendships can turn deadly in a school which hides devastating secrets. Perfect for fans of *My Dark Vanessa*.

It's 1991, and at the St. Ambrose School for Girls, the exquisite Greta Stanhope reigns supreme. She's rich, beautiful – and malicious.

Sarah Taylor is the new girl at St. Ambrose. Exiled to the elite New England boarding school, Sarah finds the girls here are glossy and sharp-tongued. Withdrawn, prickly and fragile, she doesn't fit in.

Greta won't let Sarah forget that she'll never be one of them. But Sarah is determined not to give Greta the satisfaction of breaking her.

Yet the line between teenage rivalry and something much darker is thin. When someone ends up dead, Sarah finds herself unravelling.

Just how far will she go to protect her own secrets? And is she prepared for what the other girls will do to do the same?

Deliciously dark and razor-sharp, *The St. Ambrose School for Girls* is a compulsive novel that will stay with you long after you turn the last page.

Praise for *The St. Ambrose School for Girls*:

'An intricate, unflinching portrait of growing up, fitting in, and speaking out. *The St. Ambrose School for Girls* is both **a taut thriller and a study on the intensity of teenage relationships and coming-of-age emotions.** With its vivid campus setting, twisty mystery, and cast of complicated female characters, this story will burrow into readers' heads and stay there' **Laurie Elizabeth Flynn, author of *The Girls Are All So Nice Here***

'Mental health, friendship, loyalty, jealousy, corruption, and love all have a place in this highly recommended novel that takes readers on **a roller-coaster of events and emotions** that the characters experience' **Library Journal (starred review)**

'Ward tells the story of a vulnerable teen struggling to fit in at a tony boarding school with deep compassion and a lyrical ferocity. **A riveting, twisty read'** **Fiona Davis, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Magnolia Palace***

Sales Points

- **AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY:** This is an unputdownable novel written under a pseudonym by a globally bestselling author and a unique chance to bring a whole new audience to this extremely talented author.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** Dark, gripping but very accessible and emotionally powerful reads: *You*, *Heathers*, *Black Swan*, *Prep*, *The Girls Are All So Nice Here*, *My Dark Vanessa*.
- **THEMATICALLY POWERFUL AND TOPICAL:** As well as being a coming-of-age story exploring the challenges of growing up and fitting in, Jessica also explores and shines a

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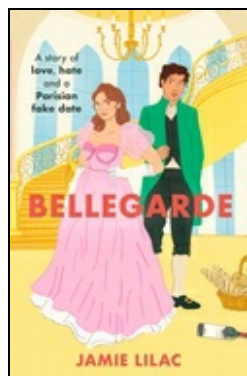


Author Biography

Jessica Ward is a pseudonym for the No.1 *New York Times* bestselling author who writes as J.R. Ward and has over 20 million copies in print. She enjoys spending time in the Adirondacks and lives in the South with her family and her dogs.

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Bellegarde

Jamie Lilac

Keynote

A charming historical romance debut YA novel, *Bellegarde is She's All That* meets *Bridgerton* reimagined in 18th Century France.

Description

A charming historical romance debut, *Bellegarde is She's All That* meets *Bridgerton* reimagined in 18th Century France.

Second born sons aren't promised an inheritance in 1784 France. Despite this, seventeen-year-old Beau Bellegarde is the big man on campus at his school in Paris. With his good looks and distinguished last name, Beau appears to have it all. But when he gets dumped by girlfriend Rachele, Beau is thrown into a scramble for his future. Without the promised job from Rachele's father and without an inheritance, Beau is forced to enter a bet with his brother: if he can turn Evie Clement, the unapproachable baker's daughter, into the winner of the Court Ball, he inherits the family fortune.

There's just one small problem - she hates him, and for good reason. Independent and headstrong, Evie Clement dreams of sewing dresses for Marie Antoinette, but knows she's bound to a life working in the bakery to provide for her family. When rich kid and childhood nemesis Beau Bellegarde attempts to charm her, she rejects him over and over again, until finally, she gives him the smallest of chances. But as she befriends Beau, entering a world of high-status parties and even a nomination to win Rose at the Court Ball, she has to ask herself one question... *why?*

'The *She's All That* historical romance retelling of my dreams! When I wasn't savouring the lush, descriptive prose, I was eagerly devouring the smart, perfectly paced, heart-pounding romance. There's no doubt about it: Jamie Lilac makes a sparkling debut' Brian Kennedy, author of *A Little Bit Country*

Sales Points

- A very fun YA historical rom-com debut, featuring 18th century fashion and a lot of French pastries. For fans of *Bridgerton* and *10 Things I Hate About You* and *She's All That*.

Reviews

- 'The *She's All That* historical romance retelling of my dreams! When I wasn't savouring the lush, descriptive prose, I was eagerly devouring the smart, perfectly paced, heart-pounding romance. There's no doubt about it: Jamie Lilac makes a sparkling debut.' - *Brian Kennedy, author of *A Little Bit Country**
- 'Je l'adore! As delightful and sugary sweet as can be - swooning in Parisian gardens and soirees at châteaux, this book is a decadent treat!' - *Robby Weber, author of *If You Change Your Mind**

Author Biography

Jamie Lilac is a member of SCBWI. She holds a M.Ed. in English Education, a B.A. in English Literature, and is currently obtaining her Master's in Creative Writing from Harvard University. She has previously been on the editorial staff at Refinery29 and Relapse Magazine.

Publication date	Tuesday, July 11, 2023
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BIC 2.1	Romance & relationships stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFM)
CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	320 pages
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The Summer Girl

Elle Kennedy

Keynote

The third book in *New York Times* bestselling author Elle Kennedy's addictive and romantic Avalon Bay series

Description

Return to Avalon Bay with the third book in *New York Times* bestselling author Elle Kennedy's addictive and romantic series

Publication date	Tuesday, July 18, 2023
Price	£8.99 Rs. 699
EAN\ISBN-13	9780349434933
BIC 2.1	Adult & contemporary romance (FRD)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	400mm
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	90000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; Mal; Sing; USA

Book locale	US
Author living in	US
UNITED STATES	St Martin's Press
Publisher	Macmillan Publishers Publisher

Previous Titles

Good Girl Complex
Bad Girl Reputation

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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College student Cassie Soul hasn't spent an entire summer in Avalon Bay in years, not since her parents divorced and her mother spitefully whisked her away to Boston. Now that her grandmother is selling the boardwalk hotel that's been in their family for five decades, Cassie returns to the quaint beach town, excited to spend time with family, ring in her twenty-first birthday . . . and maybe find herself a summer fling. She's ready for breathless, heart-pounding passion. And on her first night in town, she finds the perfect candidate: Tate Bartlett, Avalon Bay's fun-loving golden boy.

Tate, sailing instructor and lovable player, is no stranger to flings. In fact, he's always down for a good time. But . . . maybe not *this* time? The moment he meets Cassie, he knows she's not the girl you play games with, and the last thing he wants to do is risk breaking her heart. So, despite his attraction to her, he turns her down. But that awkward hiccup doesn't stop a friendship from developing between the two. Tate even helps Cassie find that fling she's so set on finding. Only it isn't long before he's wondering if he made a huge mistake. Cassie is gorgeous, hilarious, and, frankly, the coolest person he's ever met. He can't deny it anymore: he wants that fling now. Big-time. And maybe even something more.

As Cassie and Tate walk the line between friends and lovers, they're about to discover that their situation is the *least* complicated part of this equation. Because Avalon Bay is full of secrets-and their relationship might not survive when one secret in particular comes to light.

Why readers love Avalon Bay:

'Delicious, complicated and drama-filled. . . I read it in one sitting, and you will, too' L. J. Shen, *USA Today* bestselling author

'A deliciously sexy story with a wallop of emotions that sneaks up on you' Vi Keeland, No.1 *New York Times* bestselling author

'Elle Kennedy delivers another sexy and addictive read, and my latest personal favourite from her!' Tijan, *New York Times* bestselling author

'With plenty of steam alongside the youthful romance, this winsome story about following one's heart will especially appeal to hopeless romantics' *Publishers Weekly*

Sales Points

- Elle Kennedy is a *New York Times* bestselling author of new adult romance, including her highly successful Briar U and Off Campus series.
- Elle Kennedy's natural instinctive angst combined with a vivid world and endearing secondary characters forms a new series that can be compared to Anna Todd's AFTER (which has been made into a very successful Netflix film)
- Elle Kennedy has 411.8 million views on TikTok (Elle Kennedy Author has 24.6m) and @ellekennedyauthor (her page) has 84.7k followers (as of March 2023). #GoodGirlComplex (book one in the series) has 8m views.
- Summer is made for flings. But what if this one's meant for more? Return to Avalon Bay with a delicious friends-to-lovers romance. THE SUMMER GIRL is the third book in *New York Times* bestselling author Elle Kennedy's addictive and romantic series.

Author Biography

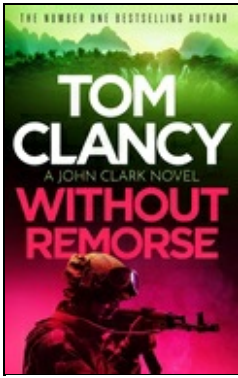
A *New York Times*, *USA Today* and *Wall Street Journal* bestselling author, Elle Kennedy grew up in the suburbs of Toronto, Ontario, and holds a B.A. in English from York University. From an early age, she knew she wanted to be a writer, and actively began pursuing that dream when she was a teenager.

Elle writes romantic suspense and erotic contemporary romance for various publishers. She loves strong heroines and sexy alpha heroes, and just enough heat and danger to keep things interesting!

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Without Remorse

Tom Clancy

Keynote

From Tom Clancy, the celebrated author of the Jack Ryan series, comes the #1 *New York Times* bestseller that puts CIA operative John Clark front and centre. Now a major motion picture

Description

NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE STARRING MICHAEL B. JORDAN

'Highly entertaining' Wall Street Journal

His code name is Mr. Clark. His work for the CIA is brilliant, cold-blooded and efficient...But who is he really?

In a harrowing tour de force, Tom Clancy shows how an ordinary man named John Kelly crossed the lines of justice and morality to become the CIA legend, Mr. Clark.

It is an unforgettable journey into the heart of darkness. Without mercy. Without guilt. Without remorse.

Sales Points

- *Without Remorse* is a classic Tom Clancy novel reissued in eBook by Sphere. This is part of a major global relaunch, which will include ten repackaged backlist titles and six new frontlist titles over the next three years
- It was made into a major motion picture by Amazon Prime, which was released in 2021 and starred Michael B. Jordan
- Over two million Tom Clancy books have been sold in the UK (TCM), half a million in Australia (ABM), and eighteen of his novels were no.1 *New York Times* bestsellers. Tom Clancy is the original king of the action thriller, and this novel is perfect for fans of high-octane, blockbuster authors like Lee Child and David Baldacci
- Clancy's brand includes seven feature films and a hit Amazon series: *Tom Clancy's Jack Ryan*, starring John Krasinski (now going to a fourth series). His books have been adapted into 43 high-profile videogames to date, and sold over 76 million copies, making him one of the most successful brands in entertainment history

Reviews

- 'Constantly taps the current world situation for its imminent dangers and spins them into an engrossing tale' - *New York Times*
- 'Exhilarating. No other novelist is giving so full a picture of modern conflict' - *Sunday Times*
- 'A brilliantly constructed thriller that packs a punch' - *Daily Mail*
- 'Heart-stopping action . . . entertaining and eminently topical' - *Washington Post*

Author Biography

Tom Clancy was America's, and the world's, favourite international thriller author. Starting with *The Hunt for Red October*, all of his books have hit #1 on the *New York Times* bestseller list. Seven of his novels were made into major motion pictures and *Tom Clancy's Jack Ryan*, is now a hit Amazon TV show. Clancy died in 2013.

Publication date	Thursday, July 20, 2023
Price	£12.99 Rs. 899
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BIC 2.1	Thriller / suspense (FH) Espionage & spy thriller (FHD)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	704 pages
Word Count	
Series	John Clark
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Washington DC, USA

Previous Titles

The Jack Ryan series

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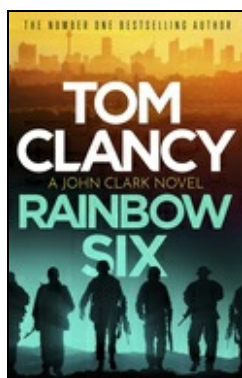
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Rainbow Six

The unputdownable thriller that inspired one of the most popular videogames ever created

Tom Clancy

Keynote

In this #1 *New York Times* bestselling John Clark thriller, author Tom Clancy takes readers into the shadowy world of anti-terrorism and gets closer to reality than any government would care to admit

Description

THE CLASSIC SECOND THRILLER IN TOM CLANCY'S INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING JOHN CLARK SERIES

'Action-packed' *New York Times*

Newly named head of an elite multinational task force, John Clark faces the world's greatest fear: international terrorism. And following each terrifying new outbreak - the ghosts from his own past.

The challenge of a new mission is just what Clark needs, but the opportunities come faster than he expected. Hostage-taking at a Swiss bank. The kidnapping of an international trader. Carnage at a theme park in Spain. Each incident seems separate, yet the timing disturbs Clark.

Is there a connection? Is he being tested? Or is there a bigger threat out there, from terrorists so extreme that no government is ready to admit their existence?

Sales Points

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Extent	832 pages
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Series	John Clark
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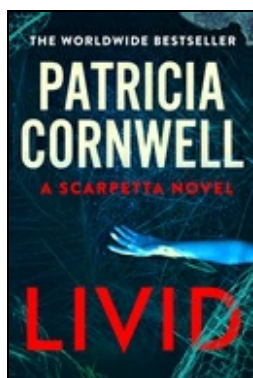
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Livid

The new Kay Scarpetta thriller from the No.1 bestseller

Patricia Cornwell

Keynote

THE NEW THRILLER IN THE 120-MILLION-COPY-BESTSELLING KAY SCARPETTA SERIES

Description

THE THRILLING NEW KAY SCARPETTA MYSTERY FROM THE #1 GLOBAL BESTSELLER

Murder and mayhem. Scarpetta is back, and she's racing against the clock...

Chief medical examiner Kay Scarpetta is the reluctant star witness in a sensational murder trial when she receives shocking news. The judge's sister has been found dead. At first glance, it appears to be a home invasion, but then why was nothing stolen, and why is the garden strewn with dead plants and insects?

Although there is no apparent cause of death, Scarpetta recognizes tell-tale signs of the unthinkable, and she knows the worst is yet to come. The forensic pathologist finds herself pitted against a powerful force that returns her to the past, and her time to catch the killer is running out...

Sales Points

- A living legend in the thriller world - Cornwell has sold **over 9 million copies TCM**, and **over 120 million copies worldwide**. A **Kay Scarpetta TV series** starring **Nicole Kidman** and **Jamie Lee Curtis** has just been announced for **Amazon**
- Cornwell's books have been **translated into 36 languages in more than 120 countries**
- Cornwell has **won many prestigious awards** including the Edgar, the Creasey, the Anthony, the Macavity and the Prix du Roman d'Aventure
- *Livid* is **a classic in the making**: a rollercoaster that takes place over the course of **three thrilling days**, and will be read just as quickly by fans old and new. The first formats have sold over **90k copies** in four months
- This is the **26th book in the Kay Scarpetta series**, with Cornwell's trademark **ground-breaking forensic knowledge and ingenuity** - Sphere will be launching the paperback with a **far-reaching marketing campaign**

Reviews

- **'Riveting'** - *THE TIMES*
- **'I'm still seeing stars. A great thriller. One of the hardest things as a series writer is keeping your famous heroes fresh year after year. Kay Scarpetta is not only still fresh, she's the same grumpy, wonderful, riveting personality she's always been - a full-on human being - and she's only getting better with time. I love catching up with her every year'** - JAMES PATTERSON
- **'Cornwell knows how to craft a mean page-turner and *Livid* is no exception'** - *TELEGRAPH*
- **'Gripping... Sound the klaxon, Patricia Cornwell's brilliant chief medical examiner Dr Kay Scarpetta is back'** - *HEAT*

Author Biography

In 1990, **Patricia Cornwell** sold her first novel, *Postmortem*, while working at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Richmond, Virginia. An auspicious debut, it went on to win the Edgar, Creasey, Anthony, and Macavity Awards, as well as the French Prix du Roman d'Aventures - the first book ever to claim all these distinctions in a single year. Growing into an international phenomenon, the Scarpetta series won Cornwell the Sherlock Award for best detective created by an American author, the Gold Dagger Award, the RBA Thriller Award, and the Medal of Chevalier of the Order of Arts and Letters for her contributions to literary and artistic development.

Today, Cornwell's novels and iconic characters are known around the world. Beyond the Scarpetta series, Cornwell has written the definitive nonfiction account of Jack the Ripper's identity, cookbooks, a children's book, a biography of Ruth Graham, and three other fictional series based on the characters Win Garano, Andy Brazil, and Captain Callie Chase. Cornwell continues exploring the latest space-age technologies and threats relevant to contemporary life. Her interests range from the morgue to artificial intelligence and include visits to Interpol, the Pentagon, the U.S. Secret Service and NASA.

Cornwell was born in Miami. She grew up in Montreat, North Carolina, and now lives and works in Boston.

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EAN\ISBN-13	9781408725849
BIC 2.1	Crime & mystery (FF) Thriller / suspense (FH) Forensic science (JKVF1)
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Format	B Format
Depth	26mm
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	120000 words
Series	Kay Scarpetta
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Author living in	Boston
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9780751544589	The Body Farm
9780751544633	From Potter's Field
9780751544688	Cause Of Death
9780751544732	Unnatural Exposure
9780751544787	Point Of Origin
9780751544831	Black Notice
9780751544886	The Last Precinct
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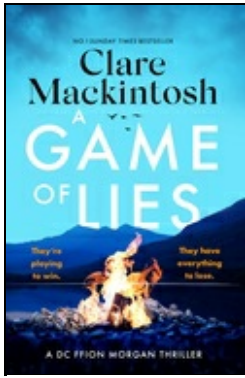
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A Game of Lies

The new thriller from the No.1 bestseller

Clare Mackintosh

Keynote

The enthralling new mystery from the #1 bestseller and international sensation

Description

DC FFION MORGAN AND LEO BRADY RETURN IN THE THRILLING SEQUEL TO *THE LAST PARTY*
AVAILABLE TO ORDER NOW

Publication date	Thursday, July 20, 2023
Price	£14.99 Rs. 1,099
EAN\ISBN-13	9781408725979
BIC 2.1	Thriller / suspense (FH) Crime & mystery (FF) North Wales (1DBKWN)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	C Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	90000 words
Series	DC Morgan
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (exUSA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Snowdonia, North Wales
Author living in	Snowdonia, North Wales

Previous Titles

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Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Praise for *The Last Party*:

'Superb, with echoes of Agatha Christie' PATRICIA CORNWELL

'A dark delight of a murder mystery' JANICE HALLETT

'Detectives Leo and Ffion make a storming debut' BELINDA BAUER

'Mackintosh is just getting better and better' PETER JAMES

'An absolute triumph' CLAIRE DOUGLAS

'I fell in love with courageous, complicated DC Ffion Morgan' RUTH WARE

'This is the new crime series you need in your life' WILL DEAN

'Expertly plotted and relentlessly gripping' LUCY CLARKE

Sales Points

- With over 2 million copies sold worldwide (including 48k ABM) and a combined total of 66 weeks on the *Sunday Times* bestseller list, Clare Mackintosh is a rising superstar brand
- Clare is a *New York Times* bestseller and has been translated into 40 languages
- *The Last Party's* hardback was a *Sunday Times* bestseller and with 14k HB TCM has outsold fellow crime brands including Linwood Barclay, Anthony Horowitz, Tess Gerritsen and Steve Cavanagh. 5 Acts have optioned the TV rights for the BBC
- Seven strangers go into the mountains to compete in a reality TV show with a nasty twist. They have to turn on each other, or have their darkest secrets exposed . . . They say the camera never lies, but on this show you can't trust anything you see
- Perfect for fans of mysteries like Ann Cleeves' *The Rising Tide* (28k C format ABM), Lucy Foley's *The Guest List* (10k C format ABM) and Michael Robotham's *Lying Beside You* (38k C format ABM)

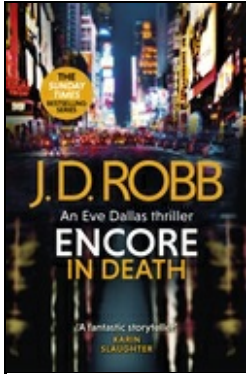
Reviews

- 'PRAISE FOR CLARE MACKINTOSH' - -
- 'So many jaw-dropping twists and turns' - LUCY FOLEY
- 'She's a major talent' - LEE CHILD
- 'Arresting, ingenious' - *SUNDAY TIMES*
- 'No one writes a twist like Clare Mackintosh' - PAULA HAWKINS

Author Biography

Clare Mackintosh is a police officer turned crime writer, and the multi-award-winning author of six *Sunday Times* bestselling novels. Translated into forty languages, her books have sold more than two million copies worldwide and have spent a combined total of sixty-six weeks in the *Sunday Times* bestseller chart. Clare lives in North Wales with her husband and their three children.

