

The Last Yakuza A Life in the Japanese Underworld

Jake Adelstein

Keynote

The Last Yakuza tells the history of the yakuza like it's never been told before.

Description

'Sacred, ferocious, and businesslike, Adelstein describes the Japanese mafia like nobody else' Roberto Saviano, on *Tokyo Vice*

Makoto Saigo is half-American and half-Japanese in small-town Japan with a set of talents limited to playing guitar and picking fights. With rock stardom off the table, he turns toward the only place where you can start from the bottom and move up through sheer merit, loyalty, and brute force - the yakuza.

Saigo, nicknamed "Tsunami", quickly realizes that even within the organization, opinions are as varied as they come, and a clash of philosophies can quickly become deadly. One screw-up can cost you your life, or at least a finger.

The internal politics of the yakuza are dizzyingly complex, and between the ever-shifting web of alliances and the encroaching hand of the law that pushes them further and further underground, Saigo finds himself in the middle of a defining decades-long battle that will determine the future of the yakuza.

Written with the insight of an expert on Japanese organized crime and the compassion of a longtime friend, investigative journalist Jake Adelstein presents a sprawling biography of a yakuza, through post-war desperation, to bubble-era optimism, to the present. Including a cast of memorable yakuza bosses - Coach, The Buddha, and more - this is a story about the rise and fall of a man, a country, and a dishonest but sometimes honorable way of life on the brink of being lost.

Sales Points

- Reveals a world of organized crime in Japan unknown to many of the Japanese public, let alone foreigners, with author now seen as a foremost expert on the subject

Author Biography

Jake Adelstein, a Japanese-schooled Jewish-American, worked for 12 years as a journalist on Japan's largest newspaper, *Yomiuri Shinbun*. In 2005, he became chief investigator for a US State Department sponsored study of human trafficking in Japan. Now a writer and consultant in Japan and the US, Jake and his family remain under death threats from one of Japan's most notorious crime bosses. He is the author of *Tokyo Vice* (2010), which inspired the 2022 HBO television series of the same name.

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Kissing the Demons Book 3 in the Joe Plantagenet series

Kate Ellis

Keynote

The third mystery in the DI Joe Plantagenet crime series set in North Yorkshire, by million-copy-bestselling author Kate Ellis.

Description

Thirteen Torland Place was the scene of five terrible murders in the nineteenth century, and also related to the disappearances of two teenage girls. When a student living in the house is found to be brutally murdered, Detective Inspector Joe Plantagenet is left wondering whether her death has anything to do with the house's grim history.

As other similar deaths come to light, Joe fears a ruthless killer may be on the prowl - a killer who deprives each victim of one of their five senses.

Each of the tragic events seem to have a connection to Obediah Shrowton, an executed murderer whose presence still seems to linger in the house. Could he be the source of evil, or is there an even more sinister explanation yet to be unearthed?

Sales Points

- These are reissues of Kate Ellis's DI Joe Plantagenet series (originally published by Severn House) in a fresh, modern cover style.
- The third novel in a fantastic regional crimes series set in atmospheric Yorkshire and featuring detective Joe Plantagenet. The town of Eborby is loosely based on York. Like Kate Ellis's bestselling DI Wesley Peterson series, these intricately plotted mysteries are full of fascinating historical detail and loveable characters.
- Kate Ellis has sold over a million copies of her books across formats worldwide. She is one of the most borrowed authors in UK libraries up and down the country.
- Kate Ellis is an award-winning crime writer. She has won the CWA Dagger in the Library Award for her body of work. She has also twice been shortlisted for the CWA Short Story Dagger and been longlisted for the Theakston's Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year Award.

Author Biography

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Book locale **York, North Yorkshire**
Author born in **Liverpool**
Author living in **Cheadle, Greater Manchester**

Publishing History

Originally published by Severn House

Previous Titles

Previous books in the Joe Plantagenet series:

Seeking the Dead (book 1)
Playing with Bones (book 2)

Books in the DI Wesley Peterson series:

The Killing Place (2023)
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Walking by Night Book 5 in the Joe Plantagenet series

Kate Ellis

Keynote

The fifth mystery in the DI Joe Plantagenet crime series set in North Yorkshire, by million-copy-bestselling author Kate Ellis.

Description

Taking a short cut home beneath the ruined abbey in the Yorkshire city of Eborby, a teenage girl reports stumbling across a body.

But with the body nowhere to be found, her inebriated state and troubled history leaves the police sceptical of her story. Only Detective Joe Plantagenet is inclined to believe her.

Meanwhile, Joe finds himself caught in the midst of an investigation into a production of *The Devils* at the local Playhouse when a young girl is reported missing. Could the play, with its shocking religious and sexual violence, have something to do with her disappearance? And could it explain the mysterious sighting of the body beneath the abbey?

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Watching the Ghosts Book 4 in the Joe Plantagenet series

Kate Ellis

Keynote

The fourth mystery in the DI Joe Plantagenet crime series set in North Yorkshire, by million-copy-bestselling author Kate Ellis.

Description

Boothgate House is a recently converted apartment building with a sinister past. Once an asylum for the insane, known as Havenby Hall, it was where serial killer Peter Brockmeister was sent on his release from prison.

Detective Inspector Joe Plantagenet is drawn into the house's history when the daughter of a solicitor, who was investigating Havenby Hall's closure, is kidnapped.

Joe wonders whether there may be a connection between the case and the building's disturbing past.

But as secrets come to light, Joe is forced to face an evil that threatens those closest to him.

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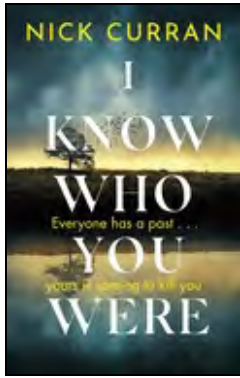
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I Know Who You Were

Everyone has a past. . . yours is coming to kill you

Nick Curran

Keynote

Everyone has a past. Yours is coming to kill you... a compelling, dark and twisted thriller that asks the question: do we really know those who are closest to us?

Description

'Grabs the reader from the very first page - and never lets go' **DAILY MAIL**

'Taut and properly disturbing. . . Impressive' **The Critic**

EVERYONE HAS A PAST. . . YOURS IS COMING TO KILL YOU

Alex and Morven have a pretty perfect marriage. Still madly in love after ten years, they have no secrets from each other and their life in London with daughter Poppy is . . . happy.

Until one day it changes. Morven disappears, her car found abandoned. The police come around to Alex's house to tell him things about his wife he never knew: her real name, her past life, the secrets she kept from him. And Alex realises he's been loving a lie. He needs answers . . . and on the shore of a dark and remote lake in Wales he learns that the tragic events which shaped the past now threaten to rip apart the present.

Praise for I KNOW WHO YOU WERE

'A gripping, twisty and beautifully written debut thriller that marks Curran as a writer to watch.' **Irish Independent**

'Written with enormous panache and gentle empathy, it ratchets up the tension repeatedly before exploding into a grandstand heart-stopping finale' **Daily Mail**

'Oh boy, this is going to keep you up at night, or abandoning everything else to race through the pages' **Peterborough Telegraph**

'Throws out a great hook and then twists and turns its way to a heartstopping climax' **Stephen Gallagher**

'Not just a ruthlessly compelling novel of suspense but an unflinching examination of the repercussions of a crime. Disturbing, harrowing and moving, it signals the arrival of a new master of crime fiction.' **Ramsey Campbell**

'Taut, compelling, original. An emotionally charged story that will leave you thinking of the main character long after finishing the book. A true page-turner' **J A Corrigan**

'Curran's debut is an absorbing, dark and suspenseful thriller. He is a writer to watch' **David Fennell**

'An utterly gripping Cobenesque mystery keeps you turning the pages fiercely to find out what's happening' **Crime Podcast FM**

Sales Points

- Author has written many tv tie-ins for the Dr Who and Torchwood franchises, winning the International Media Association of Tie-in Writers awards for Shadow of the Jaguar, his Primeval TV tie in. His SF novel, Silver, was on of the top 30 bestselling books of 2011 and his young adult novel Black Flag was a finalist for the People's Book Prize 2015. Steven lives in Sweden.
- Smart psychological thriller with a killer twist
- Narrator has a very 'Everyman' feel to him so there is a strong sense of familiarity and ease, which makes the subsequent events all very shocking as - could they happen to us?

Author Biography

Nick Curran is the pseudonym of a previously published award winning writer who was born in the UK and now lives in Sweden

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9780751572179	The Missing Ones
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Little Bones

Patricia Gibney

Keynote

In the tenth instalment of the million-copy bestselling Detective Lottie Parker series, Lottie is in a race against time to save the life of an innocent child before it's too late . . .

Description

She lifted up her granddaughter from the cot, clutched her to her chest and, without looking at her beautiful daughter lying dead on the floor of her bedroom, ran from the house. Only when she was outside did she let a wail escape her lips, frightening the baby who joined in her screams.

When **Isabel Gallagher** is found murdered on the floor of her baby's nursery by her mother, it's a gruelling case for **Detective Lottie Parker**. Isabel's pyjamas have been ripped, her throat cut and an old-fashioned razor blade placed in her hand. As Lottie looks at the round blue eyes and perfect chubby cheeks of Isabel's baby daughter, she can't understand who would want to hurt this innocent family.

That very same day she receives a call with devastating news. Another young mother, Joyce Breslin, has gone missing, and her four-year-old son Evan has been abducted from daycare. Lottie is sure that the missing mother and son are linked to Isabel's death, and when she finds a bloody razor blade in their house, her worst fears are confirmed.

Desperate to find little Evan, Lottie leaves no stone unturned as she delves into Isabel and Joyce's pasts and when she realises the two women have been meeting in secret, she knows she must find out why.

But when Joyce's body is found in a murky pond and some little bones are found on a windy hillside, it feels as if this merciless killer will stop at nothing. The bones aren't Evan's but can they give Lottie the final clue to find the innocent child before more lives are taken?

What everyone's saying about *Little Bones*:

'Wow ! Wow ! Wow ! Just Brilliant !!! This book is a REAL kick in the belly! A disturbing and heartbreaking story that you won't soon forget ! Loved it and highly recommend!' Netgalley reviewer, FIVE STARS

'Patricia Gibney's books never disappoint and this one is a really gripping story. The suspense builds and builds until the shocking conclusion, I don't think I drew breath for the last couple of chapters' Goodreads reviewer, FIVE STARS

'Twisty and fast paced and had me guessing throughout...I found the story absolutely gripping. Highly recommend' Netgalley reviewer, FIVE STARS

Sales Points

- Perfect for fans of *Our Little Cruelties* by Liz Nugent (C format ICM 18k) and *The Killing Kind* by Jane Casey (C format ICM 7k)
- Huge Irish success: Patricia's books are consistent top ten Irish bestsellers, spending a cumulative 25 weeks in the Irish chart
- An incredible ebook bestseller: Patricia has sold over 1.8 million copies since 2017 across the Detective Lottie Parker series
- A brilliant series character: D.I. Lottie Parker is a detective, a mother, and a woman on the edge haunted by her tragic past, and was shortlisted for a Dead Good Reader Award alongside Lee Child's Jack Reacher and Elly Griffiths' Ruth Galloway
- Award recognition: Patricia's second book, *The Stolen Girls*, was shortlisted for an Irish Book Award (RTÉ Radio 1's The Ryan Tubridy Show Listeners' Choice Award 2018) and she has nominated for a Dead Good Reader Award two years running

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR THE LOTTIE PARKER SERIES'** - -
- 'An addictive crime series . . . Her skilfully plotted narrative is driven by the brilliantly complex, utterly relatable Lottie Parker who is the beating heart of all Gibney's novels' - *Irish Independent*
- 'An action-packed, twisty tale of murder' - *Sunday Independent*
- 'Gibney expertly ratchets up the tension, making this exceptionally hard to put down . . . You won't be able to help rooting for our flawed heroine' - *Heat*

Author Biography

Patricia Gibney is the million-copy bestselling author of the **DI Lottie Parker** series. She always yearned to be a writer but between her full-time work and raising a family she could never find the time or commitment to fulfil that ambition. However, tragedy was to intervene which caused a major shift in her life.



In 2009, after her husband died following a short illness, Patricia had to retire from her job and found that writing helped her cope through her grief. She then started to write seriously. Fascinated by people and their quirky characteristics, she always carries a notebook to scribble down observations and ideas.

Patricia lives in the Irish midlands with her children.

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Past Lying

The twisty new Karen Pirie thriller, now a major ITV series

Val McDermid

Keynote

Karen Pirie returns in a thrilling new novel from the internationally bestselling Val McDermid

Description

KAREN PIRIE RETURNS. A MASTERFUL THRILLER BY THE NO.1 SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER VAL MCDERMID

Edinburgh, haunted by the ghosts of its many writers, is also the cold case beat of DCI Karen Pirie. So she shouldn't be surprised when an author's manuscript appears to be a blueprint for an actual crime.

Karen can't ignore the plot's chilling similarities to the unsolved case of an Edinburgh University student who vanished from her own doorstep. The manuscript seems to be the key to unlocking what happened to Lara Hardie, but there's a problem: the author died before he finished it.

As Karen digs deeper, she uncovers a spiralling game of betrayal and revenge, where lies are indistinguishable from the truth and with more than one unexpected twist . . .

The Queen of Crime Val McDermid is at the top of her game in her most gripping and fiendishly clever case yet.

Praise for Val McDermid

'McDermid is at her considerable best' *GUARDIAN*

'Irresistible' PATRICIA CORNWELL

'A brilliant novel by a supremo of the genre' PETER JAMES

'Outstanding' *SPECTATOR*

'Another masterpiece' DAVID BALDACCI

'Sensational. One of Britain's most accomplished writers' *SUNDAY EXPRESS*

Sales Points

- Val's novels have been **translated into 40 languages** and have **sold over 19 million copies**
- This is a return to the beloved Karen Pirie cold-case series, which has been **adapted for television by ITV, starring Lauren Lyle**
- Val has an **ever-increasing broadcast profile**, as well as an army of loyal fans, with **a social following of over 112,000**

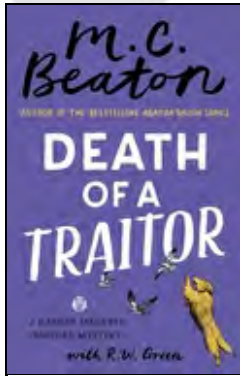
Reviews

- 'A **deadly** game of revenge. **Another twisty thriller**' - *Heat*
- '*Past Lying* sees McDermid simultaneously at her **darkest and most playful**. The central plot is a **wonderfully tricky** story within a story within a story' - *Mail on Sunday*

Author Biography

Val McDermid is a number one bestseller whose novels have been translated into forty languages, and have sold over nineteen million copies. She has won many awards internationally, including the CWA Gold Dagger for best crime novel of the year and the *LA Times* Book of the Year Award. She was inducted into the ITV3 Crime Thriller Awards Hall of Fame in 2009, was the recipient of the CWA Cartier Diamond Dagger in 2010 and received the Lambda Literary Foundation Pioneer Award in 2011.

In 2016, Val received the Outstanding Contribution to Crime Fiction Award at the Theakston's Old Peculier Crime Writing Festival and in 2017 received the DIVA Literary Prize for Crime, and was elected a Fellow of both the Royal Society of Literature and the Royal Society of Edinburgh. Val has served as a judge for the Women's Prize for Fiction and the Man Booker Prize, and was Chair of the Wellcome Book Prize in 2017. She is the recipient of seven honorary doctorates, is an Honorary Fellow of St Hilda's College, Oxford and a Professor at the University of Otago in New Zealand. She writes full time and divides her time between Edinburgh and East Neuk of Fife.



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Keynote

The latest Hamish Macbeth mystery

Description

A missing person report is not usually something that Hamish Macbeth sees as cause for undue distress.

Should a child or a vulnerable person vanish, it's an urgent matter that needs to be treated seriously, but in Macbeth's experience, most other people who go missing tend to turn up again before long. So when Kate Hibbert disappears after having last been seen struggling along the road with a heavy suitcase, he is convinced she has gone travelling and reluctantly goes through the motions of investigating.

Interviewing those who were closest to her, Macbeth is perplexed by their apparent lack of concern but sees no reason to suspect foul play. When Hibbert does eventually resurface, however, a storm of lies, intrigue and scandal threatens Macbeth's tranquil village of Lochdubh.

Torn between loyalty to his local community and his responsibilities as a police officer, he begins threading his way through a maze of deceit, quickly finding himself on the trail of a ruthless, treacherous murderer. If he catches the killer, peace can return to the village. If he fails, he will lose everything - his job, his home and the life he so loves in Lochdubh.

Praise of *Death of a Green-Eyed Monster*:

'This Hamish Macbeth novel maintains Beaton's distinctive voice and includes the usual village eccentrics, loads of Scottish lore, and the light humor that Beaton fans have loved through the years. . . A definite purchase for all mystery collections' *Starred Review, Library Journal*
'Unmissable!' *Peterborough Telegraph*

Praise for the Hamish Macbeth series:

'First rate ... deft social comedy and wonderfully realized atmosphere.'
Booklist

'It's always a treat to return to Lochdubh.' *New York Times*

'Readers will enjoy the quirks and unique qualities of the cast ... Beaton catches the beauty of the area's natural geography and succinctly describes its distinct flavour.' *Library Journal*

'Befuddled, earnest and utterly endearing, Hamish makes his triumphs sweetly satisfying.' *Publishers Weekly*

Sales Points

- THE LEGEND THAT IS M C BEATON - over 22 million of her books sold worldwide, she has been translated into 17 languages and UK and Commonwealth sales total 5 million
- BESTSELLING SERIES - The most recently published HB mysteries hit the NYT hardcover bestseller list
- AMAZING FANBASE - they are dedicated and loyal; 22,000 Facebook followers and 5,000 newsletter subscribers
- ALL ROUND POPULAR - M C Beaton is consistently the most borrowed adult author from the UK libraries
- THE BRAND CONTINUES - although M C Beaton passed away in 2020 the characters and series go on through her close friend and fellow author R W Green

Author Biography

M.C. Beaton (1936-2019) was the author of both the Agatha Raisin and Hamish Macbeth series, as well as numerous Regency romances. Her books have been translated into seventeen languages and have sold more than twenty-one million copies worldwide. She is consistently the most borrowed UK adult author in British libraries, and her Agatha Raisin books have been turned into a TV series on Sky.



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Gub

Scott McKendry

Keynote

Stunning debut collection, bringing the ghettoised working-class into contemporary Irish poetry. Noisy, dark, but shot through with humour, *Gub* heralds a wholly new voice out of Belfast.

Description

'Gub is unlike anything I have ever read. In a playful demotic that is exhilarating, hilarious and never forced, Scott McKendry makes magic of a Belfast that in other hands would make grim reading. The most exciting poet to come out of the north of Ireland in many years' Louise Kennedy, author of *Tresspasses*

'There is nothing else like this in Irish poetry. A lyrical savant of the highest level, and one of the most exciting writers in Ireland today, McKendry is utterly his own beast' Michael Nolan, author of *Close To Home*

Demons, geese, The Laughing Cow, marching bands, LSD and pistols smuggled home from the USSR. You'll find all these in Scott McKendry's *GUB*.

Rooted in the language of working-class Belfast, and slipping between eras and time zones, closing the gap between the real and the fantastical, the academic and the everyday, the parish and the polis, McKendry's exhilarating debut collection comes to terms with generational trauma, social decay and the rituals of a place with a fraught history and an uncertain future.

Invoking the balaclava'd gunmen, urban warlords and explosions which gripped the decades either side of the Good Friday Agreement, *GUB* drags the language of ghettoised Belfast into serious Irish poetry. Wearing the lyrical influences of his 'ugly city' lightly - Carson, McGuckian, Longley - McKendry's tightly-wrought structures weave an unprecedented verse of mourning, witness, alter ego, class alienation and aesthetic turmoil.

Noisy, dark and witty, *GUB* is an utterly new voice out of Belfast, but one posting bulletins across inner-city neighbourhoods everywhere.

Sales Points

- Scott McKendry is a significant new voice in poetry from North Belfast. After working for the best part of a decade as an electrician, Scott returned to education in 2011. He is currently a Postdoctoral Fellow at Trinity College Dublin
- Until now, there has been a noticeable dearth of writing from lower working-class Belfast - a world very rarely depicted with nuance, typically through the anthropological lens of the nearby outsider. With *Gub*, Scott addresses a literary absence and redresses the stereotypes built around a people still living out the ramifications of their difficult past
- **Pre-publication quotes** already in from **Louise Kennedy, Ian Duhig, Michael McGee, Stephen Sexton and Susannah Dickey**

Reviews

- **'Exhilarating: I think of Blake's 'Energy is an Eternal Delight' but it comes here with tremendous sophistication, flair and originality'** - Ian Duhig
- **'Unlike anything I have ever read. In a playful demotic that is exhilarating, hilarious and never forced, Scott McKendry makes magic of a Belfast that in other hands would make grim reading. From surreal, almost fabulous - in its purest sense - encounters with birds and animals, to trippy interrogations of identity and tradition, he makes the most surprising connections . . . The most exciting poet to come out of the north of Ireland in many years.'** - Louise Kennedy, bestselling author of *TRESPASSES*
- **'McKendry does something truly radical with this book . . . *Gub* is one of the funniest books I've ever read, and one of the most moving. It parses the ironies, contradictions and shortcomings of the working-class Belfast I know with moments of incredible beauty. There is nothing else like this in Irish poetry. A lyrical savant of the highest level, and one of the most exciting writers in Ireland today, McKendry is utterly his own beast'** - Michael Magee, author of *CLOSE TO HOME*
- **'Scott McKendry's poems are exhilarants; richly textured, gregarious, sublimely sophisticated. The extraordinary ambit of his language . . . is interwoven, irrevocably, with its pleasures . . . *Gub* is a world you don't know and don't know you know. In the company of these magisterial, unique, frequently hilarious poems, you'll wonder where you've been'** - Stephen Sexton
- **'Fresh, inventive, authentic and brilliant. McKendry is witty, intelligent and utterly original. We need this poetry; he is of here, but with a boundary-bursting world view, that changes how we see ourselves and our sense of our place in the world. Bravo'** -

Author Biography

Scott McKendry is from North Belfast. His poems have appeared in *The Poetry Review*, *Poetry Ireland Review*, *The Stinging Fly*, *Virginia Quarterly Review*, and elsewhere. He was the recipient of a Patrick Kavanagh Poetry Award in 2019, and his pamphlet, *Curfuffle* (Lifeboat) was Poetry Book Society Autumn Choice 2019. McKendry also writes essays and criticism. He's currently a Lecturer of Practice at Queen's University Belfast.

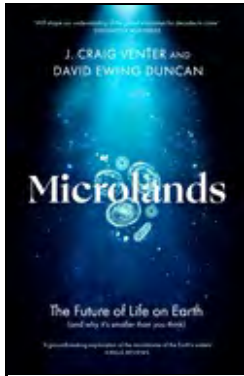
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Microlands

The Future of Life on Earth (and Why It's Smaller Than You Think)

J. Craig Venter and David Ewing Duncan

Keynote

A celebrated genome scientist sails around the world, collecting tens of millions of marine microbes and revolutionising our understanding of the microbiome that sustains us.

Description

"Will undoubtedly shape our understanding of the global ecosystem for decades to come."- Siddhartha Mukherjee, author of *The Song of the Cell*

Upon completing his historic work on the Human Genome Project in 2002, J. Craig Venter declared that he would sequence the genetic code of all life on earth. Thus began a fifteen-year quest to collect DNA from the world's oldest and most abundant form of life: microbes. Boarding the *Sorcerer II*, a 100-foot sailboat turned research vessel, Venter travelled over 65,000 miles around the globe to sample ocean water and the microscopic life within.

In this book, Venter and science writer David Ewing Duncan tell the remarkable story of these expeditions and of the momentous discoveries that ensued-of plant-like bacteria that get their energy from the sun, proteins that metabolize vast amounts of hydrogen, and microbes whose genes shield them from ultraviolet light. The result was a massive library of millions of unknown genes, thousands of unseen protein families, and new lineages of bacteria that revealed the unimaginable complexity of life on earth. Yet despite this exquisite diversity, Venter encountered sobering reminders of how human activity is disturbing the delicate microbial ecosystem that nurtures life on earth. In the face of unprecedented climate change, Venter and Duncan show how we can harness the microbial genome to develop alternative sources of energy, food, and medicine that might ultimately avert our destruction.

A captivating story of exploration and discovery, this book restores microbes to their rightful place as crucial partners in our evolutionary past and guides to our future.

Sales Points

- Pioneering science with huge general appeal - to sit alongside bestsellers such as *Otherlands* by Thomas Halliday (40k TCM) and *I Contain Multitudes* (18k TCM) by Ed Yong.
- Timely publication: an interconnected web of life is becoming ever more apparent in an age of global warming and climate change. Micro-organisms collectively weigh almost seventy gigatons in terms of global bio-mass (35 times the gigatons of all the animals on Earth put together, including human beings, at two gigatons). Trillions of bacteria live in our bodies. Without them we would die, and so would all life on the planet.
- J. Craig Venter is regarded as one of the leading scientists of the 21st century for his numerous invaluable contributions to genomic research. The *Sorcerer II* expeditions have inspired other large-scale ocean explorations hunting for microbes, including the Tara Oceans project, associated with the European Molecular Biology Laboratory, based in Germany.
- J. Craig Venter is a big personality and his scientific explorations have been swashbuckling and ground-breaking - not how science usually operates. It's a page-turning read of an incredible expedition as well as a book that unlocks many revolutionary findings from the ocean microbiome - ones that could change the course of humanity's future.

Reviews

- 'Writing with award-winning science journalist Duncan, Venter presents a lively account of a groundbreaking exploration of the microbiome of the Earth's waters...Important and adventurous science on the high seas.' - *Kirkus Reviews*
- 'An epic travelogue, brimming with the excitement of discovery. With characteristic panache, Venter unveils the teeming array of bacteria, viruses, and eukaryotes that crowd our planet's oceans. His research will undoubtedly shape our understanding of the global ecosystem for decades to come.' - Siddhartha Mukherjee, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of, *The Emperor of All Maladies*
- 'An exhilarating account of how creative science is accomplished. Few would guess just how many microbes live with us and how much they contribute to human health, both directly in our bodies and by making sure the air we breathe supports life. I have always loved bacteria, but after reading this I have an enhanced appreciation of their value to life on this planet. I highly recommend it.' - Sir Richard J. Roberts, winner of the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine
- 'The Voyage of Sorcerer II combines panoramic linguistic imagery with trenchant scientific insights to provide the reader a virtual seat aboard the most important ship of discovery since Darwin's Beagle. Venter reveals to us why Earth should be called 'Water' and why the ocean's microscopic life is our deepest and most magical reservoir of genetic diversity. This page-turner gives each of us the thrill of seeing our planet's



largest universe through the brilliant, intrepid eyes of the scientist who has done more than anyone to unlock the secrets of life.' - Martine Rothblatt, founder and CEO, United Therapeutics

Author Biography

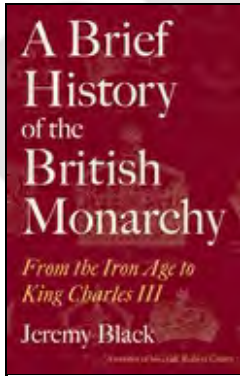
J. Craig Venter is founder, Chairman, and CEO of the J. Craig Venter Institute, a nonprofit research organization. He is cofounder of the biotechnology companies Celera, Synthetic Genomics, and Human Longevity. A member of the National Academy of Sciences, he has received numerous public honors and scientific awards, including the U.S. National Medal of Science.

David Ewing Duncan is an award-winning science journalist. A contributor to *Wired*, *Vanity Fair*, the *New York Times*, National Public Radio, ABC News, *The Atlantic*, and *National Geographic* and the bestselling author of eleven books published in twenty-one languages, he was founding director of the Center for Life Science Policy at the University of California, Berkeley.

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A Brief History of the British Monarchy From the Iron Age to King Charles III

Jeremy Black

Keynote

A concise complete history of British monarchy, from its pre-Roman origins to the legacy of Queen Elizabeth II.

Description

The British monarchy is at a turning point. Concise and engaging, this book charts the very beginnings of British reign through to the longest serving monarch, Queen Elizabeth II - and looks forward to the reign of King Charles III.

Much more than a linear history, this is the intertwined story of royalty and state, of divisions, invasions, rivalries, death and glory; the story of nation fates deeply tied with the personal endeavours of monarchs through the ages. Black expertly weaves together thematic chapters from the origins of monarchy, medieval times and sixteenth-century developments, to the crises of the seventeenth-century, settlement and imperialism, and the challenges of the modern age. Exploring the House of Wessex, the Norman Conquest, Henry VIII and the Tudors, Victorianism and key events such as abdication of Edward VIII, this book is a necessary and comprehensive guide to the British Monarchy and how it has shaped history - and our lives today.

Sales Points

- The British monarchy is a topic at the top of the news agenda. Following the death of Queen Elizabeth II, it is the end of an era - this book is the most up to date history of the monarchy.
- Jeremy Black is one of the UK's most respected historians and his latest title won fantastic endorsements: 'a tour de force... a master of his craft' - Robert Gildea.
- *Shortest History of England* (43.4k TCM) meets *Gimson's Kings and Queens* (17.9k TCM), an accessible yet comprehensive guide to the monarchy.

Reviews

- 'A master of his craft' - Robert Gildea, Professor of Modern History at the University of Oxford, *Robert Gildea*

Author Biography

Jeremy Black is a British historian, writer and former Professor of History at the University of Exeter. As the author of over 180 books, his work adds up to the most sustained presentation of British history in recent decades. He is a major exponent of military, diplomatic and cartographic history and has been important in helping the British to look at their past, as well as in representing British history to foreign audiences. He is a senior fellow at the Center for the Study of America and the West at the Foreign Policy Research Institute in Philadelphia, US.

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The Bone Hunters

An exquisite new novel of ambition, obsession and betrayal from the author of *The Hemlock Cure*

Joanne Burn

Keynote

The Essex Serpent meets *Ammonite* in this compulsive tale of ambition, obsession and one woman's struggle for acceptance

Description

THE ESSEX SERPENT MEETS AMMONITE IN THE STUNNING HISTORICAL NOVEL EVERYBODY IS TALKING ABOUT:

'Singular and astonishing . . . I've never met a character quite like Ada' **ANNIE GARTHWAITE**

'*The Bone Hunters* has cemented Joanne Burn's place as one of my favourite writers' **SONIA VELTON**

Joanne Burn is fast becoming my go-to historical fiction writer' **EMMA CARROLL**

'*The Bone Hunters* is that rare combination . . . beautifully written but also a gripping page-turner' **LAURA SHEPPERSON**

'An extraordinary book . . . I fell in love with Ada from the first page' **ELIZABETH LEE**

In 1824, Lyme Regis is as tumultuous as the sea that surrounds it. When twenty-four-year-old Ada Winters - poor, peculiar and brilliant - uncovers a set of unusual fossils on the cliffs, she believes she has found the answer to her scientific frustrations and her family's financial struggles.

Meanwhile, Doctor Edwin Moyle has come to Dorset in search of the discovery that will place him amongst the greatest geologists of the age. What he finds instead is a strange young woman who seems to hold the key to everything he desires.

But what *is* the creature that Ada and Edwin seek to unearth? And will it lead them to greatness, or destruction?

'Delicate and beautiful, I loved it' **POLLY CROSBY**

'A beautifully written tale of obsession, friendship, betrayal, ambition and love' **ROZ WATKINS**

'So beautifully and brilliantly written. Every word dripped with atmosphere' **CAROLE MATTHEWS**

Sales Points

- A deliciously dark tale from the acclaimed author of *THE HEMLOCK CURE* (**2500 HBs TCM**). Perfect for fans of *THE ESSEX SERPENT*, *REMARKABLE CREATURES* and Liz Hyder's *THE GIFTS* (4800 HBs TCM).
- With films like *DIG* and *AMMONITE* there has been a **resurgence of interest in eighteenth-century palaeontology mania** and, particularly, in the women excluded from its history. *THE BONE HUNTER* brings this period to life in a **thrilling, suspenseful tale that is expertly researched**.
- This **sumptuous, evocatively-packaged hardback** will be backed by a **full-scale marketing and publicity campaign**, with **POS and beautiful bound proofs available** on request.

Reviews

- *****PRAISE FOR JOANNE BURN*****

Vivid and poetic - JENNIFER SAINT, author of *ARIADNE*

• **'Exquisitely written'** - SONIA VELTON, author of *BLACKBERRY AND WILD ROSE*

• **'Page-turning'** - SUSAN STOKES-CHAPMAN, author of *PANDORA*

• **'Wholly original'** - SARAH BURTON, author of *THE ADVENTURES OF H*

Author Biography

Joanne Burn was born in Northampton in 1973, and now lives in the Peak District where she works as a writing coach. She is the author of two previous novels, *Petals and Stones* and *The Hemlock Cure*.

She can found on Instagram at @joanne.burn and at www.joanneburn.com



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www.littlebrown.co.uk**I See Buildings Fall Like Lightning****Keiran Goddard****Keynote**

A moving and lyrical novel about five friends whose lives are shaped by the brutality of a world that doesn't value them - and the very different choices they make

Description

<H3> Five friends. Five lives. Countless hopes. </H3>

Patrick, Shiv, Rian, Oli and Conor grew up together. They played together, skipped school together, and dreamt of everything they'd do with their lives.

Now they are thirty, and only Rian has made it out of the estate and moved away to another city, but his money doesn't stop him clinging to a vision of the past that is quickly slipping away. Oli is fading by the day, drinking and snorting his way through the endless boredom, while Conor has a baby on the way and a business plan he hopes will change everything. Patrick and Shiv are as in love as ever, but even they are rocked when an old secret opens up new wounds...

Bold, ambitious and stylistically striking, *I See Buildings Fall like Lightning* asks what happens when all the things we expect from our lives end up ... not happening. It lays bare the ways that place and circumstance shape us, explores the redeeming and transforming beauty of friendship and examines the true limits of hope and forgiveness.

Sales Points

- Featuring **five life-long friends whose larger-than-life characters and fierce love for each other makes them difficult to forget**
- For fans of *The End of Eddy* by **Edouard Louis**, *Shuggie Bain* by **Douglas Stuart**, *Mayflies* by **Andrew O'Hagan** and *Close to Home* by **Michael Magee**
- **Full of urgent issues and current talking points, including masculinity, addiction, violence, inequality and housing**
- Keiran Goddard's debut novel, *Hourglass*, was **praised by writers ranging from Max Porter to Lena Dunham**, selected by **Ali Smith** as one of three standout debut novels for her debut fiction event in Cambridge, and **longlisted for the Desmond Elliott prize**

Reviews

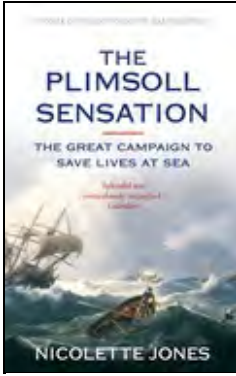
- **'Shows us how to love one another and hold on to what matters most'** - Tice Cin, author of *Keeping the House*
- **'A virtuosic and devastating exploration of the relationships that bind us, and the places that always call us back.** Tender and fierce in turn, Goddard writes about class and friendship with the deftest of touches.' - Sophie Mackintosh, author of *The Water Cure*
- 'One of the most beautiful novels I've read in a very long time, full of rare elegance, sorrow, wit and warmth, *I See Buildings Fall Like Lightning* tells the story of **what's left when dreaming feels impossible**' - Ali Millar, author of *The Last Days*
- **'Keiran Goddard can make you laugh and weep in the same paragraph.** This is such a humane, beautiful novel about being from a place you can neither leave nor stay in' - Heather Parry, author of *Orpheus Builds a Girl*
- **'This heartfelt, gut-wrenching novel confirms Goddard as one of the best writers of our time'** - Lucia Osborne-Crowley, author of *My Body Keeps Your Secrets*
- 'I found these characters and landscapes **so achingly real, relatable and deftly, compassionately drawn. Keiran Goddard's is a mind-blowing talent, his writing so beautiful.** I can't wait to read everything he ever publishes.' - Lauren Brown, author of *Hands*

Author Biography

Keiran Goddard grew up in Shard End, Birmingham in a working-class family. He is the author of one poetry pamphlet, two full-length poetry collections and the novel *Hourglass*. His debut collection was shortlisted for the Melita Hume Prize, he was the runner up in the William Blake Prize and *Hourglass* was longlisted for the Desmond Elliott prize. He speaks internationally on issues related to social change and currently produces research on workers' rights, the future of work, automation and trade unionism.

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The Plimsoll Sensation The Great Campaign to Save Lives at Sea Nicolette Jones

Keynote

The story of a Victorian philanthropist who reformed shipping laws, saved thousands of sailors' lives and became a national hero.

Description

The story of a Victorian philanthropist who reformed shipping laws, saved thousands of sailors' lives and became a national hero

'A story of ambition, treachery, libel, political intrigue and cold-blooded murder on a mass scale' *Herald*

'Nicolette Jones charts Plimsoll's course with skill, insight and elegance' *Sunday Telegraph*

'Splendid and meticulously researched' *Guardian*

In the second half of the nineteenth century, an astonishing campaign stirred a nation to save the lives of the hundreds of British sailors who were drowning unnecessarily every year. Overladen and ill-repaired ships set sail, their doomed crews sacrificed while mercenary shipowners profited from the insurance. Samuel Plimsoll blew the whistle on these scandalous practices, devoting his life to a campaign for maritime reform. Plimsoll caught the public imagination: under his banner working men and women stood side by side with enlightened aristocrats and industrialists, their clamour almost toppling a prime minister.

Sales Points

- Winner of the MOUNTBATTEN MARITIME PRIZE
- A popular history of the fight for humanitarian reform in an era when profit meant everything
- Reissued with a new preface by the author to celebrate the bicentenary of Plimsoll's birth in 2024 and make relevant for a contemporary audience
- Rights sold to a production company to make a documentary based on the book

Awards

Winner of the 2006 Mountbatten Maritime Award

Reviews

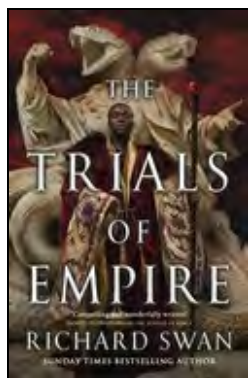
- **'Splendid and meticulously researched'** - *Guardian*
- **'A story of ambition, treachery, libel, political intrigue and cold-blooded murder on a mass scale... told in an engaging, witty, racy style'** - *Herald*
- **'Excellent... Nicolette Jones charts Plimsoll's course with skill, insight and elegance'** - *Sunday Telegraph*
- **'Jones clearly loves her subject... Her set-pieces mix sensitively and narrative gusto. Dickens would have delighted in this story'** - *Jonathan Keates*

Author Biography

Educated at Oxford and Yale, Nicolette Jones is a journalist who has freelanced for the arts pages of all the British broadsheets and writes a column for The Bookseller. She regularly chairs book festivals and appears on radio and TV. She was one of the judges for the 2003 Orange Prize.

Advertising & Promotions

- * Author PR activity to include media interviews and ongoing events
- * Review coverage
- * Submitted for trade promotions
- * Reading copies available



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The Trials of Empire

Richard Swan

Keynote

The Trials of Empire is the blockbuster third and final novel in Richard Swan's bestselling Empire of the Wolf series, where action, intrigue and magic collide in unforgettable fashion

Description

***The Trials of Empire* is the epic conclusion to the bestselling Empire of the Wolf series, where Sir Konrad Vonvalt - the most powerful and feared of the Emperor's Justices - must finally face the dark powers that seek to destroy the Empire.**

THE TIME OF JUDGEMENT IS AT HAND

The Empire of the Wolf is on its knees, but there's life in the great beast yet.

To save it, Sir Konrad Vonvalt and Helena must look beyond its borders for allies - to the wolfmen of the southern plains, and the pagan clans in the north. But old grievances run deep, and both factions would benefit from the fall of Sova.

Even these allies might not be enough. Their enemy, the zealot Bartholomew Claver, wields infernal powers bestowed on him by a mysterious demonic patron. If Vonvalt and Helena are to stand against him, they will need friends on both sides of the mortal plane - but such allegiances carry a heavy price.

As the battlelines are drawn in both Sova and the afterlife, the final reckoning draws close. Here, at the beating heart of the Empire, the two-headed wolf will be reborn in a blaze of justice . . . or crushed beneath the shadow of tyranny.

Praise for the Empire of the Wolf series

'A stunning piece of modern fantasy writing' RJ Barker

'Utterly compelling, thoroughly engrossing and written with such skilful assurance I could barely put it down' Nicholas Eames

'A fantastic debut' Peter McLean

'Equal parts heroic fantasy and murder mystery . . . Richard Swan's sophisticated take on the fantasy genre will leave readers hungry for more' Sebastien de Castell

'Great characters, compelling and wonderfully written. A brilliant debut and fantastic start to the series' James Islington

'Totally addictive' *Novel Notions*

'A brilliant book, with intrigue, excellent character arcs, a brutal magic system and a story I just could not put down' *Grimdark Magazine*

'An absorbing fantasy murder mystery . . . I have been thoroughly hooked by this series and cannot wait for the next helping of political upheaval' Fantasy Book Critic

'Fantasy, mystery, drama, intrigue, action - *The Justice of Kings* has it all' Bibliosanctum

'One of those utterly compelling and believable books that begs to be read in one sitting. This is going to be one of the standouts of the year' British Fantasy Society

'Swan's debut is a thrilling epic fantasy with a murder mystery and supernatural twist that will delight fans of Sherlock Holmes. It certainly delighted me' Fantasy Hive

'Swan has built a dark and gritty world, filled it with beautifully written characters and lays out a master-crafted story to create an incredible book that you can't put down' FanFiAddict

Sales Points

- **A Sunday Times bestselling series!** *The Justice of Kings* debuted at No. 5 on the Sunday Times hardback chart in its first week on sale
- **An unforgettable hero destined to become a fantasy icon** - Sir Konrad Vonvalt is detective, judge and executioner rolled into one: think Geralt of Rivia meets Matthew

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Shardlake! As well as being a skilled swordsman, he also has the supernatural ability to speak to the dead

- **Huge commercial appeal** - this is fantasy at its very best, full of action, intrigue and magic, and is perfect for fans of *The Witcher* and major fantasy authors such as Brandon Sanderson, John Gwynne and Anthony Ryan
- **TV rights have already been optioned**, reflecting early excitement for this new trilogy
- **An Orbit international publication:** coordinated publication schedules and marketing activity on both sides of the Atlantic for maximum impact and sales momentum

Reviews

- 'A stunning piece of modern fantasy writing' - RJ Barker on THE JUSTICE OF KINGS
- 'Totally addictive. A truly riveting tale about law, war, morality and justice' - NOVEL NOTIONS on THE JUSTICE OF KINGS
- 'Swan has built a dark and gritty world, filled it with beautifully written characters and lays out a master-crafted story to create an incredible book that you can't put down' - FANFIADDICT on THE JUSTICE OF KINGS
- 'A gripping tragedy of empire infused with gothic horror' - Fantasy Book Critic on THE TYRANNY OF FAITH

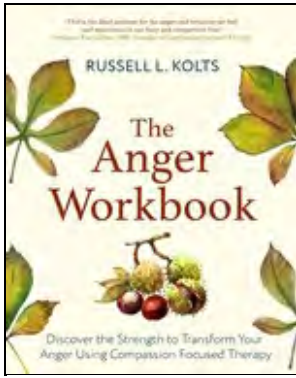
Author Biography

Richard Swan was born in North Yorkshire and spent most of his early life on Royal Air Force bases. After studying law at the University of Manchester, Richard was Called to the Bar in 2011.

When he is not working, Richard can be found in Sydney with his wonderful wife Sophie, where they attempt to raise, with mixed results, their two very loud sons.

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The Anger Workbook Discover the Strength to Transform Your Anger Using Compassion Focused Therapy

Russell Kolts

Keynote

Learn how to control your anger and stop letting it control you

Description

Anger is one of the most difficult emotions for human beings to cope with. If our anger is unmanaged, we can end up behaving in destructive ways towards both ourselves and other people, and can face relationship difficulties and negative health consequences.

Far from 'letting ourselves off the hook', recent research has shown that by developing compassion towards ourselves and others and compassionately understanding our anger and the factors that fuel it, we can connect with the courage and skills needed to change our behaviour. This fascinating and practical self-help guide will give you a number of powerful techniques for tackling your anger head on and taking control of it, rather than letting it control you.

USING THIS WORKBOOK, READERS WILL LEARN ABOUT:

- The factors that trigger and fuel our anger, how it works and how to change the anger response
- Specific skills to manage anger and improve relationships

Filled with interactive exercises and practical skills, *The Anger Workbook* will guide you in your journey to transform your anger into inner strength.

THE COMPASSIONATE MIND APPROACH

The self-help books in this series are based on compassion focused therapy (CFT, developed by series editor Paul Gilbert). This brings together an understanding of how our mind can cause us difficulties but also provides us with a powerful solution in the shape of mindfulness and compassion. It teaches ways to stimulate the part of the brain connected with kindness, warmth, compassion and safeness, and to calm the part that makes us feel, anxious, angry, sad or depressed.

Sales Points

- A thoroughly revamped and revised edition of the existing *The Compassionate Mind Approach to Managing Your Anger* with more emphasis on your own personal experience of anger and tailoring your response to it accordingly.
- For anyone affected by excessive anger and irritability. Almost a third of people say they have a close friend or family member who has trouble controlling their anger. More than 10% say that they have trouble controlling their own anger. 28% say that they worry about how angry they sometimes feel. One in five of people say that they have ended a relationship or friendship with someone because of how they behaved when they were angry. 65% of office workers have experienced office rage, and 45% of staff regularly lose their temper at work. Prevalence rates for diagnosed anger disorder (characterised by explosive rage) are at c.8% but this Workbook will apply not just to that specific population, but to anyone who feels excessively angry or irritable.

Reviews

- 'This is the ideal antidote for the anger and irritation we feel and experience in our busy and competitive lives' - Professor Paul Gilbert OBE, Founder of Compassion Focused Therapy

Author Biography

Russell Kolts is a licensed clinical psychologist and professor at Eastern Washington University, USA. He has many years' experience in treating anger problems and has pioneered the use of CFT in working with anger, which he has applied in numerous settings.

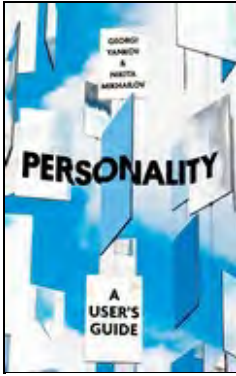
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Personality A User's Guide

Georgi Yankov and Nikita Mikhailov

Keynote

A fun and accessible user's guide to your personality, assessing all the evidence and competing theories.

Description

We are each born with a particular genetic makeup and traits that are further shaped by our individual environments and life experiences, creating a personality unique to us. But at no point are we given a manual for how to use that personality in our relationships or at work, for how to make sense of the facets that create our sense of self, or for how to troubleshoot our personality if there are things we are unhappy with.

Personality: A User's Guide is that missing manual. An authoritative and comprehensive guide to personality psychology, this book outlines the different building blocks of our personality, presents the many theories and models that have been argued over the years, and helps you identify where you stand on the spectrum of key traits that define us.

Using this knowledge about yourself, the book also suggests ways you can better empathise with those around you who may have very different approaches to the world, and how we can all leverage our different strengths. The authors also consider the constantly developing nature of the self, and ways we can turn that to our advantage and make changes for greater success and wellbeing.

Finally, the book looks at some specific questions: Can our pets be said to have their own personalities? What happens when the 'dark triad' of negative traits are dominant? And is there a future in store where we can say that an AI has a genuine personality?

Sales Points

- Intended to be a hit with rights sales, as the information will be thorough, user-friendly and easy to translate internationally.
- Intended for a general audience with an interest in self-awareness and improvement; possibly also HR practitioners, behaviour coaches and psychologists, professional managers and leaders.

Reviews

- 'The best introduction to personality psychology I have ever read. It is logically organised, very well-written, and scholarly without being pedantic. Best of all, it has a clear focus: it is intended to show readers how they can use data-based personality psychology to make sense out of themselves and their friends and family, and to use that information to improve their lives and their performance' - Robert Hogan, founder and president, Hogan Assessment Systems
- 'At last: a fun book on personality that is serious about its science. Absolute must-read for anyone interested in discovering the fascinating psychology of why people do what they do, as well as understanding who we are deep down' - Dr Tomas Chamorro-Premuzic, psychologist, author and chief innovation officer, Manpower Group

Author Biography

Georgi Yankov, PhD, is a senior research scientist at Development Dimensions International (DDI), where he develops traditional tests and innovative simulations scored with machine learning algorithms. His expertise and publications are in the fields of computational psychometrics, machine learning and personality assessment. Georgi has previously worked at Hogan Assessment Systems in the USA and Giunti Psychometrics in Europe, as well as consulted multiple assessment start-ups on how to build and validate their tools. Georgi holds a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Sofia University, Bulgaria, as well as an MSc from Baruch College, CUNY and a PhD from Bowling Green State University, both in industrial-organisational psychology.

Nikita Mikhailov is a London-based specialist in personality psychology. For over a decade, Nikita has worked in the field of psychometrics, helping develop assessments, qualifying people to use them and also applying the assessments for individuals, couples and teams to increase awareness and understanding of individual differences. His clients have included Fortune 500 companies in the areas of finance and banking as well companies in the transport, construction, FMCG, aerospace, pharmaceutical and tech startup industries. His mission is to share the goodness of psychology with a wider audience, be it through workshops, podcasts, writing or stand-up comedy.

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Studies "just like Malory Towers for grown-ups"

Jenny Colgan

Keynote

Lose yourself in the magical world of a beautiful Cornish boarding school in this brand new installment of the delightful series by the *Sunday Times* bestseller author

Description

'MALORY TOWERS FOR GROWN-UPS' SOPHIE KINSELLA

Jenny Colgan returns with all her signature charm in this fourth installment of her Maggie Adair series. The Little School by the Sea is a magical place of friendship, striving, excitement and plenty of mischief.

Maggie Adair, the passionate, devoted English teacher at Downey House, is about to ride off into the sunset with her new love when tragedy strikes. Pulled from their happy-ever-after, she and David must put their budding romance aside until they return for a new term, unsure where they now stand.

A fresh new year at Downey House comes with more drama from the students - with Fliss and Alice at odds after a summer apart, and Simone trying to nurture her new relationship while dealing with exam stresses, the new term is shaping up to be a challenge for all...

'A BRILLIANT BOARDING SCHOOL BOOK, STUFFED FULL OF UNFORGETTABLE CHARACTERS AND THRILLING ADVENTURES' LISA JEWELL

Sales Points

- Jenny Colgan is a consistent *Sunday Times* bestseller: her last ten titles have featured in the *Sunday Times* Top Ten
- We have sold **3.5 million** copies of Jenny's books across all formats to date and over **5 million copies worldwide**
- The Maggie Adair series has sold more than **92K copies across formats**
- The **perfect nostalgic, escapist treat** for anyone who grew up reading Chalet Girls or Mallory Towers novels

Reviews

- 'It's **drama ahoy** at this posh boarding school and it's not just the pupils who are up to no good. The teachers are at it, too' - *Heat*
- 'With plenty of **humour and childhood escapades** to counterbalance the angst, *Rules* is **escapist, amusing, and top of the class**' - *News of the World*

Author Biography

Jenny Colgan is the author of numerous *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling novels and has won various awards for her writing, including the Melissa Nathan Award for Comedy Romance, the RNA Romantic Novel of the Year Award and the RNA Romantic Comedy Novel of the Year Award. Her books have sold more than nine million copies worldwide and in 2015 she was inducted into the Love Stories Hall of Fame. Jenny is married with three children and lives in Scotland.

For more about Jenny, visit her website and her Facebook page, or follow her on Twitter and Instagram.

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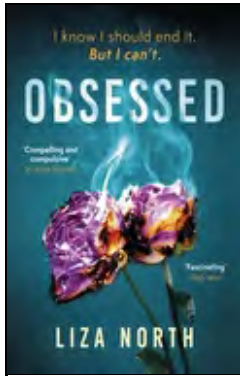
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Obsessed

A totally gripping psychological thriller with a shocking twist

Liza North

Keynote

A stunning debut psychological thriller about desire, infatuation and the far-reaching consequences of betrayal. Perfect for fans of BLOOD ORANGE by Harriet Tyce and ANATOMY OF A SCANDAL by Sarah Vaughan.

Description

Laura has a husband, children, a home in a city she loves. She thinks she can be happy, despite her past.

If they only knew my secret.

Until someone walks back into her life who she knows will shatter everything. Alexis was her first love. A love so exhilarating, it is impossible to resist.

I know I should end it. But I can't.

Then Alexis is found dead, and the police are knocking at Laura's door. They're asking her questions and she's telling them lies.

I didn't kill him. I promise.

Someone wants Laura to pay for what she's been running from. Someone with an obsession that they can't let go.

Sales Points

- A sophisticated, superbly written thriller with a juicy commercial hook. Set between present-day Edinburgh and a secondary school in the 1990s, this is a story of 'first love', infatuation and obsession. A deliciously dark, brilliantly executed page-turner, with shades of erotic thrillers like FATAL ATTRACTION and BASIC INSTINCT.
- This is perfect for fans of BLOOD ORANGE by Harriet Tyce (162k PB TCM), ANATOMY OF A SCANDAL by Sarah Vaughan (115k PB TCM) and TRULY DARKLY DEEPLY by Victoria Selman (9k PB TCM).
- Set in beautiful, evocative Edinburgh, where the author lives. The perfect setting for love, or murder.

Reviews

- 'Deftly told . . . the author is particularly good at creating just enough doubt and suspicion to keep the plot interesting . . . **An accomplished debut and a fascinating study of the dangerous power of obsessive attraction**' - *Daily Mail*
- '**Will have you turning pages long into the night**' - *Scots Magazine*
- '**An impressive debut . . . Wonderfully constructed, this is at once a brilliant murder story, with enough spins of uncertainty to satisfy whilst remaining all-too-credible, and also a richly-perceptive account of female needs for connection, affection, love and sex**' - *The Critic*
- '**Compelling and compulsive. A perfectly crafted 'just one more chapter' read. I loved it!**' - Victoria Selman, Sunday Times bestselling author of TRULY DARKLY DEEPLY

Author Biography

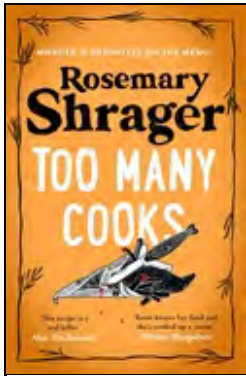
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Too Many Cooks

Prudence Bulstrode 3

Rosemary Shrager

Keynote

Traditional crime in the spirit of Agatha Christie, Dorothy L Sawyers and M C Beaton written by TV celebrity chef Rosemary Shrager

Description

Prudence Bulstrode has fond memories of St Marianne's School for Girls, the beautiful Cornish school where she boarded as a girl. It was at St Marianne's that Prudence first learned the joy of cooking, from her dear old Home Economics teacher, Mrs Agatha Jubber. So when she's invited back to the school, to lead an Easter holidays course in the fundamentals of cookery, Prudence couldn't be more delighted. What's more, it's a chance to show her grand-daughter Suki the way school used to be in the good old days. But no sooner has Prudence arrived at St Marianne's, a gruesome discovery is made. The builders excavating the old hockey pitch to construct the new dormitories have unearthed human bones - bones dating from Prudence's own time at St Marianne's. Soon, Prudence recalls the story of the vanishing schoolmaster, Mr Hubbard, and the rumours that spread like wildfire one summer about his illicit affair with Agatha Jubber. So begins Prudence's very first cold case . . .

Sales Points

- Author is a national treasure
- Comparable title to bestsellers Richard Osman and M C Beaton - the growing cosy crime trend.
- Rosemary very comfortable with interviews etc, and her celebrity status should help with festival entry and press interviews.
- Ghostwriter, Robert Dinsdale, is a critically acclaimed, bestselling author, whose latest book *The Toymakers* was published by PRH in 2018.

Author Biography

National treasure **Rosemary Shrager** endeared herself to the nation when she took part in *I'm a Celebrity, Get Me Out of Here!* where she proved she could cook just about anything, anywhere. Her most recent tv appearances have been equally well received - Netflix's *Best Leftovers Ever!*, *Cooking with the Stars*, where Rosemary mentored Johnny Vegas throughout the series, and *Fishing Scotland's Lochs and Rivers* for Channel 5.

First and foremost Rosemary is a talented and versatile chef who loves talking about food almost as much as she loves cooking. During lockdown she began her own online demonstrations on Facebook and YouTube, and she has now begun her own virtual cookery school, details for which are on www.rosemaryshrager.com.

When not teaching and cooking, Rosemary avidly reads and watches crime fiction, so much so that she wondered whether she had it in her to write a book in which crime and cookery collide... and *The Last Supper* is the winning result, introducing Rosemary to a new crime readership who in turn will be treated to several more outings with retired celebrity chef Prudence Bulstrode over the coming years.

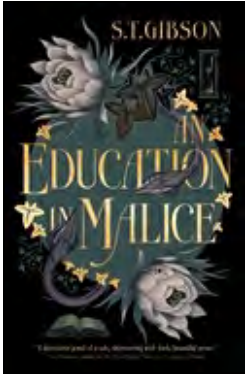
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An Education in Malice

the sizzling and addictive dark academia romance everyone is talking about!

S.T. Gibson

Keynote

Sumptuous and addictive, *An Education in Malice* is a dark academia tale of blood, secrets and insatiable hungers from S.T. Gibson, author of the cult hit *A Dowry of Blood*.

Description

'A delectable jewel of a tale, shimmering with dark, beautiful prose' Tori Bovalino, author of *The Devil Makes Three*, on *A Dowry of Blood*

Love is sacrifice. One of us was always going to bleed for the other.

Deep in the forgotten hills of Massachusetts stands Saint Perpetua's College. Isolated and ancient, it is not a place for timid girls. Here, secrets are currency, ambition is lifeblood, and strange ceremonies welcome students into the fold.

On her first day of class, Laura Sheridan is thrust into an intense academic rivalry with the beautiful and enigmatic Carmilla. Together, they are drawn into the confidence of their demanding poetry professor, De Lafontaine, who holds her own dark obsession with Carmilla.

But as their rivalry blossoms into something far more delicious, Laura must confront her own strange hungers. Tangled in a sinister game of politics, bloodthirsty professors and sinister magic, Laura and Carmilla must decide how much they are willing to sacrifice in their ruthless pursuit of knowledge.

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Praise for *A Dowry of Blood*:

'Stunningly gorgeous and devastatingly romantic, you won't want to miss this one!' Katee Robert, author of *Neon Gods*

'A thrilling and seductive Gothic rife with spine-tingling tension and dark romance. *A Dowry of Blood* left me breathless' Alexis Henderson, author of *The Year of the Witching*

'Dark, lush and heartrendingly romantic' Lyndall Clipstone, author of *Lakesedge*

'*A Dowry of Blood* is an intoxicating perfume that lingers - an undying love story where beauty and horror clasp hands' Rachel Gillig, author of *One Dark Window*

'A powerful tale of possession and liberation. This is a Dracula retelling unlike any other - undeniable and unforgettable' Rose Szabo, author of *What Big Teeth*

'A dizzying nightmare of a romance that will leave you aching, angry and ultimately hopeful' Hannah Whitten, author of *For the Wolf*

'Atmospheric and lush. . . it will haunt you in the best possible way' Genevieve Gornichec, author of *The Witch's Heart*

'A dark seductive tale. . . intermingling love, pain, fear and anger in mesmerizing prose' *Publishers Weekly*

'Seductive, lyrical and rich with period detail . . . a dark triumph' Mary McMyne, author of *The Book of Gothel*

'Mesmerizing prose. Thorny, fast-paced and unabashedly queer' *Publishers Weekly*

Sales Points

• CULT PHENOMENON:

Shortlisted for Goodreads Choice Awards, shortlisted for British Fantasy Society award for Best Horror,

- **A major debut hardback release** for Orbit globally, with coordinated publicity and marketing campaigns in both the UK and USA

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- **DARK ACADEMIA'S GROWING POPULARITY:** readers are devouring dark academia books like BABEL, NINTH HOUSE and the ATLAS SIX and we're positive they'll soon be fans of this. It's the perfect blend of dark academia and sapphic romance.
- **An edgy, dark, utterly addictive read with BIG breakout potential:** the darker themes of manipulation and control within this book also give it the same edgy feel that made books like FIFTY SHADES OF GREY and IT ENDS WITH US huge.
- **A self-published cult hit:** Since its indie publication in January 2021 (Nyx Publishing), the novel has already gained a cult following. The TikTok hashtags #adowryofblood and #dowryofblood have amassed over 250,000 views.

Reviews

- 'Stunningly gorgeous and devastatingly romantic, you won't want to miss this one!' - Katee Robert, author of NEON GODS
- 'A powerful take of possession and liberation. This is a *Dracula* retelling unlike any other - undeniable and unforgettable' - Rose Szabo, author of WHAT BIG TEETH
- 'Atmospheric and lush. . . it will haunt you in the best possible way' - Genevieve Gornichec, author of THE WITCH'S HEART
- 'Dark, lush and heartrendingly romantic' - Lyndall Clipstone, author of LAKESEDGE

Author Biography

S.T. Gibson is an author, literary agent, and village wise woman in training. She currently lives in Boston with her fiancé, spoiled Persian cat, and vintage blazer collection.

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Leopard's Hunt

Christine Feehan

Keynote

Animal attraction takes over in this exhilarating Leopard novel from No. 1 New York Times bestselling author Christine Feehan.

Description

<h3>'The queen of paranormal romance . . . I love everything she does' J. R. WARD</h3>

Discover a dizzying world of desire and an exotic, sensual race: the Leopard People.

Animal attraction takes over in this exhilarating Leopard novel from No. 1 New York Times bestselling author Christine Feehan.

Gorya Amurov might be known as his family's peacekeeper, but the leopard inside him wants nothing more than to claw to the surface and unleash hell. A harsh life has shaped him into a vicious fighter with a calm exterior, but Gorya knows it's only a matter of time until he loses all control. Deep down, he truly believes he'd be better off dead, and that no woman will ever accept him as a mate . . .

Maya Averina has spent years hunting the criminals who destroyed her life, and she always takes down her prey. She keeps to herself, stays under the radar, and never loses focus. But with her body burning up and her mind distracted by her first heat, an ambush takes her by surprise. Now she's trapped, an unmated female shifter about to be sold off to the highest bidder. Maya is ready to fight her way out - until the most dangerous, powerful man she's ever encountered arrives to set her free . . .

Praise for Christine Feehan:

'After Bram Stoker, Anne Rice and Joss Whedon, Christine Feehan is the person most credited with popularizing the neck gripper' *Time*

'Feehan has a knack for bringing vampiric Carpathians to vivid, virile life in her Dark Carpathian novels' *Publishers Weekly*

'The erotic, gripping series that's defined an entire genre! Must reading that always satisfies!' J.R. Ward

Sales Points

- Christine Feehan has created a dizzying world of desire and an exotic, sensual race - the Leopard People.
- Christine Feehan is one of the best known and loved authors in the realm of paranormal romance.
- Piatkus also publish her Dark .Carpathian, Drake Sisters, Sisters of the Heart and GhostWalker series

Author Biography

Christine Feehan is a No.1 New York Times and international bestselling author with 90 published novels to date, including seven series; Leopard Series, Dark Series, Ghostwalker Series, Drake Sisters Series, the Sisters of the Heart Series, Shadow Series and Torpedo Ink. Six of her series have hit the No.1 spot on the New York Times bestselling list as well.

She has been published in multiple languages and in many formats, including audio book, e-book, hardcover and large print. Her ground-breaking book trailer commercials have been shown on TV and in the movie theaters. She has been featured on local TV and appeared on The Montel Williams Show.

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The Chaos Agent

The superb, action-packed new Gray Man thriller

Mark Greaney

Keynote

The scintillating new novel in the *New York Times* #1 bestselling Gray Man series, as seen on Netflix.

Description

Artificial intelligence leads to shockingly real devastation in this new novel in the #1 *New York Times* bestselling Gray Man series.

A car accident in Japan.
A drowning in Seoul.
A home invasion in Boston.

Someone is killing the world's leading experts on robotics and artificial intelligence. Is it a tech company trying to eliminate the competition or something even more sinister? After all, AI may be the deadliest battlefield gamechanger since the creation of gunpowder.

