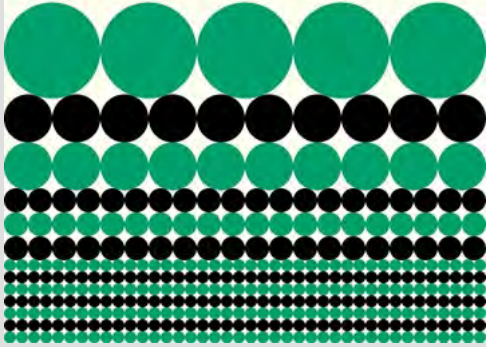


Author of the multi-million bestselling classic

Psycho-Cybernetics 365

Thrive & Grow
Every Day of the Year

Maxwell Maltz With Matt Furey, president of the Psycho-Cybernetics Foundation



REVIEWS

'PRAISE FOR *PSYCHO-CYBERNETICS*' - :

'The self-help classic' - *Independent*

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Thrive and Grow Every Day of the Year

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KEYNOTE

A book of daily wisdom drawn from the bestselling personal development classic *Psycho-Cybernetics*

SALES POINTS

- A self-help classic, *Psycho-Cybernetics* has been in print since 1960 and has sold over 30 million copies worldwide.
- *Psycho-Cybernetics* has been highly influential on subsequent generations of self-help authors, from James Clear to Tony Robbins.
- *Psycho-Cybernetics 365* takes Maltz's bestselling philosophy and breaks it into bite-sized pieces, perfect for anyone looking for manageable, easy-to-follow steps to an enriched life.
- Strong backlist potential: *Psycho-Cybernetics* is one of the bestselling titles on the Souvenir backlist.

DESCRIPTION

'Maltz's work influenced nearly every major "self-help" professional from Zig Ziglar to Brian Tracy to Tony Robbins' James Clear, author of *Atomic Habits*

The proven formula for a year of success.

In 1960, Maxwell Maltz introduced to the world his revolutionary theory of psycho-cybernetics: by taking control of your own thoughts, you can achieve greater peace of mind, success, and happiness. Since then, Maltz's works have changed the lives of more than 30 million readers.

Psycho-Cybernetics 365 distils Maxwell Maltz's wisdom into easy-to-digest daily entries, offering readers a short chapter of wisdom for every day of the year. Drawing on Maltz's techniques for improving and managing self-image visualisation, mental rehearsal and relaxation, it is essential reading for anyone looking to live their most fulfilled life.

Featuring commentary by Matt Furey, a Maltz scholar and president of the Psycho-Cybernetics Foundation, *Psycho-Cybernetics 365* is an inspiring set of daily meditations that will allow you to bring Maxwell Maltz's timeless wisdom into your everyday life.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Dr Maxwell Maltz was an internationally renowned plastic surgeon, professor and author of both fiction and non-fiction. In 1960 he published the self-help classic *Psycho-Cybernetics*, which has sold millions of copies in dozens of languages. He died in 1975.

Matt Furey is president of the Psycho-Cybernetics Foundation. He is committed to preserving and extending the legacy of Maltz's work with sold-out seminars and coaching programmes.

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Love Arranged

Lauren Asher

Keynote

The third book in Lauren Asher's Lakefront Billionaires series

Description

<H2>Meet the Lakefront Billionaires . . .</H2>

Get ready for another addictive romance from *Sunday Times* bestselling author and TikTok sensation, Lauren Asher - the final book in the Lakefront Billionaires series.

Lorenzo

Five months. Two people 'in love'. One fake relationship with an expiration date.

Sounds simple enough.

The problem is, Lily Muñoz and I have history.

So, when she volunteers to date me so I can improve my public image, I should say no.

Our past complicates everything, but since my future depends on her, I agree to her plan.

Faking it for the public is expected, but falling in love in private?

That isn't part of our arrangement.

Lily

Using a dating app sounded like a great idea, up until I discovered Lorenzo Vittori was my match.

My sister's boyfriend hates him. My mom is wary of him.

And me? I've spent the last year avoiding him.

But when my business is threatened, I'm forced into teaming up with Lorenzo to save it.

All I need to do is help him win the mayoral election, and he promises to protect my shop.

It doesn't take me long to learn that I'm not cut out for fake relationships, but Lorenzo?

He isn't capable of a real one.

<H3>'Lauren Asher is an expert at giving readers everything they could ever want in a romance book. It's impossible to avoid becoming addicted to the world she builds' Hannah Grace</H3>

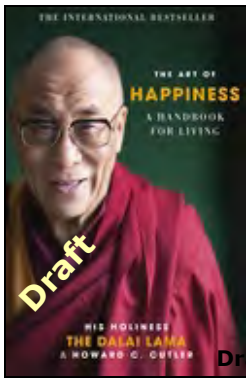
Sales Points

- Lauren Asher is a *Sunday Times*, *New York Times*, internationally bestselling author and TikTok phenomenon. This is the third book in her new spin-off series, Lakefront Billionaires. Delivering more of the spicy, addictive romance readers have come to know and love her for.
- TikTok views (as of August 23)
#laurenasher 308.5m
#laurenasherbooks 40m
#dreamlandbillionaires 126.7m
#dreamlandbillionairesseries 14.5m
#lakefrontbillionaires 315.5k (no books from this series yet released)
- We've sold over 1.5 million copies of Lauren Asher's books around the world and fans are eagerly awaiting the final book in the Lakefront Billionaires series. So far we've sold over 300k copies of the Lakefront Billionaires series.
- Lauren's previous book, *Love Unwritten*, was an instant *Sunday Times* bestseller

Author Biography

Plagued with an overactive imagination, Lauren spends her free time reading and writing. Her dream is to travel to all the places she writes about. She enjoys writing about flawed yet relatable characters you can't help loving. She likes sharing fast-paced stories with angst, steam, and the emotional spectrum.

Her extra-curricular activities include watching YouTube, binging old episodes of Parks and Rec, and searching Yelp for new restaurants before choosing her trusted favorite. She works best after her morning coffee and will never deny a nap.



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The Art of Happiness (HB) A Handbook for Living

The Dalai Lama and Howard C. Cutler

Keynote

In this unique and important book, one of the world's great spiritual leaders offers his practical wisdom and advice on how we can overcome everyday human problems and achieve lasting happiness.

Description

In this unique and important book, one of the world's great spiritual leaders offers his practical wisdom and advice on how we can overcome everyday human problems and achieve lasting happiness.

The Art of Happiness is a highly accessible guide for a western audience, combining the Dalai Lama's eastern spiritual tradition with Dr Howard C. Cutler's western perspective. Covering all key areas of human experience, they apply the principles of Tibetan Buddhism to everyday problems and reveal how one can find balance and complete spiritual and mental freedom.

For the many who wish to understand more about the Dalai Lama's approach to living, there has never been a book which brings his beliefs so vividly into the real world.

Sales Points

- The Dalai Lama's first self-help book to appeal to a wide general readership
- His fame has extended still wider since the recent release of *Seven Years in Tibet* and Scorsese's *Kundun* - a film based on the Dalai Lama's early years
- The Tibetan Book of Living & Dying - a similar handbook - has sold in excess of 100,000 copies
- The Dalai Lama is one of the most respected spiritual leaders in the world today
- The collaboration with Howard Cutler provides a clear, Western perspective on an Eastern spiritual tradition

Author Biography

The Dalai Lama is one of the world's great spiritual leaders. The recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize and many other international awards, he receives constant and extensive media coverage.

Howard C. Cutler is a psychiatrist who has had an interest in Buddhism for over 25 years. He has strong ties with the Tibetan community and was chosen by the Dalai Lama to present and interpret his ideas in this book for a wider non-Buddhist audience.

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The Invisible Parade

Leigh Bardugo (Illustrated By John Picacio)

Keynote

It's time to join the party! Adventure awaits readers of all ages on Día de Muertos in this stunningly original and lushly illustrated tour de force about family, love, and overcoming grief from #1 bestselling superstar Leigh Bardugo and World Fantasy Award and Hugo Award-winner John Picacio.

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*Everyone in the neighborhood was getting ready for the party.
Everyone knew somebody on the guest list. . . .
This was the day the dead returned.*

There's a party tonight, but Cala doesn't want to go. While her family prepares for the celebration, Cala grieves her grandfather and tries to pretend she's not afraid.

But when she is separated from her family at the cemetery, Cala encounters four mysterious riders who will show her she is actually quite brave after all.

Brimming with magic and humor, *The Invisible Parade* is the first picture-book collaboration between award-winner John Picacio and *New York Times* bestselling Leigh Bardugo. Set on the night of Día de Muertos, Cala's story is one of love, loss, and the courage that can be found in unexpected places.

Sales Points

- **DREAM COLLABORATION:** Leigh is the #1 bestselling author of the Grishaverse books and John is an award-winning illustrator of fantasy and science fiction. This combination positions this book for a great and successful launch. This is also Leigh and John's debut picture book.
- **BUILT-IN FANBASE:** Leigh has a built-in and dedicated fanbase that will be drawn to her books even in this younger format. Many of her fans are adults with children who may see this as a chance to introduce their young reader to their favourite author.
- **PROMOTIONAL MOMENT/GIFT BOOK:** This gorgeously illustrated book includes an impressive double gatefold.
- **REPRESENTATION:** An impressive addition to Day of the Dead picture books. The illustrator is Mexican American. For educational purposes, can be used to teach young readers about The Day of the Dead and finding strength in the face of grief.
- **WIDE GIFTING APPEAL:** This gorgeously covetable and sumptuously illustrated picture book will appeal to readers of all ages. Bardugo YA fantasy fans will adore the narrative set at night on Dia de Muertos in this stunning new story.

Author Biography

Leigh Bardugo (Author)

LEIGH BARDUGO is the No. 1 *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The Familiar* and the Ninth House series, and the creator of the Grishaverse, which spans the Shadow and Bone trilogy (now a Netflix series), the Six of Crows duology, the King of Scars duology- and much more. Her short fiction has appeared in multiple anthologies, including *The Best American Science Fiction and Fantasy*. She lives in Los Angeles and is an associate fellow of Pauli Murray College at Yale University.

John Picacio (Author, Illustrator)

John Picacio is a World Fantasy Award- and Hugo Award-winning artist who has created book illustrations for major works by George R.R. Martin, Rebecca Roanhorse, and many more. He's the founder of the Mexicanx Initiative, spearheading the journeys of more than forty Mexican and Mexican American creators into the wider awareness of fantasy and science fiction audiences. John lives in San Antonio, Texas, in the USA.

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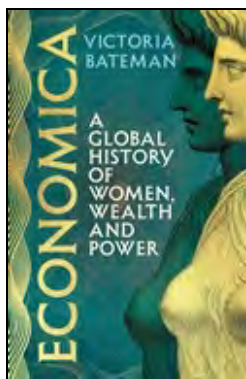
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ECONOMICA

A global history of women, wealth and power

Victoria Bateman

Keynote

A groundbreaking economic history of the world told through stories of the forgotten women who powered it.

Description

The untold story of how women made the world rich from historian Victoria Bateman

Humanity's journey from poverty to prosperity is filled with men who have become household names, but **how many female entrepreneurs, merchants and industrialists can you name?** You would be forgiven for thinking that, until very recently, there were none.

But what about Phryne, the richest woman in Ancient Athens, who offered to pay to rebuild the walls of Thebes after the city was razed to the ground by Alexander the Great? Or the canny businesswoman Khadijah, better known as the first wife of Muhammad, who employed him to look after her troop of trading caravans? Or Ching Shih, a sex-worker turned pirate who amassed a fleet of ships that controlled trade in the South China Sea?

And, just as importantly, what about the everyday women who laboured for the profit of others - the bare-breasted female coal miners of the British Industrial Revolution, the 'convict maids' who laid the foundations of modern-day Australia, the female market-traders of Senegal, and the women who have toiled in many a sweatshop or paddy-field in South and East Asia?

Women have never been 'missing' from economic life - they were simply hidden from view by those writing the history books. In *ECONOMICA* Victoria Bateman rescues them from obscurity, charting the vital role women have played, from hunter-gatherers to AI engineers, in a thrilling, globe-spanning narrative that rewrites our understanding of economic history.

***ECONOMICA* isn't simply a history of women; it is a more accurate history of us all.**

Sales Points

- **Feminist revisionist histories are seeing continued success.** Comps include: *The Story of Art Without Men*, *Femina* and *Unwell Women*.
- **Expert author:** Victoria Bateman has taught at both the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, including as **Director of Studies in Economics and Lecturer in Economic History**. She is a **resident economic historian** on the BBC Radio 4 series *Understand: The Economy* and acts as a **historical consultant to a major television production company**.
- **Mass appeal:** *ECONOMICA* is **worldwide in scope** and begins with the very first hunter-gatherers and takes us all the way up to modern day economic life.

Reviews

- 'The economic history of that half of humankind has broken out of its ghetto. The time has come for Victoria Bateman's **comprehensive** stocktaking-of how women figured in the economy, from the caves to the computers. And the time has come for you to read it.' - Professor Deirdre McCloskey

Author Biography

Victoria Bateman is author of the critically acclaimed *Naked Feminism: Breaking the Cult of Female Modesty* (Polity, 2023) and *The Sex Factor: How Women Made the West Rich* (Polity, 2019). She is resident economic historian on the BBC Radio 4 series *Understand: The Economy* and acts as a historical consultant to a major television production company. She has taught at the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, including as Director of Studies in Economics and Lecturer in Economic History. Victoria has been profiled by *The Times* and *Daily Mail*, has written for national and international press, including the *Guardian*, *i*, *Telegraph* and *Bloomberg*, and has appeared on numerous occasions on radio and television.

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Undramatised (straight) reading	Headline Publishing Group
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Break Room

A gripping and darkly funny game show thriller from the biggest star in Korean fiction

Miye Lee

Keynote

A gripping and incisive psychological drama from the internationally bestselling author of *DallerGut Dream Department Store*, set against the backdrop of a seven-day reality show where eight people discover that they have been selected as 'break room villains' from their respective workplaces.

Description

WHO IS THE BIGGEST VILLAIN IN YOUR OFFICE?

A gripping and incisive psychological drama from the internationally bestselling author of *DallerGut Dream Department Store*.

Eight unsuspecting people receive an invitation to participate in a mysterious new reality show called Break Room. But what starts as an opportunity for fame is quickly revealed to be something far more unsettling when they learn how they were chosen - voted in by their own co-workers as the people they'd least like to share a break room with.

But there's another twist. Among them is an imposter - a mole planted by the show's producers. The only way to win the prize money is to uncover the saboteur before time runs out.

Labelled as "villains", the participants are left to grapple with the alarming realisation that their actions might be perceived differently by others. As alliances shift and paranoia festers, the contestants begin to realise that the true challenge isn't surviving the show - it's facing their own selves.

Welcome . . . Step into the world of the reality show, Break Room, where every smile hides suspicion, and every word could be a clue.

Sales Points

- **NEW NOVEL FROM BESTSELLING KOREAN AUTHOR:** This is the latest novel by the bestselling author of the *DallerGut Dream Department Story* duology, and shows her break away from the K-healing fiction genre.
- **WORKPLACE SATIRE:** This novel follows in the literary tradition of novels set in a workplace/corporate office, an experience universal to anyone who has worked in such a setting, while providing incisive social commentary. Comps to title such as: *Diary of a Void* by Emi Yagi, *There is No Such Thing as an Easy Job* by Kikuko Tsumura, *Convenience Store Woman* by Sayaka Murata.
- **STAR TRANSLATOR:** Miye will be teaming up once again with **Sandy Joosun Lee**, who has previously translated the *DallerGut* duology as well as *Almond* by Won-Pyung Sohn (HarperVia, 2020). Sandy is also part of the Smoking Tigers translation collective along with Anton Hur, Slin Jung, Stella Kim and Sung Ryu.
- **HIGH CONCEPT TV-LED TREND:** The story has a similar high-concept premise in the vein of big Korean streaming successes such *Squid Games* or *The 8 Show*.

Author Biography

Miye Lee was born in Busan in 1990. After graduating from the Busan National University School of Materials Science and Engineering, she worked as a semiconductor engineer at Samsung Electronics. Her debut novel *DallerGut Dream Department Store* was published in Korea in 2020, and entirely funded through enthusiastic fan response on a popular crowdfunding service. The duology has since become a global bestseller and has been published in over 18 languages. Her latest work is a novella titled *Break Room*.

Publication date	Thursday, August 28, 2025
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Previous Titles

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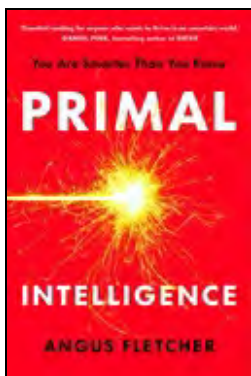
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Primal Intelligence You Are Smarter Than You Know

Angus Fletcher

Keynote

The antidote for anyone fed up of hacks and optimisation as the keys to success and an overall better life

Description

'A fascinating exploration of human potential that will change how you think about thinking . . . This book is essential reading for anyone who wants to thrive in an uncertain world' DANIEL H PINK

For decades we have focused on logic as the key component of human intelligence but what if this is wrong? In this ground-breaking new book, Professor Angus Fletcher reveals that our true source of resilience, problem solving, innovation and creativity in fact lie in the emotive, non-logical side of our brain. This 'low-data' region in the brain is the driver that helps us problem solve, anticipate things faster, rebound from failure and experience less anxiety and anger.

But how do we tap into this unlocked resource? In *Primal Intelligence*, Fletcher shares innovative exercises for training this neglected side of our brains - improving leadership skills, our powers of innovation and our overall resilience. This is a life-changing guide to unlocking the full potential of your brain.

Sales Points

- **Smart thinking personal development with a soft business angle:** From *Atomic Habits* to *Think Again* books in this space have excellent sales potential and typically backlist very well
- **US partner:** This will be a lead title for Avery in Q3 2025 and they are ambitious about launching Angus as a new talent in this space.
- **Timely:** AI books are a rising trend and this book offers a rallying call to embrace the side of our brains that computers can never imitate.
- **Blend of science with human stories:** the book will bring together expert research into productivity, goals and growth with a mix of human stories to make this an engaging read.

Reviews

- '*Primal Intelligence* delivers a fascinating exploration of human potential that will change how you think about thinking . . . This book is **essential reading for anyone who wants to thrive in an uncertain world.**' - Daniel H. Pink, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Power of Regret* and *Drive*
- 'Groundbreaking.' - US Army

Author Biography

Angus Fletcher (PhD, Yale) is Professor of Story Science at Ohio State's Project Narrative, the world's leading academic institute for narrative research. He has dual degrees in neuroscience and Shakespeare. His research has been called 'mind-blowing' by Malcolm Gladwell and 'life-changing' by Brené Brown and has been endorsed by Martin Seligman, Antonio Damasio, and many of the world's other top psychologists, doctors, and neuroscientists. In 2023, he was awarded the Commendation Medal by the US Army for his 'groundbreaking' research with Special Operations into using Story Science to train innovation, leadership, and resilience.

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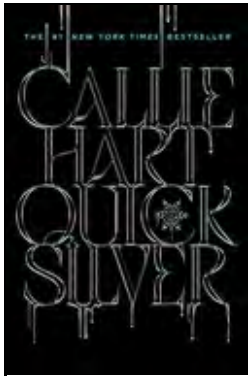
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Extent **624 pages**
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Quicksilver the utterly addictive enemies-to-lovers romantasy sensation

Callie Hart

Keynote

From **USA TODAY** bestselling author Callie Hart comes a brand new, highly addictive enemies-to-lovers romantasy with razor-sharp banter, heart-stopping action, and blistering hot romance that you won't be able to put down.

Description

Do not touch the sword. Do not turn the key. Do not open the gate.

In the land of the unforgiving desert, there isn't much a girl wouldn't do for a glass of water.

Twenty-four-year-old Saeris Fane is good at keeping secrets. No one knows about the strange powers she possesses, or the fact that she has been picking pockets and stealing from the Undying Queen's reservoirs for as long as she can remember.

But a secret is like a knot. Sooner or later, it is bound to come undone.

When Saeris comes face-to-face with Death himself, she inadvertently reopens a gateway between realms and is transported to a land of ice and snow. The Fae have always been the stuff of myth, of legend, of nightmares...but it turns out they're real, and Saeris has landed herself right in the middle of a centuries-long conflict that might just get her killed.

The first of her kind to tread the frozen mountains of Yvelia in over a thousand years, Saeris mistakenly binds herself to Kingfisher, a handsome Fae warrior, who has secrets and nefarious agendas of his own. He will use her Alchemist's magic to protect his people, no matter what it costs him . . . or her.

Death has a name. It is Kingfisher of the Ajun Gate. His past is murky. His attitude stinks. And he's the only way Saeris is going to make it home.

Be careful of the deals you make, dear child. The devil is in the details . . .

Sales Points

- **YOUR NEXT ROMANTASY OBSESSION:** razor-sharp banter and blistering enemies-to-lovers romance set against a backdrop of secrets, lies and dangerous deals - as well as super sexy fae. Welcome to your new romantasy obsession.
- **MASSIVE WORD-OF-MOUTH SELF-PUBLISHED SUCCESS:** this was originally self-published in June 2024, and has received 11m TikTok views for #CallieHart, 25k reviews on Goodreads with a 4.5 star average, and 15k reviews on Amazon, with a 4.7-star average. It has been a top 100 Kindle bestseller since publication. and Callie is a *USA Today* bestseller, who has hit a new high with her debut romantasy - readers are calling it one of their top reads of the year.
- **MAJOR CAMPAIGN:** this is a major launch in the US and UK, and we will be running a high-profile, carefully targeted campaign to appeal to fantasy and romance readers.

Reviews

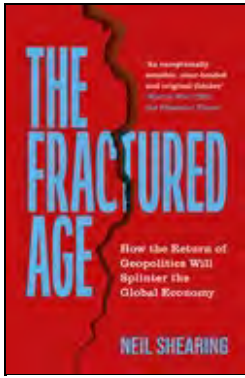
- 'Fans of ACOTAR and *Fourth WIng* are going to love *Quicksilver*' - *Spice Cauldron Reviews*
- '**The most popular book on BookTok right now!**' - @THTGIRLREADS (1.4m TikTok followers)
- 'This romantasy is fast-paced, has a unique plot and, of course, a love interest that won't disappoint. Don't sleep on it if you're a fantasy lover looking for the next big thing!' - *Stylist*

Author Biography

Callie Hart is the *Sunday Times* and # 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the international phenomenon *Quicksilver*, along with many other bestselling dark romance and dark academia titles. A British expat now living in California, Callie can most likely be found sequestered away in the corner of a library, fantasising about exciting new realms and the brooding antiheroes who occupy them.

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The Fractured Age

How the Return of Geopolitics Will Splinter the Global Economy

Neil Shearing

Keynote

THE LEADING FORECAST ON THE GLOBAL IMPACT OF US TRADE TARIFFS

Description

'An exceptionally sensible, clear-headed and original thinker' *The Financial Times*
'The best book on the future of the global economy'***** *The International Economy magazine*

The tectonic plates of the global order are shifting, creating new pressures that will strain long-standing financial structures.

BUT WHERE WILL THE WORLD'S NEW ECONOMIC FAULT LINES EMERGE? AND HOW DISRUPTIVE WILL THEY BE?

In a clear and far-reaching reckoning, *The Fractured Age* lays bare the threats and opportunities that will shape the world economy over the coming decade. It charts the emergence of geopolitical blocs in a world undergoing profound change - blocs whose relative size and economic diversity will be pivotal in reordering everything from goods trade and investment flows to technology transfers and access to critical minerals.

As the world enters another period of seismic upheaval and a new global order emerges, understanding which economies will benefit, and which will bear the costs, will be critical for effective decision-making throughout boardrooms and the halls of government.

As Chief Economist of one of the world's leading providers of independent macroeconomic and market research, Neil Shearing lays out a stark vision of the peaks and rifts that will unfold, and how they will fundamentally reshape the global economy in this fractured age.

April 2025 - Author has been on Bloomberg, BBC News, CNN, Channel 4 News and in *The Financial Times*, the *Wall Street Journal* and *The Guardian*

Sales Points

- The first-to-market global forecast to map out how the new geopolitical order will re-shape the global economy, and what that means for both nations and corporations.
- Capital Economics have a highly successful track record of forecasting major global events and market movements. Their forecasts are read by 25,000 executives, policy makers and investment professionals each week across Europe, Asia and the Americas.
- Neil Shearing is a recognized expert on the global economy and a well-known voice within the investment community.
- High profile endorsements from the *Financial Times*, *The Sunday Times* and *The International Economy* magazine
- The author has an excellent media network both in the UK and the US and will pursue publicity through the *Financial Times*, Bloomberg TV, CNBC, BBC News and BBC Radio 4 Today Programme, *Economist*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Sunday Times* etc.

Reviews

- 'I have been following Neil's work closely for many years. He is an exceptionally sensible, clear-headed and original thinker, with **an outstanding record of identifying and explaining big shifts in the global economic landscape**. His book will surely prove to be essential reading.' - *Martin Wolf CBE, Chief Economics Commentator at the Financial Times*
- 'Neil Shearing will deliver **intelligent concision**. In an elite world over-booked, over-socialised & over-averaged, he will write with a verve, a pace, and in fewer words. It is a rare skill. He will lift the reader.' - *Tom Keene, Managing Editor of Bloomberg TV & Radio*
- 'Neil Shearing is **one of the most accomplished macro-economists of his generation**. Not only does he have a clear grasp of the issues, threats and opportunities confronting the world economy, buttressed by a mastery of the detail across umpteen countries, but he is also an excellent communicator, both as an author and as a speaker.' - *Roger Bootle, author of THE AI ECONOMY and former Group Chief Economist of HSBC Banking Group*

Author Biography

Neil Shearing is Group Chief Economist at Capital Economics, the world's leading provider of independent macroeconomics and market research, whose output is read by more than 25,000 executives, policy makers and investment professionals each week across Europe, Asia and the Americas. Clients include the Fed, IMF, World Bank, European Central Bank and most major financial firms, including JP Morgan, Morgan Stanley and

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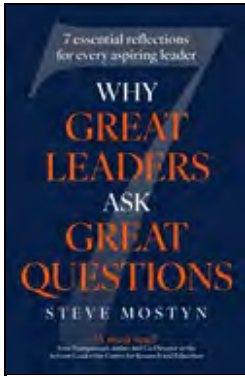
Neil is a recognised expert on the global economy and travels regularly to meet clients and policymakers around the world. He writes for the *Financial Times* and appears regularly on Bloomberg TV, CNBC, BBC News and the Today Programme on BBC Radio 4. His weekly note is read by thousands of people every Monday.

Previously Shearing has advised HM Treasury and the UK Chancellor and is an Associate Fellow in the Global Economy Programme at Chatham House.



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Why Great Leaders Ask Great Questions

The 7 essential reflections for every aspiring leader

Steve Mostyn

Keynote

From the creator of Oxford University's internationally acclaimed executive leadership program, comes a profoundly simple new book posing the seven questions aspiring leaders should ask themselves to spur growth

Description

Aspiring leaders are hungry to learn all that they can about how to be a more effective leader. And certainly there are tools and best practices young leaders should know and add to their toolkit.

But - as Steve Mostyn, one of the world's leading innovators in executive leadership, has learned over the past decades of teaching this cohort - two equally useful activities for the aspiring leader are reflection and experimentation.

In his new book WHY GREAT LEADERS ASK GREAT QUESTIONS, Mostyn has crafted an elegant collection of the seven provocative questions aspiring leaders should ask themselves in order to spur that reflection and experimentation. These are some of the most important questions Mostyn poses to each cohort of the Oxford Executive Leadership program's students, honed by the past answers and engagement of thousands of students.

The book is simple in conception, profound in execution. In seven accessible chapters, with exercises, research, and examples, the reader will engage with these questions:

- How do I reflect?*
- How do I spend my time?*
- Where does my power come from?*
- How do I grow my network?*
- How do I make change happen around here?*
- How do I manage my energy?*
- How do I grow more leaders?*

Inspired in part by Mostyn's work on the Oxford Executive Leadership Programme - an accelerated international leadership development program with over 5,000 alumni around the world - and in part by his numerous workshop sessions where he challenges and supports leaders through his unique questions, the premise of the book is well-tested with aspiring and practicing leaders and is proven to spark both reflection and growth.

These seven questions are drawn from the author's deep experience with the needs of rising young executives. Readers will engage with provocative exercises, highly accessible overviews of applicable research, and examples from fellow mid-career executives.

Sales Points

- Written by a world leading expert designer of executive leadership training.
- Accompanies the Oxford Executive Leadership Programme online course
- Will be set as required reading for 3,000 students a year internationally
- International endorsements including Marshall Goldsmith, Paul Polman, Harvard Business School, Baja Education, India and University of Auckland Business School (full list in proposal)
- Potential for affiliate publishing partnership through workbook and supplementary course materials

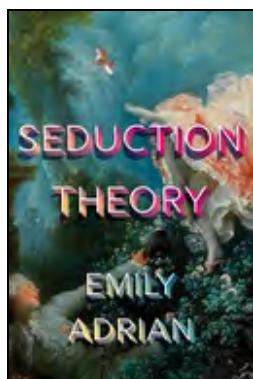
Author Biography

Steve Mostyn is one of the world's leading designers and directors of senior executive leadership programs and an internationally recognised thought leader in leadership training. He is Associate Fellow at Saïd Business School, University of Oxford; creates and leads the Oxford University Executive Leadership Program; and is Honorary Professor, Adam Smith Business School, University of Glasgow.

Previously Mostyn led the Royal Bank of Scotland Business School, and has led partnerships with global business schools, including Harvard, Chicago Booth, IMD, INSEAD, London Business School, University of Michigan, Kellogg and Thunderbird.

Outside of academia, Mostyn develops innovative solutions for leadership training for corporations and organizations worldwide. Mostyn has led many corporate programs for senior leaders including Standard Chartered Bank, Royal Mail, The Financial Services Authority, Scottish Water, Mercedes F1 Team, Meltwater, SNC-Lavalin and the Education Training Foundation.

He is a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Personnel Development (CIPD).



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Seduction Theory

Emily Adrian

Keynote

Love and marriage - and infidelity. A smart, funny, delicious novel about a long marriage being derailed during a hot summer on a prestigious American campus

Description

'What they were doing was not an affair because Ethan had never laid a hand on Abigail. But it also was, because leaving a department potluck to buy cigarettes was better than sex.'

The long summer holiday has begun on the campus of Edwards University in upstate New York.

Simone is the star of the creative writing department, a renowned scholar, successful memoirist and campus sex icon.

Ethan, her devoted husband, is a lecturer in the same department, though he hasn't published a novel since he was twenty-six.

Their marriage is long, strong and happy.

But, over the course of that aggressively hot summer break, both will stray.

And, as others become involved, new sides to the story of this apparently flawless marriage will emerge.

Deliciously smart and biting funny, *Seduction Theory* is a novel about love and betrayal, truth and fiction, power and attraction.

Sales Points

- **UK DEBUT FOR POPULAR US AUTHOR:** Emily Adrian has a growing and excited fanbase in the US, where she has published a handful of previous books. *Seduction Theory* is her first novel to ever be published in the UK.
- **CAMPUS NOVEL:** this novel takes place during one summer holiday on a prestigious university campus. It is a clever, funny, grown-up campus novel, with polished prose and a compelling plot, which will appeal to fans of *Vladimir* by Julia May Jonas and *Either/Or* by Elif Batuman
- **JUICY PLOT:** *Seduction Theory* is a novel about a middle-aged couple. They have been married for a long time. They both really, really love each other. But over the course of one summer holiday, they both - in some shape or form - have affairs . . .

Reviews

- **'So classy, so cool and so funny. It's completely insightful about midlife and marriage, and propulsive too'** - NAOMI WOOD, author of *MRS. HEMINGWAY*
- **'So emotionally honest, clever, and sexy'** - CHARLOTTE MENDELSON, author of *WIFE*
- **'A ferociously clever, funny and compulsive read. By far and away my favourite book of the year - and probably next year, too'** - NATHAN FILER, author of *THE SHOCK OF THE FALL*
- **'Seduction Theory nails the campus satire with savagery and grace'** - RUFII THORPE, author of *MARGO'S GOT MONEY TROUBLES*

Author Biography

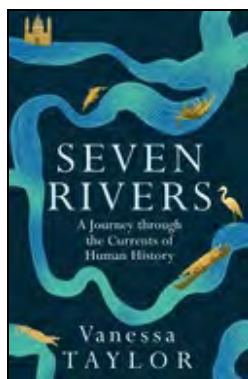
Emily Adrian is the author of *Daughterhood*, *The Second Season*, and *Everything Here Is Under Control*, as well as two critically acclaimed novels for young adults. Her novel *Seduction Theory* is forthcoming in August, 2025. Her work has appeared in *Granta*, *The Point*, *Joyland*, *EPOCH*, *Alta Journal*, *Los Angeles Review of Books*, and *The Millions*. Originally from Portland, Oregon, Emily currently lives in New Haven, Connecticut.

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Seven Rivers A Journey Through the Currents of Human History

Vanessa Taylor

Keynote

An epic new global history of humanity, told through the rivers that have shaped civilisation

Description

Rivers are the great natural arteries that run through our lives. We have navigated them, dammed them and worshipped at them. From the ancient ecosystems of Egypt to the sinking cities of Shanghai and London, what we do with our rivers tells us about who has power and what we value. Now, when a passion for wild swimming is flourishing but the Amazon is on fire and some of our major river systems are dying, it has never been clearer that rivers are intertwined with humanity at our best and our worst.

Seven Rivers is story of the Nile, Danube, Niger, Mississippi, Ganges, Yangtze and the Thames. It is a story of imperial frontiers, alluvial gold, kidnappings, slavery, anticolonialism and creation myths. It is about those who've lived and died on these rivers and their endless capacity for invention: their lotus pools and hanging gardens, their gigantic canal systems and elaborate fishing rituals, their absolute powers and their sly rebellions. At its heart are the empire-builders of the Chinese dynasties, Romans and Hindus and their river gods, the Habsburgs and Ottomans, Mughal emperors, the people of the Niger from Mali's golden age to today, struggles of life and death on the Mississippi, and the dethroning of the British on the rivers of their unruly imperial subjects.

This is the story of us, in seven rivers.

Sales Points

- **BRILLIANT TOPIC.** The book uses one common thread to discuss multiple fascinating areas of history across the globe. Tim Marshall's books *Prisoners of Geography*, *Divided* and *Worth Dying For* do a similar thing with maps, walls and flags - these have sold over 600,000 copies TCM.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR.** Dr Vanessa Taylor is a historian of water, rivers and environmental history at the University of Greenwich so has the credentials to write this book. She has written for BBC History Magazine and appeared on Channel 4, and is one of the foremost experts on the history of the river Thames
- **URGENT MESSAGE.** As rivers worldwide are flooded, polluted and eroded, it is more important than ever to understand their centrality and importance to human civilization.

Author Biography

Vanessa Taylor is a historian of rivers, water and environmental history at the University of Greenwich. She has published extensively, written for *BBC History Magazine* and appeared on Channel 4, and is one of the foremost experts on the history of the river Thames. She was raised in the watersheds of the Mersey, Thames, Los Angeles and Stour rivers, and now lives in London.

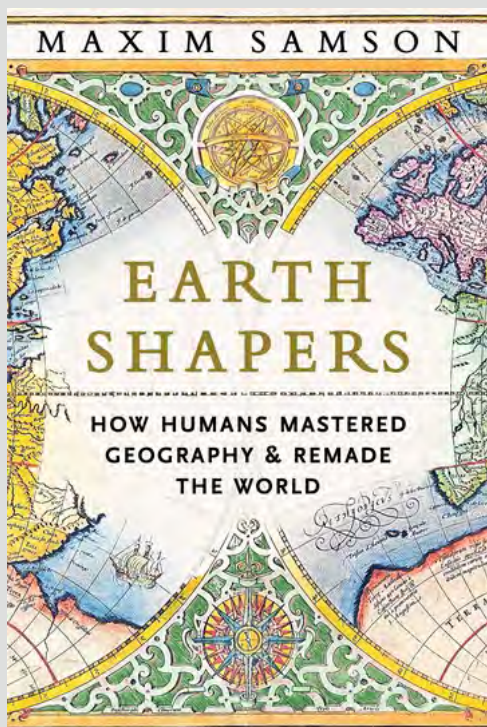
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REVIEWS

‘From railroads colonisers dreamed of building turning in projects designed by Africans, through to what travel routes will be used again when there is no longer a border within Korea, *Earth Shapers* tells stories that have been ignored because they do not fit the old narrative; a book that reshapes our story of global human geography’ - Danny Dorling, 1971 Professor of Geography at University of Oxford

‘**Praise for *INVISIBLE LINES***’ - :

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Earth Shapers

How Humans Mastered Geography and Remade the World

MAXIM SAMSON

KEYNOTE

How humans harnessed the geographical landscape and wrote ourselves onto our surroundings

SALES POINTS

- Perfect for fans of Tim Marshall and Zoran Nikolic's *The Atlas of Unusual Borders* (15k TCM), as well as broader world history narratives from the likes of Peter Frankopan, Lewis Dartnell and Simon Jenkins
- Written by an exciting young expert in cultural geography for a general readership: full of nature, politics, history and economics
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DESCRIPTION

'A wonderfully curious writer' *OBSERVER*

'This is a book that reshapes our story of global human geography'
PROFESSOR DANNY DORLING

Mountains, meridians, rivers and borders; these are some of the features that carve up the world on our maps and in our minds. But geography is far less set in stone than we might believe and, over time, we have become experts at reshaping our surroundings.

From the Qhapaq Ñan, South America's 'Great Road', and the Panama Canal to Mozambique's railways and Korea's sacred Baekdu-daegan mountain range, Samson explores how we mould the world around us. And how, as we etch our needs onto the natural landscape, we alter the course of history.

An immense work of cultural geography touching on ecology, sociology, history and politics, *Earth Shapers* argues that, far from being constrained by geography, we are instead its creators.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Maxim Samson is a geographer and the author of *Invisible Lines: Boundaries and Belts That Define the World*. An award-winning educator and researcher, he has taught and presented keynote lectures at universities in the United Kingdom, the United States and Indonesia. He is an adjunct professor at DePaul University in Chicago, specialising in cultural geography and religion. In his free time, he enjoys long-distance running and exploring the culture and language of his favourite country, Indonesia.



What Hunger

Catherine Dang

Keynote

A haunting coming-of-age tale following the daughter of Vietnamese immigrants, Ronny Nguyen, as she grapples with the weight of generational trauma while navigating the violent power of teenage girlhood, for fans of *Jennifer's Body* and *Little Fires Everywhere*.

Description

A haunting coming-of-age tale following the daughter of Vietnamese immigrants, Ronny Nguyen, as she grapples with the weight of generational trauma while navigating the violent power of teenage girlhood, for fans of *Jennifer's Body* and *Little Fires Everywhere*.

It's the summer before high school and Ronny Nguyen's days are spent dozing off to trashy magazines. In contrast stands her brother Tommy, the pride of their immigrant parents and destined to be the first in the family to attend college. The thought of Tommy leaving for college and being left alone with her parents, Me and Ba, fills Ronny with dread.

Their parents rarely speak of their past in Vietnam, except through the lens of food. Their meals are a tapestry of cultural memory: thick spring rolls with nem nuong, and steaming bowls of pho tai with slices of blood-red beef. In the aftermath of the war, Me and Ba taught Ronny and Tommy that meat was a dangerous luxury, a symbol of survival that should never be taken for granted.

But when tragedy strikes, Ronny's world is upended. Her sense of self and her understanding of her family are shattered. A few nights later at a party, a boy crosses the line, and Ronny is overtaken by a force larger than herself. This newfound power comes with an insatiable hunger for flesh, a craving that is both a saving grace and a potential destroyer.

***What Hunger* is a visceral, emotional journey through the bursts and pitfalls of female rage.**

Sales Points

- A literary horror novel, for fans of *The Eyes Are the Best Part*, *A Certain Hunger* and Eliza Clark.
- The book is full of gorgeous descriptions of Vietnamese dishes and the author is writing up the recipes with her mother to use in our marketing campaign.
- We're working closely with the US publisher, who are expecting blurbs from Monika Kim, Chelsea G Summers, Stephen Graham Jones and Alaina Urquhart

Reviews

- 'A hypnotic blend between a touching coming of age story and visceral exploration of adolescent rage, *What Hunger* made me laugh, flinch, and cry. I couldn't put it down.' - *E.K. Sathue, author of youthjuice*

Author Biography

Catherine Dang is the author of the novels *Nice Girls* and *What Hunger*. A graduate of the University of Minnesota, she currently resides in Brooklyn.

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Awesome Facts for Curious Kids: 9 Year Olds

Steve Martin (Illustrated By Andrew Pinder)

Keynote

A fun-filled fact book for 9-year-olds

Description

Filled with over 200 incredible and totally awesome facts, and featuring hilarious artwork by Andrew Pinder, this fun, info-packed book will keep curious 9-year-olds entertained for hours on end.

Find out about snow on Mars, a game of golf on the Moon, the world's largest island and the longest ever dinosaur. From the jellyfish that can go back to being a baby, to the Roman emperor who couldn't sing, this book is packed with everything from the fascinating to the funny.

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Sales Points

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- Each fact is accompanied by a hilarious illustration by Andrew Pinder

Author Biography

Steve Martin was born in Northumberland in the far north of England. After graduating in English, he spent many years teaching English to adults – including 15 years teaching literacy in prisons. Steve now lives in the English Midlands, with his wife and two sons and makes his living from a wide range of writing including children's non-fiction, business communication and developing e-learning materials. Steve has authored several non-fiction titles, including *The Boys Book* series, *Survival: How to Survive Anything*, *Anywhere* and *I Wish I Knew That: Cool Stuff You Need to Know*.

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 600,000 copies in the UK, as well as *Dinosaur Doodles* and other titles in Buster Books' bestselling Doodle series.

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Awesome Facts for Curious Kids: 10 Year Olds

Steve Martin (Illustrated By Andrew Pinder)

Keynote

A fun-filled fact book for 10-year-olds

Description

Filled with over 200 incredible and totally awesome facts, and featuring hilarious artwork by Andrew Pinder, this fun, info-packed book will keep curious 10-year-olds entertained for hours on end.

Find out about amazing inventions, incredible feats of engineering and super-smart animals. From the teacher with the world's loudest shout to the gorilla that learned sign language, this book is packed with everything from the fascinating to the funny.

With chapters on animals, art, science, buildings, entertainment and much, much more, it's everything a 10-year-old could want!

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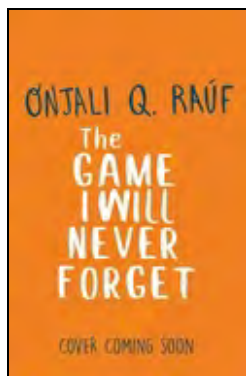
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The Game I Will Never Forget

Onjali Q. Raúf

Keynote

From Onjali Q. Raúf, author of *The Boy at the Back of the Class*, comes another incredible story, told with humour and heart. This story highlights the challenges of living with a relative experiencing Dementia, alongside the unbreakable bond between a child and a grandparent.

Description

Just after his tenth birthday, the last thing Zak expects to hear is that his mum is having a baby and he has to give up his room for an ageing old grandmother who is coming to live with them!

With the help of his friends and a series of cheeky pranks, Zak is convinced it'll be no time before he can reclaim his rightful territory!

But Zak soon discovers that his nani is no ordinary old grandma but a former chess prodigy, able to outwit and outdo him - and his friends - at every turn.

Just as both players begin to forge a mutual respect and a friendship that might finally overcome all obstacles, Zak begins to notice things. Like how Nani sometimes forgets where she is, or who she is... Or how she keeps asking for people who are no longer by her side...

Zak launches a desperate bid to ensure his nani never forgets who she is ever again. He enters her into the chess competition of a lifetime.

But will Zak's nani remember long enough to play?

Sales Points

- Onjali is a British Muslim women's rights activist. She founded her charity *Making Herstory* to fight domestic violence against women and has also founded O's Refugee Aid Team to support refugees living in Calais and Dunkirk. She writes beautifully about difficult subjects for children
- Onjali's debut novel *The Boy at the Back of the Class* has sold over 300,000 copies (through TCM), been translated into 22 languages, received rave reviews and won both the Blue Peter Award and the Waterstones Children's Book Prize
- Her subsequent fiction books, *The Star Outside My Window*, *The Night Bus Hero* and *The Lion Above the Door*, have followed on from the success of Onjali's first book, each selling thousands of copies and being translated into multiple languages -- as well as being beloved by children, teachers and librarians alike
- Balancing humour and heart, this is a story that is based partially on Onjali's personal experience as a young carer, and accessibly addresses the difficulties faced by children with caring responsibilities, while also showing the power of community and a helping hand
- There are 55 million people living with dementia around the globe. It is estimated that this number will rise to 139 million by 2050. <https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/about-us/news-and-media/facts-media>

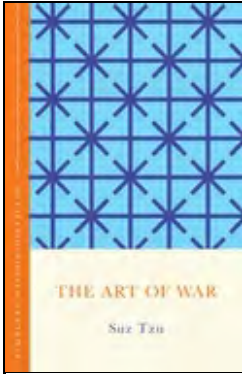
Author Biography

Onjali Q Raúf's first book, *The Boy at the Back of the Class*, was Winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize in 2019, the Blue Peter Book Prize 2019 and other accolades.

Raúf's second book, *The Star Outside My Window*, went on to win the Diversity Book Award for Children's Fiction (UK) 2020.

Further titles include *The Night Bus Hero*, *The Great Food Bank Heist*, *The Lion Above the Door*, *Where Magic Grows* and *Hope on the Horizon*.

In 2022, Raúf was recognised for her services to Literature and Women's Rights in the New Year Honours.



The Art of War Timeless Wisdom Distilled

Sun Tzu

Keynote

Master the art of strategy and achieve victory in life's battles with Sun Tzu's enduring guide to wisdom, foresight, and adaptability.

Description

THE MOST IMPACTFUL LESSONS OF SUN TZU PAIRED WITH THOUGHTFUL ANALYSIS AND MODERN APPLICATIONS IN AN ELEGANT AND ACCESSIBLE FORMAT

Sun Tzu's *The Art of War* is a timeless masterpiece of strategy and leadership, celebrated for its profound insights into preparation, adaptability, and the importance of understanding both oneself and others. Originally conceived as a military manual, its lessons have transcended their origins to become essential reading for anyone navigating challenges in life, business, and creativity. Its brilliance lies in its subtle, universal wisdom, which remains strikingly relevant after more than two millennia.

This edition will help you master the art of strategy and apply it to your own life. With engaging double-page spreads, it curates Sun Tzu's key strategies, pairing them with modern analysis and practical applications you can use immediately. Calibrated to deliver timeless, perspective-shifting insights rapidly and directly, it reveals the strategies that have shaped leaders across the ages and continue to inspire today.