For more information visit Clare's website www.claremackintosh.com or find her at www.facebook.com/ClareMackWrites or on Twitter @ClareMackint0sh



Encore in Death: An Eve Dallas thriller (In Death 56)

J. D. Robb

Keynote

The *Sunday Times* bestselling series is back. Eve Dallas is investigating the murder of a much-loved actor at a glittering party. The spotlight has never been brighter. Or deadlier...

Description

The *Sunday Times* bestselling series is back. Eve Dallas is investigating the murder of a much-loved actor at a glittering party. The spotlight has never been brighter. Or deadlier...

Publication date	Tuesday, July 25, 2023
Price	£9.99 Rs. 799
EAN\ISBN-13	9780349433868
BIC 2.1	Crime & mystery (FF) Thriller / suspense (FH)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	480 pages
Word Count	100000 words
Series	In Death
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
UNITED STATES Publisher	St Martin's Press Macmillan Publishers Publisher

It was a glittering event full of A-listers, hosted by Eliza Lane and Brant Fitzhugh, the most glittering of all celebrity couples. Everyone had expected the party to be in the newspapers the next day but not because one of the hosts was murdered! As the crowd had gathered to watch Eliza sing, Fitzhugh had raised a final toast to his glamorous wife and fallen to the floor. Death by cyanide poisoning. It's time for Lt. Eve Dallas to make her entrance.

From all accounts, Fitzhugh wasn't the kind of star who made enemies. Eliza, on the other hand, had many rivals, and a few of them could class as enemies. Since the champagne cocktail that killed Brant was originally intended for Eliza, could it be that she was the real target?

With so many people at the party, Eve has her work cut out determining who could commit murder in the middle of a crowd. As one who's not fond of the spotlight, she dreads the media circus surrounding a case like this. All she wants is to figure out who's truly innocent, and who's only acting that way...

Sales Points

- Eve Dallas is the kind of strong female lead beloved by crime readers: a cop who believes in the valour of protect and serve - and kicks ass doing it
- **Over 70 million copies** of the In Death series have been sold worldwide
- The In Death series is a global bestseller, appearing in the bestseller charts in the US, UK, Australia and New Zealand.
- Piatkus has sold over 4 million copies of the In Death series
- One of the most borrowed authors in UK libraries - ahead of Jeffery Archer, Ian Rankin and Peter Robinson

Reviews

- 'J.D. Robb is a fantastic storyteller who knows how to keep the pages flying by' - *Karin Slaughter*
- 'One of my all-time favorite authors... one of my all-time favorite series. J.D. Robb never disappoints!' - *Lisa Gardner*
- 'If you're a crime fiction fan and haven't discovered them yet, welcome to the very best day of your life' - *Heat Magazine*
- 'J.D. Robb's novels are can't-miss pleasures' - *Harlan Coben*

Author Biography

Nora Roberts published her first novel using the pseudonym **J.D. Robb** in 1995, introducing Eve Dallas, a New York City police lieutenant with a dark past, and billionaire Irish rogue, Roarke. Since then, the In Death series has sold over sixty-six million copies, with each new novel reaching number one on bestseller charts the world over.

Become a fan on [f] at Nora Roberts and J.D. Robb

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Betrayal in Death
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Reunion in Death
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Portrait in Death
Imitation in Death
Divided in Death
Visions in Death
Survivor in Death
Origin in Death
Memory in Death
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Innocent in Death
Creation in Death
Strangers in Death
Salvation in Death
Promises in Death
Kindred in Death
Fantasy in Death
Indulgence in Death
Treachery in Death
New York to Dallas
Celebrity in Death
Delusion in Death
Calculated in Death
Thankless in Death
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Festive in Death

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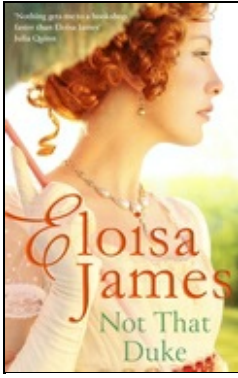
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Not That Duke

A sensual, witty enemies-to-lovers Regency romance

Eloisa James

Keynote

A dazzling enemies-to-lovers romance by *New York Times* bestselling author Eloisa James.

Description

The Duke of Huntington has no interest in an eccentric redhead who frowns at him over her spectacles . . . until he realizes that she is the only possible duchess for him, in this dazzling enemies-to-lovers romance by *New York Times* bestselling author Eloisa James.

She'd rather marry *any* other duke.

Bespeckled *and* freckled, Lady Stella Corsham at least has a dowry that has attracted a crowd of fortune-hunting suitors - which definitely doesn't include the sinfully handsome Silvester Parnell, Duke of Huntington, who laughingly calls her 'Specs' as he chases after elegant rivals.

And then-

The worst happens. Marriage.

To the duke. To a man marrying her for all the wrong reasons.

How can Silvester possibly convince Stella that he's fallen in love with the quirky woman he married? Especially after she laughingly announces that she's in love - but not with *that* duke.

Not with her husband.

Praise for Eloisa James:

'Eloisa James writes with a captivating blend of charm, style, and grace that never fails to leave the reader sighing and smiling and falling in love. Her style is exquisite, her prose pure magic' Julia Quinn

'The romance galaxy is filled with luminous stars, but few twinkle as brightly as James, who . . . once again dazzles readers with superbly conceived characters, a sublimely sensual love story, and sparkling wit' *Booklist* (starred review)

Sales Points

- A brand new series from bestselling Regency Romance author Eloisa James

Author Biography

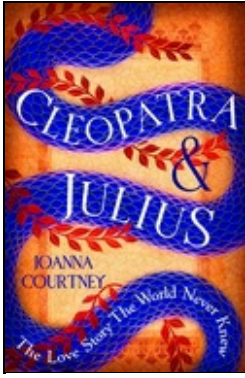
Eloisa James is a *USA Today* and *New York Times* bestselling author and professor of English literature, who lives with her family in New York, but can sometimes be found in Paris or Italy. She is the mother of two and, in a particularly delicious irony for a romance writer, is married to a genuine Italian knight. Visit her at www.eloisajames.com.

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Author living in	USA
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Cleopatra & Julius

The love story the world never knew

Joanna Courtney

Keynote

A lush, unputdownable novel about the legendary Cleopatra. Discover the woman behind the myth...

Description

A lush, unputdownable novel about the legendary Cleopatra. Discover the woman behind the myth, in this epic and opulent novel, perfect for fans of Jennifer Saint, Madeline Miller, Philippa Gregory and Alison Weir.

A young queen.

Consecrated at birth as a royal goddess, Cleopatra learns early on from her father's experience that to rule means to fight. Politically astute, her deep love for Egypt means she'll do everything in her power to retain its autonomy from the all-devouring Romans.

A great emperor.

Julius Caesar is a legendary warrior whose might helped secure the Egyptian throne for Cleopatra's father. Years later, when he encounters the now Queen of Egypt, it is more than a meeting of rulers - it is a meeting of souls.

Together they could have ruled the world.

In Julius, Cleopatra finds the first person who challenges and respects her fiercely brilliant mind, who understands her duty and shares her passionate nature. Their union, forged in conflict, seems unbreakable, but are the bonds binding them to their countries even stronger?

Yet in choice between love and duty, only one can win.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF HISTORICAL FICTION:** Writing in the tradition of Philippa Gregory, Anne O'Brien and Alison Weir, Joanna Courtney tells evocative, epic and utterly irresistible stories of the women who shaped our history.
- **SUMPTUOUS INSIDE AND OUT:** With a gorgeous package befitting this opulent novel, CLEOPATRA & JULIUS is sure to appeal to also appeal to fans of **mythical retellings**, such as Jennifer Saint's **ARIADNE**, Madeline Miller's **CIRCE** and Susan Stokes-Chapman's **PANDORA** and Laura Shepperson's **THE HEROINES**.
- **THE FIRST IN A BOLD NEW HISTORICAL FICTION SERIES, RECLAIMING THE LIVES OF THREE EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN:** Beginning with **Cleopatra**, Joanna Courtney's new series will **shed new light** on the stories of three powerful women who lived in the Eastern Mediterranean just over two thousand years ago. This is **lush historical fiction with depth**, perfect for modern readers looking for **strong female and diverse role models**.

Author Biography

Joanna Courtney is a bestselling author of historical fiction, who discovered her passion for ancient history while studying medieval literature at Cambridge.

Find out more by visiting her website www.joannacourtney.com or find her on Facebook/[joannacourtneyauthor](https://www.facebook.com/joannacourtneyauthor) or Twitter [@joannacourtney1](https://twitter.com/joannacourtney1).

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The Shakespeare's Queens trilogy: BLOOD QUEEN; FIRE QUEEN; IRON QUEEN

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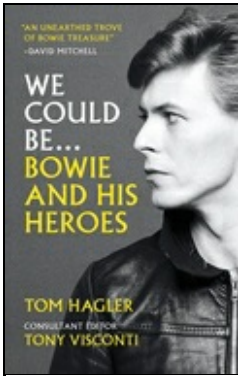
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We Could Be Bowie and his Heroes

Tom Hagler with consultant editor Tony Visconti

Keynote

The story of Bowie's life told through 300 encounters with fellow icons, from Dylan to Dalí, Lennon to Lydon, Princess Margaret to Prince.

Description

With consultant editor Tony Visconti.

'An unearthed trove of Bowie treasure' - David Mitchell

David Bowie's story has never been told quite like this.

Tracing the star's encounters with fellow icons throughout his life, *We Could Be* offers a **new history of Bowie, collecting 300 short stories** that together paint a portrait of humour, humility, compassion, tragedy and more besides.

He teaches Michael Jackson the moonwalk. He embarrasses himself in front of Lennon and Warhol. He saves the life of Nina Simone. He also taught John McEnroe to play 'Rebel Rebel'; had run-ins with Lou Reed, Axel Rose and Liam Gallagher, and had his feet measured by Freddie Mercury at their first meeting. Individually astonishing, together these stories - **including details never before revealed** - build a new picture of Bowie, one which shows his vulnerability, his sense of humour, his inner diva.

Exhaustively researched from thousands of sources by BBC reporter and Bowie obsessive Tom Hagler - with the guidance and memories of Bowie's long-time producer Tony Visconti - *We Could Be* is fascinating, comic, compelling, and a history of Bowie unlike any that has come before.

Sales Points

- **BOWIE INSIDER:** Bowie's long-time producer Tony Visconti is the book's consultant editor and source of many of the anecdotes, offering a view from inside the star's inner circle
- **GOOD SALES:** Books on Bowie are perennially popular - *David Bowie IS* has a TCM of 40k and *Strange Fascination* has a TCM of 33k
- **STRONG AUTHOR:** Author is a BBC radio presenter with strong contacts across the media - has previously worked for *The Sunday Times* and *Sunday Telegraph* and has written extensively for the *Daily Mail*, the *Daily Mirror* and the *Sun*

Author Biography

Tom Hagler is a presenter and reporter for BBC World Service radio. He has covered major events and interviewed some of the biggest names across politics, music and science, with a roll call as diverse as Joe Biden, Kofi Annan, Grandmaster Flash and Buzz Aldrin. He was previously a reporter for the *Sunday Telegraph* and *The Sunday Times*.

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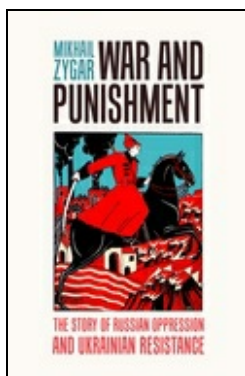
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War and Punishment The Story of Russian Oppression and Ukrainian Resistance

Mikhail Zygar

Keynote

From heroic dissident journalist Mikhail Zygar, a journey into the myths and fantasies that led Russia to violence in Ukraine

Description

'History is made up of myths,' writes the renowned Russian dissident journalist Mikhail Zygar. 'Alas, our myths led us to the fascism of 2022. It is time to expose them.' Drawing from his perilous career investigating the frontiers of the Russian empire, Zygar reveals how 350 years of propaganda, bad historical scholarship, folk tales and fantasy spurred his nation into war with Ukraine.

How did a German monk's fear of the Ottoman Empire drive him to invent the fiction of a united Russian world? How did corny spy novels about a 'Soviet James Bond' inspire Vladimir Putin to join the KGB? How did Alexander Pushkin's admiration for a poem by Lord Byron end with him slandering the legendary chief of the Cossacks? And how did Putin underestimate a rising TV comic named Volodymyr Zelensky, failing to see that his satire had become deadly serious, and that his country would be a joke no longer?

A noted expert on the Kremlin with unparalleled access to hundreds of players in the current conflict - from politicians to oligarchs, gangsters to comedians (not least Zelensky himself) - Zygar chronicles the power struggles from which today's politics grew, and digs out the essential truths from behind layers of seductive legend. By surveying the strange, complex record of Russo-Ukrainian relations, *War and Punishment* reveals exactly how the largest nation on Earth lost its senses. A work of history can't undo the past or transform the present, but sometimes it can shape the future.

In fact, that's how the story begins.

Sales Points

- **LEGENDARY AUTHOR:** Mikhail Zygar is one of the Kremlin's most prominent critics, whose work running the TV channel Dozhd set the standard for dissident journalism within the Russian empire.
- **EXTRAORDINARY ACCESS:** draws on the author's connections to leading figures in Ukrainian and Russian politics, most of whom he has interviewed for this book.
- **REVELATORY NEW PICTURE** of the historical and psychological delusions that sustain Russia's invasion.
- **WILL APPEAL TO** fans of Catherine Belton, Peter Pomerantsev, Adam Curtis and Emmanuel Carrere.

Author Biography

Mikhail Zygar is a journalist and filmmaker, and the founding editor-in-chief of Dozhd, Russia's last independent TV news channel. He is also the author of a number of books, including *All the Kremlin's Men* (2017), a critical portrait of Putin's inner circle that was a number-one bestseller in Russia. In 2014 he received the International Press Freedom Award. As soon as the invasion of Ukraine began, Zygar wrote a public condemnation that was signed by hundreds of his cultural and journalistic contacts and then by thousands of ordinary citizens. A new law criminalizing criticism of the war swiftly followed, and Zygar went into exile.

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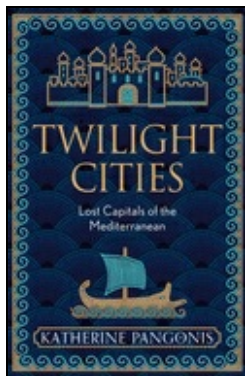
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Twilight Cities Lost Capitals of the Mediterranean

Katherine Pangonis

Keynote

A dazzling new history of the Mediterranean telling the interweaving stories of five forgotten ancient cities.

Description

Its name means 'centre of the world', and since the dawn of history the Mediterranean Sea has formed the shared horizon of innumerable cultures. Here, history has blurred with legend. The glittering surface of the sea conceals the remnants of lost civilisations, wrecked treasure ships and the bones of long-drowned sailors, traders and modern refugees.

Of the many cities that dot this ancient coastline, Tyre, Carthage, Syracuse, Ravenna and Antioch are among the oldest and most intriguing. All are beautifully situated, and for layers of history and cultural riches they are rivalled only by their sister cities of Rome, Istanbul and Jerusalem. Yet their fates have been remarkably different. Once major power centres, all five have declined into relative obscurity. Nevertheless, their entwined history takes in Alexander the Great, Nebuchadnezzar, Archimedes and the Roman, Byzantine, Arab and Norman conquests, and their greatness still lingers for those who seek it out.

To bring these mysterious lost capitals to life, historian Katherine Pangonis sets out on a voyage from the dawn of civilisation on the Lebanese coast to a modern-day Turkey wracked by the devastation of the 2023 earthquake. Combining on the ground research with spellbinding storytelling skills, here is a revelatory new story of the Mediterranean, and a powerful reflection on the sometimes fleeting glory of empires.

Sales Points

- **Great author.** Katherine Pangonis is established as an up-and-coming young historian who combines academic skills with on-the-ground research in the places she writes about. She has a reputation for uncovering forgotten stories and finding new ways to write about big subjects.
- **Reviews.** Katherine is well-connected and her previous book received early endorsements from Simon Sebag Montefiore, William Dalrymple and Bettany Hughes. It was reviewed by The Economist, the TLS and the Wall Street Journal.
- **Perfect summer read for history fans.** The cities Katherine writes about can all be visited today and the book will inspire readers planning European travel.
- **For fans of Bettany Hughes and Judith Herrin.** In the tradition of *Istanbul* and *Ravenna*, this book will tell the stories of ancient cities both well-known and less visited, bringing the ancient people and architecture to life with vivid storytelling.

Author Biography

Katherine Pangonis is a historian specialising in the medieval world of the Mediterranean and Middle East. She holds MA degrees in literature and history from Oxford University and University College London. She has a particular interest in rewriting the voices of women into the historical narrative, re-examining understudied areas of history and bringing her findings into the public eye. Travel is central to her research process, and that is how she spends most of her time.

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Author living in	London

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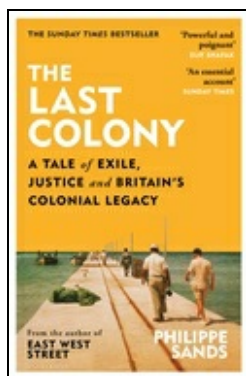


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The Last Colony A Tale of Exile, Justice and Britain's Colonial Legacy

Philippe Sands

Keynote

The *Sunday Times* bestselling story of the landmark international judgement that brought an end to Britain's colonial rule in Africa by the author of *EAST WEST STREET* and *THE RATLINE*

Description

FROM THE WINNER OF THE BAILIE GIFFORD PRIZE

THE INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

'Should be read by anyone who cares about justice, humanity and human rights' Elif Shafak

'An essential account' *Sunday Times*

'Powerful and persuasive . . . superb' Abdulrazak Gurnah

'An urgent reminder that Britain's colonial rule isn't our past. It's our present' *New Statesman*

'An important [book]' *Observer*

'Elegant, moving and profoundly informative' *The Scotsman*

Through one woman's fight for justice, the award-winning author of *East West Street* exposes the shocking events that marked the 1965 establishment of the British Indian Ocean Territory. Written with Sands' characteristic expertise, insight and thrilling storytelling, *The Last Colony* lays bare the brutal legacy of colonial rule, the devastating impact of Britain's grip on its last colony in Africa and the ongoing struggle to right a historic wrong.

Sales Points

- **TRACK RECORD:** *EAST WEST STREET*, which was named Non-fiction: Narrative Book of the Year at the British Book Awards and won the Baillie Gifford Prize for Non-fiction, and *THE RATLINE* were both major *Sunday Times* bestsellers
- **SOMETHING NEW:** Combining powerful storytelling with history and matters of law, this book will appeal to Philippe's fans but is also something fresh - a riveting, engaging and beautifully rendered history of international law
- **POWERFUL MESSAGE:** A unique contribution to the conversation around Britain's colonial past. Will appeal to fans of Sathnam Sanghera's bestselling *EMPIRELAND*
- **AUTHOR CONNECTION:** This is a story that is very close to Philippe's heart - he has acted as legal counsel for Mauritius for more than a decade
- **ILLUSTRATIONS:** Features six beautifully detailed double-page illustrations by the award-winning cartoonist and illustrator Martin Rowson

Reviews

- 'A powerful and poignant book that should be read by anyone who cares about justice, humanity and human rights' - ELIF SHAFAK
- 'Sands relates the wider tragedy of the scandal with nerve and precision . . . an important [book]' - *OBSERVER*
- 'An important book about a great injustice - alas, the sins of our colonial fathers are still with us' - HENRY MARSH
- 'Powerful and elegantly written . . . An essential account of a continuing and little-known area of injustice' - *SUNDAY TIMES*

Author Biography

Philippe Sands is Professor of Law at UCL and a practising barrister at Matrix Chambers.

He has been involved in many of the most important international cases of recent years, including Pinochet, Congo, Yugoslavia, Rwanda, Iraq, Guantanamo and the Rohingya. He is the author of *LAWLESS*, *TORTURE TEAM*, *EAST WEST STREET*, which won the Baillie Gifford Prize for Non-fiction, and *Sunday Times* bestselling *THE RATLINE*. He is a contributor to the *Financial Times*, *Guardian*, *New York Review of Books* and *Vanity Fair*, and makes regular appearances on radio and television. He is President of English PEN and a member of the board of the Hay Festival.

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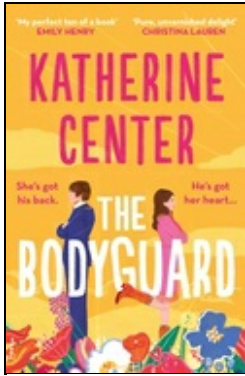


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The Bodyguard 'A shot of pure joy' EMILY HENRY Katherine Center

Keynote

A laugh-out-loud, fake-dating romcom: Hannah, a kickass bodyguard, is secretly assigned to protect Hollywood heartthrob Jack by posing as his girlfriend. From a repeat *NYT* bestseller and recent BookTok favourite, it's perfect for fans of Emily Henry and *Miss Congeniality*.

Description

She's got his back. He's got her heart. They've got a secret. What could possibly go wrong?

'My perfect ten of a book.' **EMILY HENRY**

'Pure, unvarnished delight.' **CHRISTINA LAUREN**

THE INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

Hannah might look like a kindergarten teacher, but the truth is she's an elite bodyguard who could kill you with her bare hands.