Meanwhile, the quest for a quiet life has led the Gray Man to Central America, where he and his lover Zoya Zakharova have assumed new identities. Eventually, they're tracked down and offered a job by an old acquaintance of Zoya's: to extract a Russian scientist who is on the kill list. They reject it, but just being seen with him is enough to put assassins on their trail.

Now, they're back on the run, but no matter which way they turn, whoever's tracking them is always one step ahead. Since flight's no longer possible, fight is the only option left, and no one fights dirtier than the Gray Man.

Sales Points

- The \$200 million Netflix film starring Ryan Gosling and Chris Evans was a #1 hit worldwide, with a sequel film and Netflix TV spin-off immediately announced.
- Little, Brown has sold more than half-a-million copies of the Gray Man series to date, making Mark Greaney one of the biggest new action thriller authors in the UK.
- For fans of Gregg Hurwitz (*The Last Orphan*, 5,939 C ABM), Simon Kernick (*Good Cop, Bad Cop*, 1,492 C ABM), Stephen Leather (*Still Standing*, 1,153 C ABM), and Don Bentley (*Tom Clancy Zero Hour*, 13,386 C ABM).
- Previously a number one *New York Times* bestseller with his acclaimed Tom Clancy novels, which made him beloved of action thriller readers worldwide; the Gray Man series is now a #1 *New York Times* bestseller in its own right.

Reviews

- 'I love the Gray Man' - *Lee Child*
- 'So propulsive, the murders so explosive, that flipping the pages feels like playing the ultimate video game' - *New York Times*
- 'Bourne for the new millennium' - *James Rollins*
- 'Intense, explosive, daring, funny, and ultimately just flat out awesome' - *Ben Coes*

Author Biography

Mark Greaney has a degree in international relations and political science. In his research for the Gray Man novels he travelled to more than fifteen countries and trained alongside military and law enforcement in the use of firearms, battlefield medicine, and close-range combative tactics. With Marine Lt Col Rip Rawlings, he wrote the *New York Times* bestseller *Red Metal*. He is also the author of *Armored* and of the *New York Times* bestsellers *Tom Clancy Support and Defend*, *Tom Clancy Full Force and Effect*, *Tom Clancy Commander in Chief*, and *Tom Clancy True Faith and Allegiance*. With Tom Clancy, he co-authored *Locked On*, *Threat Vector*, and *Command Authority*. The Netflix adaptation of *The Gray Man*, starring Ryan Gosling, Chris Evans, and Ana de Armas, was released in July, 2022.

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At First Spite

Olivia Dade

Keynote

A brand new romcom from the bestselling author of *Spoiler Alert*

Description

<H2>'One of the most romantic books I've ever read' ROSIE DANAN, bestselling author of *The Roommate***</H2>**

<H3> There's a fine line between love and hate . . . </H3>

When Athena's fiancé ends their engagement, she has no choice but to move into the Spite House she recklessly bought him as a wedding gift. Which is a real problem, for many reasons: the house is only ten feet wide. Her ex's home is literally attached to hers. And Dr. Matthew Vine the Freaking Third - the uptight, judgy jerk who convinced his younger brother to leave her - is living on her other side, only a four-foot alley away.

If she has to see Matthew every time she looks out her windows, she might as well have a little fun with the situation. By, say, playing erotic audiobooks at top volume with those windows open. Unfortunately, loathing Matthew proves more difficult than anticipated. He helps her move. He listens. And he's kind of hot . . . ?

Matthew may not regret breaking up his brother's engagement, but he does regret what it's done to Athena. And now he'll help her however he can. If that means enduring nightly steamy story hours, so be it. And if that means watching Athena through their windows a bit too often and caring about her a bit too much. . . . well, nothing can come of it. She'll never forgive him. Even if she did, how could he ever tell his younger brother that he wants the very same woman he pushed him to leave?

Why fans love Olivia Dade **⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐!**

'Charming, witty, and heartfelt' KYLIE SCOTT

'Olivia Dade never fails to make me laugh, blush, and feel like I'm being wrapped in a warm blanket. Cannot recommend enough!' KATEE ROBERT

Reviews

- 'Olivia Dade shows once again why she's a favourite. Charming, witty, and heartfelt, *At First Spite* is not to be missed!' - *Kylie Scott, New York Times bestselling author*
- 'At First Spite is one of the most romantic books I've ever read. True love exists on these pages in the form of beautiful, gentle care when it's needed most. Breathhtakingly poignant. Warmly funny. With its delicious pastries, erotica book club, used bookstore complete with emotional support chicken, and surplus of kind, sexy residents, Harlot's Bay is my dream town. Olivia Dade gives us another remarkable, essential addition to the modern romance canon. A slow burn that delivers in spades' - *Rosie Danan, author of The Roommate*
- 'Olivia Dade never fails to make me laugh, blush, and feel like I'm being wrapped in a warm blanket. Cannot recommend enough!' - *Katee Robert, New York Times bestselling author*

Author Biography

Olivia Dade grew up an undeniable nerd, prone to ignoring the world around her as she read any book she could find. Her favourites, though, were always, always romances. As an adult, she earned an M.A. in American history and worked in a variety of jobs that required the donning of actual pants: Colonial Williamsburg interpreter, high school teacher, academic tutor, and (of course) librarian. Now, however, she has finally achieved her lifelong goal of wearing pajamas all day as a hermit-like writer and enthusiastic hag. She currently lives outside Stockholm with her patient Swedish husband, their whip-smart daughter, and the family's ever-burgeoning collection of books.

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The Rejects An Alternative History of Popular Music

Jamie Collinson

Keynote

The Rejects takes an intimate, thoughtful look at people who've been kicked out of bands, what they experienced and what came afterwards.

Description

Imagine you've made it. You and your friends have hit the big time in music and you're going to be a star. But then, quite suddenly, it's over. Your best friends don't want you anymore, and you're on the outside. Perhaps they're tired of your bad habits, they think you're not good enough, or they sense you just don't want it as much as they do. Whatever the cause, you're a reject. So, what do you do next?

Featuring a player rejected by both Nirvana and Soundgarden who became a decorated special forces soldier, Britpoppers who spiralled into addiction before becoming novelists and missionaries, the terrifying story of Guns N' Roses' first drummer, super-rejecting band leaders, self-destructing rappers, troubled hard rock bassists and girl-band burnouts, *The Rejects* takes an intimate, thoughtful look at people who've been kicked out of bands, what they experienced and what came afterwards.

Coming from a writer with twenty years' music industry experience, *The Rejects* is a sympathetic study of some of music's most fascinating characters, and what happens when the dream comes crashing to an end. The result is a compelling alternative history of popular music.

Sales Points

- With over twenty years' experience in the music industry, attracted - and deeply sympathetic - to the many mercurial characters he's worked with along the way, Jamie Collinson is incredibly well-placed to write this book.
- The author is well-connected, having written for the Guardian Online, Spectator, Caught by the River and many other music magazines.
- This book offers something new to the market - uncovering fascinating lesser-known stories with an insider's take.

Author Biography

Jamie Collinson has worked in the music business for over twenty years, primarily for two iconic independent record labels; Ninja Tune and Domino. Having worked with Arctic Monkeys, My Bloody Valentine, Franz Ferdinand, Wiley, Wet Leg and Roots Manuva, he's lived in London and Los Angeles, where he founded Ninja Tune's US HQ. He's been backstage at some of the world's most famous venues and festivals in the company of the artists he's worked with, navigated colourful characters, A & R'd albums and directed marketing campaigns to sell them. Along the way, he's seen success and failure, heartbreak, joy, addiction, violence, terrifying egoism and stunning generosity.

Throughout it all he's done a lot of writing, including journalism for the *Guardian*, *Spectator*, *Evening Standard* and many music magazines. He published a novel, *The Edge*, with Oneworld Publications in 2020.

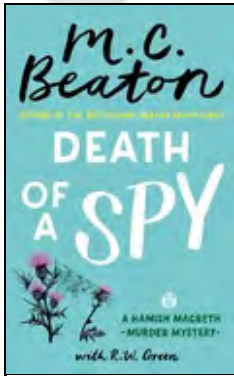
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Death of a Spy A Hamish Macbeth Mystery M C Beaton with R W Green (Edited By Krystyna Green)

Keynote

The latest Hamish Macbeth mystery!

Description

All Sergeant Hamish Macbeth ever wants is a quiet life in the tranquil surroundings of Lochdubh, his home village in the Scottish Highlands. Although the area he polices is vast, he's happiest when he's working alone, yet the police authorities insist he has an assistant. In the past, they have supplied a variety of problematic misfits, but they surpass themselves with their latest effort - an American named James Bland.

Having met Bland previously, when he was left in no doubt that the American led a life coloured by secrets and skulduggery, Hamish isn't surprised when he discovers the real motive behind Bland's police secondment involves him in helping track down a spy ring, some members of which have met grisly ends.

That investigation tears Hamish away from Lochdubh at a time when the village is suffering a disturbing spate of increasingly violent burglaries. The identity of the burglar, however, is a perplexing mystery. All of that blows Hamish's quiet life out the window and puts a serious strain on his relationship with female paramedic, Claire. Can Hamish cope with the murky world of espionage, seek out the spies before anyone else is murdered, capture the Lochdubh burglar before his nocturnal rampage runs out of control and rescue his sadly neglected love life?

Only time will tell...

Praise for the Hamish Macbeth series:

'This Hamish Macbeth novel maintains Beaton's distinctive voice and includes the usual village eccentrics, loads of Scottish lore, and the light humor that Beaton fans have loved through the years. . . A definite purchase for all mystery collections' *Starred Review, Library Journal*

'Unmissable!' *Peterborough Telegraph*

'First rate ... deft social comedy and wonderfully realized atmosphere.' *Booklist*

'It's always a treat to return to Lochdubh.' *New York Times*

'Readers will enjoy the quirks and unique qualities of the cast ... Beaton catches the beauty of the area's natural geography and succinctly describes its distinct flavour.' *Library Journal*

'Befuddled, earnest and utterly endearing, Hamish makes his triumphs sweetly satisfying.' *Publishers Weekly*

Sales Points

- THE LEGEND THAT IS M C BEATON - over 22 million of her books sold worldwide, she has been translated into 17 languages and UK and Commonwealth sales total 5 million
- BESTSELLING SERIES - The most recently published HB mysteries hit the NYT hardcover bestseller list
- AMAZING FANBASE - they are dedicated and loyal; 22,000 Facebook followers and 5,000 newsletter subscribers
- ALL ROUND POPULAR - M C Beaton is consistently the most borrowed adult author from the UK libraries
- THE BRAND CONTINUES - although M C Beaton passed away in 2020 the characters and series go on through her close friend and fellow author R W Green

Author Biography

M.C. Beaton (1936-2019) was the author of both the Agatha Raisin and Hamish Macbeth series, as well as numerous Regency romances. Her books have been translated into seventeen languages and have sold more than twenty-one million copies worldwide. She is consistently the most borrowed UK adult author in British libraries, and her Agatha Raisin books have been turned into a TV series on Sky.

R W Green was a fellow journalist and long-time friend of M C Beaton's, and has written many works of fiction and non-fiction. He lives in Surrey with his family and black Labrador Flynn.

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The Inner Tarot How to Use the Tarot for Healing and Illuminating the Wisdom Within

Kate Van Horn

Keynote

A unique guide to tarot that explores how the cards can be used as a fundamental tool for empowered healing and personal growth

Description

Tarot has an uncanny knack for illuminating what already exists in our energies, bodies, and intuitions. When harnessed, it can serve as a helpful tool for empowered healing. Like the 78 cards, the journey of self-inquiry and personal healing is cyclical. We come to understand ourselves in periods of adversity, reflect and celebrate in periods of light, and have opportunities to be curious and explore the liminal space between trial and error.

The Inner Tarot isn't just a book about how to read the cards, it's a guidebook for those ready to embark on a healing journey and who are seeking tools to help them foster their intuition and connect to their sense of purpose. Just like a deck of tarot cards, the book is divided into two parts. Part 1 is a primer, offering high-level information for readers on what tarot cards are, their history, how to read them with confidence, as well as reading as a ritual. Part 2 will guide the reader through individual card interpretations as well as thought-provoking, heart-opening exercises intended to facilitate healing and teach resilience. This book not only teaches the fundamentals of how to read the cards, but also how the cards can support readers in their healing. Readers will have a new approach to self-inquiry, find a new depth in their experience, pride for their personal story, and an empowered approach to their communication.

Sales Points

- **HOT TOPIC:** Tarot has picked up in the mainstream. Tags on TikTok rendered over 41 billion results and Instagram has over 18 million posts. Outlets like the Washington Post, Vogue and the Financial Times have all written about its resurgence, we're even seeing the occult motifs across the fashion industry. Yet there's still not many books like this one. We have a unique offering that hasn't been saturated yet.
- **MEDIA SAVVY:** Kate has a thriving social platform that's engaged with her work, as well as a dedicated community showing up for her personal instruction. She's been featured in MindBodyGreen, Prevention, Well + Good, Vogue, Yogi Approved, as well as hosted workshops with Liz Moody, Soul Led and The Almost30 crew.
- **CREDENTIALLED AUTHOR:** Kate holds a 500-hour Registered Yoga Teacher, a Level 1 and 2 Reiki practitioner, and holds a degree in Sociology and Family and Human Development.
- **EXTENSIVE BRAND PARTNERSHIPS AND CONNECTIONS:** Kate has partnered with numerous brands and has very close relationships - including Lululemon, Athleta, Tampax, SoulCycle, Free People, Hu Kitchen, Vital Proteins, Whole Foods and Madewell.

Author Biography

Kate Van Horn is an intuitive tarot reader, psychic, and healer. She is 500-hour Registered Yoga Teacher, a Level 1 and 2 Reiki practitioner, and holds a degree in sociology and family and human development. She's been featured in Well+Good, *Prevention*, mindbodygreen, and many more, as well as partnered with brands including Tampax, SoulCycle, Vital Proteins, and Athleta. Kate is the founder of the (in)ner Healing Community and its membership (in) a Healing Space. She lives in Washington.

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Author living in	New Zealand
Previous Titles	
	<i>The Italian Daughter</i> (2023)

The Cuban Daughter

Soraya Lane

Keynote

***The Cuban Daughter* is a romantic, heartbreaking novel about a young woman who travels to Havana in order to find love and uncover the truth behind a devastating family secret**

Description

Havana, 1950. As the beautiful daughter of one of the wealthiest families in Cuba, **Esmeralda** knows the importance of marrying well. But when her father takes her on a business trip to London, she falls in love with a young merchant named **Christopher**.

When Christopher visits her father's sugar farm, Esmeralda knows that they must keep their love affair hidden at all costs. Then the country falls into revolution and Esmeralda is faced with an impossible choice.

London, present day. **Claudia** is rebuilding her life. But when her mother asks for to trace her grandmother's history, her curiosity is piqued. Her only clue is the Diaz family crest, once one of the wealthiest dynasties in Cuba. Impulsively Claudia books a ticket to Havana, to uncover her family's true story.

Arriving in the vibrant city she meets **Mateo**, a chef who loves nothing more than to cook his family's recipes. As they grow closer, Mateo reveals that his grandfather once worked for the Diaz family. He, too, wants to uncover what happened.

But the Diaz family home is abandoned, as if preserved in time. Soon they uncover a heartbreaking story of a family who were forced to leave everything they had ever known. Will this story of sacrifice convince Claudia to leave behind her home and follow her heart to Cuba - and to Mateo?

An utterly gripping and heart-wrenching novel about family secrets, lost loves and new beginnings. Perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore, Lucinda Riley and Victoria Hislop.

Sales Points

- Perfect for fans of expansive, stirring romantic fiction, like The Seven Sisters series by Lucinda Riley (186k copies in New Zealand alone)
- The second novel in a sweeping eight-novel romance series that can be read as a standalone novel; each book is dual timeline, following the journey of a different strong female lead, and featuring an emotional, aspirational setting
- Soraya is an Amazon Charts and #1 Kindle bestselling author. To date, her books have sold close to 750,000 copies in the English language
- The series has sold in 12 territories so far, with many more deals to come. All of Soraya's European publishers will be made *The Italian Daughter* their highlight title for 2023 with strong marketing and publicity campaigns attached to publication
- The author is based in New Zealand and travels frequently to Australia for events

Author Biography

Soraya Lane is the author of historical and contemporary women's fiction, and her novel *Wives of War* was an Amazon Charts bestseller. Soraya lives in her native New Zealand.

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The Rumor Game

Thomas Mullen

Keynote

Following the awards recognition and critical praise for his unique series *Darktown*, Thomas Mullen once more reaches into 20th-century US history for a crime novel that reveals the soul of a nation.

Description

A determined reporter and a reluctant FBI agent face off against fascist elements in this gripping historical thriller set in World War II-era Boston from the multi-award-nominated author.

Reporter Anne Lemire writes the Rumor Clinic, a newspaper column that disproves the many harmful rumors floating around town, some of them spread by Axis spies and others just gossip mixed with fear and ignorance. Tired of chasing silly rumors, she wants to write about something bigger.

Special Agent Devon Mulvey, one of the few Catholics at the FBI, spends his weekdays preventing industrial sabotage and his Sundays spying on clerics with suspect loyalties - and he spends his evenings wooing the many lonely women whose husbands are off at war.

When Anne's story about Nazi propaganda intersects with Devon's investigation into the death of a factory worker, the two are led down a dangerous trail of espionage, organized crime, and domestic fascism - one that implicates their own tangled pasts and threatens to engulf the city in violence.

With vibrant historical atmosphere and a riveting mystery that illuminates still-timely issues about disinformation and power, Thomas Mullen delivers another powerful thriller.

Sales Points

- Mullen is a master at historical crime fiction, and this Boston-set story will appeal to fans of upmarket writers such as Dennis Lehane (*SINCE WE FELL*: Aus C 7,769 ABM), Don Winslow (*THE BORDER*: Aus C 3,341 ABM), SA Cosby (*RAZORBLADE TEARS*: Aus C 654 ABM) and the older WWII thrillers by Ken Follett
- Little, Brown UK has sold more than 50,000 copies of Mullen's *DARKTOWN* trilogy, also set during the 1940s
- Both the *DARKTOWN* series and most recent (near future-set) novel *THE BLIND SPOTS* have been optioned for film/TV
- The *DARKTOWN* trilogy was hugely acclaimed by authors including Stephen King, Ken Follett and Attica Locke, and was multi-award-nominated in the UK, including for the CWA Gold Dagger

Reviews

- 'Terrific entertainment' - *Stephen King (on Darktown)*
- 'It's rare to find a thriller with such a fantastic and original concept. I was gripped.' - *Anthony Horowitz (on The Blind Spots)*
- 'Superb' - *Ken Follett (on Darktown)*
- 'Magnificent and shocking' - *Sunday Times (on Darktown)*

Author Biography

Thomas Mullen is the internationally bestselling author of seven previous novels, including *Darktown*, which was shortlisted for the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize; *Lightning Men*, was named one of the Top Ten Crime Novels of the Year by *The New York Times*; and *Midnight Atlanta*. The latter two were shortlisted for CWA Dagger Awards. His debut, *The Last Town on Earth*, was awarded the James Fenimore Cooper Prize for excellence in historical fiction. He lives in Atlanta.

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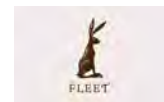
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Author born in	USA
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The Fetishist

'Incandescent, astonishing, a miracle' R. O. Kwon

Katherine Min

Keynote

A unique, compelling, and at times bitingly savage novel in the vein of SUCH A FUN AGE and MY SISTER, THE SERIAL KILLER.

Description

AN OPRAH DAILY MOST ANTICIPATED BOOK OF 2024

'Incandescent, astonishing, a miracle. I'm elated and deeply grateful this book exists' **R. O. Kwon**

'Katherine Min is a singular, wildly talented voice and this is a trailblazing novel' **Sharlene Teo**

'Fiercely intelligent, perfectly crafted, and brimming with wit' **Lisa Ko**

A provocative, hilariously savage, and poignant novel by acclaimed author Katherine Min, to be published posthumously, about a daughter's revenge on the man whom she believes drove her mother to her death . . . and nothing goes as planned.

The rain has made everything cold and damp, and it's the perfect evening for Kyoko to exact her revenge. After years of rage and grief over her mother's death, Kyoko has decided who is to blame: a man named Daniel, a fellow violinist who had wooed her mother, Emi, during their time together in an orchestra, and then dropped her - driving her to her death. Kyoko follows the unsuspecting Daniel home and manages to get her rash kidnapping plot off the ground . . . and really, what could go wrong?

The Fetishist is the story of three people - Kyoko, a young singer in a punk band who cannot find enough ways to channel her angry sorrow; Daniel, a seemingly hapless man who finally faces the wreckage of his past; and Alma, the love of Daniel's life, long adored for her beauty and talent, but who spends her final days examining if she was ever, truly, loved. It's a beautiful, piercing and timely story that confronts race, ideals of femininity, complicity and visibility. Written and completed before the celebrated author's death in 2019, it's startlingly relevant and prescient, as wise and powerful as it is utterly moving.

Sales Points

- The novel is being published in the US by Sally Kim at Putnam as their **lead title** of the season. They have a great track record with books in this area (SUCH A FUN AGE, THE IMMORTALISTS) so this will be an ambitious international publication.
- The novel has a brilliant hook, and we will be looking to make this an **inventive, creative campaign**. Katherine's writing bears out the promise of the pitch, bringing dark humour to some serious subjects like anti-Asian racism and objectification. It's reminiscent of KILLING EVE, but also a cultural critique full of dark humour.
- Katherine was an incredibly well-respected writer and we want to make the most of this support, both in the US and garnering new supporters here. **Cathy Park Hong has written an introduction** to the novel and her daughter has written an afterword to explain who her mother was. The media around the novel will be about Katherine's legacy, building **a compelling series of articles about Katherine's life, and how the book speaks to the current moment**.
- Katherine's daughter, Kayla, will be fronting the campaign, and we want to **make the most of the very human story** here. Kayla found her mother's manuscript in a drawer after her death, and combed the edits and working with publishers to see her mother's work gains the recognition it deserves.

Reviews

- 'THE FETISHIST is **lit from the very first page with a wicked, crackling, hilarious intensity**. The subject is provocative, the writing is flush with elegance and intelligence. I finished this book and immediately wanted to talk about it with someone. It's **a fire-starter of a novel!**' - Jami Attenberg
- 'THE FETISHIST is **so reverent and so unruly, so delicate and so explosive**, such a merge of chamber music with the mosh pit, **so devastatingly sad and devastatingly FUNNY and alive and generous with its abundance of life!** I mourn Katherine Min, and am grateful this fiery novel of hers insisted its way out of Katherine's laptop and into the world. Hats off to Kayla Min Andrews for clearing the path' - Susan Choi, author of Trust Exercise and American Woman
- '**Incandescent, astonishing, a miracle. I'm elated and deeply grateful this book exists!**' - R. O. Kwon, author of The Incendiaries
- '**Fiercely intelligent, perfectly crafted, and brimming with wit**, *The Fetishist* is a moving exploration of art, love, grief, and desire. Katherine Min's sentences will provoke you and wind their way around your heart' - Lisa Ko, author of THE LEAVERS

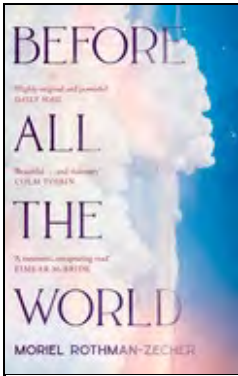
Author Biography



Katherine Min received an NEA grant, a Pushcart Prize, a Sherwood Anderson Foundation Fiction Award, two New Hampshire State Council on the Arts Fellowships, and a North Carolina Arts Council Artist Fellowship, and attended residencies at MacDowell, Yaddo, Jentel, Ucross, Hambidge, the Millay Colony, and Ledig House. Her acclaimed debut novel, *Secondhand World*, was a finalist for the PEN/Bingham Award in 2007. *The Fetishist* is her first posthumous publication.
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Before All The World

Moriel Rothman-Zecher

Keynote

What does it mean to remember the past while still imagining the future? A mesmerizing story of two Jewish refugees and a Black writer - three lost souls who meet in 1930s Philadelphia and together seize new life while haunted by the old.

Description

'A mesmeric, enrapturing read' *Eimear McBride*

'Beautiful and original' *Colm Tóibín*

'In startling language filled with the flavor of Yiddish's combination words, [*Before All the World*] moves forward and back and forward again in a dreamlike trance that acknowledges how the worst suffering exists side by side with the tender beauty of memory, friendship, words and the silences of recognition' **Ilana Masad, NPR**

'*Before All the World* is poetry as it should be: deliberate while feeling casual, a game with words that is at once playful and deadly serious (sometimes by turns, sometimes truly simultaneously) . . . It swallowed me up, and then all at once, a word or a phrase would reach me like a bolt of lightning, charring and electrifying me all through' **Jo Niederhoff, Seattle Book Review**

'Resembles something by Joyce or Samuel Beckett . . . A highly original and powerful tale told in defiance of the world's darkness' **Stephanie Cross, The Daily Mail**

'*Before All the World* leaves you breathless . . . [Rothman-Zecher] has found a way to teach us how to find out what is most important about ourselves by losing himself in this novel of ingenious daring imagination and allowing us to accompany him on his ride. It is a masterful accomplishment that remains with the reader long after finishing this brilliant work' **Elaine Margolin, Women in Judaism**

'An emotionally evocative exploration of the impossibility of escaping trauma, yet finding hope nevertheless when all seems destroyed' **Hannah Srouf-Zackon, The Canadian Jewish News**

'At its core, *Before All the World* considers one essential question: what does it mean to remember the past while still imagining the future? . . . Its most striking accomplishment is its invitation to the reader to become a part of the novel's chorus. What will you do, it asks, now that you've read this story?' **Adina Applebaum, Jewish Book Council**

'Original, daring, experimental, moving, poignant, engaging . . . With shades of Tony Kushner and Cynthia Ozick . . . *Before All the World* understands how our worlds are made by words, and in the altering of the latter we may as yet redeem the former' **Ed Simon, The Millions, 'Most Anticipated Books of 2022'**

'Rich and engrossing . . . A powerful story, brilliantly told' **Publishers Weekly, starred review**

'A one-of-a-kind creation' **Kirkus Reviews**

'ikh gleyb nit az di gantze velt iz kheyshekh'
'I do not believe that all the world is darkness'

In the swirl of Prohibition-era Philadelphia, Leyb meets Charles. They are at a former speakeasy called Cricket's, a bar that welcomes, as Charles says in his secondhand Yiddish, *feygeles*. Leyb is startled to hear his native tongue spoken by this beautiful Black man from the Seventh Ward whose life he will come to share.

Leyb is haunted by memories from before he came to America, growing up in the shtetl of Zatzelsk, where one day every last person - except the ten non-Jews, a young poet named Gittl, and he himself - was taken to the forest and killed.

Flowing with a surge of language and synchrony, Gittl and Leyb are reunited - surrounded by the murmur of angelic voices - and together with Charles they each grapple with how to face, and sieze, whatever future lies ahead.

Carried along by questions of survival and hope, *Before All the World* lays bare the impossibility of escaping trauma, the necessity of believing in a better way, and the power that comes from our responsibility to the future. It asks, in the voices of its angels, the most essential question: What do you intend to do before all the world?

Sales Points

- Passionate quotes from Colim Toibin, Eimear McBride, Justin Torres
- Unique selling point. The anti-Jewish pogroms in the period after the end of the first world war are not much known about - this book tells a story that not many have before.
- Will publish for Jewish Book Week to help promotion.

Reviews

- **"Evocative, inventive, vivid and strange *Before All the World* is a mesmeric, enrapturing read"** - Eimear McBride
- **'*Before All the World* is beautiful and original. It is also strange, arresting, high-risk. Very quickly this novel starts to work on the mind, making itself felt in complex and powerful and visionary ways, led by rhythm in the language and the urge to make that language new'** - Colm Tóibín
- **'*Before All the World* startles and swirls, and makes fresh the experience of language itself. It has it all: a gripping story, an original structure and a tender, ghostly glow'** - Justin Torres, author of *We the Animals*
- **'A one-of-a-kind creation'** - *Kirkus Reviews*

Author Biography

Moriel Rothman-Zeher is a Jerusalem-born novelist and poet. His first novel, *Sadness Is a White Bird*, was a finalist for a Dayton Literary Peace Prize and a National Jewish Book Award, won an Ohioana Book Award, and was long-listed for the Center for Fiction First Novel Prize. His poetry and essays have been published in *The American Poetry Review*, *Barrelhouse*, *Colorado Review*, *The Common*, *The New York Times*, *The Paris Review Daily*, and *ZYZZYVA*, and he is the recipient of the National Book Foundation's 5 Under 35 honor, two MacDowell Fellowships, and Yiddishkayt's Wallis Annenberg Helix Fellowship.

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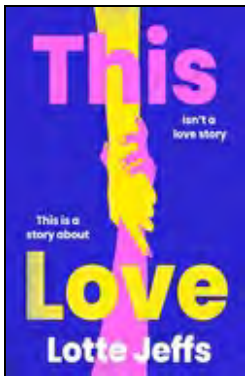
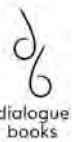
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This Love 'ONE DAY for a new generation' Grazia

Lotte Jeffs

Keynote

A gorgeous, sweeping novel about queerness, overcoming loss and choosing your own family.

Description

Find yourself in this decade's *One Day*, a sweeping tale of queer friendship and chosen families that will keep you laughing, crying and endlessly turning the page.

Mae and Ari are not your average power couple.

When they meet outside a Leeds gay club in their final year of university, their connection is magnetic. Whilst Mae, stubborn and no stranger to breaking hearts, needs Ari's bright light to guide her out of her self-centred ways; Ari, vibrant, charming and reeling in the aftermath of a scandal in New York, clings to Mae as his grounding anchor.

As the years sweep by, the two traverse the tumult of life: hotshot jobs and toxic partners, the fallout of long-hidden secrets and the heavy weight of grief. If they can hold onto one another in the face of the relentless past and the inevitable future, they might discover how to build something beautiful out of their expansive, boundary-breaking love.

Spanning ten years of an extraordinary friendship, *This Love* is an epic tale of finding your soulmate and creating a family out of expansive, boundary-breaking love.

Sales Points

- A gorgeous and compulsive bookclub novel, *This Love* is perfect for fans of ***One Day***, ***Rainbow Milk*** and ***Detransition, Baby***.
- Lotte Jeffs is an **award-winning writer and editor** who writes for *The Times*, the *Sunday Times*, the *Guardian* and the *Telegraph*, among others. She was previously Acting Editor-in-Chief and Deputy Editor of ***Elle* magazine**.
- This is one of the first novels to really focus on what it means to **choose your own family** and Lotte Jeffs queers our understanding of how we can become **parents** and **family** together.

Author Biography

Lotte Jeffs has spent her career writing columns, profiles and think pieces for the British press. She has worked as an editor for *ELLE* and *ES Magazine*, and is the author of *How to be a Gentlewoman: The Art of Soft Power in Hard Times*, co-author of *The Queer Parent* and the children's picture book *My Magic Family*. She co-hosts the podcast *From Gay To Ze*, about LGBTQ parenting and pop culture. Lotte has won the PPA Writer of The Year Award and The Great British Podcast Award.

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Author living in **London, UK**

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2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**
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Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**
Electronic **Refer to Publisher**
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The House of Eve
Totally heartbreaking and unputdownable historical fiction

Sadeqa Johnson

Keynote

The utterly heartbreaking and unforgettable instant *New York Times* bestseller and Reese Witherspoon Book Club pick.

Description

'Amazing' Reese Witherspoon
'Heart-rending' Taylor Jenkins Reid
'Luminous and moving!' Kate Quinn
'Unforgettable' Kristen Harmel

The heartbreaking and completely unputdownable instant *New York Times* bestseller and Reese Witherspoon Book Club pick about the pain and sacrifice of forbidden love, the lengths a mother will go to protect her child, and survival against the toughest of odds.

Philadelphia, 1948: Fifteen-year-old **Ruby**'s dreams are almost within reach. She's going to be the first in her family to attend college, despite having a mother more interested in keeping a man than raising her only daughter. But falling madly in love with the one boy she is forbidden from threatens to pull Ruby back into poverty and desperation. When she's imprisoned in a home for unwed mothers - locked in the House of Eve with other 'fallen girls' - everything she's worked so hard for starts slipping through her fingers.

Washington, DC, 1948: Eleanor arrives in the city with ambition, hope and a past she's trying her hardest to run from. When she meets William at Howard University, with his inky black eyes and broad shoulders, it's love at first sight. But William hails from one of Washington, DC's elite Black families, who don't let just anyone into their inner circle - especially not a girl from 'the wrong side of the tracks'. Eleanor hopes that a baby will mean they finally accept her, and that her secrets won't see the light of day - but fate has other plans in store...

In the dawn of the 1950s, Ruby and Eleanor are complete strangers - until their paths unexpectedly collide. Forced to make the most heartbreaking decisions of their lives, will their choices save them... or be their undoing?

Fans of Kate Quinn, Lisa Wingate and Kristin Harmel will fall head over heels for this totally gripping and heart-wrenching historical-fiction page-turner.

See what readers are saying about *The House of Eve*:

'All the stars!!!!... It absolutely blew me away. I finished it several days ago and am still thinking about it! It packed one powerful punch... I still **don't have the exact words to describe how it made me feel... So many emotions... It will hit your heart hard... Will have your heart breaking time and again. I could not put it down'** Goodreads reviewer, *****

'5 brilliant stars! I'm definitely not crying right now. That's a lie. I totally am. This book was A LOT!' Goodreads reviewer, *****

'Everything. This book was everything. *The House of Eve* will not only be a favourite of the year, but **a favourite of all-time. I ADORED THIS BOOK.** You can't tell me that Ruby and Eleanor aren't real people because they're real in my heart, and I will never forget them. I'm jealous of you all who get to read this for the first time. **ALL THE STARS'** Goodreads reviewer, *****

'I read this book in one sitting and loved it!!!... I was blown away... I couldn't read this fast enough' Goodreads reviewer, *****

'WOW! I'm still processing this book! I devoured it in three days' Goodreads reviewer, *****

'I LOVED THIS BOOK!... Grabs you from the first page and holds you until the satisfying conclusion. *The House of Eve* is a timely, redemptive, **powerful, beautifully written** yet haunting novel of resilience and sacrifices women make for themselves and their families' Goodreads reviewer, *****

'I really gobbled up this book. PAGE-TURNER! Pick this book; you won't regret it... I

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absolutely loved this story... **Amazing...** This book was **impossible for me to put down**' Goodreads reviewer, *****

'I LOVED THIS BOOK!' Goodreads reviewer, *****

'I was **completely captivated**' Goodreads reviewer, *****

Sales Points

- An instant *New York Times* bestseller.
- A Reese Witherspoon Book Club pick for 2023. Described by Reese as 'amazing' and 'beautifully told'.
- Translation deals have been done in Italy, Norway and Portugal so far, with more on the way.

Reviews

- 'A heartrending story' - Taylor Jenkins Reid
- 'Amazing... These two women's lives intersect in the most wonderful and unlikely of ways. I was completely surprised by the ending of this beautifully told and written book' - Reese Witherspoon
- 'A luminous, moving read!' - Kate Quinn
- 'An unforgettable tale of motherhood, ambition, the perils of prejudice, and the heartache of forbidden love' - Kristin Harmel

Author Biography

Sadeqa Johnson is the award-winning author of four novels. Her accolades include being the recipient of the National Book Club Award, the Phillis Wheatley Award and the USA Best Book Award for best fiction. She is a Kimbilo Fellow and a Tall Poppy Writer. Originally from Philadelphia, she currently lives near Richmond, Virginia, with her husband and three children. To learn more, visit www.sadeqajohnson.net.

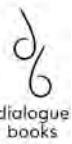
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TITLE INFORMATION
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Winter Animals
'Remarkable – think THE SECRET HISTORY written by Raven Leilani' Jenny Mustard

Ashani Lewis

Keynote

A seductive, sapphic debut about the power of youthful idealism from an exciting young award-winning writer

Description

'Excellent . . . Ashani Lewis is **superbly talented**.' Katherine Rundell

Be one of the first to discover this award-winning writer's decadent and addictive sapphic debut, a must-read for fans of *The Secret History* and *White Lotus*.

In one of America's Happiest Cities, thirty-eight-year-old Elen is trapped under the shadow of the snow-capped Cascade Mountains. Her husband has left her. Her belongings are in the boot of her car. Her days are filled mostly with silence and drinking. When she meets four English teenagers in an empty bar, she is enamoured.

Luka, Clover, George and Lyn are wealthy squatters, drifting between ski resorts and breaking into empty AirBnBs. When they bring Elen into their fold - and into their messy, entangled relationships - she senses a violent secret that fuels the four's never-ending disappearing act.

Dazzling, cultish, and intensely committed to creating their own utopia, they force Elen to ruminate on the irresistible pull of bright young things.

She doesn't understand what they want from her, but how can she leave when she has nowhere else to go?

A dark meditation on the dangers and seductive power of youthful idealism, and the slippages between friendship and love, *Winter Animals* is an extraordinary debut examining freedom, friendship, desire and excess.

'*Winter Animals* is a remarkable novel: atmospheric as hell, beautiful, and delightfully intelligent . . . Think *The Secret History* written by Raven Leilani. I devoured it and am left wanting more, Ashani Lewis is a rare talent!' Jenny Mustard, author of *Okay Days*

Sales Points

- Ashani's writing has won the Tower Poetry Prize and the Alpine Fellowship Writing Competition
- Reminiscent of *The Secret History* and *White Lotus*, this is a darkly seductive debut
- *Winter Animals* will be followed in winter 2024 by Ashani's debut short story collection

Author Biography

Ashani Lewis is a novelist and short story writer living in London, whose writing has won the Tower Poetry Prize and the Alpine Fellowship Writing Competition, as well as being featured in *Harper's Bazaar* and *Joyland*. She was a winner of the London Writers Awards 2021 in their literary fiction category.

Publication date	Thursday, February 01, 2024
Price	£14.99/Rs.1,199
EAN\ISBN-13	9780349703305
BIC 2.1	Fiction & related items (F) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	C Format Demy
Extent	240 pages
Word Count	65000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Book locale	Oregon/US
Author born in	London
Author living in	London/Brazil
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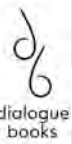
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Doing It All

Ruby Russell

Keynote

***Doing It All* is a call for single mothers to take pride in their identity, and for society to recognise their value and respect the decisions single mothers make over how to raise our children.**

Description

A feminist exploration of single motherhood and a passionate call to reclaim the power of mothering.

Nearly a quarter of UK families with dependent children are single-parent families, and around 90% of single parents are women. Yet the single mother is still cast as victim or welfare queen, sexually irresponsible or too independent by half.

Tracing a history through Victorian brothels, welfare rights activism and Black feminist traditions of othermothering, Ruby Russell tells a different story: of motherhood defined not by marriage or men, but as a nexus of solidarity beyond the patriarchal status quo.

A personal quest for empowerment, *Doing It All* is also a fierce critique of the structures that leave single mums marginalised and exhausted - and a call to reclaim mothering as the life force of sustainable, connected and radically responsible communities.

Sales Points

- Following in recent explorations of other motherhoods such as Candice Braithwaite's *I Am Not Your Baby Mother*, Russell presents the untold stories of single motherhood

Author Biography

Ruby Russell is a journalist, writer, editor and single mum from London. Russell started out publishing books of photojournalism with award-winning publisher Trolley. Frustrated with the mediation of stories of injustice through the reporter's lens, she then worked on participatory projects that helped marginalised groups - from British teenage single mothers and adults with mental health challenges, to young women born and raised in refugee camps in North Africa - to tell their own stories and advocate for visibility. She has written for *The Telegraph*, *Teller*, *The Guardian*, and now works as a part-time environment editor at German public broadcaster Deutsche Welle.

Publication date	Thursday, February 29, 2024
Price	£14.99 / Rs. 1,199
EAN\ISBN-13	9780349702179
BIC 2.1	Advice on parenting (VFX)
Binding	Trade Paperback C
Format	Format
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	85000 words
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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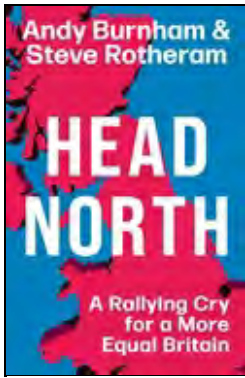
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 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781398719736**
 BIC 2.1 **Politics & government (JP)**
Political manifestos (JPLM)
Political corruption (JPZ)
Autobiography: historical, political & military (BGHA)

Binding **Hardback**
 Format **Royal**
 Extent **240 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author born in **Liverpool**
 Author living in **Manchester & Liverpool**

Previous Titles
 N/A - First book from either Andy or Steve.

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**
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Head North

A Rallying Cry for a More Equal Britain

Andy Burnham & Steve Rotheram

Keynote

Ambitious, courageous and thought-provoking, this is Andy Burnham and Steve Rotheram's vision for the Britain we deserve - and the one we need now more than ever.

Description

Britain is more unequal than ever before. If we're ever going to fix this, we must take the power out of Westminster.

Looking North could change this, and the Mayors of Greater Manchester and the Liverpool City Region, Andy Burnham and Steve Rotheram are leading this fight. For the first time, they share their experiences of modern British politics, from how the Hillsborough disaster shaped them and their time as MPs in Westminster witnessing its systematic flaws, to leaving to become Mayors up North, battling Boris Johnson during the Covid-19 pandemic, and creating a new vision for what Britain could be.

In *Head North*, they propose an ambitious ten-point plan to rewire and reimagine our country beyond the Westminster bubble. A timely discussion around Northern voices and culture, devolution and the failed promises of 'levelling up' from successive Tory Prime Ministers, *Head North* outlines how we can spread political and economic power throughout the UK and push forward for a fairer future.

The North will not sit on the sidelines any longer. It's time for real change - and this is how we can achieve it!

Sales Points

- **POPULAR POLITICANS:** Andy and Steve are two of the most popular politicians in the country. Both won sizeable majorities in their last elections (Andy - 67.3% / Steve - 58.3%) and are standing for re-election in May 2024. Andy also ranks as the second most popular politician in the UK on YouGov.
- **CLEAR MARKET:** There is a clear bestselling market for political exposes and manifestos. *Chums* by Simon Kuper has sold 19k copies TCM since April 2022 (as of Jan 2023), and Gordon Brown's *Seven Ways to Change the World* was a *Sunday Times* Bestseller in 2021. Andy and Steve's book will hit regional markets across the North with a bang but is also targeted at anyone interested in political narratives that offer a new perspective on our country. This will reach a traditional book-buying market, but also has the opportunity to reach anyone disillusioned by the current political atmosphere.
- **TIMELY POLITICAL NARRATIVE:** With the UK reeling amidst another recession, a decade of Tory governance is coming to an end. With that in mind, Andy and Steve's look at these failures and their vision for a remapping of the political landscape, is a timely publication that summarises the anger and desire for change felt by the British public.
- **SOLID PLATFORMS:** The pair have sizeable social media followings. Andy with 572.5k followers on Twitter and 18k followers on his 'nightmayor' Instagram page, whereas Steve has 73.6k followers on Twitter. The ghostwriter, Liam Thorp, also heavily involved in the book's promotion, has 55k followers on Twitter, and is the Political Editor of the Liverpool Echo and has won x2 Regional Press Awards.
- **ELECTION PR:** We are publishing in February 2024, before Andy and Steve are up for re-election in May 2024, giving the book a place in the spotlight long after the initial PR campaign has ended, with Andy and Steve moving from book PR to election PR.

Author Biography

Andy Burnham and Steve Rotheram have been the Mayors for Greater Manchester & the Liverpool City Region since 2017. Andy was previously the Labour MP for Leigh from 2001-2017 and served as the Culture Secretary and then the Health Secretary in Gordon Brown's cabinet. Steve was previously Labour MP for Liverpool Walton from 2010-2017 and served as the Parliamentary Private Secretary to Jeremy Corbyn from 2015-2017.

Market

It's OK to be Angry About Capitalism by Bernie Sanders; *But What Can I Do?* by Alastair Campbell; *The North Will Rise Again* by Alex Niven; *Seven Ways to Change the World* and *Permacrisis* by Gordon Brown; *Truth to Power* by Jess Phillips; *Go Big* by Ed Miliband; *The Establishment* by Owen Jones; *Poverty Safari* by Darren McGavey; *How Westminster Works... and Why It Doesn't?* by Ian Dunt; *Chums* by Simon Kuper; *How They Broke Britain* by James O'Brien; *Code of Conduct* by Chris Bryant.



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Price	£9.99/Rs.799
EAN\ISBN-13	9781398718890
BIC 2.1	Street crime / gun crime (JKVJ) Sagas (FT) Historical adventure (FJH) Historical mysteries (FFH)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Series	Queen of Thieves
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Oxfordshire, UK
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Queen of Diamonds

An exciting and gripping new crime saga series

Beezy Marsh

Keynote

The next gripping and unputdownable gangland saga in the trilogy by Beezy Marsh.

Description

London, 1922. Orphan girl Alice dreams there's more to life than toiling long hours in Pink's jam factory. Inspired by stories about the legendary Queen of Thieves, Mary Carr, who terrorised the streets of Victorian London, Alice decides to set up her own gang: The Forty Thieves.

Sly seamstress Kate Felix from Whitechapel has the same plan and will stop at nothing to keep Alice and her pals off her turf in the West End shops. But Alice is determined to win at all costs, hitting the headlines as the Bob-Haired Bandit.

It isn't long before they make some powerful enemies, and Alice must sacrifice more than she ever thought if she is to become Queen of Diamonds.

But the toughest and most beautiful diamonds are formed under pressure.

The third in a thrilling new crime saga series about a real-life gang girl from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Beezy Marsh, *Queen of Diamonds* is perfect for fans of Sam Michaels, Martina Cole and Jessie Keane.

Sales Points

- Historical crime saga: Combining the love digital readers have for sagas and gangland/ganglit, *QUEEN OF THIEVES* is pacy, unputdownable and vivid with historical detail. The two warring women, Alice and Nell, have voices that leap off the page.
- Bestselling author: This series is Beezy's first foray into fiction, but she is a *Sunday Times* bestselling author for her nonfiction.

Author Biography

Beezy Marsh is a top ten *Sunday Times* bestselling author, who has also held the coveted No.1 slot in Canada for three months. She puts family and relationships at the heart of her writing. She is an award-winning journalist who has spent more than 20 years making the headlines in newspapers including the *Daily Mail* and the *Sunday Times*. Beezy is married with two sons, and lives in Oxfordshire.

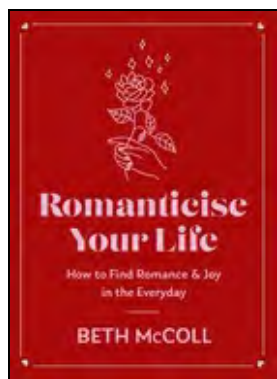
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Binding	Hardback
Format	178 x 129
Extent	240 pages
Word Count	
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How to Come Alive Again (2019)

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Romanticise Your Life How to find joy in the everyday

Beth McColl

Keynote

The ultimate guide to romanticising your life and finding joy in the everyday.

Description

Make the ordinary feel extraordinary!

Exploring all areas of life from solo travelling to the joy of friendships, tapping into your Main Character Energy, and taking control of your dating life, in this beautifully illustrated must-have guide Beth McColl shows you how romance is about appreciating the small things, because they can be just as magnificent as meeting the love of your life.

Everyday romance might be:

- *Cooking yourself an elaborate meal*
- *Going on a solo trip to the seaside*
- *Writing a letter to an old friend*
- *Texting someone out of the blue just to let them know you're missing of them*
- *Smiling at a handsome stranger on the train just before your stop*

Empowered by Beth's uplifting anecdotes and inspiring tips, you will discover that whether it's a grand gesture, or just simply appreciating how the sun rises anew each day, life is about making the most of the moments we're given . . .

Because joy and romance start with you.

Sales Points

- **TREND-LED SUBJECT:** The trend to 'romanticize your life' has absolutely blown up on social media, with the phrase 'romanticize your life' having over 1.3 billion views on TikTok when this was acquired and now it has risen to 2.2 billion views. This is the first title - aimed at adults - on romanticising your life to be published in the UK.
- **DISTINCTIVE VOICE & BEAUTIFUL WRITING:** Beth has real writing talent and her first book was published *How to Come Alive Again* with Unbound to acclaim.
- **STRONG PLATFORM & CONNECTIONS:** Beth has over 113.9k followers on Twitter and 19.3k followers on Instagram. She is followed by influencers, authors and celebs such as Annie Lord, Dolly Alderton, Pandora Sykes, Adam Kay and Amelia Dimoldenberg.
- **SPECIAL SALES & RIGHTS POTENTIAL:** This has a beautiful and giftable package filled with black and white illustrations which appeals to the Oliver Bonas/Urban Outfitters market. The content is short with practical tips and prompts throughout. It is globally applicable.

Author Biography

Beth McColl is a London-based freelance writer, advice columnist, author, podcaster and public speaker creating written and audio content about mental health, sex, dating, travel and popular culture. She's written for *Dazed Digital*, *ELLE*, *Vice*, *Metro*, *Refinery29*, and *Glamour*.

Her first book *How to Come Alive Again* - a guide on how to navigate your mental health - was published in 2019.

Market

THE LITTLE BOOK OF ICK
WOMEN DON'T OWE YOU PRETTY
KIND WORDS FOR UNKIND DAYS
WHAT A TIME TO BE ALONE
BUY YOURSELF THE F*CKING LILIES



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The Hawking

Rebecca Zahabi

Keynote

The thrilling sequel to the Sunday Times Top Ten Bestseller, THE COLLARBOUND

Description

The rebels on the other side of the Shadowpass are massing, and refugees are flooding in to the city. Scared, penniless and not exactly welcome, they are desperate for the protection of the Nest, and the powerful mages who live there. But there is dissension in the Nest's ranks, and there is always someone willing to make money from the fearful.

The mages believe they have a secret weapon - a captured lightborn, kept prisoner by a magical slave collar and forced to do their bidding. But Tatters and Isha, tentative friends despite their suspicion of each other's motives, know something the mages do not.

The rebels are aware of the lightborn. They know how to deal with it. And they are ready for war...

Sales Points

- Author submitted via The Future Bookshelf and was shortlisted, before gaining an agent just before we approached her.
- Feels traditional in tone but does some truly new things with magic and fantasy species.
- Author has written computer games (interactive novels) and has a fantasy book out from a small press which is getting good coverage and reviews.
- Excellent characterisation, brilliant worldbuilding and effortless prose.

Reviews

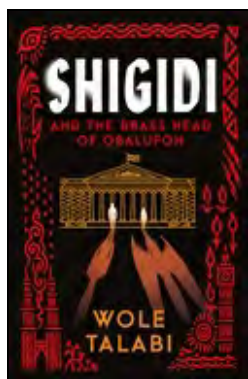
- 'A wonderfully imaginative novel which revels in mystery, intrigue and dazzling magic (on *THE COLLARBOUND*)' - Nils Shukla, *Fantasy Hive*
- 'A fast-paced, riveting read, with writing that leaps off the page and one of the most compelling magic systems I've encountered in years, this is a must for fantasy fans! (on *THE COLLARBOUND*)' - Natasha Ngan, author of *GIRLS OF PAPER AND FIRE*, *Natasha Ngan, author of GIRLS OF PAPER AND FIRE*

Author Biography

Rebecca Zahabi is a mixed-heritage writer (a third British, a third French and a third Iranian, if the mix is of interest to you). She started writing in her home village in France at age 12 - a massive epic which set out to revolutionise feminism. Since then, she has slightly re-jigged her expectations of what she can achieve with a keyboard and a blank page. After honing her craft in a variety of genres - playwriting, short stories, interactive novels - she hopes to write books that can make a difference. Her first YA book was shortlisted for the Northern Writers' Award in 2019. Her adult debut, *The Collarbound*, was longlisted for The Future Bookshelf program at Hachette UK before being acquired by Gollancz.

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Author living in **Perth, Australia**

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Shigidi and the Brass Head of Obalufon

Wole Talabi

Keynote

A bold new contemporary fantasy from an awards-winning author, reminiscent of Master of Djinn and The City We Became.

Description

<h3>Yoruba gods liberating a Nigerian artefact from London's British Museum, this is a heist novel filled to the brim with magic.</h3>

Shigidi is a disgruntled nightmare god in the Orisha spirit company, reluctantly answering the prayers of his few remaining believers to satisfy the demands of the company board. When he meets Nneoma, a sort-of succubus with a long and secretive past, everything changes.

Together, they attempt to break free of their constraints and live on their own terms. But the elder gods have other plans for Shigidi, and the Orisha Spirit Company is not so easy to leave. The chairman has a final job for Shigidi and Nneoma, one that will take them to the very heart of the British Museum.

From the boisterous streets of Lagos to the rooftop bars of Singapore and the secret spaces of London, Shigidi and Nneoma will encounter strange creatures, rival gods and manipulative magicians as they are drawn into a spectacular heist that spans two realms . . . and which could turn their own worlds upside down . . .

A magical heist novel that will take you deep into the heart of the British Museum. This is a contemporary fantasy that's perfect for fans of P. Djeli Clark, Nnedi Okorafor and Neil Gaiman.

Sales Points

- **Globetrotting Fantasy Heist:** Set between London, Lagos and Singapore, Shigidi has the pace and intrigue of Master of Djinn as well as the commentary on modern-day life as seen in N.K. Jemisin's *The City We Became*
- **Awards-Winning Nigerian Author:** Wole's short fiction has already won the Caine Prize and the Nommo Award, plus been nominated for the Nebula and Locus Awards
- **Deconstruction of Cultural Appropriation:** Set in a recognisable modern-day world, this has the conversation-starting plot-hook of a heist to liberate a Nigerian artefact from the British Museum

Reviews

- 'A richly written story of love between immortals, a high stakes supernatural heist, and a sweeping adventure across time, space, and perhaps realms of existence' - *P. Djeli Clark, Nebula Award-winning author of A Master of Djinn*
- 'Fierce and urgent -- a remarkable new voice' - *Lauren Beukes*
- 'A high octane thriller that is simply unputdownable . . . Gods, demons, magicians, giants, all jostling for power and prestige within an all too human story' - *T.L. Huchu, author of The Library of the Dead*
- 'Fast-paced and fun, clever and beautiful. Filled with characters you want to spend time with in a world that is fresh and exciting' - *Temí Oh*

Author Biography

WOLE TALABI is an engineer, writer, and editor from Nigeria, whose stories have appeared in *Asimov's*, *F&SF*, *Lightspeed* and several other places. He has edited three anthologies: *Africanfuturism* (2020), *Lights Out: Resurrection* (2016) and *These Words Expose Us* (2014). He has been a finalist for multiple awards, including the Nebula Award (2023), the Jim Baen Memorial Award (2022) and the Locus Award (2021), and he has won the prestigious Caine Prize (2018) as well as the Nommo Award (2022). His work has been translated into Spanish, Norwegian, Chinese, Italian, Bengali, and French, and his collection *Incomplete Solutions* (2019) is published by Luna Press. His novel *Shigidi* is forthcoming from DAW books and Gollancz in 2023, and in his spare time he likes scuba diving, elegant equations, and oddly shaped things. He currently lives and works in Australia.

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Magnolia Parks: Into the Dark Book 5 (Original Cover Collection)

Jessa Hastings

Keynote

TikTok Made Me Buy It! The **BRAND NEW** book in the addictive **Magnolia Parks Universe** contemporary romance series, which combines all the glamour of *Gossip Girl* with the heartache of the *Twilight* series and *It Ends With Us*.

Description

ORIGINAL COVER COLLECTION EDITION

Book five in the sensational Magnolia Parks Universe series!

How many loves do you actually get in a lifetime? Everyone knows by now that Magnolia Parks and BJ Ballentine are in the stars, but is that enough?

Magnolia and BJ are reeling from a devastating loss as they try to plan what's been dubbed 'the wedding of the century'. As family tensions mount and their respective pasts begin catching up to them, they finally have to look the truth in the eye: Can they learn to trust and be with one another again, or will they die trying?

This edition is part of the original cover collection.

Sales Points

- **HIGHLY ANTICIPATED NEW BOOK IN A VIRAL BOOKTOK SERIES:** This series has caused a frenzy online with millions of views on TikTok and Instagram, as well as dedicated fan accounts - this is the brand new book and will cause a huge stir, bringing lots of attention to the series.
- **GOSSIP GIRL MEETS MADE IN CHELSEA:** Set among the scandalous twenty-somethings of high society London, this romance series is an irresistible mix of glamour, gossip, heartache and romance.
- **INTERNATIONAL HIT:** The series received its first 5-figure translation offer within three hours of submission and has since **sold in 15 languages** and counting.
- **MAJOR FILM/TV DEAL:** Details of a VERY exciting TV deal are soon to be announced!

Author Biography

Originally from Australia, **Jessa Hastings** now lives in California with her husband, two children, her cat and a dog that she semi-regrets getting. She feels guilty writing that here but is fairly confident he won't read it.

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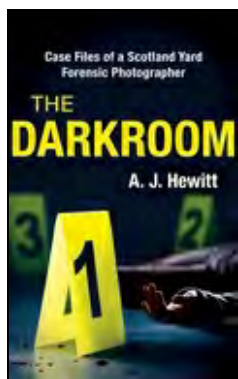
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The Darkroom Case Files of a Scotland Yard Forensic Photographer

A.J. Hewitt

Keynote

A remarkably gripping and moving account of a life as a Scotland Yard crime scene photographer

Description

It was my job to look and look and look again, until I had captured every part of the scene, until I had told the story of those last moments that the dead could not...

For years, A.J. Hewitt was the first person onto a crime scene. Before the detectives and the forensics teams, it was her and the body, the only sound her flashbulb as it lit up scenes of unimaginable horror.

It was her job to record, in exhaustive detail, the images that would allow someone's last moments to be understood. Now she takes us into the shadowy world of the crime scene photographer, from murders to suicides, accidents to assassinations. The photographs she has taken have put killers behind bars, freed the innocent and helped justice to happen. But a life surrounded by so much death takes a heavy toll and Hewitt is unflinching in her portrayal of the impact.

In the tradition of *Unnatural Causes*, *When the Dogs Don't Bark* and *All That Remains*, this is a true crime book full of the wisdom that can be found in the darkness.

Sales Points

- AJ has a dedicated Twitter following of over 15k, many of whom have been asking for a book for years.
- A first of its kind, this is the first professional confessional from a forensic photographer.

Reviews

- **'In the quiet aftermath of a murder, crime scene photographer A.J. Hewitt often worked alone, her deft eye focused on the victim. Her evidence has freed the innocent and helped convict the guilty. In her new book, *The Darkroom*, Hewitt shines a bright light on the often-dark world of crime scene investigations—a must-read for true crime fanatics.'** - Kate Winkler Dawson, *American Sherlock: Murder, Forensics, and the Birth of American CSI*
- **'Gripping, gritty and not for the faint-hearted. Forensic experts are the modern day 'sin eaters', dealing with the darkest sides of human life and death, so that others are spared the trauma. We must recognise that they too are human and will be affected.'** - Professor Sue Black

Author Biography

A.J. Hewitt is a professionally trained photographer who spent almost a decade as a forensic photographer with New Scotland Yard. In her debut non-fiction book *The Darkroom: Case Files of a Scotland Yard Forensic Photographer*, she lifts the veil on a world shrouded in secrecy, until now. She takes readers on an enlightening journey into darkness, murder and mayhem.

Hewitt studied photography and design at art college. She subsequently graduated (with distinction) with a Bachelor of Arts (double major) degree. Insatiably curious and a lifelong learner, she is in the final stage of completing a psychology degree. She is a voracious reader, an open water scuba diver and has travelled widely, with her cameras, on four continents. She's a storyteller at heart, whether through her camera lens or with a pencil and paper.

Having spent tens of thousands of hours photographing crime scenes, and attending court as an expert witness, she brings a unique insider's perspective to her writing. She envisions turning her vast lived experience of homicides, femicides, and crime scene investigation into more books and a screenplay.

Her philosophy in life is simple, be kind and laugh often.



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The Pieces of Us

Caroline Montague

Keynote

A gripping and atmospheric dual-timeline novel of hidden secrets, forbidden love and a woman's desire to shape her own future...

Description

'Tender and moving' **Jane Bailey**

'A beautiful portrait of love and loss, and of hope in adversity' **Sarah Steele**

Marina and Hugh were once madly in love. But after the loss of their beautiful little daughter, grief has created a distance between them that feels impossible to bridge. Marina knows leaving Italy is the only way they will be able to move on, but Thorncliffe Hall, Hugh's family home in England, is so grey and unwelcoming.

Just when life feels like it may never regain colour, Marina and Hugh come across a striking china coffee pot in a London shop window, adorned with a fox flying through the night sky. The coffee pot comes attached with a mystery, one that is connected with Hugh's own family many years ago.

By digging into the past, Marina is about to discover a story far beyond her wildest dreams. But will the past help her heal the present?

A heartwrenching, utterly unforgettable story for fans of Lucinda Riley, Dinah Jeffries and Amanda Prowe.

Praise for Caroline Montague's spellbinding stories

'All all the ingredients for a Sunday night TV drama' **Prue Leith**

'Enthralling... snared us in an ever-tightening circle of love and despair, secrets and forgiveness' **Joanna Lumley**

'Thoroughly engrossing' **Julian Fellowes, creator of Downton Abbey**

'Enthralling and wonderfully romantic, with gorgeous characters, this is perfect to curl up with and get lost in' **Katie Fforde**

'A moving, sweeping saga of love and loss' **Dinah Jefferies**

Sales Points

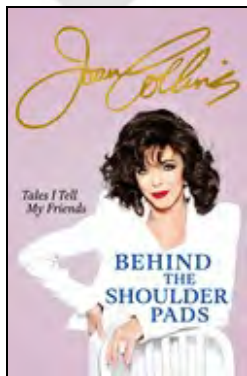
- **SWEEPING STORYTELLING:** Perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore, Lucinda Riley and Dinah Jefferies, this is an extraordinary and spellbinding story of grand passions and family secrets.
- **BEAUTIFUL SETTING:** *The Pieces of Us* explores a fascinating historical period, and like Caroline's previous novels is infused with a vivid, evocative sense of place. Perfect holiday reading

Author Biography

Caroline Montague lives with her husband at Burnt Norton House in the Cotswolds made famous by TS Eliot in the first of his four quartets. She is also a designer and mother to seven children and step-children. She divides her time between England and Italy.

Market

Fans of Rachel Hore, Eve Chase and Tracy Rees; commercial historical fiction readers; women 35+



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Behind The Shoulder Pads - Tales I Tell My Friends The perfect gift this Christmas

Joan Collins

Keynote

The captivating, candid and hilarious new memoir from actress, author, columnist, producer, entrepreneur and global celebrity Dame Joan Collins.

Description

'I've had many amazing adventures in my life. Some stories, though, I have only ever shared with my friends... Until now!'

Dame Joan Collins has always believed one should retain some mystery in life, and hide a knowing smile behind one's shoulder pads. In her new book, she returns in dazzling form to share her most memorable moments from her eclectic and vibrant life, in and out of the limelight. Taking us on a spectacular journey from her early years as a young starlet in Hollywood to stamping her stilettos in *Dynasty*; from the glittering heights of Saint Tropez to the busy Oscars season in LA over the years.

Joan writes movingly about her adventures with and grief for sister Jackie, delving deeper into the ups and downs of love and relationships, and her happiness with husband Percy. Filled with a cast of household names, *Behind the Shoulder Pads* is a spectacularly entertaining tour-de-force bound to delight and shock in equal measures.

Hilarious, intimate, and completely spellbinding, Joan invites you into her life like never before, sharing the stories she only tells her closest of friends.

Sales Points

- **SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER:** *My Unapologetic Diaries* was an instant *Sunday Times* Bestseller and has now sold over 36,000 copies TCM.
- **NATIONAL TREASURE:** Joan Collins is a British national treasure and global icon, a giant of the entertainment world that is best known for playing Alexis Carrington in *Dynasty* and more recently for starring in *American Horror Story* on Netflix.
- **CANDID AND HILARIOUS:** Joan pulls no punches with her writing style; she is utterly honest and hilarious about everyone. *Behind the Shoulder Pads* offers a scandalous insight into both Joan's own life and the lives of her beloved family and dearest friends.
- **MAJOR PR CAMPAIGN:** Joan, even at the age of 89, was front and centre of the campaign for *My Unapologetic Diaries* and is as committed to this new memoir. As a lead title for Autumn 2023, this title will be supported by PR and marketing that matches these ambitions with big broadcast, live events and lots of digital activity on launch. Joan is also incredibly well connected, evidenced by the plethora of quotes and support she received for *My Unapologetic Diaries*, and we will use this to build even more support for our publication of her new memoir.