WHY NOT EXPLORE FURTHER CONCISE CLASSICS FROM THIS SERIES?

Also available: *Think and Grow Rich*, *Meditations*, *The Prophet*, and *Autobiography of a Yogi*.

Sales Points

- **ESTABLISHED BESTSELLER:** A timeless text with global appeal, beloved by leaders, strategists, and thinkers for centuries.
- **WHAT IT IS:** A profound exploration of preparation, adaptability, and understanding oneself and others to achieve success in any arena.
- **NOVEL APPROACH:** Focuses on Sun Tzu's most essential lessons, presenting them in an engaging and accessible format that goes beyond traditional editions. This is a unique proposition in the market, zeroing in on the enduring wisdom that is most useful for the contemporary reader.
- **REALLY PRACTICAL:** Combines ancient wisdom with contemporary insights, practical applications, and reflective prompts to help readers master strategy in any context.
- **EASY TO MARKET:** Unified design and strong reputation make it a versatile product for promotions in self-help, business, and lifestyle markets.

Author Biography

Sun Tzu was a Chinese general, military strategist, and philosopher who lived during the Eastern Zhou period (771-256 BCE). His seminal work, *The Art of War*, is widely regarded as the most influential book on strategy ever written. Covering principles of preparation, adaptability, and understanding both oneself and one's opponents, Sun Tzu's timeless insights have transcended their military origins to inspire leaders in business, politics, and personal development worldwide.

Gill Hasson has 20 years' experience teaching and writing on a range of issues to do with personal and professional development, mental health and wellbeing. She is the author of more than 22 books; the bestselling *Mindfulness*, *Mindfulness Pocketbook*, *Emotional Intelligence*, *Positive Thinking*, the Sunday Times bestseller *How to Deal with Difficult People*, plus other books on the subjects of resilience, communication skills and assertiveness.

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Think and Grow Rich Timeless Wisdom Distilled

Napoleon Hill

Keynote

Discover the power of your thoughts to shape your destiny in Napoleon Hill's timeless blueprint for personal and financial success.

Description

THE MOST IMPACTFUL LESSONS OF NAPOLEON HILL PAIRED WITH THOUGHTFUL ANALYSIS AND MODERN APPLICATIONS IN AN ELEGANT AND ACCESSIBLE FORMAT

Napoleon Hill's *Think and Grow Rich* is a groundbreaking guide to personal and financial success, recognized as one of the most influential self-help books of all time. Drawing on lessons from history's most successful figures, Hill presents a blueprint for achieving prosperity through persistence, belief, and focused thought. Its brilliance lies in its universal insights, applicable to anyone striving for success in any field or endeavor.

This edition will empower you to unlock your potential and begin shaping your destiny today. With engaging double-page spreads, it pairs Hill's core principles, extracted from the original edition, with thoughtful analysis and practical steps you can apply immediately. Calibrated to deliver life-changing lessons rapidly and directly, it will open the door to a world of possibilities and the proven strategies of one of history's most trusted guides to success.

WHY NOT EXPLORE FURTHER CONCISE CLASSICS FROM THIS SERIES?

Also available: *The Art of War*, *Meditations*, *The Prophet*, and *Autobiography of a Yogi*.

Sales Points

- **ESTABLISHED BESTSELLER:** One of the most influential self-help books of all time, with proven success across global markets and multiple editions.
- **What it is:** A groundbreaking exploration of how focused thought, persistence, and belief can turn dreams into reality.
- **NOVEL APPROACH:** Condenses Napoleon Hill's wealth-building philosophy into a concise, clean, and fast-to-read package, perfect for modern readers. This is a unique proposition in the market, zeroing in on the enduring wisdom that is most useful for the contemporary reader.
- **REALLY PRACTICAL:** Includes insightful summaries, reflective activities, and actionable steps to help readers apply Hill's principles to their own lives.
- **EASY TO MARKET:** With an attractive design and price-point, this edition is ideal for gifting, cross-promotions, and engaging with personal development enthusiasts.

Author Biography

Napoleon Hill (1883-1970) was an American author and pioneer of the self-help movement, best known for his groundbreaking work *Think and Grow Rich*. Published in 1937, the book is a cornerstone of personal development literature, offering timeless principles for achieving success and financial independence. Hill's teachings, drawn from studying the habits of history's most successful individuals, continue to inspire millions worldwide to unlock their potential and achieve their dreams.

Gill Hasson has 20 years' experience teaching and writing on a range of issues to do with personal and professional development, mental health and wellbeing. She is the author of more than 22 books; the bestselling *Mindfulness*, *Mindfulness Pocketbook*, *Emotional Intelligence*, *Positive Thinking*, the Sunday Times bestseller *How to Deal with Difficult People*, plus other books on the subjects of resilience, communication skills and assertiveness.

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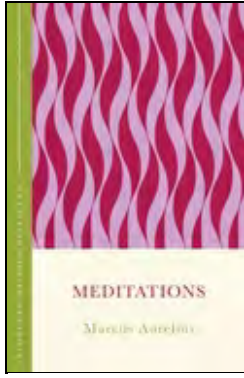


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Meditations Timeless Wisdom Distilled

Marcus Aurelius

Keynote

Find clarity, resilience, and purpose in Marcus Aurelius' intimate reflections on what it means to live a virtuous and meaningful life.

Description

THE MOST IMPACTFUL LESSONS OF MARCUS AURELIUS PAIRED WITH THOUGHTFUL ANALYSIS AND MODERN APPLICATIONS IN AN ELEGANT AND ACCESSIBLE FORMAT

Marcus Aurelius' *Meditations* is a timeless reflection on resilience, mindfulness, and leading with integrity, widely considered one of the most important texts in Western philosophy. Written as private notes by a Roman emperor, its brilliance lies in its raw honesty and profound simplicity. Aurelius offers reflections on human nature, the fleetingness of life, and the value of virtue, creating a guide to living with purpose and grace even in the face of adversity. The insights he shares are strikingly modern, resonating with readers seeking clarity and calm amidst life's chaos.

The *Concise Edition* distills Aurelius' thoughts into engaging double-page spreads, pairing his core teachings with thoughtful analysis and modern applications. With its accessible format, this edition invites you to embrace Stoicism and immediately cultivate purpose and tranquility in your life. Calibrated to deliver the key, timeless, perspective-shifting insights rapidly and directly, it will open the door to a world of wisdom and help you learn the best lessons from one of the greatest texts in human history.

WHY NOT EXPLORE FURTHER CONCISE CLASSICS FROM THIS SERIES?

Also available: *Think and Grow Rich*, *The Art of War*, *The Prophet* and *Autobiography of a Yogi*.

Sales Points

- **ESTABLISHED BESTSELLER:** One of the most important texts in Western philosophy, continuously inspiring readers across centuries.
- **WHAT IT IS:** A collection of private reflections that distill Stoic philosophy into timeless wisdom for living a meaningful life.
- **NOVEL APPROACH:** Focuses on Marcus Aurelius' most impactful lessons, pairing them with thoughtful analysis and modern applications in an elegant and accessible format. This is a unique proposition in the market, zeroing in on the enduring wisdom that is most useful for the contemporary reader.
- **REALLY PRACTICAL:** Offers engaging activities, reflective exercises, and actionable insights to help readers apply Stoic principles to their daily lives.
- **EASY TO MARKET:** Stoicism continues to be an incredibly resilient way of thinking, uniquely suited to our age. The universal appeal of this book's philosophy - combined with an attractive format and price - makes it ideal for gifting and personal-development promotions.

Author Biography

Marcus Aurelius (121-180 CE) was a Roman emperor and Stoic philosopher renowned for his wisdom, integrity, and dedication to virtue. As one of the last "Five Good Emperors," he governed during a time of political and military challenges, demonstrating remarkable leadership and resilience. His private writings, later compiled as *Meditations*, reveal a deeply reflective mind striving to live ethically and thoughtfully. Revered as one of history's great thinkers, Aurelius' philosophy emphasizes self-discipline, mindfulness, and living in harmony with nature, offering timeless guidance for those seeking clarity and purpose in life.

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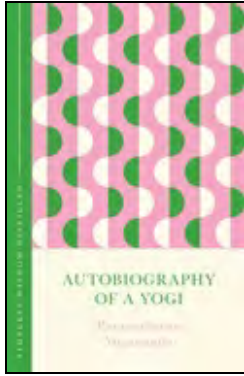
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Autobiography of a Yogi Timeless Wisdom Distilled

Paramahansa Yogananda

Keynote

Embark on a transformative journey into the spiritual and the sublime with Paramahansa Yogananda's visionary memoir of self-realization.

Description

THE MOST IMPACTFUL LESSONS OF PARAMAHANSA YOGANANDA PAIRED WITH THOUGHTFUL ANALYSIS AND MODERN APPLICATIONS IN AN ELEGANT AND ACCESSIBLE FORMAT

Paramahansa Yogananda's *Autobiography of a Yogi* is a spiritual classic that has inspired millions, offering profound insights into meditation, self-realization, and universal truth. Blending deeply personal storytelling with transformative metaphysical wisdom, Yogananda's memoir is a journey through the extraordinary-introducing timeless lessons in living a meaningful and enlightened life. Its brilliance lies in its ability to connect seekers of all faiths with practical, transcendent truths.

This edition will guide you on your own path to self-discovery and spiritual growth. With engaging double-page spreads, it distills Yogananda's teachings into essential passages, paired with thoughtful analysis and practical exercises you can explore today. Calibrated to deliver spiritual insights rapidly and directly, it brings the radiant wisdom of one of the 20th century's most beloved spiritual texts into clear focus for you.

WHY NOT EXPLORE FURTHER CONCISE CLASSICS FROM THIS SERIES?

Also available: *Think and Grow Rich*, *The Art of War*, *Meditations*, and *The Prophet*.

Sales Points

- **ESTABLISHED BESTSELLER:** A cornerstone of spiritual literature, revered by millions for its profound insights and deeply personal narrative.
- **WHAT IT IS:** A deeply personal and inspirational memoir that fuses metaphysical wisdom with the extraordinary story of Paramahansa Yogananda's journey.
- **NOVEL APPROACH:** Extracts the most powerful lessons and narratives, presenting them in a modern, reader-friendly format that bridges the spiritual and the practical.
- **REALLY PRACTICAL:** Features key excerpts, reflective commentary, and exercises designed to make Yogananda's teachings accessible to contemporary readers.
- **EASY TO MARKET:** Its inspiring themes, combined with an appealing format and price-point, make it perfect for mindfulness, spirituality, and gift markets.

Author Biography

Paramahansa Yogananda (1893-1952) was an Indian yogi, spiritual teacher, and author who introduced millions to the teachings of meditation and self-realization. His seminal work, *Autobiography of a Yogi*, is a spiritual classic that bridges Eastern and Western traditions, offering profound insights into the pursuit of enlightenment and the universal truths that unite humanity. Yogananda's legacy endures as a pioneer who made ancient wisdom accessible to modern seekers worldwide.

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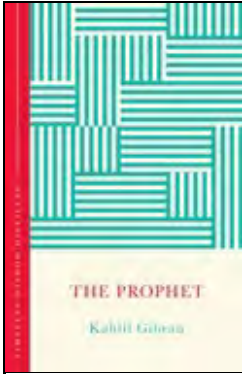
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The Prophet Timeless Wisdom Distilled

Kahlil Gibran

Keynote

Experience the beauty of life's great truths through Kahlil Gibran's poetic meditations on love, freedom, and the human spirit.

Description

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Kahlil Gibran's *The Prophet* is a poetic meditation on life's deepest questions, offering timeless reflections on love, work, freedom, and the human spirit. Beloved around the world, this lyrical masterpiece has captivated generations with its profound simplicity and universal truths, presenting a vision of life that is as inspiring as it is comforting. Its brilliance lies in its ability to speak directly to the heart, transcending culture and time.

This edition will invite you to explore life's beauty and challenges with new clarity and depth. With engaging double-page spreads, it distills Gibran's most inspiring passages, pairing them with thoughtful analysis and practical insights to enrich your perspective. Calibrated to deliver profound insights rapidly and directly, it opens the door to the luminous wisdom of one of the world's most cherished works.

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Sales Points

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Author Biography

Kahlil Gibran (1883-1931) was a Lebanese-American writer, poet, and artist, best known for his masterpiece *The Prophet*. A visionary thinker, Gibran's works explore themes of love, freedom, purpose, and the human spirit, blending profound simplicity with universal truths that resonate across cultures and generations. His poetic prose and philosophical insights have made *The Prophet* one of the most beloved books of all time, inspiring millions with its timeless wisdom.

Gill Hasson has 20 years' experience teaching and writing on a range of issues to do with personal and professional development, mental health and wellbeing. She is the author of more than 22 books; the bestselling *Mindfulness*, *Mindfulness Pocketbook*, *Emotional Intelligence*, *Positive Thinking*, the Sunday Times bestseller *How to Deal with Difficult People*, plus other books on the subjects of resilience, communication skills and assertiveness.

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Extent	240 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
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CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	270x219
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Pixie's New Friend

Enid Blyton (Illustrated By Becky Cameron)

Keynote

An unforgettable tale of friendship and kindness through the seasons from one of the world's best loved storytellers, Enid Blyton.

Description

Bobs the puppy LOVES adventuring in the hillside until, one day . . . he gets a painful thorn stuck in his paw!

Luckily, a tiny pixie comes to his rescue, only to leave as quickly as she came. Life goes on and seasons change, but when Pixie needs help, will Bobs be there for her too?

From one of the world's best-loved storytellers, comes this cosy and heartfelt tale about the big friendships that grow from the smallest acts of kindness.

Sales Points

- A magical tale of friendship and small everyday acts of kindness, based on a short story by one of the world's best-loved storytellers, Enid Blyton
- Enid Blyton's *The Magic Faraway Tree* has sold over 1.2 million copies
- Bringing the magical world of Enid Blyton to younger readers, this picture book story is perfect for reading and sharing aloud
- With charming illustrations by Becky Cameron

Author Biography

Enid Blyton (Author)

Enid Blyton is one of the world's best-loved storytellers. Her books have sold over 500 million copies and have been translated into more languages more often than any other children's author.

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

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

Becky Cameron (Illustrator)

Becky Cameron is a British author and illustrator from Sheffield. She was highly commended in the Macmillan Prize during her MA at the Cambridge School of Art and has been a successful picture book illustrator ever since. Her work includes *Paddington* and *the Christmas Visitor* and several beautiful treasuries of Enid Blyton stories including *Stories for Every Season* and the *Enchanted Library* collection.

She lives in Oxfordshire, with her husband and their young children.

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Alan, King of the Universe Book 1

Tom McLaughlin

Keynote

Join power-hungry cat Alan and his loveable dog sidekick Fido as they take over the universe. Or at least *try* to . . . as long as they're home in time for tea! This laugh-out-loud, two-colour graphic novel appeals to readers of all ages. Suitable for newly independent readers.

Description

ALAN IS KING OF THE UNIVERSE. Well, not yet. But he WILL be.

An orange cat blessed with opposable thumbs, Alan is convinced he was born to rule and spends his days scheming up brilliant plans to fulfil his destiny - from creating a brand-new country, Alanland, to cloning himself in an attempt raise an entire army of Alans. And his hapless dog sidekick Fido is just happy to be along for the ride!

Join these two loveable characters on their hilarious adventures as they try to take over the universe - as long as they're home in time for tea, of course.

This two-colour graphic novel series for 7+ readers will have kids and their grown-ups rolling around the floor with laughter.

Sales Points

- Commercial, clean illustration style with huge appeal with an accessible, humorous writing voice perfect for the age group
- Hilarious main characters in the form of a power-hungry cat and a hapless but loveable dog
- Tom has over 10 years' experience and does school events that include storytelling, live drawing, illustration workshops as well as talking about experience as a dyslexic author and illustrator
- Each book includes four core stories with a bonus mini Fido story!

Author Biography

Tom McLaughlin is an author-illustrator from Devon. After graduating from Falmouth College of Art, he worked for 10 years as a political cartoonist. Since going freelance he has been an animation designer for a number of TV shows, as well as an occasional columnist for *The Guardian* online. He started in the world of children's publishing by illustrating other people's books before turning his hand to writing. His books have been nominated for countless awards and have been translated into over 10 different languages. He lives in Exeter with his wife and children and can often be found staring out of a window with a cup of tea.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
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Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781444976823 Comic strip fiction / graphic novels (Children's / Teenage) (YFW) Humorous stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFQ) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)
CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Depth	16mm
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	
Series	Alan, King of the Universe
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Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Exeter, Devon

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	464 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	Highbury, England
Author born in	Hampshire

Emma

Jane Austen

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of Jane Austen's timeless tale of matchmaking mischief, with a new introduction by Gill Hornby

Description

WITH A NEW INTRODUCTION BY GILL HORNBY

Handsome, clever and rich, Emma Woodhouse has no desire to fall in love or be married. Playing Cupid for her peers is far more appealing. But when Emma's well-intentioned schemes for her friend Harriet Smith begin to go awry, Emma must navigate misunderstandings, mismatched suitors and the realisation that perhaps love was closer to home than she realised.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY GILL HORNBY:** This JM Classics edition includes a 1000-word introduction by the bestselling author of *Miss Austen*, Gill Hornby
- **JM HISTORY:** *Emma* was published from the Albemarle Street offices in 1816, after Jane Austen moved to John Murray. Murray persuaded her to dedicate 'Emma' to the Prince Regent; in letters between the pair, Austen didn't hesitate to use this as leverage to get the printers to speed up their work!
- **LITERATURE'S FAVOURITE HEROINE:** Austen's precocious heroine with a taste for matchmaking is often cited as her masterpiece

Author Biography

Jane Austen (1775-1817) was born in 1775 in Hampshire, the seventh of eight children. Austen received an informal education at home, developing a love for reading and writing. As a child and teenager, she wrote stories for her family's amusement, as well as a novella, *Lady Susan*. Her first published novel, *Sense and Sensibility*, appeared in 1811 and was soon followed by *Pride and Prejudice*, *Mansfield Park* and *Emma*. Despite her growing success, Austen published under the pseudonym 'By a Lady', and remained anonymous during her lifetime. After her death in 1817, *Persuasion* and *Northanger Abbey* were published posthumously in 1818.

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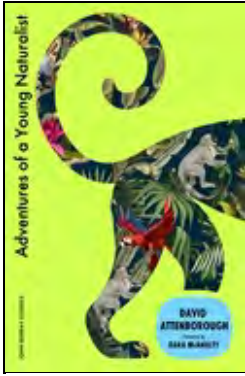
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Extent	416 pages
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Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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Author born in	UK
Author living in UNITED STATES	London, UK
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Adventures of a Young Naturalist SIR DAVID ATTENBOROUGH'S ZOO QUEST EXPEDITIONS

David Attenborough

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the early adventures of a young David Attenborough, introduced by Wainwright Prize-winner, Dara McAnulty

Description

WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY DARA McANULTY

THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

'His writing is as impressive and as enjoyable as his TV programmes and there can be no higher praise' *Daily Express*

'A marvellous book . . . unputdownable . . . utterly engaging' *Daily Telegraph*

In 1954, a young television presenter named David Attenborough was offered the opportunity of a lifetime - to travel the world finding rare and elusive animals for London Zoo's collection, and to film the expeditions for the BBC.

Now 'the greatest living advocate of the global ecosystem' this is the story of the voyages that started it all. Staying with local tribes while trekking in search of giant anteaters in Guyana, Komodo dragons in Indonesia and armadillos in Paraguay, he and the rest of the team battled with cannibal fish, aggressive tree porcupines and escape-artist wild pigs, as well as treacherous terrain and unpredictable weather, to record the incredible beauty and biodiversity of these regions. The methods may be outdated now, but the fascination and respect for the wildlife, the people and the environment - and the importance of protecting these wild places - is not.

Written with his trademark wit and charm, *Adventures of a Young Naturalist* is not just the story of a remarkable adventure, but of the man who made us fall in love with the natural world, and who is still doing so today.

**** Praise for Sir David Attenborough ****

'A great educator as well as a great naturalist' Barack Obama

'Sir David is a wizard of television, and, like Gandalf or Dumbledore, he has a near-magical gift for combining warmth and gravitas . . . the man who, for me, exemplifies the best in British broadcasting' Louis Theroux

'When I was a young boy I used to love turning on the television and watching David's programmes and really feeling like I was either back out in Africa or I was learning about something magical and almost out of this planet' Prince William

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY DARA McANULTY:** This JM Classics edition includes a 1000-word introduction by Dara McAnulty. Dara's book, *Diaries of a Young Naturalist* won the 2020 Wainwright Prize and he became the youngest ever person to be shortlisted for the Baillie Gifford Prize. Dara is part of the new generation of conservationists who have been inspired by Sir David Attenborough's work.
- **A MAJOR BESTSELLER:** As well as being a *Sunday Times* bestseller, we have invoiced over 310k copies across all editions since publication in 2017.
- **BEAUTIFUL COLLECTOR'S ITEM:** As part of the JM Classics series, this book will be a lovely collector's item for fans of David Attenborough
- **2025 IS THE YEAR OF SIR DAVID:** In his 99th year, David Attenborough will be everywhere in 2025, with OCEAN publishing in May and a new film to accompany it

Reviews

- **'An elegant and gently funny writer.'** - Damian Whitworth, *The Times*
- **'Utterly engaging . . . immensely colourful and dramatic'** - Roger Lewis, *Daily Mail*
- **'A charming period piece'** - Damian Whitworth, *Times*
- **'This is a great book for anyone who wants to vicariously travel like an old-fashioned adventurer and seeks to understand how far we have come in developing a protective attitude to wildlife'** - *New York Times*



Author Biography

Sir David Attenborough is a broadcaster and naturalist whose television career is now in its seventh decade. Over that time he has established himself as the world's leading natural history programme maker with multiple landmark television series to his name. His recent book, *A Life on Our Planet*, co-authored with Jonnie Hughes, was an international bestseller.

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Elmet

Fiona Mozley

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the rural Gothic fable set in Yorkshire which was shortlisted for the Booker Prize 2017, introduced by Donal Ryan

Description

WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY DONAL RYAN

'A quiet explosion of a book, exquisite and unforgettable' *The Economist*

'A cleverly constructed rural Gothic fable . . . *Elmet* is a marvellous achievement' *TLS*

'*Hansel and Gretel* meets *The Godfather*' *Sunday Times*

Daniel is heading north. He is looking for someone. The simplicity of his early life with Daddy and Cathy has turned menacing and fearful. They lived apart in the house that Daddy built for them in the woods with his bare hands. They foraged and hunted.

Cathy was more like their father: fierce and full of simmering anger. Daniel was more like their mother: gentle and kind. Sometimes, their father disappeared, and would return with a rage in his eyes. But when he was at home, he was at peace. He told them that the little copse in Elmet was theirs alone. But that wasn't true. Local men, greedy and watchful, began to circle like vultures. All the while, the terrible violence in Daddy grew.

Brutal and beautiful in equal measure, *Elmet* is a compelling portrayal of a family living on the fringes of contemporary society, as well as a gripping exploration of the disturbing actions people are capable of when pushed to their limits.

SHORTLISTED FOR THE MAN BOOKER PRIZE 2017

SHORTLISTED FOR THE PFD/SUNDAY TIMES YOUNG WRITER OF THE YEAR AWARD

WINNER OF A SOMERSET MAUGHAM AWARD

WINNER OF THE POLARI FIRST BOOK PRIZE 2018

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY DONAL RYAN:** This JM Classics edition includes a 1000-word introduction by award-winning, bestselling writer Donal Ryan
- **STRONG SALES:** Since publication in 2017, *Elmet* has sold over 99,000 copies across all editions
- **INTERNATIONAL SUCCESS:** *Elmet* has sold in over a dozen territories
- **HUGE PRIZE ATTENTION:** Winner of a Somerset Maugham Award and the Polari First Book Prize, shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize 2017 and the RSL Ondaatje Prize, and longlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction, the Dublin Literary Award and the International Dylan Thomas Prize

Awards

Longlisted for the Dylan Thomas Prize

Longlisted for the International Dublin Literary Award

Longlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction

Shortlisted for the Royal Society of Literature Ondaatje Prize

Shortlisted for the The Sunday Times/Peters Fraser & Dunlop Young Writer of the Year Award

Shortlisted for the 2017 The Man Booker Prize

Winner of the Polari Prize

Winner of the Somerset Maugham Awards

Reviews

- 'Fiona Mozley's remarkable debut looks at life on the margins of society . . . A darkly evocative tale that lingers in one's mind' - *Financial Times, Books of the Year*
- 'Exceptional in every way' - *Mail on Sunday*
- 'A stunning debut . . . *Elmet* is in so many ways a wonder to behold' - *Evening Standard*
- 'An impressive slice of contemporary noir steeped in Yorkshire legend . . . *Elmet* possesses a rich and unfussy lyricism' - *Guardian*

Author Biography

Fiona Mozley grew up in York and lives in Edinburgh. Her first novel, *Elmet*, won a Somerset Maugham Award and the Polari Prize. It was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize and the Royal Society of Literature Ondaatje Prize, and longlisted for the Women's

Prize for Fiction, the Dublin Literary Award and the International Dylan Thomas Prize. In 2018 Fiona Mozley was shortlisted for the *Sunday Times*/PFD Young Writer of the Year Award.

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The Invention of Nature

Andrea Wulf

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the multi-award-winning biography that rediscovered Alexander von Humboldt's extraordinary legacy, introduced by Merlin Sheldrake

Description

WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY MERLIN SHELDRAKE

**WINNER OF THE 2015 COSTA BIOGRAPHY AWARD
WINNER OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY SCIENCE BOOK PRIZE 2016**

- 'A thrilling adventure story' **Bill Bryson**
- 'Dazzling' *Literary Review*
- 'Brilliant' *Sunday Express*
- 'Extraordinary and gripping' *New Scientist*
- 'A superb biography' *The Economist*
- 'An exhilarating armchair voyage' **GILES MILTON, Mail on Sunday**

Alexander von Humboldt (1769-1859) is the great lost scientist - more things are named after him than anyone else. There are towns, rivers, mountain ranges, the ocean current that runs along the South American coast, there's a penguin, a giant squid - even the Mare Humboldtianum on the moon.

His colourful adventures read like something out of a *Boy's Own* story: Humboldt explored deep into the rainforest, climbed the world's highest volcanoes and inspired princes and presidents, scientists and poets alike. Napoleon was jealous of him; Simon Bolívar's revolution was fuelled by his ideas; Darwin set sail on the *Beagle* because of Humboldt; and Jules Verne's Captain Nemo owned all his many books. He simply was, as one contemporary put it, 'the greatest man since the Deluge'.

Taking us on a fantastic voyage in his footsteps - racing across anthrax-infected Russia or mapping tropical rivers alive with crocodiles - Andrea Wulf shows why his life and ideas remain so important today. Humboldt predicted human-induced climate change as early as 1800, and *The Invention of Nature* traces his ideas as they go on to revolutionize and shape science, conservation, nature writing, politics, art and the theory of evolution. He wanted to know and understand everything and his way of thinking was so far ahead of his time that it's only coming into its own now. Alexander von Humboldt really did invent the way we see nature.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY MERLIN SHELDRAKE:** This JM Classics edition includes a 1000-word introduction by winner of the RSL Science Book Prize, Merlin Sheldrake
- **THE FIRST MODERN SCIENTIST:** Humboldt gave us isobars on weather maps, the ideal of global vegetation zones, the concept of climate, and more places (and species) are named after him than anyone else. He was the father of environmentalism (and Darwin loved him!)
- **AWARD-WINNING AND CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED:** This book won the 2015 Costa Biography Award and the Royal Society Science Book Prize 2016, was widely praised by reviewers and writers alike, and put Andrea Wulf on the map as a remarkable biographer.

Awards

Winner of the Costa Prize: Biography
Winner of the Royal Society Prize for Science Books

Reviews

- **'A big, magnificent, adventurous book - so vividly written and daringly researched - a geographical pilgrimage and an intellectual epic! Brilliant, surprising, and thought-provoking . . . a major achievement'** - *RICHARD HOLMES, author of The Age of Wonder and Coleridge*
- **'A truly wonderful book . . .** Andrea Wulf has told the tale with such brio, such understanding, such depth. The physical journeyings, all around South America when it was virtually terra incognita, are as exciting as the journeys of Humboldt's mind into astronomy, literature, philosophy and every known branch of science. **This is one of the most exciting intellectual biographies I have ever read**, up there with Lewes's Goethe and Ray Monk's Wittgenstein' - *A N Wilson*
- '[A] gripping study . . . **No one who reads this brilliant book is likely to forget Humboldt'** - *New Scientist*
- **'A rollicking adventure story . . . a fascinating history of ideas, in which Wulf leads us expertly along a series of colourful threads that emanate from the**

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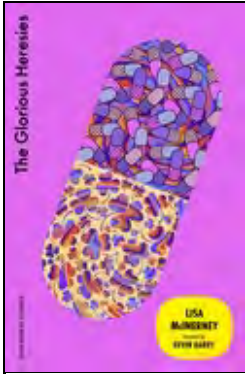
great tapestry of Humboldt's life and work . . . What really fascinated me about *The Invention of Nature* is how relevant Humboldt's ideas are today . . . Arriving in South America, Darwin took his first steps in the tropical forest and exclaimed: "I formerly admired Humboldt, I now almost adore him". Readers of Wulf's marvellous new book may feel the same way' - *Financial Times*

Author Biography

Andrea Wulf was born in India, moved to Germany as a child, and now lives in England. She is the author of several acclaimed books, including the Costa prize-winning biography of Alexander Humboldt, *The Invention of Nature*. *The Brother Gardeners* won the American Horticultural Society Book Award and was long-listed for the Samuel Johnson Prize. Her book *Founding Gardeners* was on the *New York Times* bestseller list. Andrea has written for many newspapers including the *Guardian*, *LA Times* and *New York Times*. She was the Eccles British Library Writer in Residence 2013 and a three-time fellow of the International Center for Jefferson Studies at Monticello. She appears regularly on TV and radio.

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The Glorious Heresies

Lisa McInerney

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the Women's Prize for Fiction-winning novel, *The Glorious Heresies*, the first in the sexy, brassy, riotous Cork trilogy, introduced by Kevin Barry

Description

WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY KEVIN BARRY

WINNER OF THE BAILEYS' WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION 2016
WINNER OF THE DESMOND ELLIOT PRIZE 2016

We all do stupid things when we're kids.

Ryan Cusack's grown up faster than most - being the oldest of six with a dead mum and an alcoholic dad will do that for you.

And nobody says Ryan's stupid. Not even behind his back.

It's the people around him who are the problem. The gangland boss using his dad as a 'cleaner'. The neighbour who says she's trying to help but maybe wants something more than that. The prostitute searching for the man she never knew she'd miss until he disappeared without trace one night . . .

The only one on Ryan's side is his girlfriend Karine. If he blows that, he's all alone.

But the truth is, you don't know your own strength till you need it.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY KEVIN BARRY:** This JM Classics edition includes a 1000-word introduction by Goldsmiths-Prize winner Kevin Barry
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED:** *The Glorious Heresies* was heralded when it published in 2015: 'a glorious, foul-mouthed, fizzing new talent' (*Sunday Times*); 'fiendishly hilarious' (*The Times*); 'a head-spinning, stomach-churning state-of-the-nation novel' (*Telegraph*)
- **STRONG SALES:** Since 2015, *The Glorious Heresies* has invoiced over 120,000 copies across all editions

Awards

Longlisted for the Dylan Thomas Prize
 Longlisted for the Theakstons Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year
 Shortlisted for the Sunday Independent Newcomer of the Year (Irish Book Award)
 Winner of the Baileys Women's Prize for Fiction
 Winner of the Desmond Elliott Prize

Reviews

- '**A punchy, edgy, sexy, fizzing feast** of a debut novel from **an immensely skilled storyteller** with a glorious passion for words. **I loved it**' - *Joseph O'Connor, author of Star of the Sea*
- '**A gripping and often riotously funny** tale . . . McInerney gifts us a memorable cast that are tough as nails, savagely articulate, and helplessly human' - *Colin Barrett*
- '**A real stunner; a wild ride of a read**' - *Donal Ryan, author of The Spinning Heart*
- '*The Glorious Heresies* heralds the arrival of a **glorious, foul-mouthed, fizzing** new talent' - *Sunday Times*

Author Biography

Lisa McInerney's work has featured in *Winter Papers*, *Stinging Fly*, *Granta* and on BBC Radio 4, and in the anthologies *Beyond The Centre*, *The Long Gaze Back* and *Town and Country*. Her debut novel, *The Glorious Heresies*, won the Baileys Women's Prize for Fiction 2016 and the Desmond Elliott Prize. Her second novel, *The Blood Miracles*, was published by John Murray in April 2017.

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Peacemakers

Margaret MacMillan

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the influential history of the Paris Peace Conference of 1919, which won the Samuel Johnson Prize, the Duff Cooper Prize and the Hessel-Tiltman Prize, introduced by Max Hastings

Description

WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY MAX HASTINGS

**WINNER OF THE DUFF COOPER PRIZE 2001
WINNER OF THE PEN HESSELL TILTMAN PRIZE 2002
WINNER OF THE SAMUEL JOHNSON PRIZE 2003**

'A ground-breaking book . . . The story of Europe's diplomatic meltdown has never been better told' *Spectator*

'Enjoyable and illuminating . . . MacMillan is that wonderful combination - an academic and scholar who writes well, with a marvellous clarity of thought' ANTONY BEEVOR, *The Times*

Between January and July 1919, after the war to end all wars, men and women from all over the world converged on Paris for the Peace Conference. At its heart were the leaders of the three great powers - Woodrow Wilson, Lloyd George and Clemenceau. Kings, prime ministers and foreign ministers with their crowds of advisers rubbed shoulders with journalists and lobbyists for a hundred causes - from Armenian independence to women's rights. Everyone had business in Paris that year - T.E. Lawrence, Queen Marie of Romania, Maynard Keynes, Ho Chi Minh. There had never been anything like it before, and there never has been since.

For six extraordinary months the city was effectively the centre of world government as the peacemakers wound up bankrupt empires and created new countries. They pushed Russia to the sidelines, alienated China and dismissed the Arabs, struggled with the problems of Kosovo, of the Kurds, and of a homeland for the Jews.

The peacemakers, so it has been said, failed dismally; failed above all to prevent another war. Margaret MacMillan argues that they have unfairly been made scapegoats for the mistakes of those who came later. They tried to be evenhanded, but their goals - to make defeated countries pay without destroying them, to satisfy impossible nationalist dreams, to prevent the spread of Bolshevism and to establish a world order based on democracy and reason - could not be achieved by diplomacy. *Peacemakers* offers a prismatic view of the moment when much of the modern world was first sketched out.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY MAX HASTINGS:** This JM Classics edition includes a 1000-word introduction by award-winning historian Sir Max Hastings.
- **AWARD-WINNING:** *Peacemakers* won the Duff Cooper Prize 2001, the PEN Hessel Tiltman Prize 2002 and Margaret was the first woman to win the Samuel Johnson Prize 2003.
- **RELEVANT TODAY:** This story explains the origins of China's progress towards world domination in recent years, and offers a useful perspective on unrest across the Middle East and Russia's growing imperialism today.

Reviews

- '"Enthralling ... detailed, fair, unfailingly lively ... full of brilliant pen-portraits." Allan Massie.' - *Daily Telegraph*
- '"Magnificent ... she gives a full, colourful and erudite description of the participants and their motives." Simon Heffer.' - *Literary Review*
- 'Exactly the sort of book I like: written with pace and flavoured with impudence based on solid scholarship.' - *Sunday Times*
- 'Deserving winner of the Samuel Johnson Prize, this pacy and racy account of the statesmen who reshaped the world at the Paris conference of 1919 puts the dash back into diplomatic history' - *THE INDEPENDENT Magazine*

Author Biography

Margaret MacMillan has a doctorate from St Antony's College, Oxford. Formerly Provost of Trinity College and Warden of St Antony's College, she is Professor of History at the University of Toronto. In 2017 she was made a Companion to the Order of Canada, and in 2018 she was appointed to the Order of the Companions of Honour. She has written several books including *Peacemakers*, which won the BBC Four Samuel Johnson Prize, the Duff Cooper Prize, the Hessel-Tiltman

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Beside the Ocean of Time

George Mackay Brown

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the haunting, Booker Prize-shortlisted novel by one of Scotland's major literary figures, introduced by Amy Liptrot

Description

WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY AMY LIPROT

**SHORTLISTED FOR THE BOOKER PRIZE 1994
WINNER OF THE SALTIRE SOCIETY LITERARY AWARD 1994**

'Intimate, humorous, effortlessly combining the strands of history and folklore, the past and the present, this is a deceptively simple book, like a tale told to a child. But its echoes sound on unforgettably. A whole universe is created from a grain of Orkney sand' *Independent*

In this novel set on the fictitious island of Norday in the Orkneys, George Mackay Brown beckons us into the imaginary world of the young Thorfinn Ragnarson, the son of a crofter. In his day-dreams he relives the history of this island people, travelling back in time to join Viking adventurers at the court of the Byzantine Emperor in Constantinople, then accompanying a Falstaffian knight to the battle of Bannockburn.

Thorfinn wakes to the twentieth century and a community whose way of life, steeped in legend and tradition, has remained unchanged for centuries. But as the boy grows up - and falls in love with a vivacious and mysterious stranger - the transforming effect of modern civilization brings momentous and irreversible changes to the island. During the Second World War Thorfinn finds himself in a German prisoner-of-war camp, and it is here that he discovers his gifts as a writer.

Long afterwards he returns, now a successful novelist, to a deserted and battle-scarred island. Searching for the peace and freedom of mind he had in abundance as a child, he finds instead something he didn't even know he was looking for.

George Mackay Brown intertwines myth and reality to create a novel of deceptive simplicity. The story of Thorfinn and the island of Norday is a universal and profound one, rooted in the timeless landscape of the Orkneys, the inspiration of all his writing.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY AMY LIPROT:** This JM Classics edition includes a 1000-word introduction by bestselling author of *The Outrun*, Amy Liptrot
- **A SCOTTISH LITERARY ICON:** George Mackay Brown was one of the 20th century's most distinguished and original writers, who brought the islands and peoples of Orkney to life in his writing. *Beside the Ocean* was his last novel, and is widely considered to be his most accomplished.

Reviews

- **'Mackay Brown is an incomparable writer, a master of his chosen craft . . .** His personal palette of language is as instantly recognisable as a painting by Matisse, or a Bach fugue: needlesharp imagery, deft use of sudden sound and lingering echoes, highlights of lightning movement and appalled stillness, background layers of silence and absence' - *Independent*
- **'If there's been a better British poet than George Mackay Brown in the last century, I have yet to read them'** - Ben Myers, *Guardian*

Author Biography

George Mackay Brown was one of the greatest Scottish writers of the twentieth century. A prolific poet, admired by such fellow poets as Ted Hughes and Seamus Heaney, he was also an accomplished novelist and a master of the short story. He died at the age of 74 on 13 April 1996.

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Black England

Gretchen Gerzina

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the forgotten lives of black Georgian Britain

Description

'This book brings history alive' BERNADINE EVARISTO

WITH A FOREWORD FROM ZADIE SMITH

'Black England is a book that will be relevant for ever' BENJAMIN ZEPHANIAH

The idea that Britain became a mixed-race country after 1945 is a common mistake. Georgian England had a large and distinctive Black community. Whether prosperous citizens or newly freed slaves, they all ran the risk of kidnap and sale to plantations. *Black England* tells their dramatic, often moving stories.

In the eighteenth century, Black people could be found in clubs and pubs, there were special churches, Black-only balls and organisations for helping Black people who were out of work or in trouble. Many were famous and respected: most notably Francis Barber, Doctor Johnson's beloved manservant; Ignatius Sancho, a correspondent of Laurence Sterne; Francis Williams, a Cambridge scholar, and Olaudah Equiano whose *Interesting Narrative* went into multiple editions. But far more were ill-paid and ill-treated servants or beggars, despite having served Britain in war and on the seas. For alongside the free world there was slavery, from which many of these Black Britons had escaped.

The triumphs and tortures of Black England, the Ambivalent relations between the races, sometimes tragic, sometimes heart-warming, are brought to life in this wonderfully readable history. *Black England* explores a fascinating chapter of our shared past, a chapter that has been ignored too long.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY ZADIE SMITH:** This JM Classics edition includes an introduction by Zadie Smith: this is her favourite book
- **EMINENT AUTHOR:** An expert in black and queer history, Professor Gerzina's work is avidly read by everyone from Bernadine Evaristo to Benjamin Zephaniah
- **RECLAIMING LOST HISTORY:** This book changed the way history was written, blazing the trail for historians like David Olusoga and Olivette Otele.

Reviews

- 'In the 1990s, an assistant in a London bookshop informed the African American historian Gretchen Gerzina that there "were no black people in England before 1945". Gerzina effectively disproved that assertion by going on to write **the classic book on black people in Georgian London, *Black England***' - DAVID OLUSOGA, *Guardian*
- **'Wonderfully vivid, multifaceted and engrossing . . . this book brings history alive'** - BERNADINE EVARISTO
- **'Black England taught me more history than I ever learned at school.** This book helped me to understand the history that my generation are making now. To say that it is groundbreaking is stating the obvious. *Black England* is part of our canon. With books like this to guide us, we are unstoppable. Gretchen Gerzina tells it as it was, so we know how it is. ***Black England is a book that will be relevant for ever***' - BENJAMIN ZEPHANIAH
- 'A classic that deserves to be read . . . indeed, needs to be read, *Black England* is **deeply researched, lucidly written and utterly fascinating.** If you ever thought Black British history began with Windrush, read this book - this is a story we should all know' - GREG JENNER

Author Biography

GRETCHEN GERZINA is the Paul Murray Kendall Chair in Biography, and Professor of English, at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. A tenured professor at Vassar College: and Barnard College, Columbia University; she was also the Kathe Tappe Vernon Professor of Biography at Dartmouth College where she was the first black woman to chair an Ivy League English Department. In addition, she was the Eastman Professor at Oxford University (Balliol College), Professor at Brunel University, and has directed three academic programs in African American Studies. She has written several acclaimed books including *Carrington*, *Frances Hodgson Burnett, Mr and Mrs Prince*. She was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Antiquarian Society, and appears often on radio and podcasts in Britain and America. She divides her time between Northampton, Massachusetts and Brooklyn, New York.



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Beasts of No Nation

Uzodinma Iweala

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the stunning novel about a child-soldier in Africa, which was adapted into a multi-award-winning film starring Idris Elba - with a new foreword by Katie Kitamura

Description

WITH A NEW FOREWORD BY KATIE KITAMURA

'A work of visceral urgency and power' AMITAV GHOSH

'Totally and shockingly alive from its very first paragraph' ALI SMITH, GUARDIAN

'An extraordinary book' SUNDAY TELEGRAPH

Agu is just a boy when war arrives at his village. His mother and sister are rescued by the UN, while he and his father remain to fight the rebels. 'Run!' shouts his father when the rebels arrive. And Agu does run. Straight into the rebels' path.

In a vivid, sparkling voice, Agu tells the story of what happens to him next. His story is shocking and painful, and completely unforgettable.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED:** *Beasts of No Nation* was widely praised for its astonishing portrayal of war: 'Gives a name, a voice and a heart to one of Africa's innumerable child soldiers' *Observer*; 'linguistically ingenious . . . a hugely resonant discourse on an uncomfortable subject' *Observer*; 'unforgettable' *Daily Telegraph*; 'deserves to be read' *Independent*
- **ADAPTED INTO AN AWARD-WINNING FILM:** In 2015, *Beasts of No Nation* was adapted into a multi-award-winning film starring Idris Elba
- **INTRODUCED BY KATIE KITAMURA:** This JM Classics editions features a 1000-word introduction by bestselling author of *Intimacies*, Katie Kitamura.

Reviews

- "This is an extraordinary book ... horrifying expose ... vivid ... It casts a powerful, if gruesome spell" - *Sunday Telegraph*
- "Linguistically ingenious, *Beasts of No Nation* is a remarkable debut, a hugely resonant discourse on an uncomfortable subject." - *Observer*, Helen Zaltzman
- "This sad, unforgettable novel is a fitting testament to the countless Agus who continue to kill and be killed across that most tragic of continents." - *Daily Telegraph*, David Isaacson
- "Compelling ... perturbing, painful and powerful" - *Irish Independent*

Author Biography

Uzodinma Iweala received the 2006 John Llewellyn Rhys Prize for *Beasts of No Nation*. In 2007, he was selected as one of *Granta's* Best Young American Novelists. A graduate of Harvard University and the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, he lives in New York City and Lagos, Nigeria.



The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano

Olaudah Equiano

Keynote

A JM Classics edition of the autobiography of a formerly enslaved man who fought his way to freedom, which influenced the British abolitionist movement, introduced by David Olusoga

Description

WITH A FOREWORD BY DAVID OLUSOGA

This is the extraordinary story of Olaudah Equiano: Child slave. Soldier. Free man. Traveller. Abolitionist. Celebrity.

Kidnapped as a child into slavery, Equiano spent the rest of his life fighting for his freedom. After years of slavery, working on ships that carried him across empire and into battle during the Seven Years War, he eventually managed to purchase his own freedom, and went on to become a leading figure in the early abolition movement.

Published to coincide with the first attempt to abolish the slave trade in 1789, Equiano's remarkable autobiography became a sensation and turned its author into the most famous Black person in Georgian Britain.

As vivid and powerful today as it was in 1789, Equiano's story is the most significant autobiographical account of slavery to emerge from Britain's centuries as a slave trading power. In this JM Classics edition, leading historian David Olusoga's introduction sets Equiano's book in its historical context, helping us to understand the man himself.

Sales Points

- **JM CLASSICS:** Celebrating the very best of over 250 years of publishing, the JM Classics will launch in 2025 and will be a beautifully designed series, each with a specially commissioned introduction.
- **INTRODUCED BY DAVID OLUSOGA:** This JM Classics edition includes an introduction by award-winning author of *Black and British*, David Olusoga

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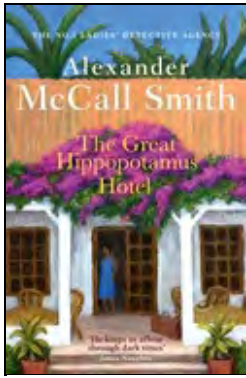
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The Minor Adjustment Beauty Salon
The Handsome Man's De Luxe Café
The Woman Who Walked in Sunshine
Precious and Grace
The House of Unexpected Sisters
The Colours of all the Cattle
To the Land of Long Lost Friends
How to Raise an Elephant
The Joy and Light Bus Company
A Song of Comfortable Chairs
From a Far and Lovely Country

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The Great Hippopotamus Hotel

Alexander McCall Smith

Keynote

Book 25 in the multi-million copy bestselling and perennially adored No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series.

