



The Defender

Ana Huang

Keynote

The next book in the Gods of the Game series by No. 1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author Ana Huang - a steamy sports romance set in the world of the English Premier League football.

Description

No. 1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author Ana Huang is back with the next book in the Gods of the Game series

He has to play by the rules . . . but for her, he'd break them all.

As the captain of Blackcastle Football Club and one of the highest-paid athletes in the game, Vincent DuBois should be on top of the world.

But when his fame brings danger to his doorstep, he finds himself in his worst nightmare scenario - secretly sharing a flat with his coach's daughter, knowing full well she's far too big a temptation for him to resist.

When his new living arrangements escalate into a bet that throws them even closer together, he realizes he's in deeper trouble than he thought.

He's always played to win - but for her, he might just risk it all.

As a sports nutritionist and the daughter of a legendary coach, Brooklyn Armstrong is used to dealing with hotshot athletes.

However, no player gets under her skin like Vincent, her best friend's infuriatingly cocky (and gorgeous) brother. She left California hoping for a fresh start, and he's the kind of distraction she doesn't need.

Now, he's sleeping in the room next to hers while her career is up in the air and her defenses are crumbling.

But no matter how many sparks fly between them, a relationship between the captain and the coach's daughter could never work . . . could it?

Sales Points

- Queen of the billionaire romance, Ana Huang is a global superstar - selling millions of copies worldwide and appearing on bestseller lists around the world
- Piatkus have sold over 7 million copies of Ana's books
- *The Striker* was an instant *Sunday Times* bestseller, becoming Ana's first book to hit the Top Ten in both the UK and Ireland for two weeks in a row
- *The Striker* got off to a flying start with UK - in the first three months sales were up by 44% on her previous bestselling title
- With pre-orders already tracking ahead of *The Striker* we expect the launch of *The Defender* to be even bigger!

Author Biography

Ana Huang is a No. 1 *New York Times*, *Sunday Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, and No. 1 Amazon bestselling author. Best known for her Twisted series, she writes new adult and contemporary romance with deliciously alpha heroes, strong heroines, and plenty of steam, angst, and swoon.

Her books have been translated in over two dozen languages and featured in outlets such as *NPR*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Financial Times*, and *Glamour UK*.

A self-professed travel enthusiast, she loves incorporating beautiful destinations into her stories and will never say no to a good chai latte.

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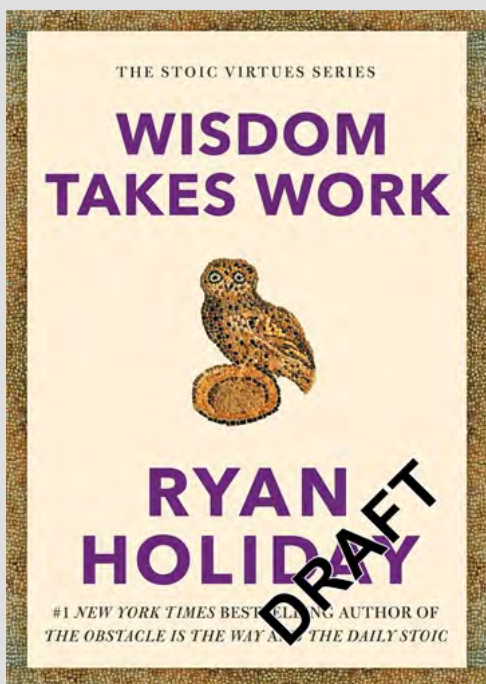
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If Love Had a Price
If We Were Perfect

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REVIEWS

‘PRAISE FOR THE STOIC VIRTUES SERIES’ - :

‘Holiday has the wisdom of someone that has lived many lives’ - Steven Bartlett

‘An urgent call to arms for each and all of us’ - Matthew McConaughey

‘Ryan Holiday is a genius’ - Chris Evans

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Wisdom Takes Work

Learn. Apply. Repeat.