Author Biography

A legend of the screen and stage, Joan Collins is perhaps best known for playing Alexis Carrington in the globally popular television series *Dynasty*. She has appeared in over seventy films, hundreds of TV shows and over a dozen plays. She is also a bestselling author of seventeen books and many articles and editorials, including those for the *Spectator* magazine. She was made a Dame in 2015 by Queen Elizabeth II for her charity work and services to drama. She and her husband, Percy Gibson, divide their time between London, Los Angeles and the south of France.

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The Island Swimmer

Lorraine Kelly

Keynote

The beautiful and emotional debut novel from the much-loved broadcaster

Description

When Evie's father falls desperately ill, she finally returns to the family home on Orkney and the wild landscape she left as a teenager, swearing never to return. Not everyone is happy at her arrival, particularly her estranged sister Liv, their relationship broken after a childhood trauma.

As Evie clears out her father's neglected house to prepare it for sale, lonely Evie finds herself drawn to a group of cold-water swimmers led by her old friend Freya, who find calmness beneath the waves. Together they help Evie face up to the mistakes in her past, unlocking a treasure of truths that will reverberate through the community, and shake her family to its core.

Inspired by her passion for the Orkney islands and its people, *The Island Swimmer* is the captivating debut novel about the importance of being true to yourself from broadcaster Lorraine Kelly.

Sales Points

- **Hugely popular TV star:** Lorraine Kelly is one of ITV's biggest TV properties. She has been on national television for over forty years, with viewing figures for *Lorraine* averaging 1.2 million every weekday.
- **Perfect match of author and story:** THE ISLAND SWIMMER is inspired by Lorraine's love of Orkney and her passion for cold water swimming. With characters so real it is as if they are sitting beside you, it will perfectly appeal to her audience.
- **Great publicity potential:** Lorraine is in great demand, and has committed to an extensive press and events campaign that will include national TV, radio, press and podcasts.
- **Social reach:** TWITTER 740.5K Followers, INSTAGRAM 512k Followers, FACEBOOK 154K Followers

Author Biography

Lorraine Kelly CBE is a Scottish television presenter, journalist and author, best known for her ITV show, *Lorraine*

Lorraine is best known for her weekday show on ITV and has also hosted and presented many other TV programmes including *The Last Leg*, *RuPaul's Drag Race UK*, *The STV Children's Appeal*, *The Wheel*, *Wedding Day Winners*, *Penguin A&E* with Lorraine Kelly, *Have I Got News For You* and *The Paul O'Grady Show*. She has also appeared as a guest on shows as diverse as *Question Time* and *Never Mind the Buzzcocks*. In 2006 she won the RTS Award for best presenter and in 2008 was awarded a "people's choice" Scottish BAFTA. In addition to her television work, Lorraine continues to write weekly columns for *Hello! Magazine*, and was one of the longest serving columnists for *The Sun*.

During 2019, Lorraine celebrated both her 35th year in television and 60th birthday. In addition, she published *Shine*, 'a guide to making every day a brighter one'. This year sees Lorraine hosts her dream tv show, *Queens for the Night* for ITV.

Lorraine has recently collaborated with *Beauty Pie*, *WW* and *Tails.com* and has previously worked with *Wayfair*, *JD Williams* and *Dove*. Her two fitness DVD's - *Lorraine Kelly: Living to the Max* and *Lorraine Kelly: Brand New You*, have gone straight to the top of the charts. Lorraine was elected Rector of Dundee University in 2004 - 2007; and was invited to be Honorary Colonel of the Black Watch Cadets in June 2009. In 2019 she was awarded with the title of National Honorary Colonel of the Army Cadet Force (ACF).

Lorraine lives in Buckinghamshire with her husband Steve, daughter Rosie and alongside the loveable Angus. She is an avid Dundee United supporter.

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Resonance Surge Book 7

Nalini Singh

Keynote

New York Times bestselling author Nalini Singh returns to her spectacular Psy-Changeling Trinity series which will challenge the bonds of blood . . .

Description

Where are the broken? A propulsive question that unleashes a world of secrets in *New York Times* bestselling author Nalini Singh's *Resonance Surge* . . .

Pavel and Yakov Stepyrev have been a unit since their birth, but now Pavel's life is veering in a new direction, his heart held in the hands of Arwen Mercant, a Psy empath - and the only man who has ever brought Pavel to his knees.

This is it. A point of irrevocable change. For Pavel . . . for Arwen . . . for Yakov . . . and for another pair of twins whose bond has a far darker history.

A low-gradient Psy, Theodora Marshall is considered worthless by everyone but her violently powerful twin, Pax. She is the sole person he trusts in their venomous family to investigate a hidden and terrible part of their family history - an unregistered rehabilitation center established by their grandfather.

Places of unimaginable pain designed to psychically wipe minds, leaving the victims shells of their former selves, the Centers are an ugly vestige of the Psy race's Silent past. But this Center was worse. Far, far worse. And now Theo must uncover the awful truth - in the company of a scowling bear named Yakov who isn't about to take a Marshall at face value . . . especially a Marshall who has turned his dreams into chilling nightmares.

Because Yakov is the great-grandson of a foreseer . . . and he has seen Theo die in an unstoppable surge of blood. Night after night after night . . .

Praise for Nalini Singh's Psy-Changeling Trinity Series

'Singh's talent for lush, expansive worldbuilding is on full display' *Publishers Weekly*

'Another hands-down winner that expands Singh's brilliantly conceived world' *Library Journal* (starred review)

'Truly one of the best storytellers in the business' *Romantic Times*

Sales Points

- A *New York Times* bestselling series
- Nalini Singh is an internationally bestselling paranormal romance author
- Perfect for fans of J. R. Ward
- Sexy, romance, paranormal fiction is making a comeback on TikTok

Reviews

- 'Sophisticated, elaborate and compelling' - *Kirkus*
- 'Paranormal romance at its best' - *Publisher's Weekly*
- 'Singh's novels never disappoint! Fabulous!' - *Romantic Times*

Author Biography

Nalini Singh was born in Fiji and raised in New Zealand. She spent three years living and working in Japan, and travelling around Asia before returning to New Zealand now - although she's always plotting new trips. She has worked as a lawyer, a librarian, a candy factory general hand, a bank temp and an English teacher, not necessarily in that order. Some people might call that inconsistency, but she calls it grist for the writer's mill.

You can learn more by visiting www.nalinisingh.com or by following @NaliniSingh on twitter.



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The Lost Wife

Susanna Moore

Keynote

Drawn partly from a true story, *The Lost Wife* is a searing and immersive novel about a devastating Native American revolt, and a woman caught in the middle of the conflict

Description

'A clear-eyed and riveting account of one woman's journey into a so-called land of opportunity' *Guardian*

'Moore's voice is cool and sure, rich with detail' *Vogue*

Summer, 1855. Sarah Brinton sets out from Rhode Island, leaving an abusive husband and child behind to head west across the country, until her journey ends in Minnesota Territory, on lands claimed both by white settlers and Native Americans. There she finds herself another husband, a Yale-educated doctor who works on the nearby Sioux reservation, and settles into a new life.

Sarah's days on the edge of the prairie are idyllic if tough, as she befriends and works with the Sioux women. But trouble is brewing. The Sioux tribes are wary of the white settlers and resent the rampant theft of their land.

When the Sioux take their fate into their own hands, Sarah's loyalties are split between the Sioux and her fellow white settlers. As the conflict rages, she finds herself lost to both worlds.

The first novel in ten years from the author of *In the Cut* and *Miss Aluminium*, this is a story about freedom and oppression, intimacy and violence, and a woman caught in the crossfire of one of the most seminal and shameful moments in American history.

Sales Points

- **AWARD ATTENTION:** *The Lost Wife* was published in hardback to rave reviews and longlisted for the Wilbur Smith Adventure Writing Prize, Best Published Novel award.
- **STAR AUTHOR:** Susanna Moore's cult classic thriller *In The Cut* was the first W&N Essential-type publication we did and successfully established her as a major author. We followed with her stylish memoir *Miss Aluminium* which was reviewed rapturously and picked as a *Times* Book of the Summer.
- **UNDERTOLD STORY:** Susanna's focus on what it was to be a woman on the American frontiers brings to light a *new side* to a story we are more used to seeing from a male perspective.
- **BASED ON A TRUE STORY:** Based on Sarah Wakefield's memoir *Six Weeks in the Sioux Tepees: A Narrative of Indian Captivity*.

Reviews

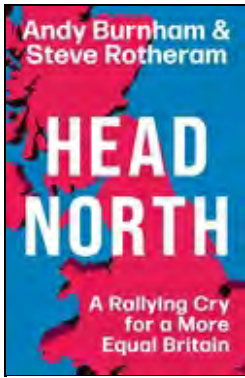
- 'A masterwork of historical fiction, beautiful and stark as an American prairie' - *Esquire*
- 'This impressively taut and evocative novel brings life on the frontier into vivid, often brutal focus through the prism of female experience' - *Telegraph*
- 'I find Moore to be one of the most compelling novelists alive. *The Lost Wife* is concise and brutally incisive. As ever, Susanna Moore is unflinching' - Stephanie Danler, author of *SWEETBITTER*
- 'Moore captures the lost wives and lost souls whose illusions had carried them to a vaunted frontier whose promise had become saturated in blood' - *Washington Post*

Author Biography

Susanna Moore is the author of several novels, including *In the Cut*, and four books of non-fiction, most recently *Miss Aluminium*. She lives in New York.

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Head North A Rallying Cry for a More Equal Britain

Andy Burnham & Steve Rotheram

Keynote

Ambitious, courageous and thought-provoking, this is Andy Burnham and Steve Rotheram's vision for the Britain we deserve - and the one we need now more than ever.

Description

Britain is more unequal than ever before. If we're ever going to fix this, we must take the power out of Westminster.

Looking North could change this, and the Mayors of Greater Manchester and the Liverpool City Region, Andy Burnham and Steve Rotheram are leading this fight. For the first time, they share their experiences of modern British politics, from how the Hillsborough disaster shaped them and their time as MPs in Westminster witnessing its systematic flaws, to leaving to become Mayors up North, battling Boris Johnson during the Covid-19 pandemic, and creating a new vision for what Britain could be.

In *Head North*, they propose an ambitious ten-point plan to rewire and reimagine our country beyond the Westminster bubble. A timely discussion around Northern voices and culture, devolution and the failed promises of 'levelling up' from successive Tory Prime Ministers, *Head North* outlines how we can spread political and economic power throughout the UK and push forward for a fairer future.

The North will not sit on the sidelines any longer. It's time for real change - and this is how we can achieve it!

Sales Points

- **POPULAR POLITICANS:** Andy and Steve are two of the most popular politicians in the country. Both won sizeable majorities in their last elections (Andy - 67.3% / Steve - 58.3%) and are standing for re-election in May 2024. Andy also ranks as the second most popular politician in the UK on YouGov.
- **CLEAR MARKET:** There is a clear bestselling market for political exposes and manifestos. *Chums* by Simon Kuper has sold 19k copies TCM since April 2022 (as of Jan 2023), and Gordon Brown's *Seven Ways to Change the World* was a *Sunday Times* Bestseller in 2021. Andy and Steve's book will hit regional markets across the North with a bang but is also targeted at anyone interested in political narratives that offer a new perspective on our country. This will reach a traditional book-buying market, but also has the opportunity to reach anyone disillusioned by the current political atmosphere.
- **TIMELY POLITICAL NARRATIVE:** With the UK reeling amidst another recession, a decade of Tory governance is coming to an end. With that in mind, Andy and Steve's look at these failures and their vision for a remapping of the political landscape, is a timely publication that summarises the anger and desire for change felt by the British public.
- **SOLID PLATFORMS:** The pair have sizeable social media followings. Andy with 572.5k followers on Twitter and 18k followers on his 'nightmayor' Instagram page, whereas Steve has 73.6k followers on Twitter. The ghostwriter, Liam Thorp, also heavily involved in the book's promotion, has 55k followers on Twitter, and is the Political Editor of the Liverpool Echo and has won x2 Regional Press Awards.
- **ELECTION PR:** We are publishing in February 2024, before Andy and Steve are up for re-election in May 2024, giving the book a place in the spotlight long after the initial PR campaign has ended, with Andy and Steve moving from book PR to election PR.

Author Biography

Andy Burnham and Steve Rotheram have been the Mayors for Greater Manchester & the Liverpool City Region since 2017. Andy was previously the Labour MP for Leigh from 2001-2017 and served as the Culture Secretary and then the Health Secretary in Gordon Brown's cabinet. Steve was previously Labour MP for Liverpool Walton from 2010-2017 and served as the Parliamentary Private Secretary to Jeremy Corbyn from 2015-2017.

Publication date **Thursday, February 22, 2024**
 Price **£14.99/Rs.1,199**
 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781398719774**
 BIC 2.1 **Politics & government (JP)**
Political manifestos (JPLM)
Political corruption (JPZ)
Autobiography: historical, political & military (BGHA)

Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **Royal**
 Extent **240 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw; EU; Ire**
 Not for Sale **Can; UK; UK (ex Airports); USA**

Author born in **Liverpool**
 Author living in **Manchester & Liverpool**

Previous Titles

N/A - First book from either Andy or Steve.

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 Audio **Refer to Publisher**
 Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**
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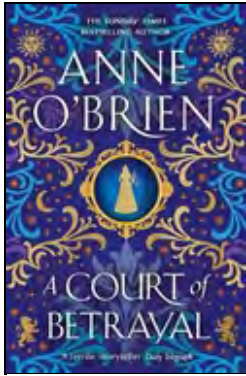
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 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781398711204**
 BIC 2.1 **Historical romance (FRH)
 Historical fiction (FV)
 Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **Royal**
 Extent **464 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **World (ex UK)**
 Not for Sale **UK**

Author living in **Pembridge, UK**

Previous Titles
A Marriage of Betrayal

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 Audio **Refer to Publisher**
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A Court of Betrayal

The gripping new historical novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author!

Anne O'Brien

Keynote

The captivating new historical novel from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Anne O'Brien, perfect for fans of **Philippa Gregory** and **Alison Weir**.

Description

'Anne O'Brien gets right inside the heads of her characters!' **JOANNA HICKSON**

'A terrific storyteller' **THE DAILY TELEGRAPH**

ALL'S FAIR IN LOVE AND WAR...

The Welsh Marches, 1301

Strong-willed heiress Johane de Geneville is married to Roger Mortimer, Earl of March, at just fifteen years old.

Soon Johane finds herself swept up in a world of treacherous court politics and dangerous secrets as her husband deposes Edward II and rules England alongside Queen Isabella.

Yet when Roger is accused of treason, she is robbed of her freedom and must survive catastrophic events in her fight for justice - with her life, and her children's, hanging in the balance...

Will she pay for her husband's mistakes, or will she manage to escape from a terrible fate?

Sales Points

- **EXCEPTIONAL HISTORICAL NOVELIST:** Meticulously researched, spellbinding in their retelling and always with a woman teetering on a dangerous knife edge at a pivotal moment in our nation's history. She's 'Better than Philippa Gregory' *The Bookseller*, 'A terrific storyteller' *Daily Telegraph* and 'One of the best writers around...she outdoes even Philippa Gregory' *The Sun*.
- **GIVING VOICE TO THE FORGOTTEN WOMEN OF HISTORY:** with Anne's novels readers dive into a piece of history that they might be familiar with, but for the first time hear it from a woman's point of view - future queens, exiled mothers, daughters offered as peace bargains... this is historical writing at its very best, but told by the forgotten (or purposely hidden) figures who were really pulling all the puppet strings behind the crown.
- **IMPRESSIVE SALES RECORD:** Anne is an author who has both a hardback and paperback audience, previously a Sunday Times bestseller and selling over 7K hardbacks and at her best, 30K paperbacks.

Author Biography

Sunday Times bestselling author **Anne O'Brien** was born in West Yorkshire. After gaining a BA Honours degree in History at Manchester University and a Master's in Education at Hull, she lived in East Yorkshire for many years as a teacher of history.

Today she has sold over a million copies of her books in the UK and internationally. She lives with her husband in an eighteenth-century timber-framed cottage in the depths of the Welsh Marches in Herefordshire. The area provides endless inspiration for her novels about the forgotten women of medieval history. Sign up for Anne's monthly News Letter to keep up to date with books, events, giveaways and what Anne is writing about. <https://www.anneobrienbooks.com/>

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I Wish I Knew

Lessons on love, life and family as you grow - the perfect gift for Mother's Day

Georgia Kousoulou

Keynote

Lessons on love, life and family as you grow - the first book from online agony aunt and TV star, Georgia Kousoulou, perfect for Mother's Day

Description

Lessons on love, life and family as you grow - the first beautiful book from online agony aunt and TV star, Georgia Kousoulou.

I wish I knew...

the 2am night-feed silence is deafening
how to find myself after becoming a mum
that one day, I'd have all the courage I'd ever need

'When I first became a mum, I lost my own identity for a while. It's almost expected that it's entirely what you become: Mum with a capital M. I wrote this book for anyone who has ever felt overwhelmed, alone or who needs to hear someone else saying what they are thinking! *I Wish I Knew* is everything I wish I had known, and so much more...'

In her honest, down-to-earth style (with nothing off-limits!) TV star and online agony aunt Georgia shares the lessons she's learnt about family, relationships and love. No matter how much time you have to delve in, you will find the perfect pick-me-up inside. Have a break with a short essay or dive into a longer chapter, all featuring Georgia's best pieces of advice at the end.

Alongside Georgia's journey to motherhood and everything that comes with it - the ups and the downs - fill in your own thoughts in the book's journal section and share what you wish you had known, too.

Sales Points

- **HUGE SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM:** an audience ready and waiting for more from Georgia with 1.5m Instagram followers (average story views between 600k to 1 million), 70k followers on TikTok with 370k likes and 400k on Twitter. We have a very clear audience to target of UK-based female followers between 25-35 - fellow mums looking for their experiences reflected back at them.
- **PROVEN SELLING POWER:** to mums and new parents, with brand deals including In The Style, Silver Cross, Mamas and Papas, Pampers, Hello Fresh, Amazon, Fisher-Price, Primark, F&F, B&M, Fairy, Flash.
- **ON-SCREEN AUTHOR:** Georgia's ITVBe show *BabySteps* was the channel's biggest new commission of 2021, generating 458k viewers, performing best amongst 16-34-year-olds. The third series doubled in numbers and a fourth is due out in January 2024, just ahead of the book. Georgia also hosts and shares a short five-minute daily podcast on the reality of motherhood, which will be used to publicise the book also.

Author Biography

Georgia Kousoulou is a content creator and television personality, loved online and on screen for her honesty in the face of all life's ups and downs. She became an agony aunt to her co-stars and online fans alike, and made her debut on our screens on award-winning reality show *The Only Way is Essex* in 2014, where she met her fiancée Tommy (they are the only couple still together!).

Georgia and Tommy: Baby Steps documents their relationship together and parenting of their son, Brody, and is on its fourth series. 2023 also saw Georgia launch the UK's first daily parenting podcast, *Five Minutes Peace*, which includes topical discussions around motherhood's raw and honest reality in bite-sized five-minute daily episodes.

You can find Georgia on Instagram @georgiakousoulou and TikTok @georgia_kousoulou, where she'd love to hear from you.

Market

MumLife by Loise Pentland; *Hinch Yourself Happy* by Mrs Hinch; *Tap to Tidy* by Stacey Solomon; *Tired and Tested* by Sophie McCartney; *Mind Over Mother* by Anna Mathur; *The Secret to Happy* by Vicky Pattison; *Letters on Motherhood* by Giovanna Fletcher; *You Are Not A Before Picture* by Alex Light; *Becoming Molly-Mae* by Molly-Mae Hague; *My Baby & Me* by Sam Faiers; *My Child and Other Mistakes* by Ellie Taylor.

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Price	£18.99/Rs.1,599
EAN\ISBN-13	9781399619837
BIC 2.1	Advice on parenting (VFX) Family & relationships (VFV) Mother's Day (5HM) Family & health (VF) Memoirs (BM) Autobiography: arts & entertainment (BGFA) Dating, relationships, living together & marriage (VFVG)

Binding	Hardback
Format	Demy
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	UK
Author born in	Essex
Author living in	Essex

Previous Titles

This is Georgia's first book.

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 BIC 2.1 **Thriller / suspense (FH)**
Photography & photographs (AJ)
Forensic science (JKVF1)
Crime & mystery (FF)

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **528 pages**
 Word Count
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Author living in **Stirling**

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Consumed

Greg Buchanan

Keynote

The follow-up to breakout literary thriller *Sixteen Horses*, featuring forensic veterinarian-turned-detective Cooper Allen.

Description

A slick, smart, stylish - and shocking - thriller from one of the most exciting new voices in crime fiction.

On a remote farm, an elderly woman takes a fall outside and, unable to move, is consumed overnight by two of her pigs.

The victim was the renowned and reclusive photographer Sophie Bertilak - and the first photo she ever took remains her most infamous: a missing girl who was never seen again. Most strangely, inside the house, all the photos have been removed from their frames...

Forensic veterinarian Cooper Allen is called in for the post-mortem - and becomes obsessed with the victim, her family, and the crimes she brought to light decades ago.

As Cooper pulls on a dark thread of deception and double-lives, she begins to unravel the case - as well as herself...

'Dark, daring and deeply unnerving. Greg Buchanan is hugely talented, and *Consumed* will shock, shake, haunt and thrill you.' **CHRIS WHITAKER, author of *WE BEGIN AT THE END***

Praise for *Sixteen Horses*

'Utterly gripping, exquisitely written' **THE GUARDIAN**

'Unlike anything else you'll read this year, *Sixteen Horses* is a deeply disconcerting ride. Irresistible' **VAL MCDERMID**

'Totally gripping from start to finish' **ALEX MICHAELIDES**

'Original, beautifully written, terrifying and haunting' **SOPHIE HANNAH**

'Breath-taking ... This is crime writing of a striking calibre' **DAILY MAIL**

Sales Points

- *Sixteen Horses* was one of the breakout literary crime debuts of recent years, selected for BBC 2 *Between The Covers* book club and Waterstones Thriller of the Month.
- Greg has garnered incredible praise from broadsheets and big-name authors alike, including Val McDermid, Sophie Hannah and Alex Michaelides.
- *Sixteen Horses* and the Cooper Allen character were picked up for TV by prestige production company Gaumont, and are in development as a premium crime drama with an A-list director attached.

Author Biography

Greg Buchanan is a BAFTA-longlisted writer for interactive and screen. His debut novel *Sixteen Horses* was selected for BBC Two's *Between the Covers* and Waterstones Thriller of the Month.

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In the Jingle Jangle Jungle Keeping Time with the Brian Jonestown Massacre

Joel Gion

Keynote

The memoir from Joel Gion, the tambourine playing frontman of The Brian Jonestown Massacre, one of the great contemporary cult American rock and roll bands.

Description

The Brian Jonestown Massacre are one of the great contemporary cult American rock and roll bands. At the peak of their anarchic reign in the San Francisco underground of the mid '90s their psychedelic output was almost as prodigious and impressive as their narcotic intake.

Immortalised in one of the most unforgettable rock and roll documentaries of all time, *DIG!* alongside their friends/rivals/nemeses, The Dandy Warhol's, in their early years when the US were obsessed with grunge, the BJM felt like a '60s anachronism. But with albums like *Their Satanic Majesties Second Request* and *Thank God for Mental Illness*, and incendiary, often chaotic, live shows, they burnished their legend as true believers and custodians of the original west coast flame; a privilege and responsibility which continues to this day when the band have a bigger and more dedicated audience than ever.

Joel Gion's memoir tells the story of the first ten years of the band from the Duke Seat. A righteous account of the hazards and pleasures of life on and off the road, *In the Jingle Jangle Jungle* takes use behind the scenes of the supposed behind the scenes film that cemented the band's legend. Funny as hell, shot through with the innocence and wonder of a 'percussionist' whose true role is that of the band's 'spirit animal', *In the Jingle Jangle Jungle* is destined to take its place alongside cult classics in the pantheon of rock and roll literature like *Playing the Bass with Three Left Hands*, *Head On*, and *45* by Bill Drummond. It will also feature a foreword by Anton Newcombe, fellow member and founder of The Brian Jonestown Massacre.

Sales Points

- **FEATURING A FOREWORD BY ANTON NEWCOMBE:** fellow member and founder of The Brian Jonestown Massacre, who has promised to support the book on socials and in the press.
- **DEDICATED FANBASE:** BJM just completed a huge European Tour including 20+ dates in the UK. They can easily fill venues of 2,500 across the country and have a dedicated cult fanbase.
- **DIG! ANNIVERSARY:** 2024 is the 20th anniversary of the legendary film about the band, *DIG!* There is going to be a five hour re-master/cut of the film released and PR around it which we can tap into.
- **PRE-ORDER INCENTIVES:** Will launch with exciting pre-order incentives (exclusive personal postcards and ephemera through Joel, including four battered vintage tambourines that he is going to sign and make available for preorder competitions) through record stores where we fully expect to secure over 1,000 preorders.
- **THE AUTHOR:** Joel is the most likeable, charismatic, funny and articulate frontman for this book. The media loves Brian Jonestown Massacre. Joel has been a thoroughly engaged author and will fully support the release on socials and in the press.

Author Biography

Joel Gion is the 'tambourine playing frontman of Brian Jonestown Massacre' and the star of *DIG!* the infamous documentary that made them famous 20 years ago. He was born in San Jose but calls San Francisco home. He has been with and in the band for almost three decades.

Market

FOR READERS OF: *Tenement Kid*, by Bobby Gillespie; *Girl in a Band*, by Kim Gordon; *Spiritualized*; *Spacemen 3*; *The Dandy Warhols*; *Sing Backwards and Weep*, by Mark Lanegan

Publication date	Thursday, February 29, 2024
Price	£16.99/Rs.1,450
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BIC 2.1	Memoirs (BM) Music industry (KNTF) Autobiography: arts & entertainment (BGFA) Individual composers & musicians, specific bands & groups (AVH)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Ire; World (ex USA, Can, ANZ)
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	UK
Author born in	Anonymous
Author living in	Anonymous

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 (9781409167419) Too Scared to Cry
 (9781409165385) The Little Ghost Girl
 (9781409170556) A Family for Christmas
 (9781409170532) Too Young to Be A Mum
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Please Don't Take Mummy Away

The true story of two sisters left cold, frightened, hungry and alone

Maggie Hartley

Keynote

A powerful, moving true story from *Sunday Times* bestseller, Maggie Hartley, Britain's most-loved foster carer. Perfect for fans of Cathy Glass and Toni Maguire.

Description

<h2>'Mummy! Where did you go? Please come back, Mummy.'</h2>

When police are called to a local supermarket late one evening, they find an angry shopkeeper and a silent young woman. It's the third time 24-year-old Zoe has been caught stealing in the past few days. Eyes filled with panic, Zoe has been hiding bread, milk, Calpol and nappies under her coat. As police officers break down the door of Zoe's flat they find seven-year-old Coco and two-year-old Lola, home alone, huddled on the floor in a freezing cold bedroom, crying out for their mummy.

When Social Services are called in, the girls are taken into care and are soon tucked up safely in bed at Maggie's house. It looks like a simple case of neglect, but things aren't always what they seem and, with Maggie's help, can Zoe convince Social Services that love is enough to be a good mum?

A new true story of hope from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Maggie Hartley, a foster carer for over 20 years.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR & TOP 3 IN GENRE:** The Maggie Hartley series of books are one of the UK's most successful foster carer series, having sold **680,000** copies across formats.
- **KEY BRAND AUTHOR:** Maggie Hartley is a key commercial series brand author for the Seven Dials list, with her foster care series a **major digital brand**.
- **LOYAL, ENGAGED FANBASE:** Maggie Hartley's Facebook page is **hugely engaged**, with over 7,000 followers.
- **TRUSTED AND RELIABLE VOICE:** Maggie has fostered over 300 children so her readers **trust** she is sharing the most powerful stories with them each time.

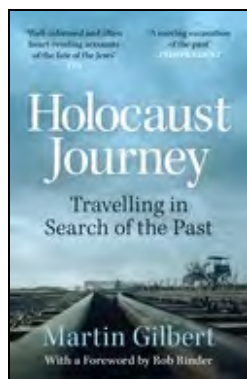
Author Biography

Maggie Hartley has fostered more than 300 children while being a foster carer for over twenty years. Taking on the children other carers often can't cope with, Maggie helps children that are deemed 'unadoptable' because of their behaviour or the extreme trauma that they've been through. She's looked after refugees, supported children through sexual abuse and violence court cases, cared for teenagers on remand and taught young mums how to parent their newborn babies.

Find her on Facebook at /MaggieHartleyAuthor, where she would love to hear from you.

Market

Cathy Glass, Toni Maguire, Louise Allen, Casey Watson.



Publication date	Thursday, February 29, 2024
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BIC 2.1	The Holocaust (HBTZ1) Second World War (HBWQ) History: specific events & topics (HBT) 20th century history: c 1900 to c 2000 (HBLW) Genocide & ethnic cleansing (HBTZ) Jewish studies (JFSR1)

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Holocaust Journey: Travelling In Search Of The Past

Martin Gilbert

Keynote

A personal, powerful and unforgettable journey to the key Holocaust sites giving a unique history of a 20th-century catastrophe.

With a new Foreword by Rob Rinder

Description

Includes a new foreword by Rob Rinder

'Filled with short, well-informed and often heart-rending accounts of the fate of the Jews' TLS

'HOLOCAUST JOURNEY travels along the tracks of a history we would rather forget to the sites of wartime horror, and is also a moving excavation of the past' INDEPENDENT

In June 1996 Martin Gilbert took a group of students on a two-week journey across middle-Europe which encompassed all the major places in the Holocaust - from Wannsee where the extermination of the Jews was decreed, to the camps themselves, via deserted Jewish communities and synagogues as well as the sites of the ghettos and deportation.

'The achievement of Gilbert's HOLOCAUST JOURNEY is to reduce to comprehensible, human terms of the scale of the genocide that to many is still unimaginable' LITERARY REVIEW

Sales Points

- Includes a new Foreword by Rob Rinder
- The book is based on the diary the author kept - of the trip and individuals' reactions, set against the facts and readings of other texts
- Martin Gilbert was the foremost historian on this subject
- He is the author of numerous bestsellers, including THE HOLOCAUST, and is the best known writer in the subject area
- Subject of perennial interest - a subject often used in film and TV as well as bestselling books

Reviews

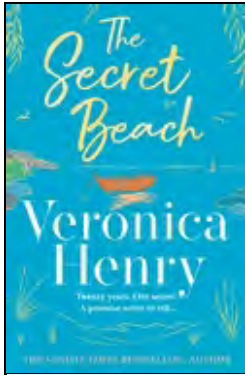
- 'HOLOCAUST JOURNEY travels along the tracks of a history we would rather forget to the sites of wartime horror, and is also **a moving excavation of the past**' - *INDEPENDENT*
- 'Eloquent ... He presents a painless-to-read and painful-to-understand voyage to some of the grimmest and most unspeakable names and places on earth' - *DAILY MAIL*
- 'Gilbert depicts with infinite pathos and painstaking detail the cataclysm that hit the Jews of Europe when Germany's armies were unleashed upon their territories. In a skilful combination of past and present, he presents his travelogue in a form that is easily accessible to all, that moves us deeply with its tale of endless atrocities and utter human misery' - *JEWISH CHRONICLE*
- 'Gilbert's knowledge of his subject, and his contacts across the blood-stained landscape of the Holocaust, make him an ideal organizer of such a tour ... As one would expect from Gilbert, the account is well-informed and well-written ... **the book is filled with short, well-informed and often heart-rending accounts of the fate of the Jews**' - *TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT*

Author Biography

Born in London in 1936, Sir Martin Gilbert was educated at Highgate School and Magdalene College, Oxford. An outstanding historian of the 20th century, he became the official biographer of Sir Winston Churchill in 1968 and has written to great acclaim on the Holocaust and the events of the Second World War.

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A Night on the Orient Express (2013)
High Tide (2015)
How to Find Love in a Bookshop (2016)
The Forever House (2017)
A Family Recipe (2018)
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A Day at the Beach Hut (2021)
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The Secret Beach

The stunning, escapist and gorgeously romantic new novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author

Veronica Henry

Keynote

The stunning, escapist and gorgeously romantic new novel from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Veronica Henry. Perfect for fans of **Jill Mansell** and **Lucy Diamond**, *The Secret Beach* is the perfect holiday read!

Description

THE STUNNING AND ROMANTIC NEW NOVEL FROM SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR VERONICA HENRY!

'I adored every word. Sublime, as always' JILL MANSELL on *Thirty Days in Paris*

Twenty years.
One secret.
A promise never to tell...

Nikki finally owns the coastguard cottage of her dreams - and it's just a few steps away from the hidden beach that means so much to her . . .

But when a handwritten note lands on her doorstep, she realises it's only a matter of time before the heartbreaking truth about her past is uncovered.

Twenty years ago, her world was turned upside-down when a terrible storm rolled into the tiny Cornish town of Speedwell.

Ever since that night, Nikki has been keeping a secret. One she knows has the power to destroy the lives of those she loves most.

Because as sure as the tide turns, there are no secrets in a small town. . . .

Sales Points

- TOP TEN HARDBACK AMBITIONS! *Sunday Times* bestseller Veronica Henry is a regular in the paperback Top Ten, she has a huge fanbase and - backed by an unmissable campaign - our ambition with *The Secret Beach* is to secure her first ever Top Ten hardback!
- HIGH-IMPACT & FAR-REACHING CAMPAIGN: *The Secret Beach* will release at the height of the holiday season and will be a MAJOR fiction release for the summer! Our campaign will be completely unmissable, driving sales, reaching new readers and with exciting partnerships.
- THE QUEEN OF RELATABLE, ESCAPIST FICTION: Veronica Henry's books combine warmth, heart and relatability with the promise of something wonderfully aspirational! With her new book, Veronica will sweep readers to the stunning Devon coastline, and the guarantee of a uniquely feel-good, escapist read.
- STUNNING BRAND LOOK! With *The Secret Beach*, we will continue our market-leading new look for Veronica Henry's publishing - bright, eye-catching and a hand-drawn illustrative style.

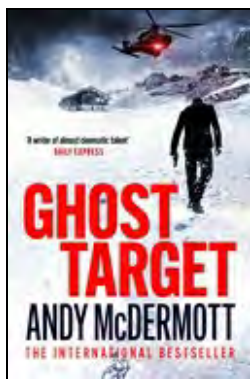
Author Biography

VERONICA HENRY has worked as a scriptwriter for *The Archers*, *Heartbeat* and *Holby City* amongst many others, before turning to fiction. She won the 2014 RNA Novel of the Year Award for *A Night on the Orient Express*. Veronica lives by the sea in north Devon.

Find out more at www.veronicahenry.co.uk or follow her on Twitter & Instagram @veronica_henry

Market

Jill Mansell, Lucy Diamond, Paige Toon, Lucy Dillon, Erica James



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Ghost Target the explosive and action-packed thriller

Andy McDermott

Keynote

A gripping, action-packed thriller about a deadly government assassin framed as a traitor - with the explosive action that fans of Lee Child, Gregg Hurwitz, Vince Flynn and James Swallow will love.

Description

EVERY OPERATIVE KNOWS THE RULES.

The mission comes first. You are a deniable asset. Betrayal is punished by death.

Alex Reeve - known as OPERATIVE 66 - is a former special-ops soldier and one of the UK's most lethal weapons. Previously a member of SC9, an elite covert unit with a remit to assassinate the country's enemies, Reeve was framed for treason and now lives a nomadic existence - as the merciless killers he once trained alongside hunt him down.

For a chance of a normal life, Reeve must expose and dismantle the sinister SC9. So when a series of brutal killings in Germany have all the hallmarks of an SC9 tactic - the murder of 'ghost targets', decoys to camouflage the true intended victim - Reeve finally sees opportunity for revenge.

Sucked into shadowy conspiracy involving dark global powers, Reeve will risk his life to save others - and to secure his freedom. But if there's one man with the skills to do so... it is Operative 66.

From the internationally bestselling author of the Wilde & Chase series comes an explosive new thriller - the perfect pulse-racing read for fans of LEE CHILD, VINCE FLYNN and GREGG HURWITZ.

Sales Points

- **AN INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR** Andy McDermott's Wilde and Chase series has sold over three million copies worldwide and been translated into twenty languages.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF ACTION-PACKED, BRAND AUTHOR THRILLERS** This explosive series will grip not just Andy's loyal fanbase but readers of massive hits like Lee Child's Jack Reacher series and Gregg Hurwitz's *Orphan X* books.

Author Biography

Andy McDermott is the bestselling author of the Nina Wilde & Eddie Chase adventures, which have been sold in over 30 countries and 20 languages. His debut novel, *The Hunt For Atlantis*, was his first of several *New York Times* bestsellers. He has also written the explosive spy thriller *The Persona Protocol*. His latest thriller series began with *Operative 66*, about government assassin Alex Reeve, who finds himself hunted by his own side.

A former journalist and movie critic, Andy is now a full-time novelist. Born in Halifax, when not travelling the world researching locations for his novels he lives in Bournemouth with his wife and son.

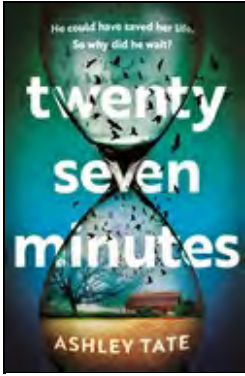
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Twenty-Seven Minutes

An astonishing crime thriller debut from a brilliant new voice in literary suspense

Ashley Tate

Keynote

It takes one moment to call for help. So why did he wait? With a shocking twist that will leave you breathless, *Twenty-Seven Minutes* is a gripping story about what happens when grief becomes unbearable, dark secrets are unearthed, and the horrifying truth is revealed.

Description

<h3> It takes one moment to call for help. So why did he wait? </h3>

'The rare gift that delivers it all' **ASHLEY AUDRAIN**

'Truly gripping and deeply satisfying' **CHRIS WHITAKER**

'I was hooked' **JANE CORRY**

'A new thriller writer to watch' **ROBYN HARDING**

'Left me in awe' **JO LEEVERS**

THE QUESTION

For the last ten years, the small town of West Wilmer has been struggling to answer one question: on the night of the crash that killed his sister, why did it take Grant Dean twenty-seven minutes to call for help? If he'd called sooner, Phoebe might still be alive.

THE SECRET

As the anniversary of Phoebe's death approaches, Grant is consumed by his memories and the secret that's been suffocating him for years. But he and Phoebe weren't the only ones in the car that night. Becca was there too - she's the only other person who knows what really happened. Or is she?

THE TRUTH

Everyone remembers Phoebe, but local girl June also lost someone that night. Her brother Wyatt has been missing for ten years and, now that her mother is dead, June has no one left - no family, no friends. Until someone appears at her door. Someone who knows what really happened that night. **And they are ready to tell the truth.**

With a shocking twist that will leave you breathless, *Twenty-Seven Minutes* is a gripping story about what happens when grief becomes unbearable, dark secrets are unearthed, and the horrifying truth is revealed.

'Taut, raw, powerful' **SAMANTHA M. BAILEY**

'Unputdownable' **PATRICIA WOLF**

'Tense and deeply affecting' **ROSEMARY HENNIGAN**

'All-consuming' **CAROLINE MITCHELL**

'The TWIST in this book' **CAILEAN STEED**

'Grabs hold of you and doesn't let go' **JENNY HOLLANDER**

<h3> Readers are loving *Twenty-Seven Minutes* :</h3>

'It is such a rare treat to read a **genuine, page-turning thriller** with considered prose, characters and setting . . . **moody, atmospheric and cinematic with a tension that simmers in every scene and an ending that is powerful and devastating.** It was a **joy from start to finish** and is proof that you really can have it all.' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'**Never have I become so invested in a book's opening pages . . .** And what made this so good was the fact **the thrills never let up . . . Fantastic debut novel!**' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'**The twistiest, most engrossing read of 2024! West Wilmer just comes to life as a location and sucks you in to the mystery . . . A huge success!**' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'**OMG I loved this! An amazing story, fantastic characters! A must read in 2024!!**' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'This isn't just a thriller. It's a story about grief and love and loss. **With characters that jump out of the pages . . . Ashley's debut is absolutely stunning.** I can't wait to see what she writes next' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'**Brilliant! . . . I loved all the characters involved,** and I think the author spun a

brilliant story that **kept me guessing** . . . I really enjoyed it and especially **the unexpected twist** right at the end' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

'An intriguing and thought-provoking debut ... There were many times in this story that I thought I had it all figured out, only to be blindsided when the actual truth was revealed. **I thoroughly enjoyed this one'** ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ reader review

Sales Points

- **A MAJOR INTERNATIONAL LAUNCH:** This was pre-empted overnight by PRH Canada and will be their lead publication in early 2024. This will be a major lead launch for us too and we will be publishing simultaneously with Canada and the US (Sourcebooks) to make this a truly global publication. Rights have also been acquired by Znanje in Croatia and Libri in Hungary.
- **AN ELECTRIFYING NEW TALENT:** Canadian author Ashley Tate is a hugely exciting new voice in crime fiction, with award-winning potential - her writing is remarkably assured and will appeal to fans of Jane Harper, Celeste Ng and Chris Whitaker.
- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR FANS:** TWENTY-SEVEN MINUTES has already received glowing reviews from bestselling authors such as Chris Whitaker, Ashley Audrain, Jane Corry and Robyn Harding, and we expect to see more accolades flooding in as proofs make their way to authors around the world.
- **THE STORY STARTS NOW:** We revealed the stunning cover trailer to plenty of fanfare across Twitter and Instagram. This will be followed by a multi-phase, widespread Netgalley and proof campaign, targeting bestselling authors around the world, booksellers, press and influencers, to ensure this is a book everyone is talking about.

Reviews

- **'The rare gift that delivers it all:** elevated prose, characters with depth, unpredictable twists, and a pitch-perfect mood that is wonderfully consuming ... **A must-read debut that marks Ashley Tate as a brilliant new voice in literary suspense.** ' - *Ashley Audrain, internationally bestselling author of THE PUSH*
- **'A twisting, beautiful, deeply affecting** mystery from a commanding new talent. **Twenty-Seven Minutes** is by turns **evocative and unpredictable, truly gripping and deeply satisfying. I loved it'** - *Chris Whitaker, Sunday Times bestselling author of WE BEGIN AT THE END*
- **'I raced through this suspenseful debut.** I loved the smart dialogue, the sense of foreboding, and the stunning setting. But, most of all, **I was hooked by the characters, the twists, and the 'Who on earth could have done this?' puzzle. Definitely a writer to watch'** - *Jane Corry, Sunday Times bestselling author of MY HUSBAND'S WIFE*
- **'A beautifully written story of family secrets, dangerous obsessions, and the unsolved mysteries that can haunt a small town for years.** With her well-rounded characters, breakneck pacing, and emotional depth, **Ashley Tate is a new thriller writer to watch'** - *Robyn Harding, internationally bestselling author*

Author Biography

Ashley Tate worked for over a decade as an editorial writer and editor for various publications as well as Canada's first online magazine. Writing a novel and seeing it published is really the only thing on her bucket list and she's ecstatic to be checking that off. She lives with her husband, two children, and their dog, in Toronto, Canada.

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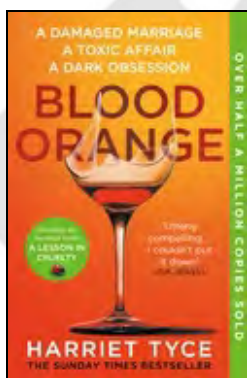
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Blood Orange

The gripping, bestselling Richard & Judy book club thriller

Harriet Tyce

Keynote

An utterly addictive, spectacularly dark psychological thriller that explores the power of desire, jealousy and betrayal.

Description

THE LIES YOU TOLD, the latest unmissable thriller from bestselling author Harriet Tyce is out now.

'Utterly compelling... I couldn't put it down' Lisa Jewell, No.1 bestselling author of *The Family Upstairs*

'A classy thriller with complex and compelling characters' Clare Mackintosh, bestselling author of *I Let You Go*

'Twists that keep you frantically turning the pages' *Sunday Mirror*

BOLD AND SHOCKING, BLOOD ORANGE WILL HOLD YOU IN ITS GRIP UNTIL ITS FINAL, HEARTSTOPPING CONCLUSION.

Alison has it all. A doting husband, adorable daughter, and a career on the rise - she's just been given her first murder case to defend. But all is never as it seems...

Just one more night. Then I'll end it.

Alison drinks too much. She's neglecting her family. And she's having an affair with a colleague whose taste for pushing boundaries may be more than she can handle.

I did it. I killed him. I should be locked up.

Alison's client doesn't deny that she stabbed her husband - she wants to plead guilty. And yet something about her story is deeply amiss. Saving this woman may be the first step to Alison saving herself.

I'm watching you. I know what you're doing.

But someone knows Alison's secrets. Someone who wants to make her pay for what she's done, and who won't stop until she's lost everything....

'Gripping' *Daily Mail*

'Sizzlingly addictive' *Heat*

'Delicious and addictive - a perfectly crafted treat!' Louise Candlish, author of *Our House*

'Glittering and fierce . . . a glorious bonfire of a marriage thriller' *Irish Times*

Sales Points

- Blood Orange HB has sold 5,000 copies through the TCM, and over 20,000 ebooks.
- Television rights in BLOOD ORANGE have been acquired by World Productions - the production company behind THE BODYGUARD.
- We have World rights in *Blood Orange*, and it has sold into 19 foreign territories so far: China (Solo) Czech (Euromedia), Croatian (24sata); Danish (Gyldendal), Estonian (Varrak), Finnish (Otava), French (Robert Laffont), German (Heyne/Diana), Hungarian (Publish & More), Italian (Mondadori), Norwegian (Gyldendal Norsk), Polish (Swiat Ksiazki), Portuguese (2020 Editora); Serbian (Evro), Slovak (Ikar), Slovenia (Učila) Spanish (PRH Spain), Swedish (Jentas) and US (Grand Central).
- Like her protagonist, Harriet Tyce practiced as a criminal barrister in London for ten years, so that world is extremely authentic and well-drawn.
- Harriet Tyce is a debut author whose MA in Creative Writing - Crime Fiction at UEA has given her a deep understanding of and passion for the genre. She is very well-equipped to write features and appear on panels about crime thriller fiction.

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Reviews

- 'Harriet Tyce brings a new layer of **visceral, addictive dark** to domestic noir. Obsession, revenge, lust and murder play out on the pages as a female barrister tries to hold her life together while her personality tries to tear it apart. At once **shocking and riveting, I simply couldn't stop reading. Bravo**' - *Sarah Pinborough*
- '*Blood Orange* is destined to be the debut that everyone is talking about in 2019. **Dark, original and utterly compelling**, I could not put it down. And **what a twist** at the end!' - *Lisa Jewell*

Author Biography

Harriet Tyce grew up in Edinburgh and studied English at Oxford University before doing a law conversion course at City University. She practised as a criminal barrister in London for nearly a decade, and subsequently completed an MA in Creative Writing - Crime Fiction at the University of East Anglia. She lives in north London. Her first novel, *Blood Orange*, published in 2019 to huge critical acclaim and her latest novel, *The Lies You Told*, published in summer 2020.

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Beneath Dark Waters

Karen Rose

Keynote

The second thrilling novel in a brand new series from *Sunday Times* bestseller Karen Rose, set in New Orleans

Description

'High-wire suspense that keeps you riveted' Lisa Gardner

The heart-stopping new thriller in the New Orleans series, from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Karen Rose.

Assistant District Attorney Kaj Cordozo's life is thrown upside down when two masked men attempt to kidnap his son, Elijah. Given the high-profile case Kaj is working on, he's not about to take any more risks.

When Val Sorensen of Burke Broussard Private Investigation Agency is assigned as Elijah's bodyguard, she realises she also has a very personal connection to the gang thought to be behind the attempted kidnap - a run in with Sixth Day cost her brother his life.

As Kaj and Val work together to prevent a second kidnap attempt, they uncover a trail of violence and deception leading back to brothers Aaron and Corey Gates. Aaron is in prison, but Corey is dangerous, at large and about to threaten everything Kaj holds dear.

Will the revelation of involvement from the other Gates brothers lead to answers, or by placing their trust in them will Kaj and Val be putting themselves in even more danger?

'Intense, complex and unforgettable' James Patterson

'Fast and furious' *Sun*

Sales Points

- Karen Rose is the author of over 25 novels, which have been translated into 15 languages.
- Karen has sold 4.9 million books in the UK and more than 11 million copies worldwide.
- She is a multiple *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestseller, as well as a No. 1 bestselling author in Germany and South Africa. She has also appeared in the Top Ten bestseller lists in France, Australia and New Zealand.

Reviews

- **'Praise for Karen Rose'**
- 'High-wire suspense that keeps you riveted' - Lisa Gardner
- 'Intense, complex and unforgettable' - James Patterson
- 'Effortlessly balances romance and crime . . . an excellent example of how far-reaching and varied romance can be' - *New York Times*

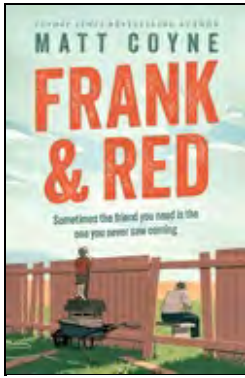
Author Biography

Karen Rose was introduced to suspense and horror at the tender age of eight when she accidentally read Poe's *The Pit and The Pendulum* and was afraid to go to sleep for years. She now enjoys writing books that make other people afraid to go to sleep.

Karen lives in Florida with her family, their cat, Bella, and two dogs, Loki and Freya. When she's not writing, she enjoys reading, and her new hobby - knitting.

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Frank and Red

The heart-warming story of an unlikely friendship

Matt Coyne

Keynote

The brilliant, heart-warming debut novel from the *Sunday Times* best-selling author of *Dummy* and *Man vs Toddler*

Description

Sometimes, the friend you need is the one you never saw coming.

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Early readers can't get enough:

'Best book of the year!' ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐

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Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** *A Man Called Ove*; *The Rosie Project* and *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*.
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- **HUGE SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM:** Matt has become an influential voice in the parenting community, and has an enormous and ever-growing fan base on social media, with 296,000 followers across Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.
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Reviews

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- **'Warm, heartfelt and laugh out loud funny,** I adored Frank and Red and couldn't put this book down.' - Becky Hunter, author of *One Moment*

Author Biography

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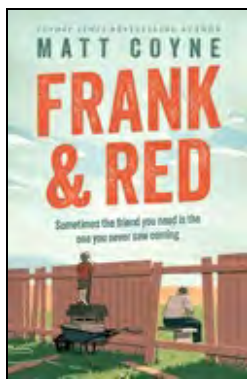
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Keynote

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'Hilarious but accurate account of finding your feet as a parent . . . Matt Coyne's post has struck a chord with parents from all over the world' *Daily Mail*

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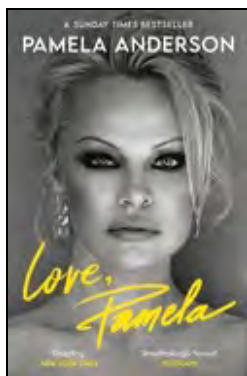
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Love, Pamela

Her new memoir, taking control of her own narrative for the first time

Pamela Anderson

Keynote

The actress, activist, and once infamous Playboy Playmate reclaims the narrative of her life in a memoir that defies expectation in both content and approach, blending searing prose with snippets of original poetry.

Description

ACTRESS. ICON. ACTIVIST. Her story, in her voice, for the first time.

In this honest, layered and unforgettable book that alternates between storytelling and her own poetry, Pamela Anderson breaks the mould of the celebrity memoir while taking back the tale that has been crafted about her.

Her blond bombshell image was ubiquitous in the 1990s. Discovered in the stands of a football game, she was immediately rocket launched into fame, becoming *Playboy's* favourite cover girl and an emblem of Hollywood glamour and sexuality. But what happens when you lose grip on your own life - and the image the notoriety machine creates for you is not who you really are?

Growing up on Vancouver Island, the daughter of young, wild, and unprepared parents, Pamela Anderson's childhood was not easy, but it allowed her to create her own world-surrounded by nature and imaginary friends. When she overcame her deep shyness and grew into herself, she fell into a life on the cover of magazines, the beaches of Malibu, the sets of movies and talk shows, the arms of rockstars, the coveted scene at the Playboy Mansion. And as her star rose, she found herself tabloid fodder, at the height of an era when paparazzi tactics were bent on capturing a celebrity's most intimate, and sometimes weakest moments. This is when Pamela Anderson lost control of her own narrative, hurt by the media and fearful of the public's perception of who she was . . . and who she wasn't.

Fighting back with a sense of grace, fuelled by a love of art and literature, and driven by a devotion to her children and the causes she cares about most, Pamela Anderson has now gone back to the island where she grew up, after a memorable run starring as Roxie in *Chicago* on Broadway, reclaiming her free spirit but also standing firm as a strong, creative, confident woman.

'The iconic Anderson uses a mixture of poetry and prose to present an impressionistic view of a fascinating life' *Booklist*

Sales Points

- Pamela Anderson has 1M followers on Twitter and 1.4M on Instagram.
- Pamela Anderson was the most searched for person on the internet for a decade (1995-2005).
- The media are endlessly fascinated by Pamela and her life - 2022 saw the critically acclaimed Pam & Tommy miniseries starring Lily James.
- Netflix are releasing an official documentary with Pamela 'setting the record straight' in early 2023. Netflix plan to premiere at Sundance in January '23 and then stream immediately afterwards.

Reviews

- 'The most disappointing thing about *Love, Pamela* is that it doesn't come in a form that can be injected directly into your viens . . . **Dazzling.**' - *The New York Times*
- 'A **revelatory and fascinating** dive beyond the usual bimbo clichés' - Alexander Larman, *The Spectator*
- 'Pamela Anderson tackles her journey from small-town girl to one of the icons of the 90s, terrorised by the LA paparazzi who were obsessed with her personal life . . . this is a chance for her to tell her story in her own way.' - *Stylist*
- 'Reveals the woman behind the iconic image in this **intimate and well-written** journey of self-discovery, uncovering the layers that make up her complicated past and sharing her lifelong thirst for knowledge. **Anderson fully takes control of her own story**, addressing the salacious aspects but also sharing inspiring tales of survival, motherhood, and activism.' - *Library Journal*

Author Biography

PAMELA ANDERSON is an international icon whose work spans both entertainment and activism. Through the Pamela Anderson Foundation, she champions causes close to her heart, including ocean and rain forest conservation and the protection of vulnerable humans and animals. Above all else, being a mother to sons Brandon Thomas Lee and Dylan Jagger Lee has been Pamela's priority and greatest source of pride.

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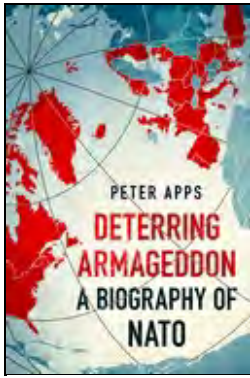
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Deterring Armageddon: A Biography of NATO

Peter Apps

Keynote

A history of NATO, the intergovernmental military alliance between 30 member states, from WW2 to the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Description

The history of the world's most successful military alliance, from the wrecked Europe of 1945 to Vladimir Putin's invasion of Ukraine.

As they signed NATO into being after World War II, its founders fervently believed that only if the West's democracies banded permanently together could they avoid a catastrophic global atomic conflict. Over the 75 years since, the alliance has indeed avoided war with Russia, also becoming a major political, strategic and diplomatic player well beyond its borders. It has survived disagreements between leaders from Eisenhower, Churchill and de Gaulle to Trump, Stoltenberg and Merkel, faced down Kremlin foes from Stalin to Putin and endured unending questions and debate over what new nations might be allowed to join.

Deterring Armageddon takes the reader from backroom deals that led to NATO's creation, through the Cold War, the Balkans and Afghanistan to the current confrontation with the Kremlin following the invasion of Ukraine. It examines the tightrope walked by alliance leaders between a powerful United States sometimes flirting with isolationism and European nations with their ever-evolving wishes for autonomy and influence. Having spent much of its life preparing for conflicts that might never come, NATO has sometimes found itself in wars that few had predicted - and with its members now again planning for a potential major European conflict.

It is a tale of tension, danger, rivalry, conflict, big personalities and high-stakes military and diplomatic posturing - as well as espionage, politics and protest. From the Korean War to the pandemic, the Berlin and Cuba crises to the chaotic evacuation from Kabul, *Deterring Armageddon* tells how the alliance has shaped and been shaped by history - and looks ahead to what might be the most dangerous era it has ever faced.

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Sales Points

- **FOR FANS OF:** Tim Marshall's *Prisoners of Geography*, Ray Dalio's *The Changing World Order*, and Tony Judt's *Postwar*
- **AUTHOR EXPERIENCE:** Peter possesses the rare blend of the highest journalistic credentials and real-life military experience that makes him the ideal author for this project
- **ANNIVERSARY:** Published to coincide with NATO's 75th anniversary in April 2024, when our shared defense is increasingly relevant due to the war in Ukraine.

Reviews

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- 'Compelling and informative - a must-read for anyone serious about understanding both the history and future of Western military strategy.' - Anna-Joy Rickards, the *Great British Foreign Policy Podcast*
- 'Peter Apps has created a **quintessential guide for understanding NATO**, from its historical development to its future pathways... *Deterring Armageddon* is a **must-read** as we enter a new era of heightened global risk and shock events.' - Dr Maha Hosain Aziz, adjunct associate professor, New York University, author of *Future World Order*

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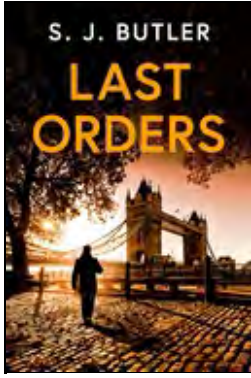
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Peter Apps is global affairs commentator at Reuters, a British Army reservist and executive director of pop-up think tank the Project for Study of the 21st Century (PS21). Peter has reported from across the world as Reuters political risk and global defence correspondent, and was appointed a Reuters columnist in 2016. He undertook reserve military training with both the British and U.S. armies and more recently as a UK specialist army reservist, providing advice, analysis and training and serving two full-time tours of duty during the Covid-19 pandemic and Ukraine war. He is the author of two successful Kindle Singles, *Before Ebola* (2014) and *Churchill in the Trenches* (2015).

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Last Orders

An absolutely gripping and unputdownable crime thriller

S. J. Butler

Keynote

An addictive and nail-biting crime thriller from the author of *Between the Lines* and *Deadly Lesson*. Perfect for fans of Biba Pearce, Robert Bryndza and Patricia Gibney.

Description

London in the early nineties is a hotbed of political activism and intrigue, prey and predator, and times are changing fast - too fast for **DCI Rick Bailey**, who is starting to think he cannot keep up. But then a young woman goes missing in the run-up to Christmas, and he's convinced Alice's disappearance is related to **an unsolved murder that has haunted him for the last three years.**

He stumbles upon a suspect connected to all the clues, among them a care worker facing betrayal and abuse, a cemetery worker hearing music that does not play, an activist running from himself and a blind man who sees more than anyone else.

Who will lead them to Alice before the church bells ring?

Praise for S. J. Butler:

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- This is the third and final of Sean's novel that we have under contract. His debut novel, *Between the Lines*, was published in 2020 and his second book, *Deadly Lesson*, was published in 2021.
- An unflinching and darkly gripping crime thriller perfect for fans of Robert Bryndza, Biba Pearce and Patricia Gibney.

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S. J. Butler lives and works in County Mayo, Ireland. *Last Orders* is his third novel.



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A Sign of Her Own

How can a deaf woman speak out in a hearing world?

Sarah Marsh

Keynote

An empowering story of a young woman's journey to accepting her deaf identity, exploring the hidden history of the deaf community in the invention of the telephone

Description

'Absolutely brilliant. Ellen Lark is unforgettable' Emilia Hart, author of *Weyward*

'Illuminating... Excellently conveys the experience of being deaf in a hearing world' Priscilla Morris, Women's Prize Shortlisted author of *Black Butterflies*

'A fantastic novel. Shines a light into a hidden corner of history' Louise Hare author of *This Lovely City* and *Miss Aldridge Regrets*

Ellen Lark is on the verge of marriage when she and her fiancé receive an unexpected visit from Alexander Graham Bell.

Ellen knows immediately what Bell really wants from her. Ellen is deaf, and for a time was Bell's student in a technique called Visible Speech. As he instructed her in speaking, Bell also confided in her about his dream of producing a device which would transmit the human voice along a wire: the telephone. Now, on the cusp of wealth and renown, Bell wants Ellen to speak up in support of his claim to the patent to the telephone, which is being challenged by rivals.

But Ellen has a different story to tell: that of how Bell betrayed her, and other deaf pupils, in pursuit of ambition and personal gain, and cut Ellen off from a community in which she had come to feel truly at home. It is a story no one around Ellen seems to want to hear - but there may never be a more important time for her to tell it.

Sales Points

- **For readers of:** FRANNIE LANGTON and THE FAIR BOTANISTS.
- **Reading group hit:** The novel is hugely compelling, offering an insight into a history that remains largely hidden, which we encounter through the prism of a dynamic and complex protagonist. Its a natural conversation starter, and a novel with definite prize potential.
- **The deaf community:** Sarah Marsh has been deaf since childhood and was drawn to research the novel by her experiences growing up, when she was encouraged to hide her deafness, and learning BSL as an adult, and embracing her deaf identity. The novel shines a light on the role of the deaf community in Alexander Graham Bell's invention of the telephone, and our campaign will aim to centre and engage with the deaf community at every stage.
- **The author:** was shortlisted for the Lucy Cavendish prize in 2019 and selected for the London Library Emerging Writers programme in 2020. She is also Henry Marsh's daughter

Reviews

- 'An accomplished debut that excellently conveys the experience of being deaf in a hearing world. Beautifully written, absorbing and illuminating' - Priscilla Morris, author of BLACK BUTTERFLIES
- 'A Sign of Her Own shines a light into a hidden corner of history. Ellen Lark's story is one that will resonate with anyone who has struggled to fit in. A fantastic novel.' - Louise Hare, author of MISS ALDRIDGE REGRETS
- 'A beautifully written tale of a woman's quest to find her own place in the world, and have her own voice heard; elegant, eloquent, and passionate.' - Naomi Kelsey, author of THE BURNINGS
- 'A fascinating and moving historical novel that cleverly intertwines history and fiction. It stayed in my mind long after the last page was turned' - Frances Quinn, author of THAT BONESETTER WOMAN and THE SMALLEST MAN

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Sarah Marsh was shortlisted for the Lucy Cavendish prize in 2019 and selected for the London Library Emerging Writers programme in 2020. A Sign of Her Own is her first novel, inspired by her experiences of growing up deaf and her family's history of deafness. She lives in London.

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To Woo and to Wed

A smart and swoony Regency rom-com of second chances!

Martha Waters

Keynote

Filled with charming banter and heartfelt romance, *To Woo and to Wed* is a wonderfully entertaining romantic comedy - perfect for fans of Evie Dunmore and Julia Quinn's *Bridgerton*.

Description

'[E]ffervescent... Sophie is a refreshingly candid protagonist, whose ability to stand up to the duke is evenly matched with the care and concern she has for her sisters. Waters's fans will be sad to see this series end but deeply satisfied by this fetching finale' *Publishers Weekly*

The final instalment in the "hilarious and steamy" (PopSugar) *Regency Vows* series follows the heir to a dukedom and a young widow, once very much in love, as they reunite years later to fake an engagement for the benefit of her sister.

They have the best of intentions...and the worst luck in love.

West, the Marquess of Weston, and Sophie, Lady Fitzwilliam Bridewell, have lately been spending a considerable amount of time together. But West and Sophie are not new acquaintances.

In fact, years ago, they were almost engaged, until West's almost fatal curriple accident and his meddling father threw them off course.

Now, having recently lost her husband, Sophie has put aside all thoughts of romance. But when her widowed sister, Alexandra, mentions a fondness for an earl, Sophie realises she may be holding her sister back. Alexandra won't move forward until Sophie, too, settles down again, and so Sophie approaches West with a plan. They will announce their engagement and break things off once Alexandra is happily married.