Description

A chance meeting with the manager of *The Great Hippopotamus Hotel* leads the much-admired and traditionally-built Precious Ramotswe to investigate what is going wrong with this previously successful country hotel. Guests have been unwell, clothing has disappeared from the washing line, and scorpions have found their way into the guest bedrooms. Mma Ramotswe drives out to the hotel with her irrepressible colleague, Grace Makutsi (97 per cent in the final examinations of the Botswana Secretarial College). What they find there are family conflicts that only the investigators of the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency will be able to resolve.

Meanwhile, at Tlokweng Road Speedy Motors, Mma Ramotswe's husband, Mr J.L.B. Matekoni, gets a visit from a middle-aged client who wants to purchase a fast Italian sports car. What should the conscientious *garagiste* do in such circumstances? Should the client's wife be told? Mma Ramotswe is used to wrestling with such tricky questions, but it is harder for Mr J.L.B. Matekoni.

And in the background is that beautiful country, Botswana, with its wide skies and its courteous people. In such surroundings, big problems soon seem small, and small worries fade away altogether.

Sales Points

- English language sales for McCall Smith's titles now exceed 20 million copies worldwide
- Alexander McCall Smith has been recognised as Author of the Year three times (BA, NIBBIES and Waterstones)

Reviews

- **'As charming as ever...** In these increasingly fractious and febrile times, we perhaps need Mma Ramotswe more than ever' - *Washington Post*
- 'McCall Smith's novels have a charm that seems to belong to a possibly mythical older time, but in one sense they are very much of our own day... Enjoying this new Botswana novel, I heard faint echoes of *A Window in Thrums*. **There is the same charm, the same acuteness, the same humour, the same generous understanding**' - Allan Massie, *Scotsman*
- 'McCall Smith makes sure that new readers are well-oriented; they can start anywhere in the series and still get the full flavor of the rich characterizations, gentle humor, Botswanan atmosphere, and Ramotswe's wisdom' - *Booklist, starred review*
- 'Smith's breezy latest outing for Botswanan sleuths Precious Ramotswe and Grace Makutsi finds the pair digging into the operations of a struggling hotel. . . . [featuring] Mma Ramotswe and company's dryly funny musings and Smith's evocative descriptions of life in Gaborone. Series fans will get just what they came for' - *Publishers Weekly*

Author Biography

Alexander McCall Smith is the author of over one hundred books on a wide array of subjects, including the award-winning The No.1 Ladies' Detective Agency series. He is also the author of the Isabel Dalhousie novels and the world's longest-running serial novel, *44 Scotland Street*. His books have been translated into forty-six languages. Alexander McCall Smith is Professor Emeritus of Medical Law at the University of Edinburgh and holds honorary doctorates from thirteen universities. He was knighted by the King in 2024.



The Girl with Ice in her Veins the latest installment in the internationally bestselling MILLENNIUM series

Karin Smirnoff

Keynote

The latest instalment in Stieg Larsson's monumental Millennium Series, Sweden's greatest literary success ever, with more than 100 million copies sold worldwide

Description

'Fresh, fearless, faithful and original. One of the great crime series of our time could not be in safer, more capable hands' Chris Whitaker

Discover Lisbeth Salander - one of the most memorable female characters in all crime fiction.

Spring returns to Sweden's far north, but darkness lies at the heart of the small town of Gasskas. Natural resources in the region are being shamelessly exploited by shadowy multinationals, opposed only by Lisbeth Salander's niece Svala and a group of environmental activists. What begins as a protest spins out of control when a young journalist is found murdered.

Journalist Mikael Blomkvist, who has taken a new job at the Gasskas newspaper, starts the investigation and unravels a story that has the makings of an explosive scandal.

At the same time, Lisbeth Salander is desperate to track down her old hacker friend, Plague, who has disappeared. When it becomes clear that both she and Svala are on a secret underworld hit list, Lisbeth decides to go to war with old and new enemies alike . . .

With *The Girl with Ice in her Veins*, Karin Smirnoff has created a stunning sequel that breathes new life into this all-time thriller classic.

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Sales Points

- Stieg Larsson's first three books were a runaway global success, selling a combined 6.2 million copies for £34.6m through Nielsen BookScan in the UK, and were later followed by another three from David Lagercrantz, which sold around 600,000 units for £4.5m.
- Smirnoff's "Jana Kippo" trilogy of literary thrillers has sold more than 700,000 copies in Sweden
- *The Girl in the Eagle's Talons* has sold over £121k copies across all formats in the UK. Lee Child said of Karin Smirnoff's first instalment in the series: 'Lisbeth Salander is back - and maybe better than ever'.

Reviews

- 'Fresh, fearless, faithful and original. One of the great crime series of our time could not be in safer, more capable hands.' - Chris Whitaker

Author Biography

Karin Smirnoff worked as a journalist before quitting her job to buy a wood factory. Her debut novel, *My Brother*, was nominated for the prestigious August Prize and has been optioned for TV by the producers behind *The Bridge*. In 2020 she completed her noir trilogy featuring Jana Kippo, which has now sold more than 500,000 copies in Sweden alone. In 2021 she was announced as the new writer for Stieg Larsson's Millennium series.

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Previous Titles

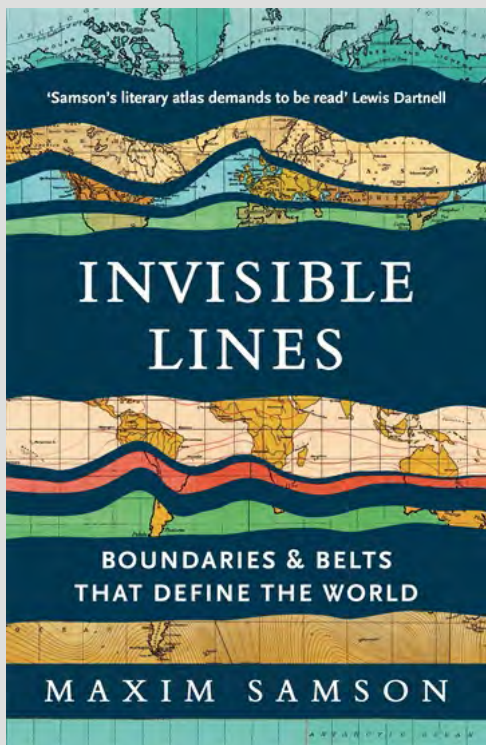
The Girl in the Eagle's Talons

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REVIEWS

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'A fascinating exploration of the lesser-known and more subtle borders across the earth and the surprising ways in which they shape our lives' - *i news*

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Invisible Lines

Boundaries and Belts That Define the World

MAXIM SAMSON

KEYNOTE

A geographer's exploration of the world's unseen boundaries from the Malaria Belt to Tornado Alley

SALES POINTS

- Perfect for fans of Tim Marshall and Zoran Nikolic's *The Atlas of Unusual Borders* (15k TCM)
- Written by an exciting young expert in cultural geography, this is a Geographical Miscellany that draws on geopolitics, history, economics and much more
- Offers a revolutionary way of understanding the everyday via snapshots from around the globe of the multitudinous geographical forces that shape our existence

DESCRIPTION

'An illuminating glimpse of the chain reactions of human and physical geography.' *Financial Times*

'A truly original adventure into new ways of exploring what we mean by a sense of place.' Simon Jenkins

Our world has innumerable boundaries, ranging from the obvious - like oceans and mountain ranges - to the intangible - like subtle differences in language or climate. Most of us cross invisible lines all the time, but rarely do we stop to consider them.

Invisible Lines presents 30 such unseen boundaries, intriguing and unexpected examples of the myriad ways in which we collectively engage with and experience the world. From football fans in Buenos Aires to air quality in China, Paris' *banlieues* to sub-Saharan Africa's Malaria Belt, the invisible boundaries that shape our experiences and existence provide a compelling guide to seeing and understanding our world anew.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Maxim Samson is an adjunct professor at DePaul University in Chicago, specialising in cultural geography and religion. An award-winning educator and researcher from the UK, he holds a PhD in Geography from the University of Leeds and has researched and taught at universities in the US and Indonesia. *Invisible Lines* is his first book.

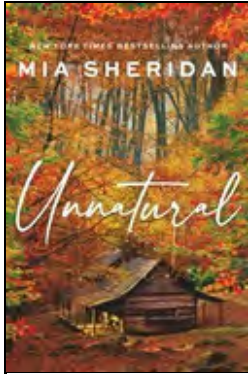
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Binding **Paperback**
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 Depth **22mm**
 Extent **480 pages**
 Word Count **120000 words**
 Series **Men and Monsters**
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Book locale **USA**
 Author born in **USA**
 Author living in **Cincinnati, Ohio**

Previous Titles
Sign of Love: Stinger (2013); Becoming Calder (2014); Finding Eden (2014); Kyland (2015); Grayson's Vow (2015)

Where Love Meets Destiny: Archer's Voice (2014); Most of All You (2017); More Than Words (2018)

Pelion Lake: Travis (2021); Falling for Gage (2024)

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Unnatural

Mia Sheridan

Keynote

A new heart-pounding, suspenseful, and supremely romantic novel from New York Times bestseller Mia Sheridan.

Description

A heart-pounding, suspenseful, and supremely romantic novel from New York Times bestseller Mia Sheridan, author of Archer's Voice.

She'd carried her boy made of moonlight in her heart all this time, the driving force that kept her searching, kept her looking for answers even when they seemed impossible to attain.

And he'd carried her with him as well.

Autumn Sterling knows more than she'd like to about pain and survival. As one of only a handful of children who made it to adulthood after being exposed to a horrific drug that swept impoverished communities decades earlier, Autumn is focused on living a full, rich life as a nurse.

And yet, she can't seem to let go of him: the boy she once called her moonlight monster. The boy they tried to convince her was merely a dream brought on by her medications. But how could he be anything but real when she touched him, felt him, made him laugh? When she woke with tangible signs of him still on her skin?

Years later, when Autumn spots that same moonlit hair on a busy city street, her new life turns upside down. The boy, now a man, has suffered on a level even Autumn can't imagine. And it is this anguished soul - Sam, her moonlight monster - who is the link to every question about her past that's ever haunted her.

As a murky picture of cruelty and corruption emerges, it's only Sam who can fully expose an evil too ghastly to comprehend . . . and it's only Autumn he'll let close enough to his dark and wounded heart to see the truth.

Why readers love Mia Sheridan ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐ ⭐!

'The bible to how to write a good, convincing love story' **L.J. Shen**

'There is no love story like a Mia Sheridan love story' **A.L. Jackson**

'Utterly mesmerizing. An exquisite, beautifully written romance' **Samantha Young**

'A romance that will captivate you, heal you, and make you believe that love can conquer all' **K. Bromberg**

'A beautifully touching story of true love and triumph over heartbreaking situations' **People.com**

'Truly beautiful and just sweeps you away into the story' **Aestas Book Blog**

Sales Points

- **A SPECIAL VOICE:** Mia writes contemporary romances that combines humour, hopefulness, and the emotional intensity that features characters that are often overlooked in the genre, perfect for fans of Colleen Hoover.
- **A HUGE HIT ON TIKTOK!** #archersvoice 168 MILLION views / #miasheridan 54 MILLION views / 41K Instagram / 14K Twitter / 35K FB
- **RAVE READER REVIEWS:** On Goodreads, ARCHER'S VOICE made the Top 10 in the Top 100 Romances of All Time list, and she has a combined average rating of 4.2 across 645,903 ratings and 75,030 reviews.

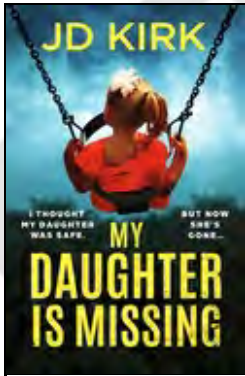
Author Biography

Mia Sheridan is a *New York Times*, *USA Today*, and *Wall Street Journal* bestselling author. Her passion is weaving true love stories about people destined to be together. Mia lives in Cincinnati, Ohio with her husband. They have four children here on earth and one in heaven.

Mia can be found online at www.miasheridan.com or www.facebook.com/



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My Daughter Is Missing

A totally addictive psychological thriller with a jaw-dropping twist

JD Kirk

Keynote

An absolutely nail-biting, addictive psychological thriller novel from multi-million, bestselling author JD Kirk. This book is sooooo fast-paced you won't be able to put it down! For anyone who loves Freida McFadden, John Marrs and T.M. Logan.

Description

My little girl has vanished. And I can't tell anyone...

My **nine-year-old daughter Hollie** should be leaving school smiling and laughing with all the other children but she's not here. I run frantically, checking everywhere, but I can't see her. Pure panic washes over me. This is my worst nightmare.

Her teacher asks if she should call the police. My heart stops. I shake my head and pretend I've made a mistake. The police can't know. No one can.

My hands shake as I know in my gut my daughter hasn't just wandered off. She's been taken. Someone must know the truth about my past...

I've spent so long protecting Hollie, but I always knew this day might come. **And I'll stop at nothing to get my little girl back.**

Sales Points

- JD Kirk is a multi-million bestselling author. He's an established, prolific writer.
- This is his first Bookouture title, and we're hugely excited to launch a psychological thriller novel by him as he pivots into this genre from police procedural fiction.
- He reviews incredibly well, with review averages of 4.5/4.6/4.7 across titles which have sold huge numbers.
- He is a Kindle number 1 bestselling author

Author Biography

JD Kirk lives in the Highlands of Scotland with his wife, two children, and a number of sturdy umbrellas. Despite writing from a young age, 'A Litter of Bones' is his first novel, and combines his love of the Highlands, crime thrillers, and cats.

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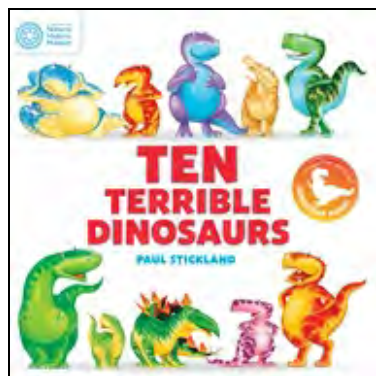
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The World of Dinosaur Roar!: Ten Terrible Dinosaurs

Paul Stickland

Keynote

From the illustrator of the best-selling picture book *Dinosaur Roar!* comes a dino-tastic counting book full of brightly coloured dinosaurs and rhyming fun!

Description

This lively counting book stars the same colourful dinosaurs as in the classic picture book *Dinosaur Roar!* The bouncy rhyming text encourages children to join in, helping them to learn their numbers as they count down from ten to one, ending with a wonderful loud ROAR!

Ten terrible dinosaurs standing in a line, soon began to mess about until there were . . . NINE.

Sales Points

- Classic, rhyming story from Paul Stickland, creator of the classic **Dinosaur Roar!** which is now celebrating 30 years.
- More than 1million **The World of Dinosaur Roar!** books have been sold worldwide since 2017.
- Published in association with the **Natural History Museum.**

Author Biography

Hi, I'm Paul Stickland, Illustrator, Author and Designer. I've designed and illustrated everything from glove puppets to teapots, wrapping paper to greetings cards. The last twenty years have been spent deep in the world of children's books and publishing, which I love. There are some great characters in the world of children's publishing and I have been very lucky to meet many of them. I have enjoyed success in many countries and have had great fun.

Publication date **Thursday, August 14, 2025**

Price **£7.99 / ₹499**

Main Identifier **9781408372791**

BIC 2.1

Dinosaurs & prehistoric world (Children's / Teenage) (YNNA) Early learning: numbers & counting (YBLC) Early learning: rhyming & wordplay books (YBLB) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA)

CBMC **A5M69**

Age **0-5 years**

Subject **Non-fiction**

Type **Picture Book**

Character **Character**

Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **245x245**

Extent **32 pages**

Word Count

Series **The World of Dinosaur Roar!**

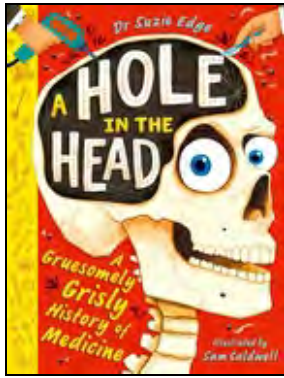
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Previous Titles

Other books by Paul Stickland
Dinosaur Roar

Other books from The World of Dinosaur Roar
Dinosaur Roar! The Tyrannosaurus rex
Dinosaur Boo! The Deinonychus
Dinosaur Munch! The Diplodocus
Dinosaur Stomp! The Triceratops
Dinosaur Snap! The Spinosaurus
Dinosaur Flap! The Oviraptor
Dinosaur Whack! The Stegosaurus
Dinosaur Whizz! The Coelophysis
Dinosaur Squeak! The Compsognathus
Dinosaur Honk! The Parasaurolophus
Dinosaur Bash! The Ankylosaurus
Dinosaur Chew! The Iguanodon
Dinosaur Thud! The Carnotaurus



Publication date **Thursday, August 28, 2025**
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 BIC 2.1 **History & the past: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNH) Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 8 years (5AJ)**

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 **250x190**
 Extent **64 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
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Previous Titles
History Stinks! The History of Poo
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A Hole in the Head

A gruesomely grisly history of medical firsts

Suzie Edge (Illustrated By Sam Caldwell)

Keynote

Ever wondered how stone age people treated a headache (with a hole in the head, of course!), or how Roman surgeons dealt with skull fractures (yep, it involved vinegar!)?

Description

TikTok star Dr Suzie Edge is here to guide you through macabre medical firsts in all their gory and gruesome detail.

Meet the Victorian body snatchers, witness beginner's dissection and see how broken bones used to be shoved back into place. From nasty neolithic skull-drilling to rasping Roman skull-filling, Dr Suzie Edge will leave no body part uncovered in her quest to demystify medicine.

Equally fascinating and DISGUSTING, *A Hole in the Head* is the perfect gift for anyone fascinated by grossness in all its technicolour glory.

Sales Points

- **DR SUZIE EDGE:** Suzie is enthusiastic, dedicated and has huge topic knowledge, charisma and commitment. She has 500k followers on TikTok, who tune in to her stories of gruesome and fascinating medical history. Suzie has two adult non-fiction titles, *Mortal Monarchs* and *Vital Organs. History Stinks!* on Wren & Rook will be her first children's title, and *A Hole in the Head* will be her first full colour illustrated title.
- Features true stories and medical discoveries from all around the world, broken up into three historical periods: Ancient, Medieval and Modern
- Features many medical figureheads like Aristotle, Alexander Fleming and Ignaz Semmelweis
- Contains graphic-panel artwork throughout, with specific comic-style 'stories' of Aristotle diagnosing diseases in Ancient Greece through tasting wee, the Black Death and the dancing plague.

Author Biography

Suzie Edge (Author)

Suzie Edge trained as a biologist before becoming a medical doctor to spend more time talking to people, rather than just bugs in test tubes. She's worked as a doctor in infectious diseases, haematology, and trauma and orthopaedic surgery. She has also completed a MLitt in Modern History to feed her fascination for the history of the human body and medicine.

She loves discovering the real historical stories of how we have treated our human bodies in life and in death. She has over 10.3 million likes and 500,000 followers on TikTok, who love tuning into her stories of gruesome and fascinating medical history.

She has been nominated for BookTok Author of the Year 2023.

Sam Caldwell (Illustrator)

Sam Caldwell is an award-winning illustrator based in Glasgow where he lives with his wife and two cats: Tonks and Luna. Sam loves inventing characters and creating images packed full of detail, texture and colour. He is passionate about animals and nature, and - when not drawing - can often be found exploring the Scottish Highlands.

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding	Paperback
Format	300x240
Depth	8mm
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Wild Outside	
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Audio	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Wild Crossings

Rachel Ip (Illustrated By Katie Hickey)

Keynote

An illustrated collection of 18 true stories from around the world about the incredible structures humans have put in place to help animals follow their natural migration routes.

Description

Why did the . . .
Sloth
Tortoise
Elephant
. . . cross the road?

All over the world, animals are constantly on the move, travelling to find mates, forage for food and seek safety and shelter. But what happens when man-made barriers get in the way? From motorways and railways to housing developments and gas pipelines, humans have made it harder for animals to get to where they need to go.

But now humans are reconnecting wild spaces and helping animals of all shapes and sizes find safe passage. They're using overpasses, underpasses, rope bridges and ingenious engineering to move between fragmented forests and habitats. From tiny toadlets to the world's largest mammals, animals cross over and under, up above and down below.

With 18 true stories of animal crossings written by Rachel Ip and brought to life by Katie Hickey's artwork, *Wild Crossings* is the perfect blend of engineering and nature stories for children.

Sales Points

- This book merges two popular STEM topics for children; animals and engineering.
- The content of this book is very global and features 18 different examples of humans helping animals find their way home, with three stories per continent (with the exception of Antarctica)
- An uplifting book with an environmental message of righting human wrongs and helping nature recover

Author Biography

Rachel Ip (Author)

Rachel Ip is an award-winning picture book author and author ambassador for *Bring Me a Book Hong Kong*, the leading family literacy charity in Hong Kong. Rachel was born in the UK and also lived in France and Belgium before moving to Hong Kong 15 years ago. *The Forgettery* won the 2022 English Association Picture Book Awards and *The Last Garden* was longlisted for the 2021 Klaus Flugge Prize and won the Crystal Kite Award for Middle East, India, and Asia.

Katie Hickey (Illustrator)

Katie is a freelance illustrator who graduated from Falmouth University in beautiful (and slightly soggy) Cornwall, England in 2016.

Having grown up in Cornwall, and also in the middle-east, Katie takes inspiration from her travels and surroundings to create characterful and atmospheric images. She particularly loves creating illustrations about the quirky stories and characters she meets along the way. Her work deals with both narrative and information and often combines the two.

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CBMC	D3N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Series	Geomancer
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Geomancer: The Ship of Strays

Immerse yourself in this epic fantasy adventure from a bestselling author

Kiran Millwood Hargrave

Author Biography

Kiran Millwood Hargrave is an award-winning, bestselling novelist. Her debut story for children *The Girl of Ink & Stars* won the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, and the British Book Awards Children's Book of the Year. Her work has been short- and long-listed for numerous major prizes including the Costa Award and the CILIP Carnegie Award, and her novel *Julia and the Shark*, illustrated by Tom de Freston, was shortlisted for the Wainwright Prize and named Waterstones Children's Gift of the Year. She's a graduate of both Oxford and Cambridge Universities, and lives in Oxford with her husband and cats, in a house between a river and a forest.

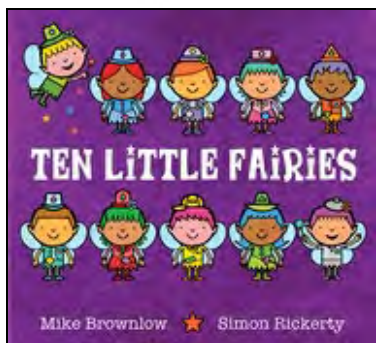
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Ten Little Fairies

Mike Brownlow (Illustrated By Simon Rickerty)

Keynote

Join ten little fairies as they search for the Queen's magic wand in this charming rhyming counting adventure. The latest instalment of the bestselling Ten Little Series.

TEN LITTLE: now a major TV series on Sky Kids.

Description

Join ten magical fairies for plenty of flying fun in this charming rhyming counting adventure!

The Fairy Queen has lost her precious magic wand! Can ten little fairies search the land and find it for her?

Follow the fairies as they swoop and soar their way through a magical world, packed with favourite fairytale creatures and nursery rhyme characters.

Read the bouncy rhyming story and count from ten to one and back again, as the little fairies disappear then reappear. Spot and count the details on each pages, and join in with the magical read-aloud sounds.

Part traditional counting rhyme, part fun-filled story, *Ten Little Fairies* is perfect for sharing.

Sales Points

- Book number 14 in the bestselling Ten Little series - with over 2 million copies sold!
- A contemporary counting rhyme; learn to count from ten to one and back again as the little fairies disappear, then reappear
- Bright, graphic, action-packed illustrations from a Roald Dahl Funny Prize winner, featuring a princess, an ogre, the big bad wolf, and even Humpty Dumpty!
- Rhythmic, rhyming text with lots of sounds to read aloud

Author Biography

Mike Brownlow (Author)

Mike Brownlow is the creator of many books for children. He wrote and illustrated the picture book *Little Robots*, which was turned into a major animated TV show for CBeebies and aired in over 70 countries worldwide. His other books include *Mickey Moonbeam*, *Dog Did It!* and *The Big White Book*. Mike lives in Somerset and has three grown-up daughters.

Simon Rickerty (Illustrator)

Simon Rickerty graduated from The Royal College of Art in 2006 with a master's degree in Communication Art and Design. His first picture book, *Peas*, written by Andy Cullen, was shortlisted for the Booktrust Early Years Award. Simon has gone on to illustrate many more highly acclaimed books for children, including *Ten Little Pirates*, winner of the Nottingham Children's Book Prize, and *Monkey Nut*, winner of the Roald Dahl Funny Prize. He lives in Bristol.

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BIC 2.1	Early learning: numbers & counting (YBLC) Early learning: rhyming & wordplay books (YBLB) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	275x250
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Ten Little
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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The Magician of Tiger Castle the highly anticipated debut adult novel from the international bestselling author

Louis Sachar

Keynote

The highly anticipated debut adult novel from the internationally bestselling and much-loved author of children's fiction and the iconic novel, *Holes*. In 1523 in a far-away kingdom, the magician Anatole is charged with saving the wedding of the century. The only problem is, none of his potions seem to be working...

Description

THE HIGHLY ANTICIPATED DEBUT ADULT NOVEL BY LOUIS SACHAR, THE INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF CHILDREN'S FICTION AND AUTHOR OF CLASSIC NOVEL, HOLES.

Is true love the greatest form of magic?

Long ago, in a kingdom far away, the magician of tiger castle is on thin ice. Once the greatest in the land, Anatole's spells have dried up. He can't even turn sand into gold anymore. The only one who still believes in him is kind Princess Tullia, and he hopes - for the sake of their friendship - that he can soon redeem himself and stay within the king's court.

When the opportunity arises, Anatole is faced with an impossible decision. Princess Tullia is betrothed to the prince of a rich neighbouring kingdom, an alliance which will save bankrupt Esquaveta and all its citizens. But, Tullia has secretly fallen in love with a lowly apprentice scribe and refuses to wed the prince.

The King tasks Anatole with the most difficult magic of all: an anti-love potion. Anatole can save everything and everyone if he can shatter the young lovers' romance. But, with the fate of the kingdom hanging in the balance, can he achieve it? Can he even bring himself to try? After all, is true love not the purest form of magic?

Told with the same wit and warmth that has made Louis Sachar's books classics of children's literature, *The Magician of Tiger Castle* is a colourful and enigmatic tale of adventure, love, loss and triumph.

'Wise and whimsical . . . I loved it' **Alix E. Harrow, bestselling author of *Starling House***

'The kind of book that lodges itself in your heart!' **Sarah Beth Durst, bestselling author of *The Spellshop***

Sales Points

- **THE DEBUT ADULT NOVEL FROM ONE OF THE MOST ICONIC LIVING AUTHORS OF CHILDREN'S LITERATURE:** Whole generations of adults grew up reading Louis Sachar's classic novels, including *Holes* and the *Wayside School* books and there is a huge audience ready and waiting for this novel, now as an adult audience. *Holes* is still taught in schools so Louis' recognition remains strong across younger readers and their parents too.
- **A HUGE GLOBAL PUBLICATION - SOLD IN A MAJOR SEVEN-FIGURE DEAL IN THE US:** Sold to Penguin Random House in the US for a huge seven-figure deal, this will be an unmissable global launch, reaching Louis' fans all around the world. Backed with a global comprehensive marketing and publicity campaign, this will launch with a bang worldwide.
- **THE PERFECTLY PITCHED FIRST ADULT NOVEL:** Louis has tapped into the growing SFF trends with a warm and cosy fantasy novel that both reaches his original readers - now adults - and also appeals to the older end of his YA readership. The story follows the magician Anatole, who plays a role reminiscent of the apothecary in *Romeo & Juliet* - a new perspective of a classic tale.
- **THE INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Louis Sachar has sold over 1 million books in the UK alone, and over 200,000 copies in ANZ. He is the winner of the Newberry Award and the National Book Award and is featured in *TIME* Magazine's 100 Best YA Books of All Time.

Reviews

- 'A medieval fable for the modern age: wise and whimsical, tragic and comic, familiar and strange. I loved it' - Alix E. Harrow
- 'Clever, wistful and lovely in equal measure, this is the kind of book that lodges itself in your heart!' - Sarah Beth Durst
- 'I adored this book. It is undoubtedly a new favourite, perfect for fans of *Holes* - or for any reader who wants to go on a grand, magical adventure for the sake of true love' -

Publication date	Tuesday, August 05, 2025
Price	£15.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781035426607
BIC 2.1	Fantasy (FM) Historical fiction (FV) Science fiction (FL)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Book locale	Italy (fantasy version of)
Author living in	Austin, Texas, USA

Previous Titles

Books for Children:

Holes

The Wayside School series

The Marvin Redpost series

The Holes series

The Cardturner

There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom

The Boy Who Lost His Face

Pig City

Someday Angeline

Johnny's in the Basement

Fuzzy Mud

Dogs Don't Tell Jokes

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Susan Dennard

- 'While keeping the heart and humanity of *Holes*, Louis Sachar blazes into the adult space with *The Magician of Tiger Castle*' - Rebecca Thorne

Author Biography

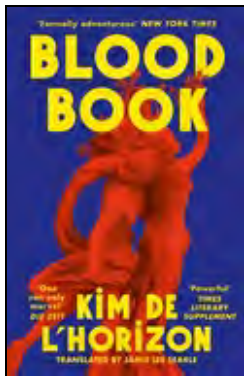
Louis Sachar has written more than 25 books for young people, including *Holes*, the Wayside School series, *There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom* and *Fuzzy Mud*. His books have won numerous awards, including the Newbery Medal and National Book Award, and have been translated into more than 40 languages. He lives in Austin, Texas.

Market

TJ Klune's *The House in the Cerulean Sea* ; Sarah Beth Durst's *The Spell Shop* ; Emilie Nikola's *The House Witch and the Enchanting of the Hearth* ; Travid Baldree's *Legends & Lattes*

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BIC 2.1	Fiction in translation (FYT) Of specific Gay & Lesbian interest (5S)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Demy
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
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Book locale	Switzerland and Germany
Author born in	Bern, Switzerland
Author living in	Switzerland
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Blood Book

Kim de l'Horizon
Translated by **Jamie Lee Searle**

Keynote

The sensational international bestseller. A radical exploration of memory and identity by one of Europe's most prodigious contemporary writers.

Description

WINNER OF THE GERMAN BOOK PRIZE, THE SWISS BOOK PRIZE AND THE JÜRGEN PONTO LITERATURE PRIZE

'Powerful'

Times Literary Supplement

'Formally adventurous'

New York Times

'Everything about it is fantastic'

Die Welt

'One can only marvel'

Die Zeit

'An important new voice for a new form of writing'

Tages-Anzeiger

As their grandmother slides into dementia, an unnamed narrator begins to ask questions - to fill in the gaps, to resist the silence that shrouds their family. Childhood memories resurface, revealing a path into the past, winding back through generations. This matrilineal line leads toward nature, witchcraft, freedom. Could this be where they belong?

What follows is an astounding quest for liberation - from generational trauma, class identity, the limits of language. It's a search for other forms of knowledge and traditions, other ways of becoming. Bold and expansive, *Blood Book* is an unforgettable reckoning with the past, and a mesmerising exploration of who we are.

Published in the US as *Sea, Mothers, Swallow, Tongues*

Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING:** *Blood Book* won both the German and Swiss book prizes, as well as the prestigious Jürgen Ponto Literature Prize. It has also been shortlisted for the Prix Médicis.
- **AN EXCITING AUTHOR WITH A HUGE PROFILE:** The discussion around *Blood Book's* prize success took the German literary world by storm. Kim has already been profiled in the *New York Times* as well as most major German papers, and they are fluent in English, too. The German edition of the novel was on display in Foyles Charing Cross before our deal was even announced.
- **BOLD, GENRE-DEFYING FICTION:** *Blood Book* has been praised for its experimental form and language, and its unflinching exploration of gender identity
- **INTERNATIONAL SALES:** *Blood Book* will be published by FSG in the United States as *Sea, Mothers, Swallow, Tongues*, and rights have also been sold in seventeen languages.

Reviews

- 'Although the novel chronicles experiences that are relatively niche, the narrator's struggles transcend the specificity of what they are describing. This, ultimately, is what makes *Blutbuch* **so powerful**: it's not simply about the unique struggles of someone who is gender-fluid, but about what it means to be human in a gendered, classist, and sexist world' - Anna Katharina Schaffner, *Times Literary Supplement*
- 'Observing memory and the deconstruction of family, language, and the queer body, *Blood Book* is an atlas that takes on so many challenging points, with an omnipotence that never loses its vastness' - Misha Honcharenko, author of *Trap Unfolds Me Greedily*
- 'A touching, literarily opulent, **utterly fascinating** book' - *Bayerischer Rundfunk*
- 'Kim de l'Horizon has won the German Book Prize and **everything about it is fantastic** . . . it is a story about the search for the language of one's own identity, a story of becoming and being oneself' - *Die Welt*

Author Biography

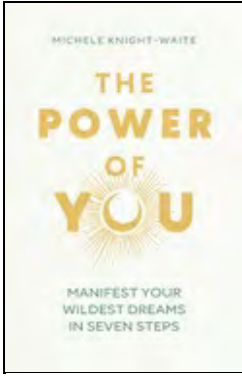
Kim de l'Horizon is a novelist, performer, and playwright, born in 2666 on Gethen, a



planet much freer than this one. Their debut novel, *Blood Book*, won the German Book Prize, the Swiss Book Prize and the Jürgen Ponto Foundation Prize. It has been translated into seventeen languages and was an international bestseller.

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The Power of You Manifest Your Wildest Dreams in Seven Steps

Michele Knight-Waite

Keynote

Manifest whatever you want into your life with this practical, seven-step guide from a global bestselling author and influencer.

Description

Have you tried manifesting - and zilch?! Have you been dreaming, longing, and wishing for a better future? Have you vision-boarded like a wild thing, carried crystals in your underwear while lighting your New Moon candles and chanting positive affirmations, and yet nada, nix, nothing? Don't worry! You're not alone.

A lot of manifesting wisdom will tell you that it's all your fault. You created your circumstances. Your vibes are off. *That's wrong.* You are not a failure. You were doing nothing wrong. You are lovable, worthy, and equal to anyone on this earth.

We are all distinctive and unrepeatable sparks of the universe with special skills and magic encoded within us. Finding the way to access this, releases your ability to make your dreams come true.

The trick to manifesting is finding the right technique for you. *The Power of You* gives you those techniques so that you can easily and simply draw towards you the life you deserve. And most importantly, create a better relationship with yourself, with others, and with the outside world along the way. *The Power of You* hands you every tool, secret, and process you need, broken down into simple steps so that you can get the results you deserve.

Know this. Wherever you come from and whatever you have experienced you are a perfect soul. There is nothing flawed about you. Look around you and find others who have the kind of life you yearn for. They are not 'better' or more deserving than you. And if they can live the life of their dreams - so can you. The fact you are reading this tells you that it is now your time to break through and tap into your huge reservoirs of magic and self-certainty. And receive what you truly desire.

Ready to begin your journey? It's going to be a wild ride that takes you to places you never imagined. So, hold that dream and climb aboard!

Sales Points

- **ON TREND:** Manifesting and all things law of attraction sell - big comps from Roxie Nafousi's *MANIFEST* books and Vex King's *THE GREATEST MANIFESTATION BOOK (IS THE ONE WRITTEN BY YOU)*.
- **TIMELESS:** Manifesting is perennially popular. This technique can be found in various forms in early self help books such as *THINK AND GROW RICH*, as well as in wildly popular bestsellers from more recent years such as Rhonda Byrne's *THE SECRET*.
- **PROFILE:** Bestselling author and influencer, Michele Knight-Waite, has over 250k followers across her socials, split equally between the US, the UK and the rest of the world.
- **PRACTICAL:** This is an incredibly practical book, built around a 7 step process and including a 30-Day Kick-Off Programme and lots of exercises to get you started.

Author Biography

Psychic, astrologer, broadcaster, TV personality and Sunday Times bestselling author, Michele Knight has re-defined the terms 'psychic' and 'self-empowerment', bringing psychics and astrology into the 21st Century with an exciting, and contemporary spin which gives ancient wisdom new meaning in today's fast-moving world.

Michele's autobiography became a Sunday Times Bestseller, telling her story of a tempestuous childhood growing up in a house with a wild Italian psychic mother. Today, her hearty laugh and warmth, as well as her overwhelming belief in the power of love, has created a huge online following.

Market

Primary market is UK and Ireland-based (mostly female) readers, aged 35-65, who are interested in self improvement, have probably read *THE SECRET*, follow influencers who are evangelical about the law of attraction and are curious to try it for themselves.

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Binding	Hardback
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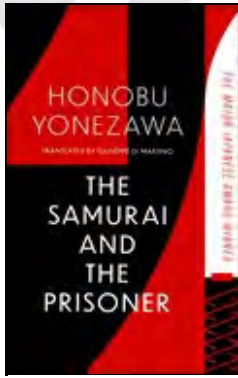
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The Samurai and the Prisoner

The multi-award-winning historical thriller and a masterpiece of Japanese fiction

Honobu Yonezawa

Keynote

Honobu Yonezawa's multi-award-winning historical thriller masterpiece.

Description

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Winner of the 12th Futano Yamada Award

The first book in Japan to win first place in the four major Japanese mystery categories.

Winter, 1578. Lord Araki Murashige, once considered a hero of the age, has betrayed his oldest ally and barricaded himself in Arioka Castle. But a string of strange incidents within the castle walls have rendered him helpless.

The desperate warlord's only hope is imprisoned in the castle's dungeon: a man named Kuroda Kanbei, one of his enemy's most gifted strategists.

But if these two men are to work together, what will they gain, and what of their humanity might they lose?

Award-winning author Honobu Yonezawa's English-language debut is an unforgettable and page-turning blend of historical and detective fiction.

Sales Points

- **AWARDS DARLING:** This is the first novel ever in Japan to win first place in four of the major Japanese Mystery rankings
- **HUGELY SUCCESSFUL YA WRITER MOVING INTO ADULT:** Honobu Yonezawa is best known for his young adult mystery series *Kotenbu*, also known as the Classic Literature Club series, which has been adapted multiple times into manga, TV and film
- **JAPANESE HYPE:** Japanese fiction is on a high, with 17/30 of the top translated authors in 2023, including literary authors such as Mieko Kawakami (*All the Lovers in the Night*, 17,615 B TCM)

Author Biography

Honobu Yonezawa is a Japanese writer best known for his young adult mystery series *Kotenbu*, also known as the Classic Literature Club series.

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 BIC 2.1 **Geopolitics (JPSL) Afghanistan (1FCA)**

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 Format **B Format**
 Depth **22mm**
 Extent **448 pages**
 Word Count **120000 words**
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Book locale **Afghanistan**
 Author born in **Norway**
 Author living in **Norway**

Publishing History

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 A Hundred and One Days
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 The Angel of Grozny
 One of Us
 Two Sisters

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The Afghans

Three lives through war, love and revolt - from the bestselling author of The Bookseller of Kabul

Åsne Seierstad
 Translated by **Seán Kinsella**

Keynote

From the internationally bestselling author of *The Bookseller of Kabul*, an unforgettable book about three different people living under the Taliban today

Description

'As an exploration of the social fabric of Afghan life, this book takes some beating' *Daily Telegraph*

'Åsne Seierstad is one of the greatest, most courageous journalists of our time. . . This is an important, heartbreaking book' Eric Schlosser, author of *Fast Food Nation*

'An astonishing feat of writing and reporting . . . one of the finest books written on Afghanistan in a generation' Eliza Griswold, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Amity and Prosperity*

From the internationally bestselling author of *The Bookseller of Kabul*, this is an unforgettable portrait of three people living under the Taliban today.

There is Jamila, a women's rights activist who got an education when few women could; Bashir, a Taliban commander who grew up eager to avenge a father killed by security forces; and Ariana, a law student who is now barred from her university and facing the prospect of an arranged marriage to a man she does not love. Through the stories of these three Afghans, we experience what it is to live under the Taliban now, and think about where this leaves Afghans today, and tomorrow.

'Harrowing, uplifting, fascinating, challenging and profound, no other recent book on the subject comes close' CPW Gammell, author of *The Pearl of Khorasan: A History of Herat*

'Åsne Seierstad is the supreme non-fiction writer of her generation' Luke Harding

Sales Points

- **A RETURN TO HER MOST FAMOUS SUBJECT:** Twenty years after *The Bookseller of Kabul* (more than 750,000 copies sold by Virago), Åsne Seierstad returns to Afghanistan to explore life under the new Taliban regime.
- **FOR READERS WHO LOVE IMMERSIVE, CHARACTER-DRIVEN NON-FICTION** eg Patrick Radden Keefe and Michael Lewis
- **PRIZE NOMINATED:** Nominated for the major non-fiction prize in Norway, the 2022 Brage Prize

Reviews

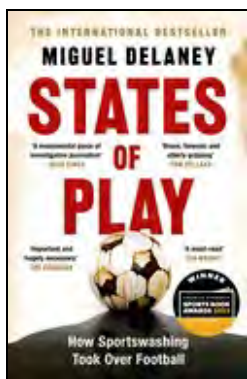
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Author Biography

Åsne Seierstad was born in 1970 and studied Russian, Spanish and the History of Philosophy at Oslo University. An internationally bestselling author, she has also received numerous awards for her journalism. She has worked as a war correspondent across the world, including Russia, China, Iraq and Afghanistan. Her second book, *The Bookseller of Kabul*, has sold over two million copies and the paperback was in the *Sunday Times* top ten for over a year. Her other critically acclaimed works include *A Hundred and One Days: A Baghdad Journal* and *The Angel of Grozny*. Following the atrocities in Oslo and Utoya in July 2011, she attended the trial of Anders Breivik and then began work on *One of Us*, which became a European bestseller. All of Åsne Seierstad's books are published by Virago.



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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	528 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Author born in	Dublin, Ireland
Author living in	London, SW18

Previous Titles

Stuttgart to Saipan: The Players' Stories (Mentor Books, 2010)
The Official History of The FA Cup (Welbeck, 2022)

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States of Play How Sportswashing Took Over Football | The International Bestseller & Winner of the Football Book of the Year Award

Miguel Delaney

Keynote

A chilling and compelling exposé into the world of modern football | A *Times*, *Telegraph*, *Irish Times* & *Irish Independent* Book of the Year 2024

Description

THE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER & WINNER OF THE FOOTBALL BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARD

**A TIMES SPORTS BOOK OF THE YEAR
A TELEGRAPH BOOK OF THE YEAR
AN IRISH TIMES BOOK OF THE YEAR
AN IRISH INDEPENDENT BOOK OF THE YEAR**

'Important, perfectly timed and hugely necessary.' *The Guardian*
'A monumental piece of investigative journalism.' *Irish Times*
'A must-read on how modern football works.' *Ian Wright*
'Brave, forensic and utterly gripping.' *Tom Holland*

The definitive account of how capitalism and the world's elite corrupted modern football. Fully updated to cover Saudi Arabia's 2034 World Cup bid, the Manchester City charges case and the 2024/25 season.

As the 2022 World Cup in Qatar drew to a close, there was a bitter undercurrent to Argentina's triumph. Throughout the tournament, numerous allegations of sportswashing and financial misconduct had been made against the state of Qatar, moving what had previously been a smaller conversation into the worldwide spotlight.

The question had been asked, who *really* owns and runs football?

Journeying from Abu Dhabi to Newcastle, and onto London, Paris, Moscow and New York, journalist Miguel Delaney investigates the allegations of sportswashing and misconduct in the beautiful game. The result is a gripping account of how football has been taken over by the world's wealthiest businessmen, state-backed corporations, media tycoons and oil-rich oligarchs.

From Neymar's £198 million transfer to Paris Saint-Germain and Abu Dhabi's construction empire in Manchester to failed Financial Fair Play constraints and the dawn of the European Super League, Miguel draws on exclusive interviews and unprecedented access to key stakeholders to produce an all-encompassing exposé of modern football's highest echelons.

Authoritative, riveting and eye-opening, *States of Play* reveals how football has become a tool for the world's elite.

Miguel Delaney's *STATES OF PLAY* was ranked in the *Irish Times* bestsellers list the weeks of 11th-18th November & 9th December 2024.

Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING & PHENOMENAL REVIEWS:** *STATES OF PLAY* received widespread positive reviews in the UK and Irish press, and was an *Irish Times*, *Irish Independent*, *Times* and *Telegraph* book of the year. It also won Football Book of the Year at the Sports Book Awards. It was also an instant *Irish Times* bestseller.
- **TOPICAL CONVERSATION - FULLY UPDATED PAPERBACK:** The conversation surrounding sportswashing, state-ownership and increased wealth in modern football is bigger than ever before. This is THE definitive book on the subject, and the paperback edition is fully updated to cover Saudi Arabia being awarded the 2034 World Cup, the ongoing Manchester City charges case with the Premier League and the 2024/25 season.
- **LEADING JOURNALIST WITH INCREDIBLE ACCESS:** Miguel Delaney is one of football's leading journalists and is the Chief Football Writer at the *Independent*. With over 230,000 followers on X, he has repeatedly led the conversations surrounding sportswashing and state-ownership within modern football.
- **BIG RIGHTS & EXPORT POTENTIAL:** Miguel is based in the UK, but is Irish and

Spanish and has big followings in both countries. Not only that, but the conversation around sportswashing in modern football spans the globe. The book covers football clubs and organisations based in countries such as France, Spain, Saudi Arabia, UAE, Qatar, China, USA, and of course, the UK.

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Reviews

- "Important, perfectly timed and hugely necessary." - *The Guardian*
- "Magnificent. Some of the details are eye-popping." *Irish Independent* - *Irish Independent*
- "Admirably thorough and persuasively argued." - *The Irish Times*
- "A must-read on how modern football works." - *Ian Wright*

Author Biography

Miguel Delaney is the chief football writer at the Independent and has been nominated for several awards, including the Football Supporters' Association Writer of the Year, British Journalism Awards Sports Journalist of the Year and SJA Sports Writer of the Year. He is one of football's leading journalists and has covered 14 consecutive Champions League finals, 4 World Cups, and 5 European Championships, amongst others.