RYAN HOLIDAY

KEYNOTE

The final installment in the *New York Times* bestselling Stoic Virtues series: the essential, life-changing and hard-won virtue of wisdom

SALES POINTS

- **GUARANTEED BESTSELLER** Holiday has sold over 1M books in Profile's territories and 6M+ copies worldwide
- **HUGE PUBLICITY** opportunities with platform of 3.3M followers on DailyStoic's Instagram, YouTube 1.7M and TikTok 720k
- **PROVEN TOPIC:** the final book in the NYT-bestselling Stoic Virtues series, tackling the timely subject of wisdom
- **INFLUENTIAL FAN BASE** of athletes, heads of state and thought leaders including Steven Bartlett, Philippa Perry, Matthew McConaughey and Arnold Schwarzenegger.

DESCRIPTION

Wisdom depends on curiosity. It demands humility. It requires a willingness to learn from the past in order to overcome the obstacles of the present - and we need it more than ever.

In this fourth and final instalment of his bestselling Stoic Virtues series, Ryan Holiday reveals a method of self-education that can be honed throughout our lives. Drawing on stories of the Stoics, the Buddha, and modern greats from Abraham Lincoln to Joan Didion, he shows how to cultivate wisdom through reading, contemplation and discernment. He teaches us how to think critically, listen intently and escape the traps of tribalism, certainty and self-righteousness. As the Stoics knew, all other virtues depend on wisdom. It takes work. But it's worth it.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Ryan Holiday is one of the world's bestselling living philosophers. His books, including *The Obstacle is the Way* and *The Daily Stoic*, have spent over 300 weeks on the bestseller charts, appear in over forty languages and have sold over 6 million copies. His bookshop, The Painted Porch, sits on historic Main Street in Bastrop, Texas.

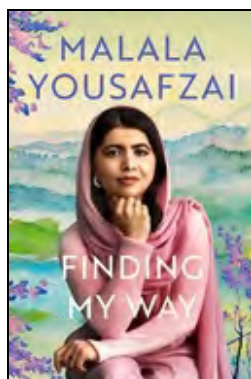
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Finding My Way

Malala Yousafzai

Keynote

A vibrant, intimate and vulnerable look at Malala Yousafzai's experiences as a young adult contending with anxiety and PTSD, personal growth, identity and love, from the Nobel laureate and *New York Times* bestselling author in her first publication since *I Am Malala*

Description

How do you rebuild yourself when your whole world changes overnight?

Thrust onto the public stage at fifteen years old after the Taliban's brutal attack on her life, Malala quickly became an international icon known for bravery and resilience. But away from the cameras and crowds, she spent years struggling to find her place in an unfamiliar world. Now, for the first time ever, Malala takes readers beyond the headlines in *Finding My Way* - a vulnerable, surprising memoir that buzzes with authenticity, sharp humour and tenderness.

Finding My Way is a story of friendship and first love, of anxiety and self-discovery, of trying to stay true to yourself when everyone wants to tell you who you are. In it, Malala traces her path from high school loner to reckless college student to a young woman at peace with her past. Through candid, often messy moments like nearly failing exams, getting ghosted and meeting the love of her life, Malala reminds us that real role models aren't perfect - they're human.

In this astonishing memoir, Malala reintroduces herself to the world, sharing how she navigated life as someone whose darkest moments threatened to define her - while seeking the freedom to find out who she truly is. *Finding My Way* is an intimate look at the life of a young woman taking charge of her destiny - and a deeply personal testament to the strength it takes to be unapologetically yourself.

Sales Points

- **PHENOMENAL SALES RECORD:** Malala's first book, *I AM MALALA*, has sold over a million copies (and climbing) across all formats. Malala has a huge and engaged audience who we know will come out to support her next book
- **HUGE & ENGAGED AUDIENCE:** Malala has 2.5m followers on Instagram and almost 2m on Twitter/X. She posts regularly about her multiple ongoing projects like the Malala Fund and Extracurricular Productions (a partnership with Apple TV+)
- **WHAT MALALA DID NEXT:** This book picks up where *I AM MALALA* left off and sees Malala grow up from being the most famous teenager in the world to becoming a young adult forging her own path. It's about the most intense and meaningful period in anyone's life: leaving childhood behind and deciding what kind of adult you want to be
- **SUPERCHARGED CAMPAIGN:** This will be a huge publication in both the UK and US with full support from Malala for the publicity campaign

Author Biography

Malala Yousafzai is an education activist, the youngest-ever Nobel laureate, a best-selling author and award-winning film producer. She was born in Mingora, Pakistan and graduated from Oxford University in 2020.