Jack is an impossibly handsome, world-famous actor who has everything... including a corgi-breeding stalker.

When Jack's mom gets sick, he heads home to his family's Texas ranch to help out. Only one catch: He doesn't want his family to know about his stalker. Or about his new bodyguard. So Hannah - against her better judgement - finds herself pulling on her cowboy boots and pretending to be Jack's girlfriend as a cover.

Protecting Jack should be easy. But protecting her own heart? That's the hardest thing Hannah's ever done...

'Absolutely, unequivocally delightful!' **JODI PICOULT**

'Prepare to laugh and swoon and grin your pants off' **HELEN HOANG**

Sales Points

- **REPEAT ROMANCE BESTSELLER IN THE USA:** Every one of Katherine Center's novels since her breakout book *HOW TO WALK AWAY* has hit either the New York Times Bestseller list or USA Today Bestseller list - and now *THE BODYGUARD* will be her big debut in the UK market!
- **AMAZING AUTHOR QUOTES:** Praised by Emily Henry, Taylor Jenkins Reid, Jodi Picoult, Helen Hoang, Brene Brown and Christina Lauren, Katherine Center is truly beloved by tastemakers.
- **BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB PICK:** Selected for the highly-coveted BotM Club.
- **PERFECT FOR TIKTOK ROMANCE READERS:** Taps into popular fake-dating, celebrity-dating and only-one-bed tropes, and has earned praise from TikTok sensations Emily Henry and Taylor Jenkins Reid.

Reviews

- 'My perfect 10 of a book. As funny and sweet as all the very best nineties rom-coms, but with Center's signature heart-tugging depth. I wish I could erase it from my mind just to read it again for the first time. A shot of pure joy.' - *EMILY HENRY, Author of BOOK LOVERS*
- 'Great rollicking fun! Prepare to laugh and swoon and grin your pants off.' - *HELEN HOANG, Author of THE KISS QUOTIENT*

Author Biography

KATHERINE CENTER is the New York Times bestselling author of over a half dozen novels - almost all of which have hit either the New York Times Bestseller list or USA Today Bestseller list, and been selected for the Book of the Month Club. She's beloved by readers and peers, with fans including Emily Henry, Jodi Picoult, Brene Brown, Helen Hoang and Christina Lauren. Her books have been optioned by Netflix for film/tv.

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fiction (post c
1945) (FA)
Texas (1KBBSX)
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together &
marriage (VFVG)**

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Book locale **Texas**
Author living in **Houston, Texas**

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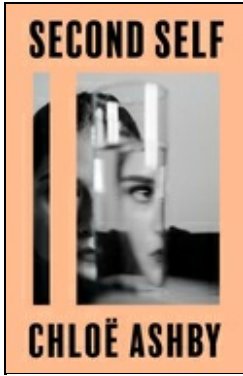
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Second Self

Chloë Ashby

Keynote

A poignant second novel from the author of *WET PAINT* about the decisions that women have to face and the impact these choices can have on their sense of self.

Description

'Almost hypnotically perfect prose' Kate Sawyer | 'A thoughtful, tender and delicate consideration of life's choices' Huma Qureshi | 'Ashby handles her material lightly and atmospherically' Rowan Hisayo Buchanan

When Cathy and Noah first got together neither saw children in their future. Eight years later, they're happily married - and Cathy isn't so sure. With Noah's patience for his wife's ambivalence waning, her widowed mother in a world of her own and her best friend yearning for a second baby, Cathy feels increasingly adrift.

Escaping into her work in the conservation studios of the National Gallery, she chips away at the layers of overpaint on a canvas from the collection. Will the discovery of an unexpected truth help her find the clarity she craves?

SECOND SELF is a novel about confronting expectations, and learning to cope with the nagging, complex questions that shape a life. It's about minds and bodies at the mercy of natural forces and social pressure. Above all, it's an ode to big decisions, small, tender moments, and how we choose to be. This absorbing second novel from the author of *WET PAINT* is perfect for fans of *EXPECTATION* and *SORROW AND BLISS*.

Sales Points

- A CONVERSATION-STARTING NOVEL ABOUT WOMENS' CHOICES: Chloë's novel tackles the decisions that many women face. From whether or not they want to take up their chance to have children (naturally or otherwise) to what they choose to do about aging parents and the huge impact these choices can have on their sense of self.
- LITERARY CONNECTIONS: As a journalist, writing for *Monocle*, *TLS*, the *Spectator* and the *Guardian*, Chloë is well-connected in the media as well as in the connections that she has built with other authors.
- PRIZE POTENTIAL: Chloë Ashby is an exceptional talent in the Literary/Commercial crossover space and we have and will be submitting her novel for multiple prizes.

Author Biography

Chloë Ashby is an author and arts critic who has written for publications such as the *Times*, *TLS*, *Guardian*, *FT Life & Arts*, *Spectator* and *frieze*. She is the author of *Colours of Art: The Story of Art in 80 Palettes*, a *Times* best book of 2022. She lives in London. *Wet Paint* was her debut novel and *Second Self* is her second.

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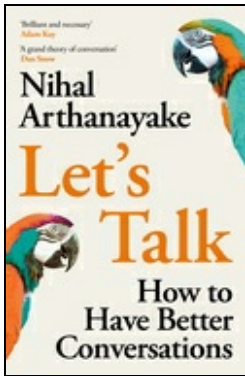
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
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Not for Sale	Can; UK; UK (ex Airports); USA

Author born in	Surrey
Author living in	London, E17

Previous Titles

WET PAINT (2022)

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Let's Talk How to Have Better Conversations

Nihal Arthanayake

Keynote

An accessible, anecdotal and expert-led guide to having better conversations by an award-winning BBC broadcaster.

Description

'Read this fascinating book and you'll become a better listener, a better conversationalist and better company' **Adam Kay**

'A brilliant book on the art of conversation' **Matt Haig**

'A compulsory book for these divided times' **Sathnam Sanghera**

'An intriguing exploration of the importance of a proper chinwag' **Sara Cox**

'A terrific book from a terrific broadcaster. Worryingly good' **Jeremy Vine**

'An insightful, important read' **Stacey Dooley**

'A genuinely brilliant broadcaster' **Matthew Syed**

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'Informed, open-minded, fair, astute, caring and funny' **Ricky Gervais**

'A grand theory of conversation' **Dan Snow**

'The conversation king' **Laura Whitmore**

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Conversations are broken.

While effective dialogue is supposed to lead to greater fulfilment in our personal and professional lives, all the scientific evidence points towards us sharing fewer interactions than previous generations. From ever decreasing face-to-face meetings to echo chambers online, we no longer have the necessary tools to talk to each other.

Nihal Arthanayake is bucking this trend.

He wants to know what it really means to have a 'great conversation' and, most importantly, how he can teach us to have better interactions in our everyday lives.

Let's Talk blends Nihal's experiences as an acclaimed interviewer with expert opinion on the secrets and psychology behind successful communication. From tracing the evolution of dialogue to discovering what lights up in the brain when we're enjoying a good discussion, Nihal speaks to conversational authorities including Lorraine Kelly, former president of Ireland Mary McAleese, Professor Tanya Byron, internationally bestselling author Johann Hari, Matthew Syed, and many more, to find out why good conversation has eroded over time and how we can fix it.

Part how-to and part manifesto, *Let's Talk* is Nihal's accessible, anecdotal and invigorating toolkit to having better conversations with anyone, any time.

Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING INTERVIEWER:** Nihal Arthanayake is one of the best interviewers around, as demonstrated last year when he won *Interview of the Year* at the BBC Radio & Music awards.
- **HUGE AND DIVERSE REACH:** Nihal has a daily afternoon show on BBC Radio 5Live which attracts 1.2 million listeners per week. He also chairs the BBC Asian Network's *Big Debate* exploring topical issues with Asians in Britain today as well as frequently hosting the *Penguin Books* podcast. He has demonstrated the much sought-after ability to get the best out of the people he interviews and appeals to a diverse range of listeners.
- **A-LIST INTERVIEWEES:** In his day-to-day role Nihal interviews the biggest names in entertainment, culture and the arts including world-renowned interviewers. The book will comprise of practical advice and anecdotes from some of the best interviewers and experts in the business including Jeremy Paxman, Lorraine Kelly and Dr Tanya Byron.
- **AUDIO UPSIDE:** Given the calibre of Nihal's connections and the fact his voice is synonymous with high calibre interviews, there is potential to create an exciting, original audiobook that becomes a perennial bestseller in the personal development space.
- **PODCAST POTENTIAL:** If the author is willing, the book lends itself to a podcast series on the art of having better conversations with interviewers and experts sharing tips on

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how to make the most out of their daily exchanges.

Author Biography

Nihal Arthanayake is an acclaimed broadcaster and TV presenter. He currently presents a daily daytime show on BBC 5 Live, and his unique interviewing style was recently recognised at the BBC Radio and Music Awards where he won *Interview of the Year*. Nihal can also be heard on the official *Penguin Books* podcast, interviewing some of the top authors in the UK today, including the likes of Richard Osman and Bernadine Evaristo.



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Hello, Stranger

Love isn't blind, it's just a little blurry... The brand new romcom from a New York Times bestseller!

Katherine Center

Keynote

The highly-anticipated brand new romcom from a repeat New York Times romance bestseller whose fans include Emily Henry, Taylor Jenkins Reid and Jodi Picoult, and whose books have been adapted for Netflix, selected for Book of the Month Club, and are favourites on TikTok.

Description

The brand new romcom from *New York Times* bestselling romance sensation **Katherine Center**, perfect for fans of **BOOK LOVERS** and **THE SPANISH LOVE DECEPTION**.

Love isn't blind, it's just little blurry...

Sadie Montgomery has had good breaks and bad breaks in her life, but as a struggling artist, all she needs is one *lucky* break. Things seem to be going her way when she lands one of the coveted finalist spots in a portrait competition. Only it happens to coincide with a minor surgery she needs to have...

Upon recovery, it begins to dawn on Sadie that she can see everything around her, but she can *no longer see faces*.

She doesn't want anyone to know about her face blindness. Not Dr. Addison, the vet treating her beloved dog Peanut, and definitely not Joe, her obnoxious neighbor who always wears a bowling jacket and seems to know everyone in the building. He's always there at the most embarrassing but convenient times, and soon, they develop a sort of friendship. But could it be something more?

As Sadie tries to save her career, confront her past, and handle falling in love with two different guys, she realizes that happiness can be found in the places - and people - you least expect.

'Katherine Center writes about falling down, growing up, and finding love like nobody else.' **BRENÉ BROWN**

'Serious Nora Ephron vibes' **TAYLOR JENKINS REID**

'Oh, how I love Katherine Center's writing!' **JODI PICOULT**

Sales Points

- **REPEAT ROMANCE BESTSELLER IN THE USA:** Every one of Katherine Center's novels since her breakout book HOW TO WALK AWAY has hit either the New York Times Bestseller list or USA Today Bestseller list - she is a big name and her brand is still growing.
- **EXCITING 2023 LAUNCH IN THE UK:** In 2023 we're launching Katherine's publishing for the first time in the UK and we are so excited to connect her with a huge new romance readership!
- **PERFECT FOR TIKTOK ROMANCE READERS:** Filled with romance tropes that TikTok adores, Katherine's books have been gaining traction on the platform and are perfect for fans of THE SPANISH LOVE DECEPTION, THE LOVE HYPOTHESIS and BOOK LOVERS.
- **AMAZING AUTHOR QUOTES:** Praised by Emily Henry, Taylor Jenkins Reid, Jodi Picoult, Helen Hoang, Brene Brown and Christina Lauren, Katherine Center is truly beloved by tastemakers.
- **FILM/TV ADAPTATION & NETFLIX NEWS:** Several of Katherine's books have been adapted or optioned for film/tv - and her romcom HAPPINESS FOR BEGINNERS is coming to Netflix in 2023 starring Ellie Kemper!

Author Biography

KATHERINE CENTER is the New York Times bestselling author of over a half dozen novels - almost all of which have hit either the New York Times Bestseller list or USA Today Bestseller list, and been selected for the Book of the Month Club. She's beloved by readers and peers, with fans including Emily Henry, Jodi Picoult, Brene Brown, Helen Hoang and Christina Lauren. Her books have been optioned by Netflix for film/tv.

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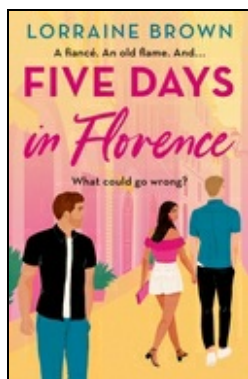


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Five Days in Florence

Lorraine Brown

Keynote

From Lorraine Brown, the bestselling author of *THE PARIS CONNECTION*, *FIVE DAYS IN FLORENCE* is the escapist holiday read of 2023!

Description

'Fresh, charming and wonderfully escapist' **BETH O'LEARY** on *The Paris Connection*

'A charming, romantic read, which gave me a real hankering for croissants!' **SOPHIE**

COUSENS on *The Paris Connection*

A fiancé. An old flame. And five days in Florence...

Maddie is over the moon when her boyfriend Nick proposes in Paris. And spending five days in Florence with his family sounds like the perfect way to get to know her future in-laws.

But Maddie is in for a rude awakening. Nick's parents are too posh for words, his daughter doesn't want to know her - and just why has his ex-wife come along?! And if that wasn't complicated enough, who should be at the same boutique hotel but Aidan, the one that got away two years ago...

Who knew so much could happen in just five days in Florence?

Praise for Lorraine Brown:

'Fresh, funny and just the tonic for dark winter nights!' ZOE FOLBIGG, author of *The Note*

'A gorgeous, romantic book packed full of joy. I mean, who doesn't need to be whisked away to Paris!' LAURA PEARSON, author of *I Wanted You to Know*

'Fresh and romantic. This is feel-good fiction at its best' NICOLA GILL, author of *We Are Family*

Sales Points

- **EXCITING NEW TALENT:** Lorraine Brown is a stunning new voice in the women's fiction market and with an exciting career ahead of her. Perfect for fans of *Our Stop* by Laura Jane Williams and *The Flatshare* by Beth O'Leary.
- **BUZZY INTERNATIONAL INTEREST:** US rights for Lorraine's first novel, *Uncoupling*, have been pre-empted by Putnam, with translation rights sold in a series of auctions and pre-empts to Bastei Lubbe in Germany, Xander in the Netherlands, Sperling & Kupfer in Italy, Euromedia in the Czech Republic, Topseller in Portugal, Vulkan in Serbia and Fokus in Croatia, with more deals expected to follow.
- **THE ROM-COM IS BACK!** With Netflix's *Rom-Coms* soaring in popularity, Lorraine's novels are the perfect proposition to sweep readers off their feet: hook-driven and achingly romantic!

Author Biography

Lorraine Brown previously trained as an actress and has just completed her final year of a postgraduate diploma in psychodynamic counselling. She lives in London with her partner and their 8-year-old son. *Uncoupling* is her first novel.

Market

Sarah Adams, Rebecca Serle, Laura Jane Williams, Tessa Bailey, Elena Armas.

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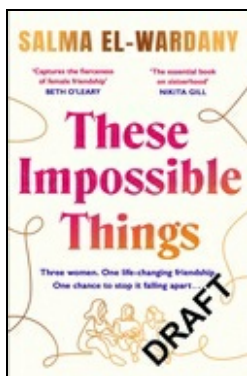
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These Impossible Things An unforgettable story of love and friendship

Salma El-Wardany

Keynote

A heartfelt novel that charts the dreams and disappointments of a group of British Muslim women; Jenna, Kees and Malak.

Description

'Captures the fierceness of female friendship' BETH O'LEARY | 'The essential book on sisterhood' NIKITA GILL | 'Moving, telling, glorious . . . Irresistible' YRSA DALEY-WARD | 'Salacious, incisive, and unapologetically Muslim' BLAIR IMANI

Three women. One life-changing friendship. One chance to stop it all falling apart... Jenna, Kees and Malak have been friends for years: the three of them together against the world. But when one night changes everything, they're left adrift from one another as their lives take different paths.

Encountering new milestones and heartbreaks without each other's support feels increasingly difficult--in the wake of heartbreaks, marriages, new careers and new beginnings, they need each other more than ever. Will they be able to forgive each other in time?

These Impossible Things tells the story of three British Muslim women reconciling love, loss, womanhood, faith--and how we navigate the bumps in life that can feel impossible to overcome...

Sales Points

- **FRESH & EXCITING DEBUT:** *These Impossible Things* will appeal to fans of Anna Hope's *Expectation*, Candice Cary-William's *Queenie* and Kiley Reid's *Such a Fun Age*, smart yet accessible fiction with huge word of mouth potential. A universal story about friendship, family and the weight of expectation.
- **BRILLIANT & WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Salma is a writer, poet and BBC broadcaster. As a half-Egyptian, Half-Irish Muslim woman her work focuses on telling the stories of women, especially women of colour, that have for so long been ignored. Her work has also appeared in the HuffPost, the Metro and she has given two TedxTalk and has 65,000+ Instagram followers and 12,000+ on Twitter.
- **UNDERREPRESENTED VOICE AND A MUCH-NEEDED STORY:** Salma wrote the novel to explore a new narrative of British Muslim women. Perfect for culturally switched on millennials and Gen Z readers who are hungry for diverse stories and an insight into worlds and cultures different from their own.

Reviews

- 'An addictive portrait of three Muslim friends moving through a pivotal time in womanhood, caught between expectation and possibility, hungry to earn wisdom of their own. Salma El-Wardany deftly reveals searing and poignant truths about the female experience.' - *Ashley Audrain, author of The Push*
- 'I can't remember the last time a book consumed me like this. I truly, truly loved it. It's so beautifully written, full of warmth and love and insight; Malak, Kees and Jenna stole into my heart and stayed there. This novel captures the fierceness of female friendship better than anything I've ever read. It is a book I know I will still be thinking about for many years to come.' - *Beth O'Leary, author of The Flatshare*
- 'Moving, telling, glorious; girlhood giving way to something urgent and beginning. This is a bracing, tender exploration of friendship, family and faith and their gaping complications. Irresistible.' - *Yrsa Daley-Ward*

Author Biography

Writer, poet and BBC radio presenter Salma El-Wardany performs internationally, has given 2 TEDx Talks and partners with organisations and global brands to have the uncomfortable conversations we've ignored for so long.

Her work revolves around female stories and bringing the often ignored realities of women into the spotlight.

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Gender studies: women (JFSJ1)
Adult & contemporary romance (FRD)
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BIC 2.1	Science fiction (FL) Classic science fiction (FLC)

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Extent	224 pages
Word Count	
Series	S.F. MASTERWORKS
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Roadside Picnic

Arkady Strugatsky, Boris Strugatsky

Keynote

'Deft and supple ... a truly superb tale' Theodore Sturgeon

Description

<h2>The Strugatsky brothers' poignant and introspective novel of first contact that inspired the classic film *Stalker*</h2>

Red Schuhart is a stalker, one of those strange misfits who are compelled by some unknown force to venture illegally into the Zone and, in spite of the extreme danger, collect the mysterious artefacts that the alien visitors left scattered around. His life is dominated by the Zone and the thriving black market in the alien products. Even the nature of his daughter has been determined by the Zone. And it is for her that Red makes his last, tragic foray into the hazardous and hostile depths.

Readers can't stop thinking about *Roadside Picnic*:

'A story of a horrific yet fascinating place, a story of an ordinary and unlikable man just trying to get by, **a philosophical interlude on humanity and its significance or lack thereof**, of greed and wonder, and the fever dream of the soul scream. **It still speaks to me'** Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'Such an intriguing setting for me, such **an unusual take on alien interaction'** Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'It is **a thought-provoking, hard-to-put down masterpiece**, most probably the best introduction to Soviet science fiction. A must read for any sci-fi fan' Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'A **fantastic and creative** exploration of what first contact might be like' Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'The tone of the book is **akin to that of some noir works, dark, gritty**, getting darker and grittier as the tale wears on . . . Like many great books, the meaning of the ending is left up to the reader' Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'A beautifully depressive and **wonderfully atmospheric science fiction novel** about life on Earth after an alien "Visitation" that leaves humans with more questions than answers . . . **Once I started reading it today, I couldn't stop.** The story captured my heart and held my attention' Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

'This is the sort of book that you read and then immediately feel the need to lend it to someone you know so that they can experience and enjoy it themselves . . . **I was truly astonished**-by both the **poignancy and the deceptive(?) simplicity** of this relatively short novel' Goodreads reviewer, ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

Sales Points

- A powerful and poignant novel from the foremost Russian writers of SF
- It was the basis of Andrei Tarkovsky's much admired film *Stalker*

Awards

Shortlisted for the 1978 John W. Campbell Memorial Award

Reviews

- 'Deft and supple ... a truly superb tale' - *Theodore Sturgeon*
- 'The story is carried off with a controlled fierceness that doesn't waver for a minute' - *Kirkus Reviews*
- 'The best Soviet SF writers' - *The Encyclopedia of Science Fiction*

Author Biography

Boris Strugatsky (Author)

Arkady Strugatsky (1925-1991) and Boris Strugatsky (1931-2012)

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Arkady and Boris Strugatsky began to collaborate in the early 1950s after Arkady had studied English and Japanese and worked as a technical translator and editor, and Boris was a computer mathematician at Pulkova astronomical observatory. The *Encyclopedia of Science Fiction* describes them as 'the best Soviet SF writers' and works such as *Hard to be a God*, *Definitely Maybe*, *The Snail on the Slope* and *Monday Begins on Saturday* are powerful and poignant novels that continue to amaze and move readers. Andrei Tarkovsky's much admired film, *Stalker*, was based on their most famous work, *Roadside Picnic*.