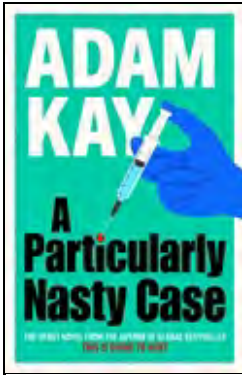
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A Particularly Nasty Case

The Debut Novel from the Author of the Global Bestseller *This Is Going to Hurt*

Adam Kay

Keynote

The debut novel from the author of global bestseller *This Is Going to Hurt*

Description

When a toxic hospital consultant dies of a heart attack, fellow doctor Eitan Rose smells foul play. Nobody else does though, including some quite crucial players like the police and the coroner. So when another senior doctor dies in similar circumstances, he's determined to prove there's more to these deaths than meets the eye.

But following time off for his mental health, Eitan's friends and colleagues begin to question his judgement as his chaotic investigation and equally chaotic life spiral simultaneously out of control. Is he making a career-ending mistake, or could there genuinely be a killer stalking the wards?

A deadly funny mix of mystery, murder and medicine, A PARTICULARLY NASTY CASE is the brilliantly original debut novel from Adam Kay, BAFTA-winning author of multi-million global bestseller THIS IS GOING TO HURT.

PRAISE FOR A PARTICULARLY NASTY CASE

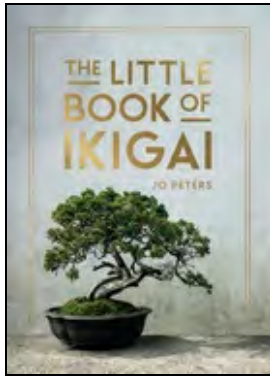
'Brilliant. It will make you laugh and weep' Reverend Richard Coles
 'Amazing. I was gripped right up to the last minute' Joanna Lumley
 'A work of fiendishly plotted genius' Lucy Foley
 'Wild and funny and filthy and hilarious' Russell T Davies
 'Viciously funny - I'm still laughing' Ian Rankin
 'Very funny, very rude and very moving' Kate Mosse

Sales Points

- **UNIQUE SALES RECORD:** Adam Kay has sold more than 5 million copies of his books across all formats, generating more than £17m of TCM value in just five years. Every single one of his adult books have been a number 1 *Sunday Times* bestseller.
- **INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER:** Adam's books have been sold in 37 languages and he has been a number 1 bestseller in multiple territories.
- **HOUSEHOLD NAME:** Adam Kay's books are read widely by adults and children alike, and the BBC TV adaption of *This Is Going to Hurt* was watched by 6.2 million people in its first week. Adam Kay is a household name across the UK, and he has genuine multi-generational appeal.
- **MAJOR PROMOTIONAL CAMPAIGN!:** Adam's debut novel will be supported by an enormous promotional campaign, which will encompass massive nationwide advertising, merchandise, unmissable POS, an extensive live events schedule, the biggest PR slots and much, much more!

Author Biography

ADAM KAY is an author, screenwriter and comedian. His books have sold over five million copies, have been translated into thirty-seven languages, and have won numerous awards. He lives in Oxfordshire with his two children, dog, husband and beloved BAFTA.



The Little Book of Ikigai

An Introduction to the Japanese Philosophy of Leading a Happy and Meaningful Life

Jo Peters

Description

Unlock the secret to a long and happy life with this beautiful guide to the Japanese philosophy of ikigai

We all seek a reason for being - something that focuses our minds, gives us purpose and invites joy into every day. In Japan, this concept is called "ikigai", and it refers to a place where a person's dreams and desires are met.

Everyone has the power to discover their ikigai, or their reason for living, and this book is the key to understanding yours.

Covering the origins of ikigai, the four pillars of the philosophy, and simple rituals you can practise to incorporate ikigai into your day, this book will help bring meaning and value to your life. By adopting the Japanese way of being, you can find your purpose in the world, enjoy success with every venture and make your dreams come true.

Inside you will find:

- Guidance on the principles of ikigai and how these relate to your life
- Tips to help you unlock your reason for being
- Rituals and practices to maintain your sense of purpose and encourage you to live with ikigai

And much more!

Change your life by embracing the Japanese wisdom of ikigai.

Sales Points

- Ikigai is a Japanese concept that refers to one's "reason for being". It's a topic that is the focus of many wellness titles, encouraging readers to find their sense of purpose and lead fulfilled lives.
- Self-help books based on Japanese teachings and philosophies are seeing a surge in popularity across retailers.
- Similar Summersdale titles include: *The Art of Slowing Down* (ISBN: 9781837996377); *How to Balance Your Life* (ISBN: 9781837995059); *How to Romanticize Your Life* (ISBN: 9781837994663).

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Solo Leveling, Vol. 13 (comic)

Abigail Blackman, Chugong, DUBU(REDICE STUDIO), H-Goon, Hye Young Im, J. Torres

Key Selling Points

- With a storyline that involves RPG elements such as dungeon exploration and leveling up, *Solo Leveling* appeals to fans of RPG-inspired light novel series such as *Sword Art Online* and *Is It Wrong to Try to Pick Up Girls in a Dungeon?*

Summary

Curtains rise on the final battle between hunters and monarchs as the King of Dragons finally arrives on Earth. The fate of all mankind rests in the hands of Jinwoo Sung, the new Shadow Monarch-but as the fierce war drags on, will there be a world left to save?



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Status: **FORTHCOMING**



Handsome Devil

the must-read dark romance book that's intense, spicy and addictive, from the co-author of MY DARK ROMEO

L.J. Shen

Keynote

Book #3 in the Forbidden Love Series from the bestselling romance author and TikTok sensation.

Description

It's time for Tate and Gia's story.

The third book in the Forbidden Love series - also suitable as a standalone - following Book #1, *Truly Madly Deeply* and #2, *Wildest Dreams*. Details coming soon . . .

READERS ARE OBSESSED WITH L.J. SHEN:

'The way this book had me in a chokehold'
'I'm honestly speechless'
'New favourite author! I could NOT put this book down'
'This book was everything . . . GRAB THIS BOOK NOW'
'All emotions covered'
'Five stars all day long'

Sales Points

- **Huge appetite for romance books in this space:** this is intense, angsty romance, set in a small-town, with so many tropes readers love: best friend's brother; second-chance; enemies-to-lovers.
- **Previous success for the author through UK TCM already:** The author's previous book (with Parker S. Huntington) has sold over 30k through TCM already - *My Dark Romeo*
- **Engaged fanbase and pre-existing platform:** Author already has a brilliantly engaged fanbase who hang on her every word, buy all editions of her books, and leave incredible reviews... she's a social media superstar with over 127k followers on Instagram, and over 270 million views on #LJShen on TikTok.
- **Third book in series - and also a standalone:** This is part of a new series from the bestselling author, the first of which *Truly Madly Deeply*, was released in September 2024. Three books currently planned.
- **Brilliant reader reviews:** Her pre-existing books already have thousands of five-star reviews: 'I'm honestly speechless'; 'A love story that will live in my heart for years!'; 'spellbound is the only word I can describe this masterpiece with'; 'The way this book had me in a chokehold'

Author Biography

L.J. Shen is a *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *Washington Post*, and #1 Amazon bestselling author of contemporary and NA romance. Her books have been translated in over twenty different countries. She hopes to visit all of them.

She lives in a picturesque beach town with her family, pets and inner demons, and enjoys reading, traveling, cooking and spending time with her grumpy cat

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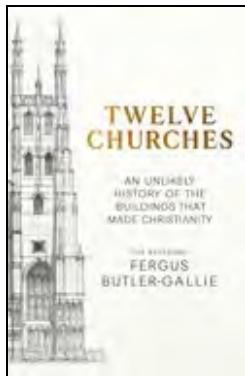
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Twelve Churches

An unlikely history of the buildings that made Christianity

Fergus Butler-Gallie

Keynote

A bold and beautifully written new history of Christianity, the world's largest religion over the last two millennia, told through the stories of twelve churches.

Description

With his trademark reverence and revelry, The Revd. Fergus Butler-Gallie travels through time and place to get to the heart of the religion he is so passionate about.

In this book he takes us from Bethlehem and the birth of Christ some 2000-odd years ago, to the immediate present and future of Christianity. He brings together a Baptist Church in the segregationist American South with a medieval monastery in the heart of the Greek countryside; the Vatican - beautiful, imposing, vainglorious, the seat of Catholicism - with a sparse, tiny private church above the rocky coastline of Southern Japan.

Twelve Churches is a quest for a new people's history of Christianity, told through the stories of twelve churches scattered across the globe. Through a patchwork of interlinking and varied human stories, Butler-Gallie takes us on a physical and historical journey, exploring the role of hope, faith and beauty in Christianity, but also its fraught relationships with sex, violence and power.

The story of Christianity is, he shows, the story of our modern world: it's a story of who we should be, as well who we sometimes are.

Sales Points

- **STEEPLE CHASING MEETS DOMINION ...** This book is perfect for readers of *Steeple Chasing: Around Britain by Church* by Peter Ross and *Dominion: The Making of the Western Mind* by Tom Holland. The former a bestseller - and the latter the most recent big book on the history of Christianity.
- **FRESH AND INNOVATIVE NARRATIVE NON-FICTION...** A new history of Christianity, telling the story of the world's most popular religion in a fresh, innovative and lively way. With strong potential for endorsement and review coverage. **And with strong international potential: Christianity is growing globally year-on-year.**
- **THE REVD. FERGUS BUTLER-GALLIE ...** Fergus is the author of three previous books: *A Field Guide to the English Clergy* (Oneworld, 2018), which was named a *Times* Book of the Year; *Priests de la Resistance!* (Oneworld, 2019), a *Spectator* Book of the Year; and his memoir, *Touching Cloth: Confessions and Communion of a Young Priest* (Transworld, 2023). In 2022, he won the inaugural P.G. Wodehouse Essay Prize. **He will promote energetically on publication across broadcast and print media and through events.**
- **GIFT POTENTIAL** - Beautifully designed hardback. Large extent, high-end finishes and specially commissioned cover illustration. Book also includes hand drawn illustrations of each church. Perfect for Autumn and Christmas gift market.

Author Biography

The Reverend Fergus Butler-Gallie is a writer and priest who has ministered in parishes in Liverpool and Central London. He grew up amidst a large family of maniacs, was then educated at the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and has spent time living and working in the Czech Republic and South Africa. He is the author of the bestselling *Times* and *Mail on Sunday* Book of the Year *A Field Guide to the English Clergy* and the *Spectator* Book of the Year *Priests de la Resistance!* He speaks regularly on radio, has written numerous articles for *The Times*, *Independent*, *Guardian*, *Church Times*, *The Critic* and *The Fence*, and won the 2022 P. G. Wodehouse Essay Prize. He is currently Vicar of Charlbury.

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REVIEWS

‘Compelling ... illuminating ... hunger is almost always the result of political decisions ... the upside is that hunger should, in theory, be largely avoidable ... [Bauer] gives us a glimpse of the deeply committed people working to overcome [hunger], again and again’ - *The New York Times*

‘An illuminating account of the author's 20 years working with the World Food Program, this book provides a close-up look at efforts to vanquish global hunger’ - 'Editors' Picks', *New York Times*

‘No subject more urgently requires our attention than world hunger. I cannot imagine a more thoughtful and humane introduction to the crisis of food security than *The New Breadline*. This book should be required reading for the entire human race.’ - Jonathan Safran Foer, author, *We Are the Weather*

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The New Breadline

Hunger and Hope in the 21st Century

JEAN-MARTIN BAUER

KEYNOTE

A ground-breaking analysis of the world's hunger crisis and its solutions, from the World Food Programme's Country Director in Haiti

SALES POINTS

- Prominent admirers of Bauer's work include **Samantha Powers** and **Bill Gates**.
- Bauer is one of the world's leading experts on food insecurity, with decades of professional experience fighting hunger - an issue more urgent and closer to home than we readily admit
- Hardback received praise across print media and, combined with a prominent social media presence, Bauer has made several high-profile recent appearances, including on the BBC and at The Hague

DESCRIPTION

'A tremendous book that'll linger long after you've turned the last page' Raj Patel, author of *Inflamed*

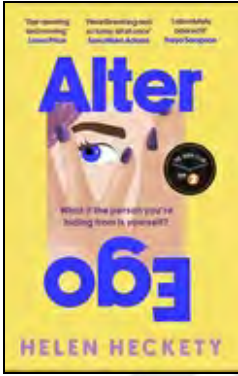
The face of hunger is changing. Since the Covid pandemic and Russia's invasion of Ukraine, even the West is experiencing a level of food insecurity not seen for generations. Climate change is already resulting in food-related migration, and the world will soon see significant shifts in the location of arable land.

The New Breadline is a call to action on the issues of food aid, food security and climate justice, told from the frontlines of hunger. Jean-Martin Bauer eloquently dissects inequity and racism in the humanitarian system, drawing on his Haitian childhood and his career as an aid worker, asking: when decisions about food are being made, who isn't at the table?

Urgent, incisive, and full of compassion, this is the human story of hunger.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Jean-Martin Bauer is the World Food Programme's Country Director in Haiti. A twenty-year veteran of the United Nations, he has worked to combat hunger in West Africa, Syria, Iraq, and Central Africa. He has received awards from Harvard and MIT, as well as the Nominet Trust in the UK.



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Alter Ego

An unputdownable page-turner that will make you laugh and cry

Helen Heckety

Keynote

Just as heartbreaking as it is heartwarming, this is gripping and totally unique page-turner is for anyone who has wanted to disappear for a little while, and is about learning to love yourself instead of trying to fit in.

Description

'Powerful, joyful, heartbreaking and so funny all at once' SARA NISHA ADAMS

'Every now and then a book comes along that changes the way you see the world, and this is one of them' FREYA SAMPSON

Hattie has a plan.

Step 1: Leave her life in London behind and never look back.

Step 2: Move to a cabin in the middle of nowhere, with only the endless woods and starry skies for neighbours.

Step 3: Start her new life where nobody knows the truth about her.

But there's a major problem with Step 3... When Hattie starts a new job and makes new friends, her lies start slipping through her fingers. As her carefully built façade begins to crack, she has no choice but to face the person she's been running from all along: herself.

If you've ever felt a little lost or struggled to accept yourself, you will see yourself in the pages of this book. Just as hilarious as it is heartbreaking, this unputdownable page-turner is perfect for fans of Kirsty Capes and Daisy Buchanan.

'An uncompromising, sharp and funny novel that took me from laughter to heart-aching tenderness... A fresh voice on the contemporary scene full of sharp insight and deeply funny bones' Abigail Mann, author of *The Lonely Fajita*

'Filled with heart and depth, this joyous book will stay with me for a very long time!' Tess Amy, author of *The Confidence Games*

'Sharp, witty and raw... This is a book everyone should pick off the shelves' Rebecca Netley, author of *The Whistling*

'Alter Ego was impossible to put down. Joyful and sad, profound and moving, I laughed and cried' Ella Allbright, author of *The Last Charm*

'Eye-opening, moving and highly original' Laura Price, author of *Single Bald Female*

Sales Points

- **Disability rep:** Sensitive and realistic portrayals of disability are still sorely missing in commercial fiction. *Alter Ego* actively challenges this underrepresentation and brings stories of the disabled community to the forefront, in the same way that Matt Haig and Bryony Gordon have done for mental health. The book was selected as Radio 2 Book Club pick in October 2024, which has expanded this community outreach even further.
- **Author profile:** Helen Heckety is the perfect advocate for this novel. She's a disabled writer who is proud to be contributing to a more diverse arts and literature scene. For the hardback publication, she was on BBC Woman's Hour to discuss disability representation in fiction and will also be attending the Faversham Literary Festival 2025 for the paperback.
- **A relatable page-turner:** *Alter Ego* is a book that can make the world a better place with the timely, important and boundary-smashing story at its heart. If you've ever felt a little lost or struggled to accept yourself, you will see yourself in the pages of this totally unputdownable page-turner that is as hilarious as it is heartbreaking. BBC Woman's Hour presenter Nuala McGovern called *Alter Ego* 'Funny... So poignant... Will make you think in a whole different way'.
- **Stellar reception:** Perfect for fans of Kirsty Capes and Daisy Buchanan, Helen's debut was brilliantly received on its first publication and has been praised by Sara Nisha Adams, Freya Sampson, Tess Amy and Abigail Mann (to name but a few) for its joyfulness, hilarity, sharp insight and powerful tenderness. It was also selected by NetGalley for a newsletter round-up flagging best reader reviews sent to their 39,000 subscribers.

Reviews

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- 'Every now and then a book comes along that changes the way you see the world, and this is one of them. Uplifting and angry, hilarious and heartbreaking, it's a story about toxic friendship, self-acceptance and the challenges of finding one's place in the world. *Wife of the Year* is a book I have given as a gift to everyone I love. With a wit and depth, this joyous book will stay with me for a very long time!' - Tess Amy, author of *The Confidence Games*
- 'Sharp, witty and raw, Heckety's novel exploring a young woman's experience of living with a hidden disability makes a compulsive and ultimately uplifting read. This is a book everyone should pick off the shelves' - Rebecca Netley, author of *The Whistling*

Author Biography

Helen Heckety is a writer and performer from Kent. She is also disabled. She has written and toured two solo plays, one called *To Helen Back* and another called *Helen Highwater* which premiered at the Southbank London Lit Festival 2019. She has also written a poetry collection called *The Underlook*, which explores medical trauma, bad psychics and the case of a missing piglet. She will be forever in mourning for her hamster, Mahatma Hamster, who was her first friend to find out she'd got a literary agent, and they celebrated with strawberries. This is her debut novel, and she hopes it sells well so she can get more tattoos.

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All That is Left of Life

Roberta Recchia

Translated by Antonella Lettieri

Keynote

A novel about forgetfulness, about the pain that almost suffocates the possibility of existing; about being parents and being children; about care and love that go beyond loss.

Description

One summer evening, in a quiet seaside town near Rome, everything changes for the Ansaldo family.

The Ansaldo family's contented life is built on routine, with days spent running their beloved delicatessen and summers at their modest house by the sea. But when sixteen-year-old Betta sets off for a beach party and never returns, they are left only with grief - and questions.

The town whispers, the police are lost, and as the family fractures under the weight of their loss, no one suspects the burden Miriam carries. She has answers, but vows to tell no one, even those who loved Betta most. Seeking to bury her heavy secret, Miriam drifts into the orbit of Leo, a young drug dealer, and gains an unlikely set of friends. But when Leo starts to pull loose the threads of Betta's fate, will his search for the truth offer Miriam a way forward or risk unravelling everything?

A deeply atmospheric and suspenseful family saga, *All That is Left of Life* explores love, loss and the secrets we carry - perfect for fans of Elena Ferrante and Isabel Allende.

Sales Points

- **INTERNATIONAL BUZZ:** Following a 5-way auction in Italy, *All That is Left of Life* (or: *Tutta la vita che resta*) has been a Top 10 bestseller. Rights have since been sold into 14 other countries, with a significant number of pre-empts.
- **REMARKABLE COMPS:** An exceptional debut for fans of Elena Ferrante and Donna Tartt.
- **AN ACCOMPLISHED TRANSLATOR:** Antonella Lettieri is an extraordinarily exciting prize-winning translator. She was 2023 NCW Emerging Translator Mentee for Italian, won the First Prize in the John Dryden Translation Competition, is the recipient of a PEN/Heim Grant and has worked with the Italian Cultural Institute in London.
- **A RICH, REWARDING NARRATIVE:** As each thread is stretched to intertwine with the next, in a continuous change of perspective that crosses the entire narrative, up to the very last page, *All That is Left of Life* is sure to envelop readers with a voice that feels truly alive.

Publication date	August, 2025
Price	£16.99 / ₹999
Main Identifier	9780349704579
BIC 2.1	Fiction & related items (F) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
	Trade Paperback C
	Format
Binding	480 pages 80000
Format	words
Extent	
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
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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A Question of Geography: How Can it Rain Fish? and other questions about weather

Clive Gifford

Keynote

Uncover the mysteries of weather in this fun, lighthearted geography series

Description

A fun, quirky geography series that tackles the questions other books are afraid to ask!

Where do weather forecasters hang their socks? Why do winds feel the pressure? And can lightning REALLY strike twice? Find out the answers to all these questions and much more in **A Question of Geography: Weather!**

With an engaging question and answer format, these books draw kids into geography in a fun way. Each book features one question per spread with a clear explanation to follow, maps, photos and fun and humorous illustrations. The quirky questions are designed to range from those that children will often ask to things they may never have thought of, but will still be keen to know the answer to.

Perfect reading for curious young geographers aged 8 and up.

Contents: What's the weather? / Why's building snowmen at the Equator so hard? / Why do winds feel the pressure? / Where do weather forecasters hang their socks? / Can a cloud weigh more than 300 hippos? / How does it rain? / Why isn't snow white? / Can it rain fish? / Can lightning really strike twice? / When is a hurricane NOT a hurricane? / Can a jumper save the planet? / Quick-fire questions

Titles in the series:

- A Question of Geography: What Makes Land Wobble? and other questions about earthquakes
- A Question of Geography: Do Tigers Live in the Taiga? and other questions about biomes
- A Question of Geography: Can a Mountain Really Grow?: and other questions about mountains
- A Question of Geography: How Can it Rain Fish?: and other questions about weather
- A Question of Geography: Can a River Just Vanish?: and other questions about rivers
- A Question of Geography: Why is a Volcano Selfie a Bad Idea?: and other questions about volcanoes
- A Question of Geography: What Makes a Mega City Mega?: and other questions about settlements
- A Question of Geography: How Can a Tree Turn into Rock?: and other questions about natural resources

Sales Points

- Covers core KS2 geography topics in a fun and engaging way
- Funny cartoon-style illustrations are the perfect accompaniment to lively text
- Written by award-winning geography authors with extensive teaching experience

Summary of Contents

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Author Biography

Clive Gifford lives in Manchester, UK and is an award-winning author of over 150 books for children and adults. These include *Eye Benders: The Science of Seeing and Believing*, winner of the prestigious Royal Society Young People's Book Prize in 2014, and *Cool Technology*, which won the School Library Association Information Book Award 2013. Clive's titles range from the serious (*Robots, iScience, How the World Works*) and sporty (with books on motor racing, the Olympics and football) to the downright silly (*The Curse of the Toxic Trousers*).

Publication date	Thursday, August 28, 2025
Price	£8.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781526325921
BIC 2.1	Educational: Geography (YQG) Natural history (Children's/ Teenage) (YNN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)

CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	265x210
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	A Question of Geography
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

- A Question of Geography: What Makes Land Wobble? and other questions about earthquakes
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Let's Find Pumpkins!
With Lift-the-Flap Surprises
Evie Day (Illustrated By Chris Jevons)

Keynote

A Halloween lift-the-flap adventure, packed with spooky fun and TEN pumpkins to spot - BOO!

Description

The pumpkin hunt is starting, come and join the SPOOKY fun! It's time for an adventure, Halloween has just begun . . .

Set off on this fun, read-aloud Halloween lift-the-flap adventure to help find all the pumpkins hidden beneath the flaps before it gets dark. Don't forget to watch out for all sorts of sweet and spooky things on the way . . . like flying bats, silly scarecrows and one sneaky feline friend.

There are ten pumpkins to count, can you spot them all? The perfect Halloween gift for little trick-or-treaters!

Sales Points

- The first book in a brand-new seasonal novelty series
- A fun pumpkin hunt filled with spooky surprises like flying bats, silly scarecrows and one sneaky feline friend
- An interactive adventure with TEN pumpkins hidden underneath the flaps for readers to spot
- With lots of flaps to lift, this is perfect for little hands to promote their motor skill refinement
- Written in bouncy rhyme, which is perfect for reading aloud

Author Biography

Evie Day (Author)

Evie Day is a children's author living in London. Her writing is inspired by the excitement of the holidays: from Easter to Halloween to Christmas, Evie loves the joy and fun of celebrating these special days with friends and family, and brings the holiday magic to life with her stories!

Chris Jevons (Illustrator)

Chris Jevons is a children's book illustrator with a passion for character design and storytelling. He began his career studying art and design at college and 3d animation at university. Chris now scribbles picture books and fiction titles for a living and has illustrated books for fantastic authors such as Peter Bently, Maz Evans, Lucy Rowland and Kes Gray. Chris's most recent books include: Goldilocks in Space, My Daddy is Hilarious, the 101 Bums series, Superpoop, Onesie Party and The Exploding Life of Scarlett Fife.

Publication date **Thursday, August 28, 2025**
Price **£7.99 / ₹499**
Main Identifier **9781444964158**
BIC 2.1 **Picture storybooks (YBCS)**
Pop-up & lift-the-flap books (YBGP)
Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)
For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA)
Hallowe'en (5HH)

CBMC **A3M79**
Age **0-5 years**
Subject **Fiction**
Type **Picture Book**
Character **Non-character**
Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **250x250**
Depth **6mm**
Extent **24 pages**
Word Count
Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

Chris Jevons: *101 Bums, 101 Spooky Bums, 101 Christmas Bums, Superpoop, Superpoop Needs a Number Two*

Evie Day: *The Twelve Dinosaurs of Christmas, The Twelve Elves of Christmas*

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Price	£7.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781444965520 Picture storybooks (YBCS) Music: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNC) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)

CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	250x250
Depth	4mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles
One Day at a Time

Author only:
The Last Garden

The Paper Piano

An inspirational picture book for music lovers

Rachel Ip (Illustrated By Natelle Quek)

Keynote

An inspirational picture book about perseverance, self-belief and music from author of *One Day at a Time* and *The Last Garden*, Rachel Ip, beautifully illustrated by Natelle Quek.

Description

When Noah hears beautiful piano music sweeping through the station, he longs to play. Without a piano of his own, he carefully crafts one out of paper, and the notes fill his head night and day.

Until finally, with the help of a neighbour, his musical dream comes true . . .

An inspirational picture book about the power of perseverance and music, celebrating the joy that railway station pianos can bring to all.

Sales Points

- An inspirational picture book based on a true story.
- Written by Hong Kong-based Rachel Ip, author of *The Last Garden* and *One Day at a Time*, with joyful illustrations from Natelle Quek.
- Taps into the popularity of *The Piano* - channel 4 TV show - invites musicians to publicly perform on street pianos and has more seasons to come

Author Biography

Rachel Ip (Author)

Rachel Ip is an award-winning picture book author and author ambassador for *Bring Me a Book Hong Kong*, the leading family literacy charity in Hong Kong. Rachel was born in the UK and also lived in France and Belgium before moving to Hong Kong 15 years ago. *The Forgettery* won the 2022 English Association Picture Book Awards and *The Last Garden* was longlisted for the 2021 Klaus Flugge Prize. Both books won the Crystal Kite Award for Middle East, India, and Asia.

Natelle Quek (Illustrator)

Natelle is a Malaysian-born illustrator who grew up in New Zealand, and now lives in leafy Southeast England with her husband, an apathetic cat, and a loud-snoring dog. Natelle currently focuses on children's illustration, in particular picture books, young fiction, and non-fiction. She loves to use bold colours and cinematic perspectives to draw audiences into her worlds.

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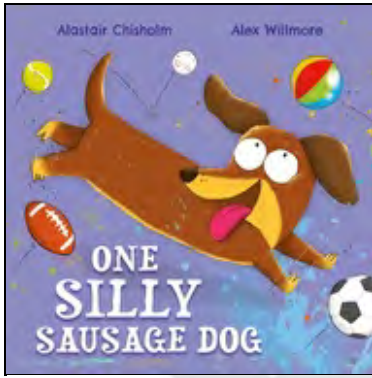
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One Silly Sausage Dog

Alastair Chisholm (Illustrated By Alex Willmore)

Keynote

A hilarious counting tale starring one VERY stretchy and silly sausage dog! Written by Alastair Chisholm, winner of Blackwells Children's Book of the Year, and illustrated by Alex Willmore, finalist of Oscar's Book Prize.

Description

Cordelia's out for walkies . . . and she's ONE SILLY SAUSAGE DOG!

While Cordelia's out for a walk, she can't help getting distracted by EVERYTHING in the park! Her body stretches and stretches until she's in all sorts of sticky situations. Oh no! Can she learn how to get everything back to the way it was?

A hilarious counting tale written by Alastair Chisholm, winner of Blackwell's Children's Book of the Year, The Queen's Knickers Award and Scottish Book Trust's Bookbug Prize, and illustrated by Alex Willmore, finalist of Oscar's Book Prize.

Sales Points

- A hilarious counting adventure in the park full of bouncy bunnies, whizzing bicycles, sticks and more!
- Alastair Chisholm won Blackwell's Children's Book of the Year, The Queen's Knickers Award and Scottish Book Trust's Bookbug Prize, and was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize.
- Illustrated by Alex Willmore, finalist of Oscar's Book Prize.
- Alastair Chisholm was born in Scotland and lives in Edinburgh.
- From the picture book team behind *One Hungry Dragon* and *One Cheeky Octopus!*

Author Biography

Alastair Chisholm is the author of the sci-fi middle-grade adventures, *Orion Lost*, shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, and *Adam-2*, which won the Blackwell's Children's Book of the Year. Alastair's debut picture book, *The Prince and the Witch and the Thief and the Bears*, was shortlisted for Scottish Book Trust's Bookbug Prize, and *Inch and Grub* won Scottish Book Trust's Bookbug Prize and The Queen's Knickers Award. Alastair has also written several puzzle books for children and adults, including *Kids' Book of Sudoku* and *Kids' Book of Kakuro*.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
Price	£7.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781444977738
BIC 2.1	Psychology (JM) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA)
CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	250x250
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

One Hungry Dragon
One Cheeky Octopus

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

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Main Identifier	9781408347591
BIC 2.1	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Family & home stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFN) Personal & social issues: self-awareness & self-esteem (Children's / Teenage) (YXL) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA)

CBMC	A3M69
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	300x240
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Author born in	Marlborough, Wiltshire
Author living in	London NW1

Previous Titles

Charlie and Lola: I Will Not Ever Never Eat a Tomato; I Am Not Sleepy and I Will Not Go to Bed; I Am Too Absolutely Small for School; Slightly Invisible; One Thing; A Dog With Nice Ears

Clarice Bean picture books: Clarice Bean: That's Me; Clarice Bean: My Uncle is a Hunkle; Clarice Bean: What Planet Are You From?

Clarice Bean fiction: Clarice Bean: Utterly Me; Clarice Bean: Spells Trouble; Clarice Bean: Don't Look Now

Beware of the Storybook Wolves; Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Book?; That Pesky Rat

The Goody

Lauren Child

Keynote

A charmingly funny tale of being GOOD, being BAD, and most importantly, being YOU from Lauren Child, multi-award-winning creator of Charlie and Lola.

Description

Chirton Krauss is a good child - the very goodest. He does everything he is told, when he is told. He even does good things *without* being told. He eats his broccoli, he goes to bed on time and he never, *ever* sticks his finger up his nose.

Meanwhile, Chirton's sister, Myrtle, is NOT a good child. She stays up late, she never cleans out the rabbit's hutch and she drops her choco puffs all over the carpet!

But what will happen when Chirton Krauss decides that being THE GOODY isn't so good after all?

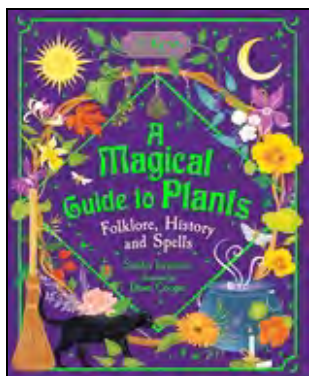
A charmingly funny story about the importance of kindness, and allowing children the freedom to be themselves. From Lauren Child, multi-award-winning creator of Charlie and Lola and Waterstone's Children's Laureate 2017-2019.

Sales Points

- In paperback for the first time, from multi-award-winning, internationally bestselling author and artist Lauren Child
- A charmingly funny story about the importance of kindness and allowing children the freedom to be themselves
- From the creator of the bestselling Charlie and Lola series - over 3 million copies sold worldwide
- Lauren Child is a Kate Greenaway Medal Winner, a Unesco Artist for Peace and the former UK Children's Laureate

Author Biography

Lauren Child MBE is a multi-award-winning author and Waterstones 2017-2019 Children's Laureate, whose books are known and loved the world over. She is the creator of many much-loved characters, including Charlie and Lola, Clarice Bean and Ruby Redfort. Since her first book was published in 1999, Lauren has sold over six million books in 19 languages worldwide. Her many awards include the prestigious Kate Greenaway Medal for *I Will Not Ever Never Eat a Tomato*, the Nestle Gold Book Award for *That Pesky Rat* and the Nestle Bronze Book Award for *Beware of the Storybook Wolves*. Lauren is a UNESCO Artist for Peace and a Trustee of the House of Illustration, and has an MBE for services to literature. She loves designing and making things and finds it exciting to see her drawings turned into objects. Other favourite things include the cinema, TV matinees, small Italian cars, handbags, cardigans, travelling and being picked up from the airport.



A Magical Guide to Plants Folklore, History and Spells

Sandra Lawrence (Illustrated By Dawn Cooper)

Keynote

A Magical Guide to Plants is a beautifully illustrated and fascinating exploration of more than fifty of the world's most magical plants, their uses, folklore and history, for nature-mad children aged 8+.

Description

Madame Volare, apothecarist and witch extraordinaire invites you to be her apprentice and learn about the world's most magical plants.

For thousands of years, plants have been used to heal and soothe. Discover the amazing power within a humble leaf, seed, petal and stem, and how our ancestors feared or revered flowers and herbs. From the mandrake that bestows luck to the calming St John's wort, take a fascinating walk through a witch's garden, exploring the uses, folklore and history of over fifty common plants.

Respect and marvel at the pure magic of the natural world and how you can harness its power for your own health and happiness.

Sales Points

- **EXPERT AUTHOR** with proven track record in the children's non-fiction space. Author of the adult title, *Witch's Garden*, with TCM: 15,000 copies/£191,000.
- **ROYAL BOTANIC GARDEN KEW** - filled with information from Kew's archives, which holds the world's largest and most diverse botanical and mycological collection in the world.
- **TREND-LED GIFTING** - a brilliant introduction to the folklore, history and uses of common garden plants with a witchy vibe.
- **STUNNING FULL COLOUR ILLUSTRATIONS** - from Dawn Cooper, whose clients include BBC Wildlife magazine, Egmont UK, Penguin, Fortnum & Mason, The Wildlife Trusts, Lonely Planet Kids and the BBC.

Author Biography

Sandra Lawrence (Author)

Sandra Lawrence is a journalist and author. She writes for the *Evening Standard*, *Guardian*, *Financial Times*, *The Times*, Londonist.com and the *English Garden*. She is the London columnist for *British Heritage* magazine and is on the Q&A panel of experts for *History Revealed* magazine. Her travel writing is collected on madamepassepartout.com.

Dawn Cooper (Illustrator)

Dawn Cooper

Dawn graduated from Bath School of Art & Design with a first-class degree in Graphic Communication in 2011, and she has rarely set down her pens and paper since! Her work includes non-fiction children's books, book covers, maps and packaging. Dawn finds great inspiration from the natural world, traditional botanical drawings, animals, works of fiction and illustrated quotations.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
Price	£16.99 / ₹1399
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CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
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Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	clr illus
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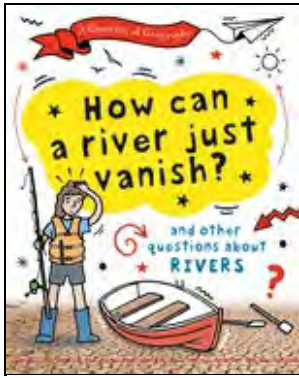
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 Main Identifier **9781526325969**
 BIC 2.1 **Educational: Geography (YQG) Natural history (Children's/ Teenage) (YNN) Social issues: environment & green issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZG) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)**

CBMC **D5N79**
 Age **9-11 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character Tie In **Non-character Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **265x210**
 Depth **12mm**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **A Question of Geography**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
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A Question of Geography: How Can a River Just Vanish? and other questions about rivers

Clive Gifford

Keynote

Uncover the mysteries of rivers in this fun, lighthearted geography series

Description

A fun, quirky geography series that tackles the questions other books are afraid to ask!

Why aren't rivers good climbers? Do you need an ox to make an oxbow lake? And just what is so special about sediment? Find out the answers to all these questions and much more in **A Question of Geography: Rivers!**

With an engaging question and answer format, these books draw kids into geography in a fun way. Each book features one question per spread with a clear explanation to follow, maps, photos and fun and humorous illustrations. The quirky questions are designed to range from those that children will often ask to things they may never have thought of, but will still be keen to know the answer to.

Perfect reading for curious young geographers aged 8 and up.

Contents: Where does a river start? / How does a stream become a torrent? / Why aren't rivers good climbers? / Are there really secret rivers? / How can water smash rock? / What's special about sediment? / How can one river power 5 million homes? / Do you need an ox to make an oxbow lake? / Why won't waterfalls sit still? / Whose river home can be spied from space? / How can a river just ... vanish? / Can robots save rivers? / Quick-fire questions

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Sales Points

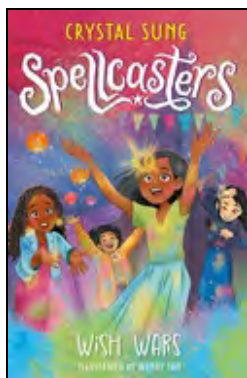
- Covers core KS2 geography topics in a fun and engaging way
- Funny cartoon-style illustrations are the perfect accompaniment to lively text
- Written by award-winning geography authors with extensive teaching experience

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Author Biography

Clive Gifford lives in Manchester, UK and is an award-winning author of over 150 books for children and adults. These include *Eye Benders: The Science of Seeing and Believing*, winner of the prestigious Royal Society Young People's Book Prize in 2014, and *Cool Technology*, which won the School Library Association Information Book Award 2013. Clive's titles range from the serious (*Robots, iScience, How the World Works*) and sporty (with books on motor racing, the Olympics and football) to the downright silly (*The Curse of the Toxic Trousers*).



Spellcasters: Wish Wars Book 4

Crystal Sung (Illustrated By Wendy Tan)

Keynote

Welcome to Spellcrafft Street, where ancient magic meets girl power! Four friends channel the abilities of their ancestors to protect their community in this empowering, action-packed new illustrated series for readers aged 7+.

'Shapeshifters, healers, girls coming into their magical powers and fighting evil foes! This book has it all!' *Maisie Chan*

Description

Jenny and her friends don't only share a love of music - the four girls have discovered they have magical powers passed down from their ancestors, and only they can fight back against the evil forces threatening to destroy their community!

It's almost time for the Hindu festival of Holi - a celebration of the coming of spring and the triumph of good over evil. There's going to be a big community event in Spellcrafft, bringing everyone together to share the excitement. But what most people don't know is that an evil spirit - the Graydig - is imprisoned below their streets. As the Graydig's powers grow, it damages more friendships and family ties until even the Spellcasters' combined magical powers might not be enough to stop it. Worst of all, Ananya's ancestral wish magic is running out. Can Jenny and Ananya travel through time to get help from Ananya's magical ancestor and stop the Graydig before the Holi festival is ruined?

Don't miss book 4 in this empowering magical adventure series, which will cast a spell over readers aged 7+!

Sales Points

- Exciting magical adventures starring a diverse group of friends
- Celebrates cultural heritage, positive thinking and the power of friendship
- Debut author with a fresh and authentic voice. Series created in partnership with Storymix, the inclusive story studio
- Atmospheric black and white interior illustrations by Wendy Tan

Author Biography

Crystal Sung (Author)

Crystal Sung is a British Malaysian writer with a background in advertising. She loves exploring stories involving friendship, with a dark or supernatural twist. She lives in London with her family.

Wendy Tan (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. Wendy then graduated from Saito College with a Diploma in Multimedia Design. Wendy's keen interest for storytelling began with film and animation during her time as a storyboard and visual development artist in the Malaysian animation industry. Wendy loves using illustration to tell stories, often using dramatic colour and light.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
Price	£7.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781408368879
BIC 2.1	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)

CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	288 pages
Word Count	
Series	Spellcasters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Spellcasters (Book 1) - Aug 2023
 Spellcasters: Potion Power (Book 2) - May 2024
 Spellcasters: Moon Magic (Book 3) - Nov 2024

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Rainbow Magic: Back to School Collection Six Stories in One!

Daisy Meadows (Illustrated By Georgie Ripper)

Keynote

The perfect back to school read for Rainbow Magic fans! Join Kirsty and Rachel on six school adventures with Carly the Schoolfriend Fairy and Tilly the Teacher Fairy!

Description

Join Rachel and Kirsty on six school adventures in this bumper back to school collection with Carly the Schoolfriend Fairy and Tilly the Teacher Fairy. The perfect back to school read for Rainbow Magic fans!

Jack Frost and his goblins have stolen Carly the Schoolfriend Fairy's three magical objects causing school time chaos everywhere. Rachel and Kirsty must help Carly retrieve her magical objects before Jack Frost can ruin the school competition and disco.

Next, Jack Frost steals Tilly the Teacher Fairy's magical objects because he wants to make all the rules. With the help of the other Rainbow Magic fairies, Rachel and Kirsty must help Tilly outwit Jack Frost to get her magical objects back before school is ruined for everyone!

Can Rachel and Kirsty help the fairies retrieve their magical objects from Jack Frost and his goblins?

Rainbow Magic is the perfect stepping stone for children to become independent readers. With black and white illustrations, short chapters and lots of books to collect, these books are really accessible for children aged 5+.

'These stories are magic; they turn children into readers!' ReadingZone.com

Do YOU have a Rainbow Magic fairy? Find a fairy with your name at orchardseriesbooks.co.uk/rainbow-magic and collect all the books in the range.

Sales Points

- The Back to School Collection features two magical fairies - Carly the Schoolfriend Fairy and Tilly the Teacher Fairy
- This bumper bind-up is a perfect back to school gift for Rainbow Magic and fairy fans!
- Featuring a shiny foil cover
- Rainbow Magic is the bestselling series for children aged 5+. Over 40 million copies sold!
- Rainbow Magic improves literacy rates by getting children reading - they just can't wait to see which fairy comes next!

Author Biography

The *Rainbow Magic*, *Unicorn Magic* and *Pixie Magic* books are written by a small collective of authors under the name Daisy Meadows. *Rainbow Magic* is the no.1 bestselling series for children aged 5 and up with over 40 million copies sold worldwide!

Learn more about the books at orchardseriesbooks.co.uk, where you can find your *Rainbow Magic* fairy and discover a new series to enjoy.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781408375495
BIC 2.1	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) School stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFS) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
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Word Count	
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Not for Sale	Can; USA

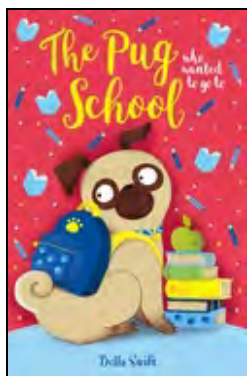
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The Pug who wanted to go to School

Bella Swift

Keynote

Who says dogs can't go to school? A brand-new back-to-school story starring Peggy the pug!

Description

Peggy the pug is ready to be the teacher's pet!

It's the end of the summer holidays and the children are heading back to school. But Peggy's best friend, Chloe, is nervous about joining a new class this year. Peggy wishes she could help reassure Chloe. If only she could find a way to go to school too, but dogs aren't allowed . . .

Can Peggy teach them all a lesson?

With adorable black and white illustrations throughout, this heartwarming Peggy the Pug story is perfect for the back to school season.

Sales Points

- A funny story for the back-to-school season
- An exciting story, told from a loveable pug's point of view
- Features adorable black and white line artwork throughout
- Pugs are 4th most popular dog breed on TikTok - 3.6 billion views
- 4th best selling 5-7 series launched since 2017
- Rights sold in over 11 territories.
- Series total lifetime sales is over 66k, over £300k value (December 2023).

Author Biography

Bella Swift is a children's book editor who has written many successful children's book series under a variety of pen names. She lives in London with her husband, her two daughters and a pet cat - but dreams about getting a dog!

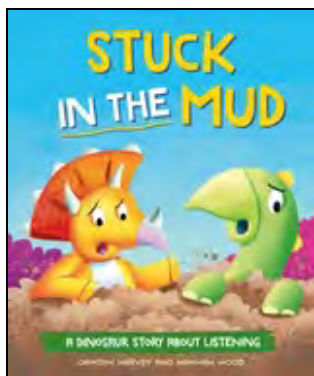
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Price	£7.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781408374986
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CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Pug Who Wanted to...
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Pug Who Wanted to be a Unicorn
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Reindeer
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Bunny
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Pumpkin
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Mermaid
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Star
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Fairy
 The Pug Who Wanted to be an Elf
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Bumblebee
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Witch
 The Pug Who Wanted a Birthday
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Superhero
 The Pug Who Wanted to be a Dinosaur



A Dinosaur Story: Stuck in the Mud A Dinosaur Story about Listening

Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Hannah Wood)

Keynote

The *A Dinosaur Story* series follows a group of dinosaur friends who, through getting themselves in and out of some sticky situations, learn about good manners and behaviour

Description

Each book in the *A Dinosaur Story* series follows a group of dinosaur friends who get into some sticky situations but in doing so, helps them to learn about good manners and behaviour.

In *Stuck in the Mud*, Seren wants to play with her friends. Before she goes, her mum says 'stay away from the swamp' but Seren wasn't listening. Throughout the story, different characters try to tell Seren and Steg to stay away but they don't listen and, before they know it, they're stuck in the swamp mud. Luckily their friends had followed them and help them out. Seren realises that the importance of listening.

The *A Dinosaur Story* series is great to read aloud or to share with friends and family. Each book includes notes for parents, teachers and care-givers which give suggestions for how to reinforce and extend understanding of the message of each book.

The series also supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is suitable for use with children in KS1. Suitable for children aged 3+.

Sales Points

- Original stories by author Damian Harvey, who has written more than 150 books for children
- Humorous illustrations by Hannah Wood bring the dinosaur characters to life
- Includes notes for parents, teachers and carers to help start discussions around the topics

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, August 28, 2025
Price	£6.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781445189826
BIC 2.1	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) Dinosaurs & prehistoric world (Children's / Teenage) (YNNA) Personal & social issues: self-awareness & self-esteem (Children's / Teenage) (YXL) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC	A3N79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	236x195
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	A Dinosaur Story
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
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



A Dinosaur Story: Fire in the Forest A Dinosaur Story about Being Polite

Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Hannah Wood)

Keynote

The *A Dinosaur Story* series follows a group of dinosaur friends who, through getting themselves in and out of some sticky situations, learn about good manners and behaviour

Description

Each book in the *A Dinosaur Story* series follows a group of dinosaur friends who get into some sticky situations but, in doing so, helps them to learn about good manners and behaviour.

In *Fire in the Forest*, Deano is being rude to his parents so they tell him to go out to calm down and get some air. He sees some smoke in the air but has never seen any before so doesn't know what it is. He speaks rudely to and pushes rudely past several other dinosaurs to run towards it only to come face to face with the fire. Luckily his dad rescues him and Deano promises to be more polite and listen to others in future.