Market

Malala's significant existing audience and readers of memoirs by high-profile figures such as Greta Thunberg's *NO ONE IS TOO SMALL TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE*, Michelle Obama's *BECOMING* and Britany Spears's *THE WOMAN IN ME*

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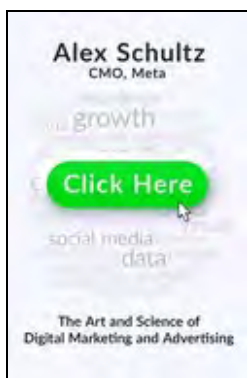
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Click Here The Art and Science of Digital Marketing and Advertising

Alex Schultz

Keynote

A brilliantly insightful and all-encompassing guide about marketing in the internet age, written by the CMO of META, Alex Schultz. Featuring the key pillars of internet marketing strategy, as well as detailed examples and examination of data analytics, SEO and much more.

Description

Growth is good. But how do you achieve growth for your business in the digital age?

The answers are right here, thanks to Alex Schultz, the chief marketing officer of META.

"Alex is one of a small handful of people that I can say without his work, our community would not have connected more than 2 billion people around the world." Mark Zuckerberg, CEO - Meta

"Alex is the person I go to when I have a really hard growth question." Sam Altman, CEO - OpenAI

Now, more than ever, there are a myriad of ways to achieve growth by marketing your business, large or small, using the tools available on the internet. There are any number of different channels and platforms, and a vast array of mechanisms to advertise to your potential customers. How do you decide which is the best for your product or service?

Alex Schultz's unparalleled expertise and experience is crystallised in this essential bible for digital marketing. He guides readers through the key principles for maximising the impact of your marketing budget - whether you are working for a global corporation or running your own start-up. From understanding channels, to testing creative, to measuring incremental gains - **CLICK HERE** is the book you need to read if you want to grow your business.

Sales Points

- **BROAD APPEAL:** The book is aimed at marketers and business people who want to leverage digital marketing to grow their business. They can be at any stage of their career, from students and early career marketers to industry leaders, and it is applicable to businesses of any size - from freelance individuals and start-ups to global corporations. With examples of how to use these tools at all sizes.
- **INDUSTRY-LEADING AUTHOR:** Alex is an acclaimed speaker and marketing expert, making regular media and podcast appearances, and speaking at major global conferences including CES.
- **GLOBAL PUBLICATION:** Wildfire are publishing in tandem with Little, Brown Spark in the US with a synchronised global publication date to maximise worldwide buzz.
- **HIGH IMPACT PUBLICITY + MARKETING:** Publication to be supported by appearances and activity on top marketing and business podcasts, specialist media and business press.

Author Biography

Alex Schultz is CMO & VP of Analytics at Meta, overseeing global marketing and analytics. He started his digital marketing career by founding the world's largest paper airplane website. He then joined eBay in 2004, before moving to Meta in 2007. In 2019, the *Financial Times* noted, 'If you joined Facebook at any time over the past decade, Alex Schultz probably had something to do with it.' Named one of the world's most influential CMOs in 2024 by *Forbes*, Schultz is widely credited for helping grow Meta's user base to nearly 3.3 billion daily users globally. His work in the digital marketing sphere is unparalleled - and has influenced the way companies achieve growth in the digital age. He has advised numerous start-ups such as Airbnb and has twice delivered the growth talk for Y Combinator's start-up school series at Stanford. *Click Here* is his second book.

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Asterix in Lusitania

Fabcaro (Illustrated By Didier Conrad)

Keynote

The new title in the Asterix series, which has sold more than 400 million copies worldwide.