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'To Have and to Hoax is an authentic romantic comedy . . . This fun and fresh historical debut will delight readers with humor and romance' Shelf Awareness

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Sales Points

- **EXCITING VOICE IN HISTORICAL ROM-COMS:** here to fill the Bridgerton gap whilst we wait for the new TV series are these smart and sexy regency romantic comedies by Martha Waters, which have fresh, modern takes and laugh-out-loud humour!
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Author Biography

Martha Waters was born and raised in sunny South Florida, and is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She works as a children's librarian in North Carolina, and spends much of her free time traveling. *To Have and To Hoax* is her first novel. To discover more find her online at: www.marthawaters.com Twitter and Instagram @marthabwaters

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 Author living in **Portland, Oregon**
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Previous Titles
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How You Get The Girl

Anita Kelly

Keynote

Chemistry sizzles in this workplace rom-com set in the world of high school basketball from the author of *Love & Other Disasters*, named a "must-read" by *USA Today*, *PopSugar*, *SheReads*, and *Harper's Bazaar*.

Description

'No one understands the beauty of quiet moments in romance quite like Kelly' ALISON COCHRAN

'Kelly never fails to bring the perfect combination of humor, swoons, and grounded emotion' Timothy Janovsky

'I can't get enough of Anita Kelly's writing' Ava Wilder

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When a smart-mouthed junior joins East Nashville High's basketball team, Coach Julie Parker's ready for the challenge. What she's not prepared for is the teen's new foster parent, a super-hot ex-WNBA baller and star of Julie's fantasies. Julie knows the cool and confident Elle Cochrane is way out of her league. But despite being completely tongue-tied around her, somehow Julie persuades Elle to step in as her assistant coach.

Elle has not been on a court since her career-ending injury, but she can't seem to resist Julie, who is just as adorable as her nervous babbling. Maybe because being around her makes Elle feel sparks for the first time in long while-which is why she offers to help when Julie reveals her lifelong insecurity about dating and how she wishes she could practice at it...like sports. As Elle helps Julie navigate dating life, lines grow increasingly blurred, and the two must decide whether they'll stay on the sidelines-or finally take their shot.

Readers gave *Love & Other Disasters* ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐!

'This book had so many great elements that it's no surprise I fell absolutely head over heels for it . . . the unabashed queerness in this book made my heart so happy . . . there was so much joy in this book that had me smiling from ear to ear'

'Funny, uplifting, true to life, relatable, and cheerful. If you need cheering up this is the perfect book for you'

'Such a fun read!'

[More raves for *Love & Other Disasters*!](#)

'Wildly charming, exquisitely vibrant, and achingly tender . . . I can't wait to buy it for everyone I've ever met' Rosie Danan

'With only one book, Anita Kelly has landed among my all-time favorite authors' Meryl Wilsner

'Anita Kelly has the perfect recipe for romance . . . I didn't want it to end and I'm so hungry for more' Ruby Barrett

'A nonbinary protagonist in a mainstream romance is cause for excitement and the characters spark with chemistry. The heartwarming result will leave readers eager for more from Kelly' *Publishers Weekly*

Sales Points

- READERS LOVE ROM-COMS: The rom-com has been having a moment, and we don't see that moment ending anytime soon! Readers continue to devour light and flirty stories and this book has all the elements that will appeal to those readers: a great voice, a sporty setting and a good dose of steam. Fans of Alison Cochran, Abby Jimenez, Casey McQuiston and Alexis Hall will surely love this new book. Featuring strong protagonists, a diverse cast of characters, and (of course) swoon-worthy romances, these books appeal to both women's fiction and romance readers alike.
- LGBTQIA+ ROMANCE: Readers are clamouring for more queer love stories. Like many books in this category, *Love & Other Disasters* delves into important and timely issues with a deft touch and explores themes such as coming out, gender identity and acceptance, as well as divorce and finding oneself.

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- **BOOKSELLER ENTHUSIASM:** Independent booksellers have become huge supporters of rom-coms over the past few years and they've been very vocal about seeking out LGBTQIA+ voices to add to their shelves. And as an added bonus, Anita is a fellow bibliophile: she is a school librarian serving grades 5-12.
- **HEADLINE ETERNAL:** At Eternal, Headline's boutique romance imprint, our mission is to ensure that any romance fan will find their heart's desire within the books on our list. Whether that be heartwarming, laugh-out-loud rom-coms, page-turning romantic thrillers or sweeping historicals, Eternal is the home of exceptional romance for every mood.

Author Biography

Originally from a small town in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania, **Anita Kelly** now lives in the Pacific Northwest with their family. A teen librarian by day, they write romance that celebrates queer love in all its infinite possibilities. Whenever not reading or writing, they're drinking too much tea, taking pictures, and dreaming of their next walk in the woods. They hope you get to pet a dog today.

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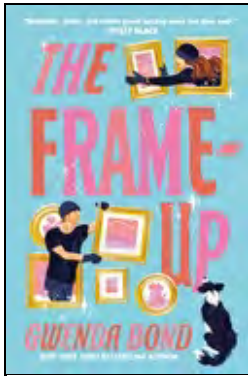
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The Frame-Up

Gwenda Bond

Keynote

A magically gifted con artist must gather her estranged mother's old crew for a once-in-a-lifetime heist, from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Stranger Things: Suspicious Minds*.

Description

'Romantic, clever, and makes grand larceny more fun than ever' HOLLY BLACK
'A twisty, riveting and fantastically original story' ELLE COSIMANO
'Gwenda Bond at her absolute best: magical romantic and fun as hell' ALIX E. HARROW

Dani Poissant is the daughter and former accomplice of the world's most famous art thief. There was no job too big for Maria and her loyal crew. The secret to their success? A little thing called magic, kept rigorously secret from the non-magical world. They seemed unstoppable . . . until a teenage Dani turned her mother over to the FBI.

Ten years later, with Maria still in prison, Dani finds herself approached for a job that only Maria and her crew could pull off . . . if any of them were still speaking to her. But it's the job of a lifetime and might just be the lure Dani needs to reconcile with her mother and be reunited with her mother's old gang-including both the love of her life and her former best friend.

The problem is, it's an impossible task-even with the magical talents of the people she once considered family backing her up. It's a heist that needs a year to plan, and Dani has just over a week. Worse, the more Dani learns, the more she understands that there's far more at stake in this job than she ever realised.

Reviews

- *'The Frame-Up is Gwenda Bond at her absolute best: magical, romantic, and fun as hell. Dani and her crew will leave your pockets empty and your heart full.'* - ALIX E. HARROW, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Starling House*
- *'A clever art heist, a smoldering old flame, an irresistible found family tied together through magic . . . Gwenda Bond's *The Frame-Up* is a twisty, riveting, and fantastically original story.'* - ELLE COSIMANO, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Finlay Donovan Is Killing It*
- *'Magic, mystery, and a daring art heist set the stage for Gwenda Bond's twisty, delightful read! Brimming with secrets, danger, and intrigue, *The Frame Up* explores the lure of power, the bonds of friendship, and the legacy of family. Clever, suspenseful, and impossible to put down.'* - MEGAN MIRANDA, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Only Survivors*
- *'Ocean's Eleven meets the *Portrait of Dorian Grey* in this delightful magical heist novel. A quirky cast, a charming protagonist, and a fantastic dog. Plus art history, monsters, and family secrets-who can ask for more?'* - T. KINGFISHER, bestselling author of *Nettle & Bone*

Author Biography

Gwenda Bond is the *New York Times* bestselling author of many novels, including the first official *Stranger Things* novel, *Suspicious Minds*, as well as the *Match Made in Hell*, *Lois Lane*, and *Cirque American* series. She lives in a hundred-year-old house in Lexington, Kentucky, with her husband, author Christopher Rowe, and a veritable zoo of adorable doggos and queenly cats.

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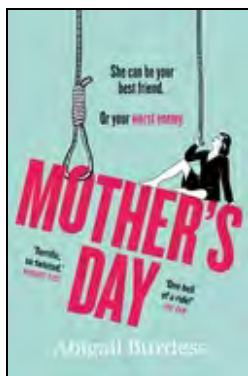
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Mother's Day

Discover a mother like no other in this compulsive, page-turning thriller

Abigail Burdess

Keynote

A gripping, darkly comic thriller from screenwriter Abigail Burdess - the perfect unsettling read for fans of MY SISTER, THE SERIAL KILLER, MAGPIE and HOW TO KILL YOUR FAMILY.

Description

Motherhood can be murder... Perfect for fans of MY SISTER, THE SERIAL KILLER, MAGPIE and HOW TO KILL YOUR FAMILY.

'Terrific, so twisted'
HARRIET TYCE

'One hell of a ride!'
THE SUN

'Superbly written and darkly funny. I simply couldn't look away.'
JANICE HALLETT

'An absolute corker'
GLAMOUR

Anna never had a real family. She never needed one.

But when she meets her birth mother, Marlene, everything changes - because the same day, she learns she's going to have a baby of her own.

Now Anna's hurled headfirst into a new family, whether she wants it or not. At last, Marlene has a chance to become the mother she never was. She's so close, she can practically taste it.

And nothing - or more accurately, no one - will stand in her way.

'Dark, funny'
GUARDIAN BOOKS OF THE MONTH

'A startlingly original, pitch dark page-turner'
CLAIRE MCGOWAN

'Dark, brilliant, and completely and utterly compelling.'
JENNY COLGAN

'Deliciously dark.'
JOHN MARRS

'Marlene is a jaw-dropping creation, the mother of malign mothers'
BETH MORREY

'A stunning ending that leaves you breathless. Astonishingly good.'
ROBERT THOROGOOD

'Twists and turns until you really can't imagine what might happen next'
KATY BRAND

'Completely gripping and quite terrifying. I was utterly blindsided by its twists and turns.'
LUCY PORTER

'Fantastic: so funny, so human - you won't be able to put it down.'
ISY SUTTIE

Sales Points

- Acquired in a World Rights pre-empt for two books
- Paperback publication to coincide with Mother's Day (UK & Ireland) 2024
- Completely unforgettable characters and a twist ending that must be read to be believed.
- **Author's extensive personal network:** Abigail is a screenwriter and actor with strong personal contacts across film and TV, comedy and literary circles. We are underway with a long-lead Marketing and Publicity campaign with multiple rounds of

proof copies to secure early endorsements for this best in class thriller, and the quotes are already coming in.

- **Major audio focus:** Abigail is bringing her formidable experience across radio and TV to the audiobook narration, bringing the unforgettable Marlene to life in what promises to be a one-of-a-kind listen.

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Reviews

- '*Mother's Day* is terrific. So dark, so twisted and one of the most batsh*t crazy characters you'll ever meet in Marlene.' - *Harriet Tyce, bestselling author of Blood Orange*
- 'Superbly written and darkly funny, *Mother's Day* is an epic psychological thriller that revels in the visceral horror of family relationships. So brilliantly and horrifyingly executed I simply couldn't look away. Abigail Burdess is a refreshing and original writer - don't take your eyes off her.' - *Janice Hallett, author of The Appeal and The Twyford Code*
- '*Mother's Day* is so dark and so shockingly, fabulously funny. I absolutely adored it.' - *Daisy Buchanan, bestselling author of Insatiable*
- 'This dark, crazy thriller is one hell of a ride!' - *The Sun*

Author Biography

Abigail Burdess has written for and acted in various comedy shows for the television, radio and stage. She also sometimes writes TV for kids, as well as plays and musicals. She lives in London with her husband, Robert Webb and their two children. *Mother's Day* is her first novel.

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Mad Woman

The hotly anticipated follow-up to lifechanging bestseller, MAD GIRL

Bryony Gordon

Keynote

Bryony Gordon presents the long-anticipated follow up to her phenomenal Number One *Sunday Times* Bestseller, *Mad Girl*.

Description

'Bryony Gordon is a terrific, compassionate writer' Elizabeth Day

What if our notion of what makes us happy is the very thing that's making us so sad?

Ten years on from first writing about her own experiences of mental illness, Bryony Gordon still receives messages about the effect it has on people. Now perimenopausal and well into the next stage of her life, parenting an almost-adolescent, just what has that help - and that connection with other unwell people - taught Bryony about herself, and the society we live in? What has she learned, and why have her views on mental health changed so radically? After coming out the other side of the biggest trauma of our living memory - a global pandemic - existing in a state of perma-crisis has now become our new normal.

From burnout and binge eating, to living with fluctuating hormones and the endless battle to stay sober, Bryony begins to question whether she got mental illness wrong in the first place. Is it simply a chemical imbalance, or rather a normal response from your brain telling you that something isn't right? *Mad Woman* explores the most difficult of all the lessons she's learned over the last decade - that our notion of what makes a happy life is the very thing that's making us so sad.

Bryony Gordon is unafraid to write with her trademark blend of compassion, honesty and humour about her personal challenges and demons, which means her books and journalism have had profound impact on readers. She founded the mental health charity, Mental Health Mates, which has become a vast online community.

Sales Points

- The long-anticipated follow up to the phenomenal, No. 1 *Sunday Times* Bestseller *Mad Girl* (100k TCM paperback)
- Bryony Gordon is a leading voice in the area of mental health and has built a huge platform across her socials with over 200k on Instagram.
- Bryony continues to write her hugely successful *Telegraph* column, and has secured several interviews with Prince Harry. She is incredibly well-connected in the media world, and *Mad Woman* is sure to receive high-profile endorsements and press coverage.
- Bryony founded the mental health charity Mental Health Mates which has a community of over 100k on socials.

Author Biography

In the twenty-three years that she has worked for the *Telegraph*, Bryony Gordon has become one of the paper's best-loved writers. She is the author of the bestselling *The Wrong Knickers* plus *The Sunday Times* Number One bestsellers *You Got This* and *Mad Girl* which were both nominated for British Book Awards. She is the presenter of the *Mad World* podcast and in 2016 she founded Mental Health Mates, now a global peer support network which encourages people with mental health issues to connect and get out of the house. In 2017 she won the MIND Making A Difference Award for her work in changing the perception of mental health in the media. In 2018 she ran the London Marathon in her underwear. In 2020, she won the Journalists' Charity Award from the Society of Editors for mental health campaign. She lives in South London with her husband and daughter.

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Every Smile You Fake

the gripping new novel from the bestselling Queen of the Big Reveal

Dorothy Koomson

Keynote

Don't believe everything you see in the heart-stopping new thriller from the Queen of the Big Reveal

Description

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Pre-order the thrilling new novel from Dorothy Koomson now

Please take care of my baby. But don't try to find me. You'll put him in danger.
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Profiler and therapist Kez Lanyon is shocked when she finds a baby on the backseat of her car, with an unsigned note asking her to take care of him.

Kez has a pretty good idea who the mother is - Brandee, a popular social media star with a troubled background, who once lived in Kez's house.

Brandee recently dropped out of the limelight and if the internet rumours are true, Kez knows Brandee's life is in danger.

Kez is torn. Should she simply take care of the baby as she's been asked, or should she risk her whole family by using contacts from her previous job to save this young woman?

Time is running out for Brandee. Can Kez find her before it's too late?

This is the heart-stopping new novel from The Queen Of The Big Reveal.

Sales Points

- In 2023 Headline celebrates Dorothy's **20th anniversary** with a **special anniversary hardback edition** of *The Cupid Effect*, a **full backlist repackaging** as well as a roster of **events and supporting marketing activity**.
- Dorothy Koomson has sold **over 2 million books through UK Bookscan** alone and is a regular *Sunday Times* bestseller.
- Her novels have been translated into **over 30 languages**.
- Her iconic bestseller *My Best Friend's Girl* was a Richard and Judy Bookclub pick and went on to **sell over half a million copies**.
- Her *Sunday Times* bestseller *The Ice Cream Girls* has sold **over 225,000 copies** and was made into a **hit ITV drama** in 2013.

Reviews

- **'Praise for Dorothy Koomson'**
- 'A brilliant rollercoaster of a thriller about obsessive love and hidden secrets. Tense, twisty and unputdownable' - Claire Douglas
- 'The very definition of a page-turner, it's suburban noir at its finest' - Harriet Tyce
- 'Just like *Desperate Housewives*, but even darker and more devious' - *Woman & Home*

Author Biography

DOROTHY KOOMSON is an award-winning, internationally bestselling author and journalist whose books have been translated into more than 30 languages, with sales that exceed 2 million copies in the UK alone.

Her third novel, *My Best Friend's Girl* (2006) was selected for the Richard & Judy Summer Reads Book Club, while a TV adaptation based on *The Ice Cream Girls* was shown on ITV1 in 2013.

Dorothy was featured on the 2021 Powerlist as one of the most influential Black people in Britain and appeared in *GQ Style* as a Black British trailblazer.

She loves reading and writing, and is passionate about supporting other writers no matter what stage they are at in their career.

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Please take care of my baby. But don't try to find me. You'll put him in danger.
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Profiler and therapist Kez Lanyon is shocked when she finds a baby on the backseat of her car, with an unsigned note asking her to take care of him.

Kez has a pretty good idea who the mother is - Brandee, a popular social media star with a troubled background, who once lived in Kez's house.

Brandee recently dropped out of the limelight and if the internet rumours are true, Kez knows Brandee's life is in danger.

Kez is torn. Should she simply take care of the baby as she's been asked, or should she risk her whole family by using contacts from her previous job to save this young woman?

Time is running out for Brandee. Can Kez find her before it's too late?

This is the heart-stopping new novel from The Queen Of The Big Reveal.

Sales Points

- In 2023 Headline celebrates Dorothy's **20th anniversary** with a **special anniversary hardback edition** of *The Cupid Effect*, a **full backlist repackaging** as well as a roster of **events and supporting marketing activity**.
- Dorothy Koomson has sold **over 2 million books through UK Bookscan** alone and is a regular *Sunday Times* bestseller.
- Her novels have been translated into **over 30 languages**.
- Her iconic bestseller *My Best Friend's Girl* was a Richard and Judy Bookclub pick and went on to **sell over half a million copies**.
- Her *Sunday Times* bestseller *The Ice Cream Girls* has sold **over 225,000 copies** and was made into a **hit ITV drama** in 2013.

Reviews

- **'Praise for Dorothy Koomson'**
- 'A brilliant rollercoaster of a thriller about obsessive love and hidden secrets. Tense, twisty and unputdownable' - Claire Douglas
- 'The very definition of a page-turner, it's suburban noir at its finest' - Harriet Tyce
- 'Just like *Desperate Housewives*, but even darker and more devious' - *Woman & Home*

Author Biography

DOROTHY KOOMSON is an award-winning, internationally bestselling author and journalist whose books have been translated into more than 30 languages, with sales that exceed 2 million copies in the UK alone.

Her third novel, *My Best Friend's Girl* (2006) was selected for the Richard & Judy Summer Reads Book Club, while a TV adaptation based on *The Ice Cream Girls* was shown on ITV1 in 2013.

Dorothy was featured on the 2021 Powerlist as one of the most influential Black people in Britain and appeared in *GQ Style* as a Black British trailblazer.

She loves reading and writing, and is passionate about supporting other writers no matter what stage they are at in their career.

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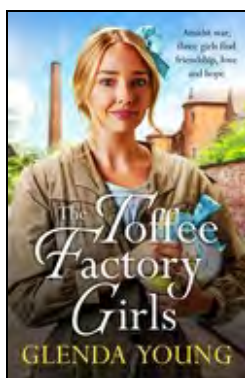
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The Toffee Factory Girls

The first in an unforgettable wartime trilogy about love, friendship, secrets and toffee . . .

Glenda Young

Keynote

A compelling new saga filled with romance, drama and tragedy, ideal for lovers of *Dilly Court* and *Rosie Goodwin*!

Description

'Real sagas with female characters right at the heart' *Woman's Hour*

Discover the engaging new trilogy from the author of *THE SIXPENNY ORPHAN*, about three women working in a WWI toffee factory in the North-East!

In 1915 three women start work at a toffee factory in the market town of Chester-le-Street, Durham.

Anne works for the enigmatic owner Mr Jack. She is highly efficient and whips Mr Jack's disorganised office - and Mr Jack himself - into shape. However, behind her business-like façade, Anne hides a heart-breaking secret.

Elsie is feisty, fun and enjoys a good time. However, her gadabout ways get her into trouble when she falls for the wrong man in the sugar-boiling room.

And there's dependable Hetty, who's set to marry her boyfriend when he returns from the war. But when Hetty is sent on an errand by the toffee factory boss, her life changes in ways she could never imagine and a whole new world opens up.

The toffee factory girls begin as strangers before forging a close bond of friendship and trust. And, as the war rages on, they help each other cope through the difficult times ahead.

The Toffee Factory Girls is a heart-warming novel about love, friendship, secrets, war . . . and toffee! It is the first in a trilogy from hugely popular author Glenda Young - 'such a good writer, she's fantastic!' *Woman's Hour*

'Real sagas with female characters right at the heart' *Woman's Hour*

'A gripping saga' *People's Friend*

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What readers are saying about Glenda's heartwrenching sagas:

'Definitely an author not to be missed when it comes to family sagas' *The Book Magnet*

'Writes superb historical fiction that bring the era alive. Her books are unbeatable and unputdownable' *Ginger Book Geek*

'The perfectly imperfect, human nature of Glenda Young's characters are what keeps her readership hooked' *Clyde's Corner*

'Gritty, compelling and full of heart . . . an exceptional saga' *Bookish Jottings*

'Better than a Catherine Cookson' 5* reader review

'Wonderful read, full of rich characters, evocative description and a touch of romance' 5* reader review

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Book locale	Ryhope, North East England
Author born in	Sunderland, England
Author living in	Sunderland, England

Previous Titles

Sagas: BELLE OF THE BACK STREETS ; THE TUPPENNY CHILD; PEARL OF PIT LANE; THE GIRL WITH THE SCARLET RIBBON; THE PAPER MILL GIRL; THE MINER'S LASS; A MOTHER'S CHRISTMAS WISH

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'Just wanted it to go on forever and read more about the characters and their lives' 5* reader review

<h3>Love Glenda's sagas? Don't miss her cosy crime mystery series starring Helen Dexter and her trusty greyhound, Suki, starting with *Murder at the Seaview Hotel* and *Curtain Call at the Seaview Hotel*, out now!</h3>

Sales Points

- **AN EXCITING SAGA TALENT:** Glenda Young is a powerful growing saga voice, telling dramatic stories of strong, resourceful heroines triumphing amidst tragedy and adversity. Packaged to appeal to fans of Dilly Court (TCM 3.6M copies), Rosie Goodwin (TCM, 1.1M copies) to ensure that Glenda Young is *the* author their readers pick up next.
- **LOCAL PRESS GUARANTEED:** Glenda has an ardent local fanbase in the North East of England for her Sunderland-set sagas and Scarborough-set cosy crime mysteries - and is regularly acclaimed for bringing her settings to vivid life, leading walking tours around Ryhope to show the locations featured in her books.
- **AWARD-WINNER FOR HER SHORT STORIES:** Glenda has both won and been shortlisted for multiple short story awards published in *Take A Break* and *My Weekly*, was commissioned to write the first ever soap opera, *Riverside*, for *The People's Friend* which publishes weekly. Glenda was also one of six finalists in the coveted Clement & Le Frenais comedy award in 2019.
- **EXTENSIVE FANBASE:** Since 2007, Glenda has run two *Coronation Street* fan websites at corrie.net and coronationstreetupdates.blogspot.com. Some of the biggest online fansites, these have an impressive - and international following - with 25K on Facebook and 33K on Twitter and a mailing list of 4.5K - Glenda will be able to harness this fanbase - who know her - to help publicise her books.

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Author Biography

Glenda Young credits her local library in the village of Ryhope, where she grew up, for giving her a love of books. She still lives close by in Sunderland and often gets her ideas for her stories on long bike rides along the coast. A life-long fan of *Coronation Street*, she runs two hugely popular fan websites.

For updates on what Glenda is working on, visit her website **glendayoungbooks.com** and to find out more find her on **Facebook/GlendaYoungAuthor** and Twitter **@flaming_nora**.

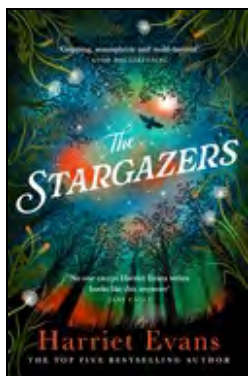
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The Stargazers

The utterly engaging story of a house, a family, and the hidden secrets that change lives forever

Harriet Evans

Keynote

From the *Sunday Times* Top Five bestselling author and two-time Richard & Judy Book Club pick - 'A gripping, atmospheric and multi-layered epic to get lost in' *Good Housekeeping*

Description

'My book of the year' Dinah Jeffries

A dark, dramatic tale of the infinite possibilities of families - how they can anchor you or unseat you - and why unconditional love holds the key to true freedom

'An immersive, beautifully written family saga which already feels like a classic' *Red* magazine

Then: Fane Hall

Sarah has spent a lifetime trying to bury memories of her childhood: the constant fear, the horror of her school days, and Fane, the vast, crumbling house that was the sole obsession of her mother, Iris, a woman as beautiful as she was cruel.

1969: Hampstead

Rescuing herself from the shadow of Fane, talented Sarah forges a career as a cellist and marries the love of her life, Daniel. But when they move into a near-derelict house in Hampstead and try to get on with becoming a family, Sarah finds the past will not let her go. What is the hold Fane Hall has over her, and her mother? Can she break free of it and keep the promise she made as a child one magical starry night: to look up at the stars, and not down into the darkness...

'No one except Harriet Evans writes books like this anymore' Jane Casey

'Immersive, engrossing and ultimately beautiful' Marian Keyes

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING TRACK RECORD.** Harriet has sold **over 800,000 copies** of her novels through TCM and is a **regular *Sunday Times* bestseller.**
- **RICHARD AND JUDY.** Harriet Evans' previous novel, *THE BELOVED GIRLS* (2021) was a **Richard & Judy Book Club selection** and has sold over **18,500 ebooks to date.**
- **ACTIVE AUTHOR AND YEAR-ROUND PUBLICITY.** A **pin-sharp year-round PR campaign** will continue to drive Harriet's profile higher. Harriet has **excellent author and bookshop connections** and is **active on socials**, with **close to 3000 followers** on Instagram alone.

Reviews

- '**A gripping tale of family and property... A boldly sombre atmosphere haunts the latest novel** from Harriet Evans, **the doyenne of the form**' - *Observer*
- 'Fane is among the **evocative settings** conjured up in this **intricate, darkly romantic novel**' - *Mail on Sunday*
- '**A captivating saga**' - *Sunday Express*
- '**A really superior modern saga, with utterly true to life characters**' - *Sunday Mirror*

Author Biography

Harriet Evans has sold over a million copies of her books. She is the author of thirteen bestselling novels, most recently *The Beloved Girls*, a Richard and Judy Book Club Selection and the *Sunday Times* Top Ten bestseller *The Garden of Lost and Found*, which won *Good Housekeeping's* Book of the Year. She used to work in publishing and now writes full time, when not distracted by her children, other books, gardening, her jumpsuit collection and now star-gazing, having acquired a telescope whilst researching *The Stargazers*. She volunteers with Inspiring the Future, is an ambassador for the London Library and last year was elected to the Management Committee of the Society of Authors. She lives in the greatest city in the world (Bath) with her family.

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Author born in **London**
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Previous Titles

A Place for Us, The Butterfly Summer, The Wildflowers, The Garden of Lost and Found, The Beloved Girls

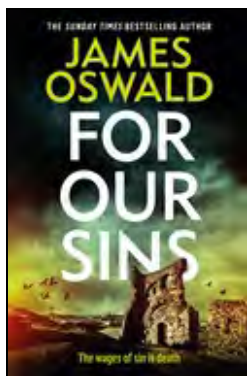
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For Our Sins

James Oswald

Keynote

The gripping new thriller in the *Sunday Times*-bestselling phenomenon that is the Inspector McLean series, from one of Scotland's most celebrated crime writers

Description

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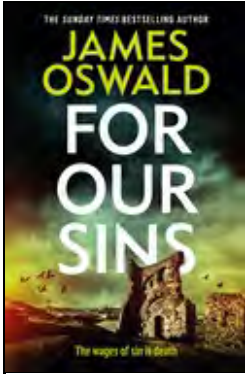
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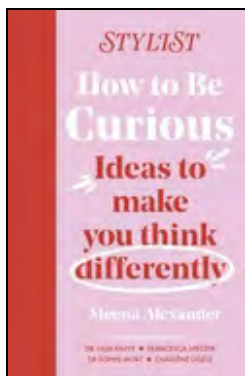
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How to Be Curious Ideas to make you think differently Meena Alexander and Stylist magazine

Keynote

A handbook aimed at women, looking at all areas of self-development in their lives, offering advice and solutions to everyday challenges.

Description

Full of fresh perspectives and intelligent thinking, *How to Be Curious* offers a wealth of content on real-life issues, such as advice on setting boundaries and finding purpose, building resilience and thriving alone. If you're in need of help, or simply curious and want to learn more, award-winning journalist, and Features Editor at *Stylist* magazine, Meena Alexander brings you articles and tips, interviews with experts, reader quizzes and real-life case studies.

Divided into four sections - work, relationships, wellbeing and you - topics include:

- how to argue better
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- setting boundaries
- how to battle burnout
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Dr Julia Ravey
Francesca Specter
Charlène Gisèle
Natalie Lue
Hattie MacAndrews
Katherine Morgan Schafner
Karen Glass
Ben Ramalingam

Sales Points

- Inspirational writing on a number of current wellbeing trends and topics from an award-winning journalist.
- Based on *Stylist* magazine's e-learning platform of the same name.

Author Biography

Meena Alexander is an award-winning writer and editor with experience across national newspapers, magazines and books. She has held editorial positions at *The Times* and *The Sunday Times*, and is currently the Features Editor at *Stylist*, where she's been shortlisted for Best Section Editor by the British Society of Magazine Editors and named as one of MediaWeek's 30 Under 30 for 2022. Her work spans lifestyle, culture, health and wellbeing, with a particular focus on women and marginalised communities.

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Go Seek

The most exhilarating and UNMISSABLE thriller of 2023

Michelle Teahan

Keynote

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Description

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'A twisty and gripping debut!' **CATHERINE RYAN HOWARD**

<h3>YOU LOOKED AWAY FOR JUST A MINUTE.</h3/>

Your daughter is gone, and only you can find her.
Because you know exactly who took her.
And they're making her pay for your past.

To save one child, you must leave the other.
You must return to your old life.
And become the woman you left behind years ago.

**It's every parent's worst nightmare.
Now it's your reality.**

<h3>READERS ARE HOOKED ON GO SEEK:</h3>

'⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ If I could give this book 6 stars I would. It was an absolutely thrilling ride and I LOVED IT'

'⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ Absolutely deserves five stars!!!! Fast-paced, unputdownable! I absolutely love a badass [female] main character'

'⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ I loved this book . . . couldn't read it quick enough'

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Sales Points

- **IRISH-SET THRILLER:** GO SEEK takes its reader on a breathless and exhilarating journey through the darker side of Dublin's street, exploring its criminal underbelly through the eyes of one desperate mother who will do anything to save her little girl and protect her family. Michelle lives in County Cork with her husband and two young daughters, so there are PR opportunities over there.
- **GENRE-STRADDLING:** Occupying a unique space in the market, GO SEEK will appeal to fans of a fast-paced, action-packed, high-stakes thriller like TAKEN or THE CHAIN. However, at its heart, it's the story of a mother's revenge, driven by one question: how far would you go to protect your child? In this way, it will also appeal to readers of Andrea Mara and K.L. Slater.

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Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Dublin, Ireland + Kent, UK (briefly)
Author living in	Country Cork, Ireland

Publishing History

Debut

Previous Titles

Debut

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2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Large print	Headline Publishing Group
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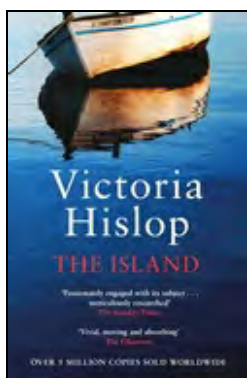
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- **WORLD ENGLISH RIGHTS:** We hold WEL rights in GO SEEK and Michelle's second book, KNOCK KNOCK.

Author Biography

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The Island

The million-copy Number One bestseller 'A moving and absorbing holiday read'

Victoria Hislop

Keynote

A beautiful 10th anniversary paperback edition of the acclaimed million-copy number one bestseller, **THE ISLAND**

Description

A beautiful 10th anniversary paperback edition that includes a new essay by Victoria Hislop on the impact of this million-copy bestseller.

'A moving and absorbing holiday read that pulls at the heartstrings' *Evening Standard*

The acclaimed million-copy number one bestseller and winner of Richard & Judy's Summer Read 2006. Victoria Hislop tells a dramatic tale of four generations, illicit love, violence and leprosy, from the thirties, through the war, to the present day.

On the brink of a life-changing decision, Alexis Fielding longs to find out about her mother's past. But Sofia has never spoken of it. All she admits to is growing up in a small Cretan village before moving to London. When Alexis decides to visit Crete, however, Sofia gives her daughter a letter to take to an old friend, and promises that through her she will learn more.

Arriving in Plaka, Alexis is astonished to see that it lies a stone's throw from the tiny, deserted island of Spinalonga - Greece's former leper colony. Then she finds Fotini, and at last hears the story that Sofia has buried all her life: the tale of her great-grandmother Eleni and her daughters and a family rent by tragedy, war and passion. She discovers how intimately she is connected with the island, and how secrecy holds them all in its powerful grip...

'Praise for *The Island*. . .'

'A vivid, moving and absorbing tale'
Observer

'Victoria Hislop . . . brings dignity and tenderness to her novel about lives blighted by leprosy'
Telegraph

'Wonderful descriptions, strong characters and an intimate portrait of island existence'
Woman & Home

'War, tragedy and passion unfurl against a Mediterranean backdrop in this engrossing debut novel'
You magazine

'Hislop's deep research, imagination and patent love of Crete creates a convincing portrait of times on the island'
Evening Standard

'A page-turning tale that reminds us that love and life continue in even the most extraordinary of circumstances'
Sunday Express

'A beautiful tale of enduring love and unthinking prejudice'
Express

Sales Points

- A paperback reissue of Victoria Hislop's million-copy bestseller, with a beautiful new cover
- *The Island* has sold over a million copies in the UK, and three million worldwide. It was the Sunday Times no. 1 paperback for eight weeks, and won Richard & Judy's Summer Read 2006. In 2013 it won the prestigious Prix des Lectures in France
- *The Sunrise* was a *Sunday Times* bestseller in both hardback and paperback, with the paperback reaching No.1 in the charts
- A compelling portrayal of family ties, with vivid characters and an authentic Cretan background - atmospheric, vibrant and moving

Reviews

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Binding	Paperback
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Depth	32mm
Extent	496 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	None
Exclusively for Sale	Can; Cw; EU; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	USA
Book locale	Crete, London
Author living in	Kent
Publishing History	
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- "Adding depth and colour to the story is the description of Cretan life... in particular, the vividly detailed account of life on Spinalonga... It is one of the achievements of this thoughtful novel that it presents the lives of the island's inhabitants with such empathy. The result is a fascinating work that combines a moving love story with a plea for more understanding about this most absorbing of diseases" - *The Times*
- "Passionately engaged with its subject...the author has meticulously researched her fascinating background and medical facts" - *The Sunday Times*
- "Gently gripping tale" - *Scotsman on Sunday*
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- "A moving and atmospheric tale" - *The Scotsman*
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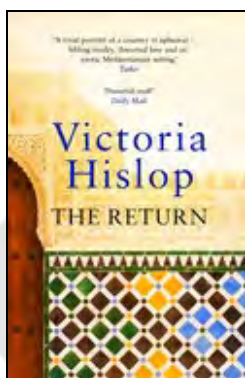
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Binding	Paperback
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Depth	39mm
Extent	608 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Map
Exclusively for Sale	Can; Cw; EU; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	USA
Book locale	Spain, London
Author living in	Kent

Previous Titles

THE ISLAND (978 0 7553 2964 9, 10/04/2006)

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
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Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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The Return

Victoria Hislop

Keynote

An atmospheric, vibrant and moving tale of pain and passion at the heart of war-torn Spain, from the million-copy bestselling author of *The Island*

Description

An atmospheric, vibrant and moving tale of pain and passion at the heart of war-torn Spain, from Victoria Hislop, the million-copy bestselling author of *THE ISLAND*.

Beneath the majestic towers of the Alhambra, Granada's cobbled streets resonate with music and secrets. Sonia Cameron knows nothing of the city's shocking past; she is here to dance. But in a quiet café, a chance conversation and an intriguing collection of old photographs draw her into the extraordinary tale of Spain's devastating civil war.

Seventy years earlier, the café is home to the close-knit Ramírez family. In 1936, an army coup led by Franco shatters the country's fragile peace, and in the heart of Granada the family witnesses the worst atrocities of conflict. Divided by politics and tragedy, everyone must take a side, fighting a personal battle as Spain rips itself apart.

Sales Points

- THE RETURN went straight to number one in the *Sunday Times* paperback chart
- THE RETURN debuted at number two in the *Sunday Times* hardback fiction chart, and spent nine further weeks in the top ten
- THE ISLAND won Richard & Judy's Summer Read 2006, and was the *Sunday Times* number one paperback for eight weeks
- Victoria Hislop was the Galaxy British Book Awards Newcomer of the Year in 2007
- Praise for *The Return*: 'Powerful stuff' *Daily Mail*; 'Meticulously researched historical narrative and imaginative storytelling' *Telegraph*; 'Aims to open the eyes, and tug the heartstrings, of readers... Hislop deserves a medal for opening a breach into the holiday beach bag' *Independent*; 'Excellent' *Sunday Telegraph*; 'Like a literary Nigella, she whips up a cracking historical romance mixed with a dash of family secrets and a splash of female self-discovery' *Time Out*
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- *The Island* has been sold in 20 countries

Reviews

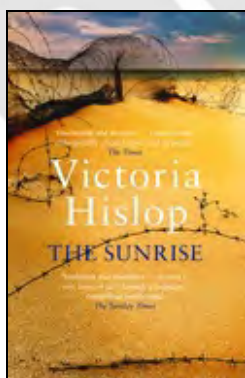
- "A well-researched and meaty follow-up to *The Island*" - *The Times*
- "THE RETURN may be a beach book, but it goes inland and rummages around in the cellars" - *The Times*
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Previous Titles

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 9781472206022 The Last Dance and Other Stories

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The Sunrise

Victoria Hislop

Keynote

The acclaimed new novel from the million-copy bestselling author: 'Fascinating and moving... Hislop writes unforgettably about Cyprus and its people' *The Times*

Description

The No. 1 *Sunday Times* bestseller

In the summer of 1972, Famagusta in Cyprus is the most desirable resort in the Mediterranean, a city bathed in the glow of good fortune. An ambitious couple open the island's most spectacular hotel, where Greek and Turkish Cypriots work in harmony. Two neighbouring families, the Georgious and the Özkans, are among many who moved to Famagusta to escape the years of unrest and ethnic violence elsewhere on the island. But beneath the city's façade of glamour and success, tension is building. When a Greek coup plunges the island into chaos, Cyprus faces a disastrous conflict. Turkey invades to protect the Turkish Cypriot minority, and Famagusta is shelled. Forty thousand people seize their most precious possessions and flee from the advancing soldiers. In the deserted city, just two families remain. This is their story.

Sales Points

- *The Sunrise* debuted at no. 2 on the *Sunday Times* hardback fiction chart, spending six weeks in the top ten in total, with over 150,000 total sales so far
- With her unique and inspiring brand of storytelling, Victoria brings vividly to life the personal cost and drama of conflict through the fortunes of two families during the Cypriot crisis and beyond. 2014 marked its 40th anniversary, with ongoing media coverage and powerful discussion points
- Shines a light on a fascinating and largely ignored part of Greek history, as Victoria did with the leprous colony of Spinalonga (*The Island*) and the turbulent history of Thessaloniki (*The Thread*)
- *The Thread* debuted at no. 5 on the *Sunday Times* hardback chart and reached no. 4 in paperback. Shortlisted for the Specsavers Popular Fiction Book of the Year
- *The Return* debuted at no. 2 in the *Sunday Times* hardback fiction chart, and spent nine further weeks in the top ten. It went straight to no. 1 in paperback
- *The Island* has sold over a million copies in the UK, and three million worldwide. It was the *Sunday Times* no. 1 paperback for eight weeks, and won Richard & Judy's Summer Read 2006. In 2013 it won the prestigious Prix des Lectures in France
- *The Last Dance and Other Stories*, Victoria's short story collection, has sold over 125,000 copies across all formats

Reviews

- 'Intelligent and immersive... Hislop's incisive narrative weaves a vast array of fact through a poignant, compelling family saga' - *The Sunday Times*
- 'One of the best things about this novel is the way Hislop depicts the growing teamwork, love, respect, and trust which two families of opposite persuasions manage to establish' - *Independent on Sunday*
- 'An imaginative tour de force, and a great read' - *Daily Mail*
- 'Hislop brings her consummate storytelling skills to this enthralling tale of love, marriage and a community all put to the test' - *Woman & Home*
- 'Adroitly plotted and deftly characterised, Hislop's gripping novel tells the stories of ordinary Greek and Turkish families trying to preserve their humanity in a maelstrom of deception, betrayal and ethnic hatred' - *Mail on Sunday*
- 'An absorbing tale about family, friendship, loyalty and betrayal, set during a violent period in the history of Cyprus' - *Good Housekeeping*

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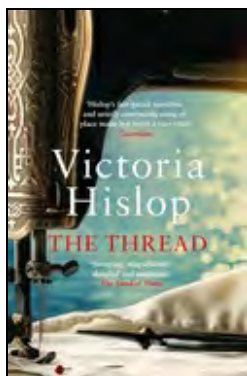
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Illustrations	None

Book locale	Greece
Author living in	Kent

Previous Titles

THE RETURN (978 0 7553 3295 3, 16/04/2009), THE ISLAND (978 0 7553 0951 1, 10/04/2006)

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The Thread

Victoria Hislop

Keynote

'Sweeping, magnificently detailed and ambitious' *The Sunday Times*

Description

The enthralling novel from Victoria Hislop, the million-copy bestselling author of THE ISLAND and THE RETURN.

Thessaloniki, 1917. As Dimitri Komninos is born, a devastating fire sweeps through the thriving Greek city where Christians, Jews and Muslims live side by side. Five years later, Katerina Sarafoglou's home in Asia Minor is destroyed by the Turkish army. Losing her mother in the chaos, she flees across the sea to an unknown destination in Greece. Soon her life will become entwined with Dimitri's, and with the story of the city itself, as war, fear and persecution begin to divide its people.

Thessaloniki, 2007. A young Anglo-Greek hears his grandparents' life story for the first time and realises he has a decision to make. For many decades, they have looked after the memories and treasures of the people who were forced to leave. Should he become their next custodian and make this city his home?

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- Victoria's books have been sold in 25 countries, and *The Island* was adapted in Greece for a 26 part TV drama: <http://www.megatv.com/tonisi/>

Reviews

- "Enjoyable, thought-provoking and poignant" - *Scottish Woman* magazine
- "Sweeping, magnificently detailed and ambitious" - *The Sunday Times*
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- "This is storytelling at its best and just like a tapestry, when each thread is sewn into place, so emerge the layers and history of relationships past and present" - *Sunday Express*
- 'Her best novel yet' - *Scotsman*
- "A brilliant page turner and destined to become a reading group staple, THE THREAD is rich with drama and historical detail" - *Glamour*
- "Meticulously researched and compellingly told" - *Woman & Home*
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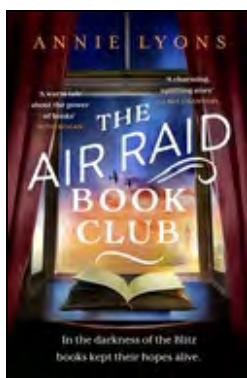
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 Author living in **Kent**

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Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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The Air Raid Book Club
The most warm-hearted, uplifting story of war, friendship and the love of books

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

'Touching and heartwarming . . . get those tissues ready' - **Jill Mansell**

'A warm and tender tale about the power of books' - **Ruth Hogan**
'I loved this . . . a sweet and nourishing ode to books that historical fiction fans will love'

- **Kate Thompson**

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

'Tender, touching and utterly heart-warming' - **Sarah Steele**

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

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...

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

'Beautiful and moving in a way that we need right now' - ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ **Real reader review**

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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)

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



- '**Full of heart** . . . 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 . . . satisfying, funny, uplifting . . . A fabulous story, **perfect for fans of Lissa Evans and AJ Pearce**. I adored it.' - Kerry Barrett
- '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
- 'If you're looking for a **warm and nostalgic** read, *The Air Raid Book Club* will definitely be your cup of tea. This story of love, bravery and found family is **heart-wrenching and utterly charming**. **I sobbed** my way through the final chapters.' - Fiona Lucas

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 black labrador, Nelson.

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The Mess We're In

A vivid story of friendship, hedonism and finding your own rhythm

Annie Macmanus

Keynote

A book about finding home in a strange new place, and finding yourself when your life is a mess. The hotly anticipated second novel by the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Mother Mother*

Description

'A heady mix of thrills and heartbreak . . . I enjoyed it so so much' GRAHAM NORTON

'Macmanus writes with remarkable verve and wisdom . . . She has created easily my favourite character of recent years' LOUISE KENNEDY

'What [Macmanus has] managed to do with London, and what London means to different generations of Irish people, is terrific, and deeply moving' RODDY DOYLE

I'm a Londoner now. I'm a voice in the noise. I'm ready.

It's the turn of the millennium and, landing in London with nothing but her CD collection and demo tape, Orla Quinn moves into a squalid Kilburn house with her best mate and a band called Shiva.

Orla wants to make music, but juggling two jobs and partying every night isn't helping. Back in Ireland her parents' marriage has crumbled, she's not speaking to her father, and her mother and sister are drinking too much.

While Orla's own dreams seem to be going nowhere, Shiva are on the brink of something big. But as the hype around the band intensifies, so does the hedonism, and relationships in the house are growing strained.

This is the story of a young woman thrashing through life, trying to find home in a strange new place. It's also a story about music: how it can break you down and build you back up again, and how to find your rhythm when all you hear is noise.

Praise for *The Mess We're In*:

'Bracingly lyrical' *OBSERVER*

'A dizzyingly good read' *iPAPER*

'The bygone heyday of indie rock pulses with authenticity' *IRISH INDEPENDENT*

'Such a gorgeous book . . . I absolutely ate up every word' AISLING BEA

'I'm so sad it's over. I could have read another sixty chapters . . . A fantastic read' JOANNE MCNALLY

'Beautifully painted, well set up and realistic' SARA COX

Praise for *Mother Mother*:

'A writer whose understanding and capturing of human nature comes as easily to her as breathing' CANDICE CARTY-WILLIAMS

'Writes with flair and confidence rarely seen in a debut' SINÉAD GLEESON

'Tender, surprising, occasionally bleak, moving and delicate' *IRISH TIMES*

'A study of grief, addiction and what it means to be a mother' *STYLIST*

'Melancholy, beautifully unadorned prose' *MAIL ON SUNDAY*

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Annie's debut novel, *Mother Mother*, was a *Sunday Times* top 10 bestseller, debuting at #6 in the charts, and has sold over 20K copies across formats in the UK (as of May 2022)
- **HUGE PLATFORM:** As an internationally renowned DJ and broadcaster Annie already has a formidable following. Instagram: 534K followers; Twitter: 673.8K followers;

Facebook 385K followers

- **PAPERBACK LAUNCH:** Following the critical and commercial success of the hardback launch, with its unmissable PR and Marketing campaign, we'll be looking to go its commercial potential in this new format.

Reviews

- 'Captures a time and a place with heart and irresistible momentum in a prose that can be **bracingly lyrical.**' - *Observer*
- 'Macmanus **perfectly captures both the hedonism and uncertainty of being a twentysomething** in a new city.' - *Heat Magazine*
- 'Inspired by a formative time in Macmanus' life when she moved to London aged 21, to live with her brother's rock band, the author has spun a moving story from the threads of her own history. **Orla is written with unsentimental authenticity** . . . It is her flaws, her vulnerability and her complexity that make her such a compelling character that will resonate with anyone who has ever left home in search of themselves . . . Orla is searching for a voice in the noise - **Macmanus articulates that hunger with confidence and compassion.**' - *Irish Times*
- '**Macmanus's take on the bygone heyday of indie rock pulses with authenticity** . . . The scuzzy, near cease-less stream of drink and drugs is rendered in such an immersive way, readers may feel they are nursing hangovers of their own . . . **Orla makes for such lively company,** readers may have been happy for the story to continue zipping along with her.' - *Irish Independent*

Author Biography

Annie Macmanus is an internationally renowned broadcaster, author, DJ, events curator and more.

Her debut Sunday Times Bestseller novel *Mother Mother* was released in paperback this March to critical acclaim and her writing has featured in the *Guardian*, *Irish Times* and the *Independent* and regularly publishes articles via her own blog.

She produces her own podcast, 'Changes with Annie Macmanus', where she chats to writers, artists and fascinating people from all walks of life about changes they've faced.

Annie is a key music industry figure championing female and LGBTQ+ artists and advocating for positive, inclusive change. She also runs the festival Lost & Found in Malta, and can be seen on the biggest stages of music festivals around the UK and the world, and in the DJ booths of the world's best clubs.

Annie has created a far-reaching presence rooted in quality, integrity, and the authentic connections that unite us all as loyal fans.

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Same Time Next Year: The perfect heart-warming, hilarious and feel-good read

Heidi Stephens

Keynote

Same Time Next Year is the hilarious, heart-warming and joyful new novel from award-winning author Heidi Stephens about love, life, hope, family and the importance of taking chances. Perfect for fans of Milly Johnson, Lucy Diamond, Jill Mansell and Mhairi McFarlane.

Description

<h3>A LOT CAN HAPPEN IN A YEAR . . .</h3>

Sisters Bel and Marie are poles apart. Whilst Marie is a free spirit who spurns alcohol, casual sex and material possessions, Bel needs all of those things just to make it through to lunchtime.

When their mother dies suddenly, leaving them a rundown house on the Norfolk coast, they are unexpectedly thrown together. Because there's a condition: before they can inherit it, they have to live in it for one year - together.

Marie invites some old friends to Orchard House to form a working party, and Bel is drawn to the devastatingly handsome, yet silent and brooding, Nick. The only problem is, they want entirely different things . . .

If Bel can make it through the year unscathed, she'll consider it a success. But that means dealing with everything she's been sweeping under the rug for decades. Could it be time to leave the past behind and embrace the future? And in doing so, will the sisters finally find their way back to each other?

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<h3>Readers LOVE Heidi Stephens!</h3>

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** Witty with a real sense of warmth . . . If you want a great escapist book, this is perfect'

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** I ABSOLUTELY loved this book! It made me laugh and cry'

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** The perfect read!'

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** Warm and real and honest . . . Genuinely could not recommend this book more'

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** I read it in one sitting'

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** A five-star read that will make you fall in love again'

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** Perfect comfort reading'

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** A delightful and addictive read that ventures beyond pure romance exploring the complexities of love, marriage, and self-discovery'

'**⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐** One of my favourite reads!'

Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Heidi Stephens's debut novel, **TWO METRES FROM YOU**, won the **Katie Fforde Debut Romantic Novel Award at the 2022 RNAs**.
- **A SMART, FRESH AND CONFIDENT VOICE:** Heidi Stephens is an **exciting voice in the commercial female-led area**, whose **accessible, warm and hilarious** writing draws you in from the first sentence.
- **AN ENGAGED AUTHOR WITH EXCELLENT MEDIA CONTACTS:** Heidi has spent the past ten years freelancing as a journalist, writing predominantly about TV and until 2023, could be found liveblogging *Strictly Come Dancing* for *The Guardian* on autumnal weekend evenings. **In May, Heidi can be found liveblogging for Eurovision**. She is very engaged on social media and has a **strong following of 13.1K on Twitter**.
- **HILARIOUS, LIFE-AFFIRMING AND HUGELY UPLIFTING:** This new project is a departure from Heidi's straight romcom writing and whilst it has all of her trademark charm and wit - plus a *gorgeous* romance that sits very much at the heart of the story

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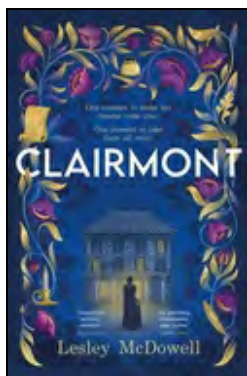
- the pitch for this novel feels broader in scope, tapping into the more traditional women's fiction market and exploring deeper themes of family, identity, loss and grief. In this way, I believe it will appeal to readers of **Milly Johnson, Lucy Diamond and our very own Jill Mansell**, as well as readers who love **Beth O'Leary and Mhairi McFarlane**.

Author Biography

Heidi Stephens has spent her career working in advertising and marketing; some of her early writing work includes instruction manuals for vacuum cleaners, saucepans and sex toys. Since 2008 she has also freelanced as a journalist, liveblogging *Strictly Come Dancing* for *The Guardian*. Now, in May, Heidi can be found somewhere around the world, liveblogging *Eurovision*. Her debut novel, *Two Metres From You*, won the 2022 Katie Fforde Debut Romantic Novel Award. She lives in Wiltshire with her partner and her Labrador, Mabel.

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Clairmont

Lesley McDowell

Keynote

The spellbinding, bold new retelling of the story of Lord Byron and the Shelleys, from the perspective of Claire Clairmont, the incredible woman that history tried to forget. Perfect for readers of HAMNET, MRS ENGLAND and GODMERSHAM PARK.

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'An intimate and enlightening tale of one of Romanticism's forsaken muses - an artfully told story that lingers in the mind far beyond the last page' Susan Stokes-Chapman, author of *Pandora*

1816. A massive volcanic eruption has caused the worst storms that Europe has seen in decades, yet Percy and Mary Shelley have chosen to visit the infamous Lord Byron at his villa on Lake Geneva. It wasn't their idea: Mary's eighteen year old step-sister, Claire Clairmont, insisted.

But the reason for Claire's visit is more pressing than a summer escape with the most famous writers in the world. She's pregnant with Byron's child - a child Byron doesn't want, and scarcely believes is his own.

Claire has the world in her grasp. This trip should have given her everything she ever dreamed of. But within days, her life will be in ruins.

History has all but forgotten her story - but she will not be silenced.

Sales Points

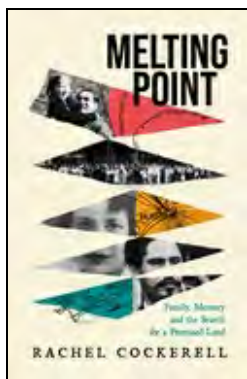
- **WORLD RIGHTS, INCLUDING FILM & TV:** Wildfire acquired all rights and will have material ready to submit in advance of London Book Fair 2023.
- **MAJOR LEAD HARDBACK FICTION LAUNCH:** CLAIRMONT will be Wildfire's lead fiction hardback launch in Spring 2024, with a major Marketing and Publicity campaign attached and proofs available a year from publication.
- **ANNIVERSARY:** 2024, the year of publication in hardback, will see the 200 year anniversary of Lord Byron's death. In CLAIRMONT Claire will finally find her own voice to tell her side of this incredible story.
- **FASCINATING RETELLING FROM AN EXPERT IN THE FIELD:** Lesley McDowell is one of the foremost experts in the Romantic period, and wrote a novel based on Mary Shelley's childhood friendship with Isabella Baxter. As part of her research for writing CLAIRMONT, she has poured over Claire's diaries which now have been all but lost to the public.
- **AUTHOR REVIEW CONTACTS:** Lesley was formerly a literary critic for The Herald, The Guardian, The Scotsman and TLS and others.

Reviews

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- **'A novel that captures feverish infatuation, devastating betrayal and the glimpse of a legendary moment in history; *Clairmont* is an absorbing, intoxicating page-turner about a woman who deserves to be remembered.'** - Jennifer Saint
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- **'A sensitive, beautifully told fictionalisation that gives a voice to one of literature's greatest muses.'** - Laura Shepperson

Author Biography

Lesley McDowell's debut novel *The Picnic* came out in 2007. In 2010 she published *Between the Sheets: The Literary Liaisons of Nine 20th-Century Women Writers*, which was shortlisted for the non-fiction prize in the 2011 Scottish Book Awards. Her second novel *Unfashioned Creatures*, about Mary Shelley's Scottish childhood friend, was



Melting Point: Family, Memory and the Search for a Promised Land

A groundbreaking family history for fans of Edmund de Waal and Philippe Sands

Rachel Cockerell

Keynote

For fans of Philippe Sands and Edmund du Waal, this Jewish family history charts the attempt by 10,000 Eastern Europeans to found a Jewish State in Texas, USA - led by Rachel's great-grandfather.

Description

On June 7th 1907, a ship packed with Russian Jews sets sail into the Atlantic. It is heading not to Jerusalem or New York, as many on board have dreamt, but to Texas. The man who persuades the passengers to go is David Jochelmann, Rachel Cockerell's great-grandfather. It marks the beginning of the Galveston Movement, a forgotten moment in history when 10,000 Jews fled to Texas in the lead-up to WWI.

The charismatic leader of the movement is Jochelmann's closest friend, Israel Zangwill, whose beloved novels have made him a household name across Europe and America. As Russia becomes infected by anti-Semitic violence, and Theodor Herzl tries and fails to create a Jewish state, Zangwill embarks on a desperate search across the continents for a temporary homeland: from Australia to Canada, Angola to Antarctica. He reluctantly settles on Galveston, Texas. He fears the Jewish people will be absorbed into the great American melting pot, but there is no other hope.

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Sales Points

- FOR FANS OF: Philippe Sands, Edmund du Waal, Laura Cummings and Hadley Freeman's 20th century family histories.
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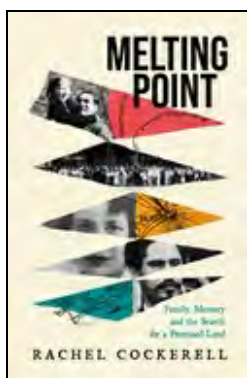
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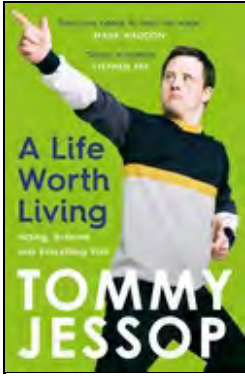
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Tommy Jessop

Author Biography

Tommy Jessop is a multi-award-winning actor starring in feature films and mainstream TV series - including *Line of Duty* and *Coming Down the Mountain* (written by Mark Haddon). Tommy also has an acclaimed stage career that includes being the first actor with Down Syndrome to play Hamlet on mainstream stages through his theatre company Blue Apple Theatre. He is the first actor with Down Syndrome to become a BAFTA member. His public profile has helped him campaign for, amongst other things, the passing of the Down Syndrome Act in Parliament - which aims to ensure suitable support and rights provisions for those with Down Syndrome. Tommy is an Ambassador to Mencap and Patron of the National Down Syndrome Policy Group.

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 Extent **464 pages**
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 Exclusively for Sale **Airports; Ire; World (ex USA, Can)**
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Book locale **London**
 Author born in **London**
 Author living in **Hampshire**

Publishing History

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Previous Titles

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1st Serial **Hodder & Stoughton**

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Film and TV **Refer to Publisher**

Large print **Hodder & Stoughton**

Podcast **Refer to Publisher**

Translation **Refer to Publisher**

Undramatised (straight) reading **Refer to Publisher**

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Dead Heat

The criminally good gangland thriller from the Queen of the Underworld

Jessie Keane

Keynote

Once, he loved her. Now he's going to put her away for murder. Passion or duty? It's going to be a dead heat...

Description

The gripping new gangland thriller from the *Sunday Times* bestseller and Queen of the Underworld, Jessie Keane.

Once, he loved her. Now he's going to put her away for murder.

Christie Doyle is living the dream: she has a beautiful mansion on the South Downs with an infinity pool and stables, and her husband, Kenny, spoils her rotten. It's her birthday and she is the centre of the most amazing party.

And then the bombshell drops. Kenny confesses to an affair and asks for a divorce. Worse is to come when the 'other woman'- Lara, nineteen years old and pregnant with Kenny's child - is found dead.

Suspicion falls on Christie and the DoYLES' life is ripped apart as the police hunt for evidence: lead investigator DCI Dexter Cooper is a face from Christie's own troubled past and he knows better than anyone what she is capable of.

The race to unmask a killer is on...

Sales Points

- Opportunity for digital growth in UK and US
- Author newsletter to be launched, and publication backed by a consumer campaign.
- DIAMOND was a top ten HB bestseller in Feb 2022.

Reviews

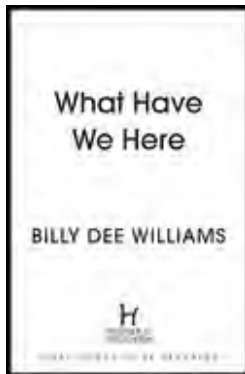
- 'A brilliant historical crime read' - *Bella*
- '**This thrilling and twisty crime novel is perfect for fans of Martina Cole**' - *My Weekly*
- '**Mills & Boon meets *Peaky Blinders* in a mix of heaving bosoms and cut-throat razors**' - *The Sun*
- 'A **gritty** and **enlightening** read' - *Yours*

Author Biography

Dubbed 'Queen of the Underworld', Jessie Keane is of Romany gypsy stock. She was born rich, in the back of her gran's barrel top wagon, and her family thrived until their firm crashed into bankruptcy and became poor. Her father died when she was a teenager and she fled to London to escape grim reality, finding there a lifelong fascination with the criminal underworld and the teeming life of the city.

Twice divorced and living in a freezing council flat, she decided to pursue her childhood aim to become a writer. She sold her wedding dress to buy a typewriter and penned her first Annie Carter book, *Dirty Game*.

This was followed by five more Annie Carter books, all *Sunday Times* bestsellers, then Ruby Darke arrived in *Nameless*, *Lawless* and *The Edge*. Jessie's stand-alone novels include *Jail Bird*, *The Make*, *Dangerous*, *Fearless*, *The Knock* and *The Manor*.



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What Have We Here Portraits of a Life

Billy Dee Williams

Keynote

The never-before-heard story of legendary actor Billy Dee Williams, aka Star Wars' Lando Calrissian.

Description

WHAT HAVE WE HERE? follows Billy Dee Williams from his childhood growing up in Harlem to his days on Broadway and in Hollywood before landing the role in George Lucas' space opera that would win him everlasting fame.

Over a 60-year career spanning Broadway, music, movies, and television, Billy's tales and travels include Lawrence Olivier, Marlon Brando, James Baldwin, Henry Fonda, Duke Ellington, Berry Gordy, Diana Ross, Richard Pryor, Sylvester Stallone, Diahann Carroll, and a world of less famous but no less colourful characters.

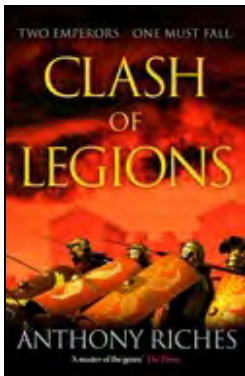
And that's just his life on this planet. As hundreds of millions of Star Wars fans worldwide know, Williams is and always will be Lando Calrissian, the double-dealing, outlandishly handsome rogue from George Lucas' classic Star Wars adventures *The Empire Strikes Back* and *The Return of the Jedi*, a role he reprised in 2019's *Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker*.

Sales Points

- **globally recognised personality:** Billy Dee Williams is **recognised around the world for playing Lando Calrissian in Star Wars** - both the original trilogy and the latest film in the Disney canon. People (diehard fans and the newly initiated) will want to read this book to learn more about the man behind the cult favourite sci-fi character, his colourful past life and the never-before-heard stories about what he got up to on set with George Lucas, Carrie Fisher, Harrison Ford and co.
- **STAR WARS CULT FOLLOWING:** Billy is still **a regular on the Star Wars convention circuit** and is aware of the major appeal of his Star Wars fanbase being the perfect channel through which to promote his book.
- **ENGAGED SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWING:** Billy has **230.8K Twitter Followers** and **197K Instagram Followers**.

Author Biography

Billy Dee Williams was born and raised in New York City. He has starred in forty movies, seven Broadway plays, and has made more than forty television shows and tv movies combined. He lives in Los Angeles.



Clash of Legions Empire XIV

Anthony Riches

Keynote

The masterful fourteenth instalment in the gripping *Empire* series by *Sunday Times* bestseller Anthony Riches.

Description

Two emperors - one must fall

Marcus Aquila and his patron Rutlius Scaurus have fought a superior enemy force to a standstill in Thracia, gaining the favour of the gods but paying a grievous cost in their family's blood.

Battle-weary and mourning their losses, they are tasked with rooting out a spy ring operating in the lands into which their imperial master Severus's armies are advancing.