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Hannah Wood (Illustrator)

Hannah is from England but grew up in the Netherlands and Norway. She returned to England to study politics and history at university, until the moment she finally saw the light and, after a spell as a graphic designer, followed her first love - illustration.

Publication date	Thursday, August 28, 2025
Price	£6.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781445189802
BIC 2.1	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) Dinosaurs & prehistoric world (Children's / Teenage) (YNNA) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC	A3N79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	236x195
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	A Dinosaur Story
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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Price	£7.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781445186757
BIC 2.1	Social issues: environment & green issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXZG) Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)

CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	236x195
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Full colour
Series	Nature Matters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Giraffe Saves Water - 9781445186498
 Lemur Saves Energy - 9781445186719
 Little Bear Looks After Nature - 9781445186726
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Nature Matters: Koala Recycles

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the concept of recycling for young children, perfect for supporting PSHE learning

Description

***Koala Recycles* offers a gentle introduction to the concept of recycling for young children.**

In this humorous story, Koala isn't good at recycling, and when new recycling bins arrive at school, she cannot be bothered to use them properly. Soon, everyone is feeling cross with her, and she needs to find a way to say sorry!

This charming book is the perfect way to introduce young children to the concept of recycling. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children understand the concept.

The *Nature Matters* series of picture books provide a gentle means of promoting concepts of environmental issues, 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 aged 3+.

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.



Nature Matters: Little Bear Looks After Nature

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the concept of looking after the natural world for young children, perfect for supporting PSHE learning

Description

Little Bear Looks After Nature offers a gentle introduction to the concept of conservation for young children.

In this humorous story, Little Bear sees all the problems facing nature in her local environment, and she is determined to make some changes. She encourages others to help her too!

This charming book is the perfect way to introduce young children to the concept of conservation. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children understand the concept.

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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	Paperback 236x195
Depth	2mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Full colour
Series	Nature Matters
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Ava and the Acorn

Lu Fraser (Illustrated By Paddy Donnelly)

Keynote

A tender, stay-with-you-forever story about one little girl's relationship with her grandad, and the hope that lies in the changing of the seasons and the circle of life; the perfect introduction to life, love and loss for little ones.

Description

All the things that you've lost - that you've loved - are not gone, When they're held in your heart, a small part still lives on...

Together Grandad and Ava adventure along the twisting path and over the hill where, beneath the canopy of their friend the old Oak tree, they make wonderful memories to treasure and share: from summer picnics with jam-sticky fingers to carefree days kicking through russet leaves in autumn's soft glow. But as the seasons change, so too does the old Oak tree and Grandad's health . . .

A tender, stay-with-you-forever story about one little girl's relationship with her grandad, and the hope that lies in the changing of the seasons and the circle of life. Because where you think there's an end, there's always a beginning . . .

Sales Points

- A hopeful and life-affirming exploration of life, love and loss, tenderly written by Lu Fraser and illustrated by award-winning Paddy Donnelly.
- Lu Fraser is an award-winning author whose picture book *THE LITTLEST YAK* won both the Oscar's Book Prize and the Sainsbury's Book Award.
- Paddy Donnelly is an award-winning Irish illustrator whose books have won the Sainsbury's Book Award; The White Ravens Book Award; and the Judge's Special Award at the Children's Book Ireland Book Awards.
- This beautifully lyrical rhyming story features a warm and positive portrayal of intergenerational relationships.
- Features beautiful gold foil detailing.

Author Biography

Lu Fraser (Author)

Lu Fraser is one of the most exciting new picture book voices. Her debut picture book, *The Littlest Yak* (illustrated by Kate Hindley) won the Oscars Book Prize, The Sainsbury's Best Picture Book Award and The Sainsbury's Children's Book of the Year Award, whilst her second book, *The Viking Who Liked Icing* (illustrated by Mark McKinley) was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Award. Now she gets to write her own books in a shed in her garden. Lu lives in the south of England, in the middle of nowhere, with her husband and daughter and their pets.

Paddy Donnelly (Illustrator)

Paddy Donnelly is an Irish illustrator now living in Belgium. He has over 15 years' experience as an illustrator and designer, and especially loves working with a textured, painterly approach. His books include *Dodos Are Not Extinct*, *Hom*, *Here Be Dragons* and *The Vanishing Lake*. His work has achieved international acclaim as he was nominated for the Kate Greenaway Medal 2022 and shortlisted for The World Illustration Awards in 2018. Paddy's first book as both author and illustrator, *The Vanishing Lake*, was awarded the gold medal in the picture book category of the IPPY Awards.

Paddy grew up on the beautiful north coast of Ireland, surrounded by mythical stories of giants, magical creatures and shape-shifting animals. All of this prompted his love for nature, animals, the sea and storytelling.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
Price	£8.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781408366943
BIC 2.1	Picture storybooks (YBCS) Personal & social issues: family issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXF) Personal & social issues: self-awareness & self-esteem (Children's / Teenage) (YXL) 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
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Extent	40 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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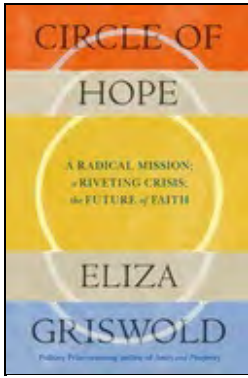
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Circle of Hope: A National Book Award Finalist "extraordinary" - Patrick Radden Keefe

Eliza Griswold

Keynote

A Pulitzer Prize winner's intimate portrait of a church, its radical mission, and its riveting crisis.

Description

A National Book Award Finalist

Named a Best Book of the Year by *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The New Yorker*, NPR, *The Minnesota Star Tribune*, and *Publishers Weekly*

"Glows on every page . . . nearly miraculous." -*The Boston Globe*

"Marvelous." -*The New York Times*

The Pulitzer Prize winner's extraordinary portrait of one religious community - and what it means for us all

Although most evangelicals have their sights firmly set on salvation in the afterlife, one extraordinary church in Philadelphia is designed to fight for progress and dedicated to social justice in this life. Over forty years, Circle of Hope grew from one family to four congregations battling for equality among the sexes, an end to racial discrimination, and offering hope to believers of all kinds - from outcasts to addicts - in its radical mission to improve the world.

Then, rocked by many of the same issues facing society at large, from MeToo to Black Lives Matter, Circle of Hope is forced to confront its own mistakes, plunging the community into existential crisis.

Building on years of deep reporting, Pulitzer Prize-winner Eliza Griswold paints an intimate portrait of pastors and church members' desperate wrestling to find a way to remain together despite their dividing truths.

Through generational rifts, an increasingly politicised religious landscape, a pandemic and a rise in foundation-shaking activism, *Circle of Hope* tells a propulsive, layered story of what we do to stay true to our beliefs. It is a soaring, searing examination of what it means for a community to love, to grow, and crucially to disagree.

"Lyrical, probing, and deeply reported, this is an extraordinary account ." — **Patrick Radden Keefe**, author of *Empire of Pain*

"Eliza Griswold is a dazzling reporter: ever observant, wise, sympathetic, and honest. And in this spellbinding book." — **David Grann**, author of *Killers of the Flower Moon* and *The Wager*

"A sharply contemporary book, painfully honest, stubbornly hopeful." — **Archbishop Rowan Williams**, author of *Passions of the Soul*

"That rarest of books: an examination of the sacred and spiritual realm captured with humor, humanity, and style."— **Susan Orlean**, author of *On Animals*

Sales Points

- **Pulitzer Prize:** Eliza's last book, *Amity and Prosperity*, won the 2019 Pulitzer Prize in General Nonfiction
- **Author Connections:** Eliza is deeply embedded in religious circles. Her father was the first Episcopalian bishop to ordain a gay bishop (for which he had to wear a bullet-proof vest).
- **The New Yorker:** Global serial rights are already sold to The New Yorker, where Eliza has been a contributing writer since 2003. She is also a Distinguished Writer in Residence at New York University
- **Journalism:** Eliza is a hugely respected journalist and has recently been appointed as Director of Journalism at Princeton.

Reviews

- 'Glows on every page . . . nearly miraculous.' - *The Boston Globe*
- 'Marvelous.' - *The New York Times*

Author Biography

Eliza Griswold has written and translated five books of nonfiction and poetry, and *Circle of Hope* was named as a 2024 finalist for the National Book Award. Griswold was also



awarded the 2019 Pulitzer Prize in General Nonfiction for *Amity and Prosperity: One Family and the Fracturing of America*, which was also a *New York Times* Notable Book and Critics' Pick. Griswold has held fellowships at Harvard Divinity School, Harvard University, the Guggenheim Foundation, and the New America Foundation, among others. She has been awarded various prizes, including the J. Anthony Lukas Prize, a PEN Translation Prize, and the Rome Prize for her poetry. She directs the Journalism Program at Princeton University.

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The Little Book of Arsenal Legends

Orange Hippo!

Keynote

From Thierry Henry to Tony Adams, this is the ultimate guide to the best of Arsenal.

Description

Step into the rich history and legendary moments of one of the oldest and most popular football clubs in the world, Arsenal FC. This captivating collection of quotes and facts is a celebration of the iconic players and managers who have graced Highbury and the Emirates Stadium. Relive the wisdom, philosophical musings and reflections on brilliance and perseverance that have shaped the triumphs and unforgettable moments that have cemented the club's place in football history.

This tiny tome is packed with the legends of the Emirates, from Thierry Henry to Tony Adams, Liam Brady to Dennis Bergkamp, David Seaman to Ian Wright and so many more. Packed with quotes from the men themselves and their fans, plus trivia and facts, this is the ultimate celebration of the Gunners.

Sales Points

- The perfect gift for any Arsenal fan, this celebrates Arsenal legends from all eras.
- Sits alongside other Little Books such as Manchester Legends, Liverpool Legends, Arsenal, and Manchester United.
- Arsenal are coming off the back of the 2023/4 season, which saw them in a genuine title fight. Expectations are high for 2024/5.

Author Biography

The **Orange Hippo!** list features innovative, quirky books that reflect style, popular culture and current trends.

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The Little Book of Man United Legends

Orange Hippo!

Keynote

From Bobby Charlton to Paul Scholes, this is the ultimate guide to the best of Man United.

Description

Dive into the rich history and legendary moments of Manchester United FC, a treasure trove of quotes and facts celebrating the iconic players and managers who have graced Old Trafford. One of the oldest and most popular football clubs in the world, Manchester United has been enormously successful, with beloved figures that have contributed to the club's success both on and off the pitch.

This tiny tome is packed with the legends of Old Trafford, from Bobby Charlton to Ryan Giggs, Paul Scholes to Bill Foulkes, Wayne Rooney to David De Gea and so many more unforgettable names. Packed with quotes from the men themselves and their fans, plus trivia and facts, this captivating collection is a must-have for die-hard fans and anyone who admires the passion, skill, and dedication of the Red Devils, one of the world's greatest football clubs.

Sales Points

- The perfect gift for any Man United fan, this celebrates Man United legends from all eras.
- Sits alongside other Little Books such as Liverpool Legends, Arsenal Legends, Liverpool, and Arsenal.
- Despite a challenging 2023/4 season, you can never bet against the might of Man United for 2024/5.

Author Biography

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Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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The Little Book of Liverpool Legends

Orange Hippo!

Keynote

From Kenny Dalglish to Mo Salah, this is the ultimate guide to the best of Liverpool.

Description

One of the oldest and most popular football clubs in the world, Liverpool FC has been enormously successful. Throughout its long and glittery life, Liverpool has also signed some of the biggest talents (and personalities) in the world. Filled with motivational musings and intriguing tidbits about the club's historic victories and record-breaking achievements, dive into the icons that have defined Liverpool FC's legacy, along with their contributions to the club's success and the lasting impact they've made on and off the pitch.

This tiny tome is packed with the legends of Anfield, from Kenny Dalglish to Steven Gerrard, Ian Rush to Virgil van Dijk and Graeme Souness to Mo Salah. A treasure trove of quotes from the men themselves and their fans, plus trivia and facts, this is the ultimate celebration of the Reds, each word capturing the essence of what it means to be part of the Liverpool family, and above all, ensuring that you're never walking alone.

Sales Points

- The perfect gift for any Liverpool fan, this celebrates Liverpool legends from all eras.
- Sits alongside other Little Books such as Manchester Legends, Arsenal Legends, Liverpool, and Manchester United.
- The hugely popular Jurgen Klopp has left the team, but Arne Slot is set to put his own stamp on the team for the 2024/5 season.

Author Biography

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The Girl With No Reflection

The highly anticipated dark and romantic fantasy debut

Keshe Chow

Keynote

A young woman chosen as the crown prince's bride travels to the palace to meet her new husband - but her world is shaken when she discovers the dark truth his family has been hiding for centuries . . .

Description

INSTANT #1 SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

A princess. A portal. A prophecy.

Ying Yue believed in love . . . once. Yet when she's chosen to wed the Crown Prince, Ying's dreams of a fairy tale marriage fall apart. Her husband-to-be is cold and indifferent, confining Ying to her room for reasons he won't explain. And whispers swirl: of seven other brides who mysteriously disappeared after their own weddings.

Left alone with only her reflection for company, Ying begins to see strange things in her mirror. And on the eve of her wedding, she unwittingly opens a gateway into another world full of sentient reflections . . . including the enigmatic Mirror Prince. He is kind and compassionate, unlike his real-world counterpart, and before long Ying falls in love.

But soon she discovers that the two worlds have a blood-soaked history, and Ying has a part to play in both. And the brides who came before her? By the time they discovered their roles, it was already too late . . .

Sales Points

- Exciting, darkly lush YA fantasy debut based on ancient Chinese culture and folklore - perfect for fans of *Song of Silver*, *Flame Like Night* and *Violet Made of Thorns*.
- Features hot YA fantasy trends and tropes: enemies-to-lovers romance, feisty feminist hero, portal fantasies, folklore and mythology. The characters are dreamy and the romance is steamy. It's pacy, action-packed, and highly suspenseful.
- Author is a highly promotable young talent who has won numerous awards in Australia

Reviews

- 'The perfect blend of royal court drama and spine-chilling horror. *The Girl With No Reflection* is uniquely enthralling, pushing the bounds of fantasy and exceeding with brilliance' - Chloe Gong, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *These Violent Delights*
- 'A fairytale at once ornate and lovely yet filled with sharp edges, *The Girl With No Reflection* reads like petals dappling a pond with mirrored shadows lurking beneath the surface. Keshe Chow's enchanting entry into Chinese fantasy is eerily beautiful, wickedly romantic, and delightfully twisty!' - Amélie Wen Zhao, New York Times bestselling author of *Song of Silver*, *Flame Like Night*
- 'Keshe Chow has built the most stunning world on a foundation of Chinese mythology and backed it up with a heroine and romance you'll be rooting for until the end. With this much angst, tension, and all these twists and turns, you won't be able to put this down' - Nisha J. Tuli, bestselling author of *Trial of the Sun Queen*
- 'A unique, gorgeous novel that blends gothic horror with Chinese myths' - Sunyi Dean, Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Book Eaters*

Author Biography

Keshe Chow was born in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and migrated to Australia when she was two years old. She currently lives in Naarm (Melbourne) with her partner, two kids, and an ice cream-obsessed cat named Wasabi. *The Girl With No Reflection* is her debut novel.

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The Forbidden Garden of Leningrad A True Story of Science and Sacrifice in a City under Siege

Simon Parkin

Keynote

A gripping untold story of the world's most valuable seed bank, the siege of Leningrad and a terrible choice

Description

'An astonishing story brilliantly told . . . It is as moving as it is gripping to read'

Jonathan Dimpleby, author of *Endgame: 1944*

'A richly researched and meticulously observed account of a little-explored corner of 20th-century history'

Guardian

'A fantastically well-researched history of science and sacrifice saturated in drama'

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In the summer of 1941, German troops surrounded the Russian city of Leningrad - now St Petersburg - and began the longest blockade in recorded history. By the most conservative estimates, the siege would claim the lives of three-quarters of a million people. Most died of starvation.

At the centre of the embattled city stood a converted palace that housed the greatest living plant library ever amassed - the world's first seed bank. After attempts to evacuate the collection failed, and as supplies dwindled, the scientists responsible faced a terrible decision: should they distribute the specimens to the starving population, or preserve them in the hope that they held the key to ending global famine?

Drawing on previously unseen sources, *The Forbidden Garden* tells the remarkable and moving story of the botanists who remained at the Plant Institute during the darkest days of the siege, risking their lives in the name of science.

'A compelling account . . . a remarkable work of literary exhumation. The first full account of the Plant Institute in any language, it's a fitting testimony to an extraordinary project and the bravery of the ordinary individuals who kept it going'

Telegraph

'A beautifully-written account of one of the most extraordinary and little-known episodes of the Second World War -- a scientific feat and act of collective self-sacrifice the consequences of which continue to be felt today'

Adam Higginbotham, author of *Challenger*

'A gripping, original and important story of courage and science in wartime'

Roland Philipps, author of *A Spy Named Orphan*

Sales Points

- **BOTANY MEETS WWII IN A FASCINATING UNTOLD STORY:** Deeply researched and informed, *The Forbidden Garden of Leningrad* uncovers an incredible story and the terrible moral conundrum faced by the botanists.
- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Simon won the Wingate Literary Prize for *The Island of Extraordinary Captives*, which was also a *New Yorker* Book of the Year and a *New York Times* Editors' Choice. His previous book, *A Game of Birds and Wolves*, was shortlisted for the Mountbatten Prize.
- **FOR FANS OF *Stalingrad*** by Antony Beevor, *Leningrad* by Anna Reid and *The Spy and the Traitor* by Ben Macintyre.

Reviews

- **'Riveting . . . restores Vavilov and his scientific colleagues to their rightful places in the pantheon of Soviet heroes . . . remarkable'** - Mark Honigsbaum, *Observer*

Author Biography

Simon Parkin is an award-winning British writer and journalist. He is a contributing writer for the *New Yorker* and a fellow of the Royal Historical Society (RHS), and is the author of *A Game of Birds and Wolves* and *The Island of Extraordinary Captives*, which was a *New Yorker* Book of the Year and won the Wingate Literary Prize. He lives in West Sussex.



The End of the World as We Know It New Tales of Stephen King's The Stand

Brian Keene, Christopher Golden

Keynote

An original short story anthology based on master storyteller Stephen King's No. 1 international bestselling classic *The Stand*!

Description

Since its initial publication in 1978, *The Stand* has been considered Stephen King's seminal masterpiece of apocalyptic fiction. It has sold millions of copies and has been adapted twice for television. Generations of writers have been impacted by its dark yet ultimately hopeful vision of the end and new beginning of civilisation, and its stunning array of characters.

Now for the first time, Stephen King has fully authorised a return to the harrowing world of *The Stand* through this original short story anthology, as presented by award-winning authors and editors Christopher Golden and Brian Keene. Bringing together some of today's greatest and most visionary writers, *The End of the World As We Know It* features unforgettable, all-new stories set during and after (and some perhaps long after) the events of *The Stand* - brilliant, terrifying, and painfully human tales that will resonate with readers everywhere as an essential companion to the classic, bestselling novel.

Featuring an introduction by Stephen King, a foreword by Christopher Golden and afterword by Brian Keene. Contributors include Wayne Brady and Maurice Broaddus, Poppy Z. Brite, Somer Canon, C. Robert Cargill, Nat Cassidy, V. Castro, Richard Chizmar, S. A. Cosby, Tananarive Due and Steven Barnes, Meg Gardiner, Gabino Iglesias, Jonathan Janz, Alma Katsu, Caroline Kepnes, Michael Koryta, Sarah Langan, Joe R. Lansdale, Tim Lebbon, Josh Malerman, Ronald Malfi, Usman T. Malik, Premee Mohamed, Cynthia Pelayo, Hailey Piper, David J. Schow, Alex Segura, Bryan Smith, Paul Tremblay, Catherynne M. Valente, Bev Vincent, Catriona Ward, Chuck Wendig, Wrath James White and Rio Youers.

Sales Points

- **ORIGINAL STORIES** based on the influential seminal work of apocalyptic fiction good v evil, and set in a world ravaged by the virus Captain Trips.
- **INTRODUCED** by **KING** himself
- **DAZZLING ARRAY OF CONTRIBUTORS**
- **CROSS-PROMOTION CAMPAIGN:** Hodder publish THE STAND and can bring readers of that phenomenal book to THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT, delivering numerous cross-promotion opportunities.

Author Biography

Stephen King is the author of more than seventy books, all of them worldwide bestsellers, including, recently, *You Like It Darker*, *Holly* and *Fairy Tale*. King is the recipient of *The Sunday Times* award for Literary Excellence 2022, the 2020 Audio Publishers Association Lifetime Achievement Award, the 2018 PEN America Literary Service Award, the 2014 National Medal of Arts, and the 2003 National Book Foundation Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters. He lives in Bangor, Maine, with his wife, novelist Tabitha King.

Christopher Golden is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the novels *The House of Last Resort*, *All Hallows*, *Road of Bones* and the Stoker Award-winning *Ararat*, among many others.

Brian Keene is the bestselling, multiple-award-winning author of over forty books, as well as over two hundred short stories and dozens of comic books and graphic novels for Marvel, DC and others.

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The Stand

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Quicksilver

the utterly addictive enemies-to-lovers romantasy sensation

Callie Hart

Author Biography

Callie Hart is the *Sunday Times* and # 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the international phenomenon *Quicksilver*, along with many other bestselling dark romance and dark academia titles. A British expat now living in California, Callie can most likely be found sequestered away in the corner of a library, fantasising about exciting new realms and the brooding antiheroes who occupy them.

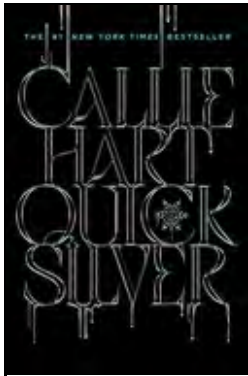
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Quicksilver (Deluxe Edition)

Callie Hart

Keynote

A BEAUTIFUL, LIMITED EDITION HARDBACK OF THE PHENOMENAL FIRST BOOK IN THE UNMISSABLE FAE & ALCHEMY SERIES. This edition will feature brand new cover jacket artwork and a suit of special finishes to be announced soon.

Description

Do not touch the sword. Do not turn the key. Do not open the gate.

Twenty-four-year-old Saeris Fane is good at keeping secrets. No one knows about the strange powers she possesses, or the fact that she has been picking pockets and stealing from the Undying Queen's reservoirs for as long as she can remember.

But a secret is like a knot. Sooner or later, it is bound to come undone.

When Saeris comes face-to-face with Death himself, she inadvertently reopens a gateway between realms and is transported to a land of ice and snow. The Fae have always been the stuff of myth, of legend, of nightmares...but it turns out they're real, and Saeris has landed herself right in the middle of a centuries-long conflict that might just get her killed.

The first of her kind to tread the frozen mountains of Yvelia in over a thousand years, Saeris mistakenly binds herself to Kingfisher, a handsome Fae warrior, who has secrets and nefarious agendas of his own. He will use her Alchemist's magic to protect his people, no matter what it costs him . . . or her.

Death has a name. It is Kingfisher of the Ajun Gate. His past is murky. His attitude stinks. And he's the only way Saeris is going to make it home. **Be careful of the deals you make, dear child. The devil is in the details . . .**

Sales Points

- **YOUR NEXT ROMANTASY OBSESSION:** razor-sharp banter and blistering enemies-to-lovers romance set against a backdrop of secrets, lies and dangerous deals - as well as super sexy fae. Welcome to your new romantasy obsession.
- **MASSIVE WORD-OF-MOUTH SELF-PUBLISHED SUCCESS:** this was originally self-published in June 2024, and has received 11m TikTok views for #CallieHart, 25k reviews on Goodreads with a 4.5 star average, and 15k reviews on Amazon, with a 4.7-star average. It has been a top 100 Kindle bestseller since publication. and Callie is a *USA Today* bestseller, who has hit a new high with her debut romantasy - readers are calling it one of their top reads of the year.
- **MAJOR CAMPAIGN:** this is a major launch in the US and UK, and we will be running a high-profile, carefully targeted campaign to appeal to fantasy and romance readers.
- **A BEAUTIFUL, LIMITED EDITION HARDBACK OF THE PHENOMENAL FIRST BOOK IN THE UNMISSABLE FAE & ALCHEMY SERIES. This edition will feature brand new cover jacket artwork and a suit of special finishes to be announced soon.**

Reviews

- 'Fans of ACOTAR and *Fourth WIng* are going to love *Quicksilver*' - *Spice Cauldron Reviews*
- '**The most popular book on BookTok right now!**' - @THTGIRLREADS (1.4m TikTok followers)
- 'This romantasy is fast-paced, has a unique plot and, of course, a love interest that won't disappoint. Don't sleep on it if you're a fantasy lover looking for the next big thing!' - *Stylist*

Author Biography

Callie Hart is the *Sunday Times* and # 1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the international phenomenon *Quicksilver*, along with many other bestselling dark romance and dark academia titles. A British expat now living in California, Callie can most likely be found sequestered away in the corner of a library, fantasising about exciting new realms and the brooding antiheroes who occupy them.

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Romance (FR)
Fantasy (FM)
Erotic fiction (FP)

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Format **Royal**
Extent **624 pages**

Word Count
Illustrations **N/A**
Series **The Fae & Alchemy Series**

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Book locale **Fantasy**
Author born in **UK**
Author living in **US**
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The Dragon Wakes With Thunder

K. X. Song

Keynote

THE EXPLOSIVE SEQUEL TO THE *SUNDAY TIMES* BESTSELLING FANTASY *THE NIGHT ENDS WITH FIRE*.

Description

Forged in battle. Her legend begins.

A young woman who wields the power of the dragon must decide where her loyalties lie - and where her heart belongs - in this enthralling re-imagining of the legend of Mulan.

The war may be over, but Hai Meilin is still paying a heavy toll. Upon her return to Anlai, she is cast into prison. Her crime? Wielding a sword as a woman.

In the palace, Meilin is a pariah. But beyond the imperial walls, her legend has taken on a life of its own. To the east, a rebel leader needs Meilin to helm his revolution. In the south, a former enemy prince seeks her aid in restoring balance to the Three Kingdoms. And back home, Liu Sky, Meilin's commander and first love, wants Meilin by his side in his bid for the throne.

Pulled in all directions, Meilin vows that this time she will not be so quick to trust. Yet there is one she cannot help but listen to - for he dwells within her.

The sea dragon Qinglong has his own plans. During the war, Meilin wielded his power to cheat death and gain victory; now he has come to collect his dues. Meilin's mother warned her long ago: the spirits demand blood. And Qinglong is ravenous.

Sales Points

- **Gripping East Asian fantasy sequel**, perfect for fans of R.F. Kuang, Elizabeth Lim, Xiran Jay Zhao, and Judy I. Lin. This sits perfectly in the East Asian retelling space, with a beautifully evoked world, based on a well known legend, but retold from a new, feminist perspective.
- **Brilliant commercial tropes**: a love triangle, and a feisty heroine fighting for independence in a patriarchal world, we have tropes galore that will satisfy any fantasy fan
- **SUNDAY TIME BESTSELLING AUTHOR**: *THE NIGHT ENDS WITH FIRE* was a #1 *Sunday Times* bestseller. **K.X. Song** is the author of *An Echo in the City*, which was given a Kirkus starred review, and lauded by authors such as Axie Oh, Grace D. Li and Zoulfa Katouh

Reviews

- **'Sweepingly epic and tenderly romantic, *The Night Ends With Fire* is a fiercely feminist adventure about a young woman fighting to shape her destiny in a world of lore, magic, and war. One not to miss for fans of *Mulan*' - Amélie Wen Zhao, *NYT* bestselling author of *Song of Silver, Flame Like Night***
- **'*The Night Ends with Fire* is a cinematic tale of epic proportions, with jaw-dropping twists and a take-no-prisoners heroine yearning for freedom, recognition, and glory. An explosive start to a captivating new series' - Axie Oh, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea***
- **'As defiant and courageous as its protagonist, *The Night Ends With Fire* ushers in a stunning new fantasy world. I couldn't put it down - and I know I'll be thinking about it for some time to come' - Nalini Singh, *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Psy-Changeling* series**
- **'*The Night Ends with Fire* is what blessedly happens when the themes of Hua Mulan's legend are combined with wuxia principles and a powerful new voice in adult fantasy' - Thea Guanzon, *USA Today* and *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Hurricane Wars***

Author Biography

K. X. Song is a diaspora writer with roots in Hong Kong and Shanghai. Raised between cultures and languages, she enjoys telling stories that touch on collective memory, translation, and the shifting nature of memory and history. *An Echo in the City* is her debut young adult novel. You can learn more at kxsong.com.

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Main Identifier **9781399725316**
BIC 2.1 **China (1FPC)
Fantasy (FM)
Fantasy romance (FMR)**

CBMC **E3N79**
Age **12+ years**
Subject **Fiction**
Type **Ordinary Printed
Book Format**
Character **Non-character**
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Binding **Trade Paperback**
Format **Royal**
Extent **448 pages**
Word Count
Series **The Night Ends with
Fire**
Exclusively for Sale **Cw (ex UK, Can);
Ire**
Not for Sale **Can; UK; USA**

Book locale **Fantasy**
Author born in **California, USA**
Author living in **California, USA**

Previous Titles

9781399725255 *The Night Ends With Fire*

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**
2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**
Audio **Refer to Publisher**
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Electronic **Refer to Publisher**
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Podcast **Refer to Publisher**
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Once a Villain

Vanessa Len

Keynote

The final book in the lauded *Only a Monster* trilogy is here - where the unstoppable love and high stakes meets the propulsive thrills in a last-ditch, breathless race against time.

Description

When monsters rule, who will be left to stop them?

After Joan's failed attempt to save the world, Eleanor now rules over a cruel new timeline where monsters live openly among humans, preying on them and subjugating them.

Nick -once a hero to humans, and Joan's first love - is tormented by the choice he made to save her over the timeline itself. And Aaron - the ruthless heir to a powerful monster family - now finds himself in a world where monsters have power beyond imagining while his feelings for Joan grow.

Wrenched between love and rivalry, the three of them must negotiate their fractured pasts to survive the new world and restore what was lost. Because only they remember that there was once a better timeline.

But how will they defeat a whole world of monsters with control over time itself?

Sales Points

- **STUNNING CONTEMPORARY FANTASY:** morally grey characters, a high-concept magic system featuring different monster families each with their own unique powers, and a star-crossed love story.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF** the dark fairytale atmosphere of *Stephanie Garber*, the heart-rending romance of *These Violent Delights* and the urban fantasy setting of *V.E. Schwab's This Savage Song*.
- **THE FINALE IS HERE:** the utterly absorbing, action-packed conclusion to a series that *Stephanie Garber* has called 'mind-bending, heart-wrenching, and unputdownable.'

Author Biography

Vanessa Len is an internationally bestselling Australian author and educational editor who has worked on everything from language learning programs to STEM resources to professional learning for teachers. Her series 'Only a Monster' has been translated into ten languages.

You can find her on her website at <https://www.vanessalen.com>

Publication date	Thursday, August 21, 2025
Price	£14.99 / ₹999
Main Identifier	9781529380170
BIC 2.1	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Fantasy (FM)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	512 pages
Word Count	
Series	Only a Monster
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Book locale	Fantasy
Author born in	Melbourne, Australia
Author living in	Australia
Previous Titles	
9781529380156	Never a Hero
9781529380101	Only a Monster
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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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Demy
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex UK)
Not for Sale	UK

Book locale	Scotland; England; Japan; China; Germany; France
Author living in	Edinburgh

Previous Titles	
<i>Threads of Life</i> (2019)	
<i>Embroidering Her Truth</i> (2022)	

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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Making Matters In Search of Creative Wonders

Clare Hunter

Keynote

The new book from *Sunday Times*-bestselling author and community textile artist and historian Clare Hunter: An exploration of under-appreciated craft practices and the ways that they have inspired people through history - and how they can open up imaginative space for us today.

Description

'In an era of screens and machines, what a joy it is to read Clare Hunter's inspiring new book, which summons up the creative delights of making wonderment with our own hands'
Justine Picardie, author of *Miss Dior*

'*Making Matters* celebrates the joy of the handmade in all of its wonderful variety. In a fast paced world, it is a timely and beautiful exploration of making traditions. I loved it!'
Kate Straddin, author of *The Dress Diary of Mrs Anne Sykes*

As children, we made things: snowmen, paper boats, eccentrically costumed plays. That making fired our minds and imaginations - it altered our small worlds and shaped who we became. But as adults, it is hard to find the space for creativity and to remember its power.

Exploring craft traditions and forms of making from across centuries and cultures, Clare Hunter encourages to engage with the world afresh. To use our hands again, to see beauty in unexpected places, to play and protest and embrace imaginative possibilities. From paper crafts to wonders made from light and snow, she searches for creative delight - making lanterns, puppets and pinhole cameras.

Inspiring and fascinating, *Making Matters* celebrates individual and collective creativity. It blends history, culture and politics with rich storytelling, wonderful characters and tales of remarkable objects. Read this, and then make something.

PRAISE FOR *THREADS OF LIFE*:

"An astonishing feat . . . Her highly impressive debut is a richly textured and moving record of a history that has largely been lost" ***Sunday Times***

"Enthralling...beautiful... An inspiring and moving sideways look at history" ***Sunday Express***

"A beautifully considered book . . . Clare Hunter has managed to mix the personal with the political with moving results" ***Tracy Chevalier***

Sales Points

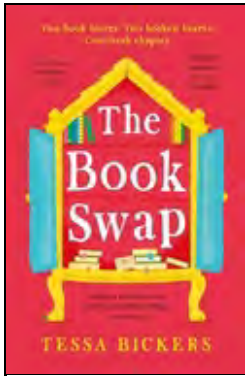
- **An inspiring and *Sunday Times* bestselling author:** Clare's debut, *Threads of Life*, was an *ST* bestseller and emotionally connected with enthusiastic embroiderers around the world. Her second book, *Embroidering Her Truth*, inspired the creative director of Christian Dior and her 2025 Cruise collection! Clare featured in the press for the collection and was an honoured guest on the front row.
- **A passionate audience of crafters and the craft curious:** The existing craft community is enthusiastic, tight-knit and happy to invest in their hobbies - Clare is a real maker and speaks to them directly. And, in reaction to our increasingly digital lives (and the cost of living and the pandemic), there has been a growing interest in craft traditions. More and more people want to learn about vanishing crafts and make things.
- **For fans of:** *The Great British Sewing Bee* and *The Great British Pottery Throwdown*, and also community and protest art! For readers of Kassia St Clair and Katy Hessel, *How to Do Nothing* and *Ways of Life*.

Reviews

- **'*Making Matters* celebrates the joy of the handmade** in all of its wonderful variety. In a fast-paced world it is a **timely and beautiful exploration of making traditions**. I loved it!' - Kate Straddin, author of *The Dress Diary of Mrs Anne Sykes*
- **'A delightful** tribute to the slow and simple pleasures of playful craft' - *The Bookseller*

Author Biography

Clare Hunter has been a banner-maker, community textile artist and textile curator for over twenty years and established the community enterprise NeedleWorks in Glasgow. Her first book, *Threads of Life*, won the Saltire First Book Award, was a Waterstones Scottish Book of the Month and a Radio 4 Book of the Week.



The Book Swap

The new romance novel about book lovers, for book lovers - uplifting, moving, and full of love

Tessa Bickers

Keynote

The funny, heartwarming and romantic debut novel from Tessa Bickers about two strangers who fall in love through the notes they write in the margins of their favourite books - perfect for fans of Beth O'Leary.

Description

A REASON TO LIVE.

Still grieving the death of her best friend, Erin knows she needs to start living - but has no idea how. Then she loses her favourite book, a heavily annotated and containing her friend's final words to her.

A REASON TO LOVE.

When James finds Erin's note-filled book in his local community library, it sparks a life-changing conversation. He writes his own message back, and soon they are locked in an anonymous book exchange, with no idea who the other person in the margins might be.

A REASON TO FORGIVE?

But Erin and James have a shared history that neither of them realise. How will Erin react when she discovers the other writer isn't a stranger at all - but the person she once swore she'd never forgive?

Sales Points

- **A gorgeous, funny and romantic love story with emotional weight, for fans of Beth O'Leary, Jojo Moyes, Sophie Kinsella and Paige Toon.**
- Set around a community library, this is a story that celebrates reading and book lovers, and draws from well-loved classics including *Great Expectations* and *To Kill a Mockingbird*.
- ***The Book Swap* is a lead title with HarperCollins in the US, and has a confirmed special focus with them, with an extra marketing push, which will be felt globally.**
- Though funny and ultimately uplifting, *The Book Swap* tackles complex themes like mental illness, grief and bullying.
- **Tessa Bickers is an exciting and talented new voice in fiction. Tender and immediate, her writing is incredibly readable and captivating, whilst packing an emotional punch.**

Reviews

- 'Both a gorgeous romance between two broken people, and a love letter to books and reading. If you loved *The Flatshare* you will love this heartfelt debut from Tessa Bickers about two people with tragic pasts, brought together through notes scribbled in the margins of their favourite reads. This debut is catnip for any book geek. I just loved it' - *Cesca Major*
- 'A gorgeous debut from tremendous Tessa Bickers. It's ahhh but it's also hahahahaha. I loved it. Can't wait for the movie' - *Sally Phillips*
- 'It's *You've Got Mail*, but make it (even more) bookish. A really heartfelt love story about the power of friendship, family, and the written word. Bookworms everywhere will adore this' - *Niamh Horgan*
- 'If you love books and love *love*, you are going to adore *The Book Swap* - a gorgeous novel about a couple falling in love and finding themselves in the notes they scribble for each other in beloved books. It's heartwarming and hopeful and a testament to the power of a good read' - *Julie Cohen*

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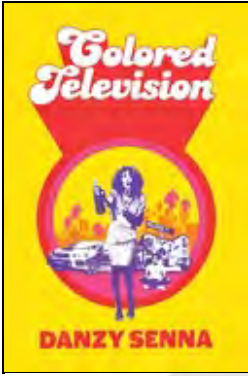
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BIC 2.1	Adult & contemporary romance (FRD) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
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Format	B Format
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
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Colored Television Winner of the Anisfield-Wolf Book Award 2025

Danzy Senna

Keynote

A brilliant dark comedy about love and ambition, failure and reinvention and the racial- identity-industrial complex from the bestselling author of *Caucasia*

Description

**** Winner of the 2025 ANISFIELD-WOLF BOOK AWARD FOR FICTION | Finalist for the 2025 PEN/FAULKNER AWARD FOR FICTION | Longlisted for the 2025 JOYCE CAROL OATES LITERARY PRIZE, the 2024 NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE FICTION PRIZE and the 2025 CARNEGIE MEDAL FOR EXCELLENCE IN FICTION ****

Named a Best Book of 2024 by *TIME*, *NPR*, *THE LOS ANGELES TIMES*, *THE NEW YORK POST*, *ELECTRIC LITERATURE* and more!

'I LOVED this fresh, funny story . . . A true page-turner' *Daily Mail*

'Hilarious' Raven Leilani, author of *Luster*

'[A] gem from Danzy Senna . . . perceptive and bitingly funny' *Vanity Fair*

Jane has high hopes that her life is about to turn around. After a long, precarious stretch bouncing among sketchy rentals and sublets, she and her family are living in luxury for a year, house-sitting in the hills above Los Angeles. The gig magically coincides with Jane's sabbatical, giving her the time and space she needs to finish her second novel—a centuries-spanning epic her artist husband, Lenny, dubs her "mulatto War and Peace." Finally, some semblance of stability and success seems to be within her grasp.

But things don't work out quite as hoped. Desperate for a plan B, like countless writers before her Jane turns her gaze to Hollywood. When she finagles a meeting with Hampton Ford, a hot producer with a major development deal at a streaming network, he seems excited to work with a "real writer," and together they begin to develop "the Jackie Robinson of biracial comedies." Things finally seem to be going right for Jane—until they go terribly wrong.

Funny, piercing, and page turning, *Colored Television* is Senna's most on-the-pulse, ambitious, and rewarding novel yet.

Reader reviews:

'A fantastic novel . . . funny and ironic and clever'

'A clever satire of the entertainment industry and the compromises artists sometimes make. If you enjoyed *Yellowface*, you'll likely appreciate Senna's ability to blend humour with uncomfortable truths'

'This is so sharp & funny & MESSY . . . I could not wait to see how this one turned out and had a ball reading it'

'Provides a very gripping commentary on both the literary and television world . . . The story takes such an unexpected turn, and once it does I truly couldn't put it down'

Sales Points

- **STRONG AUTHORIAL PRESENCE:** Danzy Senna has already received exciting praise from the likes of Raven Leilani and Rumaan Alam, her writing has appeared in *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic*, *Vogue* and *The New York Times* and her previous works have been recognised as a *TIME* 'Top 10 novels of 2017', a *Los Angeles Times* Best Book of the Year
- **EXCEPTIONAL COMPS:** *Colored Television* will appeal to fans of Kiley Reid's *Such a Fun Age*, Raven Leilani's *Luster* and Rumaan Alam's *Leave the World Behind* - it's smart, nuanced, adept with great characters tackling every day themes with verve and a lot of sass.
- **CAPTURES THE ZEITGEIST:** As the world becomes wise to celebrity culture and the perils of Hollywood, Senna approaches with a biting wit in this sharp satire of the film industry, underscored by a disarmingly open exploration of the pull between family, art and money.

Reviews

- **'Hilarious. Senna writes with tenderness** about the debasement of aspiration, and renders with acuity the mad place in the mind where fixation and avoidance are joined.' - Raven Leilani, author of *LUSTER*
- **'I LOVED this fresh, funny story . . . It's hilarious and wise, clever and thought-provoking. A true page-turner.'** - *Daily Mail*
- **'[A] gem from Danzy Senna—more perceptive and bitingly funny than ever.'** -

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Main Identifier **9780349705040**
BIC 2.1 **Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Extent **288 pages**
Word Count **88000 words**
Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**
Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

New People (2017)
You Are Free: Stories (2011)
Where Did You Sleep Last Night: A Personal History (2009)
Symptomatic (2004)
Caucasia (1998)

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2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Vanity Fair

- **'Senna's skilful storytelling and thought-provoking themes make *Colored Television* a compelling read** that challenges readers to reflect on their own perspectives and experiences' - 'Best Books for September', *Glamour*

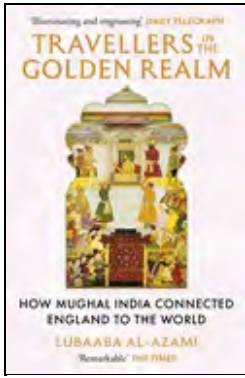


Author Biography

Danzy Senna is the author of five previous books, including the bestselling *Caucasia* and, most recently, *New People*, as well as a memoir. The recipient of numerous awards and honours, she teaches writing at the University of Southern California.

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Main Identifier	9781529371345
BIC 2.1	Asian history (HBJF) Indian sub-continent (1FK) c 1600 to c 1700 (3JD)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	x15 colour images, inset
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Book locale	India/UK/Global
Author living in	Milton Keynes, UK
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Travellers in the Golden Realm

How Mughal India Connected England to the World

Lubaaba Al-Azami

Keynote

The dramatic century of England's first forays into India, and the modern world this relationship created.

Description

'Spellbinding . . . a remarkable book'

JOSEPHINE QUINN, author of *How the World Made the West*

'A compelling, highly readable account'

NANDINI DAS, author of *Courting India*

Before the East India Company and the British Empire, England was a pariah state. Seeking better fortunes, 16th and 17th century merchants, pilgrims and outcasts ventured to the kingdom of the mighty Mughals, a land ruled from the palatial towers by women - Empress Nur Jahan Begim, the Queen Mother Maryam al-Zamani, and Princess Jahanara Begim.

Into this golden realm went Father Thomas Stephens, a Catholic fleeing his home; the merchant Ralph Fitch seeking jewels in the markets of Delhi; and John Mildenhall, an adventurer revelling in the highwire politics of the Mughal elite. This collision of worlds connected East and West, launching a tempestuous period of globalization from the Chinese opium trade to the slave trade in the Americas.

Drawing on rich, original sources, Lubaaba Al-Azami traces the origins of a relationship between two nations - one outsider and one superpower - whose cultures remain inextricably linked to this day.

Sales Points

- Exciting new global history offering fresh and alternative perspectives (including feminist and decolonial), from a brilliant young academic.
- This book will be not only a valuable addition to a nuanced understanding of early modern history, but one that forces us to reconsider who we are, how we got here and what it means to be British today.
- As Britain's imperial history faces renewed scrutiny, *First Encounters* will be an essential contribution to that discussion, illuminating a critical period that has long been harmfully absent in understandings of empire.
- Lubaaba is incredibly well-placed to write on this topic, with both the impressive academic credentials and a deeply personal connection to the subject matter.

Reviews

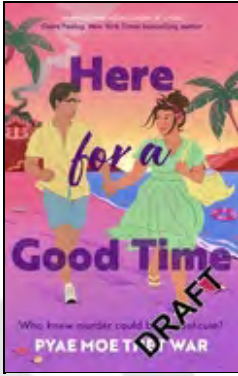
- 'This is **a remarkable book**. It combines **a spellbinding account** of the first forgotten half of the English encounter with India with a fascinating history of the Mughal Empire' - Josephine Quinn, author of *How the World Made the West*
- 'A **compelling, highly readable** account of the earliest phase of English presence in India - Al-Azami deftly combines familiar stories with significantly less familiar figures to **vividly bring to life a period of immense change** for both nations involved' - Nandini Das, author of *Courting India*
- '**Disrupts the conventional narrative** to give a vital pre-history to the Raj, when the indomitable empire in question was Indian not British' - Suzannah Lipscomb, author of *A Visitor's Companion to Tudor England*
- 'Brings the Mughal world of the seventeenth century to life in all its colourful, vivid complexity. Al-Azami betrays **a masterful eye for detail**, telling the story of how the English tried to navigate the dazzling wealth, power, and cultural dynamism of the Indian subcontinent, though rarely with success. **This book is a must read.**' - David Veevers, author of *THE GREAT DEFIANCE*

Author Biography

Dr Lubaaba Al-Azami is a cultural historian specialising in the Global Renaissance. She is a lecturer in Shakespeare and Early Modern Literature at the University of Manchester and a research fellow at the University of Liverpool. She is also founding editor of *Medieval and Early Modern Orients* (MEMOs, memorients.com), a leading digital platform on premodern encounters between England and the Islamic Worlds.

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Here For a Good Time
Pyae Moe Thet War

Keynote

In Pyae Moe Thet War's electrifying and heartfelt new rom-com, a writer's attempt to find inspiration for her new novel is sabotaged by a vacation gone horribly wrong...and feelings for her off limits best friend.