Description

A new album of adventures for the most famous of Gauls: Asterix in Lusitania!

One beautiful spring morning, a stranger appears in the Gaulish village. He's from Lusitania, the sun-drenched land to the west of Hispania which is also under the Roman Empire's thumb. This former slave, who first featured in *The Mansions of the Gods*, has come to ask our indomitable Gauls for help because he knows about the Magic Potion and its powerful effects. And so begins another adventure for Asterix and Obelix!

Sales Points

- Asterix lives in the pantheon of the comic book world - the series has been translated into more than 100 languages and dialects, and sold more than 400 million copies worldwide. It's spawned animated cartoons, live action movies and its own theme park.
- Huge amount of adult fans who grew up with Asterix, and purchase for nostalgia, as a collectible, or as a gift to children.
- This is a full-colour comic with a brand-new Asterix story for fans to add to their collection.
- High-profile adult fans include Giles Coren, Harry Mount, Mary Beard, Russell T Davis and Boris Johnson.

Author Biography

Didier Conrad (born 6 May 1959) is a French comics artist and writer. Since 2012, he has been the artist of the popular *Asterix* series.

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	Comic strip fiction / graphic novels (Children's / Teenage) (YFW)
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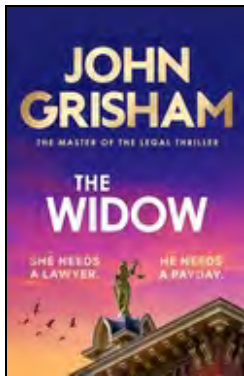
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The Widow

the unforgettable new courtroom drama from the master of the legal thriller!

John Grisham

Keynote

The new incredible legal thriller from John Grisham.

Description

The new incredible legal thriller from John Grisham.

She needs a lawyer. He needs a payday.

Simon Latch is a small-town lawyer struggling with debt, gambling issues and an impending divorce. But when Eleanor Barnett, an 85-year-old widow, visits his office to secure a new will, it seems his luck has finally changed: she claims she's sitting on a \$20 million fortune and no one else knows about it.

She could be the ticket to his fortune.

Once he's hooked the richest client of his career, Simon works quietly to keep her wealth under the radar, even from his own assistant. But there are complications: other lawyers are circling his client like vultures.

But when she is hospitalised after a car accident, Eleanor's story begins to crack. Simon realises that nothing is as it seems. And as events spiral out of control, he finds himself on trial for a crime he swears he didn't commit: murder.

***The Widow* is classic Grisham courtroom drama combined with a confounding murder mystery that will enthrall his legion of fans.**

Sales Points

- The incredible hardback publicity campaign for A TIME FOR MERCY and THE JUDGE'S LIST, has shown the admiration and popularity John still possesses, with his readership only growing.
- 12 week TCM sales of THE JUDGE'S LIST HB were 13% up on A TIME FOR MERCY.
- A TIME FOR MERCY and THE JUDGE'S LIST were both *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

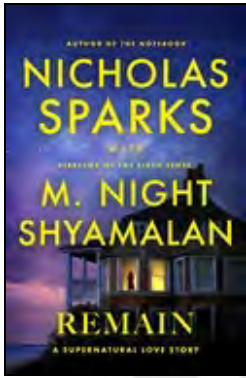
Author Biography

Since *The Firm* in 1991, John Grisham has published a number one bestseller every year. His books have been translated into 45 languages and have sold over 350 million copies worldwide. Nine have been adapted to film, including *The Firm*, *The Pelican Brief* and *A Time To Kill*.

His first work of non-fiction, *The Innocent Man*, was adapted into a six-part Netflix docuseries; his second, *Framed*, highlights work with organisations dedicated to exonerating those who have been wrongfully convicted.

He is the two-time winner of the Harper Lee Prize for Legal Fiction and was distinguished with the Library of Congress Creative Achievement Award for Fiction.

John lives on a farm in central Virginia.