Hunting down informers operating under the skilled and ruthless command of their sworn enemy Sartorius, spymaster to the usurper Niger, will not be easy. But the potential to turn his intelligence network, and thereby deceive and distract the enemy, might land a war-winning blow on the army of the east.

The quest to find and subvert their foes' informers will place the two friends at great risk, with torture and death the price of any mistake. While success will put them in the front rank of a bitter battle against battle hardened legions, hungry for revenge, in a bloody struggle to determine the fate of Asia's loyalty.

And Scaurus is a man with a powerful threat still hanging over him, a curse imploring the gods to fell him at the very moment of his greatest victory.

'A master of the genre' *The Times*

Sales Points

- Brilliant new book in the Empire series
- Several books in the series have been *Sunday Times* bestsellers

Reviews

- 'Praise for Anthony Riches . . .'
- ' . . . a gripping narrative full of breath-taking action, unforgettable characters, and dazzling twists and turns' - *Peter Tonkin, Aspects of History*
- 'A masterclass in military historical fiction.' - *Sunday Express, on Retribution*
- 'A master of the genre.' - *Antonia Senior, The Times*

Author Biography

Anthony Riches holds a degree in Military Studies from Manchester University. He began writing the story that would become the first novel in the *Empire* series, *Wounds of Honour*, after visiting Housesteads Roman fort in 1996. Married with three grown up children, he now lives in Suffolk. He is also the writer of the 'Protector' thriller series.

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BIC 2.1	Historical fiction (FV)
	Historical adventure (FJH)
	Thriller / suspense (FH)
	Historical mysteries (FFH)
Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Series	Empire series
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author born in	Derby
Author living in	Needham Market, Suffolk

Previous Titles

9781444700503 Wounds of Honour: Empire I
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The Wartime Book Club the heart-warming and inspiring new novel of love, bravery and resistance in WW2

Kate Thompson

Keynote

A gripping and heartwarming novel inspired by the true events of the women who joined the resistance in Jersey during the German occupation in WW2.

Description

Jersey, 1943. Once a warm and neighbourly community, now German soldiers patrol the cobbled streets, imposing a harsh rule on the people of the island.

Grace La Mottée, the island's only librarian, is ordered to destroy books which threaten the new regime. Instead, she hides the stories away in secret. Along with her headstrong best friend, postwoman Bea Rose, she wants to fight back. So she forms the wartime book club: a lifeline, offering fearful islanders the joy and escapism of reading.

But as the occupation drags on, the women's quiet acts of bravery become more perilous - and more important - than ever before. And, when tensions turn to violence, they are forced to face the true, terrible cost of resistance . . .

Based on astonishing real events, *The Wartime Book Club* is a love letter to the power of books in the darkest of times - as well as a moving page-turner that brings to life the remarkable, untold story of an island at war.

EVERYONE LOVES *THE WARTIME BOOK CLUB*:

'An engaging, beautifully researched story of love, courage and resistance in time of war and danger' Rachel Hore

'Bravery, traitors, acts of defiance and compassion . . . [and] a beautiful and touching love story too' Pam Weaver

'A wonderful, poignant, heartwarming story of the power of books and the strength of the human spirit' Louise Fein

'This is a story of bravery and the cost of small acts of defiance . . . simply outstanding!' Andie Newton

'An unforgettable page-turner' Gill Paul

'A book to be savoured and remembered' Gill Thompson

'With her brilliant research, Kate Thompson has brought this terrifying time vividly to life . . . a stunning novel' Suzanne Goldring

'This, for me, is historical fiction at its finest - a story of believable, vividly-drawn people trying to live in a world so very different from our own - and I loved it from start to finish' Anna Stuart

Sales Points

- **HEARTWARMING AND GRIPPING WW2 FICTION:** An inspirational, realistic and compelling story about friendship, everyday bravery and the power of books, set in Jersey in 1940.
- **BASED ON TRUE EVENTS:** Kate Thompson is a journalist as well as an author, and all her novels are meticulously researched and rich in historical detail. Kate's characters are always inspired by real women and a detailed author's note at the end of *THE WARTIME BOOK CLUB* explains how she visited Jersey and uncovered untold true stories of life on the island under the German occupation.
- **AN INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Kate Thompson's 2022 novel, *THE LITTLE WARTIME LIBRARY*, was a bestseller in Australia, with a US deal (with Grand Central) and multiple translation rights sold.

Reviews

- 'PRAISE FOR KATE THOMPSON'
- 'A splendid warm-hearted novel' - *Rachel Hore*
- 'A heartwarming story of how friendship and the written word sustain us in the toughest times.' - *Janet Skeslien Charles, author of The Paris Library*
- 'Gripping, emotional and uplifting' - *Gill Paul*

Author Biography

Kate Thompson is an award-winning journalist, ghostwriter and novelist who has spent the past two decades in the UK mass market and book publishing industry. Over the past eight years Kate has written twelve fiction and non-fiction titles, three of which have made the *Sunday Times* top ten bestseller list.

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Historical fiction (FV)

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 Extent **512 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East**
 Not for Sale **Asia (ex Ind); Can; Carib; Cent & S Am; UK; USA**

Book locale **Jersey**
 Author living in **Surrey, UK.**
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 Publisher **Hachette Book Group USA**
Publisher

Previous Titles

Secrets of the Homefront Girls; Secrets of the Lavender Girls; The Little Wartime Library

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The Guest

Gripping new suspense that reads like true crime from the author of Richard & Judy bestseller *The Prisoner*

BA Paris

Keynote

Suspense. Secrets. Suspicion. Scandal. Storytelling that will keep you guessing until the very end. ***THE GUEST* is the nerve-shredding new novel from the author of global bestseller *BEHIND CLOSED DOORS*.**

Description

THE TENSION-FILLED NEW NOVEL FROM THE AUTHOR OF NUMBER ONE DIGITAL BESTSELLER *THE PRISONER*.

'A mesmeric, tense and twisting nightmare. Suffocating, controlled and hugely entertaining' **CHRIS WHITAKER**

'I raced through this utterly addictive page-turner that kept me guessing right until the final shocking twist!' **ROZ WATKINS**

Iris and Gabriel have just got home from a make-or-break holiday. But a shock awaits them. One of their dearest friends, Laure, is in their house - sleeping in their bed, wearing Iris' clothes, even rearranging the furniture. She has walked out on her husband - and their good friend - Pierre over his confession of an affair.

Iris and Gabriel want to be supportive. But as Laure's mood becomes more unpredictable, her presence begins to unravel secrets in all their pasts - until things reach breaking point ...

PRaise for B.A. Paris' Nerve-Shredding Novels:

A rollercoaster ride, with plenty of twists' **OBSERVER**

'The explosive start of this book sets up a compelling plot [...] written in well-executed super-edgy, short, sharp chapters and the description of her confinement is full of claustrophobic detail and menace' **DAILY MAIL**

'**Book of the Month**: chilling, intense and frightening in places, you'll be left wondering what is real and what isn't' **WOMAN & HOME**

'Paris skilfully stitches together domestic noir with a kidnap thriller and the result is a gripping read' **DAILY EXPRESS**

'Claustrophobic, menacing and relentlessly tense, this is a fiendishly plotted thriller with a great central twist' **SARAH VAUGHAN**

'Gripping' **DAILY MIRROR**

'Elegant, taut, ingeniously plotted and extremely addictive. Superb!' **WILL DEAN**

'Dark and compulsive ... B.A. Paris again conjures up the tense claustrophobia of *BEHIND CLOSED DOORS* and delivers yet another brilliant, unputdownable read' **GILLY**

MACMILLAN

'I loved the short chapters in part one, which really added to the rising tension' **PRIMA**

'Wow! What a ride! A tantalising, taut, tense thriller' **JANE CORRY**

Sales Points

- *The Prisoner* was a number one ebook bestseller.
- TV in production for two backlist titles.
- Brilliant reviews for *The Prisoner*
- New author newsletter is building the reader community.

Author Biography

B.A. Paris' first novel, *Behind Closed Doors*, was a publishing phenomenon, selling over 3.5 million copies and published in 40 territories. The film rights have been optioned by Stone Village Productions. B.A. Paris lived in France for many years, she and her husband now live in the UK. She worked in finance, and as a teacher, before beginning her writing career.

Market

Perfect for fans of Adele Parks, Claire Douglas and TM Logan.

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BIC 2.1	Thriller / suspense (FH)
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Format	Royal
Extent	368 pages
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Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Book locale	Hampshire and France
Author born in	UK
Author living in	Hampshire and France
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The Prisoner	
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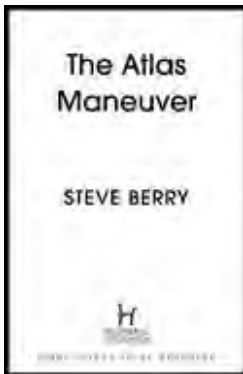
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 Historical mysteries (FFH)
 Thriller / suspense (FH)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **Royal**
 Extent **416 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Cotton Malone**
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire**
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Book locale **Switzerland**
 Author living in **Florida**

Previous Titles
 THE OMEGA FACTOR
 THE LAST KINGDOM

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The Atlas Maneuver

Steve Berry

Keynote

From celebrated New York Times bestselling author Steve Berry comes the latest Cotton Malone adventure, in which Cotton unravels a mystery from World War II involving a legendary lost treasure, Yamashita's Gold, worth billions.

Description

From celebrated New York Times bestselling author Steve Berry comes the latest Cotton Malone adventure, in which Cotton unravels a mystery from World War II involving a legendary lost treasure, Yamashita's Gold, worth billions.

1945. In the waning months of World War II, Japan hid vast quantities of gold and other stolen valuables in boobytrapped underground caches all across the Philippines. By 1947 some of that loot was recovered, not by treasure hunters, but by the United States government, which told no one about the find. Instead, those assets were stamped classified, shipped to Europe, and secretly assimilated into something called the Black Eagle Trust.

Present day. Retired Justice Department operative, Cotton Malone, is in Switzerland doing a favor for a friend. But what was supposed to be a simple operation turns violent and Cotton is thrust into a war between the world's oldest bank and the CIA, a battle that directly involves the Black Eagle Trust. He quickly discovers that everything hinges on a woman from his past, who suddenly reappears harboring a host of explosive secrets centering around bitcoin. The cryptocurrency is being quietly weaponized, readied for an assault on the world's financial systems, a calculated move that will have devastating consequences. Cotton has no choice. He has to act. But at what cost?

From the stolid banking halls of Luxembourg, to the secret vaults of Switzerland, and finally up into the treacherous mountains of southern Morocco, Cotton Malone is stymied at every turn. Each move he makes seems wrong, and nothing works, until he finally comes face-to-face with the Atlas Maneuver.

Author Biography

Steve Berry is the *New York Times* and #1 internationally bestselling author of the Cotton Malone series. His books have been translated into 40 languages with 17,000,000 copies in 51 countries.

Steve was born and raised in Georgia, graduating from the Walter F. George School of Law at Mercer University. He was a trial lawyer for 30 years and held elective office for 14 of those years. He is a founding member of International Thriller Writers - a group of more than 2,600 thriller writers from around the world - and served for three years as its co-president.

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 Not for Sale **Can; UK; USA**

Book locale **Brighton**
 Author living in **Brighton**

Previous Titles
 THE FRENCH HOUSE (2022)

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**
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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 **Giles Milburn**

Undramatised (straight) reading **Refer to Publisher**

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The Golden Hour

A richly atmospheric and compelling historical novel from the author of THE FRENCH HOUSE

Jacquie Bloese

Keynote

A richly atmospheric and compelling historical novel about three women fighting for a different future in fin-de-siecle Brighton - perfect for fans of *The Doll Factory* and *Sarah Waters*

Description

'What a sumptuous, evocative triumph of a novel!' JENNY ASHCROFT

At the golden hour, hidden truths and desires come to light . . .

In the genteel squares of late-Victorian Brighton, Ellen and Reynold Harper - twins, companions, colleagues - ply their trade as portrait photographers.

But at the golden hour, the models arrive to pose for the lucrative - and illicit - photographs that really keep the Harpers' business afloat. This is the other, shadowy world of the city: a world of erotic tableaux, boundary-crossing music hall performers, and the sinister figure of the local gangster, the Croc.

When Ellen is drawn into the orbit of unhappy newly-wed Clementine, she finds herself torn between loyalty to her brother, her dangerous attraction to new model, Lily, and her burgeoning friendship with Clem. And as the two worlds of Brighton collide, the three women discover that there is only a knife edge between the promise of freedom, and the threat of ruin . . .

Atmospheric, sensual and powerfully moving, *The Golden Hour* is a spellbinding portrait of three women determined to find their freedom - perfect for fans of *Sarah Waters*, *The Doll Factory* and *The Essex Serpent*.

****Jacquie Bloese's stunning debut, *The French House*, is available in paperback and eBook now****

Sales Points

- **Richard & Judy Bookclub author:** This is the next book from the brilliantly reviewed, Richard & Judy Bookclub pick THE FRENCH HOUSE, which was a #5 Bookseller Heatseeker and a Top 200 kindle bestseller
- **Perfect for the historical fiction market:** With a strong female-focussed storyline, a beautifully atmospheric evocation of turn-of-the-century Brighton, illicit passions and a fascinating insight into early photography, this is full of themes that will appeal to historical readers.
- **Diverse love stories:** With a queer love story at its core, this will also appeal to LGBT+ readers and fans of Sarah Waters

Reviews

- 'A story of fraught secrets and tested loyalties, of family and friendship, and of a love that once reignited, refuses to die. I found this beautifully told tale hard to put down.' - Anita Frank, author of THE RETURN
- 'A raw and honest love story, filled with a wealth of historical detail. *The French House* is a powerful depiction of the brutal intricacies of island relationships and loyalties in a time of war' - Fiona Valpy, bestselling author of THE DRESSMAKER'S GIFT
- 'THE FRENCH HOUSE is such an emotionally gripping novel portraying how love can be betrayed yet still endure. The backdrop is the war and the occupation of Guernsey which is fully realised, but the crux of the novel is the intriguingly complex relationships of people struggling to survive and find love.' - Suzanne Goldring, author of MY NAME IS EVA
- 'Deeply involving . . . A fantastic debut by a gifted storyteller' - JILL MANSELL, Sunday Times bestselling author

Author Biography

Jacquie Bloese is a writer of historical book group fiction, originally from the Channel Island of Guernsey. She draws her inspiration from atmospheric locations with intriguing histories, and people - both real and imaginary - whose stories are calling out to be told.

Her first novel *The French House*, set during the German Occupation of Guernsey in the second World War, was a Richard and Judy Winter 2022 book club pick, and a finalist in the Mslexia Novel Award. Her second novel *The Golden Hour* is inspired by the seaside town of Brighton, where Jacquie currently lives, and tells the stories of three women from different classes who become caught up in the underground world of erotic photography in

Jacque began her professional life teaching English, in Turkey and Spain, before returning to the UK to work in ELT publishing for a number of publishers, including Scholastic, Oxford University Press and Penguin Random House. She now works freelance as an educational consultant, writer and editor.

In her spare time, Jacque loves reading, walking, socialising, travel, theatre, cinema and daydreaming!

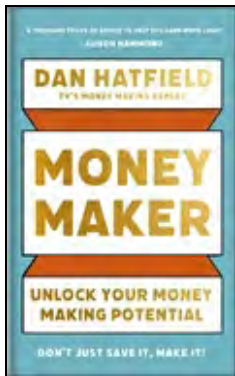
Market

Historical fiction readers; women 35+; fans of Sarah Waters



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Money Maker Unlock Your Money-Making Potential

Daniel Hatfield

Keynote

Money Maker is a personal finance guide full of practical tips to help you start to see the value in everything you already have.

Description

Money Maker is the one-stop-shop you need for practical tips and tools to turn yourself, your home, technology, spare time and much more into hard cash and often instant gratification! Each chapter will delve into key areas of your life and help you release the value within it. Dan will show you that whatever age or stage you are at, you have the resources and know-how to find more money and unlock fresh opportunity at every turn.

This book will transform your relationship with money and ensure you have fun on the journey...

'A treasure trove of advice to help you earn more cash!' - Alison Hammond

ABOUT THE AUTHORS:

Third-generation pawnbroker, Dan Hatfield, has made it his mission to inspire the nation with his practical, positive money-making wisdom. He was the star of Channel 4's *Posh Pawnbrokers* and ITV's *Million Pound Pawn*, and is the hugely popular resident money-making expert on *This Morning*. *Money-Maker* is co-written with Joff Hatfield-Powell, award-winning Creative Director at Spark Media Partners.

Sales Points

- **AUTHOR:** Highly engaged following with 37.1k followers on Instagram.
- **ITV EXPERT:** TV Money Making Expert & Pawnbroker on *This Morning* and ITV's *Million Pound Pawn*.
- **ACCESSIBLE AND TIMELY:** Growing demand for accessible money-making tips - a unique and positive spin on ways to tackle difficult financial times.

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Price	£14.99/Rs.1,199
EAN\ISBN-13	9781399730433
BIC 2.1	Personal finance (VSB) Finance & accounting (KF) Economics, finance, business & management (K) Self-help & personal development (VS)
Binding	Hardback
Format	Demy
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	B&W integrated illustrations
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
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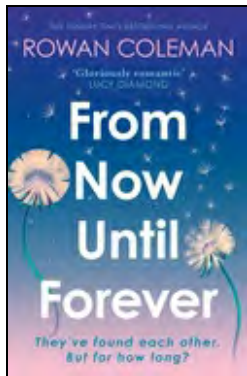
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EAN\ISBN-13 **9781529376548**
BIC 2.1 **Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA) Adult & contemporary romance (FRD)**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Extent **336 pages**
Word Count
Exclusively for Sale **Cw (ex Can); EU; UK**
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Author born in **London, UK**
Author living in **Yorkshire, UK**

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From Now Until Forever an epic love story like no other from the Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Summer of Impossible Things*

Rowan Coleman

Description

'Beautiful' **LOUISE BEECH**
'Life-affirming and joyful' **SARA SHERIDAN**
'A time-travelling delight' **EVE CHASE**
'An incredible story of love and hope' **KATIE FFORDE**
'Gloriously romantic and deeply moving' **LUCY DIAMOND**
'A stunning book about what it takes to be truly alive' **JULIE COHEN**
'Wonderful . . . both emotional and utterly captivating' **JILL MANSELL**
'A book you will carry with you long after the last page' **MILLY JOHNSON**
'Up there alongside *The Time Traveler's Wife*' **CAROLE MATTHEWS**
'Captivating and completely unforgettable, Vita and Ben's love story made me believe the impossible might not be so far out of reach' **JULIETTA HENDERSON**

*From the Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Memory Book*, an unforgettable, beautiful novel about what it means to live to the fullest and to love forever, for fans of *The Time Traveler's Wife*, *Me Before You* and *Outlander*.*

He's running out of time.

Ben Church has never done anything extraordinary in his life - until now. Now, he needs to fulfil as many of his dreams as possible while he still can.

Time is all she has.

Vita Ambrose's life of parties and fabulous clothes looks wildly glamorous but in reality it has no meaning. She's seen too much, lived too much and lost too much.

Together, can they make time stand still?

Ben and Vita's connection is immediate, spontaneous and passionate. But the clock is ticking. Can they find a way to make their love live forever? Because every moment matters when it might be your last . . .

YOUR FAVOURITE AUTHORS LOVE ROWAN COLEMAN:

'A writer I'd follow anywhere' **KATIE FFORDE**
'It's so lovely to find an author you love' **MARIAN KEYES**
'Such a brilliant writer' **JILL MANSELL**
'I've always loved Rowan's writing' **LUCY DILLON**
'There is a lovely smooth glow to the writing' **MATT HAIG**
'Whenever I read a Rowan Coleman novel, I am always taken on a great adventure'
ALICE PETERSON

Author Biography

Rowan Coleman is the *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestselling and award-winning author of fifteen novels including the Richard & Judy bookclub choice, *The Memory Book*, the Zoë Ball ITV bookclub pick, *The Summer of Impossible Things* and *The Girl at the Window*. During her career to date Rowan has been a WHS Fresh Talent pick, RNA award winner, and Love Reading Reader's choice for Book of the Year 2014. Rowan's novels have been published internationally for more than twenty years.



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 Price **£9.99/Rs.799**
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 BIC 2.1 **Historical romance (FRH)
 Second World War fiction (FJMS)
 Italy (1DST)**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **336 pages**
 Word Count
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Publishing History
 THE LIGHT WE LOST (2019)

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Stars in an Italian Sky

A sweeping and romantic multi-generational love story from bestselling author of *The Light We Lost*

Jill Santopolo

Keynote

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Light We Lost* comes a sweeping and achingly romantic story of two star-crossed lovers in post-World War II Italy, and the secrets that ripple through the generations.

Description

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Light We Lost* comes a sweeping and achingly romantic story of the course of fate, the meaning of family and the power of love. . .

Genoa, Italy, 1946. Vincenzo and Giovanna fall in love the moment they set eyes on each other. The son of a count and the daughter of a tailor, they belong to opposing worlds - but the undeniable spark between them quickly burns into a deep and passionate relationship, played out against their post-war city, and Vincenzo's family's beautiful vineyard. But when shifts in political power force them each to choose a side and commit what the other believes is a betrayal, the bright future they dreamed of together is shattered.

New York, 2017. Cassandra and Luca are in love. Although neither quite fits with the other's family, Cass and Luca have always felt like a perfect match for each other. But when Luca, an artist, convinces his grandfather and Cass's grandmother to pose for a painting, past and present collide to reveal a secret that changes everything . . .

'**A gorgeous, epic novel** . . . Jill Santopolo writes heartbreak like no other'
 Emily Giffin, author of *Meant to Be*

'**A shimmering love story for the ages.** *Stars in an Italian Sky* is about the course of fate, the meaning of family and the power of love. Bellissima!'
 Adriana Trigiani, author of *The Good Left Undone*

'Woven together as intricately as the fine fabrics of the Genoese tailor shop where the star-crossed lovers meet . . . **A poignant tale of love, loss, class, and fate**, infused with the hopefulness of true love written in the stars'
 Kristin Harmel, author of *The Book of Lost Names* and *The Winemaker's Wife*

'**A spellbinding, deeply compassionate** story centered around the fraught legacy of a pair of young lovers. Sensual, heartfelt, and incredibly moving, **Santopolo's latest will bring you to tears**'
 Fiona Davis, author of *The Magnolia Palace*

'**I was swept away by *Stars in an Italian Sky***, Jill Santopolo's charming novel of love, both lost and found'
 Lisa Scottoline, author of *Loyalty*

'Filled with pathos, longing and romance, **this book is a love letter to the human heart**, and a testimony to the timelessness of true and lasting love'
 Allison Pataki, author of *The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post*

'**A warm, poignant story** of enduring love and loss, spanning generations and set against the background of post WWII Italy'
 Rhys Bowen, author of *The Tuscan Child* and *The Venice Sketchbook*

'**Powerful, emotional, and steeped in beauty and romance**, *Stars in an Italian Sky* is a **breathtaking tale of star-crossed lovers** that stretches across generations. A sweeping story brimming with passion'
 Ann Mah, author of *The Lost Vintage* and *Jacqueline in Paris*

Sales Points

- **Sweeping Historical Fiction:** This is the first dual timeline novel from Jill Santopolo and has an irresistible commercial pitch, with past and present love stories, a post-WWII Italian setting, tragedy, redemption and an all-the-feels weepy ending.
- **Relaunch of US bestselling author:** Jill Santopolo's first novel, *The Light We Lost*, was a Reese's bookclub pick and a US bestseller (500,000 copies since publication). Putnam see this novel as a huge opportunity to launch Jill into a new space, and we'd bring her existing fans as well as dual-timeline/historical readers.

- **Perfect title, package and praise:** Evocative and romantic, this is perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore and Adriana Trigiani, and already has great quotes from Trigiani, Fiona Davis, Alison Pataki, Rhys Bowen and Jillian Cantor.
- **Based on personal history!** *STARS IN AN ITALIAN SKY* is based on the author's experience in Italy with her husband's family, who were Italian nobility and lost their titles following World War II. Her authentic perspective shines through in these pages.

Reviews

- 'A gorgeous, epic novel about star-crossed lovers and a choice that reverberates through generations. Jill Santopolo writes heartbreak like no other, and *Stars in an Italian Sky* is both masterful and unforgettable' - Emily Giffin, author of *MEANT TO BE*
- 'The superb Jill Santopolo has written a shimmering love story for the ages. Giovanna and Vincenzo fall in love in 1946 in Italy, decades later, Cassandra and Luca fall in love in New York City. Soon, they discover the roots of their families lie deep in the vineyards of northern Italy. The yield of the harvest will be the truth. But first, there's a mystery to be solved and a secret to be revealed. *Stars in an Italian Sky* is about the course of fate, the meaning of family and the power of love. Bellissima!' - Adriana Trigiani, author of *THE GOOD LEFT UNDONE*
- 'Woven together as intricately as the fine fabrics of the Genoese tailor shop where the star-crossed lovers meet, the storyline moves between past and present, as a heartbreaking love story unfolds, set against the story of a second couple in 21st century New York. A poignant tale of love, loss, class, and fate, brimming with the colorful spirit of Italy and infused with the hopefulness of true love written in the stars' - Kristin Harmel, author of *THE BOOK OF LOST NAMES*
- 'A spellbinding, deeply compassionate story centered around the fraught legacy of a pair of young lovers. Sensual, heartfelt, and incredibly moving, Santopolo's latest will bring you to tears' - Fiona Davis, author of *THE MAGNOLIA PALACE*

Market

Women, 35+, romantic historical fiction fans, dual timeline readers, fans of Santa Montefiore, Adriana Trigiani

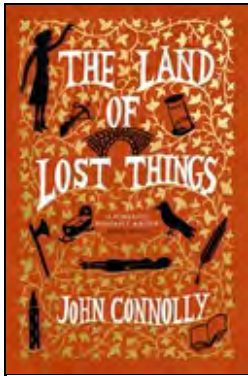
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The Land of Lost Things

the Top Ten Bestseller and highly anticipated follow up to The Book of Lost Things

John Connolly

Keynote

From the bestselling author of the Charlie Parker mystery series - **'the finest crime series currently in existence'** (*Independent*) - comes a new book for fans of THE BOOK OF LOST THINGS.

Description

Twice upon a time - for that is how some stories should continue . . .

Phoebe, an eight-year-old girl, lies comatose following a car accident. She is a body without a spirit, a stolen child. Ceres, her mother, can only sit by her bedside and read aloud to her the fairy stories she loves in the hope they might summon her back to this world.

But it is hard to keep faith, so very hard . . .

Now an old house on the hospital grounds, a property connected to a book written by a vanished author, is calling to Ceres. Something wants her to enter, and to journey - to a land coloured by the memories of Ceres's childhood, and the folklore beloved of her father, to a land of witches and dryads, giants and mandrakes; to a land where old enemies are watching, and waiting.

To the Land of Lost Things.

Sales Points

- 4 of John Connolly's last 6 novels have been number one *Sunday Times* bestsellers in hardcover - including the most recent - and all his hardcovers have been top ten bestsellers.
- John Connolly is the master of the thriller with a supernatural edge and this Charlie Parker volume is the perfect way in for new readers.

Reviews

- 'Praise for John Connolly:
A gripping crime thriller with elements of the horror and supernatural genres cleverly blended into the mix . . . Connolly uses language with a rather dry sardonic wit colouring his writing and often bringing a wry smile to the reader's face' - *The Afterword*
- 'Charlie Parker . . . is one of modern crime fiction's most popular creations, a unique combination of a man who has one foot in the temporal world and the other in the spirit world' - *Irish Independent*

Author Biography

John Connolly (Author)

John Connolly is author of the Charlie Parker mysteries, *The Book of Lost Things*, the Samuel Johnson novels for young adults and, with his partner, Jennifer Ridyard, co-author of the *Chronicles of the Invaders*. John Connolly's debut - EVERY DEAD THING - introduced the character of Private Investigator Charlie Parker, and swiftly launched him right into the front rank of thriller writers. All his subsequent novels have been *Sunday Times* bestsellers. He was the winner of the 2016 CWA Short Story Dagger for *On the Anatomization of an Unknown Man (1637)* by Frans Mier from NIGHT MUSIC: Nocturnes Vol 2.

In 2007 he was awarded the Irish Post Award for Literature. He was the first non-American writer to win the US Shamus award and the first Irish writer to win an Edgar award. BOOKS TO DIE FOR, which he edited with Declan Burke, was the winner of the 2013 Anthony, Agatha and Macavity awards for Best Non-Fiction work.

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Author born in	Dublin, Ireland
Author living in	Dublin, Ireland
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	496 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Author born in	UK
Author living in	Sweden

Previous Titles

The Last Thing to Burn
First Born

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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Kate Burke
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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The Last Passenger

The nerve-shredding new thriller from the master of tension, for fans of Lisa Jewell and Gillian McAllister

Will Dean

Keynote

With the drama of *The Woman in Cabin 10* and the tension of *And Then There Were None*, *The Last Passenger* is a psychological thriller set aboard a cruise ship about a woman whose seemingly ordinary life is suddenly thrown dramatically off course. **Will Dean is The Master of Intense Suspense.**

Description

A luxury cruise liner, abandoned with no crew, steaming into the mid-Atlantic. And you are the only passenger left on board.

'Astonishing' **IAN RANKIN**

'The premise is excellent... [a] mile-a-minute, bite-your-nails-to-the-quick ride of a novel, but I will tell you to trust this writer because I guarantee you'll enjoy where he takes you. Extra kudos for the final twist, which brought me great pleasure' **OBSERVER**
'Oh my goodness, what a rollercoaster of a read!' **PRIMA**

Caz Ripley, a cafe owner from a small, ordinary town, boards the RMS *Atlantica* with her boyfriend Pete and a thousand fellow passengers destined for New York. The next morning, she wakes to discover that everyone else on board has disappeared. And that's just the beginning. Caz must prepare for a crossing that will be anything but plain sailing ...

With the drama of *The Woman in Cabin 10* and the tension of *And Then There Were None*, *The Last Passenger* is a psychological thriller set aboard a cruise ship about a woman whose seemingly ordinary life is suddenly thrown dramatically off course. Will Dean is The Master of Intense Suspense and this novel is full of his trademark twists and turns.

'A rollercoaster ride. I barely had any nails left by the end!' **GOOD HOUSEKEEPING**
'This heart-stopping premise is one of the best openings to a book I've read' **SUNDAY EXPRESS**

'The apex of suspense writing' **STEVE CAVANAGH**

'Thrilling and terrifying in equal measure with a brilliantly heart-stopping ending. So good!' **B.A. PARIS**

'Expect not just the unexpected but strokes of genius' **IMRAN MAHMOOD**

'Brilliant, twisted and oh so clever. *The Last Passenger* is Will Dean at the top of his game. And just wait for that killer last line' **CHRIS WHITAKER**

'A fast-paced, snakily plotted treat for fans of the modern psychological thriller' **VASEEM KHAN**

'Will Dean is a master storyteller - this book is real edge of the seat stuff! I loved it. And what an ending!' **CATHERINE COOPER**

'I ***guarantee*** you will never read another thriller like this one. Sharp, unique, terrifying, page-turning and glorious. Clearly Stephen King and James Herbert had a baby and his name is Will Dean. It's bloody brilliant' **JOANNA CANNON**

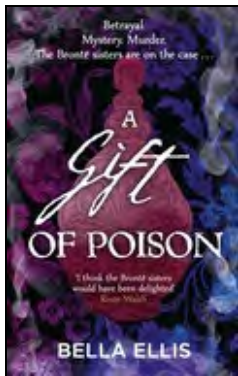
Sales Points

- **HB CHART SUCCESS:** Charted in the *Sunday Times* hardback top twenty on publication
- **BUZZ BUILDING WITH READERS RAVING ABOUT THE TWISTS:** Brilliant ongoing sales and reviews across all formats
- **GROWING PROFILE:** Will's profile in the crime community grows with each book. This release is picking up buzz in the US as well.
- **ALL DEAN'S BOOKS IN ONE HOME:** Hodder will now publish his highly acclaimed Tuva Moodyson series (optioned for TV) as well.
- **TV RIGHTS** under option - more news to come

Author Biography

Will Dean grew up in the East Midlands and had lived in nine different villages before the age of eighteen. After studying Law at the LSE and working in London, he settled in rural Sweden where he built a house in a boggy clearing at the centre of a vast elk forest, and it's from this base that he compulsively reads and writes. His debut novel, *Dark Pines*, was selected for Zoe Ball's Book Club, shortlisted for the *Guardian* Not the Booker prize and named a *Daily Telegraph* Book of the Year. *Red Snow* was published in January 2019 and won *Best Independent Voice* at the Amazon Publishing Readers' Awards, 2019. *Black River* was shortlisted for the Theakstons Old Peculier Award in 2021. *The Last Thing to Burn* was released to widespread acclaim in January 2021.

Market



A Gift of Poison

Bella Ellis

Keynote

The fourth adventure in the Brontë Mysteries series from bestselling author Rowan Coleman, writing under the pen name, Bella Ellis.

Description

BETRAYAL. MYSTERY. MURDER. THE BRONTË SISTERS ARE ON THE CASE.

'The Brontës are so skilfully and cleverly depicted that it's no stretch at all to imagine the sisters as amateur sleuths' SARRA MANNING, *RED*

Haworth 1847 - Anne and Emily Brontë have had their books accepted for publication, while Charlotte's has been rejected everywhere, creating a strained atmosphere at the parsonage.

At the same time, a shocking court case has recently concluded, acquitting a workhouse master of murdering his wife by poison. Everyone thinks this famously odious and abusive man is guilty. However, he insists he is many bad things but not a murderer. When an attempt is made on his life, he believes it to be the same person who killed his wife and applies to the detecting sisters for their help.

Despite reservations, they decide that perhaps, as before, it is only they who can get to the truth and prove him innocent - or guilty - without a shadow of doubt.

PRAISE FOR THE SERIES:

'Fun and inventive' *DAILY MAIL*

'A splendid adventure' *GUARDIAN*

'Brilliantly entertaining and original' CL TAYLOR

'An absolute treat from start to finish' JANE CASEY

'A gripping, twisty mystery . . . I need more!' ANGELA CLARKE

'Compulsively readable - I think the Brontë sisters would have been delighted'

ROSIE WALSH

Sales Points

- The fourth and final installment in the literary mystery series.
- Author is active on social media and available for online and real life events.

Reviews

- 'Another cracking mystery!' - My Weekly
- 'This fourth and final instalment of the Brontë Sisters Mystery series is a sheer delight' - *Woman's Own*

Author Biography

Bella Ellis is the Brontë-inspired pen name for the award winning *Sunday Times* bestselling author Rowan Coleman. A Brontë devotee for most of her life, Rowan is the author of fourteen novels including *The Memory Book*, *The Summer of Impossible Things* and *The Girl at the Window*.

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BIC 2.1

Historical mysteries (FFH) c 1800 to c 1900 (3JH)
Of specific Gay & Lesbian interest (5S)
Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
Crime & mystery (FF)

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Extent **352 pages**
Word Count
Series **The Brontë Mysteries**
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Book locale **Yorkshire, UK**
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Listening Still The Irish bestseller

Anne Griffin

Keynote

The new novel by bestselling author of *When All is Said*, Anne Griffin

Description

THE TOP TEN IRISH BESTSELLER

'Absorbing and heartwarming' *Irish Times*

'A wonderfully unexpected tale of life, death and everything in between'
Graham Norton

Seventeen years ago, Jeanie Masterson chose duty over love, giving up the chance of a new life in London with her childhood sweetheart to work in the family undertakers in her small Irish town.

Now, when Jeanie's parents suddenly announce their plan to retire and leave the business to her and her husband, it brings long-silenced doubts about her job, her marriage and her future to the surface. Faced once again with a choice between stability and freedom, can Jeanie find the courage to listen to her own voice?

'Warm and funny, full of lovely characters and poignant moments.' *Good Housekeeping*

'Ireland's long line of magical storytellers is further enriched by Anne Griffin . . . An outstanding read' *Sunday Express*

Sales Points

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- With a bold and memorable premise - what if you could speak to the dead? - Anne sweeps readers once again into the heart of rural Ireland, introducing them to a cast of unforgettable characters in a book perfect for fans of John Boyne and Graham Norton.

Reviews

- 'A wonderfully unexpected tale of love, death and everything in between' - Graham Norton, Sunday Times-bestselling author of *Keeper* and *Home Stretch*
- 'Stunning - a book that surpasses all expectations and thoroughly cements Anne Griffin's place on the short but venerable list of writers whose work is always a must-read. A delicately-hewn delight from first sentence to last' - Billy Callaghan, Irish bestselling author of *Life Sentences*

Author Biography

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The Island of Longing

The emotional, unforgettable Top Ten Irish bestseller

Anne Griffin

Keynote

From the #1 Irish bestselling author of *When All is Said* and *Listening Still* comes a haunting, exquisitely written story of enduring love that asks us - would you ever give up on trying to find your child, if they vanished without a trace?

Description

WOULD YOU EVER GIVE UP ON FINDING YOUR CHILD, IF THEY VANISHED WITHOUT A TRACE?

Number One Irish bestselling author of When All is Said Anne Griffin returns with this beautiful, emotional novel about love, loss, family and hope that will break your heart . . . but also put it back together again.

THE IRISH BESTSELLER THAT EVERYONE IS RAVING ABOUT:

'Stunning . . . I loved it' LIZ NUGENT
'Elegant and moving' JOHN BOYNE
'A storyteller of rare gifts' JOSEPH O'CONNOR
'A beautiful, emotive mystery' CHRIS WHITAKER
'Gently heartbreaking, but also hopeful and uplifting. An insight into the fragility of the human condition and what holds us together when we break' *IRISH TIMES*

One unremarkable afternoon, Rosie watched her daughter Saoirse cycle into town, expecting to hear the slam of the door when she returned a few hours later. But the slam never came.

Eight years on, after an extensive investigation into her disappearance, Rosie is the only person who stubbornly believes that her child might still be alive. When Rosie receives a call from her father, asking her to return home for the summer, she is forced out of her limbo. Life on the island of Roaring Bay revives old rivalries, but it also brings new friendships and unexpected solace.

Yet, when a sudden glimmer of hope appears, Rosie is forced to face an impossible question: is she right to think that Saoirse is still alive? Or will her belief that her daughter will one day return to her come at the cost of everything she has left?

'This book consumed me' DISHA BOSE
'A hauntingly beautiful tale' *SUNDAY POST*
'Tender and wise and life-affirming' KATHLEEN MACMAHON
'A compelling novel about the healing power of community' SARAH GILMARTIN
'Griffin's writing is as engaging and compassionate as ever: The Island of Longing is a superb novel that tussles with the hope and heartbreak of being alive' DANIELLE MCLAUGHLIN

'This beautiful novel about maternal love is especially moving on the back and forth between hope and acceptance' *GOOD HOUSEKEEPING*
'One of Griffin's great gifts is how she draws small-town communities and the personalities that make them what they are' *IRISH SUNDAY TIMES*

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- With her trademark sensitivity to the complex workings of the human heart, Anne takes us to the heart of an impossible emotional dilemma - if your child disappeared, should you ever accept that they won't come back? - to an answer can leave no reader indifferent.

Reviews

- 'Her most emotionally complex book yet . . . Gently heartbreaking, but also hopeful and uplifting. An insight into the fragility of the human condition and what holds us together when we break' - Edel Coffey, *Irish Times*
- 'One of Griffin's great gifts is how she draws small-town communities and the personalities that make them what they are' - *Irish Sunday Times Culture*
- 'An agonising but hauntingly beautiful tale' - *Sunday Post*

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Author living in	Mullingar, Ireland
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Translation	Susan Armstrong
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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When All is Said The Number One Irish Bestseller

Anne Griffin

Keynote

Five toasts. Five people. One lifetime.

Description

THE NUMBER ONE IRISH BESTSELLER
WINNER OF THE *SUNDAY INDEPENDENT* NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR AWARD
SHORTLISTED FOR THE 2021 DUBLIN LITERARY AWARD

'A rare jewel' John Banville
'A genuine page-turner' Donal Ryan
'This is how you tell a story' Cecelia Ahern

At the bar of a grand hotel in a small Irish town sits 84-year-old Maurice Hannigan. He's alone, as usual - though tonight is anything but.

Over the course of this evening, he will raise five toasts to the five people who have meant the most to him. Through these stories - of unspoken joy and regret, a secret tragedy kept hidden, a fierce love that never found its voice - the life of one man will powerfully and poignantly be laid bare.

'A book to savour and pass on. An absolute joy' *Sunday Mirror*
'A rich and moving story, a poetic voice and unforgettable character in Maurice' *Elle*

Sales Points

- A tear-jerking story for fans of Donal Ryan, Sarah Winman and Maggie O'Farrell.
- As Hodder's number one priority debut, *When All is Said* has benefitted from a huge marketing campaign on the hardback and high profile endorsements, which has generated a lot of buzz ahead of the paperback.
- Anne is Irish based and is available for features and events, as well as being highly engaged on Twitter.

Reviews

- 'An extraordinary novel, a poetic writer, and a story that moved me to tears.' - John Boyne
- 'This is how you tell a story' - Cecelia Ahern
- 'Beautifully written, unhurried and thoughtful, and a character you love from the off.' - Kit de Waal
- 'A hugely enjoyable, engrossing novel, a genuine page-turner.' - Donal Ryan

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Fervour

Toby Lloyd

Keynote

***The Secret History* meets horror meets Jonathan Safran Foer - with a dash of *The Royal Tenenbaums*.**

An exciting debut novel about a close-knit Jewish family in London pushed to the brink when they suspect their daughter is a witch.

Description

'Intriguing, propulsive and profoundly disturbing, this is a fearless look into the dark heart of family politics from a naturally gifted storyteller'

JONATHAN COE

THE ROSENTHALS ARE NOT LIKE OTHER FAMILIES

Hannah and Eric are devout Jews living in North London with their three children and Eric's father Yosef, a Holocaust survivor. Both intellectually gifted and deeply unconventional, the Rosenthals believe in the literal truth of the Old Testament and in the presence of God (and evil) in daily life.

As Hannah prepares to publish a sensationalist account of Yosef's years in war-torn Europe - unearthing a terrible secret from his time in the camps- Elsie, her perfect daughter, starts to come undone. And then, in the wake of Yosef's death, she disappears. When she returns, just as mysteriously as she left, she is altered in disturbing ways.

Witnessing the complete transformation of her daughter, Hannah begins to suspect that Elsie has delved too deep into the labyrinths of Jewish mysticism and got lost among shadows. But for Elsie's brother Tovyah, a brilliant but reclusive student at Oxford, the truth is much simpler: his sister is the product of a dysfunctional family, obsessed with empty rituals and unbridled ambition.

But who is right? And how can they stop the darkness from engulfing Elsie forever?

Sales Points

- **UNIQUE, HUGELY IMPRESSIVE AND ORIGINAL DEBUT:** A darkly comic and compellingly original meditation on family, faith, and generational trauma-*Fervour* is entertaining, erudite, terrifying, and unforgettable.
- **JEWISH STORYTELLING:** Readers are familiar with Jewish American fiction (Bellow, Roth, Malamud, Mailer, Salinger, Ozick, etc.), but there is comparatively little fiction of note about the experience of British Jews. *Fervour* combines the influence of those names above, ancient biblical narratives, folklore, and some recent independent horror films.
- **A NEW NAME TO WATCH IN LITERARY FICTION:** Taught by E. L. Doctorow and Jonathan Safran Foer at NYU, Toby Lloyd is the real deal, a debut writer who will produce exciting work for years to come. He is based in London and will be available for promotion but - crucially - his work doesn't feel parochial or limited by its setting: this is a novel that has huge international potential.
- **FOR FANS OF:** *The Secret History* with a dash of *The Royal Tenenbaums* - and echoes of *The Vvitch*.
- **INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS + FILM AND TV:** Sold in the US (Avid Reader Press, S&S at auction); France (Gallimard); Italy (Neri Pozza); Finland (Kosmos). Big TV and film interest (waiting on revised manuscript).

Author Biography

Toby Lloyd has published stories and essays in *Carve Magazine*, the *Los Angeles Review of Books* and elsewhere. He earned an MFA in creative writing from NYU and was longlisted for the 2021 V. S. Pritchett Short Story Prize. He lives in London.

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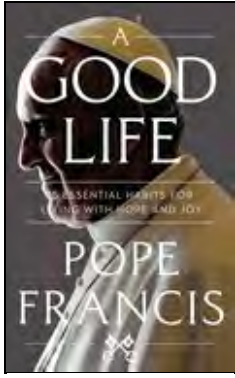
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A Good Life

Pope Francis
 Translated by **Oonagh Stranksy**

Keynote

Pope Francis' 15 rules for a good life

Description

You are important. You are unique. You are a wonder of creation!

This is Pope Francis' message to you today. It is the departure point for your birth or rebirth, whatever form that may take; it is the glowing centre that sustains life, whatever your age. You are a wonder of creation!

Even when your face is lined with worries or fatigue, remember that you are always a light that shines through the night. This is the greatest gift you've ever received, and no one can take it away from you. Dream on! Never stop dreaming. Believe! Believe in even greater and more beautiful truths. Let yourself be surprised by love. This is what it means to Live Well. This is the greatest and most beautiful wish we can extend to each other.

Always.

Joy - the wholesome and concrete kind, the joy we have all been searching for since birth - will be the natural outcome. It won't be an easy path; life's difficulties and the pervasive pessimism and cynicism of our era will periodically make it difficult to recognize and welcome grace into our life. But the Pope guarantees us that is precisely when we open our hearts to providence and allow tenderness and mercy to enter that life becomes beautiful. It's comforting to know that we can always begin again, that God can rebuild a story within us from the fragments. By letting ourselves be inspired by Pope Francis' 15 Rules for a Good Life, we can revel in the wondrous creations that we are, and savour the experience of what it means to live authentically. And so, joy will spread, bringing goodness to all those who welcome and share its gift.

Sales Points

- Pope Francis is the first non-European and first Jesuit priest to be named pope.
- His first book with Hodder Faith was A GIFT OF JOY AND HOPE (2022)
- This book is publishing globally alongside the US team at HBGUS.
- Popular-level book for all Catholics

Author Biography

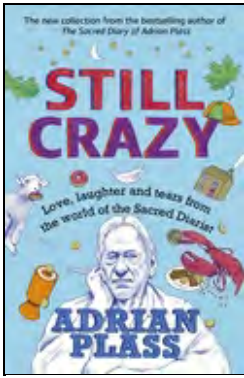
The first Pope of the Americas, Jorge Mario Bergoglio, hails from Argentina. The 76-year-old Jesuit Archbishop of Buenos Aires is a prominent figure throughout the continent, yet remains a simple pastor who is deeply loved by his diocese, throughout which he has travelled extensively on the underground and by bus during the 15 years of his episcopal ministry.

He was born in Buenos Aires on 17 December 1936, the son of Italian immigrants. His father Mario was an accountant employed by the railways and his mother Regina Sivori was a committed wife dedicated to raising their five children. He graduated as a chemical technician and then chose the path of the priesthood, entering the Diocesan Seminary of Villa Devoto. On 11 March 1958 he entered the novitiate of the Society of Jesus. He completed his studies of the humanities in Chile and returned to Argentina in 1963 to graduate with a degree in philosophy from the Colegio de San José in San Miguel. From 1964 to 1965 he taught literature and psychology at Immaculate Conception College in Santa Fé and in 1966 he taught the same subject at the Colegio del Salvatore in Buenos Aires. From 1967-70 he studied theology and obtained a degree from the Colegio of San José.

He was elected Supreme Pontiff on 13 March 2013.

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Still Crazy

Love, laughter and tears from the world of the Sacred Diarist

Adrian Plass

Keynote

You don't have to be mad to read this book. But a dash of the right kind of crazy won't go amiss... Adrian Plass is back - with a new selection of stories, conversations and poems combining spiritual insights with laugh-out-loud humour.

Description

'I think I need to explain why I decided to call this book STILL CRAZY. Firstly, because I've been at this writing-and-speaking business for quite a while now, and the passion to share my thoughts still hasn't subsided. Secondly, because I am more and more convinced that a healthy dose of the right kind of crazy might be just what we need to cope with the ups and downs of modern life, and of faith.'

'Join me as we explore some of the strange, funny, puzzlingly pointless little side turnings that, generally speaking, we are too busy to bother with but which might just lead us to the place where we need to be: one place. One thing. One person.'

'Lots of laughs along the way. A few tears. It can feel a bit crazy. We'll get there.'
From the Introduction

From the challenges of growing old (un)gracefully to reflections on the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic, this is a wide-ranging collection with lashings of Adrian's trademark humour. Whether considering the paradoxes and contradictions of faith and the church, or the unexpected blessings encountered along the way, this collection is thought-provoking and encouraging in equal measure.

There are fresh entries from the Sacred Diary and new insights into the world of the Shadow Doctor, and finally Adrian considers the mystery of love, and ponders its power to help us change our world for good.

Sales Points

- A new collection from bestselling author Adrian Plass
- Over one million copies of *The Sacred Diaries* sold
- A regular speaker at Christian events and festivals

Reviews

- 'Plass's greatest gift, in my opinion, is to weave the serious in with his playfulness in a way that doesn't seem forced, and can be quite profound.' - *Church Times*
- 'Equal parts heart-warming as humorous and shows God's love for the mixed-bag of people in a church.' - *Church of England Newspaper*
- 'Plass handles the issue of how Christians relate to one another outside of their usual environment (church) with comedic skill and sensitivity. His characterisations are brilliant. I literally laughed out loud.' - *Christianity*

Author Biography

Adrian Plass is one of the most-loved Christian writers in the UK. He is the bestselling author of *The Sacred Diary of Adrian Plass Aged 37¾* - which with its various sequels has sold millions of copies around the world. A somewhat bemused Anglican, Adrian and his wife Bridget live in the north of England travel widely to speak in churches, prisons, schools, and at festivals and literary events in the UK and around the world.

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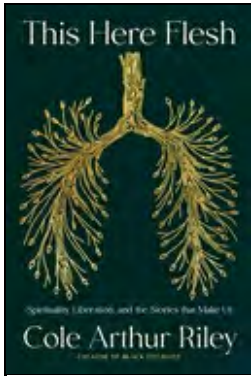


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This Here Flesh Spirituality, Liberation and the Stories That Make Us: An instant NEW YORK TIMES bestseller

Cole Arthur Riley

Keynote

In her stunning debut, the creator of Black Liturgies explores black spirituality through her family history and personal reflections.

Description

'This is the kind of book that make you different when you're done.' - Ashley C. Ford, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Somebody's Daughter*

'From the womb, we must repeat with regularity that to love ourselves is to survive. I believe that is what my father wanted for me and knew I would so desperately need: a tool for survival, the truth of my dignity named like a mercy new each morning.'

So writes Cole Arthur Riley in an unforgettable book of stories and reflections on discovering the sacred in her skin. In these deeply transporting pages, Cole reflects on the stories of her grandmother and father and encounters of enfleshed, embodied spirituality. As she writes memorably of her own lived experiences of childhood and selfhood, Cole boldly explores some of the most urgent questions of life and faith:

How can spirituality not silence the body, but instead allow it to come alive?
How do we honour, lament, and heal from the stories we inherit?
How can we find peace in a world overtaken with dislocation, noise, and unrest?

At once a compelling spiritual meditation and a tender coming-of-age narrative, *This Here Flesh* invites us to ponder the site of the soul by examining our capacity to rest, wonder, joy, rage, and repair - and finding that our humanity is not an enemy to faith but evidence of it.

'Exquisite' - Ayo Tomenti, co-founder of Black Lives Matter

Sales Points

- A NEW YORK TIMES bestseller
- Over 269,000+ instagram followers
- A regular podcast guest

Reviews

- 'At a time when establishing peace within one's own soul is so vitally important, this book is a balm - reminding me to exercise the spiritual muscle of awe, to notice the simple and to find beauty in the ordinary.'
- '- Ben Lindsay, Author of *We Need To Talk About Race*
- 'In *This Here Flesh*, Cole Arthur Riley reaches deep beneath the surface of words unspoken, wounds unhealed, and secrets untempered to break them open in order for fresh light to break through. Her personal anecdotes alongside Biblical anchors are serene vehicles through which any reader will remember the preciousness of their body, humanity, and most of all, their dignity.' - Morgan Jerkins, *New York Times* bestselling author of *THIS WILL BE MY UNDOING*
- 'This book is an invitation into the delicate weavings of family, inheritance, and pain, how they mark a bloodline, and connect a people. **Riley writes with all the grace and gravity the spirit of humanity deserves.** And somehow teaches us to think of ourselves as deserving of such grace, along the way. **This is the kind of book that make you different when you're done.**' - Ashley C. Ford, *New York Times* bestselling author of *SOMEBODY'S DAUGHTER*
- 'This book is **brehtaking**. Full of **profound revelation** and beauty woven into poetry, **unforgettable imagery and story**, it will stay with me long after I've read it. I will keep returning to its pages, ready to hear in Cole Arthur Riley's reflections new ways to see myself, my family, my faith and my God. Who knew truth-telling could be so beautiful?' - Chine McDonald, author of *GOD IS NOT A WHITE MAN*

Author Biography

Cole Arthur Riley is the creator of Black Liturgies, a space where Black words of dignity, lament, rage, and rest, are curated and integrated with a liberating spirituality. She serves as the content and spiritual formation manager for Chesterton House: A Center for Christian Studies at Cornell University. Born and for the most part raised in Pittsburgh, Cole studied Writing at the University of Pittsburgh. She once took a professor's advice very seriously to begin writing a little every day, and has followed it for nearly a decade.

Market

Thomas Merton meets Toni Morrison.
For fans of Richard Rohr, Glennon Doyle, Barbara Brown Taylor and Austin Channing

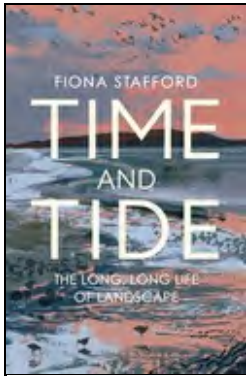
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Time and Tide The Long, Long Life of Landscape

Fiona Stafford

Keynote

A unique and luminous exploration of the changing landscapes of the UK, the long-awaited new book from the author of the hugely acclaimed *The Long, Long Life of Trees*

Description

A village waits at the bottom of a reservoir. A monkey puzzle tree bristles in a suburban garden. A skein of wild geese fly over a rusty rail viaduct. The vast inland sea that awed John Clare has become fields.

Chapter by fascinating chapter, alive with literary, local, and her own family history, Fiona Stafford reveals the forces, both natural and human, which transform places. Swooping along coastlines, through forests and across fens, following in the footsteps of Burns and Keats, Celia Fiennes and Charles Dickens, William and Dorothy Wordsworth, Noel Coward and Compton Mackenzie, join her, time-travelling deep into the stories of our Isles.

From red squirrels to brick vistas, from botanical gardens to hot springs, the landscapes of Britain are full of delights and surprises. Chance discoveries of rare species, shipwrecks and unlikely ruins, curious trees and startling towers, weird caves and disused airfields, or even just baffling placenames offer ways into unexpected histories and hidden lives. The clues to the past are all round us - *Time and Tide* will help you find them.

Sales Points

- **FOR READERS OF:** *Wild*, Amy Jeffs, *Islands of Abandonment*, Cal Flyn (38k PBs through TCM)
- **ACCLAIMED AUTHOR:** Fiona is the author of *Sunday Times* Nature Book of the Year, *The Long Long Life of Trees*. She will get brilliant advance quotes. This is important, upmarket literary nature writing, with prize potential.
- **BEAUTIFUL PACKAGE:** A stunning royal hardback with cover illustrations by Andy Lovell - this will be the perfect gifting book.
- **LOCATIONS:** The Fens, Devon, Cornwall, Cumbria, Fingal's Cave, The Solway Firth, Sherwood Forest, The Bridge of Sounds, Rutland Water, Barra Island.

Reviews

- 'Praise for *The Long, Long Life of Trees*' - :
- **'Elegant, engaging, impeccably written and packed with interest'** - John Carey, *Sunday Times*, *Nature Book of the Year*
- **'A leisurely, lyrical reflection** on seventeen different species, from apple to yew, with special emphasis on the role that each has played in art and literature, myth and legend, medicine and technology' - *Wall Street Journal*
- **'It's impossible to imagine a better book on the subject than this.** It's written with verve, pace, genuine wit and an inspired eye for the quirky fact or anecdote. Even those readers who don't think they're interested in trees will find that they are' - John Harding, *Daily Mail*

Author Biography

Fiona Stafford is Professor of English at Somerville College, Oxford and a Fellow of the British Academy. She has written several books, including *The Long, Long Life of Trees*, *The Brief Life of Flowers* and *Jane Austen*.

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All My Wild Mothers

Motherhood, loss and an apothecary garden

Victoria Bennett

Keynote

An intimate weaving of memoir and herbal folklore, *All My Wild Mothers* is a story of re-wilding our wastelands, and the transformation that happens when we do.

Description

Lyrical and beautiful... the book we all need to read right now'

Catherine Simpson, author of *One Body*

An intimate memoir of motherhood, herbal folklore ALL MY WILD MOTHERS is more than just a memoir. It's **a handbook on survival**, and **a testimony to radical hope**.

At seven months pregnant, Victoria Bennett learns her sister has died in a canoeing accident. In that moment, her life changes.

Five years later, and struggling with the demands of motherhood, grief and full-time care, Victoria and her family move to a new social housing estate in rural Cumbria. Here, in the rubble of a former industrial site, she and her young son begin to grow a wild apothecary garden: daisy, for resilience; dandelion, for strength against adversity; sow thistle, to lift melancholy; and borage, to bring hope in dark and difficult times.

Stone by stone, seed by seed, they discover that sometimes life grows, not in spite what is broken, but because of it.

All My Wild Mothers is a profound exploration of grief, identity, and rediscovery; a testament that life and love persists, even when we think all is lost.

'Spellbinding... the most moving portrait of a mother and child I've ever read'

Tanya Shadrack, author of *The Cure For Sleep*

'An **impossibly moving** memoir of gardens, herbalism, and the rigours and rewards of care... It heralds the arrival **of an exciting new voice in nature writing**' Cal Flyn, author of *Islands of Abandonment*

'A **stunning** meditation on the joy of nurturing (and of getting your hands dirty). It is **a love letter to mothering and nature and mother nature**, which bursts with wisdom, humility and hope. The writing is **lyrical and beautiful**... exactly the book we all need to read right now... What a wonderful book' Catherine Simpson, author of *When I Had A Little Sister*

'Exquisitely written... **the most moving portrait of a mother and child I've ever read**... This is a book of passionate resistance to everything in modern life that wants us to stay neat and small and fearful' Tanya Shadrack, author of *The Cure for Sleep*

'**Beautiful and life-affirming** experience. A memoir written with tremendous care for the reader' Jini Riddy, author of *Wanderland*

'Prismatically beautiful in its honesty and telling... **a wonderful book. An apothecary of love**' Nicola Chester, author of *On Gallows Down*

Sales Points

- **AN AWARD-WINNING MANUSCRIPT:** *All My Wild Mothers* was the recipient of the Northern Debut Award 2020 and was longlisted for both the Nan Shepherd Prize 2020 and the Penguin #WriteNow 2020
- **AN AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Victoria has been awarded the Andrew Waterhouse Poetry Award, the Mother's Milk Writing Prize, and The Writing Platform Digital Literature bursary.
- **A UNIQUE AND BEAUTIFUL MEMOIR:** literary in its writing and unique in its concept: each chapter is introduced by a plant from the garden and through the book we piece together Victoria's life.

Reviews

- '*All My Wild Mothers* is an **impossibly moving memoir** of gardens, herbalism, and the rigours and rewards of care. It asks what we might be willing to sacrifice for an artistic life, and what we lose of our selves when we attend to the needs of others before our own. **It heralds the arrival of an exciting new voice in nature**

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- writing.'** - CAL FLYN, award-winning author of 'Islands of Abandonment' and 'Thicker Than Water'
- '*All My Wild Mothers* is a **stunning meditation** on the joy of nurturing (and of getting your hands dirty). It is a love letter to mothering and nature and mother nature, which bursts with wisdom, humility and hope. The writing is **lyrical and beautiful** and feels like a haven in a cynical world - **exactly the book we all need to read right now**. Victoria Bennett's writing is challenging and thought-provoking yet comforting and reassuring. **What a wonderful book. Do read it.**' - CATHERINE SIMPSON, author of 'When I Had A Little Sister'
 - '**Exquisitely written, this spellbinding** book is rich in traditional plant wisdom and the author's lived experience. The garden Victoria Bennett creates with her young son becomes the setting for the most moving portrait of a mother and child I've ever read: how tenacious of life and beauty they both are, even as officials keep appearing to forbid their every attempt at making things grow. This is a **book of passionate resistance** to everything in modern life that wants us to stay neat and small and fearful.' - TANYA SHADRICK, author of 'The Cure for Sleep'
 - 'Witnessing a mother nurture her son and her garden so tenderly while grappling with grief and the responsibilities of a carer was **an unexpectedly beautiful and life-affirming experience**. A memoir **written with tremendous care for the reader** too.' - JINI REDDY, author of 'Wanderland'

Author Biography

Victoria Bennett was born in Oxfordshire in 1971. A poet and author, her writing has previously received a Northern Debut Award, a Northern Promise Award, the Andrew Waterhouse Award, and has been longlisted for the Penguin WriteNow programme and the inaugural Nan Shepherd Prize for under-represented voices.

She founded Wild Women Press in 1999 to support rural women writers in her community, and since 2018 has curated the global Wild Woman Web project, an inclusive online space focusing on nature, connection, and creativity. When not juggling writing, full-time care, and genetic illness, she can be found where the wild weeds grow. *All My Wild Mothers* is her debut memoir.

Market

For readers of **The Year of Magical Thinking** by Joan Didion; **To The River** by Olivia Laing; **H is For Hawk** by Helen Macdonald; **The Outrun** by Amy Liptrot; **The Last Act of Love: The Story of My Brother and His Sister** by Cathy Rentzenbrink, and **Weeds** by Richard Mabey.

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Last Seen

Anna Smith

Keynote

PI Billie Carlson takes on a thrilling new case in the next instalment of this gripping series. For fans of Martina Cole and Marnie Riches.

Description

PI Billie Carlson takes on a thrilling new case in the next instalment of this gripping series. For fans of Martina Cole and Marnie Riches.

Life has changed for Private Investigator Billie Carlson. After years of chasing down every lead possible, she's finally found her son, Lucas, and brought him safely home to Glasgow.

One afternoon, Billie gets a call from an unknown number. The man on the end of the phone refuses to tell her his name, but he explains that his brother, Omar, is being held in prison after stabbing two men outside a block of flats. He wants Billie to investigate what happened that night and find out any information that might help Omar.

Reluctantly, Billie takes on the case. But as she starts to untangle what happened that night, she can't shake the feeling that she's being watched. With Lucas depending on her, Billie is determined to avoid any dangerous encounters. But trouble seems to have a way of tracking her down . . .

Sales Points

- Anna consistently gets great reader reviews and continues to preorder well, particularly in Ebook.
- Perfect for fans of tough, gritty urban thrillers and authors such as Marnie Riches and Martina Cole.
- Anna sells well through supermarkets, and usually gets slots in ASDA and Morrisons.

Reviews

- 'A riveting read. I really enjoyed it. **Gritty, violent and very dark, it is a real page turner. I loved the character of Billie Carlson** who has such an interesting back story. I can't wait to find out more about her. **Well plotted, with interesting characters** - the bad guys are so bad I wanted to go after them myself!' - *Patricia Gibney on UNTIL I FIND YOU*
- 'Loved it! Billie Carlson, what a standout, don't-mess-with-me character, a seeker of the truth while battling her own nightmares. The story had me hooked from start to finish. This Glasgow is gritty, raw, filled with people you would not want to meet down a dark alley.' - *Dreda Say Mitchell on UNTIL I FIND YOU*
- 'A great introduction to Billie Carlson, **a heroine for our times, strong, fiercely independent, dogged and determined** with an unwavering moral compass that causes her no end of problems. It's **a rattling good start to the series** as well as a useful guide to the darker bits of Glasgow that you might want to give a wide berth to' - *Trevor Wood on UNTIL I FIND YOU*

Author Biography

Anna Smith has been a journalist for over twenty years and is a former chief reporter for the Daily Record in Glasgow. She has covered wars across the world as well as major investigations and news stories from Dunblane to Kosovo to 9/11. Anna spends her time between Lanarkshire and Dingle in the west of Ireland, as well as in Spain to escape the British weather.



SAS Great Escapes Two Six Untold Epic Escapes Made by World War Two Heroes

Damien Lewis

Keynote

The new bestseller from Damien Lewis.