Description

In Pyae Moe Thet War's electrifying and heartfelt new rom-com, a writer's attempt to find inspiration for her new novel is sabotaged by a vacation gone horribly wrong... and feelings for her off limits best friend.

Tropes include:

- Childhood friends-to-clueless-to-lovers**
- Successful writer FMC**
- Hot bookseller MMC**
- Will they (live)/Won't they (also live)**
- Forced Proximity**
- Only one bed (while it lasts)!!!!**

Poe Myat Sabei has the publishing career that any writer would kill for: her first novel became an international number one bestseller and is being turned into a Netflix film. But now on deadline for her second book, Poe is facing a catastrophic case of writer's block. The solution? Book a two-week getaway to an exclusive island resort for her and her best friend **Zwe** where she'll undoubtedly be inspired to write her next bestseller.

But the vacation of their dreams turns into a nightmare when the resort is taken over by a mysterious group that's very armed and very angry. As they try to leave the island before they're tracked down, Poe and Zwe suddenly find themselves facing the kinds of conflicts that only come up when, well, you're trapped in a life-or-death situation on a remote island with your (hot) best friend.

Will they make it off the island alive? Will Poe make her deadline? And, most importantly....

Will they ever get a chance to tell each other how they really feel?

'A winning, heartfelt and utterly unputdownable book' **LAURA HANKIN**

'A love story that leaps off the page' **RUFARO FAITH MAZARURA**

'With witty dialogue, surprising twists and some good old-fashioned romantic pining, readers are bound to fall in love' **SOPHIE SULLIVAN**

'I LOVED IT' **RONALI COLLINGS**

FALL IN LOVE WITH PYAE MOE THET WAR

'If you're looking for a slow burn romance filled with tension, look no further - this is the book for you'

'Never have I read two characters that leapt off the page from the beginning'

'I was hooked from start to finish'

'Pyae Moe Thet War tells a rollicking good story'

'A fantastic romantic suspense debut that features two Asian MCs'

'I would recommend this book highly'

'I can't wait to read more from this author!'

Sales Points

- **TROPES WITH A TWIST:** A slow burn, will-they-won't-they friends-to-lovers romance with a huge twist, *Here For a Good Time* is overflowing with Pyae's hilarious take on all the best tropes and perfect for readers of Lynn Painter, Emily Henry, and Christina Lauren.
- **A RISING TALENT:** Pyae Moe Thet War's debut book of essays received rave reviews from authors and publications such as the *New York Times*. Her follow-up debut romance, *I Did Something Bad*, was a superlative romance novel of 2024 for *Washington Post*, and published to glowing reviews across the industry (BookPage starred review, Kirkus, Publisher's Weekly, etc). It was also the December 2024 Illumicrate Afterlight pick. In her second romance novel, Pyae doubles down on the charm and commentary crossover that's won over so many hearts. Renegade continues to build her brand with this vacation-gone-awry romp.
- **OWN VOICES:** Set in Myanmar, starring Asian and Indigenous characters, and from a rising Burmese talent, *Here For a Good Time* excitingly and unapologetically pushes the romance genre with fresh voices and pulsing social commentary in a stunning, unforgettable setting

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Reviews

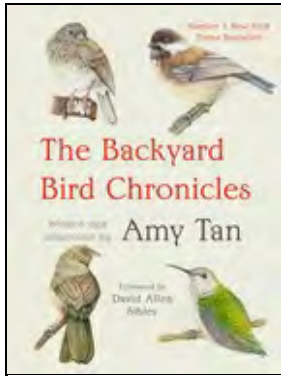
- '*Here for a Good Time* is the perfect read for anyone who wished the *White Lotus* was swoonier. War's writing sparkles with her trademark hilarious wit and genuine warmth, and I know that readers will fall as hard for Poe and Zue as I did.' - *Amy Spalding, bestselling author of For Her Consideration and At Her Service*
- 'Pyae is now the absolute queen of taking a romantic trope and chucking her protagonists into the plot of *Die Hard*. You wouldn't think there'd be much romantic, sexual tension in a situation like this, but Pyae had me on the edge of my seat to know how both the romance and the life or death situation turned out. And there's the return of a much loved character from her previous novel too. LOVED it.' - *Ronali Collings, author of All the Single Ladies*
- 'Pyae Moe Thet War's *Here For a Good Time* is an epic adventure built around my favorite romance trope; friends to lovers. With witty dialogue, surprising twists, and some good old-fashioned romantic pining, readers are bound to fall in love right along with the main characters. This is the ultimate romantic adventure that will have readers laughing, longing, and turning the pages as quickly as they can.' - *Sophie Sullivan, Award-winning author of Ten Rules for Faking It and Can't Help Falling in Love*
- 'When you want the slow burn of a friends-to-lovers but the thrilling excitement of an actual life-or-death situation, look no further than *Here for a Good Time* by Pyae Moe Thet War. You'll be screaming *surely you can see you're perfect for each other!* and *oh god, they're right behind you!* all in the same breath. This was such a fun, inventive romance that feels like it belongs on the big screen one day. I'll be at the premiere with my popcorn!' - *Alicia Thompson, USA Today bestselling author of The Art of Catching Feelings*

Author Biography

Pyae Moe Thet War is the author of the essay collection *You've Changed*, and the novel *I Did Something Bad*. Born and raised in Yangon, she currently lives in London with her partner and their two perfect dogs.

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The Backyard Bird Chronicles

Amy Tan

Keynote

THE BACKYARD BIRD CHRONICLES is a gorgeous, witty account of birding, nature, and the beauty around us that hides in plain sight, written and illustrated by the best-selling author of *The Joy Luck Club*.

Description

'What an enchanting and illuminating book! How lucky for us that Amy Tan has turned her genius, her deep empathy and insight, her keen eye for what is telling, to birds. Every page of these chronicles radiates warm curiosity, wonder, and delight' Jennifer Ackerman, *The Genius of Birds*

Tracking the natural beauty that surrounds us, *The Backyard Bird Chronicles* maps the passage of time through daily entries, thoughtful questions, and beautiful original sketches. With boundless charm and wit, author Amy Tan charts her foray into birding and the natural wonders of the world.

In 2016, Amy Tan grew overwhelmed by the state of the world: Hatred and misinformation became a daily presence on social media, and the country felt more divisive than ever. In search of peace, Tan turned toward the natural world just beyond her window and, specifically, the birds visiting her yard. But what began as an attempt to find solace turned into something far greater--an opportunity to savor quiet moments during a volatile time, connect to nature in a meaningful way, and imagine the intricate lives of the birds she admired.

"Much of great writing comes from great interest, and in *The Backyard Bird Chronicles*, Amy Tan shows us how the world fascinates her, especially the birds. The result is both unexpected and spectacular." Ann Patchett, author of *These Precious Days*

Sales Points

- **The book became a #1 New York Times bestseller, has been on the list for twenty-three weeks since then, and remains there**
- **It has been chosen as B&N Gift Book of the Year, which comes with a further 100,000 copy order**

Reviews

- **'What an enchanting and illuminating book! How lucky for us that Amy Tan has turned her genius, her deep empathy and insight, her keen eye for what is telling, to birds. Every page of these chronicles radiates warm curiosity, wonder, and delight' - Jennifer Ackerman, author of *The Genius of Birds***
- **'Anybody even mildly interested in birds, or thinking about getting interested in birds (which are, after all, the indicator genus for the health of the planet), will want this book perched on their shelf, if only for the gift of Amy Tan's eye and the example she gives us of how to pay attention. What a treasure' - Robert Hass, Pulitzer Prize-Winning author of *Summer Snow: New Poems***
- **'Amy Tan's bird journals can change the way you see the world. They show that stories, mysteries, humor, and beauty are all around us if we take the time to pay attention. They remind us that we never stop learning and growing, and if we put in the work, we can learn and master new skills. These journals invite us to look out of our own windows with fresh eyes and wonder' - John Muir Laws, author of *The Laws Guide to Drawing Birds***
- **'Backyard Bird Chronicles is fun reading. It shows how we can become engaged emotionally, literally and artistically with the natural world--to joyfully learn about the most accessible and yet wild animals, the often rare and beautiful birds that choose to come and live near and sometimes with us' - Bernd Heinrich, author of *Mind of the Raven***

Author Biography

Amy Tan is the author of *The Joy Luck Club*, *The Kitchen God's Wife*, *The Hundred Secret Senses*, and two children's books, *The Moon Lady* and *The Chinese Siamese Cat*, which has been adapted as *Sagwa*, a PBS series for children. Tan was also the coproducer and co-screenwriter of the film version of *The Joy Luck Club*, and her essays and stories have appeared in numerous magazines and anthologies. Her work has been translated into more than 25 languages. Tan, who has a master's degree in linguistics from San Jose University, has worked as a language specialist to programs serving children with developmental disabilities. She lives with her husband in San Francisco and New York.

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Tezcatlipoca

The unique and unforgettable Japanese thriller, available in the English language for the very first time

Kiwamu Sato

Keynote

The Japanese underworld meets Aztec mythology in a multi-award-winning, genre-bending thriller.

Description

<H2>THE REMARKABLE, AWARD-WINNING JAPANESE THRILLER</H2>

**Winner of the 165th Naoki Prize
Winner of the 34th Yamamoto Shugoro Prize**

In the wake of a brutal war with a rival cartel, a drug lord flees Mexico and ends up halfway around the world, where he runs into a Japanese heart surgeon. Suenaga has been shunned by the medical community and turned to working as an illegal organ broker doing business in Jakarta.

After their fateful meeting, the two men travel to Japan to establish a new business in the organ trade. There, the former cartel leader takes a young, lonely boy under his wing.

Gradually these three lives become inextricably entangled in a web of crime and violence. Together, they carve a new criminal empire from blood and bone, but how long can a dynasty last? Destiny is not for mere mortals to decide . . .

A unique Japanese literary figure, *Tezcatlipoca* is a darkly unique thriller that introduces Kiwamu Sato to English language readers for the very first time.

Sales Points

- **MULTIPLE PRIZE-WINNER:** *Tezcatlipoca* is a crossover literary thriller that won the 165th Naoki Prize - one of the most significant prizes in Japan for popular or genre fiction - and the 34th Yamamoto Shugoro Prize
- **ACCLAIMED AUTHOR:** Sato's debut work *QJKJQ* was the winner of the Edogawa Ranpo Award, with his follow-up work *Ank: A Mirroring Ape* winning the Haruhiko Oyabu Award and the Eiji Yoshikawa Literature Newcomer Award
- **DISCERNING READERSHIP:** For fans of translated, unique, daring crime and literary fiction such as *Malice* by Keigo Higashino (4,487 B TCM) and *Lady Joker* by Kaoru Takamura (9,117 B TCM)

Author Biography

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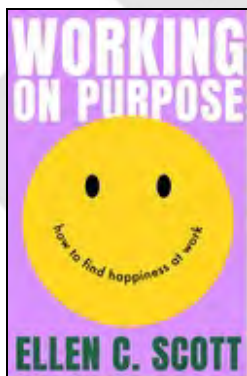
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Working on Purpose How to find happiness at work

Ellen Scott

Keynote

Working on Purpose explores the current problems facing the world of work and examines why an increasing number of us are unhappy and unfulfilled in our jobs. Ellen shares what needs to change and offer the tools needed to navigate our careers without losing our minds.

Description

Quiet quitting, bare minimum Mondays, resentment, pointless meetings, toxic bosses, the anti-work movement, the great resignation, the death of the dream job, the death of the career. We're in a moment where our relationship with work is seriously negative. The dream of work-life balance feels further out of reach than ever. We're recovering from the damage wrought by the overworking ideals promoted by the leaning in, hustle culture, girl boss era, and desperately trying to claw back some sense of control by reclaiming our time, energy, and effort, each new buzzword giving us hope that we might be able to make work less miserable.

But each work trend, each attempt to restore the balance, is coming at the problem all wrong. We've lost any hope that work can be anything other than a pain, and so lean on productivity hacks and boundary-setting to at least stave off the looming wave of burnout. As a result, many of us teeter between working too hard or hardly working, burnout or boreout, productivity paranoia and total apathy. According to Gallup data, Gen Z are the most disengaged group at work. Ask a twenty-something for their perfect job and they're more than likely to respond that they don't dream of labour. Nobody wants to work anymore, the managers and boomers say. They're right; and fair enough. Who would want to work when we've defined work as inherently bleak?

How did we get here? And how do we get out?

Working On Purpose promises to not only reduce the misery of work, but instead to actually help us find joy in it. Covering topics from the generation gap and identifying what type of worker you are to the importance of how we use our non-work time, it will combine expertise and data with personal experience, case studies, practical exercises and work hacks to be the reference point for anyone who wants to make their work life better.

Sales Points

- As acting director for digital content, Ellen Scott has tripled the page views for careers content on the Stylist website in the past year.

Author Biography

Ellen Scott is acting digital content director for *Stylist* magazine. Alongside this, she writes the Working On Purpose newsletter and has co-hosted the hugely popular *Eat Sleep Work Repeat* podcast with Bruce Daisley and Matthew Cook. She was previously the lifestyle and weekend editor at *Metro*.

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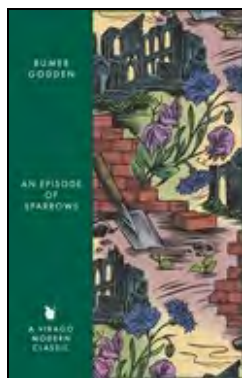
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An Episode of Sparrows A Virago Modern Classic

Rumer Godden

Keynote

From the esteemed author of *Black Narcissus* and *The River*, comes another captivating classic novel about a poor girl striving to create beauty among the bombsites of postwar London.

Description

By the author of *Black Narcissus* and *The River*

'A masterpiece of construction and utterly realistically convincing' JACQUELINE WILSON
'Godden's rich understanding of human nature, her humor and her beautiful prose inevitably leave one aglow' CHICAGO TRIBUNE
'Godden here tries her deft writing hand at landscaping a child's heart' TIME

Someone has been digging up the private garden in the Square. Miss Angela Chesney of the Garden Committee is sure that a gang of local boys is to blame, but her sister, Olivia, isn't so sure. She wonders why the neighbourhood children - 'sparrows' she calls them - have to be locked out: don't they have a right to enjoy the garden too?

Nobody has any idea what sends Lovejoy Mason and her few friends in search of 'good garden earth'. Still less do they imagine where their investigation will lead them - to a struggling restaurant, a bombed-out church, and, at the heart of it all, a hidden garden.

'Only Rumer Godden could make a simple tale of a forbidden garden pulse with suspense' NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE BOOK REVIEW

Sales Points

- **Beautiful new editions of a classic author:** Across 2025 and 2026, Virago Modern Classics are reissuing twelve of Rumer Godden's beloved novels in the three thematic collections: Faith & Doubt, Innocence & Experience and Colliding Worlds.
- **Introducing Godden to a new audience:** Beautifully written and psychologically astute, Godden is most famous for *Black Narcissus* and *The Greengage Summer* but her full backlist deserves to be better known - the reissued 'Innocence and Experience' collection will include a brand-new introduction from Kiran Millwood Hargrave.
- **An unforgettable story about childhood for all readers:** Set in postwar London, *An Episode of Sparrows* is a coming of age story with echoes of *Carrie's War*, *The Secret Garden* and Sarah Winman's *Still Life* that will make you cry.

Reviews

- **'A masterpiece of construction and utterly realistically convincing . . .** Rumer Godden's writing is admired for many qualities...but I think her greatest strength is her accurate, unsentimental portrayal of children' - Jacqueline Wilson
- **'Only Rumer Godden could make a simple tale of a forbidden garden pulse with suspense,** could avoid the pitfalls of sentimentality, could breathe into such ordinary adults and ordinary children the quickness, the hope and the hopelessness of life itself.' - *New York Herald Tribune Book Review*
- 'It would be impossible for a reader not to feel better from reading the story ... **Godden's rich understanding of human nature, her humor and her beautiful prose inevitably leave one aglow'** - *Chicago Tribune*
- **'[A]n extraordinarily gifted writer** who manages to infuse her novels with a special magic of their own' - *Boston Herald*
- **'May well prove the book of the year** for those who are not ashamed to weep over the printed page . . . author Godden here tries her deft writing hand at landscaping a child's heart' - TIME

Author Biography

Rumer Godden (1907-1998) was the acclaimed author of over sixty works of fiction and non-fiction for adults and children. Born in England, she and her siblings grew up in Narayanganj, India, and she later spent many years living in Kolkata and Kashmir. Several of her novels were made into films, including *Black Narcissus*, *The Greengage Summer* and *The River*, which was filmed by Jean Renoir. She was appointed OBE in 1993.

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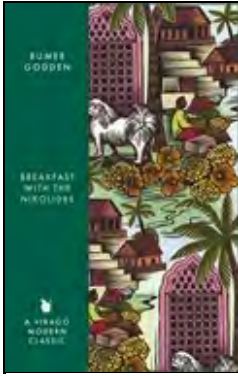
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Breakfast with the Nikolides A Virago Modern Classic

Rumer Godden

Keynote

Rumer Godden's coming-of-age story set in post-colonial East Bengal is a vivid and haunting classic.

Description

WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY BESTSELLING AUTHOR ROSIE THOMAS

By the author of *Black Narcissus* and *The River*

'One of our best and most captivating novelists' Philip Hensher

'[Godden has] a genius for storytelling' *Evening Standard*

Breakfast with the Nikolides was always to be the last hour of her childhood

For Emily Pool, India is a magical place where she has the freedom to escape her mother's suffocating influence. Her days are spent exploring the canals and gardens of East Bengal and observing her neighbours, the Nikolides. While her parents paper over the cracks in the family home - and their veneer of respectability - the Nikolides offer a glimpse of glamour and sophistication. Then a tragic crisis plunges Emily into a world of adult deceit, and reveals that nothing in the community is quite as it seems . . .

Sales Points

- **Introduced by Rosie Thomas**, bestselling author of *The Kashmir Shawl*.
- **Beautiful new editions of a classic author:** Across 2025 and 2026, Virago Modern Classics are reissuing twelve of Rumer Godden's beloved novels in the three thematic collections: Faith & Doubt, Innocence & Experience and Colliding Worlds.
- **Introducing Godden to a new audience:** Beautifully written and psychologically astute, Godden's novels deserve to be better known - these reissued collections will include brand-new introductions from writers including Lauren Groff and Tessa Hadley.
- **Powerful coming-of-age story:** Set in Godden's beloved India, *Breakfast with the Nikolides* is a complex and moving depiction of that delicate moment between childhood and adult experience.

Reviews

- 'This is a **heart-wrenchingly truthful evocation** of the transition from child to adult, combined with Godden's pitch-perfect descriptions of the sights, smells and sounds of expatriate India' - Lucy Scholes, *Guardian*
- 'She has distilled in simple, luminous prose the experiences of expatriate India, of childhood and its innocence' - Lucy Hughes-Hallett, *Sunday Times*
- '[Godden's] **distinctive, poised and unsentimental books** have never lost a shred of their almost hypnotic appeal' - Rosie Thomas, *Guardian*
- '[Godden has] a **genius for storytelling**' - *Evening Standard*

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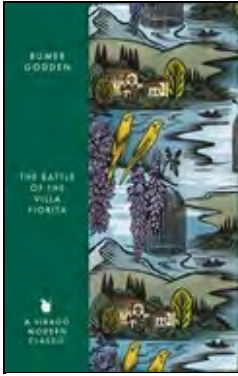
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The Battle of the Villa Fiorita A Virago Modern Classic

Rumer Godden

Keynote

From the author of *Black Narcissus*, this *New York Times* best-selling coming of age novel examines the tension of divorce from a child's perspective.

Description

FROM THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF *BLACK NARCISSUS* AND *THE RIVER*

'One of our best and most captivating novelists' PHILIP HENSHER

'[Godden has] a genius for storytelling' *EVENING STANDARD*

'Her prose is pure, delicate, and gently witty' *NEW YORK TIMES*

When their mother leaves the country to be with her lover, Hugh and Caddie Clavering's seemingly perfect life falls apart. Devastated by the sudden, bitter dissolution of their parents' marriage and desperate for her to come back, the children travel alone to the Villa Fiorita on Lake Garda, determined not to leave without her.

On arrival, they can tell Fanny and Rob are deeply in love, and their mother is happier than they've ever seen her, but the scheme lives on. Thankfully, Rob's young daughter is only too glad to help destroy their parents' relationship. Will Hugh and Caddie realise that their actions have consequences before it is too late?

Told with wit and great empathy against a stunning evocation of the Italian countryside, Rumer Godden's *The Battle of the Villa Fiorita* marks another coming of age classic for the highly acclaimed author.

Sales Points

- **Evocative coming-of-age tale:** Told with wit and great empathy against a stunning evocation of the Italian countryside, Rumer Godden's *The Battle of the Villa Fiorita* marks another coming of age classic for the highly acclaimed author.
- **Beautiful new editions of a classic author:** Across 2025 and 2026, Virago Modern Classics are reissuing twelve of Rumer Godden's beloved novels in the three thematic collections: Faith & Doubt, Innocence & Experience and Colliding Worlds.
- **Introducing Godden to a new audience:** Beautifully written and psychologically astute, Godden is most famous for *Black Narcissus* and *The Greengage Summer* but her full backlist deserves to be better known - the reissued 'Innocence and Experience' collection will include a brand-new introduction from Kiran Millwood Hargrave.

Reviews

- 'One of our best and most captivating novelists' - Philip Hensher
- '[Godden has] a **genius for storytelling**' - *Evening Standard*
- 'Her **craftsmanship is always sure**; her understanding of character is compassionate and profound; her prose is pure, delicate, and gently witty' - *New York Times*
- 'All [Godden's novels] have one important thing in common: They are beautifully and simply wrought by a woman of depth and sensitivity' - *Los Angeles Times*

Author Biography

Rumer Godden (1907-1998) was the acclaimed author of over sixty works of fiction and non-fiction for adults and children. Born in England, she and her siblings grew up in Narayanganj, India, and she later spent many years living in Kolkata and Kashmir. Several of her novels were made into films, including *Black Narcissus*, *The Greengage Summer* and *The River*, which was filmed by Jean Renoir. She was appointed OBE in 1993.

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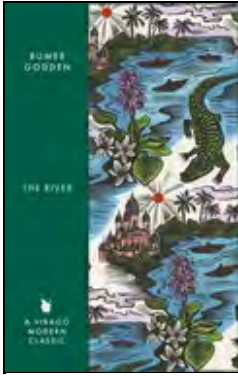
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The River

A Virago Modern Classic

Rumer Godden

Keynote

Hailed 'a small masterpiece' by *Spectator*, an unforgettable evocation of India and of childhood, of innocence and experience by the New York Times bestselling author, Rumer Godden.

Description

By the bestselling author of *Black Narcissus* and *The Greengage Summer*

'*The River* will make you laugh, make you cry and, in its way, change you forever' **JULIE MYERSON**

'Her prose is pure, delicate, and gently witty' **NEW YORK TIMES**

'Bold, beautiful . . . everyone's appetites will be satisfied' **ELLE**

The River is Rumer Godden's beautiful tribute to India and childhood, made into a film by Jean Renoir. And in a preface for this novel she explains how the classic tale came to be written.

Harriet is caught between two worlds: her older sister is no longer a playmate, her brother is still a little boy. And the comforting rhythm of her Indian childhood - the sounds of the jute factory, the colourful festivals that accompany each season and the eternal ebb and flow of the river on its journey to the Bay of Bengal - is about to be shattered by a tragic event.

Intense, vivid, and with a dark undertow, *The River* is a poignant portrait of the loss of a young girl's innocence.

Sales Points

- **Iconic and evocative coming-of-age tale:** One of Godden's most beloved novels, *The River* was made into an acclaimed film by Jean Renoir in 1951 and is an utterly compelling coming-of-age story, based on the India of her own childhood memories.
- **Beautiful new editions of a classic author:** Across 2025 and 2026, Virago Modern Classics are reissuing twelve of Rumer Godden's beloved novels in the three thematic collections: Faith & Doubt, Innocence & Experience and Colliding Worlds.
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Reviews

- '**A small masterpiece, a near perfect account of how childhood** has to come to an end and the serpent must enter the garden . . . In *The River* she celebrates a passion for the people, colours, sounds and even the smells of India . . . She evokes, in simple, flawless prose, a young girl's first encounters with jealousy, sex, guilt and death.' - Anne Chisholm, *The Spectator*
- '*The River* will make you laugh, make you cry and, in its way, change you forever' - Julie Myerson
- 'One of our **best and most captivating** novelists' - Philip Hensher
- '[Godden's] **distinctive, poised and unsentimental** books have never lost a shred of their almost hypnotic appeal' - Rosie Thomas, *Guardian*

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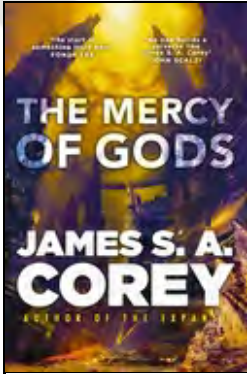
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The Mercy of Gods

The spectacular new space opera from the master of SF

James S. A. Corey

Keynote

The start of a thrilling new space opera series from the authors of The Expanse, the most popular and acclaimed science fiction series of the last decade. This will be one of the biggest SF publishing events of the year.

Description

****THE INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER****

'THE START OF SOMETHING TRULY EPIC' Fonda Lee, author of the Green Bone Saga

'DAZZLING . . . THIS IS SPACE OPERA AT ITS BEST' *Publishers Weekly*

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Expanse comes a spectacular new space opera that sees humanity fighting for its survival in a war as old as the universe itself. Invasion is only the beginning . . .

The Carryx - part empire, part hive - has waged wars of conquest for centuries, destroying or enslaving species across the galaxy in its conflict with an ancient and deathless enemy.

When they descend on the isolated world of Anjiin, the human population is abused, slaughtered and put in chains. The best and brightest are abducted, taken to the Carryx world-palace to join prisoners from a thousand other species.

Dafyd Alkhor, assistant to a prestigious scientist, is captured along with his team. Even he doesn't suspect that his peculiar insight and skills will be the key to seeing past their captors' terrifying agenda.

Swept up in a conflict beyond his control and vaster than his imagination, Dafyd is poised to become humanity's champion - and its betrayer.

This is where his story begins.

'The beginning of what could be Corey's most epic - and entertaining - series yet. Simply mind-blowing' *Kirkus*

'No one builds a universe like James S. A. Corey. When it ends, all you'll want is . . . more' John Scalzi, *New York Times* bestselling author

'Terrifying alien overlords and a vast intergalactic war with humankind on the brink of annihilation . . . *The Mercy of the Gods* is the start of something truly epic' Fonda Lee, author of the Green Bone Saga

'Like *The Expanse*, *The Mercy of Gods* balances cosmic stakes with an astonishingly powerful human drama. Pitch-perfect storytelling' M. R. Carey, author of *The Girl With All the Gifts*

'A fast-paced, intelligent book. Corey is always one of the most engaging voices in the genre' Adrian Tchaikovsky, author of *Children of Time*

'*The Mercy of Gods* radiates the dread and revelation of first contact, shaping new worlds and cultures that had me riveted' Bethany Jacobs, author of *These Burning Stars*

'All the things you want in an alien invasion novel: overwhelming aliens, end-of-world terror, and plucky humans who never stop fighting . . . A bang-up read. I want more' Paolo Bacigalupi, *New York Times* bestselling author

'A powerful, provocative masterpiece that I will be thinking about for a very long time' Ryka Aoki, author of *Light from Uncommon Stars*

Sales Points

- The start of a brand new space opera series from the biggest name in science fiction right now - the hardback edition was an instant *Sunday Times* bestseller!
- The author's previous series, the Expanse, is the biggest SF series of the last decade and has sold over 8 million copies worldwide
- The Expanse is a major TV series on Prime Video - series 1 to 6 now all available
- Will hold major appeal to fans of the Expanse and readers of space opera

- An unmissable major global launch campaign from Orbit UK and Orbit US

Reviews

- **'James S. A. Corey serves up terrifying alien overlords and a vast intergalactic war with humankind on the brink of annihilation - all while never losing focus on its cast of vulnerable, courageous characters. *The Mercy of the Gods* is the start of something truly epic'** - *Fonda Lee, author of the Green Bone Saga*
- **'A fast-paced, intelligent book. Corey is always one of the most engaging voices in the genre'** - *Adrian Tchaikovsky, author of CHILDREN OF TIME*
- **'No one builds a universe like James S. A. Corey. THE MERCY OF GODS is wilder and weirder than you can imagine, and when it ends, all you'll want is . . . more'** - *John Scalzi, NEW YORK TIMES Bestselling Author*
- **'Writing as Corey, bestsellers Daniel Abraham and Ty Franck (*The Expanse*) create a dazzling new world in their masterful Captive's War series launch . . . In Corey's hands, world-shaking events don't preclude nuanced and moving portraits of the people caught up in them. This is space opera at its best.'** - *PUBLISHERS WEEKLY*

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Author Biography

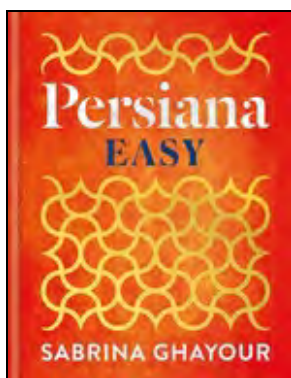
James S. A. Corey is the pen name of Daniel Abraham and Ty Franck. In addition to writing the novels and short stories of *The Expanse*, they wrote and produced the television series of the same name. Daniel lives with his family in the American southwest. Ty will tell you where he lives when and if he wants you to come over.

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Persiana Easy
The BRAND NEW collection of over 100 super-simple recipes

Sabrina Ghayour

Keynote

Brand-new recipes from the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Persiana* and *Persiana Everyday*

Description

A brand new collection of inspiring recipes from the bestselling Middle Eastern chef - each carefully designed to be as easy as possible.

The hotly anticipated new collection from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Sabrina Ghayour, every recipe in *Persiana Easy* balances irresistible Middle Eastern flavours with accessible cooking. From midweek meals and traybakes to pastries and sweet treats, this collection features easy recipes to delight your family and friends, time and again.

Praise for Sabrina Ghayour:

'Sabrina Ghayour's Middle-Eastern plus food is all flavour, no fuss - and makes me very, very happy' - Nigella Lawson
'I don't think she could write a dull recipe if she tried. Every one an elegantly spiced delight.' - Tom Parker Bowles
'The golden girl of Persian cookery' - *Observer*
'Chef Sabrina Ghayour's new recipes deliver maximum flavour with the greatest of ease - perfect for busy lives' - *Sainsbury's Magazine*

CONTENTS INCLUDE:

Dips, Snacks and Light Bites: Sweet Potato, Basil and Feta Dip; Crispy Za'atar Salt and Pepper Prawns; Popcorn Halloumi
Bread and Pastry: Turkish Pide Bread; Easy Bake Bagels(ish); Fig, Goat Cheese, Thyme and Honey Rolls
Salads: Smoked Aubergine Salad with Pickled Chillies and Feta; Duck and Pomegranate Salad with Honey Pomegranate Sauce; Broad Bean, Pea, Orange and Goats Cheese Salad
Midweek Meals: Lamb Kofta Patties with Yogurt and Burnt Orange; Butterflied Orange Paprika Butter Chicken; Shish Kebab
Comfort Food: Turkish Lentil Soup; Couscous Royale with Spiced Lamb Shanks; Orange Spiced Pork with Charred Spring Onions and Pineapple
Roasts and Traybakes: Spiced Saffron Chicken Kebabs; Tray-baked Harissa Lamb Chops; Baked Meatballs with Tomato, Harissa and Feta
Vegetables and Side Dishes: Hot and Sour Green Beans; Mashed Chickpeas with Spice Oil; Stuffed Baby Peppers with Date Couscous and Feta
Sweet Treats: Citrus and Spice Almond Tart; Bokaj; Apple Borek

Sales Points

- Sabrina Ghayour's books have sold more than 775,000 copies in the UK, over 56,000 in ANZ, and almost 1.5 million copies globally. She is a truly international phenomenon.
- Sabrina's two previous *Persiana* series titles make up over 300,000 UK TCM. *Persiana EASY* is a return to her iconic and best-loved series.
- Sabrina is a six-times *Sunday Times* bestseller.
- Sabrina Ghayour's substantial platform includes a highly engaged following of more than 180k followers across her social media channels. Publication will be supported by an ambitious tour and supper club campaign.

Author Biography

Sabrina Ghayour is an Iranian, self-taught home cook turned chef, cookery teacher and food writer. She made her name hosting the hugely popular 'Sabrina's Kitchen' supper club in London, specializing in Persian and Middle Eastern flavours, and went on to be named the *Observer's* Rising Star in Food. Her award-winning debut, *Persiana*, is a worldwide bestseller, and her follow-ups *Sirocco*, *Feasts*, *Bazaar*, *Simply* and *Persiana Everyday* were *Sunday Times* bestsellers. Her most recent book *Flavour* is out now.

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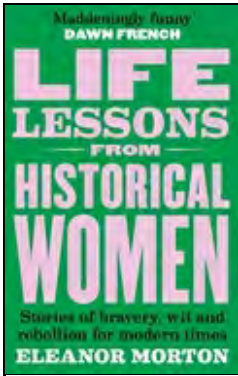
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Life Lessons From Historical Women

Stories of bravery, wit, and rebellion for modern times

Eleanor Morton

Keynote

A funny and fascinating romp into history's most forward thinking women, their stories and what we can learn from them.

Description

<h1> 'Eleanor is annoyingly clever & maddeningly funny as this book proves. She may have to be destroyed' - Dawn French </h1>

Take a tour of the past and uncover stories of the women whose lives and achievements have shaped our modern world. In *Life Lessons from Historical Women*, Eleanor Morton celebrates the ordinary women whose decisions and accomplishments in their everyday lives resonate with us today.

Taking inspiration from the thriving self-help genre, Morton reasons that the greatest lessons can be taken from the female forebears who have come before - women whose actions inspire purpose, creativity and rebellion... without a side of pseudo psychology and judgement...

Covering the full gamut of the female experience, and women from all corners of history and the globe, *Life Lessons from Historical Women* includes chapters on 'How To Thrive' with Judith Kerr, 'Think Like an Entrepreneur' with Mary Seacole, and 'How Not to Give a F*ck' with the famous suffragette martyr Emily Davison.

Whether it's what we can learn from the first woman to summit Everest or the trailblazing ladies who confirm that pockets have always been must-have in women's clothing, Eleanor writes with humour and a sincere respect for our history, and imparts valuable lessons for the modern female.

Sales Points

- **ONLINE FOLLOWING:** With over 385,000 followers across platforms, and over 5 million monthly impressions on Twitter, Eleanor Morton has grown a huge online following that loves her brilliantly unique history skits.
- **FUN, FRESH TAKE:** There's already a rich seam of 'remarkable' women books, but *Life Lessons From Historical Women* provides a fresh new approach - parodying the buoyant (and sometimes sneered at) self-improvement genre.
- **AUTHENTIC VOICE:** Eleanor has been making content in this space for a while and is a self-professed 'history nerd' (so much so that she did her high school history exams a year early) which will add a dimension of authenticity to this project.
- **WELL-CONNECTED AND PROMOTABLE AUTHOR:** Eleanor has plenty of connections willing to help raise the profile of this book. We will be seeking endorsements from popular historians Greg Jenner, Lucy Worsley and Elinor Cleghorn to name a few, and have Eleanor out promoting during Edinburgh Fringe and book festival.

Reviews

- 'Eleanor is annoyingly clever & maddeningly funny as this book proves. She may have to be destroyed.' - Dawn French
- 'Eleanor knows loads about history, and she's really funny, so I consider her an existential threat to my career. I will not rest until this fantastic book is banned!' - Greg Jenner, public historian, host & creator of You're Dead To Me

Author Biography

Eleanor Morton is a Scottish stand-up, writer and actor who started performing stand-up when she was 18 years old. Her 2023 Fringe show, *Eleanor Morton Has Peaked*, enjoyed a sell-out run, and she wrote and recorded a show for BBC R4, 'The Rest of Us', with Welsh comic Eysyllt Sears and Northern Irish comic Mary Flanagan, about overlooked figures in UK history. She is perhaps best known for her online videos and characters, including the dour Scottish tour guide 'Craig'. She is currently based in Edinburgh and *LIFE LESSONS FROM HISTORICAL WOMEN* is Morton's first book.

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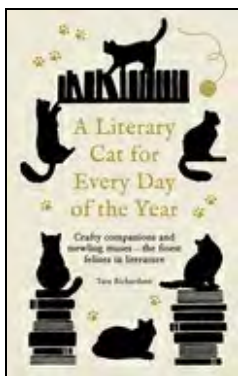
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A Literary Cat for Every Day of the Year Crafty companions and mewling muses – the finest felines in literature

Tara Richardson

Keynote

A literary treasure trove that brings together quotes and passages from beloved classic stories and poems for cat lovers everywhere.

Description

"If animals could speak, the dog would be a blundering outspoken fellow; but the cat would have the rare grace of never saying a word too much."
— Mark Twain

From *Six Dinner Sid* and T.S. Eliot's rebellious Rum Tum Tugger to the infuriating Cheshire Cat of Wonderland and Behemoth the Cat, the demonic shapeshifter of Bulgakov's *The Master and Margarita*, *A Literary Cat for Every Day of the Year* draws together quotes and passages from poems and stories in celebration of the most famous cats in literature.

A must-have for all cat-lovers and book lovers, this inspirational collection - with beautiful vintage line illustrations - is the perfect gift for feline fans to treasure all year long.

Sales Points

- Perfect gift for the bookworm in your life, detailed, entertaining and wonderfully informative. A must have for bibliophiles.
- Cats reign supreme in the age of TikTok, Instagram and YouTube, but humans' fascination with fluffy felines is nothing new. Long before the dawn of social media, the aloof creatures popped up in fables, poems and illustrations, rendered as everything from loveable companions to sinister agents of witchcraft - their popularity is front and centre.
- *A Poem for Every Day of the Year* (Bookscan: 61.6K), *Shakespeare for Every Day of the Year* (Bookscan: 12.8K), *Cat Poems* (Bookscan: 33.5K)

Author Biography

Tara Richardson is a writer and editor based in south London, where she lives with her partner and about forty houseplants. She writes (and edits) books on well-being, gardening, food and drink, and all the other little things that make life a bit shinier.

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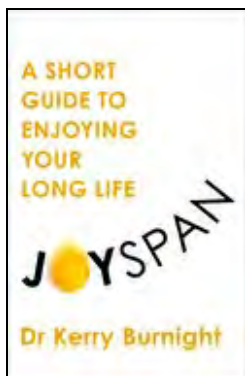
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Joyspan A Short Guide to Enjoying your Long Life

Dr Kerry Burnight

Keynote

The 'What to Expect When You're Expecting' of aging

Description

'This book completely changed how I see myself growing older. It's not just about adding years to your life - it's about making those years incredible. A must-have guide to living longer and better!' - **MEL ROBBINS**

A prominent US gerontologist's practical, science-based guide to aging well

Growing old in today's society is daunting. The core message of this book is that losing your quality of life as you age is not inevitable. You can live a great life all the way to the end by leveraging what "older you" does better. By the end of this book, your fear of aging will be replaced with confidence that you will know how to age into the best version of yourself.

Joyspan is the practical guide readers have been looking for. A rich body of evidence confirms that a number of strengths peaks with age: judgment, empathy, patience, and appreciation. Older you will have better problem-solving skills, more resilience, and a deeper and more robust spiritual life. When you harness these strengths, growing older becomes an era of expansion rather than contraction. In a society that can you make you feel invisible, staying vital requires you to stay visible to yourself so that you uncover the strengths and fullness of your life.

Sales Points

- Dr Kerry Burnight is a recognised national expert of gerontology. She was an invited speaker to the U.S. White House at the Elder Justice Summit, and at the U.S. Department of Justice, and has also been featured on several media outlets including *Dr. Phil* and *CBS News*
- Dr Kerry also has a substantial and highly engaged following on social media, including over 140k followers on Instagram and 60k followers on TikTok
- Books about aging and longevity are commercially successful and popular, including *How Not to Die* (124k via TCM), *Lifespan* (17.6k) and *Outlive* (8.4k)
- The global elderly care services market was evaluated at \$1,100 billion in 2022 and is slated to hit \$1,800 billion by the end of 2030 (LinkedIn, 2023)

Author Biography

Dr. Kerry Burnight is known as 'America's Gerontologist' for her passion in sharing knowledge about healthy aging. She earned a PhD in Gerontology and taught Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology for 19 years at the University of California, Irvine School of Medicine. Her writing has been published extensively in academic journal articles, book chapters, magazine articles, and blogs. Kerry Burnight was an invited speaker to the U.S. White House at the Elder Justice Summit, and at the U.S. Department of Justice. She has also appeared on several television programmes including *Dr. Phil*, *CBS News* and *NBC News*. She is the co-founder of first Elder Abuse Forensic Center in the U.S. and Founder of TheGerontologist.com.

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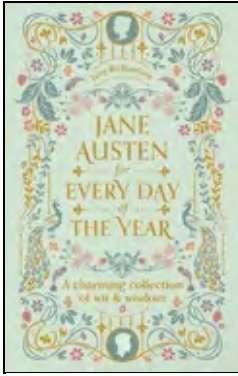
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Jane Austen for Every Day of the Year

Tara Richardson

Keynote

Marking the 250th anniversary of Jane Austen's birth - a collection of quotes, quips and most-loved passages from her works and letters for every day of the year.

Description

Jane Austen for Every Day of the Year is a charming collection of 366 quotes and short passages drawn from Jane Austen's novels, with excerpts from her intimate, witty letters scattered throughout.

This book is perfect for reading or sharing and brings you passages from Jane Austen's best-loved classics alongside the lesser-known works. Packed full of witty remarks and wry observations, this is the perfect companion to inspire laughter and spark delightful conversation - a gift to treasure all year long.

Some of the most-loved quoted lines include:

'It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man in possession of a good fortune, must be in want of a wife.' *Pride and Prejudice*

'There is no charm equal to tenderness of heart.' *Emma*

'Know your own happiness. You want nothing but patience - or give it a more fascinating name, call it hope.' *Sense and Sensibility*

Jane Austen, celebrated for her keen observations of social manners and romantic entanglements, is best known for classics such as *Pride and Prejudice*, *Sense and Sensibility* and *Emma*. Next year marks the 250th anniversary of Jane Austen's birth, and this celebratory collection - with beautiful vintage line illustrations - is the perfect gift for every Austen fan.

Sales Points

- 2025 marks the 250th anniversary of Jane Austen's birth, with festivals and special events taking place throughout the year. Jane Austen's Festival 2025 will take place on the 12th to 21st September.
- *A Poem for Every Day of the Year* (Bookscan: 61.6K), *Shakespeare for Every Day of the Year* (Bookscan: 12.8K), *Jane Austen at Home* (Bookscan: 33.1K)
- Perfect gift for the bookworm in your life, detailed, entertaining and wonderfully informative. A must have for bibliophiles.

Author Biography

Tara Richardson is a writer and editor based in south London, where she lives with her partner and about forty houseplants. She writes (and edits) books on well-being, gardening, food and drink, and all the other little things that make life a bit shinier.

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Author born in	Warwickshire
Author living in	Norfolk

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<http://www.orionbooks.co.uk>**Thirst****Giles Foden****Keynote**

From the author of THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND, comes a thrilling story of a daughter searching for her mother, and a nation searching for much-needed resources.

Description

'Every new novel by Giles Foden is something to celebrate - my hand leaps to the shelf' PAUL THEROUX

'The most original and interesting novelist of his generation' ALLAN MASSIE, SCOTSMAN

2039, the Skeleton Coast of Namibia. 160,000 kilometres-square of ocean-crashed desert, littered with bones, shipwrecks and shattered dreams.

Cat Brosnan, a young scientist, has just arrived, aiming to track down a much-needed water source believed to lie hidden within this vast and hostile landscape. Six years before, the search for that same fabled aquifer had led Cat's own mother to abandon her daughter in Ireland, never to be heard of again.

Now Cat is ready to find out what happened to her mother, to succeed where she failed and finally discover the whereabouts of a freshwater reserve hidden under sand and rock. But she's not the only one looking for the aquifer: mining corporations want it, foreign governments too, never mind all those others who need it just to survive. In a world of sand, sun and water wars, the aquifer begins to seem like a fantasy, Cat's quest for it a mission to find her own true self.

Sales Points

- **STAR AUTHOR:** Giles Foden won the Whitbread First Novel Award in 1998 for THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND which was made into a hit film in 2006 starring Forest Whitaker and James McAvoy. He is a well-connected, a highly promotable literary talent
- **SUBJECT MATTER:** A return to Africa for a writer who ranks alongside Paul Theroux and William Boyd as a chronicler of the continent
- **A GRIPPING THRILLER:** Giles Foden distils questions of world-shaking conflict into the unputdownable story of one life in this compelling, vivid and surprising adventure

Reviews

- 'Every new novel by Giles Foden is something to celebrate' - Paul Theroux, on FREIGHT DOGS
- 'Foden is a brilliant voice and African observer' - SPECTATOR, on FREIGHT DOGS
- 'The most original and interesting novelist of his generation' - SCOTSMAN, on FREIGHT DOGS
- 'An amazing and profound work, rich in memorable detail' - Jay Parini, on FREIGHT DOGS

Author Biography

Giles Foden was born in 1967 and spent much of his early life in Africa. He was educated at Cambridge University. He has worked as a barman, a builder, a journalist, an academic, and as a *rappporteur* for the European Commission. For ten years, he was an editor and writer on the *Times Literary Supplement* and the *Guardian*, and his writing has since been published in *Granta*, *Vogue*, *Esquire*, *The New York Times* and *Conde Nast Traveller*, where he is a contributing editor. His fiction includes *The Last King of Scotland*, *Ladysmith*, *Zanzibar* and *Turbulence*. *The Last King of Scotland* was made into an Oscar-winning feature film in 2006.

Market

Fans of THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND; Readers interested in Africa; Readers of military fiction;

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Practice

Rosalind Brown

Keynote

An astonishing first novel about a day in the life of a young student who experiences her thoughts, her fantasies, her wishes, as she writes about - or tries to write about - Shakespeare's sonnets

Description

'A strange and shimmering joy' Jon McGregor
'Entrancing' *TLS*
'A lot of fun' Helen Oyeyemi

In a small room in an Oxford college, at the worn-out end of January, Annabel works on an essay about Shakespeare.

She has a carefully considered plan for her day, but as the essay's deadline looms, so too does the urge to procrastinate and the insistent presence of other people.

Elaborate erotic fantasies, telephone calls from her boyfriend, family and friends who demand her attention, and darker crises, obliquely glimpsed - all these distractions threaten to disturb the much-cherished quiet in Annabel's mind.