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Remain

A supernatural love story from the globally bestselling author of love stories like *The Notebook* and the renowned writer and director of blockbuster thrillers like *The Sixth Sense*

Nicholas Sparks

Keynote

Ghost meets *The Sixth Sense* in this one-of-a-kind romantic thriller - an unprecedented collaboration between master storyteller Nicholas Sparks and the king of suspense, M. Night Shyamalan.

Description

A one-of-a-kind novel that grapples with the supernatural mysteries of life, death, and human connection - an unprecedented collaboration between the globally bestselling author of love stories like *The Notebook* and the renowned writer and director of blockbuster thrillers like *The Sixth Sense*.

When New York architect Tate Donovan arrives in Cape Cod to design his best friend's summer home, he is hoping to make a fresh start. Recently discharged from an upscale psychiatric facility where he was treated for acute depression, he is still wrestling with the pain of losing his beloved sister. Sylvia's deathbed revelation - that she can see spirits who are still tethered to the living world, a gift that runs in their family - sits uneasily with Tate, who struggles to believe in more than what reason can explain. But when he takes up residence at a historic bed-and-breakfast on the Cape, he encounters a beautiful young woman named Wren who will challenge every assumption he has about his logical and controlled world.

Tate and Wren find themselves forging an immediate connection, one that neither has ever experienced before. But Tate gradually discovers that below the surface of Wren's idyllic small-town life, hatred, jealousy and greed are festering, threatening their fragile relationship just as it begins to blossom. Tate realizes that in order to free Wren from an increasingly desperate fate, he will need to unearth the truth about her past before time runs out . . . a quest that will make him doubt whether we can ever believe the stories we tell about ourselves, and the laws that govern our existence. Love - while transformative - can sometimes be frightening.

A story about the power of transcendent emotion, *Remain* asks us all: Can love set us free not only from our greatest sorrows, but even from the boundaries of life and death?

Sales Points

- **AN UNPRECEDENTED COLLABORATION:** Light and dark meet as two of the most celebrated storytellers of our time, Nicholas Sparks, master of love stories, and M. Night Shyamalan, the master of suspense, collide in this romantic thriller: an epic love story with a paranormal twist.
- **A MAJOR THEATRICAL RELEASE:** Tipped to star Jake Gyllenhaal as lead, this publication will involve a two-step plan: releasing in hardback in Autumn 2025 and tie-in paperback to coincide with the film release in late 2026.
- **AN EXTRAORDINARY READ:** Nick built his name on timeless and doomed love stories with huge emotional heft, and at its heart, this novel is a real return to those themes - giving us the opportunity to reach lapsed as well as new readers, alongside those core fans, and our campaign will be carefully curated around these three strands.

Author Biography

Nicholas Sparks is one of the world's most beloved storytellers. His books have been published across more than fifty languages with over 150 million copies sold worldwide, and all have been *New York Times* and international bestsellers. He is also the founder of the Nicholas Sparks Foundation, a non-profit committed to improving cultural and international understanding through global education experiences. He lives in North Carolina.

For all the latest news from Nicholas Sparks, sign up for his e-Newsletter at www.nicholassparks.com, and follow him on Instagram, Facebook and X: @NicholasSparks.

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Mate

From the bestselling author of *Bride* and *The Love Hypothesis*

Ali Hazelwood

Keynote

The highly anticipated standalone sequel to *Bride*, a paranormal romance from TikTok sensation Ali Hazelwood, the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Love Hypothesis*.

Description

A Human hybrid and an Alpha Were claw against the bonds of fate in the highly anticipated companion novel to the *Sunday Times* and *New York Times* bestseller *Bride*.

Serena Paris is orphaned, pack-less, and one of a kind. Coming forward as the first Human-Were hybrid was supposed to heal a centuries-long rift between species. Instead, it made her a target, prey to the ruthless political machinations between Weres, Vampyres, and Humans. With her enemies closing in on her, she has only one option left - if he'll have her.

As Alpha of the Northwest pack, Koen Alexander commands obedience. His authority is so absolute, only a fool would threaten his mate. It doesn't matter if Serena doesn't reciprocate his feelings, nothing will stop him from keeping her safe.