Arkady Strugatsky (Author)

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Previous Titles

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The Fifth Witness

Michael Connelly

Keynote

A blistering courtroom drama featuring The Lincoln Lawyer's Mickey Haller from the master of the genre.

Description

'Connelly excels - easily surpassing even John Grisham in the building of courtroom suspense' LOS ANGELES TIMES

In tough times, crime still pays. For defense attorney Mickey Haller - a.k.a. The Lincoln Lawyer - most of his time is now spent not keeping people out of jail, but in their homes.

Lisa Trammel was Mickey's first foreclosure client. For eight months, he's stopped the bank from taking her house. But when the bank's CEO is found beaten to death, Lisa is the prime suspect.

As Haller steps back into the theatre of a murder trial, he will learn some shocking truths about the victim, his client, and himself.

Mickey prepares to mount the best defense of his career - but this is a trial where the last surprise comes after the verdict is in . . .

'Connelly is the best of the best' RICHARD OSMAN

'A master' STEPHEN KING

Sales Points

- **No.1 bestseller:** Connelly is a **mega-brand and growing fast**, with over **80 million copies sold** worldwide and recent **UK #1s in both hardback and paperback**.
- **AWARD WINNING AND CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED:** Connelly has won or been shortlisted for every major crime award, including the EDGAR AWARD, and the CWA IAN FLEMING STEEL DAGGER.
- **FILM, TV AND MEDIA MEGABRAND:** The first season of **THE LINCOLN LAWYER**, David E. Kelley's series based on Connelly's bestselling novels, amassed **260.53 million hours viewed on Netflix in its first four weeks**; it reached the **Netflix Global Top 10** in 90 countries.

Reviews

- 'This is vastly superior stuff, from America's greatest living crime writer' - *DAILY MIRROR*
- 'Connelly masterfully manages to marry an absorbing courtroom drama with a tense and exciting thriller of detection' - *THE TIMES*
- 'As exciting as anything this formidable writer has ever produced' - *DAILY MAIL*
- 'No one writes a better modern thriller than Connelly' - *TIME OUT*

Author Biography

MICHAEL CONNELLY is the author of thirty-eight novels, including the #1 *New York Times* bestsellers *Dark Sacred Night*, *Two Kinds of Truth*, and *The Late Show*. His books, which include the Harry Bosch series and the Lincoln Lawyer series, have sold more than eighty million copies worldwide. Connelly is a former newspaper reporter who has won numerous awards for his journalism and his novels. He is the executive producer of *Bosch*, starring Titus Welliver, and the creator and host of the podcast *Murder Book*. He spends his time in California and Florida.

To find out more, visit Michael's website or follow him on Twitter or Facebook.

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Rendezvous With Rama

Arthur C. Clarke

Keynote

The multi-award-winning SF masterpiece from one of the greatest SF writers of all time

Description

The multi-award-winning SF masterpiece from one of the greatest SF writers of all time

Rama is a vast alien spacecraft that enters the Solar System. A perfect cylinder some fifty kilometres long, spinning rapidly, racing through space, Rama is a technological marvel, a mysterious and deeply enigmatic alien artefact.

It is Mankind's first visitor from the stars and must be investigated ...

Winner of the HUGO AWARD for best novel, 1974
 Winner of the NEBULA AWARD for best novel, 1973
 Winner of the JOHN W. CAMPBELL AWARD for best novel, 1974
 Winner of the BSFA AWARD for best novel, 1973

Sales Points

- The only novel ever to win all the major science-fiction awards - Hugo, Nebula, John W. Campbell Memorial Award and the British Science Fiction Award

Awards

Winner of the 1973 BSFA Award
 Winner of the 1974 John W. Campbell Memorial Award

Reviews

- '[Arthur C. Clarke] writes always with lucidity and candour, often with grace, sometimes with a cold, sharp evocativeness that has produced some of the most memorable images in sf' - *The Encyclopedia of Science Fiction*
- 'One of the colossi of sf' - *John Clute*
- 'The most popular English sf writer in the world' - *David G. Hartwell*
- 'There are perpetual surprises, constant evocation of the sense of wonder, and occasions of the most breathless suspense' - *NEW YORK TIMES*

Author Biography

Arthur C. Clarke was born in Minehead in 1917. During the Second World War he served as a radar instructor for the RAF, rising to the rank of flight-lieutenant. After the war, he entered King's college, London taking, in 1948, his Bsc in physics and mathematics with first class honours. One of the most respected of all science-fiction writers, he has won Kalinga Prize, the Aviation Space-Writers Prize and the Westinghouse Science Writing Prize. He also shared an Oscar nomination with Stanley Kubrick for the screenplay of 2001: A Space Odyssey, which was based on his story, The Sentinel. He has lived in Sri Lanka since 1956.

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Happiness For Beginners Coming soon to Netflix!

Katherine Center

Keynote

Coming to Netflix in Summer 2023, starring *The Office's* Ellie Kemper! A hilarious, hopelessly romantic comedy set on a wilderness survival camp, from the queen of feel-good fiction and repeat *New York Times* bestseller, Katherine Center.

Description

A HOPELESSLY ROMANTIC COMEDY FROM INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER KATHERINE CENTER

"Wise, delicious, page-turning... Katherine Center writes about falling down, growing up, and finding love like nobody else." **Brené Brown, #1 New York Times bestseller**

Sometimes to find your way, you have to get really, really lost...

Helen Carpenter has always lived her life as far from the edge as possible. Finding herself newly divorced and a little lost, Helen decides she needs a reset. So when her annoying younger brother convinces her to sign up for a **hardcore wilderness survival course**, she hopes the adventure will be exactly what she needs.

Instead, it's a disaster. It's nothing like she expected. She doesn't expect the surprise summer blizzard, for example-or the blisters, or the mean pack of sorority girls. And she especially doesn't expect that **her annoying brother's even-more-annoying best friend,**

Jake, would show up for the exact same course-and distract her, derail her, and... kiss her.

But it turns out sometimes disaster can teach you exactly the things you need to learn. Like how to keep going, even when you think you can't. How being scared can make you brave. And how sometimes getting really, really lost is your only hope of getting found.

"If you're anything like us, you'll read this book in one sitting." INSTYLE

"A fast-paced read with sharp, perfectly written dialogue." BOOKLIST

Sales Points

- **THE PERFECT FEEL-GOOD WILDERNESS ROMCOM:** Think Cheryl Strayed's *WILD* meets Emily Henry's *BOOK LOVERS!*
- **COMING TO NETFLIX IN SUMMER 2023:** *Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt* and *The Office* alum Ellie Kemper stars as newly-divorced Helen Carpenter in *Happiness for Beginners*. She's joined by *Yellowstone's* Luke Grimes, *Crazy Rich Asians* star Nico Santos,
- **FROM A REPEAT BESTSELLER IN THE USA:** Every one of Katherine Center's novels has hit either the *New York Times* Bestseller list or *USA Today* Bestseller list.
- **AMAZING AUTHOR QUOTES:** Praised by Emily Henry, Taylor Jenkins Reid, Jodi Picoult, Helen Hoang, Brene Brown and Christina Lauren, Katherine Center is truly beloved by tastemakers.

Author Biography

KATHERINE CENTER is the *New York Times* bestselling author of over a half dozen novels - almost all of which have hit either the *New York Times* Bestseller list or *USA Today* Bestseller list, and been selected for the Book of the Month Club. She's beloved by readers and peers, with fans including Emily Henry, Jodi Picoult, Brene Brown, Helen Hoang and Christina Lauren. Her books have been optioned by Netflix for film/tv.

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To Say Nothing of the Dog

Connie Willis

Keynote

A HUGO AWARD-winning time travel novel from the SFWA grandmaster.

Description

Ned Henry is a time-travelling historian who specialises in the mid-20th century - currently engaged in researching the bombed-out Coventry Cathedral. He's also made so many drops into the past that he's suffering from a dangerously advanced case of 'time-lag'.

Unfortunately for Ned, an emergency dash to Victorian England is required and he's the only available historian. But Ned's time-lag is so bad that he's not sure what the errand is - which is bad news since, if he fails, history could unravel around him...

Sales Points

- Winner of the 1999 HUGO AWARD for Best Novel.
- SFWA Grand master Connie Willis is the recipient of a staggering eleven HUGO AWARDS and seven NEBULA AWARDS, among many others.
- The SF Masterworks series is now over one hundred books long and contains many of the great names of British and world SF.

Reviews

- 'Gleeful fun with a serious edge' - *KIRKUS REVIEWS*
- 'Interwoven with humour, wit and unfailing romanticism, this book is a pure pleasure' - *SF Site*

Author Biography

Constance Elaine Trimmer Willis has won, among other accolades, eleven HUGO AWARDS and seven NEBULA AWARDS for her writing, and was recently named an SFWA Grand Master. She lives in Greeley, Colorado with her husband Courtney Willis, a professor of physics at the University of Northern Colorado.

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Sarah Canary

Karen Joy Fowler

Keynote

From the author of WE ARE ALL COMPLETELY BESIDE OURSELVES and THE JANE AUSTEN BOOK CLUB comes the strange, magical tale of Sarah Canary and the ragtag band of misfits and lovers she trails in her wake.

Description

Welcome to the Best of the Masterworks: A selection of the finest in science fiction

Black-cloaked Sarah Canary is the ugliest woman Chin Ah Kin could ever imagine. But after she wanders into a railway camp in the Washington territories in 1873, Chin is ordered by his uncle to escort her away. Far away. What should be simple journey quickly escalates beyond Chin's control, into a series of adventures and misadventures that are at once hilarious, deeply moving, and downright terrifying. Who - or what - is the mysterious Sarah Canary? And why can't Chin leave her, even for his own good?

Co-founder of the James Tiptree Jr. Award, Karen Joy Fowler is a multi-award-winning novelist. Her accolades include three World Fantasy Awards and two Nebula awards. Sarah Canary was her debut novel in 1991, and it was nominated for the Nebula, Locus and James Tiptree Jr. awards, winning the California Book Award Silver Medal.

'A picaresque romp that takes a good, long look into the human heart, this is a stunning debut' - *Publishers Weekly*

'The characters and the theme shine' - *LA Times*

'Powerfully imagined . . . Here is a work that manages to be at the same time (and often in the same sentence) dark and deep and fun' - *The Washington Post Book World*

Sales Points

- From the author of the bestselling WE ARE ALL COMPLETELY BESIDE OURSELVES and JANE AUSTEN BOOK CLUB.
- SARAH CANARY won the Commonwealth medal for best first novel by a Californian.
- SARAH CANARY was short-listed for the Irish Times International Fiction Prize.

Author Biography

Karen Joy Fowler is the author of four earlier novels and two short story collections. Her debut novel, *Sarah Canary*, was a New York Times Notable Book, as was her second novel, *The Sweetheart Season*. Fowler's short story collection *Black Glass* won the World Fantasy Award in 1999. Fowler and her husband, who have two grown children, live in Davis and Santa Cruz, California.

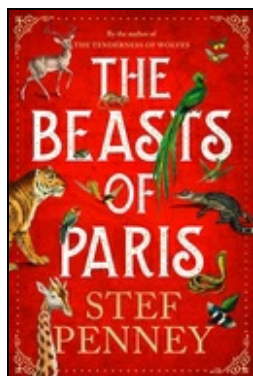
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The Beasts of Paris

Stef Penney

Keynote

A dazzling, panoramic epic of love and survival set in late 19th century Paris in the vein of Hilary Mantel and Susanna Clarke from an award-winning author.

Description

<h3> In Paris 1870, three wandering souls find themselves in a city set to descend into war.</h3>

Anne is a former patient from a women's asylum trying to carve out a new life for herself in a world that doesn't understand her. Newcomer Lawrence is desperate to develop his talent as a photographer and escape the restrictions of his puritanical upbringing. Ellis, an army surgeon, has lived through the trauma of one civil war and will do anything to avoid another bloodbath.

Each keeps company with the restless beasts of Paris' Menagerie, where they meet, fight their demons, lose their hearts, and rebel in a city under siege.

A dazzling historical epic of love and survival, Stef Penney carries the reader captivated through war-torn Paris.

Praise for Stef Penney

'One of the best storytellers we have' **The Scotsman**

'Penney works hard to fill her canvas with colour and conviction' **Sunday Times**

'[Her] prose is cinematic' **Independent**

'What has marked Penney out from the start is her ability to make her extensive historical research come alive' **Sunday Herald**

Sales Points

- Epic historical fiction is enjoying a great moment in the public imagination
- For fans of Hilary Mantel, Maggie O'Farrell and Susanna Clarke
- *The Tenderness of Wolves* won the 2006 Costa Award, has sold over half a million copies and been translated into thirty languages
- *Under a Pole Star* received universal acclaim across all media and was hailed as a masterpiece and worthy successor to *The Tenderness of Wolves*

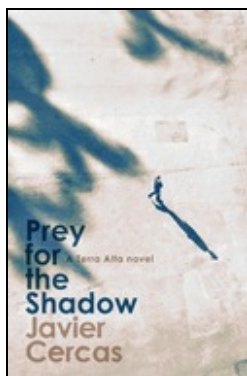
Reviews

- 'A **dazzling tale** of romance and survival' - *Guardian on Under a Pole Star*
- 'A **terrific and beautifully written** yarn that **will make readers yearn to travel** and fall in love in a cold climate' - *The Times on Under a Pole Star*
- 'Penney works hard to fill her canvas with **colour and conviction**' - *Sunday Times on Under a Pole Star*
- 'Curl up with this **stunningly evocative** tale ... **as immersive as it is mesmerizing**, this is a novel that you won't ever forget' - *Heat on Under a Pole Star*

Author Biography

Stef Penney grew up in Edinburgh. She has degrees in Philosophy and Theology as well as Film and TV, and was selected for the Carlton Television New Writers Scheme. She has written screen and radio adaptations and directed two short films. She is the author of *The Tenderness of Wolves*, winner of the overall Costa Award; *The Invisible Ones* and *Under a Pole Star*, shortlisted for the Costa Novel Award. Stef lives in London.

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Prey for the Shadow

Javier Cercas

Translated by Anne McLean

Keynote

The second Terra Alta Investigation - a new crime series by one of Europe's leading writers

Description

The mayor of Barcelona is being blackmailed.

A sex tape from her student days - one she never knew existed. The price: 300,000 euros and her immediate resignation.

A political chameleon who swept to power on a populist wave, she has her enemies. Nor can she trust those closest to her. Both her ex-husband and her deputy would profit from her fall.

Melchor Marín, living a quiet life in Terra Alta, is tempted back to Barcelona to work the case. But what seemed a simple matter has its roots in far more serious and disturbing crimes.

With the mayor on the verge of capitulation, a shock revelation changes everything - not least the course of Melchor's life. At long last, his heart's dark desire is in his grasp.

Praise for *Even the Darkest Night*

"A gem of a book, easily the best I've read this year" **M W Craven**

"A wonderful novel. I look forward to many more Melchor stories" **A N Wilson**

"The first in what promises to be an excellent series" *Guardian*

Translated from the Spanish by Anne McLean

Sales Points

- The first book in the trilogy was the winner of The Premio Planeta, Spain's biggest literary prize, and was a *Financial Times* pick for Summer 2022
- Javier Cercas is well known as the author of the internationally bestselling *Soldiers of Salamis*
- Cercas is a reviewers' favourite and a veteran of the UK literary festival scene

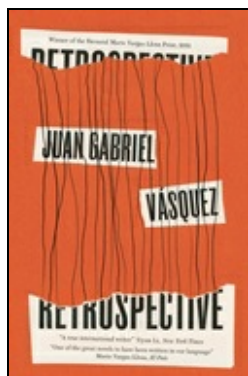
Reviews

- 'This novel is not just good, it's great' - Álvaro Colomer, *Diari Ara*
- 'Cercas' best. A terrific novel' - José María Pozuelo Yvancos, *ABC Cultural*
- 'The new Cercas shines brightly' - Jordi Amat, *La Vanguardia*
- 'A courageous Javier Cercas seeks to give an allegorical dimension to social observation, and succeeds ... a committed moral novel and belligerent tale of denunciation' - Santos Sanz Villanueva, *Zenda Libros*

Author Biography

Javier Cercas was born in 1962. He is a novelist, short-story writer and columnist, whose books include *Soldiers of Salamis* (which sold more than a million copies worldwide, won six literary awards in Spain and was filmed by David Trueba), *The Tenant and The Motive*, *The Speed of Light* and *The Anatomy of a Moment*. His books have been translated into more than twenty languages. He lives in Barcelona.

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	Outlaws
	The Impostor
	The Blind Spot
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Retrospective

Juan Gabriel Vásquez
Translated by Anne McLean

Keynote

By the International Booker-shortlisted author - the extraordinary story of a life lived in the vortex of the twentieth century

Description

"One of the great novels to have been written in our language" MARIO VARGAS LLOSA

"Beautifully written and gripping" *Guardian*

He thought that memories were invisible like light, and just as smoke made light show, there must be a way for memories to be seen...

In October 2016, the real-life Colombian film director Sergio Cabrera is attending a retrospective of his films in Barcelona. It's a difficult time for him: his father, Fausto Cabrera, has just died; his marriage is in crisis; and his country has rejected peace agreements that might have ended more than fifty years of war.

In the course of a few turbulent and intense days, Sergio will recall the events that marked the family's life, and especially his father's, his sister Marianella's and his own.

From the Spanish Civil War to the exile of his republican family in Latin America, and from the Cultural Revolution in China to the guerrilla movements of 1960s Latin America, not only will we discover a series of adventures extraordinary by any standards, but also a devastating portrait of the forces that for half a century turned the world upside down and created the one we now inhabit.

Retrospective is a revelatory and unforgettable novel.

Translated from the Spanish by Anne McLean

Sales Points

- For *Retrospective*, Vasquez is the winner of the IV Mario Vargas Llosa Novel Biennial, a prize of 100,000 dollars for best novel of the last two years (2019 and 2020)
- Vasquez' previous novel - *The Shape of the Ruins* - was shortlisted for the International Booker Prize in 2019, and for *The Sound of Things Falling* he was the winner of the Dublin Literary Award in 2014

Reviews

- 'An excursion into the dark and buried side of history where history becomes political faith' - Jordi Gracia, *El País*
- 'Vásquez is a Colombian writer with the talent to keep a magician's equilibrium between reality and fiction. . . . Beautifully written and gripping' - Gioconda Belli, *Guardian*
- 'The story of their political indoctrination, active deployment, growing unease and ultimate disillusionment is both fascinating and terrifying' - Melissa Harrison, *Guardian*
- 'One of the great novels to have been written in our language' - Mario Vargas Llosa, *El País*

Author Biography

JUAN GABRIEL VÁSQUEZ is the author of five previous novels, *The Informers*, *The Secret History of Costaguana*, *Reputations*, *The Sound of Things Falling* and International Booker-shortlisted *The Shape of the Ruins*, as well as two acclaimed story collections *The All Saints' Day Lovers* and *Songs for the Flames*. He is also the translator into Spanish of works by E. M. Forster, John Hersey and Victor Hugo. His own books have been translated into more than twenty languages.

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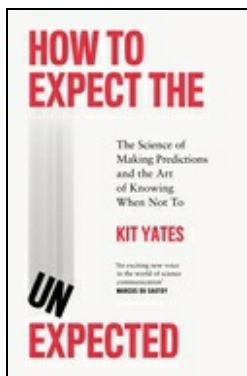
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How to Expect the Unexpected The Science of Making Predictions and the Art of Knowing When Not To

Kit Yates

Keynote

A fascinating exploration of how we can make better, accessible, mathematically-informed predictions about the world around us.

Description

'Yates' writing is a beacon of clarity sorely needed in a complicated and confusing world... I'll be quoting from this book' **Jim Al-Khalili**

- Are you more likely to become a professional footballer if your surname is Ball?
- How can you be one hundred per cent sure you will win a bet?
 - Why did so many Pompeians stay put while Mount Vesuvius was erupting?
 - How do you prevent a nuclear war?

Ever since the dawn of human civilisation, we have been trying to make predictions about what's in store for us. We do this on a personal level, so that we can get on with our lives efficiently (should I hang my laundry out to dry, or will it rain?). But we also have to predict on a much larger scale, often for the good of our broader society (how can we spot economic downturns or prevent terrorist attacks?).

For just as long, we have been getting it wrong. From religious oracles to weather forecasters, and from politicians to economists, we are subjected to poor predictions all the time. Our job is to separate the good from the bad. Unfortunately, the foibles of our own biology - the biases that ultimately make us human - can let us down when it comes to making rational inferences about the world around us. And that can have disastrous consequences.

How to Expect the Unexpected will teach you how and why predictions go wrong, help you to spot phony forecasts and give you a better chance of getting your own predictions correct.