Description

'Damien Lewis is both a meticulous historian and a born storyteller' Lee Child

SAS Great Escapes Two recounts the hitherto untold stories of six of the most dramatic and daring escapes executed by the world's most famous fighting force during WWII. From the very earliest SAS missions to the push into Nazi-occupied Europe, they cover some of the key figures in the Regiment, including its founder, David Stirling, plus other lesser-known heroes.

With each story comes an edge-of-the-seat, rollercoaster ride in classic Damien Lewis fashion, as readers are plunged into the escapees' experiences - sharing their most terrifying yet inspiring moments. These stunning accounts of survival beggar belief, revealing nerve-racking bluff and deception, knife-edge encounters with enemy hunter forces hellbent on wreaking vengeance and murder, but also incredible acts of mercy and kindness from those who risk all to help the escapees on their way.

Each tale of breath-taking derring-do reveals how necessity really is the mother of all invention, as with every step and at every juncture these fugitives defied fate, snatching survival and freedom from the jaws of the enemy, and all the horrors that would have followed capture.

Damien Lewis has worked closely with the families of those portrayed, accessing wartime diaries, letters, mission reports, interrogation transcripts and more, to relate how the men of the SAS crossed blazing deserts, evaded enemy hunter forces and escaped through hostile lands, battling against seemingly insurmountable odds. But most of all, these uplifting tales of endurance beyond measure showcase the triumph of the human spirit and the will to survive.

'Damien Lewis paints a uniquely vivid picture of the wartime SAS. Packed with detail, this fresh and dynamic book brings us as close to its remarkable members as we are ever likely to get.' Joshua Levine, author of *Dunkirk*

'In these days when we are told to be scared of everything it is a relief to read of steely nerves and cold courage. Damien Lewis has collected examples of exactly these qualities from World War II and they are all thrillers, to be read with pleasure - and a bit of nostalgia!' Frederick Forsyth

'The fund of SAS escapes turns out to be too big for one book, and in Damien Lewis there is a writer of rare narrative gifts able to bring alive these epic stories for us today' Mark Urban

'An astonishing book: a collection of truly riveting stories of bravery, all brilliantly told. In terms of sheer drama and audacity, *SAS: Great Escapes Two* goes where no fiction writer would dare venture' Alex Gerlis, author of *Agent in the Shadows*

Sales Points

- The new book from bestseller Damien Lewis
- Six stories of incredible escapes by SAS men
- Building on the success of *SAS Great Escapes*

Author Biography

Damien Lewis is a number one bestselling author whose books have been translated into over forty languages worldwide. For decades he worked as a war and conflict reporter for the world's major broadcasters, reporting from across Africa, South America, the Middle and Far East and winning numerous awards. His books include the World War Two classics *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare*, *Hunting the Nazi Bomb*, *SAS Nazi Hunters*, *SAS Ghost Patrol*, *SAS Band of Brothers* and *SAS Brothers in Arms*. A dozen of his books have been made, or are being made, into movies or TV drama series and several have been adapted as plays for the stage. He has raised tens of thousands of pounds for charitable concerns connected with his writings.

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The Conspirators When the price of life is death

G W Shaw

Keynote

An adventure thriller that places the innocent and the corrupt side by side in the remote Austrian Alps

Description

Jacob Meaney makes so little money as a translator that his girlfriend has given up on him. Then Eloise, an Australian digital marketer, appears out of the blue, offering him unheard of sums for a couple of weeks' work.

A private plane and helicopter take him to a showcase villa in Carinthia and all the luxury he could ever want. Here he meets the owner of the house Bondarenko. Unwillingly Jacob has become part of an organised crime conspiracy, held captive there by armed guards.

His task is to interpret between Hindi, Russian and English during Zoom calls with Nazim, an Indian criminal whose gang have taken over the manufacture and distribution network of the wonder fertility drug that Bondarenko has been selling on the internet. It becomes clear to Jacob that his employer is in far deeper and more dangerously than he realises. The gang's plan is to take over the entire operation by any means.

The villa has become a lethal gilded prison to Jacob and Vlada, the maid who's a trafficked worker. When Nazim finally strikes which side will Jacob take to survive?

Fast-moving, tense, glamorous and witty *The Conspirators* is G. W. Shaw's follow-up to *Dead Rich* ('A great book by a fabulous writer' Steve Cavanagh) and shows that he's a master of the gripping international thriller genre.

Sales Points

- A pacey and intense narrative adventure thriller set in Carinthia, southern Austria.
- Key themes of extreme wealth and poverty, cryptocurrency, corrupt pharma and gang culture.

Reviews

- **'Completely unique & original. *The Conspirators* is slick, witty, gripping & packed with non-stop action. It's genre-defying which I LOVED & a brilliantly pieced-together puzzle that keeps you absolutely glued to the page. Stunning.'** - Helen Fields
- **'Reminiscent of a summer movie blockbuster. A Suspenseful, fast-paced and enjoyable thrill ride with unexpected twists and turns.'** - Nadine Matheson
- **'Tense and engrossing-a wild ride.'** - Shari Lapena
- **'This is fast-moving, superior thriller-writing at its best.'** - Shots

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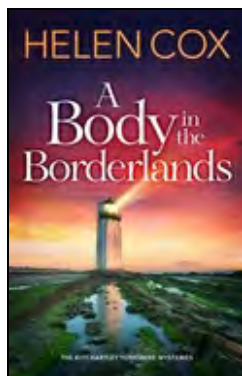
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A Body in the Borderlands

Helen Cox

Keynote

The much-anticipated latest instalment in the Kitt Hartley Mystery series - available to pre-order now!

Description

The much-anticipated latest instalment in the Kitt Hartley Mystery series - available to pre-order now!

Former investment banker Johan Golding - Joe to his friends - is **the newest member of the Hartley and Edwards Investigations team**. And he's thrilled to be shadowing **Kitt Hartley**, librarian-turned-top sleuth, and her right-hand woman **Grace Edwards**; even if it means adjusting to the low-level madness that seems to reign in the Hartley and Edwards offices.

But Joe finds himself thrown in at the deep end when **a man known as Ralph Holmes goes missing** on the outskirts of Carlisle. Police are refusing to investigate, as his disappearance seems voluntary, but his niece, Carly Lewis, is determined to find out what really happened.

As Kitt, Grace and Joe begin to investigate, they deduce there might be more to this disappearance than meets the eye. Drawn into a web of international conspiracies and possible murder, they need to find out who **Ralph Holmes** really was - and who he was working for. In their most dangerous case yet, **the team are in a race against the clock to uncover the truth, before anyone else gets hurt . . .**

HEAR WHAT READERS ARE SAYING ABOUT THE KITT HARTLEY MYSTERY SERIES

'All the Kitt Hartley series are amazing' **5* reader review**

'**Helen Cox is my queen of Miss Marple**' 5* reader review

'I love Kitt' **5* reader review**

'**One of my favourite series**' 5* reader review

'Make yourself a pot of tea and enjoy this escape from real life for a while' **5* reader review**

'**Brilliant!**' 5* reader review

Sales Points

- The Kitt Hartley series has sold almost **180k copies** across all formats
- Perfect for readers of **Faith Martin, Clare Chase** and **Glenda Young**
- Full of all the cosy warmth and high jinks beloved of cosy crime, combined with a charming regional setting, the Kitt Hartley series is **beloved by readers**

Reviews

- '**Cosy and amusing**' - *Irish Independent*
- '**Brilliantly funny and charming**' - *Northern Life*
- '**A great read with smart characters and a clever plot**' - *Candis*
- '**This cosy thriller . . . has a unique atmospheric charm**' - *Woman Magazine*

Author Biography

Helen Cox is a Yorkshire-born novelist and poet. After completing her MA in creative writing at the York St John University, Helen wrote for a range of publications, edited her own independent film magazine and penned three non-fiction books. Helen currently lives by the sea in Sunderland, where she writes poetry, romance novellas, the Kitt Hartley Yorkshire Mystery Series and hosts The Poetrygram podcast.

Helen's *Mastermind* specialism would be *Grease 2* and to this day she adheres to the Pink Lady pledge. More information about Helen can be found on her website: helencoxbooks.com, or on Twitter: @Helenography.

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The Winter Visitor

James Henry

Keynote

Essex in February. Cold enough to catch your death.

Description

Essex, February, 1991. The weather is biting cold. Everyone would rather be somewhere warmer, which is why it's a big surprise when a wanted drug smuggler, Bruce Hopkins, risks a return to his old haunts in Colchester after a decade long exile on the Costa del Sol. Lured back by a letter from the wife Hopkins left behind, no one is more surprised than him when he finds himself abducted and stripped bare only to be sent to a watery grave in the boot of a stolen Ford Sierra. The police wonder if it could be retaliation from a Spanish gang, sending a warning to their English counterparts?

DS Daniel Kenton is teamed up with the unorthodox DS Brazier to investigate a crime wave which takes in not only the murder of an expat dope smuggler, but a sophisticated arson attack on a Norman church and the unexpected suicide of an ageing florist. Could there possibly be a thread that connects them?

Written with the humour and period detail that have become his trademark, and set in the badlands of his beloved Essex, *The Winter Visitor* is James Henry at his inimitable best.

Author Biography

James Henry is the pen name for James Gurbutt. He has written four prequels to R.D Wingfield's Frost series and three Essex-based novels featuring DI Nick Lowry. He works in publishing and lives in Essex.

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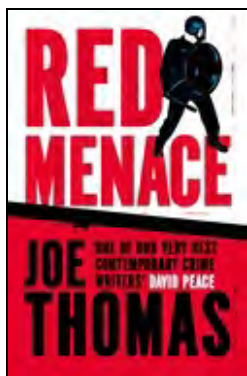


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Red Menace

Joe Thomas

Keynote

The second book in the acclaimed United Kingdom Trilogy takes us from Live Aid to Broadwater Farm, exposing the seedy underbelly of Thatcher's Britain

Description

Live Aid, July 1985. The great and the good of the music scene converge to save the world. But the TV glitz cannot disguise ugly truths about Thatcher's Britain.

Jon Davies and Suzi Scialfa have moved on since the inquest into the death of Colin Roach, but they're about to be drawn back into the struggle - Jon by his restless curiosity and Suzi by the reappearance of DC Patrick Noble.

Noble's other asset, the salaried spycop Parker, is a pawn in a game he only dimly comprehends. First, he's ordered to infiltrate the Broadwater Farm Estate in Tottenham; next will come Wapping, ground zero of a plot to smash the print unions. But who is Noble working for, and how far can he be trusted?

The Iron Lady is reforging the nation, and London with it. Right to Buy may secure her votes, but who really stands to benefit? Corruption is endemic and the gap between rich and poor grows wider by the day. Insurrection seems imminent - all that's needed is a spark.

REVIEWS FOR *WHITE RIOT*, A *SUNDAY TIMES* THRILLER OF THE MONTH

'Represents everything that is good and important about the crime fiction genre' *Irish Times*
 'Enthralling' *Sunday Times*
 'Gripping' *The Times*
 'Propulsive' *Guardian*

Sales Points

- *White Riot*, the first novel in the trilogy, was a Thriller of the Month in the *Sunday Times* and a Book of the Week in *The Week*
- The United Kingdom Trilogy, which takes us from 1979 to 1997, Joe Thomas presents a crime series where the criminal is the government and the victim the country.

Author Biography

JOE THOMAS was born in Hackney in 1977. He is the author of the critically acclaimed São Paulo quartet - *Paradise City*, *Gringa*, *Playboy*, and *Brazilian Psycho* - and *Bent*, which was a *Guardian* Best Book of 2020 and an *Irish Times* pick of the best crime fiction of 2020. His new novel, *White Riot*, the start of a trilogy set in Hackney in the 1970s and 1980s, is to be published by Arcadia in January 2023, and will be followed by *Red Menace* and *True Blue*. Joe lives in London with his partner and son, and teaches at City, University of London.

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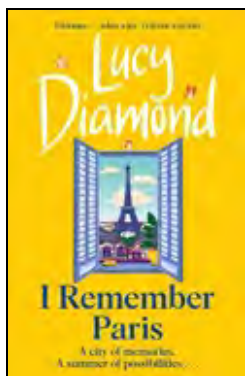
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I Remember Paris

Lucy Diamond

Keynote

The brand new novel from the author of *The Beach Café* and *Anything Could Happen* - pre-order now!

Description

'What a joy! Escapist, romantic and a little bit scandalous, this is Lucy Diamond at her page-turning best. A glorious Parisian adventure' VERONICA HENRY

'Intriguing and its setting is a joy in itself. I loved it!' KATIE FFORDE

Jess Bright, single mum and journalist, feels her life has stalled. So when she's offered a writing job in Paris for the summer, she leaps at the chance to go. Hasn't she always felt that she left a piece of her heart in the city years before?

Her subject is the iconic artist Adelaide Fox, whose personal life has been steeped in scandal and intrigue. Now approaching eighty, she's ready to tell her side of the story - and serve up some scalding-hot revenge in the process.

Amidst a stormy working relationship, Jess and Adelaide must face up to their pasts. As passionate affairs, terrible betrayals and life-changing secrets surface, there may be more surprises in store than either of them dared imagine . . .

Set in the city of love, with two unforgettable protagonists, *I Remember Paris* is a glorious, life-affirming novel about second chances, unlikely friendships and finding your way back to yourself.

READERS LOVE LUCY DIAMOND

'I love all of Lucy's books' 5* reader review

'Lucy writes with such warmth and sympathy' 5* reader review

'Pure escapism' 5* reader review

'So uplifting' 5* reader review

'I can't put Lucy's books down' 5* reader review

Sales Points

- Perfect for fans of Jill Mansell, Veronica Henry, Milly Johnson and Rosie Walsh
- Lucy Diamond is a priority brand author for Quercus Fiction, with a focus on making her a bestselling author across all formats (particularly paperback, eBook and audio) with a book a year
- An always-on approach to further growing Lucy's brand through impactful partnerships, reaching her readers directly through growing her newsletter, key focus on sales strategy and year-round digital plan across all her titles

Reviews

- **'What a joy! Escapist, romantic and a little bit scandalous, this is Lucy Diamond at her page-turning best. A glorious Parisian adventure'** - Veronica Henry
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Author Biography

Lucy Diamond grew up in Nottingham and has lived in Leeds, London, Oxford and Brighton. She now lives in Bath with her family. Lucy is the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of eighteen novels including *The Beach Café* and *Anything Could Happen*. I

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Anything Could Happen
The Beach Café
The Promise
An Almost Perfect Holiday
Something to Tell You
On a Beautiful Day
The House of New Beginnings
One Night in Italy
The Year of Taking Chances
Over You
Me and Mr Jones
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Sweet Temptation
Any Way You Want Me
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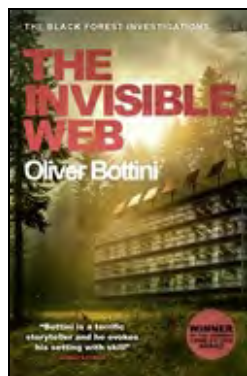
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The Invisible Web A Black Forest Investigation V

Oliver Bottini
Translated by **Jamie Bulloch**

Keynote

A gripping and atmospheric Black Forest Investigation featuring Detective Inspector Louise Boni.

Description

A gripping and atmospheric Black Forest Investigation featuring Detective Inspector Louise Boni.

"Oliver Bottini is one of the most sophisticated crime writers of modern times"
Sunday Times

In a Berlin hotel a man is beaten up, but it's more than a random assault and the attacker escapes undetected. When the trail leads to Freiburg, Chief Inspector Louise Boni is sent to investigate.

It's a complex case, a professional job. The victim is a secret service informer, the only witness knows more than she's saying, and the intelligence service is hovering in the background, refusing to cooperate. Industrial espionage appears to be at play, focused on the booming solar-energy sector.

"Taut writing and pacy events" *Sunday Times*

Boni's investigation is repeatedly obstructed, and again she has to rip up the police handbook in her attempt to find out how the different threads of the web tie together. But by the time she discovers the truth, it's already too late for one of those involved . . .

"Bottini is a terrific storyteller" *Sunday Express*

The fifth in the Black Forest Investigations featuring Louise Boni - by the five-time winner of the German Crime Fiction Award

Translated from the German by Jamie Bulloch

Sales Points

- *Zen and the Art of Murder* was shortlisted for the CWA International Dagger
- Bottini is admired for his nuanced female lead and his clever plotting that does not rely on excessive violence
- For fans of crime novels by Ann Cleeves, Val McDermid and Henning Mankell
- By the five-time winner of the German Krimi Preis for Crime Fiction - two of his novels have been adapted for German ARD television, and the latest standalone is a Spiegel bestseller

Reviews

- 'Oliver Bottini is one of the most sophisticated crime writers of modern times . . . [His] plots are always original, and this one is as intriguing as ever.' - Joan Smith, *Sunday Times*
- 'The Black Forest investigations are emblematic of the European crime scene, with the striking southwest Kirchzarten region the backdrop to cruel malfeasance.' - Barry Forshaw, *Financial Times Summer Crime Picks*
- 'Bottini is a terrific storyteller' - *Sunday Express*
- 'Bottini has established himself as a strong new voice in crime' - *Book Noir*

Author Biography

Oliver Bottini was born in 1965. Five of his novels, including ZEN AND THE ART OF MURDER and A SUMMER OF MURDER of the Black Forest Investigations have been awarded the Deutscher Krimipreis, Germany's most prestigious award for crime writing. ZEN AND THE ART OF MURDER was shortlisted for the 2018 CWA International Dagger. He lives in Frankfurt. www.bottini.de.

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The End of Us a dark and unpredictable thriller

Olivia Kiernan

Keynote

A spectacular standalone thriller from the author of the critically acclaimed Frankie Sheehan novels

Description

'The ending gave me shivers' Claire Douglas

'A plot that tightens like a vice' Erin Kelly

It all started to go wrong the day the Wrights moved in next door

Myles and Lana Butler live on a gorgeous new development in Wimbledon, leaning on a mortgage that is just within reach. When one of Myles' investments fails they are bound to lose everything.

Gabriel and Holly Wright have just moved in next door. The Wrights are sophisticated, ambitious and apparently very wealthy. At an after-dinner drink with their new neighbours, Myles and Lana share their worries and a solution is suggested between the couples. Life Insurance fraud. For a cut of the pay out, the Wrights would help them.

No one thought they were being serious. No one agreed they'd actually go through with it. And no one mentioned it would involve murder.

Then, one night, Lana doesn't come home.

Praise for *The End of Us*

'Witty, dark, unpredictable. A book to be devoured in one sitting' Karen Hamilton

'It reminded me of Hitchcock at his best. Tense, twisty, dark and so unpredictable' Claire Douglas

'The End Of Us is that rare book - beautifully written and impossible to put down' Fiona Cummins

'I loved it - easily Kiernan's best yet' Cara Hunter

'Terrifically compelling. And that last line. Oh my. That is how a book should end' John Marrs

'A superbly written tangled web of utter brilliance' Joanna Cannon

Sales Points

- **Flagship thriller** publication on the riverrun list for 2023
- One of Ireland's most **critically acclaimed** authors who has delivered her **break-out novel** with THE END OF US
- The Frankie Sheehan series has recently been **optioned for TV**, with **Victoria Smurfit** to play Sheehan

Reviews

- **'Absolutely loved *The End Of Us*, it reminded me of Hitchcock at his best. Tense, twisty, dark** and so unpredictable I couldn't read it fast enough to see how it all played out. The ending gave me shivers. **My favourite Olivia Kiernan book yet!**' - *Claire Douglas*
- **'The End Of Us is that rare book - beautifully written and impossible to put down. A dark, complex and nuanced thriller**, its protagonist Myles Butler is a Ripley for the 21st century, rotten to the core of his luxury lifestyle, but impossible to resist' - *Fiona Cummins*
- **'The End of Us is exactly the type of book I love to read: witty, dark, unpredictable, well-written and with great insight into the darker side of human nature. A book to be devoured in one sitting'** - Karen Hamilton
- **'I loved it - easily Kiernan's best yet'** - Cara Hunter

Author Biography

Olivia Kiernan is an Irish writer living in the UK. She was born and raised in County Meath, near the famed heritage town of Kells and holds an MA in Creative Writing awarded by the University of Sussex. *The End of Us* is Olivia's first standalone after her acclaimed Frankie Sheehan Series.



Blackheart Ghosts

Laure Eve

Keynote

The godchildren are rising: *Bladerunner* meets *Camelot* in a riveting neo-noir thriller drenched in power and betrayal.

Description

'A riveting tragedy of blood and desire. A masterwork of urban fantasy - and the coolest thing you'll read this year' - SAMANTHA SHANNON on *Blackheart Knights*

'A brilliant, bloody wild ride' - JAY KRISTOFF on *Blackheart Knights*

A half-drowned stranger turns up at the door of Garad Gaheris, retired King's Champion, with a hell of a story to tell. The ex-knight may have uncovered a conspiracy involving the very highest echelons of London's elite.

Current King's Champion Si Wyll, a master illusionist, still reeling from the betrayal of his lover and the death of his mentor, is poised to become the most dangerous man in London. Then a figure from his past surfaces, determined to blackmail him into a plot to change the balance of power for good.

And the city's godchildren, those born with illegal magical abilities, have had enough of being put down - but who must die to ensure their ascension?

Sales Points

- The magnificent sequel to BLACKHEART GHOSTS: an Arthurian world as you have never before seen it!
- Laure Eve's YA duologies THE GRACES and THE CURSES and FEARSOME DREAMER and THE ILLUSIONISTS got massive critical acclaim
- BLACKHEART KNIGHTS gathered storming reviews from across the genre

Reviews

- 'King Arthur as you've never seen him before. Eve doesn't just capture lightning, but commands it, in **a riveting tragedy of blood and desire. A masterwork of urban fantasy - and the coolest thing you'll read this year'** - *Samantha Shannon, author of *The Bone Season* and *The Priory of the Orange Tree**
- 'The screaming neon of Bladerunner meets the medieval steel of Arthurian legend in a world that's dizzying in scope and imagination. **The boldest, smartest, most adventurous fantasy I've read in ages - and it's really f**ing fun'** - *Krystal Sutherland, author of *Our Chemical Hearts**
- 'Arthurian legend meets urban fantasy in **a brilliant, bloody wild ride**

' - JAY KRISTOFF, *No.1 New York Times and Sunday Times bestselling author of *Empire of the Vampire**

- **Outstandingly well-crafted and absorbing** urban/epic/alt-reality/mythic fantasy read ' - *JULIET MCKENNA, author of the No.1 bestselling *The Green Man's Heir**

Author Biography

Laure Eve is the author of critically acclaimed fantasy duologies *The Graces* and *The Curses*, and *Fearsome Dreamer* and *The Illusionists*. A British-French hybrid, she was born in Paris and grew up in Cornwall, a land suffused with myth and legend. She speaks English and French, and can hold a vague conversation, usually about food, in Greek. She is very English about comedy and very French about cheese. Selling comic books in foreign languages, loosing a variety of blood-curdling screams into a recording booth and striking odd poses as an artist's model are just some of the things she has done for a living.

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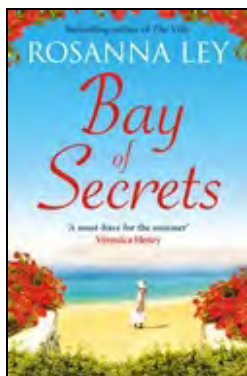
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Bay of Secrets

ROSANNA LEY

Keynote

A heart-warming and deeply romantic story of love, family and the secrets we keep from those closest to us. Perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore and Faith Hogan.

Description

'Totally spellbinding!' 5* reader review
'The most enthralling book I've read' 5* reader review
'Such a powerful and moving story' 5* reader review

Spain, 1939

Following the wishes of her parents to keep her safe during the war, a young girl, Julia, enters a convent in Barcelona. Looking for a way to maintain her links to the outside world, she volunteers to help in a maternity clinic. But worrying adoption practices in the clinic force Sister Julia to decide how far she will go to help those placed in her care.

England, 2012

Six months after her parents' shocking death, 34-year-old journalist and jazz enthusiast Ruby Rae has finally found the strength to pack away their possessions and sell the family home. But as she does so, she unearths a devastating secret that her parents, Vivien and Tom, had kept from her all her life.

SEE WHAT EVERYONE IS SAYING ABOUT ROSANNA LEY:

'An impeccably researched and deftly written narrative that kept me hooked until the end' **Kathryn Hughes, bestselling author of *The Letter***

'Sun-soaked escapism' **Best**

'The perfect holiday companion' **Heat**

'Loved it from start to finish. A brilliant holiday read' **5* reader review**

'Perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore, Victoria Hislop and Leah Fleming' **Candis**

'On so many levels a fantastic read' **5* reader review**

'A fascinating story with engaging themes' **Dinah Jefferies, bestselling author of *The Tea Planter's Wife***

'Warm, enthralling, one of my favourite authors' **5* reader review**

Sales Points

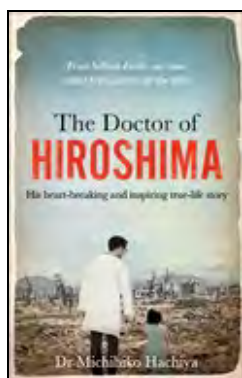
- Striking new package for one of Rosanna Ley's most beloved titles, perfect for spring and summer paperbacks
- Rosanna Ley's sales are over 700,000 copies, with *Bay of Secrets* at 85,000 across all formats
- For readers of Santa Montefiore, Victoria Hislop and Faith Hogan

Reviews

- **'Vividly written with a compelling storyline, this is top escapism'** - *Closer*
- **'I loved the sultry sensuous feeling . . . A fascinating story with engaging themes'** - *Dinah Jefferies, bestselling author of *The Tea Planter's Wife**
- **'A perfect holiday read, to be devoured in one sitting'** - *The Lady*
- **'A great page-turner'** - *Lucinda Riley, bestselling author*

Author Biography

Rosanna Ley works as a creative writing tutor and has written many articles and stories for national magazines. Her writing holidays and retreats take place in stunning locations in Spain and Italy. When she is not travelling, Rosanna lives in West Dorset by the sea.



The Doctor of Hiroshima

His heart-breaking and inspiring true life story

Dr. Michihiko Hachiya

Keynote

The powerful and inspiring diary of a doctor who survived the atomic bomb and treated the people of Hiroshima only 1500m from the centre of the blast.

Description

With what this poor woman had been through the sight of her crying tore at my heartstrings. What if something should happen to her; who would care for her little baby? To conceal the fear and terror in my heart I left her, trying to put up a cheerful front. But no one could conceal from her the ominous import of the dark spots that had appeared on her chest.

The Doctor of Hiroshima is the extraordinary true story of Dr Michihiko Hachiya, whose hospital was less than a mile from the centre of the atomic bomb that hit on that warm August day. In immense shock and pain, he and his wife Yaeko dragged themselves to the devastated hospital building and what colleagues they could find.

In time, they begin to heal, and start to treat the impossible numbers of patients - a small girl covered in burns, an elderly man with pneumonia, a young boy and his little sister looking for their parents. They also began to investigate the strange unexplainable symptoms afflicting his patients - things he never dreamed he would see...

Told simply and poignantly in Dr Hachiya's own words, *The Doctor of Hiroshima* is a unique and deeply moving human story of survival about a small, committed band of hospital staff in the face of unthinkable destruction and loss.

Sales Points

- **A NEW TAKE ON A STRONG MARKET:** *The Doctor of Hiroshima* is written in the powerful, simple style of Monoray's Auschwitz survivor accounts but with the focus on a different, historic, and horrifying event: the world's first atomic bomb. We will package it in a similar style to that genre for the same audience, who are inspired by people living through and surviving unthinkably awful circumstances. Comps therefore include *The Twins of Auschwitz* (2020 - total UK TCM 124k), *A Gypsy in Auschwitz* (2022 - UK TCM 22k to date) and *The Choice* (188k).
- **EXTRAORDINARY ACCOUNT OF AN UNPARALLELED EVENT:** As well as covering the horrific circumstances of the bomb itself and the injuries to the patients immediately following it, Dr Hachiya describes how he and his colleagues became the first team in the world to understand the signs, patterns and outcomes of radiation sickness.
- **EXISTING QUOTES FROM ROBERT OPPENHEIMER, PEARL BUCK (a Pulitzer Prize winner) and NORMAN COUSINS**

Reviews

- 'Comes closer to telling the real story than anything I have seen outside of Japan.' - *Norman Cousins*

Author Biography

Dr. Michihiko Hachiya was Director of the Hiroshima Communications Hospital when the world's first atomic bomb was dropped on the city. After the bomb, he continued as Director there for several years before taking on a teaching role at Okayama University Medical School. He retired in Okayama and passed away in the 1980s.

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The Magic Hour

100 Poems from the Tuesday Afternoon Poetry Club

Charlotte Moore

Keynote

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Description

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Charlotte Moore, a writer and former English teacher, has loved poetry all her life. Keen to be able to read and talk about poems with others, she set up a weekly poetry club for anyone interested to join her round her fireplace.

This book brings together a selection of the Tuesday Afternoon Poetry Club's favourite poems, some well-known, some less so. The poems are grouped into themes - from home and lovers, to war and the planets - each framed with a little context from Charlotte and delightful insights from members of the group.

The Magic Hour offers a source of lifelong pleasure and nourishment, with words to delight and console, while reminding us of moments of personal significance. It demonstrates how we can all benefit from a dose of poetry in our daily lives.

Sales Points

- For anyone who wishes they read more poetry - this book is the perfect soft entry starting point.
- A book for readers of George Monbiot, Robert McFarlane, Adam Nicolson, and David Attenborough.

Reviews

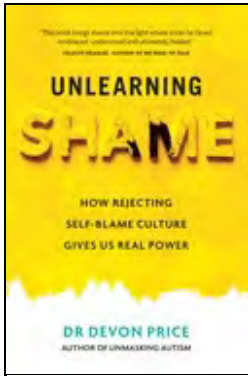
- 'I LOVED this book so much: warm, honest, informed, generous, original, funny and very touching. It is so various and redeemed from so many hidden corners, it would be difficult to think of an anthology more richly packed. Which of course makes it for me the perfect desert island book. And I can't remember anything of which I have thought, for page after page of surprise and recognition, 'I must keep this to hand.'" - *Adam Nicolson*
- 'A beautiful collection, full of wonderful surprises and old favourites.' - *Clover Stroud*
- '*The Magic Hour* has the powerful charm and the heart-lifting sense of surprise and discovery of the best poetry and the best anthologies. I shall keep it near my favourite chair and give it to many.' - *Hattie Ellis*
- 'An immensely enjoyable collection chosen by poetry lovers on a mission to share their enthusiasm.' - *Martha Kearney*

Author Biography

Charlotte Moore read English at Oxford before becoming a teacher. She is now a freelance author, journalist and public speaker. She has published four novels, four historical books for children, *George and Sam*, a memoir of life with her autistic sons, and *Hancox*, a family history. She lives near Battle, East Sussex.

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Unlearning Shame How Rejecting Self-Blame Culture Gives Us Real Power

Devon Price

Keynote

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Description

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Blending the latest social psychology, personal insights and empowering practical exercises, *Unlearning Shame* is a radical guide to overcoming self-blame and embracing a new culture - one where we take control of the choices we make and the future we create.

Sales Points

- **UNMASKING AUTISM** has sold over 16.5k copies across formats since publication in April 2022 and has very quickly become a leader in the field of Autism books, with amazing reviews on Amazon and TikTok.
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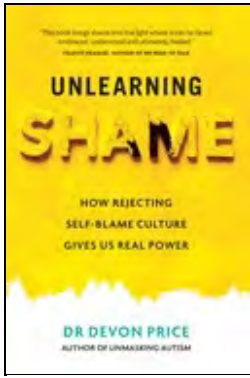
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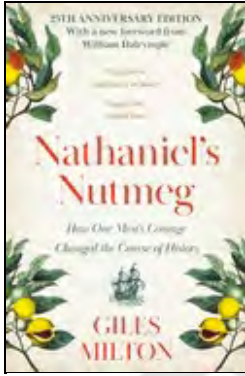
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Nathaniel's Nutmeg

How One Man's Courage Changed the Course of History

Giles Milton

Keynote

The extraordinary adventure-filled story of how England came to own Manhattan in the seventeenth century

Description

In 1616, an English adventurer, Nathaniel Courthope, stepped ashore on a remote island in the East Indies on a secret mission - to persuade the islanders of Run to grant a monopoly to England over their nutmeg, a fabulously valuable spice in Europe. This infuriated the Dutch, who were determined to control the world's nutmeg supply. For five years Courthope and his band of thirty men were besieged by a force one hundred times greater - and his heroism set in motion the events that led to the founding of the greatest city on earth.

A beautifully told adventure story and a fascinating depiction of exploration in the seventeenth century, NATHANIEL'S NUTMEG sheds a remarkable light on history.

Sales Points

- Lively adventure story of the little-known origins of how the English came to control Manhattan and go forward to form the British Empire
- Giles Milton's books have now sold nearly 600,000 copies in the UK alone.
- NATHANIEL'S NUTMEG has already sold over 250,000 copies in paperback and over 26,000 in hardback.
- Extraordinary tale involving battles, heroism, riches, conspiracy, murder and untold wealth
- Milton's eye for detail and brilliant storytelling brings history to life and sets him apart from other narrative non-fiction
- Stunning new package for Giles Milton's backlist to tie-in with publication of WHITE GOLD in paperback

Reviews

- 'A magnificent piece of popular history. ... This is a book to read, reread, then read again to your children.' - *Nicholas Fearn, <i>Independent on Sunday</i>*
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- 'A truly gripping tale... His research is impeccable... Once embarked upon the journey of the book, one is loath, sometimes unable... to turn back and abandon it.' - *Martin Booth, <i>The Sunday Times</i>*
- 'Milton has a terrific eye for the kind of detail that can bring the past vividly to life' - *<i>The Spectator</i>*

Author Biography

Giles Milton is a writer and journalist. He has contributed articles for most of the British national newspapers as well as many foreign publications and specialises in the history of travel and exploration. In the course of his researches, he has travelled extensively in Europe and the Middle East.



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The Paris Affair

Escape this Christmas with the uplifting, magical new book from Strictly Come Dancing star Anton du Beke

Anton Du Beke

Keynote

The stunning new Buckingham novel from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Anton Du Beke, coming Autumn 2023

Description

March 1941. As the war rages on, the Buckingham Hotel has become a microcosm of the world. Its ballroom and restaurant are peopled with exiled royal families, politicians and dignitaries, but the beating heart of the Buckingham remains its hardworking, talented staff.

With the heroic Raymond de Guise away fighting in North Africa, his beloved wife Nancy must balance her new position in life- as Head of Housekeeping at the Buckingham, but also as a new mother to their child.

And all the while, mysterious new figures are beginning to take centre stage: a secretive new bandleader from across the Atlantic, an unknown thief pilfering luxury goods from the Buckingham's larders, and a charismatic ghost from Raymond's past, stirring up old memories from his time on the circuit in 1920s Paris.

As tensions flare and dark secrets rise to the surface, it's all the Buckingham staff can do to retain their trademark elegance and poise...

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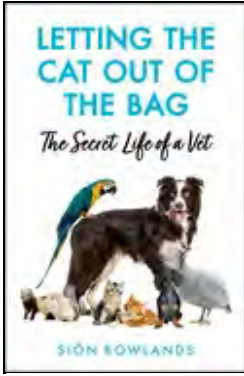
- **SUPER SELLER:** Anton Du Beke's debut hardback was the bestselling hardback debut of 2018, and an instant *Sunday Times* bestseller. With his move to Orion, THE BALLROOM BLITZ has sold fantastically, with 19k copies sold through TCM making him Number 1 in hardback saga
- **AUTHOR PROFILE:** Anton is a household name, the 'King of the Ballroom', and hugely beloved by the British public, having appeared in every series of the BBC's *Strictly Come Dancing* since its inception. He is now a permanent judge on the show, and his profile has never been higher. He was the winner of the Talent Show Judge prize at the National Television Awards 2022
- **STRICTLY FEVER:** *Strictly* viewing figures remain astonishingly high. In 2020 viewing figures for week 2 peaked at a mighty 10.7 million, with 8.2 million tuning in to watch the second episode in 2021.
- **ANTON IN PARIS:** this novel follows Raymond as a young dancer in Paris during the 1920s, with stunning locations and rich period detail

Author Biography

Anton Du Beke - the King of Ballroom, *Strictly Come Dancing* royalty, and household name - is one of this generation's all-round entertainers. In 2018, he realised his boyhood ambition and published the first in a series of bestselling novels set in the 1930s world of the exclusive Mayfair hotel, The Buckingham.

Market

Existing series fans and wider romance & saga audience



Letting the Cat Out of the Bag The Secret Life of a Vet

Siôn Rowlands

Keynote

A sneak peek behind the professional veneer of vets, sprinkled with wacky moments, wicked humour, and a cornucopia of beloved animals.

Description

Trimming a parrot's beak, emptying a dog's anal glands and neutering a cat - then lunch - followed by some tricky horse dentistry, amputating a lamb's leg and calming a distressed client...

It's all in a day's work if you're a vet: a delicate balance of managing animal welfare and ethics, educating people in pet ownership and aligning their expectations with real-life outcomes. As a job, it spans everything from managing the heartbreak of euthanasia, to informing owners that under no circumstances should they take their dog's worming pills, even if they're sure they have worms.

During his twenty-five-year career, Welsh vet Siôn Rowlands has experienced almost every animal medical issue imaginable, from rescuing an injured horse from the edge of a cliff to moisturizing a baby elephant. He's also witnessed ridiculous moments, surreal situations and the real toll it can take on a person.

Frank, funny and moving in equal measure, *Letting the Cat Out of the Bag* is a rare glimpse behind the scenes of the uniquely pressurised world of being a vet.

Sales Points

- **1. RENEWED ENTHUSIASM FOR ANIMAL BOOKS.** This book will slot comfortably into the market, appealing to animal lovers of every ilk, readers of humour memoirs, and those who enjoy narrative nonfiction which pulls the curtains back on an industry.
- **2. AUTHOR CREDENTIALS.** Siôn has been a vet since 1997 and has had an accomplished career; he shares his experiences with assured knowledge and an innate story-telling ability, but on top of that he is seriously funny. He is high-profile in the vet world, and would be very receptive to media opportunities.
- **3. INFORMATIVE 'SNEAK PEEK'.** In reading about Siôn's most memorable moments in his career, readers will come to learn about a fascinating side of medicine, and come to appreciate the daily human demands to an industry far less documented and revered than that of doctors and nurses.

Author Biography

Siôn Rowlands studied Veterinary Science at Liverpool University, graduating in 1997. His career has been varied with roles both in the UK and Australia. He has worked with small and large animals in private practice and has extensive experience working as a government vet, with responsibilities including the delivery of animal health and welfare work across the UK. Siôn is passionate about highlighting the importance of veterinary surgeons and ensuring their voice adds value in the relevant and important conversations of today. He is also passionate about the next generation of vets, supporting them, where he can, to continue their work and their drive to protect and safeguard.

Market

This Is Going to Hurt by Adam Kay
The Vet by Luke Gamble
The Secret Life of a Vet by Rory Cowlam
The Yorkshire Vet by Peter Wright

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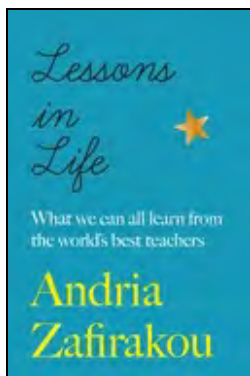
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Lessons in Life

What we can all learn from the world's best teachers

Andria Zafirakou

Keynote

One of the world's best teachers discovers from other award-winning teachers what they have come to understand about children.

Description

What can the best teachers in the world tell us about our children? What advice can they give to help us raise happy, confident and caring kids?

Teachers spend a lot of time with their pupils - talking and listening to them, observing and guiding them. What can we learn from teachers about helping kids become compassionate, contented and successful grown-ups, as well as conscientious global citizens?

In *Lessons in Life*, Andria Zafirakou - the 2018 Global Teacher Prize winner - talks to 30 of the best teachers in the world willing to share their insight and wisdom, gained from years of working with children of all ages.

They include:

Ranjitsinh Disale (Global Teacher Prize winner 2020), a primary teacher who turned a cattle shed in the drought-prone village of Paritewadi in India into a school. His many skills include showing his pupils how to broaden their horizon, and to become advocates for change;

Peter Tabichi (Global Teacher Prize winner 2019), a maths and physics teacher in the Rift Valley Province in Kenya, regularly impacted by famine, who has found a way to make his students care about their studies and believe in a future they can be part of, despite the hardship all around them.

Esther Wojcicki (California Teacher of the Year 2002), a leading American teacher who challenged traditional school rules in her lessons to allow her students to take control, learn to believe in themselves and feel empowered.

Andrew Moffat (MBE for services to equality in education 2017), a primary teacher in Birmingham who created a teaching resource called 'Challenging Homophobia in Primary Schools' to help his pupils understand the importance of tolerance and open-mindedness.

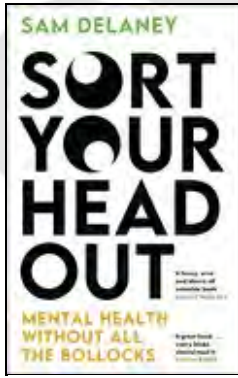
The result is an inspiring, moving and fascinating read that will help parents identify a child's potential and give them the tools to shine. To know what these incredible teachers know and see what they see is a privilege and a gift.

Sales Points

- Hugely international, featuring stories from award-winning teachers from all over the world, this has potential for translation rights as well as export sales.
- Full of inspirational life lessons from remarkable people, in the vein of Richard Reed's *If I Could Tell You Just One Thing* (35k hbs, 12k pbs)
- Andria is a winner of the Global Teacher Prize (dubbed the Nobel of teaching), a Culture Leader for the World Economic Forum, and was named one of the top ten most influential Londoners by the *Evening Standard*. She was appointed an MBE for services to education in 2019.

Author Biography

Andria Zafirakou was born in north-west London to Greek-Cypriot parents and attended state schools in Brent and Camden. She has worked her entire teaching career of fourteen years at Alperton Community School, where she is an art and textiles teacher and Associate Deputy Headteacher. Her willingness to go above and beyond for her students saw her win the Global Teacher Prize, dubbed the 'Nobel of Teaching', in March 2018. With the prize money of \$1 million, Andria set up Artists in Residence, a charity that brings professional artists into disadvantaged schools across the UK. In 2019, she was appointed an MBE for her services to education. She is a Culture Leader for the World Economic Forum and a member of the Global Future Leaders Council, and has been named one of the top ten most influential people in London by the *Evening Standard*. She lives in London with her husband and two daughters.



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Sort Your Head Out Mental health without all the bollocks

Sam Delaney

Keynote

Mental health without all the bollocks.

Description

'An honest, funny account of how we're all capable of changing for the better'
SETH MEYERS

'A great, motivating book that can really help - every bloke should read it'
SHAUN RYDER

Sam Delaney was Jack the Lad. He was confident, loud and funny; an absolute legend, to be honest. Or at least that was what he pretended to be.

But when he reached his thirties, work, relationships and fatherhood started to take their toll. Like so many blokes who seemed to be totally fine, he often felt like a complete failure whose life was out of control; anxiety and depression had secretly plagued him for years. Turning to drink and drugs only made things worse. Sam knew he needed help - the problem was that he thought self-help was for hippies, sobriety was for weirdos and therapy was for neurotics.

Keeping it all inside was what nearly dragged Sam under. Then he began to open up and share his story with others. Soon his life started to get better and better. Now, he's written this book to help you do the same.

Covering his complex upbringing, fast paced career, struggles with addiction and recovery, and detailing lessons he's learnt along the way, *Sort Your Head Out* is Sam's startlingly raw, compassionate and hilarious account of why opening up is the first step to sorting your head out.

Sales Points

- Sam Delaney has built a huge audience from his smash hit podcasts, *Top Flight Time Machine* and *The Reset*, boasting over 8 million downloads.
- Men and mental health is a hot topic, and Sam has a unique voice to talk to men about feelings in a way they can relate to - there's an opportunity to reach a new market with this book.
- Sam has 25.8K followers on Twitter.

Author Biography

Sam Delaney is a journalist and broadcaster whose work has featured in the *Guardian*, *Telegraph* and *talkSPORT*. He is former editor-in-chief of *Heat* magazine.

Sam is the co-host of *Top Flight Time Machine*, a podcast that started out as a romp through football nostalgia and became a wider reflection on life as a middle-aged man. It has been downloaded over millions of times by listeners across the globe.

Sam also hosts *The Reset*, a podcast in which he chats to guests about mental health, addiction, recovery and all that sort of stuff.

He is the author of three previous books.

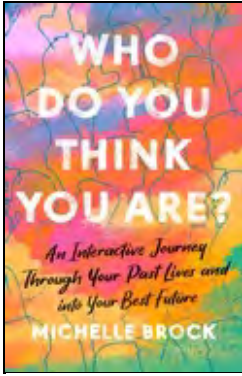
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Who Do You Think You Are?

An interactive journey through your past lives and into your best future

Michelle Brock

Keynote

A powerful, illuminating guide to manifesting the happiness and satisfaction we want today by uncovering our experiences from the past.

Description

A powerful guide to manifesting the happiness and satisfaction we desire in the present by reconnecting with our experiences from the past, from a master intuitive and expert life coach

In our identity-obsessed culture, it is easy to think that who we are is determined by what we see in the mirror. But what if we open our minds to the notion that we are souls journeying through many lives over time? How would it change the way we think about ourselves now to remember how we lived before?

Michelle Brock has helped thousands of people discover the stories of their previous lives - their traumas and triumphs, losses and loves - and has witnessed incredible results. When we learn our stories from the past, we can reach unprecedented heights of self-awareness in the present.

Asking questions about our other lives is inherently human and essential to our spiritual development. With Michelle's enlightening guidance and prompts throughout to encourage self-reflection and compassion, you will be inspired to reject any limiting notions of what defines you, heal from the ordeals of previous lives, and embrace a joyful, emotionally fulfilling existence in the here-and-now.

Sales Points

- We have sold over 400k copies of Brian Weiss' *MANY LIVES, MANY MASTERS*.
- Michelle Brock is the protegee of Brian Weiss, author of *MANY LIVES, MANY MASTERS*
- With Michelle's celeb endorsements and the self-help angle, this has all the hallmarks of Laura Lynne Jackson's *SIGNS* (40k copies).

Author Biography

Michelle Brock is a New York City-based spiritual development life coach who specializes in past life regression. Her work has been featured on Comedy Central's hit TV show *Inside Amy Schumer* and her long list of influential clients includes celebrities, CEOs, writers, artists, and academics. A personal protégé of Dr Brian L. Weiss, author of the enduring classic and *New York Times* bestseller *Many Lives, Many Masters*, Michelle brings intelligence, humour, and rare insight to her spiritual guidance.

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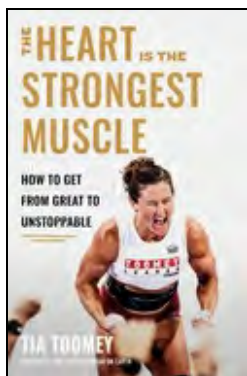
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The Heart is the Strongest Muscle How to Get from Great to Unstoppable

Tia Toomey

Keynote

Inspirational memoir from the Olympic and most successful CrossFit athlete of all time, unlocking the secrets of her success

Description

The legendary six-time CrossFit Games champion and Olympic athlete shares lessons from her inspiring story of leveling up her performance, embracing failure, and fiercely taking on impossible goals.

Tia Toomey, the world's fittest woman, has won the CrossFit Games an incredible six years in a row and is undeniably a true warrior. She has also trained for the Winter Olympics in bobsledding, competed in the Summer Olympics in weightlifting and was a Commonwealth Games gold medalist. She is, in short, one of the most accomplished and dominant athletes in human history. But for Tia physical fitness is only a small part of overall strength. More important is building mental toughness.

In THE HEART IS THE STRONGEST MUSCLE, Tia shows how she reached elite levels by focusing on her "why." By always having a clear picture of her purpose - what drives her heart - she can push through the toughest challenges. From the early days of her fitness journey to the peak performance that has put her atop the podium in the CrossFit Games, Tia reveals the secrets, struggles, and successes that have made her a killer competitor.

Nothing comes easy, but in THE HEART IS THE STRONGEST MUSCLE, Tia will show you how to build your own unstoppable mindset. Whether you are already a serious athlete or someone looking to conquer a new challenge, you'll be able to use her methods to keep winning.

Sales Points

- Tia has a sensational following across multiple social media platforms, including 2 million Instagram followers
- Publication to align with the 2024 CrossFit Open, the annual worldwide event over three weeks that anyone can participate in
- Core, growing market: new CrossFit boxes are opening every year - there are over 500 in the UK and 15k worldwide. There was a 50% increase in registrations for the CrossFit Open between 2021 and 2022 (66k to 99k in Europe alone). Worldwide, 60% of CrossFit gym members are women.

Reviews

- 'Tia Toomey knows that being a fierce competitor is about more than just the body. Her wisdom in this book will help keep your mind sharp and heart full' - Michael Easter, author of THE COMFORT CRISIS and SCARCITY BRAIN
- 'A must-read for every person who wants to learn from one of the best at being mentally prepared!' - Josh Bridges, US Navy Seal, CrossFit Games athlete
- 'Inspiring millions to pick themselves up and keep moving forward is what this book is all about. It puts fire in my belly ... Tia is the definition of hard work pays off' - Eddie Hall, World's Strongest Man 2017

Author Biography

Tia Toomey is a six-time CrossFit Games champion, Olympic weightlifter, and Commonwealth Games gold medalist. She is the only CrossFit athlete to have competed in the CrossFit Games and the Olympics in the same year. With her sixth title, she solidified her record-breaking streak as the most successful CrossFit athlete the sport has ever seen.

Market

Followers of the CrossFit games/gym members; readers of Mat Fraser and other CrossFit athletes' books; female readers interested in strength training

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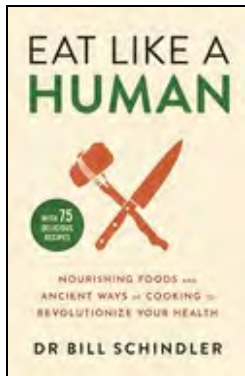
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Eat Like a Human Nourishing Foods and Ancient Ways of Cooking to Revolutionise Your Health

Bill Schindler

Keynote

Bill Schindler takes us deep into his lifetime of archaeological research to show us why and how our dietary choices and cooking techniques need to follow our ancestors' lead and focus on nutrient density and bioavailability

Description

Vegan or carnivore? Vegetarian or gluten-free? Keto or Mediterranean? Fasting or Paleo?

Our relationship to food is filled with confusion and insecurity. Every day we hear about a new ingredient that is good or bad, a new diet that promises everything. But the truth is that none of those labels matter. The secret to becoming healthier, losing weight, living a pain-free and energetic life and healing the planet has nothing to do with counting calories, reducing portion sizes or feeling deprived - **the key is re-learning how to eat like a human.**

This means finding food that is as nutrient-dense as possible, and preparing that food using methods that release those nutrients and make them safe and bioavailable to our bodies, which is exactly what allowed our ancestors, millions of years ago, to not only live but thrive. Archaeologist and primitive technologist Dr Bill Schindler draws on cutting-edge science and a lifetime of research to show readers how to live like modern 'hunter-gatherers' by using the same strategies our ancestors used - as well as techniques still practiced by many cultures around the world - to make food as safe, nutritious, bioavailable and delicious as possible.

With each chapter dedicated to a specific food group, in-depth explanations of different foods and cooking techniques and concrete takeaways, as well as 75+ recipes, *Eat Like a Human* will permanently change the way you think about food, and help you live a happier, healthier, and more connected life.

Sales Points

- US author with links in Ireland and UK - chefs such as Kevin Thornton, annual Food on the Edge event, Ballymaloe Cookery School, Google Ireland, Odaios Foods, and even the host of the RTE food show What are You Eating. Author spent a year in Ireland (2018-19).
- Publishing alongside Little, Brown Spark in the US. Includes 75 recipes with approximately 10 to 15 line drawings and approximately 16 to 30 b&w and/or colour photographs.
- Fresh take on popular diet trends: This isn't a paleo book or a keto book - but it reframes some of the same science that made those diets huge in a fresh and engaging way. By combining a historical perspective on the best way to eat with modern-day takes on choosing and preparing primitive foods, *Eat Like a Human* will appeal to typical health readers as well as adventurous eaters, foodies and beyond.
- Expert Author: Dr Schindler has an unusual background for a health-book author. He's well-versed in nutritional science, but his background is primarily in archaeology and primitive technologies, which puts him in an intriguing niche. He's a go-to expert for the media on primitive foods and cooking.
- Readership: taps into Tim Spector, Michael Pollan, Marian Nestle, Bee Wilson market.

Reviews

- 'If you are confused about what to eat, tossed about in the storm of conflicting dietary advice, *Eat Like a Human* provides a refreshing, unique perspective on the origins of the human diet, and how to design and prepare a varied inclusive diet of nutrient dense foods, often wild and weird, that extracts the most nutritional benefit through ancient cooking methods (and often ancient foods ignored today - insects anyone?). If you want to learn to be in right relationship to your body, nature and food, read this book!' - Mark Hyman, MD, New York Times-bestselling author of The Pegan Diet
- 'Dr Bill Schindler is at the forefront of a small handful of intrepid researchers who have taken the deep insights of evolutionary science and wedded them to the practical (and critical) process of feeding ourselves, our families, and communities. *Eat Like a Human* is not "cave man reenactment" - it is a science-based approach to truly nourishing the human body, mind, and spirit.' - Robb Wolf, New York Times-bestselling author of The Paleo Solution and Wired to Eat
- 'From Samburu warriors in Africa drinking blood milkshakes, to highlanders in Peru dipping potatoes in a sauce made of clay, *Eat Like a Human* takes you on a fascinating journey of culinary traditions around the world. Dr Schindler explains why food preparation techniques are critical for obtaining the best possible nourishment for our food while providing delicious recipes acceptable to western palates. *Eat Like a Human* is a delightful read that serves as a practical road map to healthy eating.' - Sally Fallon Morell, President of the Weston A. Price Foundation

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- 'Eat Like a Human will awake your latent hunter-gatherer. Dr Schindler shares his intriguing journey from 'hard core obsessive' to the realization that food is more than nutrition - it's also a cultural experience that is invaluable to our health and happiness. A lifetime of discovery and invaluable forgotten skills between two covers.' - Darina Allen, founder of Ballymaloe Cookery School and author of Grow Cook Nourish

Author Biography

Dr Bill Schindler is an internationally known prehistoric and experimental archaeologist and primitive technologist and currently teaches anthropology at Washington College, Maryland, where he founded and directs the Eastern Shore Food Lab, an innovative teaching and learning space dedicated to reconnecting people with their food and traditional and ancient foodways. His work is currently the focus of *Wired* magazine's YouTube series, *Basic Instincts*, and he co-starred in the National Geographic Channel series *The Great Human Race*. Dr Schindler's work has appeared in the *Washington Post*, *The Atlantic*, *The Baltimore Sun*, *The Times (UK)*, *The Times (South Africa)*, *The Irish Times*, *Tuko News* (Kenya), *The Daily Mirror* (London), and *The Japan Times*, in addition to foreign language publications around the world.

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A Sign of Her Own

How can a deaf woman speak out in a hearing world?

Sarah Marsh

Keynote

An empowering story of a young woman's journey to accepting her deaf identity, exploring the hidden history of the deaf community in the invention of the telephone

Description

'Absolutely brilliant. Ellen Lark is unforgettable' Emilia Hart, author of *Weyward*

'Illuminating... Excellently conveys the experience of being deaf in a hearing world' Priscilla Morris, Women's Prize Shortlisted author of *Black Butterflies*
 'A fantastic novel. Shines a light into a hidden corner of history' Louise Hare author of *This Lovely City* and *Miss Aldridge Regrets*

Ellen Lark is on the verge of marriage when she and her fiancé receive an unexpected visit from Alexander Graham Bell.

Ellen knows immediately what Bell really wants from her. Ellen is deaf, and for a time was Bell's student in a technique called Visible Speech. As he instructed her in speaking, Bell also confided in her about his dream of producing a device which would transmit the human voice along a wire: the telephone. Now, on the cusp of wealth and renown, Bell wants Ellen to speak up in support of his claim to the patent to the telephone, which is being challenged by rivals.

But Ellen has a different story to tell: that of how Bell betrayed her, and other deaf pupils, in pursuit of ambition and personal gain, and cut Ellen off from a community in which she had come to feel truly at home. It is a story no one around Ellen seems to want to hear - but there may never be a more important time for her to tell it.

Sales Points

- **For readers of:** FRANNIE LANGTON and THE FAIR BOTANISTS.
- **Reading group hit:** The novel is hugely compelling, offering an insight into a history that remains largely hidden, which we encounter through the prism of a dynamic and complex protagonist. Its a natural conversation starter, and a novel with definite prize potential.
- **The deaf community:** Sarah Marsh has been deaf since childhood and was drawn to research the novel by her experiences growing up, when she was encouraged to hide her deafness, and learning BSL as an adult, and embracing her deaf identity. The novel shines a light on the role of the deaf community in Alexander Graham Bell's invention of the telephone, and our campaign will aim to centre and engage with the deaf community at every stage.
- **The author:** was shortlisted for the Lucy Cavendish prize in 2019 and selected for the London Library Emerging Writers programme in 2020. She is also Henry Marsh's daughter

Reviews

- 'An accomplished debut that excellently conveys the experience of being deaf in a hearing world. Beautifully written, absorbing and illuminating' - Priscilla Morris, author of BLACK BUTTERFLIES
- 'A Sign of Her Own shines a light into a hidden corner of history. Ellen Lark's story is one that will resonate with anyone who has struggled to fit in. A fantastic novel.' - Louise Hare, author of MISS ALDRIDGE REGRETS
- 'A beautifully written tale of a woman's quest to find her own place in the world, and have her own voice heard; elegant, eloquent, and passionate.' - Naomi Kelsey, author of THE BURNINGS
- 'A fascinating and moving historical novel that cleverly intertwines history and fiction. It stayed in my mind long after the last page was turned' - Frances Quinn, author of THAT BONESETTER WOMAN and THE SMALLEST MAN

Author Biography

Sarah Marsh was shortlisted for the Lucy Cavendish prize in 2019 and selected for the London Library Emerging Writers programme in 2020. *A Sign of Her Own* is her first novel, inspired by her experiences of growing up deaf and her family's history of deafness. She lives in London.

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Glow in the F*cking Dark

Simple practices to heal your soul, from someone who learned the hard way

Tara Schuster

Keynote

The author of the runaway hit *Buy Yourself the F*cking Lilies* shares honest and practical lessons for healing your past and owning your future so you can radiate strength, bravery and joy when life gets dark.

Description

THIS BOOK IS FOR ANYONE WHO IS TIRED, HURTING AND FEELING LIKE THEIR ESSENTIAL BRIGHTNESS HAS GONE. IT'S FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE READY TO GLOW IN THE F*CKING DARK.

The author of the runaway hit *Buy Yourself the F*cking Lilies* shares honest and practical lessons for healing your past and owning your future so you can radiate strength, bravery and joy when life gets dark.

Tara Schuster thought she was on stable ground. For years, she'd worked like hell to repair the emotional wounds inflicted during what she refers to as her "mess-wreck disaster" of a childhood. She'd brought radical healing rituals and self-love into her life. On most days, she was a happy, stable adult.

But then she lost her job, the one on which she had staked her entire identity. Cue a panic-attack-doom-spiral that brought her harshest childhood traumas to the surface. Isolated at home during a global pandemic, she felt piercing loneliness and a lack of purpose like she had never known. Finally, after experiencing a terrifying dissociative episode while driving down the highway, she realized that enough was enough; she needed to slow down and pull over-literally. It was time for Tara to stop the hustling and to reclaim her essential, free and loving self.

*Glow in the F*cking Dark* is full of practical, achievable baby steps that we can take today. It's a guide to healing your deepest soul wounds, getting off your 'good enough' plateau, developing habits that will give you lasting courage, discovering your purpose and creating the spectacular life that *you* actually want.

Tara clawed her way out of the darkness and recovered her shine, and in this book, she shows how to:

- * recognize trauma reactions and choose new ways to respond
- * find what's really under your anxiety
- * repair your relationship with your body
- * find solace and purpose in something bigger than yourself

Sales Points

- NEXT-GENERATION GLENNON: Doyle has said that readers will want Tara to be their "new best friend." Like Glennon, Tara has cultivated a loyal community of fans who love irreverent, inspirational wisdom; she is poised to become for millennial/Gen Z what Glennon is for Gen X.
- PLATFORM GROWTH FOR THIS POWERHOUSE AUTHOR: When her first book came out in February 2020, Tara had 800 Instagram followers. In less than 2 years, she has grown her following to 23k. Her personal contacts now include Adam Grant, Jameela Jamil, Catt Sadler, Gretchen Rubin, Jen Pastiloff, and Melissa Urban. Tara is engaged with her fans on a daily basis; she has built a robust and loyal community and is working to grow it even more.

Author Biography

Tara Schuster is the author of *Buy Yourself the F*cking Lilies*, a finalist for Goodreads' Best Non-fiction Book of 2020 and selected by *Cosmopolitan*, *Real Simple*, *Goop*, *Publishers Weekly* and many more as one of the year's best books on mental health and self-care. Previously, Schuster served as vice president of talent and development at Comedy Central, where she was the executive in charge of such critically acclaimed shows as the Emmy and Peabody award-winning *Key & Peele*. A contributor to *InStyle*, *The New Yorker* and *Forbes*, among others, Tara Schuster lives in Los Angeles.

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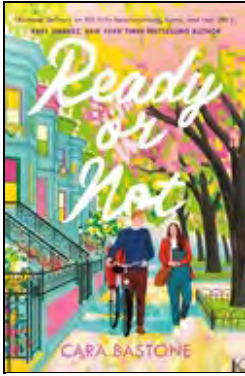
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Cara Bastone

Keynote

A slow-burn, friends-to-lovers romance from Cara Bastone, an audio bestselling author, perfect for fans of Jo Watson, Lauren Layne and Hannah Orenstein.

Description

<h3>A surprise pregnancy leads to even more life-changing revelations in this heartfelt, slow-burn, friends-to-lovers romance of found family and unexpected love.

'Cara Bastone is one of the most talented writers in the romance genre today. With her signature blend of heart, humor, and honesty, Cara's books remind you that the best stories begin and end with hope' LYSSA KAY ADAMS

'The thing I love most about Cara Bastone's books is her ability to find the romance in ordinary lives, the swoon in simple places . . . just normal folks falling in love. I ADORE it' 5* reader review for *Call Me Maybe*

Eve Hatch has always been content to coast through her life, with a steady, if uninspiring, job and a cozy apartment in Brooklyn, close to her childhood best friend Willa and far from the midwestern, traditional family who never really understood her.

But when she finds herself pregnant after an uncharacteristic one-night stand, her comfy life is suddenly up in the air. Eve's loyal friendship with Willa is feeling tense, right when she needs her the most, and it's actually Willa's steadfast big brother, Shep, who steps up with the most support and he's . . . suddenly kinda hot?

As if she needs one more complication, there's also the baby's father, who is *technically* supportive, but *majorly* conflicted. But as Eve struggles to figure out the next step in her expanding reality, she begins to realize that family and love, in all forms, can sneak up on you when you least expect it.

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Readers can't get enough of Cara Bastone!

'An adorable and thoroughly enjoyable read . . . I didn't want it to end'

'This is a short, sweet romance that I really enjoyed'

'I love the concept of this book . . . I've never read anything like it and for that I loved it!'

'Looking forward to reading more from this author'

Sales Points

- **HEADLINE ETERNAL:** At Eternal, Headline's boutique romance imprint, our mission is to ensure that any romance fan will find their heart's desire within the books on our list. Whether that be heartwarming, laugh-out-loud rom-coms, page-turning romantic thrillers or sweeping historicals, Eternal is the home of exceptional romance for every mood.
- **AUDIBLE ORIGINAL HIT AUTHOR!** Cara Bastone's *Call Me Maybe* is a Top 10 Audible bestseller and has been nominated for an Audie Award for Best Romance by AudioFile magazine - the top award/honour for the US audiobook industry.
- **ALL THE TROPES:** Cara Bastone's rom-coms are known for their gorgeous tropes and this is no exception! Featuring slowburn, friends-to-lovers, best friend's brother, found family, only-one-bed and many more, this is the perfect romantic treat!