But power-hungry Vampyres and Weres are not the only threats chasing Serena. Sooner or later, her past is bound to catch up with her - and Koen might be the only thing standing between her and total annihilation...

*Ali Hazelwood's Deep End was a *Sunday Times* bestseller w/e 23 February 2025.

*Ali Hazelwood's *Bride* was a *Sunday Times* bestseller w/e 10 February 2024.

Sales Points

- **A HIGHLY-ANTICIPATED SEQUEL:** Paranormal Ali is back with a FANG! Since its publication in February 2024, *Bride* has fast become a fan-favourite amidst Ali Hazelwood readers - an Ali-volution that has reinvigorated reader appetite for her books worldwide - and they have been clamouring to return to this world ever since. If 2024 was about building Ali's profile out from STEM romance, 2025 is about cementing this narrative: Ali Hazelwood is a constantly evolving author who listens to what her fans want - and delivers every time. Whatever your taste in romance, there's an Ali book for you.
- **A TIKTOK PHENOMENON:** One of the original TikTok authors, Ali Hazelwood's star only continues to rise as her brand moves with the market, cementing her name as one of the fastest-growing global brand authors in romance with 2.3 million copies of her Sphere titles sold to date. Ali is a *New York Times*, *Sunday Times*, Australian and international bestseller, with readers in all four corners of the globe.
- **A CAMPAIGN WITH BITE:** In true Ali form, this will be a truly unmissable campaign, with coveted limited edition hardback and paperback proofs, themed POS, bespoke bookplates, pre-filmed video content (captured during her April UK visit) and more.

Author Biography

Ali Hazelwood is the *New York Times* and *Sunday Times* bestselling author of multiple romance novels, as well as a writer of peer-reviewed articles about brain science, in which no one makes out and the ever after is not always happy. Originally from Italy, she lived in Germany and Japan before moving to the US to pursue a PhD in neuroscience. She recently became a professor, which absolutely terrifies her. When Ali is not at work, she can be found running, eating cake pops, or watching sci-fi movies with her three feline overlords (and her slightly-less-feline husband).

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Depth	22mm
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	80000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
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Book locale	USA & Bahamas
Author born in	New Jersey, USA
Author living in	Michigan, USA

Previous Titles

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9780751541212	<i>The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto</i>
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9780751571936	<i>Finding Chika</i>
9780751584561	<i>The Stranger in the Lifeboat</i>
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Twice

Mitch Albom

Keynote

A moving new novel about first loves, second chances and living with the consequences of your actions, from internationally bestselling author of fiction and non-fiction Mitch Albom.

Description

A stunning and emotional new novel from the author of *Tuesdays with Morrie* and *The Five People You Meet in Heaven*.

When he is eight years old, Alfie Logan discovers the magical ability to get a second chance at everything. He can undo any moment and live it again. The one catch: he must accept the consequences of his second try - for better or worse.

He grows up correcting his mistakes and saving himself from adolescent embarrassments. He even takes foolishly dangerous risks, just to see what it's like to come close to death, before tapping back to safety. Eventually, Alfie turns his gift to his love life, studying his crushes and going back to make himself more appealing. In time, he falls deeply in love with Gianna, the woman he believes is the one. He seems to find contentment.

But as the years pass, Alfie's eye begins to wander. Which is when he learns a lone caveat to his power: once he undoes a love, that person can never fall in love with him again. Knowing if he gives into temptation, he will risk losing what he has with Gianna, Alfie makes a choice that changes his life forever.

The book begins many years later, after an ailing Alfie is arrested for allegedly cheating and winning millions at a casino roulette wheel. As a curious detective interrogates him, he slowly uncovers Alfie's incredible story, and its most unlikely conclusion.

In *Twice*, America's favourite storyteller, Mitch Albom, is at the top of his powers. A love story that is enchanting, probing, and clairvoyant in matters of the heart, *Twice* will make you think, weep, and overflow with love from beginning to end.