Sales Points

- Kit Yates has a growing media profile and has become a prominent commentator on Covid with articles published this year in the *Guardian*, *New Statesman*, the *Independent* and more. His Twitter following, now at 62k, has increased fivefold since we acquired his first book.
- Kit has been praised for the accessible and clear way he writes about the influence of maths in our everyday reality - think Matthew Syed meets Marcus du Sautoy.
- Kit is well-connected in the science community and can secure high-profile endorsements, from Alex Bellos to Matt Parker.

Reviews

- 'A vivid, wide-ranging and delightful guide to the light and the dark side of prediction' - *Tim Harford, bestselling author of How to Make the World Add Up*
- 'Kit Yates presents maths as it should be taught to everyone: accessible, fun, stimulating, and deeply relevant to our lives. Spend some time with this book and you're likely to make better judgements and decisions, to see through the charlatans and snake-oil salespeople - and perhaps even to fool yourself a little less.' - *Philip Ball, author of the award-winning Critical Mass*
- 'Fascinating and fun. From the everyday to global challenges, Kit Yates explores how changing your mind - so often thought to be a weakness - is the best life skill we can all acquire. A brilliant book' - *Professor Alice Roberts*
- 'Yates' writing is a beacon of clarity sorely needed in a complicated and confusing world. How do we overcome our biases, understand coincidences or tackle the unreliability of our intuition? With bountiful familiar examples, he effortlessly overturns so many of our deep-rooted wrong-headed notions gently and persuasively. I'll be quoting from this book' - *Jim Al-Khalili*

Author Biography

Kit Yates is a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Mathematical Sciences and co-director of the Centre for Mathematical Biology at the University of Bath. He completed his PhD in mathematics at the University of Oxford in 2011. He is the author of *The Maths of Life and Death*, which was a *Sunday Times* Science Book of the Year. This is his second book.

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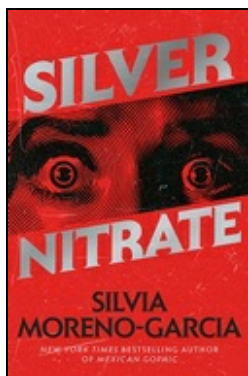
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Silver Nitrate

Silvia Moreno-Garcia

Keynote

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Mexican Gothic* comes a dark thriller about a curse that haunts a legendary lost film - and awakens one woman's hidden powers...

Description

A breathtaking blend of Mexican horror movies and dark occultism from the bestselling author of *Mexican Gothic*.

Montserrat has always been overlooked. She's a talented sound editor, but she's left out of the boys' club running the film industry in '90s Mexico City. And she's all but invisible to her best friend Tristán, a charming if faded soap opera star, even though she's been in love with him since childhood.

Then Tristán discovers his new neighbour is the cult horror director Abel Urueta, and the legendary *auteur* claims he has a way to change their lives - even if his tales of Nazi occultist imbuing magic into highly volatile silver nitrate stock sounds like sheer fantasy. The magic film was never finished, which is why, Urueta swears, his career vanished overnight. He is cursed.

Now the director wants Montserrat and Tristán to help him shoot the missing scene and lift the curse . . . but Montserrat soon notices a dark presence following her.

As they work together to unravel the mystery of the film and the obscure occultist who once roamed their city, Montserrat and Tristán might just find out that sorcerers and magic are not only the stuff of movies . . .

"Perfection" – Kiersten White, bestselling author of *Hide*

Sales Points

- **A mix of Mexican horror movies, Hollywood glamour and Nazi magicians, with shades of M.R. James and Robert W. Chambers' *The King in Yellow*: the perfect read for those who loved *Mexican Gothic*.**
- Silvia Moreno-Garcia hit the *New York Times* top ten with *Mexican Gothic*, and followed it up with *Velvet Was the Night*
- *Mexican Gothic* was GoodReads' Horror Novel of the Year, which *Gods of Jade and Shadow* was one of *Time* magazine's Best 100 Fantasy Novels of All Time.
- Silvia Moreno-Garcia has won virtually every award in the genre, including the World Fantasy, Copper Cylinder, August Derleth, Sunburst, Aurora, Ignyte, Locus and Pacific Northwest Book Awards. She's been twice nominated for Nebula Award, and *Velvet Was the Night* was a finalist for the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize.
- You don't just read this book, you live in it--and it will charm you, intrigue you, and scare the daylights out of you

Reviews

- 'I'd read hundreds of pages of just Montserrat and Tristán being cantankerously charming best friends, but add a cursed film and a secret society of sorcerers? **Perfection.** No one punctures the skin of reality to reveal the lurking, sinister magic beneath better than Silvia Moreno-Garcia' - *Kiersten White, bestselling author of *Hide**
- **'You don't just read this book, you live in it --** and it will charm you, intrigue you, and scare the daylights out of you' - *Tim Powers, author of *On Stranger Tides**
- '*Silver Nitrate* is **a popcorn thrill ride** into the underbelly of 90s Mexican horror movie and occultism-Moreno-Garcia crafts **a world so rich with details and history** that you won't be able to look away. Beyond being a break-neck read, this is a book that forces readers to reckon with the monsters that scare us, on screen and in the shadows' - *Dana Schwartz, author of *Anatomy: A Love Story**
- 'Combining **real history with unsettling magic**, Moreno-Garcia effortlessly ties explorations of misogyny, addiction, antisemitism, and racism into a plot that never falters from its breakneck pace. The narrative shifts effortlessly between fantasy, horror, and romance, helmed by a well-shaded cast. The complex female characters are particular standouts. **This is a knockout.**' - *Publishers Weekly* starred review

Author Biography

Silvia Moreno-Garcia is the multi-award-winning author of the *New York Times* bestsellers *Velvet Was the Night*, *Mexican Gothic* and *Gods of Jade and Shadow* (one of *Time* Magazine's top 100 fantasy novels of all time). Other novels include *The Daughter of Doctor Moreau*, *The Beautiful Ones*, *Certain Dark Things*, *Untamed Shore* and *Signal to Noise*, and she has also edited several anthologies, including the World Fantasy Award-

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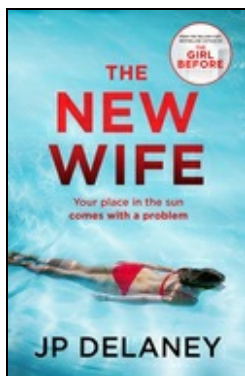
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The New Wife

JP Delaney

Keynote

The addictive and compelling new thriller from the million-copy bestselling author of *The Girl Before*

Description

'Unputdownable' MICK HERRON

'JP Delaney is King of Thrillers' FIONA CUMMINS

When Finn Hensen gets a call from his sister Jess to say their father has died, neither is heartbroken. Their parents divorced many years ago, after which their father, Jimmy, continued to live a bohemian lifestyle in sun-soaked Mallorca.

Ownership of his beautiful but dilapidated farmhouse in the mountains now passes to Finn and his sister. The only problem is that Jimmy recently remarried and his new wife, Ruensa, is still living there.

The pair agree that Finn should go to Mallorca and tactfully take possession of their inheritance. When he arrives, however, Finn is surprised to find that Finca Siquia has been completely transformed into a chic Mediterranean bolthole by Ruensa and her twenty-seven-year-old daughter, Roze. The Spanish police, meanwhile, are asking awkward questions about Jimmy's death . . .

Are Ruensa and Roze the helpless victims of circumstance? Or will they stop at nothing to get Finca Siquia for themselves?

READERS LOVE JP DELANEY

'Completely original and gripping' 5* reader review

'Dark and unputdownable' 5* reader review

'Had me on the edge of my seat at all times!' 5* reader review

'Kept me guessing right til the end' 5* reader review

'Thrilling and absorbing' 5* reader review

Sales Points

- One of Quercus' biggest thriller brands - JP Delaney is a regular *Sunday Times* bestselling author
- High repeat sales on all JP Delaney titles across the UK & Commonwealth territories (total TCM print sales across all titles are above 485k copies)
- This new hardback release will be supported by a paperback reissue of *The Perfect Wife* in November (TCM reissue sales of *The Girl Before* and *Believe Me* at a total of over 28k copies)
- Perfect summer reading with a fabulous Mallorcan setting

Reviews

- 'I loved it. JP Delaney has a gift for the unputdownable story ... One twist in particular left me open-mouthed. Brilliant stuff. This'll be in a lot of holiday luggage come the summer' - Mick Herron
- 'Charming and engrossing from the outset, but with a creeping and deeply unsettling sense of menace. I loved the Du Maurier vibes' - Sharon Bolton
- 'A characteristically unsettling thriller with an unreliable narrator who reels you in and a twist that made me pivot. With its sultry Mallorcan setting and du Maurier allusions, this is a summer read which exudes menace and is crying out for a TV adaptation' - Sarah Vaughan
- 'The tension ratchets up to boiling point in this sun-soaked sizzler about a man struggling to do what's right when everything around him is very wrong' - Victoria Selman

Author Biography

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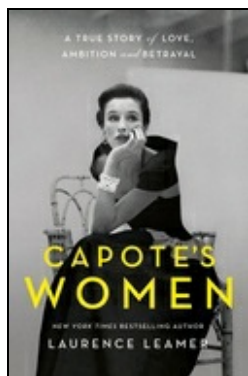
JP Delaney's first psychological thriller, *The Girl Before*, was an instant *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestseller and went on to sell over a million copies worldwide. His subsequent books *Believe Me*, *The Perfect Wife*, and *Playing Nice* were also top ten bestsellers, while *Playing Nice* was a Richard and Judy Book Club selection. Recently, JP Delaney has been heavily involved in the television adaptation of *The Girl Before*, as lead writer and co-executive producer.



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Capote's Women

A True Story of Love, Ambition and Betrayal

Laurence Leamer

Keynote

The fascinating true story behind one of the original literary scandals - how Truman Capote (author of *In Cold Blood* and *Breakfast at Tiffany's*) betrayed his closest friends in service of his next book.

Currently being adapted as the Ryan Murphy series *Feud: Capote's Women*.

Description

'A glittering insight into the high society world of Capote's swans. The ruthless betrayal of the muse by the artist leaves you breathless.' *Anna Pasternak*

'There are certain women,' Truman Capote wrote, 'who, though perhaps not born rich, are born to be rich.'

These women captivated and enchanted Capote - he befriended them, received their deepest confidences, and ingratiated himself into their lives. From Barbara 'Babe' Paley to Lee Radziwill (Jackie Kennedy's sister) they were the toast of mid-century New York, each beautiful and distinguished in her own way.

For years, Capote had been trying to write what he believed would be his magnum opus, *Answered Prayers*. But when he eventually published a few chapters in *Esquire*, the barely fictionalised lives (and scandals) of his closest female confidantes were laid bare for all to see. The blowback incinerated his relationships and banished Capote from their high-society world forever.

In *Capote's Women*, *New York Times* bestselling author Laurence Leamer investigates the true story of the renowned author and his famous friends, weaving a fascinating tale of friendship, intrigue, and betrayal.

Sales Points

- *Capote's Women* is being adapted as the next series of Ryan Murphy's *Feud* (titled *Feud: Capote's Women*) It will air on Netflix in the UK, and stars Tom Hollander, Naomi Watts and Demi Moore.
- Continued interest in Truman Capote - his books, *In Cold Blood* and *Breakfast at Tiffany's* have remained classics and his life and friendships are the subject of enduring fascination. A documentary, *The Capote Tapes*, was released last year, and this story was fictionalised in *Swan Song*, published in 2019.
- The book has received positive press coverage in the US, serial in *Vanity Fair* and with reviews in *Publishers Weekly*, *Kirkus*, the *New York Post* and *People*, who named it one of their 20 Best Books to Read in Fall and 'a fascinating look at their world.'
- This is one of the original literary scandals in a world where these stories continue to gain traction - think AJ Finn, *Cat Person* or *Bad Art Friend*.

Reviews

- 'Leamer showcases his knack for telling a rattling good tale in this vivid look at Truman Capote's failed attempt to write 'the greatest novel of the age.' . . . This juicy story delivers.' - *Publishers Weekly*
- 'Engagingly gossipy, Leamer provides extensive behind-the-scenes peaks into Capote's tangled social life.' - *Kirkus*
- 'Babe Paley, Slim Keith, C.Z. Guest... they were the stars of '50s and '60s society. They were also the women Truman Capote loved, flattered - and betrayed. A fascinating look at their world.' - *People*
- 'In this delicious dissection of the writer and the women he befriended, Laurence Leamer uncovers what it meant to let Capote into your inner circle, how each of these women found friendship and frustration with him, and what happened when he committed the ultimate betrayal.' - *Town & Country*

Author Biography

New York Times bestselling author **Laurence Leamer** is a leading biographer of the rich and scandalous, including *Capote's Women*, *Madness Under the Royal Palms* and *The Kennedy Women*, among many other books. He lives in Washington, D.C., and Palm Beach, Florida.

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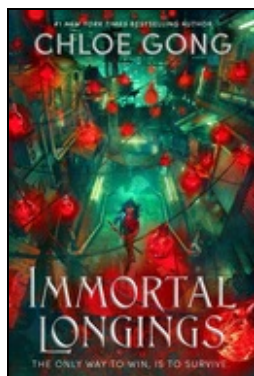
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Immortal Longings

#1 New York Times bestselling author Chloe Gong's adult epic fantasy debut

Chloe Gong

Keynote

#1 New York Times bestselling author Chloe Gong's adult epic fantasy debut, inspired by Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra*, is a fiery collision of power plays, spilled blood, and romance amidst a set of deadly games.

Description

FROM THE #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR.

'Each page is fierce and filled with yearning – I loved it' Andrea Stewart

The only way to win, is to survive.

Every year, thousands flock to San-Er, the dangerously dense capital twin cities of the kingdom of Talin, where the palace hosts a set of deadly games. Those confident in their ability to jump between bodies can enter a fight to the death - for the chance to win unimaginable riches.

Princess Calla Tuoleimi has been in hiding for five years, ever since she murdered her parents to free the people of Talin from her tyrannical family. Only one person stands in her way of finishing the job: her reclusive uncle King Kasa. However, she knows he always greets the victor of the games. If she wins, she will finally get the chance to kill him.

Enter Anton Makusa, whose childhood love has lain in a coma since they were both ousted from the palace. He's deep in debt trying to keep her alive. Which means his last chance at saving her is entering the games and winning.

When Anton proposes an unexpected alliance with Calla, they quickly find their partnership spiraling into something all-consuming. But before the games close, Calla must decide what she's playing for - her lover or her kingdom. For no matter what, only one of them can walk out alive . . .

#1 New York Times bestselling author Chloe Gong's adult epic fantasy debut, inspired by Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra*, is a fiery collision of power plays, spilled blood, and romance amidst a set of deadly games.

Sales Points

- The first in a new adult trilogy from the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *These Violent Delights*.
- Chloe Gong is going from strength to strength. This has all the hallmarks of Chloe Gong's best writing (luxurious prose, complex characters, a tortured love story) while taking it to the next level: it feels assured, confident, and potentially award-winning.
- Fans of *Jade City* and *A Darker Shade of Magic* will devour this re-imagining of Shakespeare's *Anthony and Cleopatra* by way of *The Hunger Games* for adults, set in a 90s Asian noir fantasy world.

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR CHLOE GONG'**
- 'Smart, imaginative, and brutal, *Immortal Longings* is a mind- and genre-bending epic that is as cutting and honest as it is unpredictable. Chloe Gong's assertive style is filled with razor's-edge prose, and her complex characters will hurt you, but in the most thrilling way. What a time to be alive for book lovers' - *Wesley Chu, #1 New York Times bestselling author of The War Arts Saga*
- ***'Immortal Longings is a grab-you-and-won't-let-go sort of book, as brutal and merciless as its characters. Everyone has secret plans, and everyone's life exists on the edge of betrayal. Each page is fierce and filled with yearning – I loved it'*** - *Andrea Stewart, author of The Drowning Empire trilogy*
- 'Gripping, bewildering, irresistible, Chloe Gong's *Immortal Longings* is a tour de force of Asian Futurism, a provocative examination of self and destiny that melds the ruthless sensuality of *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* with the visceral urgency of *The Hunger Games*. This book left me breathless!' - *Ryka Aoki, author of Light From Uncommon Stars*

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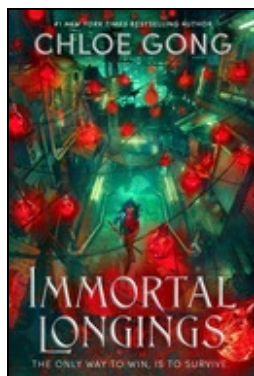
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Chloe Gong is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the critically acclaimed Secret Shanghai novels, as well as the *Flesh and False Gods* trilogy. Her books have been published in over twenty countries and have been featured in the *New York Times*, *PEOPLE*, *Forbes* and more. She is a recent graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, where she double-majored in English and International Relations. Born in Shanghai and raised in Auckland, New Zealand, Chloe is now located in New York City, pretending to be a real adult.

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Immortal Longings

#1 New York Times bestselling author Chloe Gong's adult epic fantasy debut

Chloe Gong

Keynote

#1 New York Times bestselling author Chloe Gong's adult epic fantasy debut, inspired by Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra*, is a fiery collision of power plays, spilled blood, and romance amidst a set of deadly games.

Description

FROM THE #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR.

'Each page is fierce and filled with yearning – I loved it' Andrea Stewart

The only way to win, is to survive.

Every year, thousands flock to San-Er, the dangerously dense capital twin cities of the kingdom of Talin, where the palace hosts a set of deadly games. Those confident in their ability to jump between bodies can enter a fight to the death - for the chance to win unimaginable riches.

Princess Calla Tuoleimi has been in hiding for five years, ever since she murdered her parents to free the people of Talin from her tyrannical family. Only one person stands in her way of finishing the job: her reclusive uncle King Kasa. However, she knows he always greets the victor of the games. If she wins, she will finally get the chance to kill him.

Enter Anton Makusa, whose childhood love has lain in a coma since they were both ousted from the palace. He's deep in debt trying to keep her alive. Which means his last chance at saving her is entering the games and winning.

When Anton proposes an unexpected alliance with Calla, they quickly find their partnership spiraling into something all-consuming. But before the games close, Calla must decide what she's playing for - her lover or her kingdom. For no matter what, only one of them can walk out alive . . .

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Sales Points

- The first in a new adult trilogy from the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *These Violent Delights*.
- Chloe Gong is going from strength to strength. This has all the hallmarks of Chloe Gong's best writing (luxurious prose, complex characters, a tortured love story) while taking it to the next level: it feels assured, confident, and potentially award-winning.
- Fans of *Jade City* and *A Darker Shade of Magic* will devour this re-imagining of Shakespeare's *Anthony and Cleopatra* by way of *The Hunger Games* for adults, set in a 90s Asian noir fantasy world.

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR CHLOE GONG'**
- 'Smart, imaginative, and brutal, *Immortal Longings* is a mind- and genre-bending epic that is as cutting and honest as it is unpredictable. Chloe Gong's assertive style is filled with razor's-edge prose, and her complex characters will hurt you, but in the most thrilling way. What a time to be alive for book lovers' - *Wesley Chu*, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *The War Arts Saga*
- ***Immortal Longings* is a grab-you-and-won't-let-go sort of book, as brutal and merciless as its characters. Everyone has secret plans, and everyone's life exists on the edge of betrayal. Each page is fierce and filled with yearning – I loved it'** - *Andrea Stewart*, author of *The Drowning Empire* trilogy
- 'Gripping, bewildering, irresistible, Chloe Gong's *Immortal Longings* is a tour de force of Asian futurism, a provocative examination of self and destiny that melds the ruthless sensuality of *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* with the visceral urgency of *The Hunger Games*. This book left me breathless!' - *Ryka Aoki*, author of *Light From Uncommon Stars*

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BIC 2.1	Fantasy (FM)

Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Series	Flesh and False Gods
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	1990s Hong Kong
Author born in	New Zealand
Author living in	New York

Previous Titles

9781529380262 Foul Lady Fortune
 9781529344561 Our Violent Ends
 9781529344523 These Violent Delights

Author Biography



Chloe Gong is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the critically acclaimed Secret Shanghai novels, as well as the *Flesh and False Gods* trilogy. Her books have been published in over twenty countries and have been featured in the *New York Times*, *PEOPLE*, *Forbes* and more. She is a recent graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, where she double-majored in English and International Relations. Born in Shanghai and raised in Auckland, New Zealand, Chloe is now located in New York City, pretending to be a real adult.

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User Experience Design

An Introduction to Creating Interactive Digital Spaces

Mark Wells

Keynote

An invaluable introduction for designers and creatives on how to create digital interfaces for users.

Description

We all engage with digital user experience design and user interfaces every day - if you are reading this on an e-commerce platform then you are doing it right now. This is an invaluable introduction for designers and creatives on how to create successful digital environments for users.

The discipline of graphic design is increasingly carried out in the virtual sphere, with a greater emphasis on user interaction and user experience than ever before. This book takes students through the crucial stages and skills that are needed for creating successful interactive digital environments, including:

Data collection
User analysis
Testing
Creating valid content
Design for different devices and platforms
Prototyping and visualization

Visual examples range from screen shots to diagrams and physical prototypes, while case studies featuring digital agencies and creatives from around the world show how they approach each project.

Sales Points

- User interface and user experience (UX/UI) are the most important aspects of design today. We all engage in user experience every day on our devices and, increasingly, with smart appliances.
- Covers all of the skills and processes needed to create a successful interactive environment
- Includes examples and practitioners from around the world, ranging from e-commerce to fine art.