Author Biography

Cara Bastone is a full-time writer who lives and writes in Brooklyn with her husband, son and an almost-golden doodle. Her goal with her work is to find the swoon in ordinary love stories. She's been a fan of the romance genre since she found a grocery bag filled with her grandmother's old Harlequin Romance books when she was in high school. She's a fangirl for pretzel sticks, long walks through Prospect Park, and love stories featuring men who aren't hobbled by their own masculinity.

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Mad Woman

The hotly anticipated follow-up to lifechanging bestseller, MAD GIRL

Bryony Gordon

Keynote

Bryony Gordon presents the long-anticipated follow up to her phenomenal Number One *Sunday Times* Bestseller, *Mad Girl*.

Description

'Bryony Gordon is a terrific, compassionate writer' Elizabeth Day

What if our notion of what makes us happy is the very thing that's making us so sad?

Ten years on from first writing about her own experiences of mental illness, Bryony Gordon still receives messages about the effect it has on people. Now perimenopausal and well into the next stage of her life, parenting an almost-adolescent, just what has that help - and that connection with other unwell people - taught Bryony about herself, and the society we live in? What has she learned, and why have her views on mental health changed so radically? After coming out the other side of the biggest trauma of our living memory - a global pandemic - existing in a state of perma-crisis has now become our new normal.

From burnout and binge eating, to living with fluctuating hormones and the endless battle to stay sober, Bryony begins to question whether she got mental illness wrong in the first place. Is it simply a chemical imbalance, or rather a normal response from your brain telling you that something isn't right? *Mad Woman* explores the most difficult of all the lessons she's learned over the last decade - that our notion of what makes a happy life is the very thing that's making us so sad.

Bryony Gordon is unafraid to write with her trademark blend of compassion, honesty and humour about her personal challenges and demons, which means her books and journalism have had profound impact on readers. She founded the mental health charity, Mental Health Mates, which has become a vast online community.

Sales Points

- The long-anticipated follow up to the phenomenal, No. 1 *Sunday Times* Bestseller *Mad Girl* (100k TCM paperback)
- Bryony Gordon is a leading voice in the area of mental health and has built a huge platform across her socials with over 200k on Instagram.
- Bryony continues to write her hugely successful *Telegraph* column, and has secured several interviews with Prince Harry. She is incredibly well-connected in the media world, and *Mad Woman* is sure to receive high-profile endorsements and press coverage.
- Bryony founded the mental health charity Mental Health Mates which has a community of over 100k on socials.

Author Biography

In the twenty-three years that she has worked for the *Telegraph*, Bryony Gordon has become one of the paper's best-loved writers. She is the author of the bestselling *The Wrong Knickers* plus *The Sunday Times* Number One bestsellers *You Got This* and *Mad Girl* which were both nominated for British Book Awards. She is the presenter of the *Mad World* podcast and in 2016 she founded Mental Health Mates, now a global peer support network which encourages people with mental health issues to connect and get out of the house. In 2017 she won the MIND Making A Difference Award for her work in changing the perception of mental health in the media. In 2018 she ran the London Marathon in her underwear. In 2020, she won the Journalists' Charity Award from the Society of Editors for mental health campaign. She lives in South London with her husband and daughter.

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The Night Alphabet

Joelle Taylor

Keynote

Composed of interconnecting stories, *The Night Alphabet* is a mesmerising debut from one of the most talented literary stylists writing today.

Description

'Joelle Taylor has a Midas touch with words' Diana Souhami

The tattoo was a reclamation, a flag we mounted in the centre of our own landscape.

A woman walks into a tattoo parlour. But this is no ordinary woman, and this is Hackney in 2233. Jones' body is covered in tattoos but she wants to add one final inking to her gallery - a thin line of ink mixed with blood that connects her body art together, creating a unique map.

As the two artists set to work, Jones tells them the story behind each tattoo. As Jones is no ordinary woman, these are no ordinary stories: each one represents a doorway to a life Jones fell into, a 'remembering'. Some of these lives were in the past, others in the future, some are sideways, but each of them connects Jones to the two tattoo artists in some way, though they are unaware of it.

We visit the dystopian cities of the Quiet Men, the coal mines of 19th century Lancashire, join a gang of vigilante sex workers, enter the world of an INCEL murderer, haunt the old Maryville gay bar, and uncover plans to genetically modify female children. Each of the stories brings us closer to Jones' truth, and how her life is intricately interwoven with that of the women tattooing her body.

Set across geographies and timespans, *The Night Alphabet* is a dazzlingly bold and original work, a deep investigation into human nature and violence against women.

Sales Points

- Composed of interconnecting stories, THE NIGHT ALPHABET is a mesmerising blend of memoir, fiction and poetry, from one of the most talented literary stylists writing today.
- **Joelle's most recent poetry collection, *C+nto & Othered Poems*, won the T. S. Eliot Prize for Poetry and the Polari Prize, it was also a *New Statesman*, *TLS* and *White Review* Book of the Year for 2022.**
- 'Defends our right to walk without fear, wear what we choose, be who we uniquely are' Diana Souhami
'Joelle Taylor has an unmatched gift as a poet, memoirist and chronicler' Inua Ellam

on *C+nto and Othered Poems*

Author Biography

Joelle Taylor is a queer, working class author of six plays and four collections of poetry, most recently *C+nto & Othered Poems*, winner of the 2022 T. S. Eliot Prize for Poetry. A former UK poetry slam champion, Joelle founded the national youth slam championships, SLAMBassadors. Joelle has lead workshops and residences in schools, prisons, youth centres, refugee groups and many other settings for organisations including the Poetry Society, the British Council, the Arvon Foundation and English PEN. She has received a Changemaker Award from the Southbank Centre, a fellowship of the RSA, is co-curator and host of Out-Spoken Live (a live poetry and music night currently resident at the Southbank Centre) and is the commissioning editor at Out-Spoken Press. She was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature in 2022.

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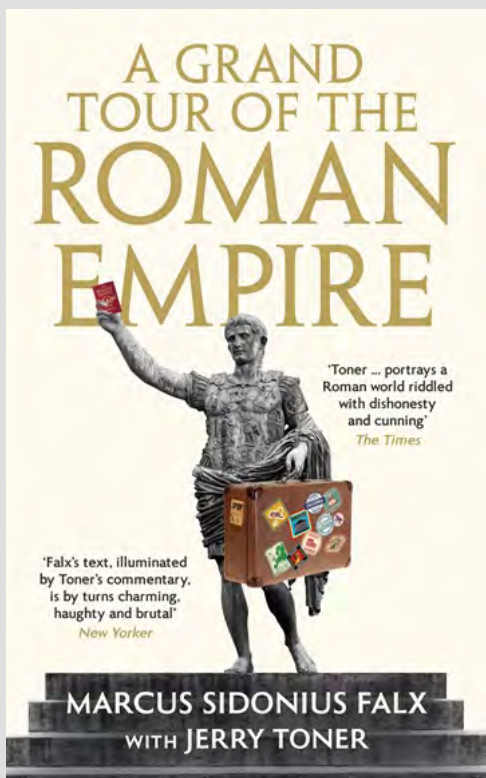
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REVIEWS

'A quirky, witty jaunt across the Roman world in the 2nd century' - Patrick Kidd, *Times*

'[Marcus Sidonius Falx is] a fascinating creation ... Here we have a chatty, persuasive, and even likeable voice guiding us through the minutiae of a morally repulsive institution' - *Times Literary Supplement*

'Falx's text, illuminated by Toner's commentary, is by turns charming, haughty, and brutal' - *New Yorker*

'Praise for Jerry Toner and Marcus Sidonius Falx:

Thought-provoking and illuminating' - *FT*

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A Grand Tour of the Roman Empire by Marcus Sidonius Falx

JERRY TONER

KEYNOTE

The first ever travel guide to the Roman Empire.

SALES POINTS

- A completely new and original way of understanding the classics -- a fictionalised character created by a great scholar from the publishers of Mary Beard.
- The first full guidebook for travellers in the vast Roman empire.
- Both highly entertaining and enjoyable (Falx) and impeccable classical scholarship based on contemporary sources (Toner).
- Jerry Toner and Marcus Sidonius Falx's previous book together sold over 6,000 copies.

DESCRIPTION

'Toner again spins a tale that is enjoyable and informative.' *The Times*

Tour the Roman Empire at its height with Marcus Sidonius Falx and his amanuensis, Dr Jerry Toner.

Travelling east, Falx explores the great cultural centre of Athens before trekking into rural Asia (or Turkey as we know it), past the already ancient Luxor monuments in Roman Egypt, and by the Great Library of Alexandria. Travelling west across the breadbasket of the Empire, he journeys through Gaul (France) before crossing to Britannia, where he suffers the worst that provincial life has to offer.

Falx provides practical advice on surviving all things travel: from pirates and shipwrecks to bedbugs and lousy food. Even the most sedentary reader will feel they have experienced life in the Empire first-hand.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

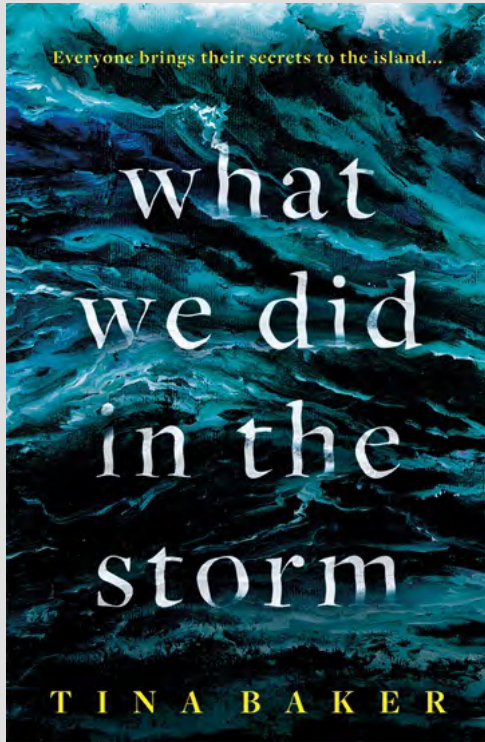
Marcus Sidonius Falx is a Roman of noble birth. To help make his book accessible for a non-Roman audience, he has employed the services of **Dr Jerry Toner**, Fellow and Director of Studies in Classics, Churchill College, Cambridge University. Toner has also co-written *How to Manage Your Slaves* and *Infamy*.

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REVIEWS

'A clever, complex, layered story that plays with your head. Baker is the mistress of the jaw-dropping reveal. *What We Did In The Storm* is one of those books that leaves you gripped in its pages long after the story is over. Absolutely brilliant' - Helen Fields, author of *PERFECT REMAINS*

'A big recommendation from me... Subtle and dry dark humour laced into the thrills' - Emma Curtis, author of *ONE LITTLE MISTAKE*

'A brilliantly atmospheric book, where a community is tight but the secrets run deep... unwavering in its intrigue, loved it' - L.V. Matthews, author of *THE TWINS*

'Claustrophobic and compelling, haunting and suspenseful. I was utterly gripped' - Lisa Hall, author of *BETWEEN YOU AND ME*

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What We Did In The Storm

TINA BAKER

KEYNOTE

The new upmarket thriller from the bestselling author of *Call Me Mummy* and *Nasty Little Cuts*.

SALES POINTS

- A dark and atmospheric upmarket thriller from the bestselling author of *Call Me Mummy*, which was a #1 Kindle bestseller and *Bookseller* heatseeker
- Set on Tresco on the Scilly Isles, this ensemble thriller explores emotive themes of class, wealth, complex relationships and abuse of power, with Tina Baker's trademark wit and pathos
- Strong appeal for readers of Harriet Tyce, Liane Moriarty and Amanda Jennings

DESCRIPTION

'Brilliantly atmospheric' - L.V. MATTHEWS

'Compelling and suspenseful' - LISA HALL

'Subtle and dry dark humour laced into thrills' - EMMA CURTIS

Everyone brings their secrets to the island...

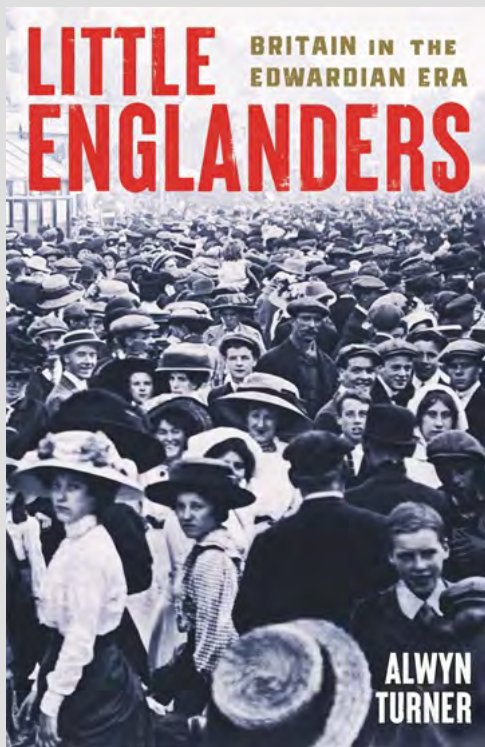
On the beautiful and windswept island of Tresco, two worlds live side by side. The wealthy visitors come by helicopter to stay at their lavish time-share properties. The estate staff travel by boat, and work all hours to keep them happy, to keep the money flowing in. But while the blue skies and savage waves make the island seem a wild paradise, under the surface the inhabitants are concealing more than they dare reveal. The truths about their marriages, their love affairs, and what they do in the darkness while their neighbours are sleeping.

As black clouds come rolling in and a storm hits the island, truths and rumours begin to tumble out, wreaking terrible damage. In the midst of the tempest, two women are attacked and one goes missing. The secrets of this fragile community can no longer be hidden if it hopes to survive. The islanders must finally reveal what they did in the storm, no matter the cost.

From the #1 bestselling author of *Call Me Mummy* comes a dark and luscious thriller, perfect for readers of Harriet Tyce, Amanda Jennings and Louise Candlish.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Tina Baker was brought up in a caravan after her mother, a fairground traveller, fell pregnant by a window cleaner. After leaving the bright lights of Coalville, she came to London and worked as a journalist and broadcaster for thirty years. She's probably best known as a television critic for the BBC and GMTV, and for winning *Celebrity Fit Club*. Her debut novel, *Call Me Mummy*, was a #1 Kindle bestseller, and featured on *Lorraine*. Her second novel, *Nasty Little Cuts*, was published in 2022 and her third novel, *Make Me Clean*, was published in 2023.



REVIEWS

‘The Edwardians have long been the lost decade of British history, yet they are that history at its climax. Alwyn Turner sets the record straight, bringing its characters, strains and stresses brilliantly to life’ - Simon Jenkins

‘Praise for Alwyn Turner’ - :

‘Hugely engaging ... Turner's genius lies in finding the odd little stories that get under the nation's skin and reveal what people were really thinking ... He writes with a tremendous sense of fun.’ - Dominic Sandbrook, *Sunday Times*

‘Alwyn Turner is a master of the telling detail ... ravenously inquisitive, darkly comical and coolly undecieved’ - Craig Brown, *Mail on Sunday*

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Little Englanders

Britain in the Edwardian Era

ALWYN TURNER

KEYNOTE

An authoritative and entertaining history of the Edwardian age, told through its politics and popular culture

SALES POINTS

- Alwyn Turner is one of Britain's most acclaimed social historians, whose previous titles have sold more than 25k copies
- The first major history of Edwardian England in some years, bringing the Edwardian age to life as much through its music hall songs and pulp fiction as its politics and warfare
- The parallels between the Edwardian age and our time are stark: as we enter the reign of a new king there will be huge interest in exploring a period that resonates strongly with our own

DESCRIPTION

A queen's death and a king's coronation. Rising mass media and declining public morals. Splits in all the major political parties and a new wave of social activism. War abroad and strikes at home. Welcome to Edwardian England.

When Queen Victoria died in 1901 it was the end of an era. Britain's dominance stretched across seven continents and its ruling classes were wealthier than ever before. Many later remembered the decade or so that followed as the long afternoon of an empire where the sun never set. Yet the Edwardians themselves were acutely aware that the country was in a state of flux; the seismic change that they felt would transform modern Britain forever.

In *Little Englanders*, Alwyn Turner reconsiders the Edwardian era as a time of profound social change, with the rise of women's suffrage and the labour movement, unrest in Ireland and the Boer republics, scandals in parliament and culture wars at home. He tells the story of the Edwardians through music halls and male beauty contests, the real Peaky Blinders and the 1908 Summer Olympics, and Marie Lloyd, Arthur Conan Doyle and Winston Churchill. In this colourful, detailed and hugely entertaining social history, Turner shows that, though the golden Victorian age was in the past, the birth of modern Britain was only just beginning.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Alwyn Turner is best known for his trilogy of books about Britain in the last decades of the 20th century: *Crisis? What Crisis?* (2008), *Rejoice! Rejoice!* (2010) and *A Classless Society* (2013). His last book, *All in it Together: England in the Early 21st Century* was a *Sunday Times* 'Book of the Year', and he has written for the *Daily Telegraph*, the *Guardian*, the *Financial Times* and *UnHerd*.

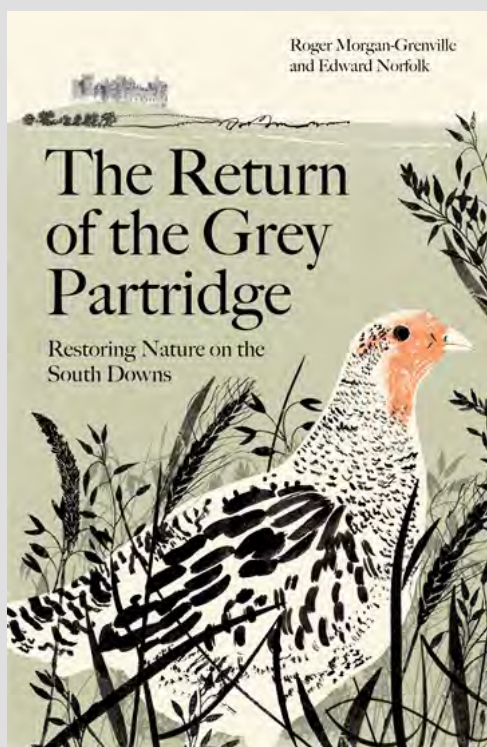
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REVIEWS

'The Return of the Grey Partridge' is magnificent, important, and should be required reading for everybody interested in saving Britain's nature.' - *John Lewis-Stempel*

'A full-hearted love song for a favourite British bird' - *Mark Cocker, author of Our Place*

'A moving and beautifully written story of one estate's restoration journey' - *Benedict MacDonal, author of Rebirding*

'The truly inspiring story of bringing a bird back from the brink through dogged determination' - *Jake Fiennes, author of Landhealer*

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The Return of the Grey Partridge

Restoring Nature on the South Downs

ROGER MORGAN-GRENVILLE AND EDWARD NORFOLK

KEYNOTE

The heartening story of the return of nature to the Arundel Estate

SALES POINTS

- The heartening story of the return of nature to the Arundel Estate in West Sussex
- Illustrated with images and plans of the estate and the progress of rewilding
- Written with the full cooperation of the Arundel Estate

DESCRIPTION

The Return of the Grey Partridge tells the extraordinary story of how wildlife is restored to the Arundel Estate in West Sussex. Prompted by the collapse in numbers of one species, the grey partridge of the title, the managers of the estate wake up to the devastating effect modern farming methods were having on wildlife.

Following the estate through the seasons of one year, the book shows how the farm of Peppering is gradually renatured: fields are divided up with hedgerows and trees, beetle banks are built across fields, the land is manured rather than fed with artificial fertilisers, and much of it is returned to pasture. Detailed descriptions of nature give a sense of this large estate coming back to life - still very much farmland, but with a rapid increase in wildlife and biodiversity. And the partridges return.

Written in collaboration with the Duke of Norfolk, owner of the Arundel Estate, this moving and hopeful account shows how modern farming can work in partnership with nature to restore not only birdlife but to benefit the whole ecosystem.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Roger Morgan-Grenville was a soldier from 1978-86 and later helped to set up the charity Help for Heroes, acting as its first head fundraiser. He is the author of *Liquid Gold: Bees and the Pursuit of Midlife Honey* (2020), *Shearwater* (2021), *Across a Walking Land* (2023) and *Taking Stock: A Journey Among Cows* (2022). He is a founder member of the conservation charity Curlew Action.

After leaving Oxford, Edward Norfolk worked as an accountant with Coopers & Lybrand before setting up his own bottled LPG gas company in London's East End which he sold nine years later; he then set up a waste management company before selling it to Viridor in 2002. He is currently involved with ten private equity start-up companies and on the board of some of them. He also spends a lot of his time running his family estate. As the Duke of Norfolk he is the most senior peer in England and owner of the Arundel Estate.

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The Wicked Wit of Ireland

Myles Byrne

Keynote

A compendium of modern one-liners, quotes, quips and anecdotes that celebrate the Irish charm in all its forms.

Description

This book is a fun and lighthearted look at the notoriously funny and wonderfully unique Irish wit.

The Irish have a famously unique and hilarious way with words that has made them beloved the world over. Producing comedians such as Dylan Moran, Sharon Horgan, Tommy Tiernan, Alison Spittle, Graham Linehan and Ed Byrne, who artfully blend mockery with a self-deprecating appreciation of their unique vernacular, Ireland has a language and culture like no other.

Migrating from their small Emerald Isle to many far corners of the world, the Irish have brought with them that complex black humour and sarcasm that defines them. From the satires of Jonathan Swift, George Bernard Shaw and Oscar Wilde through to the hilarity of J.P. Donleavy and the sublime nonsense of Flann O'Brien and Spike Milligan, their distinct culture has been celebrated by many and in many forms.

The Wicked Wit of Ireland combines traditional Irish humour, one-liners, anecdotes, and of course quips about the classic Irish mammy, into a fun and entertaining compilation.

Sales Points

- Featuring witty one-liners, quotes, drinking stories and much more from the famed Emerald Isle
- Reflects the rich history of Irish culture and language through a variety of sources
- A fun and light celebration of this small country, this book is an ideal gift
- Over 20,000 copies of the hardback edition have been sold in the UK
- Myles Byrne is a musician, designer and writer. He was educated in Dublin, and has also lived in Cork, New York State and London

Reviews

- 'It is a richly evocative and funny book of just what makes Ireland the Irish tick' - *Derry Post*

Author Biography

Myles Byrne is a musician, designer and writer. He was educated in Dublin, and has also lived in New York State and London.



The Wicked Wit of England

Geoff Tibballs

Keynote

Nobody does irony or sarcasm quite like the English. *The Wicked Wit of England* is a celebration of British humour, featuring a collection of stories, anecdotes, quips and quotes that capture the various idiosyncrasies of the English character.

Description

***The Wicked Wit of England* is a celebration of British humour, featuring a collection of stories, anecdotes, quips and quotes that capture the various idiosyncrasies of the English character.**

If there is one thing that first-time visitors to England find mystifying – along with our obsession with discussing the weather, our pride in making the perfect cup of tea, and our impossible-to-decipher slang – it is our unique sense of humour.

Have you just been insulted? Or was the slight merely a demonstration of affection? Was that a genuine compliment? Or is the ever-present sarcasm in English conversation at work again? The dark, dry and often ironic humour of the English can be difficult to get your head around, but there's no doubting its essentiality at the heart of English culture.

As well as celebrating this classic humour, *The Wicked Wit of England* encompasses the various idiosyncrasies of the English character – the social awkwardness, the constant need to apologize, the stiff upper lip, and the love of queuing, to name but a few. Containing a varied collection of stories, anecdotes, quips and quotes featuring English people from all walks of life, from Quentin Crisp to Frank Skinner and Stephen Hawking to Thora Hird, this book might not help outsiders fully understand the English, but it might help them tolerate us a little more.

Sales Points

- A fun collection of the cutting sarcasm and nuanced peculiarities that make up English wit at its finest
- With anecdotes, quotes, stories and quips, there's something to keep everyone entertained
- The perfect gift for those who appreciate the classic English humour (or want to understand it better!)
- Over 14,000 copies of the hardback edition sold in the UK
- Geoff Tibballs is the author of bestselling humour books such as *The Grumpy Old Gits Guide to Life*

Author Biography

Geoff Tibballs has written many bestselling books, including *Senior Jokes (The Ones You Can Remember)*, *Seriously Senior Moments (Or, Have You Bought This Book Before?)* and *The Grumpy Old Gits Guide to Life*.

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The Wicked Wit of Scotland

Rod Green

Keynote

In Scotland people will tell you that they love the summer, it's one of the best days of the year. It is that wry sense of humour, along with their global reputation as a warm and friendly people, that inspires the stories, anecdotes, and quotes which make up *The Wicked Wit of Scotland*.

Description

This funny and beautifully observed book pulls together humorous stories, funny quotes, quips and anecdotes about this small but remarkable country.

While the Scots are proud of their friendly reputation, loud about their many contributions to the world – such as whisky, penicillin and television – and fiercely protective of Scottish delicacies such as haggis and Irn Bru, they are also celebrated for their famously dry and dark humour.

Featuring wit and wisdom from writers such as Armando Iannucci, Compton Mackenzie, Stanley Baxter and Neil Munro, this light-hearted book celebrates Scottish wit at its best while looking at the culture, folklore, politics and sport that make up Scotland.

Sales Points

- A celebration of Scottish humour and storytelling, both from Scots themselves and those who appreciate the country and its people
- Made up of a variety of quotes, stories, quips and witticisms, this is the ideal gift for someone who appreciates a wry sense of humour
- Features Scottish folklore, interesting Scottish cuisine, famous Scottish weather and more
- Over 25,000 copies of the hardback edition have been sold in the UK
- Rod Green has written several bestselling books, including *Man Up! The Real Man's Book of Manly Knowledge*, also published by Michael O'Mara Books.

Author Biography

Rod Green's many publications include books on Special Forces, the Army Air Corps and the building of the RMS *Titanic*. Recently he has written *The Car: The History of the Automobile*, as well as co-writing *How Britain Worked* with the motorcycle racer and TV presenter Guy Martin, the book of the 2012 Channel 4 TV series.

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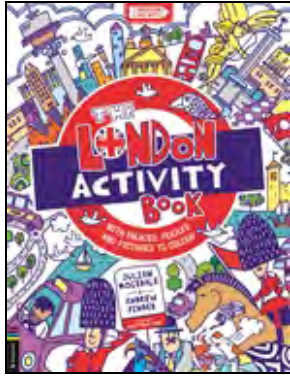
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The London Activity Book With palaces, puzzles and pictures to colour

Ellen Bailey (Illustrated By Andrew Pinder and Julian Mosedale)

Keynote

A humorous and historical London-themed activity book, packed with games to play, puzzles to solve and colouring to complete.

Description

Get set for the ultimate fun-filled tour of London with this awesome activity book.

From making your own Buckingham Palace guard and colouring the Crown Jewels to a Kew Gardens spot-the-difference and a Great Fire of London board game, this book is packed with 45 fun games, puzzle challenges, doodling and colouring-in activities designed to keep kids entertained for hours on end during the holidays.

Prepare to be spooked by stories of gruesome ghosts that haunt London's palaces, help the king find his stockings in the Hampton Court maze and colour in striking pictures of famous London landmarks. With fun, bite-sized facts dotted throughout, this book is sure to keep young explorers engaged as it introduces them to London's fascinating history.

It's time to learn all about and explore the UK's amazing capital city!

Also publishing in 2024:

The London Colouring Book 9781780559803

Sales Points

- A fun and fact-filled London-themed activity book designed to keep kids aged 7+ busy on the go and introduce young explorers to the exciting city of London
- Packed full of 45 fun activities to keep kids entertained for hours on end, from puzzle challenges and games to play, to fun things to make and cool pictures to colour
- Includes interesting facts that will keep kids engaged and introduce them to London's fascinating history
- The perfect travel companion for young explorers who love sightseeing and travelling

Author Biography

Ellen grew up in Cambridge and spent her childhood making up games, putting on plays, and writing a magazine for all the children living in her street. After studying English Literature she worked as a children's book editor for a few years before moving into the charity sector. Ellen is the author of a variety of bestselling activity books and annuals, including *All About Me*, *All About Us* and *The Book of Me*.

Illustrator Biography

Andrew Pinder

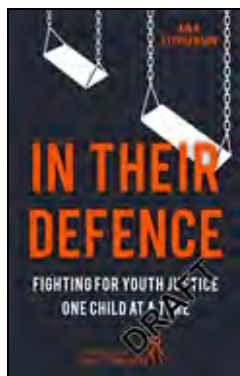
Andrew Pinder lives in Mallorca and works as an illustrator, painter and muralist. He has had numerous one-man exhibitions in Mallorca and has work in various public and private collections. He has illustrated many children's books, in Catalan, Spanish and English. For Buster Books, Andrew has illustrated the Dorkius Maximus books and the 'Laugh-a-lot' joke book series, which has sold over 300,000 copies in the UK, as well as Dinosaur Doodles and other titles in MOM's bestselling Doodle series.

Julian Mosedale

Julian Mosedale is an Illustrator and sometime teacher working in North London. His cartoons and illustrations have appeared everywhere from jazzing up serious grown up stuff in newspapers like *The Independent* and *The Observer* to huge wallpaper murals in children's hospitals and schools. He is particularly pleased with his children's story books and activity books. He has produced a number of these for Buster Books, including *The London Colouring Book*, *The Colouring Book*, *Messy Monsters* and *The Rio Activity Book*. All of which are guaranteed to provide hours of inventive doodling, intricate colouring and amazing masterpieces for all who pick up a pen and venture inside their covers.

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In Their Defence Fighting for Youth Justice One Child at a Time

Aika Stephenson

Keynote

An important and revelatory book which brings together extraordinary cases of youth justice, published in partnership with Just for Kids Law.

Description

Using real-life case studies this important book from a leading youth justice expert uncovers the shocking failures in our legal system that are impacting on the lives of so many of our young people.

No new parent expects their offspring's childhood to be tainted by **arrest or conviction**. That only happens to other people's kids, right? Wrong. In this compelling book, written by one of Britain's top **experts** in **youth justice**, Aika Stephenson reveals the extraordinary cases she deals with daily. From the obviously vulnerable to the A-grade student from a stable upbringing, Just for Kids Law, the campaigning charity co-founded by Stephenson in 2007, has helped thousands of children and young people overcome the difficulties they face.

Aika says: 'Every day in my job is an adventure, a battle for justice, heart-breaking, and a joy. But very few people truly understand the law that dictates the lives of our young people, and I want to share that with the public – both the heart-warming successes and the **shocking failures** of the system.'

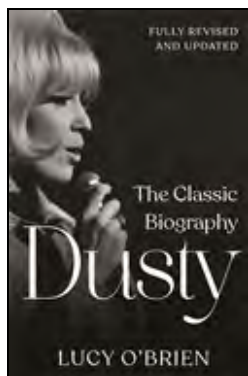
From **playground** mischief to issues with **immigration** status, from housing to those facing years behind bars for a crime their friend committed, this book lays bare what really goes on **behind the scenes**, from the police station through to the young offenders' institution and everything in between. It is an important and revelatory book that confronts the issues that face all young people today.

Sales Points

- Just for Kids Law is a charity dedicated to transforming the lives of children and young people in difficulty
- Using real-life case studies, the author shares the shocking failures of the youth justice legal system as well as some heart-warming successes
- Looks at the different areas of the law that affect young people – how and why they work – and what happens when they don't
- Contains information for parents on how to navigate certain areas of the system if their child does find themselves facing proceedings
- Written with compassion by a highly regarded solicitor who is a leading expert in the field of youth justice

Author Biography

Aika Stephenson co-founded Just for Kids Law – a charity dedicated to providing legal representation and advice to young people as well as fighting for reform on a wider level – in 2006. She is a solicitor and youth justice expert with years of experience representing young people in criminal proceedings and particularly those with special educational needs. She heads up the charity's criminal arm and has won numerous awards for her work, including the prestigious Criminal Defence Lawyer of the Year at the Legal Aid Lawyer of the Year Awards, 2018.



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Dusty

The Classic Biography Revised and Updated

Lucy O'Brien

Keynote

The classic biography of music icon **Dusty Springfield**, featuring **forty-five interviews** with those who knew her best, published **twenty-five years** after her death.

Description

The story of pop legend **Dusty Springfield** from the people who knew her, from her troubled childhood to **60s mod queen** and enduring music icon.

Dusty Springfield was one of our greatest pop singers. From 60s hits like 'I Only Want to be With You', 'Son of a Preacher Man' and 'You Don't Have to Say You Love Me' to her 80s collaboration with the Pet Shop Boys and beyond, she was a musical pioneer and the very essence of authentic white soul. A member of the US Rock and Roll and UK Music Halls of Fame, international polls have named Dusty among the best female pop artists of all time.

Twenty-five years after her passing, she continues to fascinate and inspire. This classic biography is based on over forty-five original interviews with close friends and people who worked with her, including Sir Tom Jones, Lulu, legendary arranger Ivor Raymonde, and the late, great Atlantic Records trio, Jerry Wexler, Tom Dowd and Arif Mardin, with whom she recorded her classic album *Dusty In Memphis*.

The book fully explores her life and legacy, from a troubled Home Counties childhood to 60s mod queen and solo star, to her struggles with addiction and mental health issues, to her status as an influential LGBT heroine and enduring pop icon.

Sales Points

- Explores the life and legacy of one of Britain's greatest pop divas
- Published in paperback to tie-in with the twenty-fifth anniversary of her death
- Based on 45 original interviews carried out by the author with close friends and people who worked with Dusty
- Over 10,000 copies sold in hardback
- Lucy O'Brien is available for publicity

Reviews

- 'Provocative and deadly accurate.' - *Time Out*

Author Biography

Lucy O'Brien is a writer, broadcaster and academic. She has contributed to various titles including the *Independent*, *MOJO*, *Q*, the *Guardian* and *The Sunday Times*. She has written *Madonna: Like An Icon* (published in 13 languages and now in its second edition), *She Bop (The Definitive History of Women in Rock, Pop & Soul)*, and has contributed to such collections as *Voicing Girlhood in Popular Music: Performance, Authority, Authenticity*, and *Mute Records: Artist. Business. History*. She also teaches at the London College of Music, University of West London.

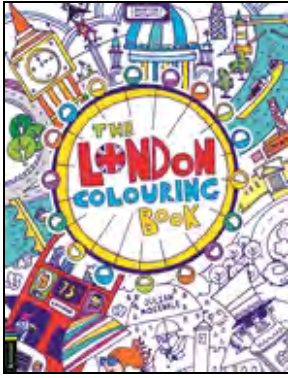
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The London Colouring Book

Julian Mosedale

Keynote

A cool and creative colouring book that will take readers on the ultimate tour of London.

Description

Take a whistle-stop colouring tour of the capital city with this brilliant London-themed colouring book.

From Trafalgar Square and Tower Bridge to Piccadilly Circus and Portobello Road and beyond, children will love putting their own colourful stamp on one of the world's most vibrant cities.

Packed with 42 exciting illustrations of London's famous sights, landmarks, museums and parks – including London Zoo, the Olympic Park, the London Underground and Oxford Circus Station, the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace, Kew Gardens and bustling Soho – this book is the perfect way to keep kids busy on the go.

A fun and engaging way to introduce young explorers to London.

Also publishing in 2024:

The London Activity Book 9781780559797

Sales Points

- This fun-packed book is the perfect way to keep kids aged 7+ entertained on the go and to introduce young explorers to the exciting city of London
- Packed with distinctive illustrations to colour, featuring a variety of London destinations and attractions – from Piccadilly Circus and London Zoo to Buckingham Palace and Trafalgar Square and much more
- The book includes 42 fun illustrations in Julian Mosedale's quirky style
- The perfect travel companion for young explorers who love sightseeing and travelling

Author Biography

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F1 Confidential

Inside Stories from the World of Formula One

Giles Richards, Foreword by Damon Hill

Keynote

A revealing look at the inside workings of a modern Formula One team, featuring exclusive interviews with drivers, team principals, engineers, pit crew members and more.

Description

An access-all-areas look inside the thrilling world of Formula One.

Formula One is one of the most intense, complex and secretive sports on the planet. Recent documentaries such as Netflix's *Drive to Survive* series have given a glimpse of life inside the paddock, but there are so many more stories from this high-stakes, globe-trotting world that remain untold.

In *F1 Confidential*, *Guardian* journalist Giles Richards speaks to the men and women inside Formula One to reveal the inner workings of the world's most glamorous motorsport. Featuring exclusive interviews with experts at every level – from drivers and team principals to engineers and pit mechanics – and from teams including Mercedes, Red Bull, McLaren and more, this is an unprecedented, behind-the-scenes look inside a modern Formula One team.

With a foreword by former F1 world champion Damon Hill and contributions from dozens of insiders – including Lando Norris, Christian Horner and Toto Wolff – each with their own fascinating stories, insights and revelations, *F1 Confidential* takes you inside Formula One like never before.

Sales Points

- Formula 1 is the world's most popular motorsport, and the fastest-growing major sport on the planet.
- The first book to offer a complete look inside the workings of a modern F1 team, with dozens of exclusive contributions from people working at every level of the sport.
- The cumulative TV audience for the 2021 F1 season was 1.55 billion, and official social channels have a combined following of 51.3 million.
- Giles Richards is a motorsport journalist for the *Guardian* who has covered F1 for more than 20 years and has exceptional connections within the sport. He is available for PR.

Author Biography

Giles Richards has been a journalist at the *Guardian* and the *Observer* for more than twenty years. He is a lifelong fan of motor racing and has been reporting on Formula One for over a decade, working at the heart of the sport with which he is fascinated. As a writer and editor, he has taken advantage of unique access to F1's inner circle to tell the stories of the men and women that make F1 so special.

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Perfect Pocket Puzzles: Word Searches 2

Dr Gareth Moore

Keynote

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Description

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Sales Points

- The perfect pocket-sized gift for the avid puzzler in your life
- Features over 150 brand new puzzles to delight any and all puzzle fans
- Ideal for small mindful breaks or for you to get stuck into for a longer stretch
- Written by bestselling puzzle master Dr Gareth Moore

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.

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Perfect Pocket Puzzles: Codewords

Dr Gareth Moore

Keynote

Enjoy a little 'me' time with even these brand-new codeword puzzles.

Description

This book is the latest addition to the Perfect Pocket Puzzles series. Take a well-deserved break with over 150 new codeword puzzles by internationally bestselling author Dr. Gareth Moore.

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Sales Points

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Young Elizabeth Princess. Prisoner. Queen.

Nicola Tallis

Keynote

The first fully comprehensive biography of the young Elizabeth I in over twenty years, drawing on a rich variety of primary sources from both Elizabeth herself and those closest to her during her tumultuous youth.

Description

Elizabeth I is one of England's most famous monarchs, whose story as the 'Virgin Queen' is well known. But queenship was by no means a certain path for Henry VIII's younger daughter, who spent the majority of her early years as a girl with an uncertain future.

Before she was three years old Elizabeth had been both a princess and then a bastard following the brutal execution of her mother, Anne Boleyn. After losing several stepmothers and then her father, the teenage Elizabeth was confronted with the predatory attentions of Sir Thomas Seymour. The result was devastating, causing a heartbreaking rift with her beloved stepmother Katherine Parr.

Elizabeth was placed in further jeopardy when she was implicated in the Wyatt Rebellion of 1554 – a plot to topple her half-sister, Mary, from her throne. Imprisoned in the Tower of London where her mother had lost her life, under intense pressure and interrogation Elizabeth adamantly protested her innocence. Though she was eventually liberated, she spent the remainder of Mary's reign under a dark cloud. On 17 November 1558, however, the uncertainty of Elizabeth's future came to an end when she succeeded to the throne at the age of twenty-five.

When Elizabeth became queen, she had already endured more tumult than many monarchs experienced in a lifetime. This colourful and immensely detailed biography charts Elizabeth's turbulent and unstable upbringing, exploring the dangers and tragedies that plagued her early life. Nicola Tallis draws on primary sources written by Elizabeth herself and her contemporaries, providing an extensive and thorough study of an exceptionally resilient youngster whose early life would shape the queen she later became. The heart racing story of Elizabeth's youth as she steered her way through perilous waters towards England's throne is one of the most sensational of its time.

Sales Points

- Nicola Tallis is a well-known historian and researcher of Tudor England and has previously written three successful biographies for Michael O'Mara Books: *Crown of Blood*, *Elizabeth's Rival*, and *Uncrowned Queen*
- The first truly comprehensive biography of Elizabeth I in over twenty years
- Throws new light onto the early life of this iconic monarch
- Elizabeth I was the subject of a hit new eight-part TV drama on Starz TV
- Nicola's books sold over 57,000 copies

Reviews

- 'Nicola Tallis's biography of Margaret is a welcome and forthright riposte...[and] forms part of an important and growing area of scholarship on the significant involvement of women in fifteenth-century politics...A well-evidenced analysis of a fascinating woman...compelling.' - *The Times Literary Supplement*
- 'A nuanced and realistic portrait of a formidable and multi-faceted woman.' - *Tudor Times*
- 'This is a stunning debut from a young historian who deserves to be recognized as a major talent in her field. It's history as it should be written, vivid, colorful, pacy and evocative, but above all authentic and based on sound and innovative research. It's an outstanding contribution to our knowledge of Lady Jane Grey. Most warmly recommended!' - Alison Weir, Number One New York Times bestselling author
- 'A pacy narrative, written with a clear love for and detailed knowledge of her subject.' - *The Spectator*

Author Biography

Dr Nicola Tallis is a British historian and researcher. Her debut book, *Crown of Blood: The Deadly Inheritance of Lady Jane Grey*, was published to wide praise. She has previously lectured at the University of Winchester and worked with Historic Royal Palaces and the National Trust.

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Tiger Warrior: Fight for the Cursed Unicorn Book 5

Maisie Chan

Keynote

Heart of a tiger, strength of a dragon, body of a ... schoolboy? A thrilling action-adventure series with the magical power of the Chinese Zodiac.

Description

Jack has always wanted to meet a unicorn, and with its black coat, golden hooves and truth-telling powers, the magical xiezhi is the most amazing unicorn ever! But when the xiezhi accuses the Jade Emperor of a crime, Jack doesn't know what - or who - to believe. Can Jack harness rat's power over the weather and find out the truth? One thing's for certain, a storm is coming...

A thrilling action-adventure series with the magical power of the Chinese Zodiac.

Sales Points

- A commercial, high-concept new action-adventure series for fans of Percy Jackson and Adam Blade
- Dive in to the fantasy world of the Jade Kingdom with the rich backdrop of Chinese mythology
- Unicorns are perennially popular and the xiezhi is a unique unicorn creature from the world of Chinese myth.
- Stunning black-and-white illustrations bring the rich world of the Jade Kingdom to life.

Author Biography

Maisie Chan is an award-winning British Chinese children's author who lives in Glasgow. She has written early readers (Rising Stars) and had short stories published in various books such as *Ladybird Tales of Superheroes* (Penguin) and *Stories From Around the World* (Scholastic). In 2018, she started the Bubble Tea Writers Network to support and encourage British East Asian writers in the UK. She won the 2022 Jhalak Prize and the 2022 Branford Boase Award for her middle-grade novel, *Danny Chung Does Not Do Maths* (Bonnier).

Maisie was adopted and grew up in Birmingham, surrounded by British Chinese foster siblings whose families would often take her all out for delicious Chinese food. Maisie grew up watching lots of kung-fu movies as they were the only people on the screen who looked like she did. Maisie decided to become a children's author so that there was at least one positive chinese role model for children to look up to.

Maisie Chan has been a Chinese storyteller in the past and entertained children in libraries, museums and schools with her favourite Chinese myths and legends, all of which feed into the magical world of TIGER WARRIOR. Maisie lived in Taiwan for a while to try to learn Mandarin Chinese which is a very cool language to learn!

Publication date	Thursday, February 01, 2024
Price	£6.99/Rs.550
EAN\ISBN-13	9781408370971
BIC 2.1	Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Mysteries, the supernatural, monsters & mythological beings (Children's/ Teenage) (YNX) China (1FPC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)

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	144 pages
Word Count	
Series	Tiger Warrior
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Tiger Warrior: Attack of the Dragon King
Tiger Warrior: War of the Fox Demons
Tiger Warrior: Rise of the Lion Beast

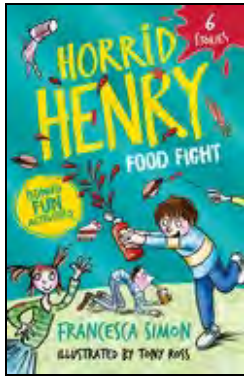
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Publication date **Thursday, February 01, 2024**
 Price **£7.99/Rs.599**
 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781510112896**
 BIC 2.1 **Humorous stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFQ) Short stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFU) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest 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 **22mm**
 Extent **224 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Horrid Henry**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles
 Visit www.horridhenry.co.uk for a complete list of Horrid Henry titles
 Recent story collections include YUCKY YEAR, TERRIBLE TEACHERS and PARTY PANDEMONIUM

Horrid Henry: Food Fight 6 Stories

Francesca Simon (Illustrated By Tony Ross)

Keynote

Number One for Fiendish Fun! Join Horrid Henry in a bumper book of mayhem with this brilliantly mischievous collection of six of his best food-related stories!

Description

Number One for Fiendish Fun! Join Horrid Henry in a bumper book of mayhem with this brilliantly mischievous collection of six of his best food-related stories!

Horrid Henry loves food . . . except vegetables! Here are six hilarious stories about food, from the delicious to the disgusting.

An irresistible introduction to reading for pleasure, with six stories plus a joke and activity section - the perfect gift for Horrid Henry fans everywhere.

Sales Points

- The perfect gift for Horrid Henry fans, and published in time for February half term
- Total UK sales across the Horrid Henry range are in excess of 30 million copies
- Rights sold in over 30 languages
- Francesca Simon is one of the UK's top-selling children's authors and was the 4th most borrowed in 2019
- As well as six stories there's a bonus joke and activity section to keep Horrid Henry fans of all ages entertained for hours

Author Biography

Francesca Simon (Author)

Francesca Simon MBE spent her childhood on the beach in California and started writing stories at the age of eight. She wrote her first Horrid Henry book in 1994. Horrid Henry has gone on to conquer the globe; his adventures are published in 27 languages and have sold millions of copies worldwide.

Francesca has won the Children's Book of the Year Award and been a judge for the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize and the Roald Dahl Funny Prize. In 2009, in one of the proudest moments of her career, Francesca was awarded a Gold Blue Peter badge. She was appointed MBE in the 2023 New Year Honours.

Francesca is also a passionate ambassador for children's literacy and is a trustee of the World Book Day charity. She lives in North London with her family.

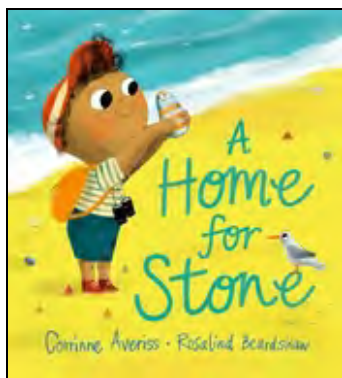
Visit Francesca's website at www.francescasimon.com and keep up-to-date with Horrid Henry at www.horridhenry.co.uk. You can also follow her on Twitter @simon_francesca

Tony Ross (Illustrator)

Tony Ross was born in London and studied at the Liverpool School of Art and Design. He has worked as a cartoonist, a graphic designer, as the Art Director of an advertising agency, and as Senior Lecturer in Art at Manchester Polytechnic.

Tony is one of the most popular and successful children's illustrators of all time, best known for illustrating Horrid Henry and the works of David Walliams. Tony's books have been translated into 40 languages in over 100 countries. He lives in Macclesfield.





Publication date **Thursday, February 01, 2024**
 Price **£12.99/Rs.1,050**
 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781408355855**
 BIC 2.1 **Picture storybooks (YBCS)**
Pets (Children's / Teenage) (YNNB)
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 **Hardback**
 Format **275x250**
 Depth **8mm**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count **450 words**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author living in **Stockport**

Previous Titles

My Pet Star

A Home for Stone

Corrinne Averiss (Illustrated By Rosalind Beardshaw)

Keynote

A touching story about kindness, imagination and finding friends in unexpected places, from the award-winning creators of *My Pet Star*.

Description

When a little boy finds a lonely stone on a quiet beach, he decides to find him the perfect home among other stones just like him. But nowhere feels quite right for little Stone.

And just as the boy is about to give up, he realises that he may have had the *perfect* home for Stone all along . . .

A touching story about finding friends in unexpected places, from the award-winning creators of *My Pet Star*.

Praise for *My Pet Star*:

"The perfect book for bedtime or snuggling up with" BookTrust

Sales Points

- This tender and sensitive story delivers a profound message to children about finding friends who bring out the best in you
- *My Pet Star* won the Sainsbury's Book of the Year Award 2019, Stockport Children's Book of the Year 2020 and was selected as BookTrust's Pyjamarama campaign in 2020 sending out 450,000 copies to homes across the UK
- Corrinne Averiss is a BAFTA award-winning writer and co-deviser of children's TV programmes

Author Biography

Corrinne Averiss (Author)

Corrinne Averiss is renowned for her poignant heart-warming picture books for young children. Her books have been sold around the world and translated into over 20 languages. *My Pet Star* is her tender story about love and loss and won Sainsbury's Children's Book of the Year in 2019. *LOVE* (illus. Beautyman/Quarto) has found worldwide success as a celebration of family love and remedy for separation anxiety. Corrinne has published titles with Andersen Press, Farshore, OUP, Quarto, Stripes and Hachette. She has also worked in children's television for over 20 years as a writer and producer/director. She created *Tweedy & Fluff*, the beautiful stop-motion series on Milkshake! Channel 5 and *Share a Story* for CiTV, which has been awarded no less than 4 Children's BAFTAs. Corrinne grew up in the Midlands, studied English Literature at the University of St Andrews and settled somewhere between the two - in a little town between Manchester and the Peak District with her husband, daughter and Alba the tabby cat.

Rosalind Beardshaw (Illustrator)

Rosalind Beardshaw has illustrated many books for children. These include the award-winning Lulu series and the National Trust's A Walk in the Countryside series. She lives in York with her family.

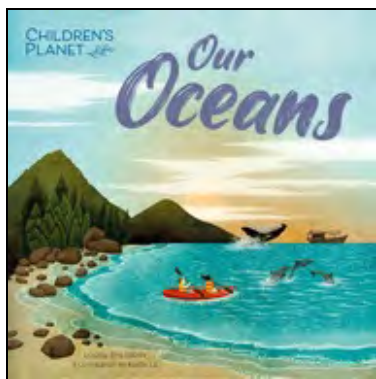
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Children's Planet: Our Oceans

Louise Spilsbury (Illustrated By Khoa Le)

Keynote

An exquisitely illustrated picture book that explores our relationship with the oceans, and looks at how climate change is changing the picture

Description

An exquisitely illustrated picture book that explores our relationship with the oceans, and looks at how climate change is changing the picture.

Oceans are amazing! These huge areas of saltwater cover two-thirds of our world and are home to countless animals and plants. They offer us rich natural resources, places to work and beautiful surroundings where we can have fun, spot nature and relax. But the oceans are under threat from climate change and pollution. Find out how we can all help to look after our precious oceans, as well as enjoy them.

Titles in the series:

Our Cities
Our Forests
Our Oceans
Our Skies

Children's Planet is a beautifully illustrated series of picture books that encourage children to engage with and enjoy our precious natural surroundings. Perfect for children aged 5 and up.

Sales Points

- Sensitively-written text by *Children in Our World* author Louise Spilsbury explains how the beauty of the natural world is there for everyone to experience and enjoy
- Children are placed at the forefront of each book, emphasising their role in helping to protect the planet
- Stunning picture-book illustrations by award-winning Vietnamese artist Khoa Le make these books both beautiful and memorable

Author Biography

Award-winning author Louise Spilsbury, who also writes under the name Louise Kay Stewart, has written over 250 books for young people on a wide range of exciting subjects. She loves writing children's books as it gives her the chance to keep learning about new stuff. She lives and works near the coast in South Devon and loves to walk on the beach and swim in the sea after work. Louise won The English Association Margaret Mallett Award for Children's Non-Fiction 2019 for *Rebel Voices: the rise of votes for women*.

Publication date	Thursday, February 08, 2024
Price	£12.99/Rs.1,050
EAN\ISBN-13	9781445186252
BIC 2.1	Social issues: environment & green issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZG) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	220x220
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Children's Planet
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

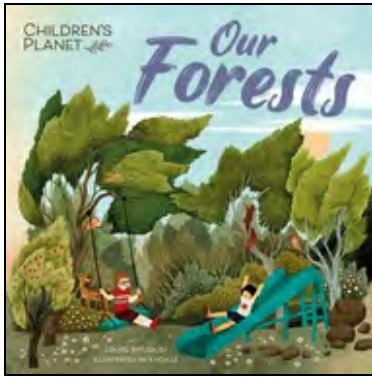
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Our Oceans

November 2023

Our Cities
Our Skies

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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
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CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
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Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Previous Titles

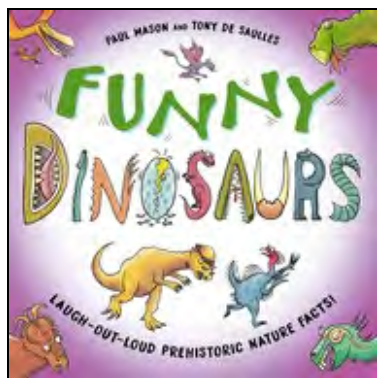
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Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



Funny Dinosaurs

Laugh-out-loud prehistoric nature facts!

Paul Mason (Illustrated By Tony De Saulles)

Keynote

Heaps of funny facts and cartoons about dinosaurs' most hilarious adaptations!

Description

Heaps of funny facts and cartoons about dinosaurs' most hilarious adaptations!

Dinosaurs developed some of the strangest features and behaviours to survive day in and day out. This book's lively artwork and side-splitting jokes bring these behaviours back to life - and uncover the awesome science of the prehistoric world. Meet the fluffiest, the tiniest, the best singers and of course the absolutely funniest dinos on planet Earth!

Funny Nature is a series of books presenting science learning through laughter. Brought to you by the author and illustrator of *The Poo That Animals Do*, this series covers science topics including evolution, adaptation, habitats, anatomy, physiology, life cycles and much more! Perfect for fans of facts and fun aged 6+.

Books in the *Funny Nature* series:

- Funny Beasts*
- Funny Bugs*
- Funny Dinosaurs*
- Funny Plants*

Sales Points

- Supports science learning in the areas of evolution, adaptation, habitats, anatomy, physiology and much more!
- Filled with stats, facts and humorous artwork
- By the funny non-fiction duo who brought you *The Poo That Animals Do*: Paul Mason and Tony De Saulles

Summary of Contents

THE FUNNY WORLD OF DINOSAURS / TERRIBLE TEETH / HILARIOUS HEADS / ASTOUNDING ARMS / SINGING DINOSAURS? / WEIRD WINGS / DINOSAUR LOVE / FRIGHTFUL FACES / FEATHERS / FUR? / LITTLE DINOSAURS / DINOSAUR STINKERS / MORE FUNNY DINOSAURS / DINOSAUR QUIZ / GLOSSARY / INDEX

Author Biography

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding	Hardback
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Word Count	
Series	Funny Nature
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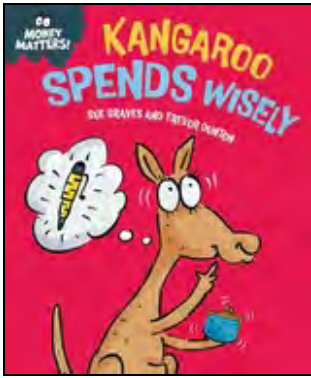
Publishing History

- The Poo That Animals Do*
- The Wee That Animals Pee*
- The Farts That Animals Parp*
- The Snot That Animals Have Got*

Previous Titles

- Funny Beasts*
HB: 9781526322876
- Funny Bugs*
HB: 9781526322296
- Funny Dinosaurs*
HB: 9781526322913
- Funny Plants*
HB: 9781526322890

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Money Matters: Kangaroo Spends Wisely

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the concept of spending money sensibly for young children

Description

Kangaroo Spends Wisely offers a gentle introduction to the concept of spending money sensibly for young children.

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to the concept of not wasting money and shopping smartly. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children understand the concept.

Kangaroo often wastes her money. She buys things she does not need or even want and things that break right away. She asks Mum for some help to make better shopping choices.

The Money Matters series of picture books provide a gentle means of promoting concepts of money management, boosting self-esteem and reinforcing good behaviour. Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is also suitable for use with children in KS1 and can be used to discuss citizenship and values. Suitable for children under 5.

Sales Points

- Each story is backed up with suggestions for activities and ideas to talk about, consolidating learning by relating the story to the children's own experiences
- Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage

Reviews

- 'Excellent for sharing and encouraging discussion ... we can all learn from the approach taken in this series.' - *Parents in Touch*

Author Biography

Sue Graves (Author)

Sue Graves has been a freelance children's author for more than 17 years. She has written over two hundred books for children from pre-school up to 15+ years. She writes fiction and non-fiction, plays and poetry across the age ranges.

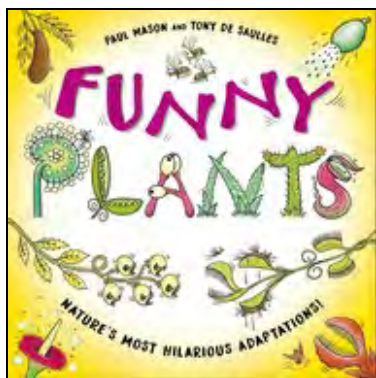
Sue loves reading all sorts of books and is at her happiest when she has a book in her hand. She also loves painting in watercolours, playing tennis and badminton and going for long walks in the country with her husband and children.

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BIC 2.1	Money (Children's / Teenage) (YNPK) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	236x195
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Full colour
Series	Money Matters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

Elephant Learns to Save, 9781445185552
 Meerkat Earns Money - 9781445186047
 Panda Finds Out About Money - 9781445186078
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Funny Plants

Laugh-out-loud nature facts!

Paul Mason (Illustrated By Tony De Saulles)

Keynote

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Plants have developed some downright strange features and behaviours to survive day in and day out. This book's lively artwork and side-splitting jokes uncover the awesome science of the plant world. Meet the stickiest, the stinkiest, the trickiest and of course the absolutely funniest plants on planet Earth!

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Summary of Contents

The crazy world of plants (and fungus) / When plants explode! / Glowing in the dark (and the day) / Plants that attack / Plants that move it / Complete stinkers / Very funny fungi / Fruit is funny too / Trickster plants / Shapely plants / Terrific trees / Plants and people / More funny plants / Plants quiz / Glossary / Index

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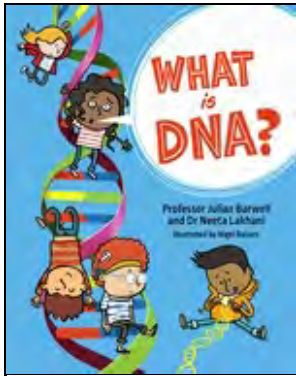
Publishing History

- The Poo That Animals Do*
- The Wee That Animals Pee*
- The Farts That Animals Parp*
- The Snot That Animals Have Got*

Previous Titles

- Funny Beasts*
HB: 9781526322876
- Funny Bugs*
HB: 9781526322296
- Funny Dinosaurs*
HB: 9781526322913
- Funny Plants*
HB: 9781526322890

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



What is DNA?

Professor Julian Barwell and Dr Neeta Lakhani (Illustrated By Nigel Baines)

Keynote

A humorous introduction to DNA and genetics, helping children find out what they are made of!

Description

A humorous introduction to DNA and genetics, helping children find out what they are made of!

DNA is the building block of all life. This book helps children aged 8 plus understand the structure of the DNA chemical, how it works inside the body, how life began on Earth and how all living things are connected by their DNA. With Nigel Baines' hilarious cartoons, the book explores topics such as why some of us really don't like Brussel sprouts - and why some of us love them!; what came first - the chicken or the egg?; and how DNA can solve crimes and make our lives better.

Contents: The Great Discovery! / The Code Breakers and the Machines Inside Our Bodies / Babies Come with Instructions / Is it Good to Mix Up Our DNA? / How are Twins Made? / How Did Life on Earth Begin? / What Came First - the Chicken or the Egg? / Are We 50% a Mushroom? / Is Grandad Really a Dinosaur? / Why Don't I Like Vegetables? / How Did I Get Ginger Hair? / How Much Do Our Genes Affect Us? / Spot a Relative After 500 Years! / Traffic Lights - Red! Green! Blue? / Gene On, Gene Off / DNA That Makes Diseases / Who Did It? / Who Is In Charge? / Quiz

Sales Points

- Written by geneticists from the University of Leicester - an internationally recognised centre for pioneering research into genetics
- Illustrated by graphic-novel specialist Nigel Baines (*A Tricky Kind of Magic*)
- The humorous approach makes this tricky subject relatable

Summary of Contents

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Author Biography

Julian Barwell (Author)

Professor Julian Barwell is a medical doctor working in the university hospitals of Leicester supporting families with inherited diseases and implementing innovations in personalised medicine. Inspired by his patients, he helped launch the 100,000 Genome project on the BBC Breakfast Sofa and wants to share his sense of wonder and excitement about the beautiful simplicity of nature based on the structure of DNA with a younger readership. He hopes to create the next generation of doctors and scientists that will use these solid foundations to solve the challenges of the 21st century.

Neeta Lakhani (Author)

Dr Lakhani is a Specialty Registrar in Clinical Genetics, with a Paediatric background. Following a BSc Medical Genetics (University of Leicester) and MSc Clinical Oncology (University of Nottingham), she returned to Leicester to read Medicine. Her interest has always been to encourage people to share her passion for genetics through education and teaching. She has authored chapters in textbooks, and regularly teaches to undergraduate and post-graduate audiences. She also has a MSt in Genomic Medicine from the University of Cambridge.

Nigel Baines (Illustrator)

Nigel Baines is an experienced illustrator and book designer who has worked for various trade publishing houses. He is a keen walker and would like to spend half the year living on top of the Andes. His other great loves are Grantham Town Football Club and any kind of travel.

Publication date	Thursday, February 08, 2024
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BIC 2.1	Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) Interest age: from c 8 years (SAJ) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Depth	12mm
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Leicester

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BIC 2.1	Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) Work & industry / world of work (Children's / Teenage) (YNK) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)

CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	STEM Heroes
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles	
February 2024:	
<i>STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Healthy</i>	9781526324573
<i>STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Safe</i>	9781526324764
April 2024	
<i>STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Moving</i>	9781526324818
<i>STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Connected</i>	9781526324795

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

STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Safe

Tom Jackson (Illustrated By Rea Zhai)

Keynote

Celebrating STEM skills that keep us safe every day!

Description

Meet and be inspired by the huge variety of STEM heroes keeping us safe every day. From car designers to city planners, meteorologists to naval architects - their STEM skills make a real difference!

STEM Heroes introduces you to essential jobs and diverse STEM skills, highlighting the key details of each role. The series also includes information on what subjects to study if you want to be a STEM hero, too! Perfect for inspiring readers aged 7 and up, and book banded to reading level Book Band 13 Grey.

STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Safe contents include:

Health and safety, safe food, road safety, alarm systems, pollution, weather, volcano alert!, rescue squad, safety at sea, tsunami warning, asteroid watchers, become a STEM safety hero, extra safety fun (quiz and fun facts).

Books in the series:

- Keeping Us Connected*
- Keeping Us Moving*
- Keeping Us Healthy*
- Keeping Us Safe*

Sales Points

- Essential jobs are introduced by the heroes themselves as we see them busy at work, highlighting the key details of each role
- Includes information on what subjects to study to become a STEM hero and a fun quiz at the end of each book
- Features insightful illustrations by Beijing-based illustrator Rea Zhai and engaging text from expert science writer, Tom Jackson

Summary of Contents

Safety heroes / Health and safety / Safe food / Road safety / Alarm systems / Looking for pollution / Extreme weather / Volcano alert! / Rescue squad / Safety at sea / Tsunami warning / Asteroid watchers / Become a STEM safety hero! / Extra safety fun & facts / Glossary / Further resources and Index

Author Biography

Tom Jackson (Author)

Tom Jackson has been a writer for 20 years. He has written more than 80 books and contributed to hundreds more. Tom gets to write about a wide range of subjects, everything from axolotls to zoroastrianism. However, his specialties are natural history, technology and all things scientific. Tom spends his days finding fun ways of communicating these kinds of facts, new and old, to all age groups and reading abilities.