Praise for Mitch Albom

'Mitch Albom sees the magical in the ordinary' *Cecilia Ahern*

'Powerful . . . Albom has touched the lives of a lot of people he never even knew' *Time*

'Compelling and uplifting' *Independent*

'A writer with soul' *Los Angeles Times*

Sales Points

- **A MEGA-BRAND AUTHOR:** Mitch Albom has **sold over 40 million copies of his books** worldwide, including *Tuesdays with Morrie*, one of the bestselling memoirs of all time
- **A SWEEPING STORY WITH A UNIQUE HOOK:** *Twice* is **David Nichols meets Matt Haig**, by way of *About Time*
- **THE IDEAL BOOK CLUB BOOK:** Centred around a thought-provoking question about morality that everyone can relate to, this beautiful, uplifting novel is **perfect for Mitch's legions of loyal readers and fans of bookclub fiction**

Author Biography

Author, screenwriter, philanthropist, journalist and broadcaster Mitch Albom is an inspiration around the world. Albom is the author of numerous books of fiction and nonfiction, which have collectively sold more than forty million copies in forty-eight languages worldwide. He has written eight number-one *New York Times* bestsellers - including *Tuesdays with Morrie*, the bestselling memoir of all time, which topped the list for four straight years and celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2022. He has also written award-winning TV films, stage plays, screenplays, a nationally syndicated newspaper column, and a musical. He appeared for more than 20 years on ESPN, and was a fixture on *The Sports Reporters*. Through his work at the Detroit Free Press, he was inducted into both the National Sports Media Association and Michigan Sports halls of fame and was the recipient of the Red Smith Award for lifetime achievement.

Following his bestselling memoir, *Finding Chika*, and *Human Touch*, a weekly serial written and published online which raised nearly \$1 million for pandemic relief, he returned to fiction with *The Stranger in the Lifeboat*, which debuted at #1 on the New York Times Bestsellers List after being #1 on Amazon. His much-anticipated new novel, set during the Holocaust, is coming in the fall of 2023.

Albom now spends the majority of his time in philanthropic work. Since 2006, he has operated nine charitable programs in southeast Michigan under his SAY Detroit umbrella,



including the nation's first medical clinic for homeless children. He also created a dessert shop and popcorn line to fund programs for Detroit's most underserved citizens. Since 2010, Albom has operated the Have Faith Haiti orphanage in Port au Prince, a home to 60 children, which he visits every month without exception. Albom also works as a columnist and broadcaster and has founded nine charities in Detroit and operates an orphanage in Port Au Prince, Haiti. He lives with his wife, Janine, in Michigan.

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Best Wishes from the Full Moon Coffee Shop THE #1 INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING JAPANESE SERIES

Mai Mochizuki

Keynote

The festive second instalment in the internationally bestselling healing series filled with astrology, cats, cakes - and now Christmas - for readers of *Before the Coffee Gets Cold*

Description

<h3> THE #1 INTERNATIONALLY BESTSELLING HEALING SERIES THAT FEELS LIKE A HUG </h3>

<h2> What do you really want for Christmas? </h2>

<h3> THE FULL MOON COFFEE SHOP HAS SOLD OVER HALF A MILLION COPIES ACROSS TWENTY LANGUAGES </h3>

The Full Moon Coffee Shop normally appears on the night of the full moon - with one exception every year. On Christmas Eve, the sagacious cats open their doors once more to those in need.

Satomi catches wind of her boyfriend's plan to propose on Christmas Eve, finding herself torn between him and her career in Tokyo. Her listless intern, Koyuki, has her own reasons for dreading the day ever since her father died in a tragic car accident. And Satomi's sister-in-law, estranged from home for the past two decades, receives some unexpected news about her elderly father.

This Christmas, the customers of the Full Moon Coffee Shop stand at a wintry crossroads in their lives - but with the help of some feline divinations, each will finally find the courage to follow their stars into the new year.