'Exquisite' Mark Haddon
'Wonderful' *Guardian*
'Fascinating' Olivia Laing

Sales Points

- **A BOOK FOR BOOK LOVERS:** This is a novel about a young woman who loves reading, who obsessively thinks about writers. It is a book for book lovers, for booksellers, and for anyone who has sat at a desk trying and failing to conjure words.
- **URGENT CONTEMPORARY MESSAGE:** This is, in part, a novel about the joys of studying English. It will speak to contemporary debates about the value of studying English - exacerbated after Sheffield Hallam axed their English degree.
- **DEBUT NOVEL FROM A FUTURE STAR AUTHOR:** *Practice* marks the beginning of a very exciting literary career for Rosalind Brown, whose short fiction has appeared in publications such as the *Paris Review* and *Salt's Best British Short Stories 2017*, among others.

Reviews

- **'Rich and precise and intelligent . . . Rosalind Brown is a unique - and wonderful - novelist'** - Adam Thirlwell
- **'A fascinating, beautifully wrought theatre of the mind that reminded me by turns of Virginia Woolf and Nicholson Baker'** - Olivia Laing
- **'Practice totally won me over, not least on account of its many passages of exquisite writing'** - Mark Haddon
- **'I lost myself in every perfect, surprising sentence'** - Elizabeth Macneal
- **'A day in the life of an introspective and erudite student, *Practice* makes clear the gulf between an interior life and the one that is presented to the world. Rosalind Brown has a rare ability to record - with great humour, originality and near-hallucinogenic precision - the significance, or not, of each tumbling moment and thought'** - Jennifer Higgie

Author Biography

Rosalind Brown was born in 1987, grew up in Cambridge, and now lives in Norwich. Her work has been published in *The Paris Review*, *Best British Short Stories 2017* (Salt), *Lighthouse*, *Ambit*, *MAI: Feminism and Visual Culture* and *Propel Magazine*.

Market

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The Granddaughter

From the author of the no.1 international bestseller The Reader

Bernhard Schlink
Translated by **Charlotte Collins**

Keynote

From the no.1 international bestselling author of *The Reader*, a masterful new novel about German reunification

Description

'Anyone who wants to understand contemporary Germany must read *The Granddaughter* now' *Le Monde*
'The great novel of German reunification' *Le Figaro*
'A masterpiece' Maurice Szafran

May, 1964. At a youth festival in East Berlin, an unlikely young couple fall in love. In the bright spring days, anything seems possible for them - it is only many years later, after her death, that Kaspar discovers the price his wife paid to get to him in West Berlin.

Shattered by grief, Kaspar sets off to uncover Birgit's secrets in the East. His search leads him to a rural community of neo-Nazis, and to a young girl who accepts him as her grandfather. Their worlds could not be more different - but he is determined to fight for her.

From the author of the no.1 international bestseller *The Reader*, *The Granddaughter* is a gripping novel that transports us from the divided Germany of the 1960s to contemporary Australia, asking what might be found when it seems like all is lost.

Translated from the German by Charlotte Collins

Sales Points

- **A BELOVED MASTER:** Bernhard Schlink is one of today's great international authors. His novels are loved around the world (*The Reader* has sold almost a million copies in our territories alone) and have been translated into over 50 languages.
- **BIGGEST NOVEL SINCE THE READER:** *The Granddaughter* returns to the themes of Schlink's most well-known novel *The Reader*, and paints a poignant portrait of German history.
- **INTERNATIONAL SENSATION:** Rights have sold all over the world for *The Granddaughter*. Upon publication in Germany, it went straight to #3 on the Spiegel Bestseller List, remaining in the Top 10 for 26 weeks. The French translation was one of the country's most popular novels in 2023.
- **STAR TRANSLATOR:** Charlotte Collins is an award-winning translator and a great champion of international literature. Her translations have won the Goethe-Institut Helen and Kurt Wolff Translator's Prize, and been shortlisted for the International Dublin Literary Award and the Man Booker International Prize.

Reviews

- **'A complex, poignant narrative that plays out in communist East Berlin in the 1960s and the neo-Nazi scene of the present day'** - *Financial Times*
- **'Schlink knows how to tell a gripping yarn . . . A rewarding and wonderfully readable novel'** - *Guardian*
- **'The great novel of German reunification'** - *Le Figaro*

Author Biography

BERNHARD SCHLINK was born in Germany in 1944. A professor emeritus of law at Humboldt University, Berlin, and Cardozo Law School, New York, he is the author of the internationally bestselling novels *The Reader*, which became an Oscar-winning film starring Kate Winslet and Ralph Fiennes, and *The Woman on the Stairs*. His latest novel, *Olga*, was a no.1 international bestseller. He lives in Berlin and New York.

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The Good Lord Bird

James McBride

Keynote

The National Book Award-winning story of a slave boy who joins an antislavery crusade - and who must pass as a girl to survive. From the internationally bestselling novelist James McBride

Description

'Wildly entertaining. A rollicking saga about one of America's earliest abolitionists'
People

'Just so brilliant'
John Green

Henry Shackleford is a young slave living in the Kansas Territory in 1856.

When an argument between Henry's master and legendary abolitionist John Brown turns violent, Henry is forced to leave town - along with Brown, who believes Henry to be a girl and his good luck charm.

An absorbing mixture of history and imagination, *The Good Lord Bird* is both a rousing adventure story and a moving exploration of identity and survival.

WINNER OF THE NATIONAL BOOK AWARD

Sales Points

- **HUGELY SUCCESSFUL AMERICAN NOVEL:** *The Good Lord Bird* won the National Book Award for Fiction, and was adapted into a Showtime limited series starring Ethan Hawke and Daveed Diggs. It is now being published in the UK for the very first time.
- **HEAVEN & EARTH SENSATION:** McBride's most recent novel *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* has sold over a million copies worldwide. It was Waterstones Fiction Book of the Month, a Barack Obama book of the year pick, won the 2023 Kirkus Fiction Prize, received rapturous reviews and appeared on countless BOTY lists. The hardback stayed on the *New York Times* bestseller list for 37 weeks, ranking as high as #2. It was named as both the Amazon.com No.1 Book of the Year and the Barnes and Noble Book of the Year - an unprecedented feat.
- **THE BEST AUTHOR YOU'VE NEVER HEARD OF:** Awarded a National Humanities Medal by President Obama, James McBride is a bestselling and beloved American writer. A million-copy bestselling, National Book Award-winning novelist, he now deserves to find a global readership.
- **MASTER STORYTELLER:** McBride is a master storyteller in the vein of great American novelists such as Philip Roth, Richard Ford, Alice Walker, Jesmyn Ward and Colson Whitehead. He is beloved by writers including Ann Patchett, Bonnie Garmus, Harlan Coban, Colum McCann and many more.

Reviews

- **'A brilliant romp of a novel . . . McBride pulls off his portrait masterfully, like a modern-day Mark Twain'** - *New York Times Book Review*
- **'The Good Lord Bird is just so brilliant. It had everything I want in a novel and left me feeling both transported and transformed'** - John Green
- **'Wildly entertaining . . . a rollicking saga about one of America's earliest abolitionists'** - *People*
- **'You may know the story of John Brown's unsuccessful raid on Harpers Ferry, but author James McBride's retelling of the events leading up to it is so imaginative, you'll race to the finish'** - *NPR*

Author Biography

James McBride is the author of the *New York Times*-bestselling Oprah's Book Club selection *Deacon King Kong*, the National Book Award-winning *The Good Lord Bird*, the million-copy-bestselling memoir *The Colour of Water*, the novels *Song Yet Sung* and *Miracle at St. Anna*, the story collection *Five-Carat Soul*, and *Kill 'Em and Leave*, a biography of James Brown. The recipient of a National Humanities Medal and an accomplished musician, McBride is also a distinguished writer in residence at New York University.

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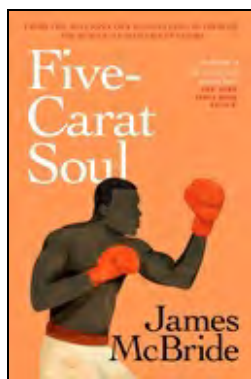
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Five-Carat Soul

James McBride

Keynote

A collection of surprising, perceptive and evocative short stories from National Book Award-winning, internationally bestselling novelist James McBride

Description

'McBride at his brave and joyous best'
New York Times Book Review

'A furious joy drives these glimpses of brave lives in perilous places'
San Francisco Chronicle

An antiques dealer discovers that a legendary toy commissioned by a Civil War General now sits in the home of a black minister in Queens. Five strangers find themselves thrown together and face unexpected judgment. An American president draws inspiration from a conversation he overhears in a stable. And members of The Five-Carat Soul Bottom Bone Band recount stories from their messy and hilarious lives.

These stories spring from the place where identity, humanity, and history converge. A collection of surprising, perceptive and evocative short stories from internationally bestselling novelist James McBride, *Five Carat Soul* is a moving exploration of our human condition.

Sales Points

- **HEAVEN & EARTH SENSATION:** McBride's most recent novel *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* has sold over a million copies worldwide. It was Waterstones Fiction Book of the Month, a Barack Obama book of the year pick, won the 2023 Kirkus Fiction Prize, received rapturous reviews and appeared on countless BOTY lists. The hardback stayed on the *New York Times* bestseller list for 37 weeks, ranking as high as #2. It was named as both the Amazon.com No.1 Book of the Year and the Barnes and Noble Book of the Year - an unprecedented feat.
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Reviews

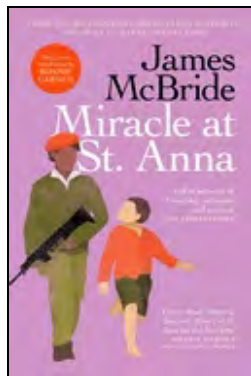
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Miracle at St. Anna

James McBride

Keynote

Now a major film directed by Spike Lee, *Miracle at St. Anna* is an unforgettable tale of courage and redemption set in Second World War Italy, from National Book Award-winning, internationally bestselling novelist James McBride

Description

'I envy those about to discover *Miracle at St. Anna* for the first time'
Bonnie Garmus, author of *Lessons in Chemistry*

'Searingly, soaringly beautiful'
Baltimore Sun

Towards the end of World War Two, four soldiers from the Army's Negro 92nd Division find themselves separated from their unit behind enemy lines.

Risking their lives for a country in which they are treated with less respect than the enemy they're fighting, they discover humanity in the small Tuscan village of St. Anna di Stazzema - in the peasants who shelter them, in the unspoken affection of an orphaned child.

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WITH A NEW INTRODUCTION FROM BONNIE GARMUS

Sales Points

- **HEAVEN & EARTH SENSATION:** McBride's most recent novel *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* has sold over a million copies worldwide. It was Waterstones Fiction Book of the Month, a Barack Obama book of the year pick, won the 2023 Kirkus Fiction Prize, received rapturous reviews and appeared on countless BOTY lists. The hardback stayed on the *New York Times* bestseller list for 37 weeks, ranking as high as #2. It was named as both the Amazon.com No.1 Book of the Year and the Barnes and Noble Book of the Year - an unprecedented feat.
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- **ADAPTED FOR THE SCREEN:** This acclaimed novel is now a major motion picture directed by Spike Lee.

Reviews

- 'McBride creates an intricate mosaic of narratives that ultimately becomes about betrayal and the complex moral landscape of war' - *New York Times Book Review*
- 'Full of miracles of friendship, of salvation and survival' - *Los Angeles Times*
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Song Yet Sung

James McBride

Keynote

Set in 1850s Maryland, *Song Yet Sung* is a raw and captivating story of a runaway female slave, from National Book Award-winning, internationally bestselling novelist James McBride

Description

'A complex, ever-tightening, increasingly suspenseful web'
Washington Post

'Gripping'

New York Times

In the days before the Civil War, an enslaved woman named Liz Spocott escapes from her captors into the labyrinthine swamps of Maryland's eastern shore, setting loose a drama of violence and hope among slave catchers, plantation owners, watermen, runaway slaves and free blacks.

Liz is near death, wracked by disturbing visions of the future, and armed with 'the Code' - a fiercely guarded cryptic means of communication for slaves on the run.

Filled with rich, true details, *Song Yet Sung* is a story of tragic triumph, dreams of tomorrow and unexpected kindness, from the National Book Award-winning novelist James McBride.

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Reviews

- 'McBride has fashioned a myth of retribution and sacrifice that recalls both William Faulkner's sagas of blighted generations and Toni Morrison's *Song of Solomon*. Explosively dramatic' - *Kirkus*, starred review
- 'McBride keeps the suspense high as he raises troubling questions about slavery's legacy, the price of freedom and what it means to be human' - *People*
- 'Powerful . . . A complex, ever-tightening, increasingly suspenseful web' - *Washington Post*

Author Biography

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Feed the Baby An Inclusive Guide to Nursing, Bottle Feeding and Everything In Between

M. Victoria Facelli, IBCLC

Keynote

A practical guide to infant feeding that helps parents of any gender use every tool in the modern parent's arsenal to help their families thrive

Description

This is a book about feeding babies. Nothing more, nothing less.

How to Thrive: An evidence-based guide to feeding your baby is the first book from Victoria Facelli, the certified lactation consultant, who struggled to feed her child post-partum. With kindness and compassion, Facelli explains the science of infant anatomy and breastmilk, celebrates the medical marvels of formula and feeding tubes, and helps parents of any gender use every tool in the modern parent's arsenal to make their own feeding choices. Her mission is to help parents feel proud of achieving what they set out to do, but equally proud of letting things go when they aren't working.

This book will help you and your family thrive, just like she and her daughter did.

Sales Points

- Market need - The time is right for a new entry into the parenting space, a book that reflects the makeup of modern families, and their individual choices to feed their children. This is the only book on the market that explores based on scientific evidence the various feeding choices available, and with case studies that are inclusive and representative
- Dynamo author - Victoria is the lactation expert who couldn't breastfeed her own child and is incredibly open about her story. She has expert credentials, an amazing personal story and is incredibly personable. She is a certified postpartum doula and lactation consultant. She attended the Mary Rose Tully Training Initiative at UNC's School of Public Health, and her scholarly work has been published in the Journal of Human Lactation.
- International potential - Ann Treistman won North American rights for Countryman Press (Norton) at auction and will publish as a hardcover original. They have committed to a \$50k marketing spend on publication

Author Biography

Victoria Facelli, IBCLC. Lactation consultant, author, queer mom. Changing the way we think about feeding babies and what it means to thrive.

Market

An evidence-based to infant feeding for those looking to make their own choices. For readers of Emily Oster's CRIBSHEET

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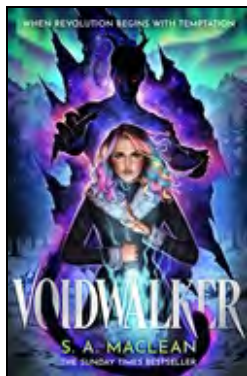
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<http://www.orionbooks.co.uk>**Voidwalker****Maas meets Mistborn in the romantasy event of 2025 from the author of The Phoenix Keeper****S. A. MacLean****Keynote**

Romantasy meets the Cosmere in this brand-new duology from the author of *The Phoenix Keeper* - the instant *Sunday Times* bestseller.

Description**WELCOME TO THE ROMANTASY EVENT OF 2025 . . .**

Fionamara is a smuggler. Antal is the reason her people fear the dark.

Fi ferries contraband between worlds, stockpiling funds and stolen magic to keep her village self-sufficient - free from the blood sacrifices humans have paid to Antal's immortal species for centuries.

Only legends whispered through the pine forests recall a time when things were different, before one world shattered into many, and the flesh-devouring beasts crept from the cracks between realities, with their sable antlers and slender tails, lethal claws and gleaming fangs. Now, mortal lives are food to pacify their carnivorous overlords, exchanged for feudal protection, and the precious silver energy that fuels everything from transport to weaponry.

When Fi gets planted with a stash of smuggled energy, a long-lost flame recruits her for a reckless heist that escalates into a terrorist bombing - and a coup against the reigning immortals, with Fi's home caught in the crossfire.

She's always known the dangers of her trade - and of the power she's wielded since childhood, allowing her to see the secret doors between dimensions, to walk the Void itself. But nothing could have prepared her for crossing paths with Antal. For the deal she'll have to make with him, a forced partnership to reclaim his city that begins as a desperate bid for survival, only to grow into something far more dangerous.

A revolution.

And a temptation - for how sweet the monster's fangs might feel.

From the author of the instant *Sunday Times*-bestselling *The Phoenix Keeper* comes an era-defining new fantasy universe where spicy romantasy meets the Cosmere, unmissable for fans of the world-building scale of Sarah J. Maas and the world-shifting stakes of Rebecca Yarros.

***Voidwalker* will be your next romantasy obsession, a deliciously feral story that started with just two words: "bite me".**

Sales Points

- **A SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER:** S. A. MacLean's debut, THE PHOENIX KEEPER, was a No. 2 *Sunday Times* bestseller on 25th August 2024.
- **ROMANTASY MARKET SWEET SPOT:** Where THE PHOENIX KEEPER was cozy contemporary in the flavour of its romance and setting, this new duology instead marks her biggest commercial opportunity yet on the spicier and darker end of the romantasy market in a big new epic fantasy world that will make you think of a "romantasy Cosmere".
- **EXCITING SPECIAL EDITIONS:** We have multiple special editions for VOIDWALKER in the works. THE PHOENIX KEEPER was also featured in a monthly subscription box with Illumicrate in August 2024.
- **A GROWING AND ENGAGED AUDIENCE:** S. A. MacLean has a rapidly growing following, with 7k followers across Twitter, Instagram, and TikTok.
- **INTERNATIONAL PRIORITY:** We have World All Language rights with a translation deal already secured in Spain and Orbit (HBG) co-publishing in the US.

Author Biography

S. A. MacLean is a fantasy romance author from sunny Southern California. Sarah received her BS in Natural Resources from Cornell University and a PhD in Environmental Science from UC Berkeley. She left the research track to teach environmental science at her local community college. Follow her on social media @authorsamaclean.

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‘A twisty page-turner with unsettling details and crackling writing’ - Andrea Bartz

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‘Pitch black horror meets smart psychological thriller’ - S.J.I. Holliday

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The Dead Husband Cookbook

DANIELLE VALENTINE

KEYNOTE

The new gripping thriller from Danielle Valentine, author of *Delicate Condition*, the inspiration for *American Horror Story: Delicate*

SALES POINTS

- A delicious blend of Laura Dave's *The Last Thing He Told Me* and Orlando Murrin's *Knife Skills for Beginners*
- A twisty and rich thriller with bubbling depths, and makes the reader wonder 'does Delia Smith have a deep dark secret?'

DESCRIPTION

She has the recipe for the perfect murder...

Maria Capello is a celebrity chef like no other. A household name, an inspiration, an icon. Her dozens of cookbooks and weekly television show, broadcast from her beautiful Italian-style kitchen, not to mention her line of bestselling supermarket sauces. And of course there's her history. Once just the timid wife of famous chef Damien Capello, she stepped into the spotlight after Damien's mysterious disappearance twenty years before. An event she's never spoken about publicly until now, when she decides it's time to publish her memoirs.

Why is Maria willing to finally break her silence? And why does she do so on the condition that it is edited by Thea Woods? Thea is a lifelong fan but has never met Maria and can't figure it out, plus a recent scandal has left her reputation tarnished and job on the line. So when she is invited to Maria's remote farm to work on the manuscript, Thea spots an opportunity to clear her name. After all, she could be the one to finally learn whether the rumours are true: that Maria killed Damien for his recipes, and the legendary 'secret ingredient'...

A deliciously rich thriller, perfect for readers of Bella Mackie's *How To Kill Your Family* and Alexia Casale's *The Best Way to Bury Your Husband*.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Danielle Valentine writes bestselling YA horror under the name Danielle Vega. Her work, which includes *The Merciless* series, *Survive the Night*, *The Haunted* and *The Unleashed*, has been optioned for film and television by Lionsgate and Warner Bros, and has been translated into languages worldwide. Her first adult novel, *Delicate Condition*, was published in 2023, and was the inspiration for the hit television show *American Horror Story: Delicate*. She lives in New Jersey with her husband and daughter.

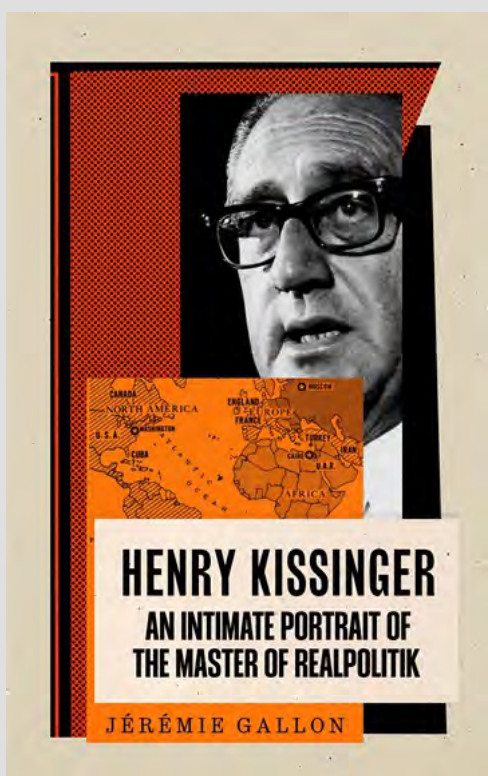
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REVIEWS

‘Jérémie Gallon's reexamination of Kissinger's life and personality provides vital lessons for twenty-first century Europe’ - *Michel Barnier, former French Prime Minister*

‘At a time when geopolitics has become scary again, Jérémie's take on Henry Kissinger is essential reading’ - *Radoslaw Sikorski, Polish Minister of Foreign Affairs*

‘Jérémie Gallon's *Kissinger* is in essence a letter to Europe. Gallon wants Europe to rediscover foreign policy realism and power, 'devoid of self-illusion'. His portrait of Kissinger as the intellectual man of action reveals historic European roots, but Gallon recognises that this older image must be adapted to the Europe of today. At a moment when Europe's long holiday from history is coming to a sharp close, Gallon's book summons statesmen of the past to rally new leaders who combine strategy with the diplomatic arts.’ - *Robert B. Zoellick, former President of the World Bank, US Trade Representative, and US Deputy Secretary of State; author of America in the World*

‘Fascinating book. Gallon's Kissinger is one that you do not know’ - *Ivan Krastev, Chair of the Centre for Liberal Strategies and Financial Times contributing editor*

Henry Kissinger

An Intimate Portrait of the Master of Realpolitik

JÉRÉMIE GALLON

KEYNOTE

The prize-winning portrait of the master of *Realpolitik*

SALES POINTS

- Winner of the 2022 Prix Eugène-Colas awarded by the Académie Française
- Uses a personal exploration of Kissinger's life and strategic vision to call for the establishment of a new European Realpolitik to prevent the continent becoming a toy of hostile powers
- Includes an additional chapter to the original French edition covering Gallon's meeting with Kissinger, ten days after Russia's invasion of Ukraine, where Kissinger outlines his views on the key geopolitical challenges

DESCRIPTION

Jérémie Gallon paints an intriguing portrait of the 'master of Realpolitik', drawing lessons from Henry Kissinger's life and actions to explore the creation of a more coherent and resilient foreign policy, particularly in Europe.

Chapters address themes, moments, and characters that shaped Kissinger's career, such as the Harvard years, the centrality of Realpolitik, Jewishness, even football, and his relationships with figures such as Nelson Rockefeller, Richard Nixon, Anwar Sadat, and Zhou Enlai - not to mention his mother Paula. This new English edition includes an additional chapter detailing the author's meeting with Kissinger in Connecticut ten days after Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February 2022.

Gallon is as interested in the statesman as he is in the man himself, delving into the more glamorous and intimate aspects of his life, yet making no secret of Kissinger's contradictions and the moral accusations levelled against him.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Jérémie Gallon is a foreign policy analyst and former EU diplomat who contributes regularly to international media, including *The Financial Times*, *Politico*, and *L'Express*. He is a non-resident senior fellow in the Atlantic Council and was an adjunct professor in international affairs at Sciences Po (Paris Institute of Political Studies). His other books include *Diary of a Young Diplomat in Trump's America* (Gallimard, 2018) and *Georges Pompidou: A Timeless Figure* (Gallimard, 2025). The original French edition of this book (*Henry Kissinger, L'Européen*, Gallimard 2021) won the 2022 Prix Eugène-Colas awarded by the Académie Française.

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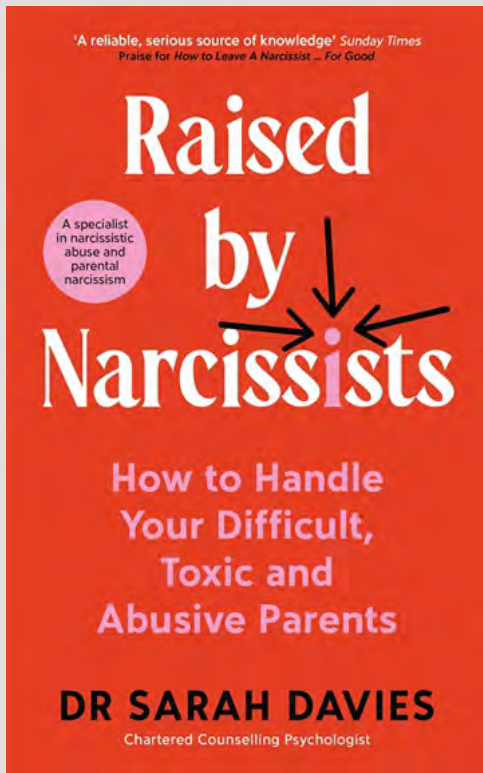
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REVIEWS

‘One of Britain's leading experts on narcissism . . . Davies has a fascinating mix of professional and personal perspectives on the boom in narcissism’ - *The Times*

‘A leading psychologist’ - *iNews*

‘A compassionate how-to guide which will ring legions of bells for anyone with dysfunctional or toxic parents’ - Jonathan Maitland, author and playwright of *How to Survive Your Mother*

‘Sarah Davies draws from her personal experience and professional expertise to offer an admirably clear, comprehensive, and compassionate guide to recognising and healing from the wounds that narcissistic parents inflict. This book charts an empowering path from pain to freedom. I wish I'd had it when I was contending with my own abuser, and I'm happy that other survivors can benefit from its wisdom now’ - Eamon Dolan, author of *The Power of Parting*

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Raised by Narcissists

How to Handle Your Difficult, Toxic and Abusive Parents

DR SARAH DAVIES

KEYNOTE

A trusted psychologist helps you identify and work through the long-term effects of having a narcissistic parent

SALES POINTS

- It is estimated that up to 5% of the UK and US population have narcissistic personality disorder (NPD) with familial abuse creating long lasting effects in adult children.
- Awareness of NPD is on the rise - the hashtag #narcissist has 11 billion views on TikTok - leading people to seek practical, trusted advice.
- Dr Sarah Davies is a Chartered Integrative Counselling Psychologist with years of experience and has featured in the *Guardian*, *Daily Mail*, *The Times*, *Independent*, *Stylist* and more.
- *Raised by Narcissists* is Dr Sarah Davies's second book. Her first, *How to Leave a Narcissist ... For Good*, has been translated into eleven languages.

DESCRIPTION

‘One of Britain's leading experts on narcissism’ *The Times*

Was your childhood dysfunctional?

Was your parent more like a demanding child than a loving caregiver?

Perhaps your parent is a narcissist.

Raised by Narcissists helps you identify parental narcissism and narcissistic abuse to understand the harmful dynamics at play in a toxic family environment - and shows you how to heal and move forward with your life.

You will learn how to:

- Manage an ongoing relationship with your parent, including going low-contact and no-contact
- Address fractured family relationships
- Combat inherited negative self-beliefs and unhealthy thought patterns
- Break the trauma cycle to build a loving family of your own

Our childhoods shape us, but they are not a life sentence. Compassionate and practical, Dr Sarah Davies draws on clinical expertise and personal experience to acknowledge the complexity of being a narcissist's child and repair the damage from your upbringing.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Dr Sarah Davies is an author, chartered counselling psychologist and trauma therapist who specialises in narcissistic abuse, co-dependency and related trauma. She is the author of *How to Leave a Narcissist ... For Good* and has been featured in publications including the *Guardian*, *Daily Mail* and *Sunday Times*.



M. John Harrison THE COURSE of the HEART
With an introduction by Julia Armfield



'Harrison is among the deftest and most original writers' Olivia Laing

REVIEWS

'A gloriously intelligent, beautifully written and thoroughly maddening book' - Independent

'A spare textual elegance and closure-denying restraint [that] impresses and fulfills' - Iain Banks, Guardian

'Incisive pen portraits and quiet, elegant prose' - Lisa Tuttle, Guardian

'One of the best writers currently at work in English' - Robert Macfarlane, author of The Wild Places

The Course of the Heart

An extraordinary, genre-bending classic

M JOHN HARRISON

KEYNOTE

The strange edges of reality are explored in M John Harrison's extraordinary cult classic, now with an introduction by bestselling author Julia Armfield

SALES POINTS

- A cult classic from acclaimed author M John Harrison, now with an introduction by bestselling author of *Our Wives Under the Sea*, Julia Armfield
- For fans of *The Secret History* by Donna Tart and *Valis* by Philip K Dick
- M John Harrison's writing has been praised by writers and critics including Olivia Laing, Jonathan Coe, Neil MacGregor, Isabel Waidner and Monique Roffey

DESCRIPTION

The cult classic novel from the author of *Climbers* and *The Sunken Land Begins to Rise Again*

With an introduction by bestselling author of *Our Wives Under the Sea*, Julia Armfield

'A spare textual elegance and closure-denying restraint that impresses and fulfils' IAIN BANKS

On a hot May night, three Cambridge students carry out a ritualistic act that changes their lives. Decades later, none of the participants can remember what transpired; but their clouded memories bind them together. Unable to move on, Pam Stuyvesant is an epileptic haunted by strange sensual visions. Her husband Lucas believes that a dwarfish creature is stalking him, and invents histories to soothe Pam's fears. Self-styled Sorcerer Yaxley becomes obsessed with a terrifyingly transcendent reality. The narrator is seemingly the least effected participant in the ritual: he is haunted by the smell of roses, and his guilt as he attempts to help his friends escape the torment that has engulfed their lives.

Strange, dreamlike and moving, *The Course of the Heart* is an examination of the edges of humanity where we lie, hide, hurt and heal.

'A gloriously intelligent, beautifully written and thoroughly maddening book' INDEPENDENT

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

M. John Harrison is the author of, among others, the *Viriconium* stories, *The Centauri Device*, *Climbers*, *The Sunken Land Begins to Rise Again*, *Signs of Life*, *Light* and *Wish I Was Here*. He has won the Boardman Tasker Prize, the James Tiptree Jr Award, the Arthur C. Clarke Award and the Goldsmiths Prize. He lives in Shropshire.

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Economics: The Economist Guide

PHILIP COGGAN

KEYNOTE

The definitive *Economist* guide to the world of economics

SALES POINTS

- A peek into what the *The Economist* really thinks about one of its favourite topics.
- A successor to two classic Economist books: *Economics* and *Economics: An A-Z Guide*, with combined lifetime sales of over 85,000 copies
- Philip Coggan is a celebrated business journalist and author whose previous books have sold over 50,000 copies for Profile.

DESCRIPTION

Economics. Sometime called the "dismal science", it's a discipline and topic that's often seen as dull; mysterious at best. And yet it's crucial to understanding the world we live in today.

From humble beginnings in Ancient Greece to the today's mammoth global system, it's never been more important to know your macro from your micro and your fiscal from your monetary policy.

Bestselling author Philip Coggan lifts the veil with an entertaining, no-nonsense guide that combines an overview of the development and scope of the field with an all-new A-Z of key economics concepts and terms.

Crisp, sophisticated and often surprising, this is the complete guide to what economics is - and why it matters.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Philip Coggan is a former *Economist* and *Financial Times* journalist. In 2009, he was voted Senior Financial Journalist of the Year in the Wincott awards and best communicator in the Business Journalist of the Year Awards. Among his books are *The Money Machine*; *The Economist Guide to Hedge Funds*; the highly acclaimed *More: The 10,000-Year Rise of the World Economy* and *Surviving the Daily Grind*.

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Great Scientists: Nicolaus Copernicus

Anna Baker (Illustrated By Alexandra Badiu)

Keynote

An illustrated biography of Nicolaus Copernicus, one of the most famous figures in the history of science

Description

Nicolaus Copernicus tells the story of this key scientific figure - covering his origins as the son of a merchant through his education in Poland and Italy, his work in astronomy and mathematics, the development of his theories about the Universe and his legacy today. For children working through book bands, it is suitable for those reading at book band 13: grey.

Great Scientists are first biographies introducing some of the world's great scientists, simply retelling their lives and explaining why their work was important. Perfect for children aged 7 plus. Each book has been book banded and includes a quiz at the end to test what has been learned.

Sales Points

- Simple, straightforward approach that reads like a story
- Endmatter includes a timeline of events and a quiz to test knowledge
- Book banded by a literacy consultant to help children develop their literacy skills

Author Biography

Anna Baker (Author)

Anna Baker has an enduring interest in history, the natural world and many other topics, which has made her work as an editor and writer of children's information books endlessly fascinating.

Alexandra Badiu (Illustrator)

Alexandra Badiu is a Romanian children's book illustrator and creative director for animation, currently living in Turkey.

Publication date	Thursday, August 28, 2025
Price	£8.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781526326539 Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)

CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	250x190
Depth	6mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Great Scientists
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Charles Darwin
Galileo Galilei
David Attenborough
Nicolaus Copernicus
Isaac Newton
Marie Curie
Mary Anning
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How Does Chocolate Taste on Everest? Explore Earth's Most Extreme Places Through Sight, Sound, Smell, Touch and Taste

Leisa Stewart-Sharpe (Illustrated By Aaron Cushley)

Keynote

A sensory voyage around the world, which fires the imagination by sharing the sounds, smells, tastes, sights and feelings of a journey to Earth's most extreme places.

Description

Don't get too comfortable. This isn't the type of book you can snuggle up with under the covers. Not even close!

You're off on the expedition of a lifetime to experience the sights, sounds, smells, feelings and tastes of the world's most extreme places.

Have you ever wondered what the buzz of the rainforest sounds like on a trek through the Amazon? Or how it would feel to experience the biting cold as you voyage across Antarctica? Or how about how chocolate would taste on Mount Everest?

From every heart-bursting sight to tummy-lurching bite, this is a truly immersive round-the-world adventure, where YOU are the explorer.

Sales Points

- A lavish, beautifully illustrated book - the perfect gift for a budding young adventurer
- Sensory descriptions and 2nd person narrative helps readers feel as though this is their very own journey across the world
- Divided by extremes - furthest, hottest, darkest, highest, deepest, etc.
- Includes adventurers with lesser-known stories, including unsung heroes who have overcome disabilities to achieve the same incredible feats as their able-bodied peers
- Jam-packed with facts about each location, its climate, plants and animals

Author Biography

Leisa Stewart-Sharpe (Author)

Leisa Stewart-Sharpe is a trained journalist turned children's author, who writes stunning non-fiction and picture books. Originally from Australia, Leisa's childhood has inspired her love for the natural world and its strange and wonderful creatures.

Aaron Cushley (Illustrator)

Aaron is an illustrator and doodler of dogs. From Belfast, he studied Illustration and Graphic design at the University Of Ulster Belfast School Of Art & Design. Aaron's work stems from his inner child and the innocence and creativity that emerges when he takes a pencil in his hand.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781444983210
	Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) People & places (Children's / Teenage) (YNM) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)

CBMC	C5M79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	298x233
Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

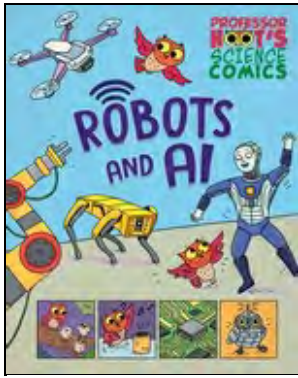
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Professor Hoot's Science Comics: Robots and AI

Minerva Black (Illustrated By Richard Watson)

Keynote

How do owls become so wise? They go to Science School! Join Professor Hoot's class to learn everything you ever wanted to know about robots and AI.

Description

Every day brings a new adventure for Professor Hoot - and a new learning experience. A new student has joined the class, and it's distinctly robotic! What is it doing there? Professor Hoot decides to find out more about robots and AI... Discover robots that can tell how you feel, cars that drive themselves, and even robot explorers gathering data about other planets. There's more to these helpful machines than meets the eye; let's find out how they work.

An entertaining comic strip approach to KS1 science topics, *Professor Hoot's Science Comics* are accessible and full of fun. Each book is an adventure and a chance for readers to learn something new, before testing their knowledge at the end of each book in Professor Hoot's quiz.

Collect each adventure: *Big Machines; Dangerous Animals; Dinosaurs; Robots and AI; Space; Volcanoes and Earthquakes.*

Sales Points

- Entertaining comic strip approach is accessible and full of fun facts
- Promotes curiosity-based learning - every day brings an opportunity to learn something new
- Features a quiz, glossary, links and book recommendations to find out more

Author Biography

Minerva Black (Author)

Minerva Black is a writer and editor who specialises in children's non-fiction. She lives in London with her partner and their plants.

Richard Watson (Illustrator)

Richard Watson has illustrated many children's books including the hilarious James Patterson *Dog Diaries* series, written by Junior, the first dog author to top the New York Times Bestseller list. He mainly sits underneath the stairs drawing stuff and enjoys guitars, long walks in the woods and spooky things. Richard is represented by the Bright Agency.

Publication date	Thursday, August 28, 2025
Price	£8.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781526327703
BIC 2.1	Cartoons & comic strips (Children's / Teenage) (YNUC) Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback 265x210
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Professor Hoot's Science Comics
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Big Machines 9781526327734;
 Dangerous Animals 9781526327765;
 Dinosaurs 9781526327802; Space
 9781526327833; Volcanoes and
 Earthquakes 9781526327864

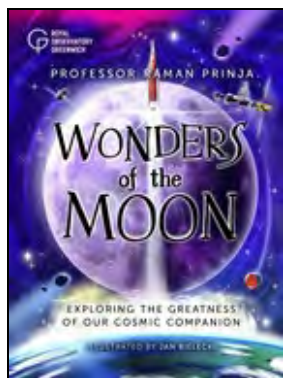
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Wonders of the Moon

Exploring the greatness of our cosmic companion

Professor Raman Prinja (Illustrated By Jan Bielecki)

Keynote

The must-have read for the next generation of Moon-landers, from international-award-winning author Professor Raman Prinja, Jan Bielecki and Royal Observatory Greenwich - explore the science of our cosmic companion and the wonder of how we get there

Description

The must-have read for the next generation of Moon-landers, from international-award-winning author Professor Raman Prinja, Jan Bielecki and Royal Observatory Greenwich - explore the science of our cosmic companion and the wonder of how we get there.

For the first time in over 50 years, humans are setting foot on the Moon again. *Wonders of the Moon* is the perfect companion for this historic moment, filled with key science learning as well as up-close details of the Moon and the amazing tech that carries us there. From the Artemis missions, to the enormous potential of the vast swathes of water ice on the Moon, readers age 9+ will learn so much about the brightest light in their night sky.

The book is part of a visually stunning series that takes an authoritative look at fascinating topics, including: *Wonders of the Night Sky* / *The Future of the Universe* / *The Wonders of Time* / *Wonders of the Mind*

Sales Points

- **Written by international-award-winning author, Professor Raman Prinja of UCL, with consultancy and foreword by Royal Observatory Greenwich, UK**
- **Filled with key science learning as well as up-close details of the Moon and the amazing tech that carries us there**
- **Part of a visually stunning series that takes an authoritative look at fascinating topics, with illustration and design by Jan Bielecki and produced with high-profile institutions**
- **Released to coordinate with NASA's Artemis missions, when today's young people will watch live as humans walk on the Moon**

Author Biography

Raman Prinja (Author)

Multi-award-winning author, Professor Raman Prinja, is Head of Department for Astronomy at University College London. He is dedicated to the belief that it is hugely important to promote awareness of astronomy and physics to as wide an audience as possible, and especially to motivate and inspire the next generation of Universe explorers. As part of Professor Prinja's outreach, he has written several books on astronomy to share the excitement of the Universe with laypersons, parents, teachers and, above all, young people.

Jan Bielecki (Illustrator)

Jan Bielecki is a Polish-Swedish illustrator and designer living in London. He mainly works with children's books and has illustrated fiction, picture books and non-fiction. Some of the topics he has covered include human anatomy, wrestling trolls, the scope of the Universe and slimy monsters.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
Price	£16.99 / ₹1399
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781526326973 Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) Space (Children's / Teenage) (YNTS) Interest age: from c 8 years (5AJ) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	284x216
Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Wonders of the Night Sky
The Future of the Universe
The Wonders of Time
Wonders of the Mind
Wonders of the Moon

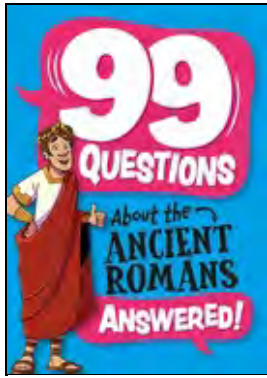
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99 Questions About: The Romans

Annabel Savery

Keynote

Discover the fascinating world of the Romans through 99 questions and answers

Description

Discover the fascinating world of the Romans through 99 questions and answers

How big was the Roman Empire? Did all Romans wear togas? And just what was SO special about Roman roads?? Find out the answers to all these questions and many, many more in this high-interest romp through the world of the Romans.

99 Questions About... makes historical civilisations come alive with interest, humour and occasional *weirdness*. The core information is excellent support for curriculum topics, while the dip-in structure and light amounts of text will entice even reluctant readers who enjoy the light-hearted *Horrible Histories* approach to learning. The high-interest approach is complimented by a striking, two-colour design, featuring simple but eye-catching graphics.

Fun reading for children aged 8 and up.

Books in the series:

Ancient Egyptians
Ancient Greeks
Aztecs
Benin
Maya
Romans
Shang Dynasty
Song Dynasty
Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages
Vikings

Sales Points

- Fun, accessible introductions to core KS2 history topics
- Light amount of text and dip-in structure are designed to engage young readers
- Each book has been reviewed by an expert in the subject

Author Biography

Annabel Savery is an experienced writer and editor of children's books. Having grown up on the Welsh border, she returned there with her family after working in London as an in-house editor for children's non-fiction. Annabel has written many books for young readers on non-fiction topics and enjoys researching new topic areas and finding out fascinating facts. Having written non-fiction for many years, Annabel also now works for the charity Woodland Heritage.

Publication date	Thursday, August 14, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹699
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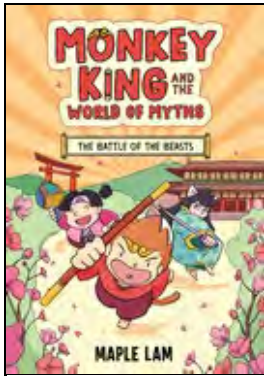
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding Format	Paperback 181x129.
Depth	14mm
Extent	96 pages
Word Count Series	99 Questions About
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Vikings
Aztecs
Maya
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Ancient Greeks
Shang Dynasty
Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages
Benin
Song Dynasty

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Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Monkey King and the World of Myths: The Battle of the Beasts Book 2

Maple Lam

Keynote

The second in this myths-and-mayhem graphic novel series about the mischievous Monkey King, who this time travels to ancient Japan to foil a monstrous plot. Perfect for fans of *Dragon Ball* and anime, Jamie Smart and *Loki*.

Description

'Full of monsters, funny jokes and yummy food (dumplings and more!) I LOVE THIS SERIES!' - Maisie Chan, bestselling author

THERE'S A NEW GOD IN TOWN. MONSTERS OF THE EAST, BEWARE!

Sun Wukong, the MONKEY KING, and his trusty three-headed puppy, CERBERUS, are heading to Heian-Kyo, ancient city of JAPAN.

When Wukong meets a named Momotaro whose MAGIC HAMMER has been stolen, they track the thief to an island of BANISHED BEASTS. Only Wukong and Momotaro - with the help of a SHAPESHIFTING FOX BEAST - can stop a monster from pitting humans and beasts against each other.

If they don't...WAR will break out. And Wukong will never earn his place among the gods.

PACKED WITH MAGICAL WEAPONS, MYTHS AND MIGHTY BATTLES, THIS WILL BE THE MONKEY KING'S GREATEST ADVENTURE YET!

Sales Points

- *Monkey King and the World of Myths: The Battle of the Beasts* features two legends from China and Japan
- The content has a mixture of human characters and anthropomorphic animals/magical creatures, all of which have a strong record in the UK market
- A unique graphic novel with a wonderful message and strong hook about self-esteem and recognising your true worth - just because you're perceived as something, doesn't mean you truly are it!
- The artwork is comparative with Jamie Smart and feels very anime as it's filled with action and cuteness!
- There is a remake movie of *The Monkey King* that released on Netflix in 2023

Author Biography

Maple Lam is an author-illustrator originally from Hong Kong and now based in Los Angeles, California. Her previous books include the picture books *Dim Sum*, *Here We Come!* and *My Little Sister and Me*. She has also illustrated numerous books for other authors including *What Can You Do With a Toolbox?* by HGTV personalities The Cousins. *Monkey King and the World of Myths* is her debut graphic novel series. Visit her at www.maplelam.com.

Publication date	Thursday, August 28, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781444977158 Comic strip fiction / graphic novels (Children's / Teenage) (YFW) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH) Graphic novels (FX) Adventure (FJ)

CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject Type	Fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding Format	Paperback 210x148
Extent	256 pages
Word Count Series	Monkey King and the World of Myths
Exclusively for Sale Not for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK Can; USA

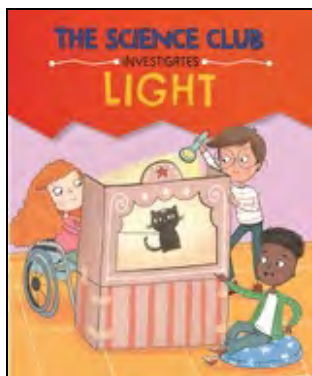
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The Science Club Investigates: Light

Mary Auld (Illustrated By Sernur Isik)

Keynote

Join the kids of the Science Club and discover light through a combination of adventure, activity and experiment in this fun, story-based series

Description

Join the kids of the Science Club and discover light through a combination of adventure, activity and experiment in this fun, story-based series for kids aged 5 and up

The Science Club follows a group of science-mad kids who meet at a club where they learn about science through their own experiences and discoveries. For example, at one club someone brings in a fossil, leading to an investigation into the rock cycle, dinosaurs and fossil formation. At another, a storm inspires the children to learn about lightning and other forms of electricity. Each story features sweet, humorous illustrations and includes simple experiments for readers to try for themselves.