Tom lives in Bristol, England, with his wife and three children. He studied zoology at Bristol University and has had spells working at the zoos in Jersey and Surrey. Tom has also worked as a conservationist, which saw him planting trees in Somerset, surveying Vietnamese jungle and rescuing wildlife from drought-ridden Zimbabwe. Writing jobs have also taken him to the Galápagos Islands, the Amazon rain forest, the coral reefs of Indonesia and the Sahara Desert. Nowadays, he can be found mainly in the attic.

Rea Zhai (Illustrator)

After earning her master's degree in Illustration from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, Rea is now working as a freelance Illustrator of children-related illustrations. She loves drawing these, as she can observe the world in a kid's way purely, which can always bring her fun, peace, and joy. She lives with her husband, baby girl, two cats, and dogs in Beijing, China.



Why in the World: Why is there Pollution?

Anita Ganeri (Illustrated By Renia Metallinou)

Keynote

Why in the World introduces citizenship topics in a sensitive way with heartfelt illustrations, helping to connect children's own experiences to larger issues in the world

Description

Why in the World introduces citizenship topics in a sensitive way with heartfelt illustrations, helping to connect children's own experiences to larger issues in the world

Publication date **Thursday, February 08, 2024**
 Price **£13.99/Rs.1,150**
 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781445187624**
 BIC 2.1 **Social issues: environment & green issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZG) Educational: Citizenship & social education (YQN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)**

Pollution is destroying our planet. But what is pollution and why is it so bad? This book looks at types of pollution from litter in the playground to plastic waste in the sea and suggests small changes that can make a big difference, helping to keep us and our world healthy and safe.

Full of empathy and emotion, these guides are an excellent first look at life's challenges. The notes included for parents and teachers offer springboard for healthy discussion at home and in the classroom.

Sales Points

- Includes notes for parents and teachers to enable discussion and understanding
- Relatable approach to world issues, helps children to make connections between their own experiences and those happening on a global scale

CBMC **B5N79**
 Age **5-7 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character **Non-character**
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Hardback**
 Format **230x210**
 Depth **8mm**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Why in the World**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author Biography

Anita Ganeri is an award-winning author of children's information books. She has been a writer for 20 years, after working in-house for Usborne Publishing and Walker Books. She specialises in the natural world, religion and mythology but is always looking for new challenges. Among her many titles are the best-selling 'Horrible Geography' series for Scholastic Children's Books which won the Blue Peter Book Award for the Best Book with Facts in 2009 and the Tivy Education Medal from the Royal Scottish Geographical Society for an outstanding contribution to geographical education. Anita lives in northern England with her husband, children, dogs and cat. She enjoys reading, walking the Moors, playing tennis and dreaming of winning Wimbledon.

Previous Titles

9781445187372 Why in the World: Why Do People Fight?
 9781445187655 Why in the World: Why do People Move Home?
 9781445187662 Why in the World: Why is there Racism?

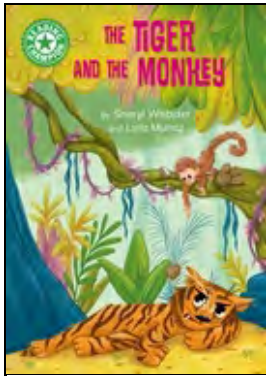
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Reading Champion: The Tiger and the Monkey Independent Reading Green 5

Sheryl Webster (Illustrated By Lera Munoz)

Keynote

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

Description

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Fantastic, original stories are accompanied by engaging artwork and a reading activity. Each book has been carefully graded so that it can be matched to a child's reading ability, encouraging reading for pleasure. Perfect for 5-7 year olds.

In this twist on the traditional Aesop fable *The Lion and the Mouse*, a tiger is caught in a trap, and only a tiny monkey can rescue him.

Sales Points

- Developed in consultation with literacy experts Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)
- Original stories appropriate for the age group with precise guidance for use
- Clear text with considered design layout and bright illustrations are coupled with reading activities to support the reader and encourage reading for pleasure
- A section on using this book for independent reading provides tips and suggestions for supporting the child to read independently

Author Biography

Sheryl Webster (Author)

Sheryl lives in Liverpool with her husband Phil and four children Sean, Bethany, Joey and new arrival Katy.

Having completed a degree in English and Psychology she enjoyed working as a Primary School Teacher before going on a career break to bring up her young family. This also allowed more time for her passion of writing.

Sheryl's literary influences include Enid Blyton -whose books she loved as a child and now enjoys reading to her own children. She also admires the work of Julia Donaldson. However her greatest influences are her children - who provide the inspiration and ideas for most of her stories.

Publication date	Thursday, February 08, 2024
Price	£9.99/Rs.799
EAN\ISBN-13	9781445189284
BIC 2.1	Educational: English language: readers & reading schemes (YQCR) Traditional stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFJ) English (2AB) 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	Hardback
Format	210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

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9781445189222
The Big, Hungry Pancake,
9781445189307

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



Publication date **Thursday, February 08, 2024**
 Price **£12.99/Rs.1,050**
 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781526326195**
 BIC 2.1 **Space (Children's / Teenage) (YNTS)**
Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)
For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)

CBMC **C5N79**
 Age **7-9 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character **Non-character**
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Hardback**
 Format **265x210**
 Depth **10mm**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **The Wow and How**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

The Wow and How of Space

Amelia Marshall

Keynote

Become an expert on incredible WOW facts and know the HOW behind them

Description

Become an expert on incredible WOW facts and know the HOW behind them!

Space is amazing, it stretches for millions of kilometres and is full of planets and bright stars! Discover amazing facts with *The WOW and HOW of Space* - some which might challenge what you thought you already knew. For example, did you know that The Milky Way eats other galaxies?! That's a pretty big breakfast!

Packed with facts and supported by science, *The WOW and HOW* series will intrigue and entertain children aged 7+.

Find the other titles in the series too:
 Dinosaurs, Planet Earth, Robots and AI, Transport, Weather

Sales Points

- High-interest leisure reads which entertain and educate
- Each 'Wow' fact is supported by solid science information
- Humorous photos and graphics make the learning fun

Summary of Contents

The WOW of space! / In space no one can hear you scream! / Mars is as cold as the South Pole! / Some stars can explode! / Jupiter is bigger than all the other planets combined / The Milky Way eats other galaxies / Uranus is the only planet on its side / Venus' day is longer than its year! / In space, liquid always forms a sphere / There's no wind on the moon / Falling into a black hole can turn you into spaghetti / Astronauts can grow in space / Some planets are just big balls of gas / Glossary and Index

Author Biography

Amelia Marshall is an avid reader and writer of children's books. She has worked in primary education and publishing for over 10 years. As well as specialising in fairy tale twists and retellings she loves to write playful rhymes. As a parent of a toddler son, she saw an opportunity to create a unique rhyming picture book set combining photographic and illustrative elements and came up with four books in Digger and Friends (Digger's Busy Day, Tractor's FarmYard Fun, Big Truck's Road Adventure & Emergency! Emergency!).

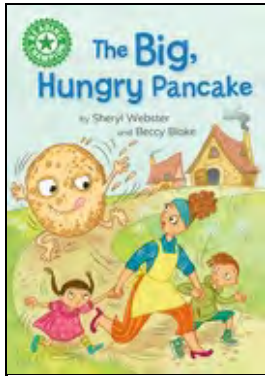
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Keynote

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In this twist on the traditional tale *The Big Pancake*, a woman makes a pancake for the hungry children, but the pancake is hungry too, and it wants to eat them!

Sales Points

- Developed in consultation with literacy experts Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)
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Beccy Blake (Illustrator)

Beccy is a children's illustrator and artist, with a love of all things slightly bonkers which invariably end up in her pictures and paintings. She loves observing life and all the silly side it brings, her illustrations make her young audience smile when they're reading a book and add to the story within. Since leaving art college in Newcastle upon Tyne she has worked extensively in the world of childrens publishing, design and advertising, editorial, greetings cards and one off mural and art commissions, both here in the UK and overseas. She works mainly in pencil, acrylics, watercolour, pen and ink and digital media often combining all.

She recently decorated an "Owl of Bath", Mowlberry Beak, which is currently situated in Combe Down, Bath and is working on painting a lion for The Cinnamon Cafe in Windsor, part of the Lions of Windsor trail.

She is currently based in Bath with her partner, also an illustrator, 2 kids, a cat called Elsie (who has her own comic illustrated for her), and a pond full of newts and frogs.

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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding Format	Hardback 210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

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Why in the World: Why Do People Fight?

Anita Ganeri (Illustrated By Renia Metallinou)

Keynote

Why in the World introduces citizenship topics in a sensitive way with heartfelt illustrations, helping to connect children's own experiences to larger issues in the world

Description

Why in the World introduces citizenship topics in a sensitive way with heartfelt illustrations, helping to connect children's own experiences to larger issues in the world

We all get angry sometimes. Sometimes, this anger can lead to fights with friends or family. Sometimes fights can happen between adults, they can also happen between countries. This book looks at why people fight, whether at home, in the playground or on battlefields around the world. It looks at ways we can also try to find peace.

Full of empathy and emotion, these guides are an excellent first look at life's challenges. The notes included for parents and teachers offer a springboard for healthy discussion at home and in the classroom.

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EAN\ISBN-13	9781445187372
BIC 2.1	Social issues: war & conflict issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZW) Educational: Citizenship & social education (YQN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Hardback 230x210
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Why in the World
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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BIC 2.1	Transport (Children's / Teenage) (YNTR) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)
CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Wow and How
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

The Wow and How of Transport

Cameron Menzies

Keynote

Become an expert on incredible WOW facts and know the HOW behind them

Description

Become an expert on incredible WOW facts and know the HOW behind them!

Transport is AMAZING! Transport can help us to travel the world - WOW! We are able to float, fly, zoom and glide because of HOW transport works.

But did you know that some trains can float? Or that cars can be powered by poo? Some submarines can stay submerged for 25 years! That's a long time to be underwater!

Read more amazing facts about transport including some that may challenge what you thought you knew. Find the science behind the facts to understand more about the world we live in.

Packed with facts and supported by science, *The WOW and HOW* series will intrigue and entertain children aged 7+.

Find the other titles in the series too:

Dinosaurs, Planet Earth, Robots and AI, Space, Weather

Sales Points

- High-interest leisure reads that entertain and educate
- Each 'Wow' fact is supported by solid science information
- Humorous photos and graphics make the learning fun

Summary of Contents

The WOW of transport! / Maglev trains levitate / Blackbird is the fastest plane ever / Space rockets are so loud they could self-destruct / Hot-air balloons can't fly when it's raining / A car can go faster than the speed of sound / Dutch people cycle more than 17 billion km a year / Superbikes corner inches from the ground / Cars can be powered by poo / A hovercraft can travel over land, sea and ice / A submarine can stay underwater for 25 years / A helicopter has landed on top of Mount Everest / Some container ships could carry a skyscraper / Glossary and Index

Author Biography

Cameron Menzies is an author and editor of nonfiction books for children, and a former actor. She lives and works in a cottage near the Scottish seaside with the company of her husband, two children and the family's beloved border collie.

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CBMC **C5N79**
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Previous Titles
 February 2024:
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Healthy
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STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Safe
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 9781526324818
STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Connected
 9781526324795

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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

STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Healthy

Tom Jackson (Illustrated By Rea Zhai)

Keynote

Celebrating STEM skills that improve our health every day!

Description

Meet and be inspired by the huge variety of STEM heroes improving our health every day. From nurses to immunologists, psychologists to medical engineers - their STEM skills make a real difference!

STEM Heroes introduces you to essential jobs and diverse STEM skills, highlighting the key details of each role. The series also includes information on what subjects to study if you want to be a STEM hero, too! Perfect for inspiring readers aged 7 and up, and book banded to reading level Book Band 12 Brown.

STEM Heroes: Keeping Us Healthy contents include:

Health heroes in the community, in the hospital, when having an operation, in the ambulance, providing physiotherapy, including medical engineers, scientists in the lab, disease experts, public health officials, mental health professionals, those teaching us about healthy eating and more!

Books in the series:

Keeping Us Connected
Keeping Us Moving
Keeping Us Healthy
Keeping Us Safe

Sales Points

- Essential STEM jobs are introduced by the heroes themselves as we see them busy at work, highlighting the key details of each role
- Includes information on what subjects to study to become a STEM hero and a fun quiz at the end of each book
- Features insightful illustrations by Beijing-based illustrator Rea Zhai and engaging text from expert science writer, Tom Jackson
- Book banded to reading level Book Band 12 Brown

Summary of Contents

Health heroes! / In the community / In the hospital / Having an operation / In the ambulance / Physiotherapy / Medical engineer / In the lab / Disease experts / Public health / Mental health / Healthy eating / Become a STEM health hero! / Extra health fun & facts / Glossary / Further resources and Index

Author Biography

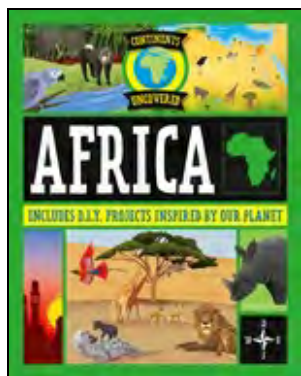
Tom Jackson (Author)

Tom Jackson has been a writer for 20 years. He has written more than 80 books and contributed to hundreds more. Tom gets to write about a wide range of subjects, everything from axolotls to zoroastrianism. However, his specialties are natural history, technology and all things scientific. Tom spends his days finding fun ways of communicating these kinds of facts, new and old, to all age groups and reading abilities.

Tom lives in Bristol, England, with his wife and three children. He studied zoology at Bristol University and has had spells working at the zoos in Jersey and Surrey. Tom has also worked as a conservationist, which saw him planting trees in Somerset, surveying Vietnamese jungle and rescuing wildlife from drought-ridden Zimbabwe. Writing jobs have also taken him to the Galápagos Islands, the Amazon rain forest, the coral reefs of Indonesia and the Sahara Desert. Nowadays, he can be found mainly in the attic.

Rea Zhai (Illustrator)

After earning her master's degree in Illustration from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, Rea is now working as a freelance Illustrator of children-related illustrations. She loves drawing these, as she can observe the world in a kid's way purely, which can always bring her fun, peace, and joy. She lives with her husband, baby girl, two cats, and dogs in Beijing, China.



Continents Uncovered: Africa

Rob Colson (Illustrated By Josy Bloggs)

Keynote

Discover some of Earth's most spectacular places on the African continent

Description

Discover some of Earth's most spectacular places on the continent of Africa!

Uncover the unique features of Africa, from the wide variety of habitats and landscapes to the cultures of the peoples that inhabit the continent. Explore Serengeti National Park, the watery landscapes of the Okavango Delta, the Congo Rainforest and more in this beautifully illustrated and informative celebration of Earth's flora, fauna and spectacular geography.

This book is part of the *Continents Uncovered* series, which takes the reader on a tour of the world, charting landmarks, climates, people, animals and other wildlife. But it doesn't stop there! This series is full of easy craft activity ideas that explore human cultures, wildlife and geographical phenomena. This series is ideal for children aged 7+ studying geography at KS2 or who are interested in maps, continents, wildlife and habitats.

Titles in this series:

Africa
Asia
Australia, New Zealand and Antarctica
Europe
North America
South America

Sales Points

- Contains many safe and fun activities for children
- Fantastic scenes illustrated by Josy Bloggs
- Covers a variety of information about the flora, fauna, buildings, places and culture - offering more than a traditional atlas

Summary of Contents

Where in the world? / Northern Africa / Sahara Desert / Central Africa / Congo Rainforest / Rift Valley Lakes / Mount Kilimanjaro / Serengeti national Park / Southern Africa / Madagascar / Okavango Delta / People and places / Quiz and glossary / Index

Author Biography

Rob Colson (Author)

Rob Colson is an author and editor of a wide range of books for children and adults, including many natural history, maths and science titles. Previous titles as author: *Ultimate Cars*, *Ultimate Machines* (Wayland); *Super Science* (Franklin Watts). Other titles: *Bone Collection: Animals* (Scholastic), *Puzzles*, *Conundrums* and *Enigmas* (Parragon). Contributing author to *Battle* (DK).

Josy Bloggs (Illustrator)

Josy Bloggs is a published illustrator and author of children's non-fiction books. She has always been passionate about reading, and developed a love for books about nature and exploring the world from an early age. She loves nothing more than seeing young readers engage with the natural world through her books. Some of her published credits as an illustrator include the series *Blue Worlds* which explores each of the world's five oceans and major seas in beautifully illustrated detail.

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CBMC **C5N79**
 Age **7-9 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character Tie In **Non-character Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
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 Extent **32 pages**
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 Series **Continents Uncovered**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
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Previous Titles

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 Asia: 9781445180977
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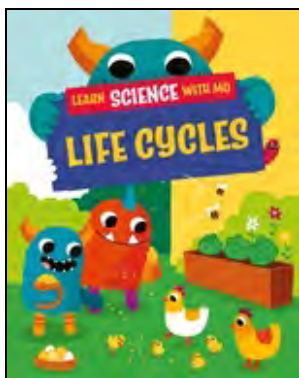
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CBMC **B5N79**
 Age **5-7 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
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 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
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Previous Titles
 Oct 2023
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Learn Science with Mo: Life Cycles

Paul Mason (Illustrated By Michael Buxton)

Keynote

Learn all about life cycles with Mo the Monster and his friends in this fun first science book for children aged 5+

Description

Learn all about life cycles with Mo the Monster and his friends in this fun first science book for children aged 5+.

Today, Mo is visiting a farm with his cousin Rory. They are learning about different animals and plants and how they grow and live with each other on the farm. But can Mo stay out of trouble while he's having so much fun? Don't count on it!

If a monster can understand science, anyone can! Join Mo the Monster as he discovers the basic principles of science. Along the way, Mo is kept focused (monsters are notoriously easily distracted) with the help of simple, clearly presented information, plenty of questions to answer and lots of science puzzles and activities.

The funny, colourful illustrations offer lots of scope for humour and interest to keep children engaged while they learn. Aimed at readers aged 5+.

Titles in the series: Energy/Forces and Magnets/Habitats/The Human Body/Life Cycles/Light and Shadows/Machines/Materials/States of Matter/Plants/The Seasons/Time

Contents

A growing Mo
 Baby sheep
 Egg to chick
 Frogspawn
 Worker ants
 At the beehive
 Bees and flowers
 Flowers and plants
 Planting time
 The cabbage crew
 Farm lunch
 Foxes, chickens and food chains
 From bump to baby
 Glossary
 Books to read and Places to visit
 Answers

Sales Points

- Story-based approach with humorous characters makes science fun to learn, with plenty of interaction with the reader
- The author specialises in bringing science content to life in an entertaining way
- Funny, lively illustrations make the books a visual treat

Summary of Contents

A growing Mo / Baby sheep / Egg to chick / Frogspawn / Worker ants / At the beehive / Bees and flowers / Flowers and plants / Planting time / The cabbage crew / Farm lunch / Foxes, chickens and food chains / From bump to baby / Glossary / Books to read and Places to visit / Answers

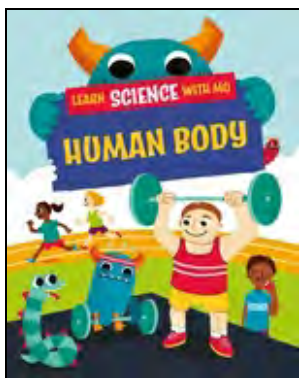
Author Biography

Paul Mason (Author)

Paul's books cover a wide range of subjects, from whether the Romans ate crisps to how to build the world's best skatepark, but he writes mostly about sport. Whether you are interested in swimming, cycling, snowboarding, surfing or another sport, Paul has probably written something that will inspire you to get out and give it a try. Paul writes in a shack by the beach, which he shares with his one-eyed surf dog, Daisy.

Michael Buxton (Illustrator)

Michael Buxton is a designer and illustrator with a wide portfolio including greetings cards, homeware and children's books. He produces quirky, fun designs with an emphasis on humour and while his work is mainly digital, he likes to keep a loose, hand-drawn feel. Michael loves to create characters and will take any chance he gets to draw monsters, cats or monster cats.



Learn Science with Mo: Human Body

Paul Mason (Illustrated By Michael Buxton)

Keynote

Learn all about the human body with Mo the Monster and his friends in this fun first science book for children aged 5+

Description

Learn all about the human body with Mo the Monster and his friends in this fun first science book for children aged 5+.

Mo knows very little about human body work, so today he is off to a sports contest to try a few sports himself, and learn about how different body parts work. But can Mo stay out of trouble while he's having so much fun? Don't count on it!

If a monster can understand science, anyone can! Join Mo the Monster as he discovers the basic principles of science. Along the way, Mo is kept focused (monsters are notoriously easily distracted) with the help of simple, clearly presented information, plenty of questions to answer and lots of science puzzles and activities.

The funny, colourful illustrations offer lots of scope for humour and interest to keep children engaged while they learn. Aimed at readers aged 5+.

Titles in the series: Energy/Forces and Magnets/Habitats/The Human Body/Life Cycles/Light and Shadows/Machines/Materials/States of Matter/Plants/The Seasons/Time

Contents

Monsters and humans
Weight-bearing bones
Shot put muscle power
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Top-shot sight
Judo-throw messaging
Marathon-swimming breathing
Sweaty runners
Snack time
Fuelling road racers
Blood transport
Mo picks a sport
Mo's training plan
Glossary
Books to read and Places to visit
Index and Answers

Sales Points

- Story-based approach with humorous characters makes science fun to learn, with plenty of interaction with the reader
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Summary of Contents

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Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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CBMC **B3N79**
 Age **5-7 years**
 Subject **Fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character **Non-character**
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **210x148**
 Depth **8mm**
 Extent **24 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Reading Champion**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles
 Little Red Hen's Pizza, 9781445174341
 Orange Jelly, 9781445174365
 The Best Crown Ever, 9781445174389
 The Monster in the Night, 9781445174426
 The Penguin Race, 9781445174235

Reading Champion: The Camping Trip Independent Reading Blue 4

Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Nathalia Rivera)

Keynote

This story is part of Reading Champion, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

Description

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

Mum and Dad want to go camping, but everything keeps going wrong, and Nish isn't keen on it ... will they go camping after all?

Reading Champion offers independent reading books for children to practise and reinforce their developing reading skills.

Fantastic, original stories are accompanied by engaging artwork and a reading activity. Each book has been carefully graded so that it can be matched to a child's reading ability, encouraging reading for pleasure. Perfect for 5-6 year olds or those reading book band blue 4.

Sales Points

- Developed in consultation with literacy experts Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)
- Original stories appropriate for the age group with precise guidance for use
- Clear text with considered design layout and bright illustrations are coupled with reading activities to support the reader and encourage reading for pleasure
- A section on using this book for independent reading provides tips and suggestions for supporting the child to read independently

Author Biography

Damian Harvey (Author)

Damian Harvey lives in North Wales with his lovely wife, Vicky. He has three wonderful daughters, one brilliant boy and a cat called Polly. He has written more than 130 books for primary school aged children and is busy writing more. When he isn't writing, Damian loves visiting schools, libraries, bookshops, festivals and anywhere that will have him, where he shares stories, talks about writing and gets people excited about books and reading. You can find out more about Damian by visiting <http://www.damianharvey.co.uk> and follow him on Twitter @damianjharvey

Nathalia Rivera (Illustrator)

Nathalia is a children's book illustrator from sunny Dominican Republic, currently working from her home studio in Santo Domingo alongside her dog Mimi. She has been drawing and painting since she was a kid and still remembers her first sketchbook. She has worked as an in-house illustrator for a children's magazine before she took the big leap to freelancing and since then she has been working on children's publications for different editorials, companies, organizations and authors such as DaySpring, Maverick Books, SM Editorial, Lexus, Save The Children, Learning Without Tears, Anya Damiron, Betzaida Urtaza, among others.

When she's not illustrating, she is probably baking something with lots of cinnamon in it, reading random facts, taking a walk or watching a movie for the fifth time.





Reading Champion: Little Red Hen's Pizza Independent Reading Blue 4

Sheryl Webster (Illustrated By Maxime Lebrun)

Keynote

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Description

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

In this funny retelling of the traditional tale, Little Red Hen is making pizza. Fox is far too busy to help her ... until the pizza is nearly ready to eat!

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Author Biography

Sheryl Webster (Author)

Sheryl lives in Liverpool with her husband Phil and four children Sean, Bethany, Joey and new arrival Katy.

Having completed a degree in English and Psychology she enjoyed working as a Primary School Teacher before going on a career break to bring up her young family. This also allowed more time for her passion of writing.

Sheryl's literary influences include Enid Blyton -whose books she loved as a child and now enjoys reading to her own children. She also admires the work of Julia Donaldson. However her greatest influences are her children - who provide the inspiration and ideas for most of her stories.

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CBMC	B3N79
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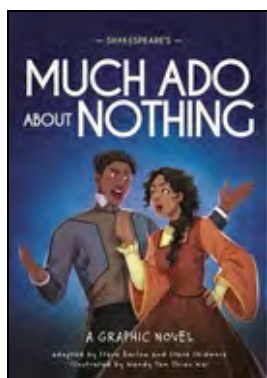
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CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	244x172
Depth	14mm
Extent	112 pages
Word Count	
Series	Classics in Graphics
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream
9781445180090

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Hamlet
9781445180052

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Macbeth
9781445180014

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9781445180113

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet
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9781445180038

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Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing A Graphic Novel

Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore (Illustrated By Wendy Tan Shiao Wei)

Keynote

Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* like you've never seen it - or read it - before, in pitch-perfect graphic novel form

Description

Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* like you've never seen it - or read it - before!

***Classics in Graphics: Much Ado About Nothing* has been adapted into a graphic novel by expert authors, Steve Skidmore and Steve Barlow, with illustrations by Wendy Tan Shiao Wei. The famous battle of wits and misunderstandings reads like your favourite film on the page - as confusion abounds, compounds and finally untangles.**

Classics in Graphics is a series of graphic novels for children aged 10 plus that has **inclusion** at its heart, flinging wide the doors of literature for everyone to enter and understand. Including **dyslexia-friendly design** on every page, and encouraging readers to **relate** to these iconic roles - casting spells, falling in love and winning duels.

Each graphic novel includes pitch-perfect illustrations for presenting the tragic, the romantic, the comedic, the magical, as well as:

- snappy simplified text presenting Shakespeare's themes clearly
- introductory materials to help set the scene and context of each story
- heaps of extra material at the back to keep the learning and fun going, including an exploration of themes in the play, the language, Shakespeare's inspirations, the publication and performance of the play in history, a timeline of Shakespeare's life and works, and much more!

Plays available in the series include:

Macbeth
The Tempest
Hamlet
Romeo and Juliet
A Midsummer Night's Dream
Much Ado About Nothing

Praise for the Classics in Graphics series:

"Excellent production and binding, quality paper, and with fantastic writing and illustrations - an encouraging entry point to Shakespeare for my kids, and ease of dive-in for my own fighting or cursory storytelling engagement/whimsy [...] an excellent job converting challenging language and literary themes to make it very inclusive, smoothing ease of understanding dialogue, plot, and narration without dumbing it down. Each book has a wonderful appendix including notes on Shakespeare, relevant maps and themes (i.e. for example in Hamlet it goes deeper into its themes of Revenge, Madness & Mortality), and a glossary. For a graphic novel adaptation, I think these books are delightful. [...] They are wonderful and have quickly broken down the wall of "fear of Shakespeare" in my house as they are so easy to read and engage. And they have a really nice tactile production value, heft, and readability that makes broaching these often deemed difficult works, FUN. And of course, they are nice to look at." - *Eric Williamson, www.leagueofcomicgeeks.com*

Sales Points

- From the author duo who've written over 250 books together for readers of all kinds, the 2Steves, including the iHero choose-your-own adventure series and many more graphic novels and hi-lo titles under the EDGE brand
- Valuable introductory and ending materials to enhance understanding of the context of each play and Shakespeare's genius - perfect for school or home-learning use
- This series has carefully pitched art styles to suit each play and appeal to a spectrum of readers, done by illustrators from a variety of countries around the world

Summary of Contents

William Shakespeare: The Man, the Actor, the Author / Much Ado About Nothing – The Play / Much Ado About Nothing / List of Main Characters: Dramatis Personae / Act One / Act Two / Act Three / Act Four / Act Five / The world of Much Ado About Nothing / Sources of Much Ado About Nothing / Themes in Much Ado About Nothing / Shakespeare's Language / Fun Facts / Publication / Performing the Play! / The Theatre / Glossary / Shakespeare Timeline

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Author Biography

Steve Barlow (Author)

As 50% of the Two Steves, Steve Barlow has written over 160 books with Steve Skidmore since their first published work appeared in 1988. Born in Crewe, he was educated at Crewe Grammar School, Warwick University and Nottingham University before a varied career in teaching, acting, stage management and puppetry. He worked in a village school in Botswana for four years before returning to the UK and working with Steve Skidmore. The Two Steves tour extensively in the UK and overseas, and are frequent visitors to book festivals including Edinburgh and Hay. Their work for Hachette includes the highly popular I Hero and Crime Team choose-your-adventure books, and their I Horror series is raising the short hairs at the back of readers' necks with Orchard Books.

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He lives in Leicester and is a great rugby fan (he supports Leicester Tigers - "Come on you Tiiiiigeeeeeers!").

Wendy Tan Shiau Wei (Illustrator)

Wendy Tan is a Chinese-Malaysian artist, born and raised in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Drawing has always been her interest, but she only started to draw passionately during high school. After this, Wendy took a design course and graduated from Saito College with a Diploma in Multimedia Design. Wendy's keen interest for storytelling began with film and animation during her time working as storyboard artist and visual development artist in the Malaysian animation industry. Today Wendy loves using illustration to tell stories through her work, often implementing dramatic color and light. During free time, she enjoys reading, traveling, spending time with family and her puppy, Lucky.

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Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Hamlet A Graphic Novel

Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore (Illustrated By Alessandro Valdrighi and Edu Rubio)

Keynote

Shakespeare's *Hamlet* like you've never seen it - or read it - before, in pitch-perfect graphic novel form

Description

Shakespeare's *Hamlet* like you've never seen it - or read it - before!

Classics in Graphics: Hamlet has been adapted into a graphic novel by expert authors, Steve Skidmore and Steve Barlow, with illustrations by Alessandro Valdrighi and Edu Rubio. The tragic mayhem swirls on the page - as Hamlet's life crumbles around him.

Classics in Graphics is a series of graphic novels for children aged 10 plus that has **inclusion** at its heart, flinging wide the doors of literature for everyone to enter and understand. Including **dyslexia-friendly design** on every page, and encouraging readers to **relate** to these iconic roles - casting spells, falling in love and winning duels.

Each graphic novel includes pitch-perfect illustrations for presenting the tragic, the romantic, the comedic, the magical, as well as:

- snappy simplified text presenting Shakespeare's themes clearly
- introductory materials to help set the scene and context of each story
- heaps of extra material at the back to keep the learning and fun going, including an exploration of themes in the play, the language, Shakespeare's inspirations, the publication and performance of the play in history, a timeline of Shakespeare's life and works, and much more!

Plays available in the series include:

Macbeth
The Tempest
Hamlet
Romeo and Juliet
A Midsummer Night's Dream
Much Ado About Nothing

Praise for the Classics in Graphics series:

"Excellent production and binding, quality paper, and with fantastic writing and illustrations - an encouraging entry point to Shakespeare for my kids, and ease of dive-in for my own flighting or cursory storytelling engagement/whimsy [...] an excellent job converting challenging language and literary themes to make it very inclusive, smoothing ease of understanding dialogue, plot, and narration without dumbing it down. Each book has a wonderful appendix including notes on Shakespeare, relevant maps and themes (i.e. for example in *Hamlet* it goes deeper into its themes of Revenge, Madness & Mortality), and a glossary. For a graphic novel adaptation, I think these books are delightful. [...] They are wonderful and have quickly broken down the wall of "fear of Shakespeare" in my house as they are so easy to read and engage. And they have a really nice tactile production value, heft, and readability that makes broaching these often deemed difficult works, FUN. And of course, they are nice to look at." - *Eric Williamson, www.leagueofcomicgeeks.com*

Sales Points

- From the author duo who've written over 250 books together for readers of all kinds, the 2Steves, including the iHero choose-your-own adventure series and many more graphic novels and hi-lo titles under the EDGE brand
- Valuable introductory and ending materials to enhance understanding of the context of each play and Shakespeare's genius - perfect for school or home-learning use
- This series has carefully pitched art styles to suit each play and appeal to a spectrum of readers, done by illustrators from a variety of countries around the world

Summary of Contents

William Shakespeare: The Man, the Actor, the Author / *Hamlet* – The Play / List of Main Characters: Dramatis Personae / Act One / Act Two / Act Three / Act Four / Act Five / Storytelling in *Hamlet* / *Hamlet* Sources / Themes in *Hamlet* / Shakespeare's Language / Fun Facts / Publication / Performing the Play! / Deadly Serious Fact / The Theatre / Glossary

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BIC 2.1	Educational: English literature (YQE) Comic strip fiction / graphic novels (Children's / Teenage) (YFW) For National Curriculum Key Stage 3 (4KHN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 4 & GCSE (4KHT) Interest age: from c 12 years (5AN)
CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	244x172
Depth	8mm
Extent	112 pages
Word Count	
Series	Classics in Graphics
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream
9781445180090

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Hamlet
9781445180052

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Macbeth
9781445180014

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing
9781445180113

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet
9781445180076

Classics in Graphics: Shakespeare's The Tempest
9781445180038

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
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US	Refer to Publisher

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Alessandro Valdrighi (Illustrator)

Alessandro was born in February 1980 in a beautiful little place called Castiglione della Pescaia, just by the sea. He studied in Florence and graduated with A Bachelor's degree from prestigious "Accademia delle Belle Arti" as a set designer. Before going to university, when he was a child, Alessandro started drawing by copying comics and illustrations from books. He believes that's the main reason he is able to tackle multiple styles and enjoys a challenge each respective style brings. He worked as a cartoonist, illustrator and concept artist (his favourite), with traditional and digital media. Alessandro also won a prize for his comic called "Lagrimas en la lluvia", featured as the best comic book publication published in Spain in 2011. He lives and works in Siena, with his wife and baby, and a crazy cat.

Edu Rubio (Illustrator)

Edu Rubio is a self-taught artist born in Mexico City. He has participated in more than 60 group exhibitions and 18 solo exhibitions in galleries, museums and art fairs in America, Europe and Asia as a painter and traditional draftsman, as well as a teacher. It was in Mexico when he began to investigate digital art production. In 2008 he moved to Madrid where, as a result of experimenting with digital media, he ventured into the world of editorial and advertising illustration. His work as an illustrator has been published by major European publishers as well as several brands. He currently lives between Madrid and a small mountain village in the province of Avila, where he can draw all day, eat well and breathe fresh air.

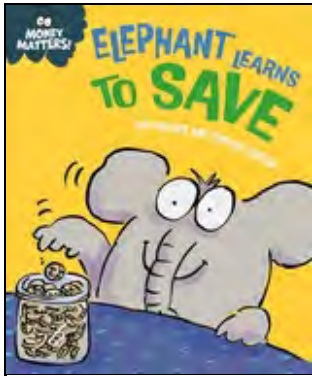
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Money Matters: Elephant Learns to Save

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the concept of saving money for young children

Description

***Elephant Learns to Save* offers a gentle introduction to the concept of saving money for young children.**

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to the benefit of saving up for something they want to buy. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children understand the concept.

Elephant's old bike is too small for him, and he really wants to buy a bigger one. But bikes cost lots of money, and Elephant likes spending his pocket money on sweets and comics. Gran teaches him ways to save his money.

The Money Matters series of picture books provide a gentle means of promoting concepts of money management, boosting self-esteem and reinforcing good behaviour. Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is also suitable for use with children in KS1 and can be used to discuss citizenship and values. Suitable for children under 5.

Sales Points

- Each story is backed up with suggestions for activities and ideas to talk about, consolidating learning by relating the story to the children's own experiences
- Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage

Reviews

- 'Excellent for sharing and encouraging discussion ... we can all learn from the approach taken in this series.' - *Parents in Touch*

Author Biography

Sue Graves (Author)

Sue Graves has been a freelance children's author for more than 17 years. She has written over two hundred books for children from pre-school up to 15+ years. She writes fiction and non-fiction, plays and poetry across the age ranges.

Sue loves reading all sorts of books and is at her happiest when she has a book in her hand. She also loves painting in watercolours, playing tennis and badminton and going for long walks in the country with her husband and children.

Trevor Dunton (Illustrator)

Illustrator and musician Trevor Dunton has loved drawing animals since he was in short trousers. OK, he was wearing short trousers yesterday, but it was a warm day and anyway, it's a figure of speech.

A keen tennis player and apiarist, if he isn't hitting the fluff of a ball, he can generally be found in a field in Kent serenading his bees.

Publication date **Thursday, February 08, 2024**
 Price **£12.99/Rs.1,050**
 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781445185552**
 BIC 2.1 **Money (Children's / Teenage) (YNPK)**
Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP)
For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF)
Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)

CBMC **B5N79**
 Age **5-7 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character **Non-character**
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Hardback**
 Format **236x195**
 Depth **8mm**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Illustrations **Full colour**
 Series **Money Matters**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

Elephant Learns to Save, 9781445185552
 Kangaroo Spends Wisely - 9781445186023
 Meerkat Earns Money - 9781445186047
 Panda Finds Out About Money - 9781445186078
 Cheetah Raises Money - 9781445187686
 Croc Borrows Money - 9781445187709

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 Audio **Refer to Publisher**
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 Film and TV **Refer to Publisher**
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 Translation **Refer to Publisher**
 Undramatised (straight) reading **Refer to Publisher**
 US **Refer to Publisher**



Where's the Easter Poo? A Search & Find Eggs-travaganza

Alex Hunter

Keynote

It's Easter and eggs aren't the only thing hiding! Can you find the Easter Bunny poo and his poo pals in this springtime search and find book?

Description

The Easter poos are on the loose! Can you find them hiding in this springtime search and find? Look for them amongst the flowers and trees, at the farm, in the chocolate factory and more ... With over 15 items to spot in each springy scene!

This egg-celent search and find from the bestselling creator of 'Where's the Poo?' is the perfect Easter gift!

Sales Points

- The 14th title in the *Where's the Poo?* series. We have seen total sell-in of a quarter of a million units across the range.
- The latest in the search and find IP series, to sit alongside *Where's the Poo?*, *Where's the Dinosaur Poo?* and *Where's the Animal Poo?*
- Colourful and detailed springtime scenes including flowers, farms, bunnies, chicks and chocolate!
- Five Easter poo characters to spot plus many bonus items in each scene
- A mix of search and find scenes and odd one out activities including furry chicks, bunnies and sheep poo characters.

Author Biography

Alex Hunter has loved playing hide and seek since childhood; and was so good at the game that Alex often hid for hours, emerging triumphantly only after everyone else had given up. By the age of 8, Alex was travelling the world to attend international hide and seek competitions, eventually becoming World Champion! These days, Alex loves nothing more than creating books with the best hide and seek games for children to enjoy.

Publication date	Thursday, February 15, 2024
Price	£7.99/Rs.599
EAN\ISBN-13	9781408372241
BIC 2.1	Interactive & activity books & packs (YBG) Easter (5HE) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF)
CBMC	B3L79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Activity Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	297x210
Depth	14mm
Extent	40 pages
Word Count	
Series	Where's the Poo...?
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

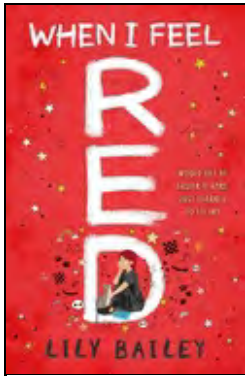
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 Price **£7.99/Rs.599**
 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781510109933**
 BIC 2.1 **Family & home stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c-9 years (5AK)**

CBMC **D3N79**
 Age **9-11 years Fiction**
 Subject **Ordinary Printed Book Format Non-character Non Tie-in**
 Type

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **368 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles
 When I See Blue

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 Audio **Refer to Publisher**
 Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**
 Electronic **Refer to Publisher**
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When I Feel Red

Lily Bailey

Keynote

An uplifting middle-grade story with a charming dyspraxic main character that celebrates individuality and finding your place in the world. Perfect for fans of Elle McNicoll.

Description

'I feel like I'm always ... last. Like I'm running to try and keep up with everyone but it's no good.'

April has always marched to the beat of her own drum, but would life be easier if she learned to fit in? Now that she's in Year 8, things have got even worse. She's much more likely to be trying to rescue an animal in need than worrying about who's dating who at school, which April just finds BORING. Plus, her lessons feel like they're in a foreign language, and it suddenly seems impossible to make it through the week without landing in detention.

As family worries and classroom romances ramp up, it feels like everyone around her is pulling away - even her best friend Ben. But when the pressure's on, can she find a way to fit in *and* still be true to herself?

An empowering follow up to *When I See Blue* about finding your place in the world from the inspiring author and mental health activist, Lily Bailey. Perfect for fans of Elle McNicoll.

Sales Points

- A heartfelt middle-grade story told with honest and authentic writing tackling universal themes such as identity, dealing with emotions and navigating friendships
- Reflects the confusing transition from childhood to teenager - through the eyes of an extremely relatable character
- Cast has a diversity of race, neurodivergent and LGBTQ representation
- Deals with issues such as dyspraxia and how school can be extra challenging for those who don't 'fit the mould'

Author Biography

Lily Bailey is a writer. She first became a journalist in London in 2012, editing a news site and writing features and fashion articles for local publications including the *Richmond Magazine* and the *Kingston Magazine*.

As a child and teenager, Lily suffered from severe Obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD). She kept her illness private, until the widespread misunderstanding of the disorder spurred her into action. In 2014 she began campaigning for better awareness and understanding of OCD. Her first book, *Because We Are Bad* (May 2016), recounts her experience of OCD, and was published in the UK, US, Australia and Germany. In 2019, she was awarded the Illumination Award, which is presented by the IOCDF to media personalities and influencers who have accurately and respectfully represented OCD and related disorders. She continues to write and speak publicly about OCD and mental illness, and blogs for *Psychology Today*.

Lily grew up in London, she now lives in Kent with her dog Rocky and her partner. She enjoys watching *Doctor Who*, swimming and playing chess (not very well). Lily usually prefers dogs to people and can ride a tandem bicycle. She is a former model, which she makes up for by being deeply uncool.

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Easter Jokes for Kids Over 300 egg-cellent jokes!

Elle Owell

Keynote

These egg-cellent Easter jokes will crack you up!

Description

How do you send a letter to the Easter bunny?
By hare mail!

What do you call a mischievous Easter egg?
A practical yolker!

Entertain your friends and family with these side-splitting jokes, guaranteed to add eggs-tra fun to Easter!

This joke book is packed with over 300 hilarious jokes about chocolate eggs, the Easter bunny and springtime silliness. These jokes will be the hoppiest addition to your Easter celebrations, guaranteed to bring joy to the whole family.

Sales Points

- A fun Easter treat for kids this Spring
- Pocket money purchase
- Over 300 hilarious Easter jokes suitable for children
- Illustrated with funny black and white artwork dotted throughout

Author Biography

Elle's school teachers said she would never amount to anything by being the class clown. But they were wrong. Today Elle is a professional jokester who spends her days writing hilarious kid's books.

Publication date **Thursday, February 15, 2024**
Price **£6.99/Rs.550**
EAN\ISBN-13 **9781408373897**
BIC 2.1 **Humour & jokes (Children's / Teenage) (YNU) Easter (5HE) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)**

CBMC **C5N79**
Age **7-9 years**
Subject **Non-fiction**
Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character **Non-character**
Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Extent **96 pages**

Word Count
Series **Joke Books for Kids**

Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

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**

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Podcast **Refer to Publisher**

Translation **Refer to Publisher**

Undramatised (straight) reading **Refer to Publisher**

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Reading Champion: Beetle Wants to Fly Independent Reading Green 5

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Elisa Patrissi)

Keynote

This story is part of Reading Champion, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

Description

This story is part of Reading Champion, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

Reading Champion offers independent reading books for children to practise and reinforce their developing reading skills.

Fantastic, original stories are accompanied by engaging artwork and a reading activity. Each book has been carefully graded so that it can be matched to a child's reading ability, encouraging reading for pleasure.

Sales Points

- Developed in consultation with literacy experts Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)
- Original stories appropriate for the age group with precise guidance for use
- Clear text with considered design layout and bright illustrations are coupled with reading activities to support the reader and encourage reading for pleasure
- A section on using this book for independent reading provides tips and suggestions for supporting the child to read independently

Author Biography

Jackie Walter (Author)

Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

Elisa Patrissi (Illustrator)

Elisa Patrissi graduated in fine arts in 2005 at the Academy of Fine Arts in Turin and later in 2008 at the European Institute of Design in Illustration. Since 2009 she has worked in a variety of areas in illustration and graphic design: advertising, education books, illustration for children, and animation.

Publication date	Thursday, February 22, 2024
Price	£5.99/Rs.499
EAN\ISBN-13	9781445174648
BIC 2.1	Educational: English language: readers & reading schemes (YQCR) English (2AB) 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	210x148
Depth	6mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Reading Champion: The Three Little Rats Independent Reading Orange 6

Damian Harvey

Keynote

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

Description

This story is part of Reading Champion, a series carefully linked to book bands to encourage independent reading skills, developed with Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL Institute of Education (IOE)

In this new story based on The Three Little Pigs fairy tale, Three Little Rats leave their mum to make their own homes, closely followed by the farmer's cat!

Fantastic, original stories are accompanied by engaging artwork and a reading activity. Each book has been carefully graded so that it can be matched to a child's reading ability, encouraging reading for pleasure. Perfect for 5-7 year olds or those reading book band purple 8.

Sales Points

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Author Biography

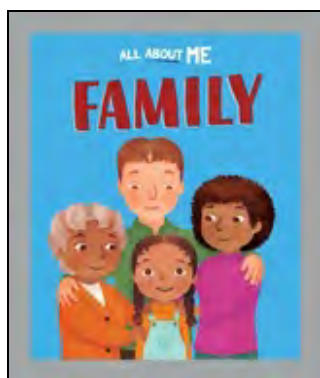
Damian Harvey lives in North Wales with his lovely wife, Vicky. He has three wonderful daughters, one brilliant boy and a cat called Polly. He has written more than 130 books for primary school aged children and is busy writing more. When he isn't writing, Damian loves visiting schools, libraries, bookshops, festivals and anywhere that will have him, where he shares stories, talks about writing and gets people excited about books and reading. You can find out more about Damian by visiting <http://www.damianharvey.co.uk> and follow him on Twitter @damianjharvey

Publication date	Thursday, February 22, 2024
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EAN\ISBN-13	9781445189345
BIC 2.1	Educational: English language: readers & reading schemes (YQCR) Traditional stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFJ) English (2AB) 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	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Orange Lamb
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Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



Publication date **Thursday, February 22, 2024**
 Price **£8.99/Rs.699**
 EAN\ISBN-13 **9781445186672**
 BIC 2.1 **Personal & social issues: family issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)**

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 **236x195**
 Depth **6mm**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **All About Me**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

All About Me: Family

Dan Lester (Illustrated By Madeleine Marie)

Keynote

Helping young children to understand about themselves, their body and their health

Description

With very low level text, these books are simple introductions to how children can look after themselves and their physical and mental health. Questions throughout encourage children to talk about their ideas and experiences and engage children with the topic.

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Sales Points

- Low-level text makes these fun to read together or alone.
- Includes teaching notes and activities written by educational consultant and author, Maureen Gallagher

Author Biography

Dan Lester (Author)

Dan Lester worked for many years as an editor and has written many books for children

Madeleine Marie (Illustrator)

Madeleine Marie was born in Sao Paulo, Brazil while her parents were teaching internationally. The family soon moved to a small New England town in Rhode Island where Madeleine still enjoys long walks on the beach with her tiny but formidable Yorkie, Bear. Although Madeleine's initial aspiration as a child was to grow up to be a baby elephant, enough re-reads of Maurice Sendak's "Where the Wild Things Are" convinced her she would be better suited as a children's book illustrator. She studied both Fine Arts and English at the University of Pennsylvania and Kings College London where she honed her skills as a painter, animator, and digital artist.

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Reading Champion: The Dog Prince Independent Reading Orange 6

Jackie Walter

Keynote

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Description

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Author Biography

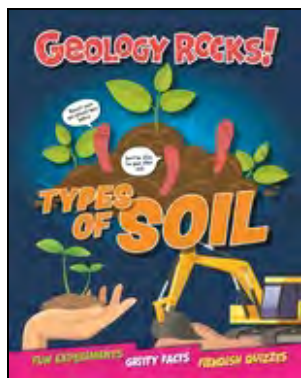
Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

Publication date	Thursday, February 22, 2024
Price	£9.99/Rs.799
EAN\ISBN-13	9781445189321
BIC 2.1	Educational: English language: readers & reading schemes (YQCR) Traditional stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFJ) English (2AB) 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	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Geology Rocks!: Types of Soil

Izzi Howell

Keynote

Explore the building blocks of our planet with fun jokes, cartoons and hands-on activities

Description

Explore the building blocks of our planet with fun jokes, cartoons and hands-on activities.

Find out more about different types of soil and how soil is formed. Explore different soil horizons (layers) and discover what they are made of. Learn how living things help to break down soil and how soil helps plants to grow.

This book is part of the *Geology Rocks* series. This collection of books examines the Earth's make up, from the different types of rock it is made from to discovering the structure of the planet itself and how tectonic plates relate to earthquakes and volcanoes.

Perfect for readers 7 and up.

Sales Points

- Magazine-like design is eye-catching and engaging
- Step-by-step activities

Summary of Contents

What is soil? / Soil formation / Soil layers / Super soil / Breaking it down / Soil and plants / Clay soil / Sandy soil / Chalky soil / Other soils / Threats / Studying soil / Quick quiz answers / Now test your knowledge! / Glossary / Further reading / Index

Author Biography

Izzi Howell is an award-winning author and editor of over fifty children's books. She lives in East Sussex and enjoys learning languages, cooking and travelling around Europe. Her book *Cats React to Science Facts* was the winner of the Best Laugh Out Loud Book for 6-8 year-olds award at The Lollies and winner of The Royal Society Young People's Book Prize in 2020.

Publication date	Thursday, February 22, 2024
Price	£8.99/Rs.699
EAN\ISBN-13	9781526321411
BIC 2.1	Natural history (Children's/ Teenage) (YNN) People & places (Children's / Teenage) (YNM) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)

CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	265x210
Depth	14mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Geology Rocks!
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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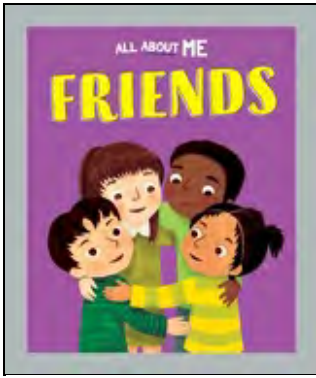
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May 2023
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9781526321435 Types of Soil

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Author Biography

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Publication date	Thursday, February 22, 2024
Price	£8.99/Rs.699
EAN\ISBN-13	9781445186665
BIC 2.1	Personal & social issues: self-awareness & self-esteem (Children's / Teenage) (YXL)
	For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF)
	Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)

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	236x195
Depth	4mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	All About Me
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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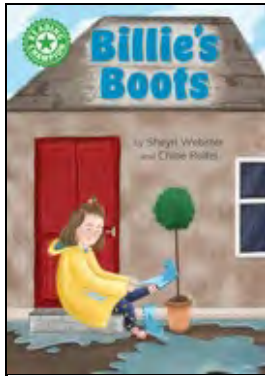
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Reading Champion: Billie's Boots Independent Reading Green 5

Sheryl Webster (Illustrated By Chloe Rolfe)

Keynote

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Author Biography

Sheryl lives in Liverpool with her husband Phil and four children Sean, Bethany, Joey and new arrival Katy.

Having completed a degree in English and Psychology she enjoyed working as a Primary School Teacher before going on a career break to bring up her young family. This also allowed more time for her passion of writing.

Sheryl's literary influences include Enid Blyton -whose books she loved as a child and now enjoys reading to her own children. She also admires the work of Julia Donaldson. However her greatest influences are her children - who provide the inspiration and ideas for most of her stories.

Publication date	Thursday, February 22, 2024
Price	£5.99/Rs.499
EAN\ISBN-13	9781445175928
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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
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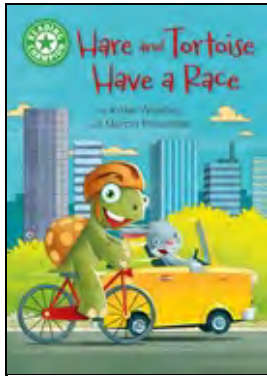
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Reading Champion: Hare and Tortoise Have a Race Independent Reading Green 5

Katie Woolley (Illustrated By Marcin Poludniak)

Keynote

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In this twist on the traditional Aesop fable *The Hare and the Tortoise*, Hare and Tortoise decide to have a race. Hare has a fast car and Tortoise has a slow bike. Hare is sure he will win!

Sales Points

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- Clear text with considered design layout and bright illustrations are coupled with reading activities to support the reader and encourage reading for pleasure
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Author Biography

Katie Woolley (Author)

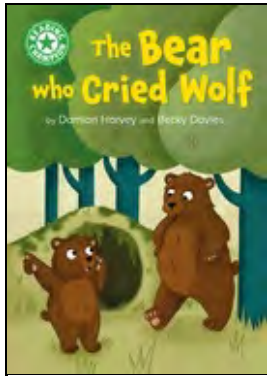
Katie Woolley is a creative and versatile editor and writer who has worked on children's books for all age levels, from board books, novelty books and picture books to non-fiction, licensed publishing and educational books and apps. Katie has more than 10 years' publishing experience; she has written, commissioned, edited and project managed a variety of titles for some of the biggest children's publishers, such as Ladybird Books and Hachette Children's Books.

Publication date	Thursday, February 22, 2024
Price	£9.99/Rs.799
EAN\ISBN-13	9781445189246
BIC 2.1	Educational: English language: readers & reading schemes (YQCR) Traditional stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFJ) English (2AB) 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 Format	Hardback 210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

The Enormous Potato,
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9781445189208
The Pirates' Three Wishes,
9781445189222
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9781445189284
The Big, Hungry Pancake,
9781445189307

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2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
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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



Reading Champion: The Bear who Cried Wolf Independent Reading Green 5

Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Becky Davies)

Keynote

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In this twist on the traditional Aesop fable *The Boy who Cried Wolf*, Baby Bear is bored waiting for his mother to return and decides to trick her by pretending a wolf has come...

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Author Biography

Damian Harvey (Author)

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How to Support Your Anxious Child A Practical Guide for Parents and Carers

Poppy O'Neill

Description

A gentle, practical guide for parents and carers of anxious children who are finding it difficult to navigate their child's worries

Children are often reluctant to speak about their worries or don't have the language to articulate them. This makes it difficult to know how serious their concerns are and how you can support them. A child's worries can also be projected onto the caregiver, which can create a cycle of anxiety in the relationship.

This guide offers quick-to-action parenting solutions, effective coping strategies and simple lifestyle changes to help you help your child express their feelings and manage their anxiety by building resilience and self-confidence for life.

Inside this book, you will learn how to:

- Identify the source of your child's anxiety
- Help your child practise calming techniques when they feel anxious
- Teach your child simple relaxation exercises
- Instil good habits in your child's routine, including better sleep and diet
- Know when to seek support

Sales Points

- One in four children will suffer from anxiety at some point in their young lives.
- This revised and updated edition contains tips to help you help your child express their anxiety as well as coping strategies and simple lifestyle changes to help them manage it.
- Poppy's previous children's mental health titles, *Don't Worry, Be Happy* (ISBN: 9781786852366) and *You're a Star* (ISBN: 9781786852359), have sold over 380,000 copies combined.

Author Biography

Poppy O'Neill has written several books on mental well-being for children and adults, including Amazon bestsellers *Don't Worry, Be Happy* and *You're a Star*. Find her online at poppyoneill.wordpress.com.

Publication date	Thursday, February 08, 2024
Price	£10.99/Rs.899
EAN\ISBN-13	9781837991679
BIC 2.1	Child care & upbringing (VFXC) Coping with anxiety & phobias (VFJP) Personal & social issues: self-awareness & self-esteem (Children's / Teenage) (YXL) Personal & social issues: body & health (Children's / Teenage) (YXA)
Binding	Paperback
Format	175x125
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	1700 words
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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Officially Retired Hilarious Quips and Quotes for the Newly Retired Ted Heybridge

Description

Celebrate surviving the nine to five with this hilarious collection of quotes, quips and statements

Congratulations, you've retired! It's time to celebrate your freedom. Whether you have grand plans to travel the world or want to move into the slow lane, you can now enjoy trading in the work grind for doing whatever you want to do.

Make the most of all your new free time with *Officially Retired*, a funny book of quotes, quips and statements on the joys and tribulations of retirement. In this delightful little book, you will find witty observations on all aspects of retirement, including:

- Embracing sleeping in and banishing the alarm clock
- The challenges of keeping up with technology
- The fleeing hair follicles
- Being the only person happy on a Monday

Perfect for anyone who wants to find humour in their golden years, or as a gift for someone about to escape the rat race, this little book is here to provide laughter and fun during your seven-day weekends. It's time to put your feet up, relax and enjoy this side-splitting little book.

Sales Points

- This book will appeal to those who enjoyed *Retirement for Beginners* (ISBN: 9781849537513), which has sold more than 46,000 copies.
- With hilarious quotes and quips, this makes the perfect gift for new retirees or anyone thinking about retiring.
- Similar Summersdale titles include: *The Little Book of Retirement* (ISBN: 9781849538510); *The Retirement Puzzle Book* (ISBN: 9781800078390); *The Retirement Handbook* (ISBN: 9781787836983).

Publication date	Thursday, February 08, 2024
Price	£6.99/Rs.550
EAN\ISBN-13	9781837992126
BIC 2.1	Retirement (VSR) Gift books (WZG) Humour (WH) Dictionaries of quotations (GBCQ) Humour collections & anthologies (WHX)
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Format	136x101
Extent	160 pages
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Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

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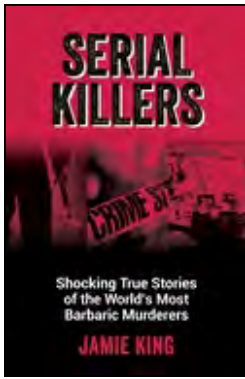
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Serial Killers Shocking True Stories of the World's Most Barbaric Murderers

Jamie King

Description

A gripping compendium of some of the world's most infamous and shocking mass murderers, such as John Wayne Gacy, the Boston Strangler, the Moors murderers and Harold Shipman, as well as some lesser-known figures

Who was the Zodiac Killer?
What drove Jeffrey Dahmer to dismember his 17 victims?
How many women really fell prey to Ted Bundy?

Maybe it's because our animal instincts draw us to dangerous situations; maybe it's because reading about predators allows us to learn about their behaviours in a safe setting. Whatever the reason, serial killers and their crimes have fascinated us for centuries.

This true crime compendium not only relates the disturbing events that transpired but also delves into the psychology of the perpetrators. The stories within are shocking and often difficult to comprehend, but with this deep dive into the world of the macabre, readers may gain a greater understanding of the motivations and thought processes of these murderers. This book is a must-read for anyone interested in the psychology of crime and the human mind.

Sales Points

- The appetite for true crime has increased exponentially over the last few years, with numerous podcasts, TV channels and series with record-breaking viewing figures now dedicated to the genre - with a particular fascination for serial killers.
- A Summersdale title with a similar style and approach, *Conspiracy Theories* (ISBN: 9781787835658), has sold over 54,000 copies.
- Other similar Summersdale titles include: *True Crime Stories* (ISBN: 9781837990078); *Paranormal Stories* (ISBN: 9781800071896); *Urban Legends* (ISBN: 9781800071063)

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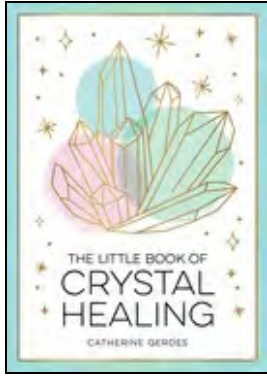
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The Little Book of Crystal Healing A Beginner's Guide to Harnessing the Healing Power of Crystals

Catherine Gerdes

Description

Invite balance, calm and positivity into your life by embracing the healing power of crystals

For thousands of years, human beings have been drawn to the beauty of crystals. With their long history, glorious colours and unique healing properties, it's little wonder our fascination with these mystical stones remains as powerful as ever.

Discover how crystals can bring harmony to your life with this pocket-sized guide, perfect for beginner and established crystal lovers alike. Whether you're looking to harness the nurturing qualities of jasper or the creative influence of citrine, there's really no end to what these natural treasures can do for you.

Inside this book you will find:

- A brief history of crystals
- Information on how to choose, cleanse, charge and look after them
- Tips and advice on how to use them in daily life
- A breakdown of the most essential crystals

Take the first step on your healing journey with the energies of amethyst, agate, jade, moonstone and many more. May these beautiful gems guide you to a more joyful, harmonious future.

Sales Points

- A beautiful guide to crystal healing, a subject that is growing in popularity, visibility and influence. Perfect for beginners and more seasoned crystal lovers alike.
- Contains fascinating history, simple care tips and profiles of the most essential crystals to help the reader make the most of their healing journey.
- A similar Summersdale title, *The Little Book of Crystals* (ISBN: 9781786859594), has sold over 90,000 copies.

Publication date	Thursday, February 08, 2024
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The Little Book for Wild Swimmers Reconnect With Your Wild Side and Discover the Healing Power of Swimming Outdoors

Laura Silverman

Description

Escape the frantic pace of the everyday, reconnect with your wild side and discover the healing power of swimming outdoors

Nature is a balm for both the body and soul - and nothing comes close to the exhilaration of that first stroke in a lake, river or sea. Whether you've already taken the plunge or simply want to dip a toe in, this beautiful book is brimming with all the tips and inspiration you need to harness the invigorating benefits of wild swimming. Within these pages you will discover:

- Why we are drawn to water, how it can wash away stress and enhance our well-being
- How to plan safe swims, finesse your kit bag and take the perfect underwater photo
- A collection of colour photographs of spectacular swim spots for your dip list

The great outdoors is waiting for you, so get out into the fresh air, find your way back to nature and set yourself free.

Sales Points

- This book will make the perfect gift for both novice and experienced wild swimmers, featuring beautiful colour photographs throughout as well as tips and inspirational words.
- Wild swimming is growing in popularity. A trends report by Outdoor Swimmer has estimated that participation has increased between 1.5 and 3 times since 2019 in the UK alone. According to Swim England, as of 2022 7.5 million people participate in wild swimming in the UK.
- Research suggests it is vital for our well-being to make time to get outdoors. Wild swimming in particular has drawn attention for its mental, physical and spiritual benefits.
- Other inspirational outdoor titles from Summersdale include *365 Ways to Go Wild* (ISBN: 9781787836785), *Go Camping* (ISBN: 9781800071780) and *Go Wild* (ISBN: 9781786857729).

Author Biography

Laura Silverman is an editor at *Country Living*, with a particular interest in well-being, wildlife and words. She lives in Hertfordshire with one cat and a serious number of books.

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The Witchcraft Colouring Book A Magickal Journey of Colour and Creativity

Summersdale Publishers

Description

Conjure creativity and magick with the colourful world of witchcraft

Walk the way of the witch with this crafty colouring book. Manifest your magick and conjure creativity with enchanting illustrations and mystical revelations, devised for those seeking to delve into the occult. Read about rituals, spells and practices while you fill in the charming patterns and designs. Turn the pages to embark on your witchcraft journey, embracing the magick your colouring casts...

Discover the different types of witches, the tools you'll need and the power you already possess in this bewitching book. Through covens and cauldrons, and now colour, witches can channel their power and hone their practice. This colouring book features intricate illustrations alongside mystical quotes and "toil-and-trouble" text to inform and inspire aspiring or more seasoned witches.

Inside, you'll colour:

- Green, Sea and Cosmic Witches (just to name a few!)
 - A witch's toolkit
 - A collection of crystals
 - Spell swoops
- And lots more!

Sales Points

- Similar Summersdale titles, *The Little Book of Witchcraft* (ISBN: 9781800074071) and *The Little Book of Spells* (ISBN: 9781786857996), have sold over 60,000 copies combined.
- Both witchcraft and colouring books have seen recent surges in popularity, led by TikTok trends and demand for mindfulness practices. Other new Summersdale modern-witchcraft-themed titles include *The Baby Witch's Journal* (ISBN: 9781800077140) and *Hocus Focus* (ISBN: 9781837991884).

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