Author Biography

Mark Wells is a Senior Lecturer at University of Brighton. He specializes in interactive design.

Market

Graphic design and product design students

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BIC 2.1	Industrial / commercial art & design (AK) Graphic design (AKC) User interface design & usability (UYZG) Web graphics & design (UGB)
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Illustrations	200
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Author living in	Eastbourne, Sussex, UK
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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher

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Format **B Format**
Exclusively for Sale **UK; World**
Not for Sale **None**

Previous Titles

Slow Horses
Dead Lions
Real Tigers
Spook Street
London Rules
Joe Country
Slough House
Bad Actors
Standing by the Wall
Down Cemetery Road
The Last Voice You Hear
Why We Die
Smoke and Whispers
Reconstruction
Nobody Walks
This Is What Happened
The List
The Drop
The Catch
Dolphin Junction

The Slough House Boxed Set by Mick Herron**Mick Herron****Keynote**

Mick Herron's critically acclaimed and bestselling Slough House thriller series available as a boxset for the first time.

Description***NOW A MAJOR TV SERIES STARRING GARY OLDMAN*****'Herron is at the summit of a new golden age of spy fiction' *Sunday Times***

Spooks are supposed to be stealthy . . . But those who make a noisy mess of their careers end up in Slough House.

This is Jackson Lamb's kingdom: a dumping ground for spies who've screwed up. Once high fliers, they're now slow horses, condemned to a life of pushing paper as punishment for crimes of drugs and drunkenness, lechery and failure, politics and betrayal. In drab and mildewed offices, these highly trained spies moan and squabble, stare at the walls, and dream of better days - not one of them joined the Intelligence Service to be a slow horse, and the one thing they have in common is their desire to be back in the action.

Housed together for the first time in a beautifully crafted boxset, Mick Herron's Slough House thrillers have been described as **'The most exciting development in spy fiction since the Cold War' *The Times***.

Includes *Slow Horses*, *Dead Lions*, *Real Tigers*, *Spook Street*, *London Rules*, *Joe Country*, *Slough House* and *Bad Actors*.

Reviews

- **'Herron is at the summit of a new golden age of spy fiction'** - *Sunday Times*
- **'Britain's finest contemporary thriller series'** - *Daily Express*
- **'The most exciting development in spy fiction since the Cold War'** - *The Times*
- **'The new spy master'** - *Evening Standard*

Author Biography

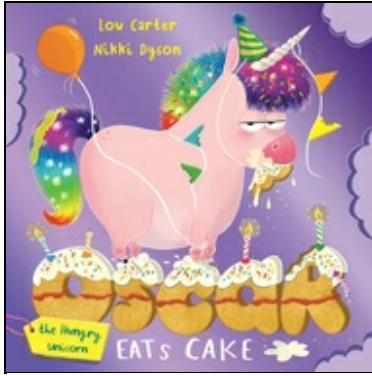
Mick Herron is the #1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author of the Slough House thrillers, which have won the Theakston Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year award, two CWA Daggers, been published in 20 languages, and are the basis of a major TV series starring Gary Oldman as Jackson Lamb. He is also the author of the Zoë Boehm series, and the standalone novels *Reconstruction* and *This is What Happened*. Mick was born in Newcastle upon Tyne, and now lives in Oxford.

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Oscar the Hungry Unicorn Eats Cake

Lou Carter (Illustrated By Nikki Dyson)

Keynote

it's Oola's birthday! Oola loves everything about her birthday - the presents, the games and the cake. Oscar loves everything about Oola's birthday too... he thinks it's all DELICIOUS!

Description

It's Princess Oola's birthday and she's having a party for all of her fairy tale friends. Oola loves her birthday, but so does Oscar - he thinks it's delicious! He's eaten the birthday cards, he's eaten the presents and he's much better at EAT the parcel than PASS the parcel.

The king thinks the birthday might go a bit smoother if Oscar has a time out, but Oola's birthday isn't the same without Oscar. When he goes missing, can they find him in time to cheer up Oola and enjoy her birthday cake?

Oscar and Oola return in this fifth fun and cake-filled celebration of friendship (and eating), from Lou Carter and Nikki Dyson.

Sales Points

- A fifth fun and cake-filled story about Oscar the Hungry Unicorn from the bestselling author and illustrator duo, Lou Carter and Nikki Dyson.
- A fun and silly read aloud story with a strong celebration theme making a great birthday present or the perfect celebratory read all year round.
- A super shiny foil cover - the ultimate treat for unicorn fans!

Author Biography

Lou Carter (Author)

Lou Carter worked as a primary school teacher before turning her hand to writing picture books. She is the author of *Pirate Stew* and the bestselling *There Is No Dragon in This Story*. She lives in Cambridge. Find Lou on Twitter @LouCarter240.

Nikki Dyson (Illustrator)

Nikki Dyson is the bestselling illustrator of *Oscar the Hungry Unicorn*, *Oscar the Hungry Unicorn Eats Christmas* and *You're Called What?!* Her other books include *Dinosaurs Don't Have Bedtimes*, *Zippo the Super Hippo* and *Mack and the Missing Cheese*. She lives in Northamptonshire. Find Nikki online at nikkidysonillustration.co.uk and on Twitter @DoodleDyson.

Publication date	Thursday, July 06, 2023
Price	£7.99 Rs. 599
EAN\ISBN-13	9781408359365
BIC 2.1	Picture storybooks (YBCS) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)
CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	250x250
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	400 words
Series	Oscar the Hungry Unicorn
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (exUSA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Cambridgeshire

Publishing History

Author

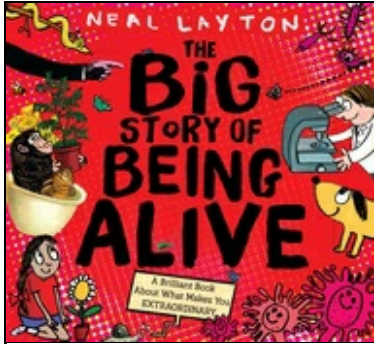
There Is No Dragon in This Story

Illustrator

"You're Called What?!"
Mack and the Missing Cheese
A Mighty Bitey Creature
Dinosaurs Don't Have Bedtimes
How to Be a Pirate
Zippo the Super Hippo
National Trust Nature Sticker Books

Previous Titles

Oscar the Hungry Unicorn
Oscar the Hungry Unicorn Eats Christmas
Pirate Stew



The Big Story of Being Alive A Brilliant Book About What Makes You EXTRAORDINARY

Neal Layton

Keynote

In this funny and fact-packed book from award-winning author-illustrator Neal Layton, you'll find out what makes what makes living things like YOU alive and why that's extraordinary.

Description

Wherever you go, there are lots of people and no one looks quite the same. But they are all ALIVE. YOU are alive too. But what *actually* makes something ALIVE?

There are three things that *all* living things have in common: they GROW, they REPRODUCE and they are made of trillions of tiny, but mightily important, organisms called CELLS.

Find out all about them in this fresh, funny and fact-filled book from author and illustrator **Neal Layton**, you'll discover why being alive is totally AMAZING.

Sales Points

- A gentle introduction to the core topics of biology for young readers, including what cells are and how they work, and how babies are made
- *A Planet Full of Plastic* has sold over 40,000 copies in the UK and export and has been translated into 13 languages
- Illustrated by Neal Layton in collage style, mixing photography and illustration to create an engaging picture book that nevertheless remains rooted in the real world

Author Biography

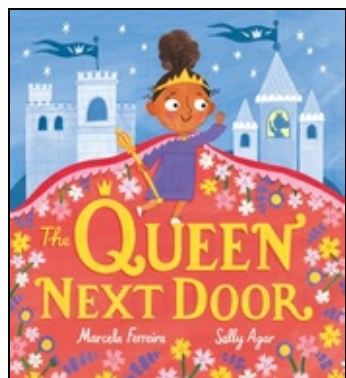
Neal is an award-winning illustrator and author of children's books. He has worked on more than 80 titles to date, working with authors such as Cressida Cowell and Michael Rosen, and won several prizes including a Gold Award in the Nestle Children's Book Prize for *That Rabbit Belongs to Emily Brown*. His books have also been shortlisted for the Red House Book Awards, the Blue Peter Book Awards, the Booktrust Early Years Award, Funzig Jahre Deutscher Jugendliteraturpreis and New York Public Library's annual list of Best Children's Books. He also writes his own books, such as eco-picture book *A Planet Full of Plastic* and 'The Invincible Tony Spears' fiction series. His books are currently in print in more than 16 languages worldwide. He lives in Portsmouth with his wife and two daughters.

Publication date	Thursday, July 06, 2023
Price	£6.99 Rs. 499
EAN\ISBN-13	9781526362643
BIC 2.1	Picture books (YBC) Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) Personal & social issues: body & health (Children's / Teenage) (YXA) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

CBMC	B5M79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	275x245
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (exUSA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



The Queen Next Door

Marcela Ferreira (Illustrated By Sally Agar)

Keynote

A beautifully illustrated modern-day fairy tale, filled with friendship, fun and fairness, encouraging everyone to be grateful for what we have and who we have to share it with

Description

A beautifully illustrated modern-day fairy tale, filled with friendship, fun and *fairness*.

In a faraway land, a happy queen rules over the happiest of kingdoms. But when a *new* queen moves in next door and starts showing off her ginormous, brand-new, super-duper throne, the happy queen can't help feeling a little jealous and decides she **MUST** have a throne of her own . . . no matter the cost.

Can she learn that what makes a true queen is not what she *has*, but how she treats others?

Filled with humour and heart, this beautiful picture book encourages everyone to be grateful for what we have and who we have to share it with.

Sales Points

- An exciting new debut picture book pairing, with beautiful, painterly illustrations from Sally Agar, who came to us via Hachette's Picture Book Open Day for the North in 2020
- Offers a light-hearted introduction to themes of jealousy and envy, encouraging children to be grateful for what they have
- A fun, modern story with a classic fairy tale feel - perfect for the gifting market

Author Biography

Marcela Ferreira (Author)

Marcela was born in Rio de Janeiro and spent her childhood between the beach and her grandparents' farm. She moved to London as a teenager. She worked in advertising and brand development and ran her own business before becoming a mother and turning her hand to writing for children. She lives in London with her family.

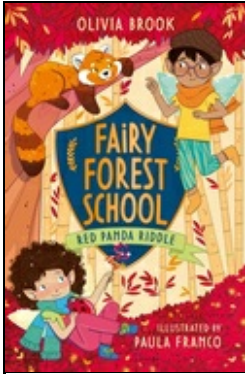
Sally Agar (Illustrator)

Sally is an illustrator and designer based in North Yorkshire.

For as long as she can remember, Sally has had a passion for drawing and painting. She loves working with colour, texture, and pattern, and aims to bring a bit of everyday magic to her illustrations. She loves creating characters with spark and energy, as well as injecting a bit of humour into her work.

Sally recently returned to the UK after ten years living in Stockholm working as a Print Designer for fashion companies. She is very excited to be kick-starting her illustration career and THE QUEEN NEXT DOOR is her first picture book.

Publication date	Thursday, July 20, 2023
Price	£6.99 Rs. 499
EAN\ISBN-13	9781408366134
BIC 2.1	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Personal & social issues: sexuality & relationships (Children's / Teenage) (YXS) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)
CBMC	A 3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	275x250
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	700 words
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (exUSA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author born in	Rio de Janeiro
Author living in	London
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



Fairy Forest School: Red Panda Riddle Book 5

Olivia Brook

Keynote

A magical fairy school series about helping animals and looking after nature, from the publisher of the best-selling series, Rainbow Magic!

Description

A magical fairy school series about helping animals and looking after nature, from the publisher of the best-selling series, Rainbow Magic!

It's autumn at Oakwings Academy, the magical school for Forest Fairies, and Poppy Merrymoss is learning how to make plants grow. Just as she's getting the hang of it, mean Lady Nightshade appears and puts a curse on the forest, covering it in a choking knot weed that stops plants growing.

Poppy and her friends rush to clear the weeds and discover a lost red panda trapped beneath them. They need to help the baby panda get home but he's talking in riddles and they can't understand anything he says! Can they solve the riddles in time to get him home and save the rest of the forest from Lady Nightshade's curse?

Have you read Poppy Merrymoss's other adventures, *Fairy Forest School: The Raindrop Spell*, *Fairy Forest School: Baby Bunny Magic*, *Fairy Forest School: The Snowflake Charm* and *Fairy Forest School: Red Panda Riddle*?

Sales Points

- Fairies are no. 1 theme for young fiction series with huge girl-appeal, and until now we've been unable to publish in this arena because of our Rainbow Magic contract. Now we're no longer restricted it's a great opportunity to publish in the heartland of young series fiction
- Fairy school adventures with a focus on the natural world is a winning combination - the *Rainbow Magic* Greta fairy sold 12k with a particularly big uptake in Australia
- An in-house IP created series with all rights
- Featuring charming black-and-white interior illustrations

Author Biography

Olivia Brook is the pen name of a children's book author who lives in a small village in the south of England. She has three children and a fluffy cat called Cosmo. She's written lots of books about dinosaurs, pirates and even gingerbread men, but fairies are her favourite magical creatures of all!

Publication date	Thursday, July 06, 2023
Price	£5.99 Rs. 399
EAN\ISBN-13	9781408368114
BIC 2.1	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) Social issues: environment & green issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZG) Wildlife (Children's / Teenage) (YNNR) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	14mm
Extent	128 pages
Word Count	
Series	Fairy Forest School
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Fairy Forest School 1: The Raindrop Spell
Fairy Forest School 2: Baby Bunny Magic
Fairy Forest School 3: The Snowflake Charm
Fairy Forest School 4: Lily Pad Rescue



Wish

Jack Ryder

Keynote

Do you believe in the power of a wish? When Pixie discovers an old wishing well in her Grandma's garden, there's only one question she wants the answer to ... is a wish powerful enough to bring her parents back?

Description

Join new friends Pixie and Wyld as they set out to solve a mystery of mermaids and magical coins, in this brilliant new adventure story from author Jack Ryder, for 7-9 year-olds.

Pixie's life has fallen apart: her beloved parents are swept out to sea in a fierce storm, never to be seen again, and she's sent to live with her mysterious grandma, Nanny Monkton, in a village on the edge of nowhere. On her train journey there, she meets an orphan boy called Wyld, who steals her mother's precious coin necklace.

When they arrive at Nanny Monkton's, Pixie realises that she's no ordinary grandma: she lives in a treehouse and wears an eye patch, just like a pirate! As Pixie settles into life in Wendbury and befriends Wyld, she begins to uncover amazing things about her own mother, about Wyld, and the wishing well in Nanny Monkton's garden - a mystery of mermaids and magical coins.

It sends the new friends on a whimsical journey to search for answers, but in Pixie's heart she knows she wants an answer to the biggest question of all: is there a wish powerful enough to bring her parents back?

A brand new unforgettable magical adventure from the author of Jack's Secret Summer and Jack's Secret World, beautifully illustrated by Alice McKinley.

Sales Points

- Classic magical storytelling, perfect for fans of the Magic Faraway Tree, Nanny McPhee and Roald Dahl
- The first of a pair, in a brand new story - second book to follow in 2023. But it is equally strong as a standalone
- Jack's writing has gone from strength to strength, and this is his best story yet! A solid structure, pacy plot and colourful characters really make this one stand out
- This is aimed at supermarkets, online and wholesalers with some potential for high street and export.

Author Biography

Jack Ryder (Author)

Jack Ryder was cast in the role of Jamie Mitchell in *EastEnders* at the age of 16, a character he played for five years. He then moved into theatre, performing in plays by Alan Bennett, Tim Firth and David Hare, before going on to direct *Calendar Girls*, *The Full Monty* and the West End production of *The Band Musical*. He played Evan Crowhurst in *Holby City* in 2019, and in January 2020 he is directing a production of Alan Bennett's *The History Boys*. It is his lifelong ambition to be a children's book author.

Alice McKinley (Illustrator)

Alice McKinley has worked in publishing for most of her career, working with brilliant companies such as Andersen Press, Little Tiger Press and Nobrow.

She decided to chase her dreams and become an Author/Illustrator and completed the Children's Picture Book Illustration MA at the Cambridge School of Arts in 2018.

Her first author-illustrated book *Nine Lives Newton* published with Simon & Schuster UK this year and she is currently enjoying working on fiction and picture books in sunny Brighton. Here she lives with her boyfriend, myriads of books, and oh so many (many) plants! Other clients include Hachette Children's Books, Barrington Stoke and Affirm Press.

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BIC 2.1 **Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) Cornwall (1DBKEWC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)**

CBMC **D3N79**

Age **9-11 years**

Subject **Fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character Tie In **Non-character Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **B Format**

Extent **176 pages**

Word Count

Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (exUSA, Can)**

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Author living in **Devon**

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CBMC **D3N79**
 Age **9-11 years**
 Subject **Fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character **Non-character**
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **320 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

Sadé and Her Shadow Beasts

The Boy in the Smoke

Rachel Fatureoti

Keynote

From the acclaimed author of *Sadé and her Shadow Beasts* comes Rachel Fatureoti's brand new story - about a boy and his dad dealing with the threat of eviction and a boy from the past who might be able to help ... perfect for fans of *A Kind of Spark*.

Description

From the acclaimed author of *Sadé and her Shadow Beasts* comes Rachel Fatureoti's brand new story - about a boy and his dad dealing with the threat of eviction and a boy from the past who might be able to help ... perfect for fans of *A Kind of Spark*.

Isaiah and his dad have recently moved to a new flat, but now his dad is struggling to pay rent due to illness. Soon, the landlord threatens eviction.

In history class, Isaiah is intrigued to discover that in the Victorian period, his school used to be a hospital and his flat block was once a workhouse.

In the basement of the flats, Isaiah discovers an old fireplace. When he lights it, a boy called Jacob appears. He tells Isaiah he's been sent to the workhouse after his dad disappeared. But he wants to escape. Can Isaiah help Jacob even though he's from the past ... and **will Jacob help Isaiah to find a way to save his home?**

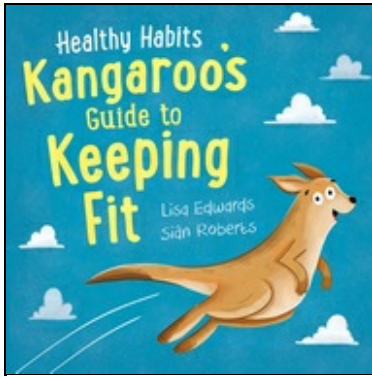
Sales Points

- A gorgeous classic MG which builds on Rachel's USP for contemporary stories with a cinematic twist
- An important story which shines a light on themes such as the cost of living crisis, foodbanks, threat of eviction - with Rachel's wonderful use of realistic child dialogue and adventure - making it accessible for readers
- Rachel is passionate about increasing Black representation in children's fiction

Author Biography

Rachel Fatureoti is a YA and children's fiction writer, editor, and poet with a passion for broadening the scope of authentic Black representation in YA and children's fiction. She believes it's important for readers to see themselves represented well in stories. Rachel's favourite books are *Skellig*, *Coraline* and *A Monster Calls*.





Healthy Habits: Kangaroo's Guide to Keeping Fit

Lisa Edwards (Illustrated By Siân Roberts)

Keynote

Find out how to keep fit with these cute animal guides!

Description

Kangaroo and his family love keeping fit. This book follows a day in the life of the kangaroo to find out how keeping fit helps them, and it provides lots of advice for its human readers. Information includes the different types of exercise children can try and how to exercise safely.

The *Healthy Habits* series for children aged 4 plus, features key information about how to stay healthy in mind and body, simply told and brought to life through a relatable animal guide alongside bright and gently humorous illustrations. The books have lots of good advice for human children and a little bit of learning about the animal world, to keep things interesting for young animal lovers. Titles in the series:

Dog's Guide to Helping Others
Sloth's Guide to Keeping Calm
Kangaroo's Guide to Keeping Fit
Lemur's Guide to Healthy Eating
Koala's Guide to Sleep
Leopard's Guide to Keeping Fit
Panda's Guide to Mental Wellbeing
Elephant's Guide to Making Friends

Sales Points

- Delightful and gently humorous art engages the reader
- Makes learning about wellbeing and healthy habits fun
- Facts about animal behaviour are included as well

Author Biography

Lisa Edwards (Author)

Lisa Edwards is an author, editor and former publisher of children's books. Across her 25-year career, she published many award-winning and bestselling titles, including *Stick Man* by Julia Donaldson, the *Tom Gates* series, *His Dark Materials*, *The Hunger Games* and *Horrible Histories*.

Lisa and her teams have won many prestigious awards including the Carnegie and Greenaway Medals, the Waterstones Prize, the Costa Book Award, the Blue Peter Book Award, the Royal Society Prize and the Roald Dahl Funny Prize (now the Lollies).

Siân Roberts (Illustrator)

Siân is an illustrator based in Surrey, UK. She developed her love for children's illustration whilst at the Arts University Bournemouth and graduated with a First Class Honours degree in Illustration in 2018. She works digitally to create colourful worlds whilst having fun exploring characters and narratives.