It's the end of the day at the Science Club and Emily is startled by a spooky shadow! The Science Club start investigating their latest topic - light - what it is, where it comes from and how we use it to see. They also discover what reflections are, how shadows are made and why rainbows form in the sky. They round off their project by making a fun shadow puppet theatre.

Titles in the series:

Light
Electricity
Rocks & Fossils
States of Matter
Forces & Magnets
Plants
The Human Body
Habitats
Sound
Weather

Sales Points

- Narrative, story-based approach makes learning science accessible and fun
- Contains simple science activities and experiments for readers to try
- The text and artwork have been checked by a science specialist with extensive teaching experience

Author Biography

Mary Auld (Author)

Mary Auld is a writer of children's information books, working over a broad range of subjects. She has been actively involved in music from an early age, both singing and playing the flute, on an amateur basis. She loves making music in a group, be that in an orchestra or a choir. Whether making music or writing children's books, her aim is to share her enthusiasm and inspire readers. Mary Auld is a pen name for Rachel Cooke, who is an honorary fellow of the English Association, in recognition of her editorial work in children's non-fiction.

Sernur Isik (Illustrator)

Istanbul based illustrator and designer, Sernur Isik specialises in children's books and all things lovely. She studied Graphic Design at Ataturk University Faculty of Fine Arts, then worked as an illustrator for a company in Istanbul specialising in content for children's TV. Later, she worked as the Visual Art Director and Character Designer for a Theme Park in Istanbul. In 2014 she was chosen for the Pictoplasma Academy in Berlin, where she studied character design. Since 2002, she has been working with publishers around the world, illustrating children's books. She also creates little sculptures of her characters using clay and ceramics and is currently exhibiting, mainly in USA. She travels with a passion around the world, creating new characters and stories about places she's been to.

Publication date	Thursday, August 28, 2025
Price	£8.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier	9781526321527
BIC 2.1	Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) 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	Paperback
Format	236x195
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Science Club Investigates
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Light
Electricity
Sound
Habitats
Plants
The Human Body
Forces & Magnets
Weather
Rocks & Fossils
States of Matter

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



Evil Beetle Versus Science: The Garden Force Attack A Science Comic Book About Forces

Paul Mason (Illustrated By Scott Garrett)

Keynote

A humorous science comic-book story that explains key concepts about forces

Description

A humorous science comic-book story that explains key concepts about forces. Loveable anti-heroine Evil Beetle has lots of schemes that she thinks will get rid of the annoying gardener for good. But, Evil Beetle doesn't know enough about science to make the plans work! The hilarious story is full of facts about forces and is perfect for children aged 6 plus who love comic books. For children progressing through book bands, it is suitable for children reading at Book Band 11: Lime.

Evil Beetle Vs Science is a series of books about a hapless anti-heroine and her loyal band of minibeast sidekicks. Evil Beetle's plots keep going wrong because she doesn't understand science! Luckily her friend Smart Snail is on hand to explain, and readers will learn key science concepts while enjoying Evil Beetle's attempts to keep her garden free from intruders.

Titles in the series: The Shadow of Doom (Light); The Itching Powder Plot (Plants); The Alarm Call (Sound); The Electric Attack (Electricity); The Garden Force Attack (Forces); Building the Secret Headquarters (Materials).

Sales Points

- Entertaining story format with science concepts that are aligned to the national curriculum
- Scott Garrett's bright artwork paired with Paul Mason's hilarious storylines are perfect for children who want to be entertained as they learn
- The endmatter includes a summary of the learning and Smart Snail's quiz to test if the reader can do better than Evil Beetle

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.

Scott Garrett (Illustrator)

Scott Garrett, freelance illustrator living in the UK, has worked for clients nationally and internationally, including Vodafone, Nestle, VW, GQ, The Guardian, Los Angeles Times, Boston Globe, Business Week, Klutz Books, Faber & Faber and Random House.

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Series	Evil Beetle Versus Science
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

The Shadow of Doom
The Itching Powder Plot
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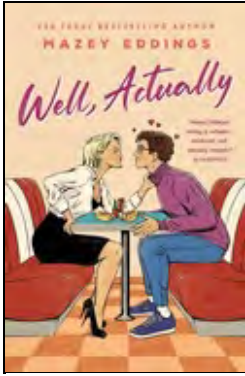
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Format	B Format
Extent	384 pages
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Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	USA
Author born in	Ohio, USA
Author living in	Philadelphia, USA
Previous Titles	
A Brush with Love	
Lizzie Blake's Best Mistake	
The Plus One	
Tilly in Technicolor	
Late Bloomer	
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2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
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Well, Actually

An utterly delightful and sexy second-chance romance from the author of *A Brush With Love!*

Mazey Eddings

Keynote

A new utterly delightful and sexy second-chance romance from the author of the TikTok-hit *A Brush with Love* and *Late Bloomer!*

Description

'Mazey Eddings's writing is authentic, emotional, and intensely romantic! To me, it's like a Taylor Swift song in book form' **ALI HAZELWOOD**

Falling for your ex is a bad idea... right?

- Ex's to lovers**
- Fake dates**
- Second chance**
- Set in New York**
- Perfect for fans of *Chicken Shop Date***

A new utterly delightful and sexy second-chance romance from the author of the TikTok-hit *A Brush with Love* and *Late Bloomer!*

Eva Kitt dreamed of pursuing a journalism career all her life. Instead, she's the host of *Sausage Talk*, interviewing B-list celebrities over lukewarm hotdogs. When Eva's impromptu public call out of her college ex goes viral, she's thrust into the spotlight. It doesn't help that said ex is Rylie Cooper, a beloved social media personality, who built a platform on deconstructing toxic masculinity and teaching men how to be good partners.

Forced to confront Rylie on a live episode of *Sausage Talk*, he offers Eva a deal: allow him to take her on a series of dates to make up for his toxic behaviour, then debrief them on his channel to show he's changed. Eva refuses to play nice, but this could advance her own career... and she wouldn't mind defaming Rylie's good name in the process. When their manufactured dates start to feel real, Eva has to wonder if the boy that broke her heart has become the man that might heal it.

Amazing praise for Mazey Eddings:

'A magnificent story about queer joy, queer love, and the power of queer community . . . **this book is a must-read**' **ALISON COCHRAN**

'**So freaking cute.** . . . *Tilly in Technicolor* will have you **aching with love for these characters** while swooning at their awkward adorableness together. I want to hug this book to my chest!' **CHLOE GONG**

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'Prepare to **smile, laugh, and cry** your way through this witty, fast-paced rom-com' **EVIE DUNMORE**

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'A **contemporary romance masterpiece** . . . The most **intoxicating slow burn** I've read in ages' **RACHEL LYNN SOLOMON**

'Funny and cute while also exploring serious topics, powerfully underscoring the truth that relationships require work, and that **happy endings are for everyone**' **SARAH HOGLE**

'Brims with **emotional depth, whip-smart banter, and sizzling chemistry**' **CHLOE LIESE**

Sales Points

- **A SPARKLING NEW VOICE IN ROM-COM:** Following on from *A BRUSH WITH LOVE*, *LIZZIE BLAKE'S BEST MISTAKE*, *THE PLUS ONE*, and *LATE BLOOMER*, **WELL, ACTUALLY** ticks all the perfect rom-com boxes that Mazey's readers know and love her for!
- **TIKTOK SENSATION!** Mazey's debut *A BRUSH WITH LOVE* earned **1.2 MILLION VIEWS ON TIKTOK in one week of publication**, with US BookTokkers **comparing it to THE LOVE HYPOTHESIS** and recommending it as their next read. UK

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BookTokers will continue to be at the forefront of our campaign for Mazey with bespoke mailings to our Eternal Brand Ambassadors with exclusive content.

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Author Biography

Mazey Eddings is a neurodiverse author, dentist, and (most importantly) stage mom to her cats, Yaya and Zadie. She can most often be found reading romance novels under her weighted blanket and asking her boyfriend to bring her snacks. She's made it her personal mission in life to destigmatize mental health issues and write love stories for every brain. With roots in Ohio and North Carolina, she now calls Philadelphia home.

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Burn of the Everflame

Penn Cole

Keynote

A slow-burn epic romantasy series from Penn Cole, this is the fourth fiery installment in the BookTok sensation and New York Times bestselling series that started with *Spark of the Everflame*, set in a world colonised by the gods and ruled over by the cruel Descended.

Description

The HOTLY ANTICIPATED final installation in Penn Cole's BookTok sensation slow-burn, epic romantasy series following one woman who must risk everything to save her family - and all of mortalkind!

War has overtaken Emarion

In the north, Ophiucae and his army of bloodthirsty mortals seek to eradicate all Descended from the continent. In the south, the Guardians of the Everflame lie in wait, plotting a rebellion generations overdue.

In Lumnos, Realm of Light and Shadow, the Crowns are gathering. Caught between two deadly foes, they must form an unlikely alliance to save their people.

But the Crowns have a secret-and a heart without its mate will burn the world down to fulfill its fate.

Hatred reigns. Hope seems lost. With the future in darkness, can a flame emerge to bring the light?

Readers can't get enough of Penn Cole!

'This story has captivated me . . . A fiery tapestry of love and what must be will be'

'Read. This. Book. Now.'

'A beautifully told story, gripping in every way and leaving wanting more!'

'Wow. Just wow. Everything you'd ever want in a fantasy book!'

'For anyone who loves ACOTAR and [Fourth Wing], you should 100% read this series. . . Chosen ones, magic, dragon creatures, enemy's to lovers, found family, banter, slow burn, royal politics, war. It has everything!'

Sales Points

- **PENN COLE IS A TIKTOK SENSATION!** #SparkOfTheEverflame has earned 12.8 MILLION VIEWS ON TIKTOK following in the footsteps of Carissa Broadbent, Raven Kennedy, Amber V. Nicole and Sarah J. Maas. Penn also has a passionate following of 51.8k followers on Instagram, as well as 12.4k likes and 4.4k followers on TikTok, and these editions contain exclusive bonus chapters and artwork to appeal to existing fans.
- **A SLOW-BURN, ENEMIES-TO-LOVERS, EPIC ROMANTASY SERIES:** With everything that readers love in this area, *Spark of the Everflame* kicks off this perfect epic romantasy series - perfect for fans of strong female characters, intriguing family dynamics, old gods and new gods, enemies-to-lovers, fantasy political intrigue, 'touch her and die', he falls first and more!
- **INNOVATIVE SERIES CAMPAIGN AIMED AT BOOKTOKKERS:** Using our romantasy blogger list (more than 2,000 engaged influencers!) and Penn's organic following, we will engage BookTokers and Bookstagrammers in our ongoing publishing of the Kindred's Curse Saga series to really grow organic support and build on the series' TikTok visibility and bookshop presence.

Author Biography

Penn Cole is an internationally bestselling author of magical worlds, feisty women, and angsty romance. Her debut series, **The Kindred's Curse Saga**, has been sold in over a dozen languages to date.

Before pursuing her lifelong dream of publishing, Penn had a prior career as an artist and attorney. Although she's a Texas girl born and bred, she currently lives in France with her husband where she can usually be found eating far too many pastries and trolling her readers on Discord.

For the latest updates on appearances, new releases, and bonus content from the series, join Penn's mailing list at **PennCole.com** or follow **@AuthorPennCole** on Instagram, TikTok, and Facebook.

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Not for Sale	ANZ; Aus; Can; USA
Author born in	Texas, USA
Author living in	Paris, France

Previous Titles

SPARK OF THE EVERFLAME
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BURN OF THE EVERFLAME

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Binding	Hardback
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Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

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The Little Book of Ghosts and Hauntings Tales of the Uncanny

Orange Hippo!

Keynote

An otherworldly journey for the curious soul...

Description

Dive into the eerie allure of the supernatural with this compact collection of uncanny trivia and spooky quotes. From historical hauntings to modern-day mysteries, this book offers a compelling insight into the mysterious world of the paranormal. Perfect for dipping into on a dark, stormy night, it explores ghostly apparitions and inexplicable phenomena from around the world. Whether you're a seasoned ghost hunter or a curious sceptic, this little book is sure to captivate and send shivers down your spine.

CONTENTS

1. Shadows of the Past
2. Spirits of Land and Sea
3. Haunted Homes and Castles
4. Ghosthunters
5. Urban Legends
6. Whispers from the Grave

Sample Quotes

"The boundaries which divide Life from Death are at best shadowy and vague."
Edgar Allan Poe

"I see dead people."
Cole, The Sixth Sense, 1999

Sample Facts

A small clay tablet from Babylon is said to be the world's oldest depiction of a ghost - although the image can only be seen when viewed from above. Dating back to 1500 BCE, the ancient tablet serves as a guide to exorcising ghosts. The last line tells the reader to "not look behind you"!

Many claim that Poveglia, a small, abandoned island located between Venice and Lido in northern Italy, is the most haunted place in the world. During the Black Death, more than 160,000 people were sent there to die, while from 1922, the island housed a mental asylum. Today Poveglia is off-limits - but illegal visitors have reported feeling an overwhelming sense of sorrow and anguish, and of hearing the pitiful cries of the island's restless souls.

Sales Points

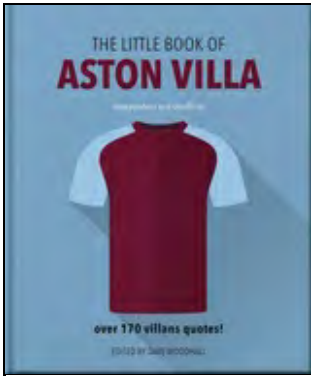
- Hit TV shows, such as *Paranormal Caught on Camera*, and podcasts, such as the BBC's *Uncanny*, reflect people's fascination with the paranormal.
- A recent survey showed that one in three people in Britain believe in ghosts.
- Evocative quotes add a chilling layer of atmosphere and intrigue.
- Packed full of bite-sized facts to compel both sceptics and believers.

Author Biography

The **Orange Hippo!** list features innovative, quirky books that reflect style, popular culture and current trends.

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The Little Book of Aston Villa

Author Biography

The **Orange Hippo!** list features innovative, quirky books that reflect style, popular culture and current trends.

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Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
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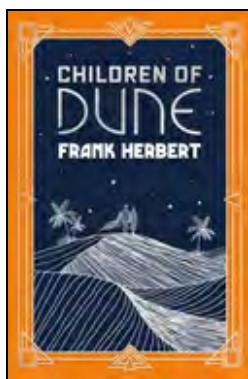
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Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Series	DUNE, Gateway Essentials
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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Author living in	Deceased

Previous Titles

DUNE, DUNE MESSIAH, CHILDREN OF DUNE, HERETICS OF DUNE, CHAPTER HOUSE DUNE

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Children Of Dune

The inspiration for the blockbuster film

Frank Herbert

Keynote

The third novel in the multi-award-winning Dune series -- the most famous, widely acclaimed and popular of all science fiction novels, named one of the BBC's 100 Novels That Shaped Our World, which inspired the the jaw-dropping cinematic adaptations *Dune: Part One* and *Dune: Part Two*.

Description

What *The Lord of the Rings* is to fantasy, *Dune* is to science fiction. Presenting *Children of Dune*, the third book in one of the most influential series of all time, which has inspired countless other stories for more than half a century, this is an awe-inspiring world, and a story of truly epic scope.

The sand-blasted world of Arrakis has become green, watered and fertile. Old Paul Atreides, who led the desert Fremen to political and religious domination of the galaxy, is gone.

But for the children of Dune, the very blossoming of their land contains the seeds of its own destruction. The altered climate is destroying the giant sandworms, and this in turn is disastrous for the planet's economy.

Leto and Ghanima, Paul Atreides's twin children and his heirs, can see possible solutions - but fanatics begin to challenge the rule of the all-powerful Atreides empire, and more than economic disaster threatens ...

Read the series which inspired the Academy Award-winning and jaw-dropping cinematic events *Dune: Part One* and *Dune: Part Two*. A science fiction spectacular like no other, this is a deeply climate conscious novel, and a compelling family saga for the ages.

Dune reading order:

Dune
Dune Messiah
Children of Dune
God Emperor of Dune
Heretics of Dune
Chapterhouse Dune

Sales Points

- Available with a striking cover look that completes the Dune, Dune Messiah, Children of Dune collection.
- Dune has been made into two blockbuster cinema events in 2021 and 2024, with a third part due in 2026. The Dune universe isn't going anywhere for a while!
- The Dune series is the most famous and successful science fiction series of all time.

Reviews

- 'I know nothing comparable to it except *The Lord of the Rings*' - *Arthur C. Clarke on Dune*
- 'Science-fiction at its most majestic, unsettling and enveloping' - *Daily Telegraph*
- 'A sweeping work of science-fiction that helped define the genre and bring it to the mainstream' - *The Independent*
- '*Dune*: science fiction's answer to *The Lord of the Rings*' - *The Guardian*

Author Biography

Frank Herbert (1920-86) was born in Tacoma, Washington and worked as a reporter and later editor of a number of West Coast newspapers before becoming a full-time writer. His first sf story was published in 1952 but he achieved fame more than ten years later with the publication in *Analog* of DUNE WORLD and THE PROPHET OF DUNE, amalgamated in the novel DUNE in 1965.

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Almark, Vol. 1 (novel)

The Institute for Magic

Noboru Yamada, Posuka Demizu, Roman Lempert

Key Selling Points

- Featuring a magic school system, a kindhearted but strong protagonist, and a cast of quirky classmates, Almark is the perfect mix of fantasy and adventure!

Summary

As war in the North comes to an end, Almark, the son of mercenaries, finds himself at a crossroads. When he was a child, a foreigner told him that he had the potential to wield magic. Now he sets out to fulfill his father's wish to become a sorcerer in the peaceful southlands. After a long journey to the institute of magic, he quickly discovers that life there is completely different from anything he's ever seen before. He also learns that the residents of the south view the war-like northerners as savage barbarians, a divide that may only be matched by the one between the nobility and commoners. While hiding his mercenary lineage and with some help from his friends, Almark takes first steps toward becoming a true sorcerer!

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Status: **FORTHCOMING**



Chasing Salah The Biography

Simon Hughes

Keynote

Chasing Salah will shed a truer light on Liverpool legend and the most famous Egyptian footballer in the history of the sport.

Description

Despite his consistency, his achievements and more-so, his visibility, he has never written an autobiography and a biography has never been written about him. He remains an enigmatic figure. We barely know how his teammates really feel about him and we do not know what he thinks of them. We do not really know about the world around him: how the events of the past decade in Egypt have impacted on his own life. We barely know what really motivates him. And we also know very little about where he is heading: whether a deal to join the exodus of high level European-based footballers in Saudi Arabia really interests him. This biography seeks to answer those questions by attempting to speak to the people who know him best through a mixture of on-record and off-record interviews. A definitive biography to remember.

Sales Points

- Salah is one of the most enigmatic characters in football - there has been no definitive biography until now.
- Potential interviewees include Jurgen Klopp, Virgil van Dijk, Trent Alexander-Arnold, Jordan Henderson and Ramy Abbas, his agent.
- The author is well-placed to write this biography, writing for the *Athletic*, *Independent*, and having written extensively on Liverpool FC. In 2022, he won the North West football journalist of the year award. He also has 74K followers on Twitter.

Author Biography

Simon Hughes is a Merseyside based football writer with the *Athletic*, whom he joined from the *Independent* upon its launch in the United Kingdom in 2019. In 2022, he won the North West football journalist of the year award. He is the author of seven books about Liverpool FC as well as *There She Goes*, a modern social history of Liverpool as a city. In 2014, his book *Red Machine* won the Antonio Ghirelli Prize for Italian Soccer Foreign Book of the Year.

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Little Book of Tiffany & Co. The story of the iconic jewellery brand

Tamara Sturtz-Filby

Keynote

The beautifully illustrated story behind one of the world's best known luxury jewellery brands.

Description

A heritage brand with more cultural significance than any other jeweller, Tiffany & Co. is a design house synonymous with luxury.

With iconic cultural moments from *Breakfast at Tiffany's* to collaborating with Beyoncé and Jay-Z, and celebrity fans including Elizabeth Taylor and Zendaya, Tiffany & Co. has been the last word in diamonds since its beginnings in nineteenth-century New York.

Featuring over 100 dazzling images accompanied by expert text, *Little Book of Tiffany & Co.* tells the timeless story of an incomparably influential house and its journey from Fifth Avenue to the world.

Sales Points

- 5th Avenue store had transformation and reopened in 2023, been closed for renovation since 2019.
- Forbes ranked 8th most popular luxury online brand 2023 - this is arguably in the same remit as our Rolex book, exploring luxury accessories.
- Social media engagement: 339k TikTok with #tiffany 3.6b views; Instagram 15.5m. 2023 ranked 9th in Brand Directory's luxury brands, valued at \$7.4b
- Expanding product range, appealing to younger, more affluent customers - and with celebrity endorsements to match (Jeremy Allen White wore a Tiffany brooch to SAG Awards, and on the Oscars red carpet was worn by Lady Gaga, Michael B Jordan and Michelle Williams).
- Author of our Story of the Diamond book, Tamara Sturtz-Filby

Author Biography

Tamara Sturtz-Filby is a journalist and author with over 20 years experience writing for national magazines and newspapers including *Vogue*, *Elle*, *Marie Claire*, *Grazia*, *Red*, *Harper's Bazaar*, the *Sunday Times*, the *Guardian*, the *Daily Mail* and the *Daily Telegraph*. She has written two fashion books, *The Story of the Diamond* and *Behind The Gloss*. She lives in Bath, UK. @tamarafashionwriter

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Format	180x125
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	17645 words
Illustrations	100 colour / black and white photographs

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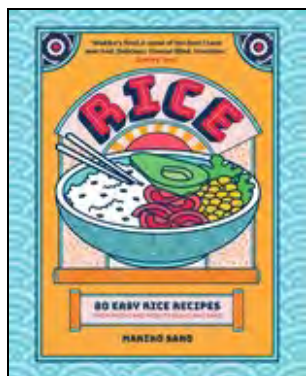
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BIC 2.1	Cookery by ingredient (WBT) General cookery & recipes (WBA) Cookery / food & drink etc (WB)
Binding	Hardback
Format	230x185
Extent	176 pages
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Illustrations	Over 100 colour food photographs
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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Rice 80 Easy Rice Recipes, From Mochi to Miso and Sushi to Sake

Makiko Sano

Keynote

A glorious celebration of rice with 80 delicious recipes and text that explores preparing, cooking and storing this magnificent hero ingredient.

Description

A glorious celebration of rice with 80 delicious recipes and text that explores preparing, cooking and storing this magnificent hero ingredient.

Affordable, versatile, delicious and satisfying, rice is a staple in Asian cuisine, a favourite ingredient that forms the backbone of tasty recipes enjoyed the world over. Building on the success of her first book *Ramen*, this second collaboration with author Makiko Sano follows her winning formula, celebrating Japan's deep connection with rice with of 80 delicious Asian recipes.

Featuring gorgeous colour recipe and step by step photographs, chapters include Kake Gohan, Donburi, Rice Noodles, Onigiri, Rice Cooker Dishes, Rice Flour, Savoury Rice and Rice Paper, with gluten-free meal ideas in each section. Along with expert advice on how to cook the perfect rice, how to make a meal in a rice cooker and how to overcome the many challenges faced when cooking rice, this is *the* go-to rice cookbook.

Sales Points

- Rice-related food is a regular food trend on social media with TikTok: #cooking rice 191.3m views, #makingrice 147.2m views, Instagram: #rice 11.3m posts.
- Repeat, well-connected author with track record securing endorsement (inc. Stanley Tucci, Felicity Tucci, Emily Blunt). *Ramen* went to No.1 on the Amazon chart when Stanley posted the book on his Instagram page.
- Spanish rights sold for both *Ramen* and *Rice* with more to follow.
- Mochi balls are a trend: with strong social media presence, Little Moons was a TikTok sensation that exploded into the mainstream during the pandemic-induced lockdown in 2020. Reporting 85.5 percent growth over the last three years, it's one of the fastest-growing businesses in the UK.
- The Japanese diet is believed to contribute to longer life expectancy and lower morbidity from cardiovascular disease, particularly coronary heart disease. This book is a celebration of rice with both the saint and sinner recipes!

Author Biography

Tokyo-born **Makiko Sano** owns and runs a popular Japanese restaurant, sushi school and catering company, *Suzu House*, in Hammersmith, London. She wrote *SushiSlim* (2013, translated into 16 languages), which won the Gourmand World Cookbook Award, and *Shoku-iku: Japanese Conscious Eating for a Long and Healthy Life* (2016, translated into 8 languages), and most recently Welbeck's *Ramen* (2023) which topped the charts.

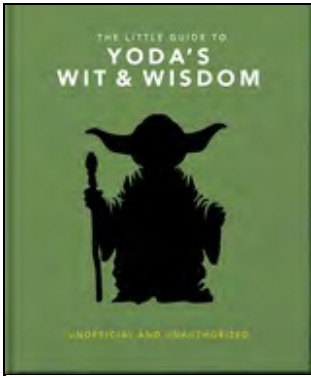
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BIC 2.1	Gift books (WZG)
Binding	Hardback
Format	137x113
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

The Little Guide to Yoda Wit and Wisdom Orange Hippo!

Keynote

Explore Yoda's iconic wit and wisdom through his most memorable quotes and the profound lessons they hold.

Description

The *Empire Strikes Back*, the sequel film to 1977's *Star Wars*, is regularly voted the Greatest Film of All Time. It was also the first time Yoda, a Grand Master of the Jedi Order and the most powerful Jedi in its history, made his awesome first appearance. Since then, the two-foot-two, green alien humanoid of unknown origins has become one of the franchises most enduring and popular characters appearing in six of the nine sequel trilogies, as well as the acclaimed *Clone Wars* animation.

Famed for his wit, wisdom and syntax, Yoda's profound and playful words have left a large legacy on popular culture, particularly on countless items of merchandise. Here, inside *The Wit and Wisdom of Yoda*, are more than 175 classic quotes and quips from the character himself, as well as tons of other tasty trivia treats, guaranteeing this tiny tome is the perfect gift for the *Star Wars* fan in your family. Which, last time we checked, was everyone. Enjoy!

SAMPLE TEXT

"Train yourself to let go of everything you fear to lose."

Yoda

"Always pass on what you have learned."

Yoda

While every main character in the Star Wars universe has a detailed origin story, only Yoda - and Grogu's* - is unknown. Creator George Lucas has never revealed the species and home planet of Yoda in an attempt to keep the character a mystery.

Sales Points

- The force is strong in Yoda, the wisest (and wittiest!) Jedi Master in *Star Wars*, the greatest film franchise ever created in a galaxy far, far away.
- More than 175 quotes, quips, wit, wisdom and trivia from Yoda himself, as well his real-life castmates, crew and creators.
- Published in time for May 2025, Yoda's 945th birthday, and the 45th anniversary of his first appearance in 1980's *The Empire Strikes Back*.

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Author Biography

The **Orange Hippo!** list features innovative, quirky books that reflect style, popular culture and current trends.

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Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology, Vol. 4

Kafka Asagiri, Kevin Gifford, Sango Harukawa

Key Selling Points

- Featuring various styles from multiple artists, each putting their own touch on these iconic characters, *Bungo Stray Dogs: The Official Comic Anthology* is a must-have for fans of this renowned series.
- *Bungo Stray Dogs* has been one of the most popular supernatural action series in the world of manga and anime for nearly a decade.
- *Bungo Stray Dogs* has five iconic seasons of anime airing on Crunchyroll.

Summary

The Agency, the Port Mafia, the Guild, the Hunting Dogs, and more—all your favorite characters are back in this fourth volume of the official comic anthology of Bungo Stray Dogs!

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Official Comic Anthology
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Binding	Paperback
Format	297x210
Extent	40 pages
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Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

The Big Around-the-World Animal Adventure A search and find book

Vicky Woodgate

Keynote

Hop around the world from one amazing animal kingdom to another with this fun, fact-packed search-and-find adventure.

Description

Hop around the world from one amazing animal kingdom to another with this fun, fact-packed search-and-find adventure.

Join Leopold the fairy penguin on an awesome animal adventure to far-flung corners of the world. From 'Cat Island' in Japan to a cuteness overload of quokkas in Australia, readers will be amazed at the incredible animal kingdoms they've never heard of or seen before.

Featuring incredible facts and search-and-find activities along the way, this is the perfect activity title for animal-lovers ages 7+.

Sales Points

- A fun search-and-find format, brimming with fascinating facts about surprising species and their unique homes
- Bold, beautiful art covering eight rarely heard of animal hotspots
- Full colour non-fiction spotting book for animal and nature lovers aged 7+

Author Biography

Vicky Woodgate has been illustrating for over 10 years. Having studied design and illustration at Chelsea Art School, she found herself working within the TV, film and theme-park industry as a scenic artist. After 10 years, she moved into publishing, working on newspapers, magazines, books and advertising. Vicky has always had a passion for wildlife, and loves travelling, writing and drawing maps. She is based in Brighton, UK.

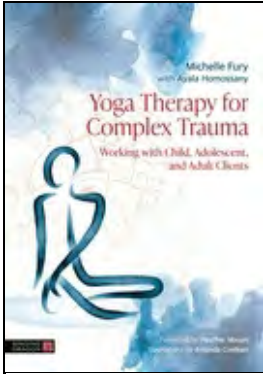
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Binding Format	Trade Paperback 246x173 (6.8x9.7")
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	90000 words
Illustrations	9 black and white figures and 51 black and white illustrations
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author living in	Colorado, London
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Yoga Therapy for Complex Trauma Working with Child, Adolescent, and Adult Clients

Michelle Fury with Ayala Homossany. Foreword by Heather Mason.

Keynote

How yoga therapy can be used to alleviate the symptoms of complex trauma.

Description

With the right, trauma-sensitive approach, yoga therapy can help heal individuals with Complex Traumatic Stress Disorder (CPTSD).

This book presents an integrative model of yoga therapy for the treatment of complex trauma, which results from repeated or prolonged traumatic events. The model focuses on five key elements, with panchamaya kosha at the center:

- **Panchamaya Kosha** - the ancient yoga therapy system
- **The Gunas** - the yogic and Ayurvedic concept that there are three universal qualities of rajas, tamas, and sattva
- **Fundamental Movements** - a modern somatic psychology concept that aligns with both Panchamaya Kosha and Attachment Theory
- **Phase-Based Treatment** - a trauma-informed approach to clinical care
- **Community Care and Self-Care** - we hold the value that yoga professionals must take care of themselves to be good caregivers to others

Yoga Therapy for Complex Trauma covers three distinct age groups - children, adolescents, and adults - and offers an evidence-informed approach to providing yoga specifically for CPTSD.

Sales Points

- Includes an extensive reference list to find further resources on complex trauma and yoga therapy.
- Complex trauma is an issue that is growing in awareness.
- A practical guide that offers effective yoga tools and techniques.
- Diverse and inclusive approach.
- True-to-life case studies included.

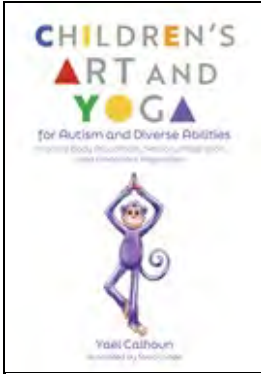
Reviews

- 'Michelle Fury and Ayala Homossany have crafted an essential, experience-driven guide to yoga therapy for complex trauma for all age groups, including children and adolescents. Drawing on years of hands-on work with clients, they provide accessible, trauma-sensitive tools that yoga professionals can immediately use to support healing. A must-read for anyone in the field.' - Jonathan Rosenthal, MD, Neurologist, Yoga Student, Host of the Neuroscience and Yoga Conference
- 'Written with warmth, depth, and fierce clarity, this book is a gift to yoga therapists. It creates a thoughtful lens for understanding complex trauma, grounded in experience and story. Brave, beautiful, and absolutely essential.' - Rachel Krentzman PT, C-IAYT, CHT, Physiotherapist, Yoga Therapist & Psychotherapist
- 'This is a book I wish I had read *before* I started my yoga therapy practice, because most yoga therapists will eventually encounter students with complex trauma, but few have the training to recognize these symptoms, much less to address them. Paradoxically, however, most yoga therapists will best appreciate the insights from this book only *after* they have experiences with this with their own students. Hence recommended for both new *and* experienced yoga therapists, especially those who want to learn from and work with psycho-therapists.' - John Kepner, Emeritus Executive Director, International Association of Yoga Therapists
- 'A clear, compassionate resource for clinicians and yoga therapists. Fury and Homossany offer an integrative, trauma-informed framework that supports regulation, embodiment, and healing across the lifespan.' - Shawnee Thornton Hardy, C-IAYT, SEP, Author of *Yoga Therapy for Children & Teens with Complex Needs and Asanas for Autism and Special Needs*

Author Biography

Michelle Fury (C-IAYT, LPC) is the owner/founder of Rhythms Yoga Training, LLC, as well as a pediatric yoga therapist and licensed professional counsellor. Michelle co-created and ran the yoga therapy program at Children's Hospital Colorado for nearly 15 years. She is the author of *Using Yoga Therapy to Promote Mental Health in Children and Adolescents* (Handspring). She lives in Colorado.

Ayala Homossany (E-RYT, B.Des) is a yoga therapist, BWY senior yoga teacher, a teacher trainer of children's yoga and mindfulness and a visual communication designer. She is the founder of Enchanted Wonders Ltd., and the author and publisher of the award-winning and best-selling *Enchanted Wonders A-Z Yoga Cards*. She lives in London.



Children's Art and Yoga for Autism and Diverse Abilities

Improve Body Awareness, Sensory Integration, and Emotional Regulation

Yael Calhoun

Keynote

A fun and experiential art and yoga program to increase body awareness and emotional/sensory regulation in children.

Description

Based on the trauma-informed GreenTREE Yoga® Approach of building safety, supporting empowerment, and maintaining simplicity, this book provides an easy-to-use art and yoga program for autistic children and those with differing needs.

The structured program guides teaching six classes to introduce the benefits of yoga in any setting, including schools, residential centers, camps, and homes. It also can be adapted to your changing program needs.

The program includes simple art projects, yoga poses, and breathwork components, guided by charming illustrations of Shanti the Monkey to lend structure, predictability, consistency, and fun. The simple yoga can be done standing, seated, or lying down. With session plans, scripts, and visual prompts for artwork and yoga poses, this book gives you everything you need to provide a fun program and share resources with parents and teachers to do at home or in the classroom. You can give children tools to build body awareness and emotional regulation skills.

Sales Points

- The author has good connections to yoga and autism organisations and her yoga curriculum has been endorsed by both sides
- Includes downloadable content, such as a flip chart of Shanti in various poses, mp3 audio tracks, art project templates and colouring sheets
- Yoga techniques inclusive of diverse abilities and are doable standing, sitting or lying down
- This book follows a 6 step approach and is easy to follow and an accessible tool for those teaching yoga at any level

Author Biography

Yael Calhoun, E-RTY, MS, MA, is a long-time educator and author. She is a writer/series editor of over 20 books, DVDs/CDs, and training manuals, including yoga for trauma, pain management, children, seniors, caregivers, and schools. Her recent science-based, practical books include Building Safety with Trauma-informed Yoga (Routledge, 2024); Trauma-informed Yoga for Pain Management (Jessica Kingsley Publishers, 2024); and Art and Yoga for Children with Differing Needs and Autism: Improve Body Awareness, Sensory Integration, and Emotional Regulation (Jessica Kingsley Publishers, 2025).

Market

Yoga teachers, parents with autistic children, those looking after or caring for Autistic children or those with differing needs.

Publication date	Thursday, August 21, 2025
Price	£16.99 / ₹1399
Main Identifier	9781839978302
BIC 2.1	Teaching of students with specific learning difficulties / needs (JNSG) Coping with disability (VFJD) Autism & Asperger's Syndrome (MJNA) Coping with illness & specific conditions (VFJB) Exercise & workout books (VFMG)
Binding Format	Trade Paperback 246x173 (6.8x9.7")
Extent	176 pages
Word Count	40000 words
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale Not for Sale	UK; World None
Author living in	Salt Lake City, US

Previous Titles

• (With Mona Bingham) *Trauma-informed Yoga for Pain Management: A Practical Manual for Simple Stretching, Gentle Strengthening, and Mindful Breathing* (9781839978005)

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Translation	Jessica Kingsley Publishers
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Lost and Now Found

A guide to understanding and accepting yourself for late-discovered autistic adults

Kate Laine-Toner and Suzi Payton

Keynote

A guidebook for late-discovered autistic adults to help them explore their identity and understand how to live a happy, fulfilling life tailored to their needs.

Description

What happens when you discover that you are autistic later in life? How do you move forward from that point?

If you are feeling lost, this is the book for you. Featuring deeply personal stories from the authors and other autistic people in their thirties, forties, fifties and beyond, you will be supported to explore your autistic identity and to learn how to build a 'life hand-picked' for your unique needs.

It's time to be happier, healthier, less anxious - and to find the real you.

Sales Points

- **Packed with real world, lived-experience advice** - Features the voices and experiences of a wide range of contributors to amplify the advice and autistic experience for all readers.
- There is an **upsurge in autism awareness** and autism and neurodiversity causing an uptick in late diagnosis.

Author Biography

Kate Laine-Toner is an autistic trainer, speaker and author. She is also mother to an amazing neurodivergent child. In 2012, Kate founded the parent support charity Bristol Autism Support, and over the following 10 years supported over 3,000 parents and carers on their autism journey. In 2022 she was given a British Citizen Award for her services to the autism parenting community, and in January 2023 she received the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service on behalf of the charity. She left the charity in 2022 and now delivers training on a wide range of autism topics for parents and carers, and provides training on autism and neurodiversity for corporate, charity, medical and public attraction settings. Her book *Where Do I Start? How to navigate the emotional journey of autism parenting* published in 2023.

Suzi Payton is a 49-year-old multi-talented, neurodivergent queer woman who lives in Brighton with her wife and rescue dog. An avid interest in personal development led her to study all humans as well as herself from a very young age. Since learning she was autistic and ADHD plus Tourette's and OCD, she has pursued an informal the study of autism and ADHD as a 'special interest' and is on a mission to help make the world a better place for ND folks through coaching, speaking and comedy skills.

Market

Late-discovered autistic adults.

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Extent	256 pages
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Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale Not for Sale	UK; World None
Book locale	N/A
Author born in	N/A
Author living in	Bristol & Brighton, UK

Previous Titles

Laine-Toner, *Where Do I Start: How to Navigate the Emotional Journey of Autism Parenting*, September 2023 (9781839975523) 711 copies sold

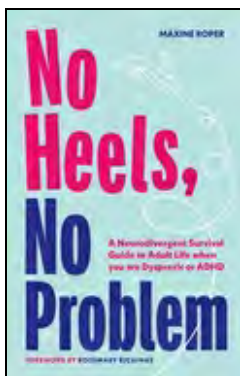
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No Heels, No Problem A Neurodivergent Survival Guide to Adult Life when you are Dyspraxic or ADHD

Maxine Roper. Foreword by Rosemary Richings

Keynote

A survival guide for dyspraxic and ADHD women with practical tips and insights from a lived-experience author drawing from their own experiences.

Description

Are you a dyspraxic or ADHD woman, or do you think you might be? Does a lot of life advice for women feel like it's not quite meant for you? Were you told you'd grow out of dyspraxia or ADHD as a child, not grow into them as a woman?

If you want to understand what dyspraxia or ADHD means to you as an adult, and a woman, this book is for you. It will support you in every part of your neurodiversity journey and help you understand what dyspraxia and ADHD mean to you as a woman, in your relationship with others, yourself and even your body. It's the survival guide I wish I had growing up - so I have written it for you instead. Sometimes uplifting and humorous and at other times unflinchingly honest about life's rock bottoms, think of reading this book as having a coffee with someone who's seen the best and worst of life and is ready to cheer you on when you're doing great and be there for you when you fall.

Sales Points

- **Lived-experience author in the under published area of dyspraxia.**
- **5% of school aged children are dyspraxic but women are often diagnosed later** making this kind of resource essential due to the limited support and understanding earlier in life. (Dyspraxia Foundation)

Author Biography

Maxine Roper is a dyspraxic ADHD writer. Maxine has written about neurodivergence for fifteen years and her pieces have featured in a variety of outlets including The Guardian and The Daily Telegraph. She is also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and a former Trustee of The Dyspraxia Foundation.

Market

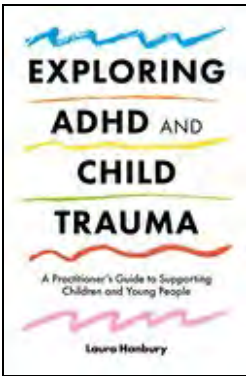
Dyspraxic, ADHD and dual diagnosis dyspraxic ADHDer women and those supporting them.

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Exploring ADHD and Child Trauma A Practitioner's Guide to Supporting Children and Young People

Laura Hanbury

Keynote

A practical guide for professionals working with children, including those in care, which offers reflective approaches to understanding the connections between ADHD symptoms, survival strategies and trauma responses in children.

Description

This book serves as a valuable guide for professionals across working across health, education, and social care, aiming to deepen understanding of the complex relationship between ADHD symptoms, learnt survival strategies and trauma responses in children. By examining overlapping behaviors, exploring practical implications, and offering strategies for effective intervention, it encourages practitioners to adopt a more curious, reflective approach to understanding behavior and providing compassionate support.

Sales Points

- **Gap in the market** - few (if any) books address the crossover between ADHD symptoms and trauma responses
- **Trauma-informed care is a growing focus in all the caring professions**, and this book will help practitioners to consider whether children's behaviour is related to ADHD or safeguarding issues
- **The number of ADHD diagnoses has increased sharply in recent years** (Significant rise in ADHD diagnoses in the UK | UCL News - UCL - University College London), **and is significantly higher among looked-after children**
- **The book focuses on ways to avoid missed safeguarding opportunities** - a key goal for social workers

Author Biography

Laura Hanbury is a clinician and PhD scholar with extensive experience in child protection. She specialises in exploring the connections between attachment trauma, neurodevelopment, and behavioural responses. Her work integrates academic research and practical expertise to provide actionable insights into family dynamics and child behaviour. As an independent lecturer, author, and trainer, Laura focuses on advancing understanding and fostering more effective approaches to supporting children and families.

Market

Child Protection Professionals - Social Workers and Family Practitioners
Teachers - Primary and Secondary
Clinicians - mental health workers

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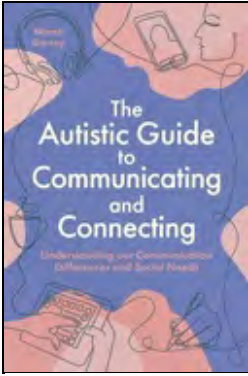
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The Autistic Guide to Communicating and Connecting Understanding our communication differences and social needs

Niamh Garvey

Keynote

Strategies to help autistic people feel safe and prepared in social situations

Description

"Autistic people communicate differently to non-autistic people, but that does not equate to communicating "wrong"."

Written by autistic author Niamh Garvey, this book combines up-to-date research and lived experience perspectives to create the ultimate guide to supporting your autistic social self in hectic, everyday life.

Split into three parts that cover communication, socialising and strategies for specific social situations, this book covers everything you need to understand your communication style and helps you to explore your own social comfort zone, which looks different for everyone!

This guide is supportive, affirming and packed full of strategies on how you can support yourself and manage daily social situations, from restaurants to interviews.

Sales Points

- Niamh's first book, Looking After Your Autistic Self has sold over 8,700 copies across formats since it was first published in June 2023.
- The topic of socialising and communication within the autistic community is something that is often talked about from a more medical standpoint, with this book Niamh uses her lived experience and research to really speak directly to the reader.

Market

Autistic adults

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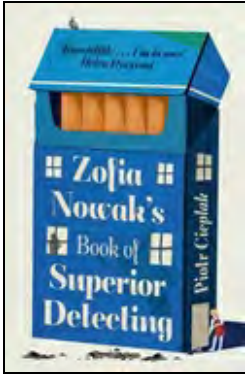
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Zofia Nowak's Book of Superior Detecting

Piotr Cieplak

Keynote

Meet the most unforgettable heroine since Eleanor Oliphant: Zofia, the Polish mother who pretends to be a cleaning lady in order to discover what really happened to her missing son.

Description

'If you're looking for irresistible prose, it's here in this book. The protagonists' voices criss-cross in a near impossible harmony of heart, guts, shrewdness and nerve. If it's a story you're after, that's here too' Helen Oyeyemi

Zofia's troubled son, Janek, is missing. She leaves her native Warsaw and arrives in London to investigate whether a famous writer, Steve, had something to do with the disappearance.

To fund the operation, headstrong Zofia has borrowed a lot of money and been forced to take cleaning jobs - a professional trajectory she finds *very much* beneath her. Zofia's heavy-handed, DIY investigation soon yields some results: Steve does have skeletons in his closet. Two are of particular interest: he stole Janek's novel and published it as his own; and he's now dating Janek's ex-boyfriend...

Steve and Zofia soon join forces to unravel this mystery. There's an unsolved murder, a stolen book, and a missing boyfriend - all that before Zofia and Steve even begin to face the fact that they both played a part in creating this almighty mess.

Just as hilarious as it is thought-provoking, this unputdownable and genuinely one-of-a-kind page-turner is perfect for fans of Jonas Jonasson, Fredrik Backman and Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine.

Sales Points

- Prepare to be dazzled by Zofia - a stunning comic creation whose voice truly jumps off the page. Think not being completely fine with Eleanor Oliphant - Zofia is endlessly entertaining, touching, unpredictable, brash and brilliant. She is genuinely unforgettable.
- This is for fans of mystery-led reading group fiction who have been enraptured by Nita Prose's *The Maid*, those who are looking for their next quirky, wry and unforgettable character in the vein of *Eleanor Oliphant*, and readers who loved the gentle investigation of *Elizabeth is Missing*.
- The novel has a deliciously bookish twist - the male protagonist is an author, and one of the mysteries relates to a stolen story. Zofia herself, as she investigates her missing son, writes a book on detecting; hence the title. We'll be leaning into this bookish angle in our campaign.
- Zofia is a fictional character but the author says that the character is inspired by some 'powerful and, sometimes, wonderfully difficult, single-minded women I've had the privilege to have in my life.'
- This is quirky reading group fiction that shifts the dial but telling a totally new story. This is a fast-moving, character-driven, darkly comic tale that pieces together a disturbing story of secrets, love, betrayal, obsession and surprising connections between apparently unrelated worlds.

Reviews

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Piotr is the writer and director of *Memory Cards* (UK, 2015), *The Faces We Lost* (UK, 2017), *Closed Casket* (UK, 2020), *Do You Remember That Year?* (UK, 2021) and *To (Dis)Appear* (UK, 2023). His films have screened at international festivals around the world, on TV, and received numerous awards.

Piotr's creative work has been supported by grants from the British Academy and the Leverhulme Trust. He lives in London and teaches at the University of Sussex. *Not Your Story* is Piotr's first novel.

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