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CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	220x220
Depth	4mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Healthy Habits
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Dog's Guide to Helping Others
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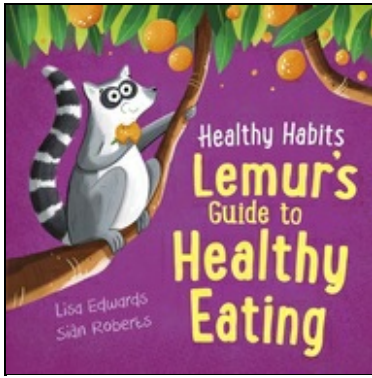
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Lisa Edwards (Illustrated By Siân Roberts)

Keynote

Find out how to eat healthily with these cute animal guides!

Description

Lemur loves to eat lots of different foods with the rest of his troop. This book follows the story of Lemur and provides lots of advice on healthy eating for its human readers. Topics include eating together, the importance of breakfast, how to eat a balanced diet and snacks and sugary foods.

The *Healthy Habits* series for children aged 4 plus, features key information about how to stay healthy in mind and body, simply told and brought to life through a relatable animal guide alongside bright and gently humorous illustrations. The books have lots of good advice for human children and a little bit of learning about the animal world, to keep things interesting for young animal lovers. Titles in the series:

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CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	220x220
Depth	4mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Healthy Habits
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

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Pixie Magic: Emerald and the Friendship Bracelet Book 1

Daisy Meadows

Keynote

An enchanting new series packed with friendship, fun and creativity from the author of *Rainbow Magic!* Each book features a different pixie with a special talent for magical crafts - in this story you'll meet Emerald the Jewellery Pixie.

Description

Best friends Alice and Leo love making things, and they're never happier than when they're working together in Leo's garden shed, which they've turned into an arts and crafts studio. Then one day they are transported to a miniature world where magical creatures - the Pixies and Glitterbugs - use their creative talents to make special objects from items that were once treasured. The Pixies' magic gives these objects the power to solve people's problems!

But disaster strikes when Grumble and Grimble, the mean Nixies, steal Emerald the Jewellery Pixie's magical tools. Now Emerald can't use her special crafting skill to make a magical friendship bracelet to help a child at Leo and Alice's school. Can the friends work together to use their talents - and a dash of Pixie Magic - to save the day, so that everyone can enjoy the magic of creativity?

This magical new series is tailor-made to appeal to young readers including existing Daisy Meadows fans, with a winning combination of magic, friendship and craft.

Sales Points

- Key series launch for 2023 from the creator of *Rainbow Magic*. Look out for *Dotty and the Sweet Surprise* in October, with four more magical books to come!
- A combination of great themes: magic, friendship and creative skills, which taps into the ongoing make-do-and-mend trend. Creative activities have been shown to alleviate anxiety, making this a timely theme after the pandemic
- An enchanting miniature world where upcycling is magic and kindness always wins
- Just the right amount of adventure and peril for a 6+ audience, with stories and themes perfectly tailored to appeal
- The perfect package for developing readers, with black and white illustrations throughout and bonus crafting activity ideas in each book

Author Biography

The *Rainbow Magic* and *Unicorn Magic* books are written by a small collective of authors under the name Daisy Meadows. *Rainbow Magic* is the no.1 bestselling series for children aged 5 and up with over 40 million copies sold worldwide!

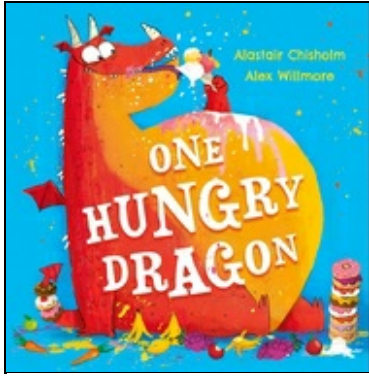
Learn more about the books at orchardseriesbooks.co.uk, where you can find your *Rainbow Magic* fairy and discover a new series to enjoy.

Publication date	Thursday, July 06, 2023
Price	£6.99 Rs. 499
EAN\ISBN-13	9781408367506
BIC 2.1	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	144 pages
Word Count	9000 words
Series	Pixie Magic
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK
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1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
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One Hungry Dragon

Alastair Chisholm (Illustrated By Alex Willmore)

Keynote

A laugh-out-loud romp with a counting theme and one very big BURP that's guaranteed to get children giggling. Written by Alastair Chisholm, winner of Blackwell's Children's Book of the Year, and illustrated by Alex Willmore, finalist of Oscar's Book Prize.

Description

STOMP! STOMP! STOMP! Here comes Bernardo ... and he's one HUNGRY dragon! This dragon is on the hunt for his lunch - is there *anything* that he won't try to gobble up?

A hilarious counting tale featuring lots of favourite fairy tale characters, including magical mermaids, fairy godmothers, funny frogs . . . and one very big BURP!

A laugh-out-loud romp written by Alastair Chisholm, winner of Blackwell's Children's Book of the Year, The Queen's Knickers Award and Scottish Book Trust's Bookbug Prize. Illustrated by Alex Willmore, winner of Oscar's Book Prize.

Sales Points

- A laugh-out-loud romp with a counting theme that's guaranteed to get children giggling
- Featuring all your favourite characters including hearty heroes, magical mermaids and fairy godmothers!
- Alastair Chisholm won Blackwell's Children's Book of the Year, The Queen's Knickers Award and Scottish Book Trust's Bookbug Prize, and was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize
- Alex Willmore was a finalist in Oscar's Book Prize
- Alastair Chisholm was born in Scotland and lives in Edinburgh

Author Biography

Alastair Chisholm is the author of the sci-fi middle-grade adventures, *Orion Lost*, shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, and *Adam-2*, which won the Blackwell's Children's Book of the Year. Alastair's debut picture book, *The Prince and the Witch and the Thief and the Bears*, was shortlisted for Scottish Book Trust's Bookbug Prize, and *Inch and Grub* won Scottish Book Trust's Bookbug Prize and The Queen's Knickers Award. Alastair has also written several puzzle books for children and adults, including *Kids' Book of Sudoku* and *Kids' Book of Kakuro*.

Publication date	Thursday, July 20, 2023
Price	£6.99 Rs. 499
EAN\ISBN-13	9781444966602
BIC 2.1	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Early learning: numbers & counting (YBLC) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)
CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	250x250
Depth	10mm
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Word Count	600 words
Illustrations	Full colour
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (exUSA, Can)
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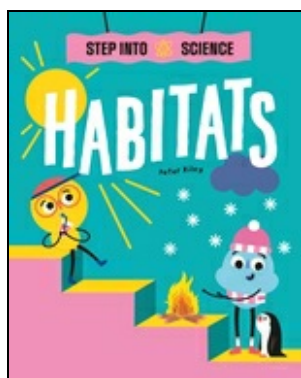
Alastair Chisholm: *Dragon Storm* series, *Orion Lost*, *Adam-2*, *The Consequence Girl* (Nosy Crow), *The Tale of the Valiant Ninja Frog*, *The Prince and the Witch and the Thief and the Bears*, *Inch and Grub* (Walker)

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Step Into Science: Habitats

Peter Riley

Keynote

With Step Into Science, take the next step for learning about the science of habitats

Description

Step up your science knowledge with Step Into Science and discover the science of habitats!

In Step Into Science: Habitats, find out about forest and water homes; the importance of food chains and why humans are changing habitats. With the help of a cast of funny blobby characters, you'll explore different plant and animal groups and discover how a woodland changes with the seasons.

Colourful and quirky illustrations make these core science topics exciting and fresh and encourage interaction with the subject.

Written to support the National Curriculum at Key Stage 2, each title explores key scientific topics through a combination of concise information and fun experiments.

Perfect for readers aged 7+

Titles in the series:

Electricity
Forces & Magnets
Habitats
Light
Plants
Rocks & Soil
Sound
The Body

Sales Points

- Brings science to life with fun activities and simple experiments.
- Written by an award-winning science author.
- Supports the new National Curriculum for Science at Key Stage 2.

Summary of Contents

What is a habitat? / Plant groups / Identifying living things / Animal groups / Habitats in spring / Habitats in summer / Habitats in autumn / Habitats in winter / Water habitats / Habitats across the world / Humans and habitats / Saving habitats / Glossary / Answers to the activities and questions / Index

Author Biography

Peter Riley was a science teacher for 25 years, 17 of them as Head of Science. His first book was published in 1981, and he has been a full-time author since 1996, with over 200 books published for children, students and teachers. He is the winner of the prestigious Schoolbook Award for Science in 2000, as well as being shortlisted for the Aventis Science Prize 2004 and nominated for the Educational Resources Award in 2009.

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Age	7-9 years
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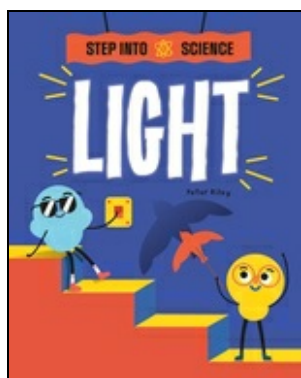
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Step Into Science: Light

Peter Riley

Keynote

With Step Into Science, take a tour through the science of light

Description

Step up your science knowledge with Step Into Science and discover the science of light!

In Step Into Science: Light, find out about how light comes to Earth from the Sun; when shadows form and how light moves. With the help of a cast of funny blobby characters, you'll explore why certain materials reflect light and discover how to make a shadow puppet theatre.

Colourful and quirky illustrations make these core science topics exciting and fresh and encourage interaction with the subject.

Written to support the National Curriculum at Key Stage 2, each title explores key scientific topics through a combination of concise information and fun experiments.

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Summary of Contents

Lights in the sky / What else makes light? / Light and materials / Dull, bright and shiny / A mirror / Darkness and light / Dark and light test / Shadows / The length of shadows / Shadows and time / Shadow shapes / Shadow size / Glossary / Answers to the activities and questions / Index

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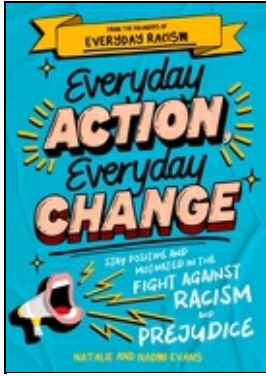
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Everyday Action, Everyday Change

Stay Positive and Motivated in the Fight Against Racism and Prejudice

Naomi Evans and Natalie Evans (Illustrated By Kelly Malka)

Keynote

An inspiring and invigorating book from the founders of Everyday Racism - Natalie and Naomi Evans - showing children age 9+ the small actions they can take every day, that will make the world a fairer and more equal place, but won't leave them feeling anxious and overwhelmed

Description

Making changes that help make the world a fairer place can feel overwhelming.

Where do you *even* start? Well . . .

Small actions really can make a big difference!

In this inspiring guide, changemakers, sisters and founders of Everyday Racism, Natalie and Naomi Evans, give readers empowering advice for dealing with the issues we see, hear about and face every day, from racism and sexism to homophobia and ableism, providing you with achievable everyday actions to create change!

Tips for practising positive everyday mindsets and self-care before things get stressful make this a go-to book for feeling **informed**, **positive** and **motivated** too.

Join us on our journey to creating sustainable change, one small step at a time.

Natalie and Naomi

Sales Points

- **PLATFORM:** Everyday Racism is an organisation that seeks to educate and provide resources on being actively anti-racist. The Instagram account has **206,000 followers**
- **EDUCATIONAL EVENTS AND CONNECTIONS:** Everyday Racism runs a series of anti-racism workshops, a book club, training sessions and resources including templates for MP and discrimination complaint letters. They are now working on educational resources for teachers to use in schools
- **USP:** A book teaching middle grade readers how they can be anti-racist, as well as tackling other forms of prejudice. It is about the small achievable things children can do to create change, while looking after themselves. Especially relevant when children are feeling the weight of the world's problems on their shoulders.
- **NAOMI AND NATALIE:** Are two sisters, anti-racist activists and writers based in the UK. They are professional speakers and anti-racist educators. Naomi is is mother to two boys and Head of Drama at a large secondary school. Natalie is an events manager.
- **COMP TITLES:** David Olusoga's *Black and British*, Layla E Saad's *Me and White Supremacy*, Jason Reynolds and Ibram X Kendo's *Stamped*. Yet focus of this book is about tackling various forms of prejudice, everyday achievable change and avoiding burnout

Author Biography

Natalie Evans (Author)

Naomi and Natalie Evans are award-winning writers, educators and speakers based in the UK. They run an educational Instagram account that has more than 200k followers, as well as being highly sort out anti-racism educators.

Naomi and Natalie are both of Black Jamaican and White British heritage. In May 2020 a video of Natalie went viral on twitter when she confronted two men racially abusing a ticket conductor. They decided to set up an anti-racism platform on Instagram, @everydayracism_ (EDR), which has more than 120k followers. The page shares stories from BIPOC and educational posts focusing on how to be anti-racist.

Natalie has more than 10 years of event management experience, including hosting and presenting in front of large audiences as well as being a youth worker for nearly 12 years. She now works for EDR full time.

Naomi and Natalie are the authors of the non-fiction book, *The Mixed-Race Experience* (Penguin). They have written articles for Red magazine, Grazia and have been featured in

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CBMC **D5N79**

Age **9-11 years**

Subject **Non-fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character **Non-character**

Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **216x153**

Extent **208 pages**

Word Count

Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

the "i" newspaper for their anti-racism work. They have also contributed essays to two young adult books entitled "Teenage Armageddon" and "Allies", which has been selected as the World Book Day title for 2023. Naomi and Natalie are committed to empowering people to make a difference in the world. They are natural communicators who believe education and action is the fundamental route to stopping social injustice. Their aim is to help dismantle systemic racism by empowering BIPOC and teaching white folk how to use their privilege for change.

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Naomi and Natalie Evans are award-winning writers, educators and speakers based in the UK. They run an educational Instagram account that has more than 200k followers, as well as being highly sort out anti-racism educators.

Naomi and Natalie are both of Black Jamaican and White British heritage. In May 2020 a video of Natalie went viral on twitter when she confronted two men racially abusing a ticket conductor. They decided to set up an anti-racism platform on Instagram, @everydayracism_ (EDR), which has more than 120k followers. The page shares stories from BIPOC and educational posts focusing on how to be anti-racist.

Naomi has more than 18 years of experience teaching English and Drama in UK state schools and her experience includes Senior leadership, Head of Department and Advanced skills teacher roles. She currently teaches in a large secondary school in Kent.

Naomi and Natalie are the authors of the non-fiction book, *The Mixed-Race Experience* (Penguin). They have written articles for Red magazine, Grazia and have been featured in the "i" newspaper for their anti-racism work. They have also contributed essays to two young adult books entitled "Teenage Armageddon" and "Allies", which has been selected as the World Book Day title for 2023. Naomi and Natalie are committed to empowering people to make a difference in the world. They are natural communicators who believe education and action is the fundamental route to stopping social injustice. Their aim is to help dismantle systemic racism by empowering BIPOC and teaching white folk how to use their privilege for change.

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Rainbow Magic: Kimi the Bubble Tea Fairy

Daisy Meadows

Keynote

Join Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah on a bubbletastic adventure as they meet Kimi the Bubble Tea Fairy!

Description

Join Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah on a bubbletastic adventure as they meet Kimi the Bubble Tea Fairy!

Kimi the Bubble Tea Fairy helps to keep everyone cool in hot weather with her refreshing bubble teas. She has teas in every flavour, tapioca bubbles in every colour and all sorts of tasty toppings! But when jealous Jack Frost steals her magical bubble tea, people everywhere are struggling in the heat! Kimi needs the help of her fairy friends Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah to cool everyone down!

'These stories are magic; they turn children into readers!' ReadingZone.com

If you like Rainbow Magic, check out Daisy Meadows' other series: Magic Animal Friends and Unicorn Magic!

Sales Points

- The 20th anniversary is the perfect time to introduce two new diverse, reoccurring characters to the series. Both 7 years old, Gracie Adebayo has two mums and Khadijah Khan was born without her right hand.
- Kimi the Bubble Tea Fairy helps keep everyone cool on hot days with her delicious and fun bubble tea recipes! The perfect gift for bubble tea obsessed kids!
- Rainbow Magic is the bestselling series for children aged 5+. Over 40 million copies sold!
- Rainbow Magic improves literacy rates by getting children reading - they just can't wait to see which fairy comes next!
- A highly collectable series - children love fairies, adventure and friendship. Daisy Meadows is the most borrowed children's author in UK libraries.

Reviews

- 'A sure-fire hit for girls' - *Mumsense*
- 'Remains the number one series for girls aged five and over' - *Bookseller*
- 'Hugely popular with young girls' - *Sunday Express*
- 'A lovely set of books for girls to collect' - *Parents in Touch*

Author Biography

The *Rainbow Magic* and *Unicorn Magic* books are written by a small collective of authors under the name Daisy Meadows. *Rainbow Magic* is the no.1 bestselling series for children aged 5 and up with over 40 million copies sold worldwide!

Learn more about the books at orchardseriesbooks.co.uk, where you can find your *Rainbow Magic* fairy and discover a new series to enjoy.

Publication date **Thursday, July 06, 2023**
Price **£6.99 Rs. 499**
EAN\ISBN-13 **9781408369920**
BIC 2.1 **Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)**

CBMC **B3N79**
Age **5-7 years**
Subject **Fiction**
Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
Character **Non-character**
Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Depth **18mm**
Extent **160 pages**
Word Count
Series **Rainbow Magic**
Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**
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Previous Titles

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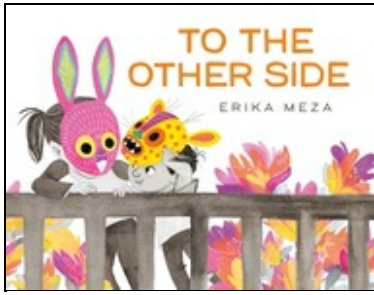
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To The Other Side

Erika Meza

Keynote

A powerful, timely and beautifully illustrated story, exploring the journey of two young refugee children in search of safety. Perfect for opening up conversations about conflict and war, encouraging empathy and understanding.

Description

A powerful and timely story, exploring the journey of two young refugee children in search of safety. Perfect for opening up conversations about conflict and war, encouraging empathy and understanding.

A young boy and his older sister have left home to play a game. To win, she tells him, they must travel across endless lands together and make it to the finish line.

Each child imagines what might be waiting for them across the border: A spotted dog? Ice cream! Or maybe a new school. But the journey is difficult, and the monsters are more real than they imagined.

And when it no longer feels like a game, the two children must still find a way to forge ahead, and reach the other side.

A stunning, symbolic and emotionally rich picture book about the spirit and strength it takes to leave your home behind. Beautifully brought to life by author-illustrator Erika Meza.

Sales Points

- A powerful own-voices refugee story - Mexico/US border implied in the story but can be used to discuss the topic more generally, representing all children refugees
- Erika grew up in Mexico by the US border and wrote this story as a reaction to the US separation policy in 2018 where young kids were being torn apart from their parents as they entered the US
- Timely and important topic, approached in a unique way with symbolic use of masks
- Author consulted with Human Rights organisation Espacio Migrante throughout the process and interviewed lots of children

Author Biography

Erika was born in Mexico and developed a taste for eclairs in Paris before moving to the UK to teach drawing. She won a scholarship to study in L'École Nationale Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs, where she learned to combine bold colour and mark-making with poetry. When Erika isn't drawing you'll find her plotting ways to teach her cat to play the piano.

Publication date **Thursday, July 20, 2023**

Price **£7.99 Rs. 599**

EAN\ISBN-13 **9781444971781**

BIC 2.1 **Picture storybooks (YBCS)
Family & home stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFN)
Social issues: war & conflict issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZW)
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Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)
For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF)
USA (1KBB)
Mexico (1KLCM)**

CBMC **A3M79**
Age **0-5 years**
Subject **Fiction**
Type **Picture Book**
Character **Non-character**
Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **280x216**

Depth **8mm**

Extent **40 pages**

Word Count

Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author born in **Tijuana, Mexico**

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CBMC	A 1M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Poetry & Plays / Songs & Music
Type	Picture Book
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	275x250
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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People Need People

Benjamin Zephaniah (Illustrated By Nila Aye)

Author Biography

Benjamin Zephaniah (Author)

Benjamin Zephaniah is a performer, musician, actor, and one of the UK's best-known poets. Born in Handsworth, Birmingham, Benjamin began writing and performing at the age of 11, and had his first collection of poetry published when he was 22. He has written more than 30 books for adults and children and is known all over the world for his powerful writing and performances.

Benjamin was a founding member of Artists Against Apartheid, and in 1996 he hosted the President's Two Nations Concerts at the Royal Albert Hall in London, at the request of Nelson Mandela. On August 29th 2007 he was the Master of Ceremonies at the unveiling of the statue of Nelson Mandela, again at his request, in Parliament Square. Benjamin is also a musician and was the first person to record with the Wailers after the death of Bob Marley.

As well as writing poetry, novels, screenplays and stage plays, Benjamin has also written and presented documentaries for television and radio. His poetry show *Life & Rhymes* won a BAFTA for 'best entertainment programme' in 2021. He has been awarded 13 honorary doctorates in recognition of his work and a wing at The Ealing Hospital in West London has been named after him. As passionate about politics and poetry as he has ever been, Benjamin now lives in Lincolnshire.

Nila Aye (Illustrator)

Nila Aye was born in Rangoon, Myanmar, arriving in the UK at the age of three and spent most of her childhood dreaming and drawing pictures. Nila studied graphic design at Central St Martins in London, graduating in 1995.

Nila is an award winning illustrator, collaborating on many well-loved children's books including *Nature Trail*, *People Need People*, *Story Soup* and the *Little Bugs Big Feelings* series. Her love of visual storytelling and collaboration with authors continues to energise Nila in her mission to bring beautifully illustrated books to a new generation of young readers around the world.

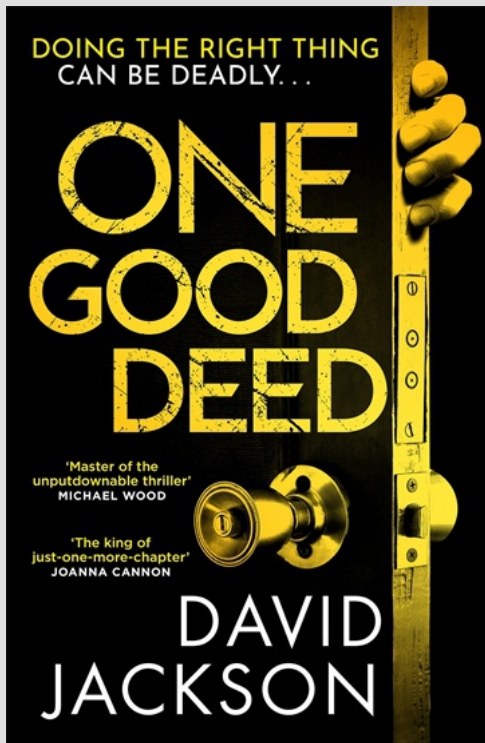
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REVIEWS

'A dark story of obsession, fear, and the terrible consequences of doing the right thing. A gripping page-turner which I finished in a day!' - Guy Morpuss, author of *BLACK LAKE MANOR*

'PRAISE FOR THE AUTHOR:

'Hitchcockian suspense' - *Financial Times*

'The King of One More Chapter' - Joanna Cannon

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One Good Deed

DAVID JACKSON

KEYNOTE

The new standalone thriller from the bestselling author of *Cry Baby* and *The Resident*

SALES POINTS

- David Jackson's bestselling novel *Cry Baby* sold over 200,000 copies, topping the Kindle charts for months
- Perfect for readers of Alex North, Mark Billingham and Adrian McKinty
- An immediately gripping 'what would you do' premise turns into a nightmare roller coaster ride. Combines Jackson's signature dark humour with nailbiting suspense for a book that will keep you up all night.
- The author's first novel was Highly Commended in the Crime Writers' Association Debut Dagger Awards

DESCRIPTION

'King of One More Chapter' JOANNA CANNON

'Master of the unputdownable thriller' MICHAEL WOOD

NO GOOD DEED GOES UNPUNISHED

Elliott has never thought of himself as a hero. Until one dark night he meets Rebecca, a scared and vulnerable young woman who needs his help. There's a man harassing her, following her; would he mind pretending to be her boyfriend, just while she walks home, to put him off?

And that is that - just a favour for a stranger - until there is a knock at Elliott's door. It's the man who was following Rebecca. He claims he's her ex-boyfriend, but it's clear that he's been stalking her. He's obsessed, dangerously so. He wants Rebecca, and will do anything to have her.

When Elliott eventually tries to tell him the truth, the man doesn't believe him. The only way to save himself is to get Rebecca to explain. There's just one problem: Rebecca is nowhere to be found. And now it looks like one good deed will cost Elliott everything.

A must-read for fans of Adrian McKinty, Steve Cavanagh and Alex North, this is a gripping pageturner from 'the King of One More Chapter'

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

David Jackson is the author of eleven crime novels, including the bestseller *Cry Baby* and the standalones *The Resident*, *The Rule* and *No Secrets*, as well as the acclaimed DS Nathan Cody series. He lives on the Wirral with his wife and two daughters. Find him @Author_Dave.

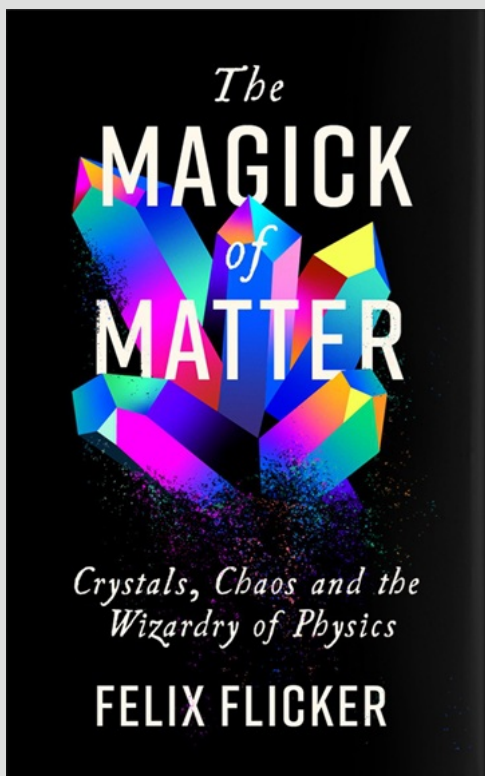
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REVIEWS

'*The Magick of Matter* explicitly sets out to stop us taking ordinary, everyday stuff for granted, and to restore our sense of wonder at the wizardry of the world' - Tom Sutcliffe, BBC Radio 4, *Start the Week*

'Conversational and lively ... the author's wonder and sense of excitement shine through ... a fascinating tale of an often-overlooked pillar of modern science' - *Nature Physics*

'Well-handled and consistently engaging. It combines fascinating facts with real insights into what are in some cases relatively unfamiliar aspects of physics.' - Peter Forbes, *Popular Science*

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The Magick of Matter

Crystals, Chaos and the Wizardry of Physics

FELIX FLICKER

KEYNOTE

An esoteric take on serious physics for intellectuals and sci fi enthusiasts alike

SALES POINTS

- A fun, refreshingly cross-genre hybrid as much for sci-fi/fantasy fans as to readers of popular science
- Felix Flicker is an energetic young academic and an expert with a growing following - his RI lecture in 2022 was their best attended since the pandemic
- Bringing condensed matter physics to a mainstream audience in a quirky, readable package, this is a genre-leading work

DESCRIPTION

As heard on BBC Radio 4 *Start The Week*

'Felix Flicker brilliantly reveals the secrets behind the modern-day magic we call physics' Marcus du Sautoy

Imagine you had a crystal that lit upon your command: magic must be at work, and you must surely be a wizard. But what if you discovered that you routinely cast such spells? Are the spells no longer magic ... or are you a wizard?

The modern term for wizardry is condensed matter physics. It is the study of the world around us - the states of matter and how they emerge from the quantum realm. Thanks to its practical magic we can make lasers which cut through solid metal, trains which hover in mid-air, and crystals which light our homes. It is one of the best-kept secrets in science; a third of all physicists work on it, yet its story has never been told.

Join Felix Flicker as he introduces the magic of condensed matter physics. It will be a journey that reveals the subtle spells that conjure crystals from chaos and create new particles that have never before existed.

The Magick of Matter will revolutionise what you know about physics and reality; you'll never see the world in the same way again.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Felix Flicker is a lecturer at the School of Physics and Astronomy at Cardiff University. He is the author of scientific papers in both *Nature* and *Science* as well as popular science articles. While he cannot claim formal credentials as a wizard, he has a black belt in Kung Fu and is also the former British Champion of Shuai Jiao (Chinese Wrestling).

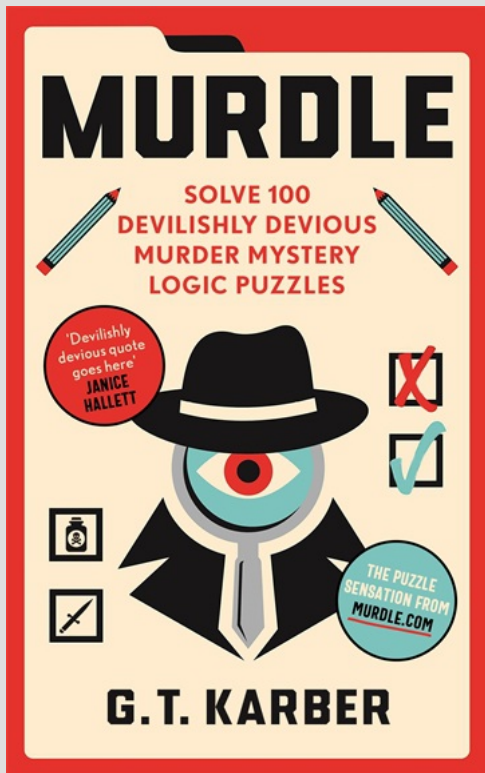
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REVIEWS

‘Bored of Wordle? Try being a sleuth in Murdle’ - *Murdle*

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Murdle

Solve 100 Devilishly Devious Murder Mystery Logic Puzzles
G.T KARBER

KEYNOTE

One hundred murder mystery puzzles to solve for armchair detectives and game lovers

SALES POINTS

- A fun and witty murder mystery puzzle concept to appeal to fans of Wordle, Sudoku and other logic-based games.
- Karber's online puzzle game *Murdle.com* is gaining popularity with players solving more than 175,000 mini-mysteries so far.
- The first of a 3-part series, will be attractively packaged and perfect for self-purchase or gifting to puzzle lovers.

DESCRIPTION

Bored of Wordle? Try being a sleuth with these murder mystery puzzles.

G. T. Karber, the creator of the popular online daily mystery game *Murdle*, presents a collection of 100 original murder mystery logic puzzles - the perfect gift for armchair detectives and puzzlers to hone their minds and solve a crime.

- Who committed the ghastly deed?
- What weapon was used to dispatch the victim?
- Where did the calculated demise occur?

Join Deductive Logico and investigate murders most foul in *Murdle*.

These humorous mini-mystery puzzles challenge you to find whodunit, how, where, and why. Examine the clues, interview the witnesses, and use the power of deduction to complete the grid and catch the culprit. Packed with illustrations, codes, and maps, this is the must-have detective casebook for the secret sleuth in everyone.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

G. T. Karber grew up in Arkansas, the son of a judge and a civil rights attorney. He graduated summa cum laude from the University of Arkansas with a degree in mathematics and English literature before gaining a Masters in Fine Arts from the University of Southern California's School of Cinematic Arts.

As the General Secretary of the Hollywood Mystery Society he has staged more than 30 immersive whodunits in the LA area. His first feature film, *Killer Party*, a horror-comedy-musical-whodunit he co-wrote and directed, premieres in 2023.

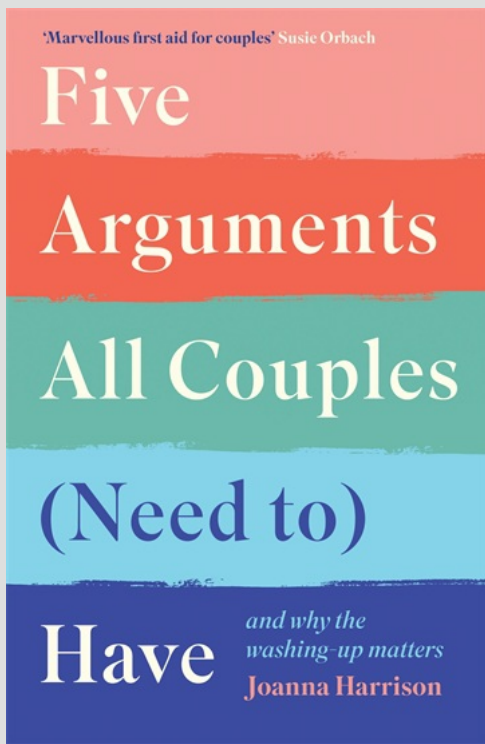
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REVIEWS

'A lightbulb moment' - Rosie Green, *The Mail on Sunday*

'Drills down into the nitty gritty of domestic bliss' - Judith Woods, *The Telegraph*

'Gives us good advice on how to navigate those tricky arguments' - Mariella Frostrup, *Times Radio*

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Five Arguments All Couples (Need To) Have

And Why the Washing-Up Matters

JOANNA HARRISON

KEYNOTE

Couple therapist Joanna Harrison's indispensable guide to rethinking our relationships

SALES POINTS

- A fresh, practical and relatable guide to solving relationship problems - from an experienced couple therapist who works as a senior clinician at Tavistock Relationships.
- There is an increased interest in couple therapy, including the Showtime show *Couples Therapy* (available on BBC iPlayer)
- As featured in *Grazia*, *The Times*, *Red Magazine*, *Prima*, *The Daily Mail*, *OK! Magazine*, *Guardian*, *i paper*, *YOU Magazine*, *ST Style* and many more
- For readers of Philippa Perry, Susie Orbach's *In Therapy*, and Julie Smith's *Why Has Nobody Told Me This Before?*

DESCRIPTION

'Marvellous first aid for couples' - SUSIE ORBACH

'She knows her stuff' - LORRAINE CANDY

'Good advice on how to navigate those tricky arguments' - MARIELLA FROSTRUP

If you feel like you have the same arguments with your partner over and over again ... you may be right. And you're not alone: Joanna Harrison believes there are five distinct issues that all couples have to work through if they are going to have a healthy, functioning relationship.

Grounded in her experience as a couple therapist, she asks us to think about the difficulties we all have in our relationships - from how we communicate to what roles we take on and much more. Using sound advice and relatable case studies, she offers practical ideas and imaginative ways to think about ourselves and our partners. Kind, funny and rooted in real life, this is expert advice that anyone can use - and that everyone in a relationship needs.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Joanna Harrison is an experienced couple therapist, former divorce lawyer, wife and mother, all of which have led her to conclude that relationships are hard work, and that we all need all the help we can get. She is a senior clinician at Tavistock Relationships and also works as a consultant to parents and separating couples at Family Law in Partnership.

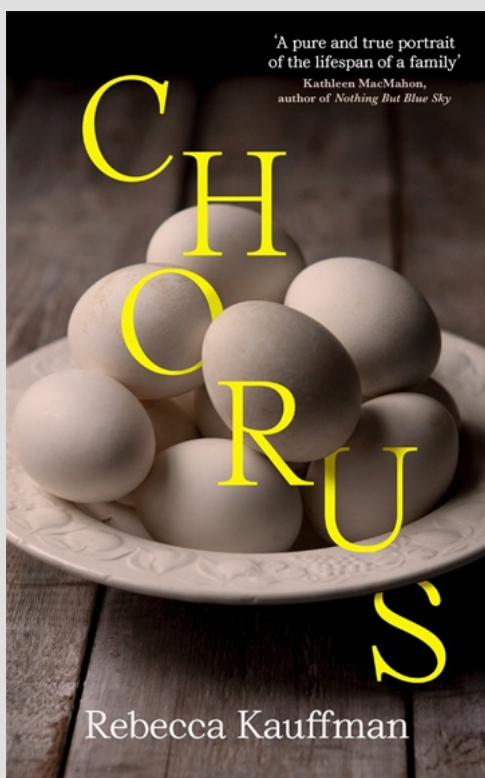
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'A pure and true portrait of the lifespan of a family'
Kathleen MacMahon,
author of *Nothing But Blue Sky*

Rebecca Kauffman

REVIEWS

'A story about love and its resilience, how much we really know about our own family and what binds them together even against seemingly insurmountable odds.' - *Good Housekeeping March 2022 Book Club pick*

'The author writes beautifully about family and relationships. One for fans of Elizabeth Strout and *Shotgun Lovesongs* by Nickolas Butler. I recommend curling up in a chair and absorbing it in one go' - Prima

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Chorus
REBECCA KAUFFMAN

KEYNOTE

Chorus follows seven siblings through the decades after their mother's untimely death, a shocking bereavement which shapes the course of their lives

SALES POINTS

- An ambitious historical novel from the author of *The House on Fripp Island* with a tragic mystery at its heart
- Perfect for readers of Elizabeth Strout, Alice Munro and Ann Patchett
- A warm-hearted, bittersweet family story - by the end of the novel you too will feel like one of the Shaws
- A *Good Housekeeping* Book Club Pick

DESCRIPTION

'You don't have to go back. You will stay here at home, with me. This is where you belong.'

One afternoon, in a little farmhouse in rural Virginia, the ailing Marie Shaw dies in ambiguous circumstances and nothing is ever the same again for the seven young children she left behind. Spanning from the Great Depression to the burgeoning of US counterculture in 1959, *Chorus* sensitively traces the divergent paths taken by the grieving Shaw siblings as they grow together and apart over the decades. Henry, Jack, Maeve, Lane, Sam, Wendy and Bette get married and divorced, go to war and give birth to children of their own, break down and pick themselves up again.

Chorus is a hopeful story of family, of loss and recovery, of complicated relationships forged between brothers and sisters as they move through life together, and of the unlikely forces that first drive them away and then ultimately back home.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Rebecca Kauffman is originally from rural Ohio. She studied Classical Violin Performance at the Manhattan School of Music before receiving an MFA in Creative Writing from NYU. Her previous novels are *Another Place You've Never Been*, *The Gunners* and *The House on Fripp Island*. She currently lives in Virginia.

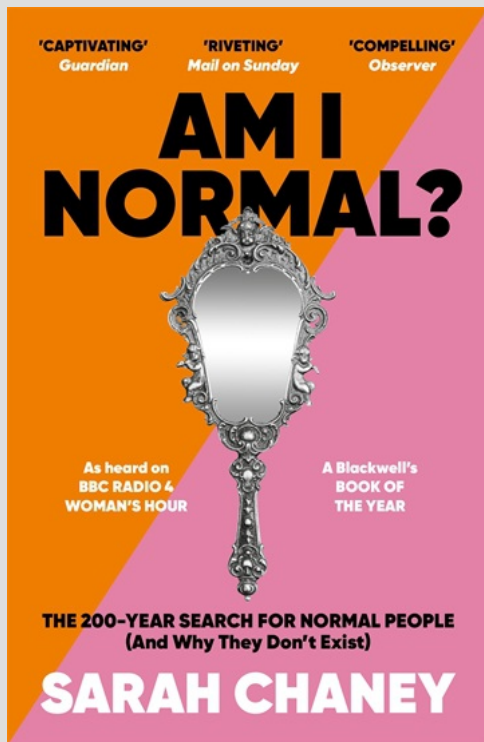
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REVIEWS

'Eureka! Sarah Chaney's excellent *Am I Normal?* is one of those rare pop-science books that make you look at the whole world differently' - Tim Smith-Laing, *The Daily Telegraph*, *****

'Captivating' - Book of the Day, *Guardian*

'Riveting ... The moral of the story, indeed of this engaging book, is that instead of ruminating endlessly on the worried (and unanswerable) question Am I Normal?, we should be asking ourselves instead whether normal even exists and why, quite frankly, anyone cares' - *Mail on Sunday*, *****

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Am I Normal?

The 200-Year Search for Normal People (and Why They Don't Exist)

SARAH CHANEY

KEYNOTE

The riveting history of the strange science of the 'Normal', and the origins of an anxiety-ridden modern obsession

SALES POINTS

- An engaging untold history of a topic we have all wondered (or worried) about at some point in our lives
- For readers of Angela Saini and Adam Rutherford - deeply researched, eye-opening history
- Written by an up-and-coming young historian at Queen Mary's Centre for the Emotions, a lively and authoritative historical account, based on original archival research
- Containing rich and engaging archival b&w visual material, surveys and questionnaires from the past 200 years

DESCRIPTION

As heard on BBC Radio 4 Woman's Hour

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'Compelling' *Observer*

Sarah Chaney takes us on an eye-opening and surprising journey into the history of science, revisiting the studies, landmark experiments and tests that proliferated from the early 19th century to find answers to the question: what's normal? These include a census of hallucinations - and even a UK beauty map (which claimed the women in Aberdeen were "the most repellent"). On the way she exposes many of the hangovers that are still with us from these dubious endeavours, from IQ tests to the BMI.

Interrogating how the notion and science of standardisation has shaped us all, as individuals and as a society, this book challenges why we ever thought that normal might be a desirable thing to be.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Sarah Chaney is a research fellow at the Queen Mary Centre for the History of the Emotions. She spent her teens and twenties furiously rebelling against the mainstream, whilst secretly longing to be normal. It wasn't until she passed thirty that she (mostly) stopped worrying about this mythical ideal. Alongside her research work she runs the public exhibitions and events programme at the Royal College of Nursing, occasionally writes for *The Conversation* and *Psychology Today* and reads far too much X-Men fanfic.

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The 'dark and brilliant' 2023 debut novel that uncovers the corruption of the Russian super-rich

SARAH THOMAS

KEYNOTE

The dark and brilliant literary thriller of the summer

SALES POINTS

- Wave of positive publicity received for the hardback publication, with comparisons to *The White Lotus*, Leila Slimani and *Succession*.
- Huge paperback campaign planned to make this the book to be seen reading on the beach this summer
- Author's personal experience and anecdotes of tutoring the children of the super rich have featured in a piece for *Vogue* and in an interview with the *Daily Mail*

DESCRIPTION

'A classy thriller that will appeal to fans of Leila Slimani's *Lullaby*... A hot holiday read to brighten up the last few weeks of winter' *Sunday Times*

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AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Sarah Thomas worked for years as a private tutor to the super-rich. She lives in London and this is her first novel.