'Lose yourself in a world of talking cats with this cult bestseller' *GLAMOUR*
'Perfect for readers of feel-good fiction' *BOOKLIST*

Sales Points

- **For all readers of the BEFORE THE COFFEE GETS COLD series** (#1 TCM 322.4k; #2 TCM 76.6k; #3 TCM 29.5k; #4 TCM 14.2k; #5 TCM 10.3k)
- **A NEW CLASSIC OF ASIAN 'HEALING FICTION'**: Other comps include **DAYS AT THE MORISAKI BOOKSHOP** (TCM 103.5K); **THE KAMOGAWA FOOD DETECTIVES** (TCM 20.9K); **THE GUEST CAT** (TCM 185.7k)
- **COSY CHRISTMAS CROSSOVER CLASSIC**: Asian cosy fiction meets festive cosy fiction in this Japanese Christmas classic, potentially introducing a large and established audience to translated fiction.
- **HALF A MILLION SOLD**: The first book has sold 500k+ copies across 19 languages and spawned 5 sequels.
- **DREAM PARTNER AT PRH US**: We've sold the first three books for a six-figure sum. Ballantine are publishing simultaneously throughout the series.

Author Biography

MAI MOCHIZUKI fell in love with Chihiro Sakurada's illustrations when she saw them on social media, and they inspired her to write *The Full Moon Coffee Shop*.

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Format	Royal
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Full Moon Coffee Shop
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Book locale	Japan
Author born in	Hokkaido
Author living in	Tokyo

Previous Titles

The Full Moon Coffee Shop (2024)

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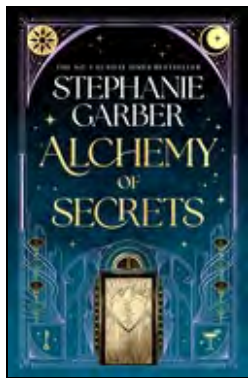
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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire
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Book locale	Los Angeles
Author living in	California
UNITED STATES	Flatiron Books
Publisher	Publisher

Previous Titles

Caraval series

Caraval (2017)
 Legendary (2018)
 Finale (2019)
 Spectacular (2024)

Once Upon a Broken Heart series

Once Upon a Broken Heart (2021)
 The Ballad of Never After (2022)
 A Curse for True Love (2023)

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Alchemy of Secrets

the magical new novel from the Sunday Times and international bestseller

Stephanie Garber

Keynote

The No. 1 Sunday Times bestseller is back! *Alchemy of Secrets* is the first adult novel from global fantasy phenomenon Stephanie Garber, the multimillion-copy bestselling author of the Caraval and Once Upon a Broken Heart series.

Description

YOU'RE HERE BECAUSE OF A STORY . . .

It starts with a class in an old movie theatre. Folklore 517: Local Legends and Urban Myths, taught by a woman called the Professor.

Most students believe the Professor's stories are just fiction, but Holland St. James has always been convinced that magic is real.

Her search for the truth leads her to a dazzling new world, a deadly ultimatum hidden at the heart of Los Angeles, and into the path of a magnetic stranger who claims he's been sent to save her life.

But everyone in this intoxicating new world is lying to her, even this stranger. And if she can't figure out whom to trust, her magical reality could change from a Hollywood dream to a nightmare.

***Alchemy of Secrets* is the spectacular new novel from global phenomenon Stephanie Garber, the multimillion-copy bestselling author of the Caraval and Once Upon a Broken Heart series. Fusing spellbinding Hollywood secrets with a cinematic mystery, it will transport you into another world.**

Sales Points

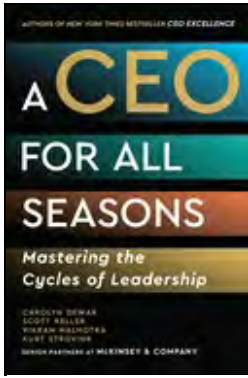
- **FROM THE MULTIMILLION-COPY BESTSELLER:** Worldwide sales have now surpassed 8 million copies with rights sold in 36 languages and counting.
- **A BRAND-NEW WORLD:** Her first ever book not set in the world of *Caraval*, *Alchemy of Secrets* takes place in a Hollywood fuelled by deals with the devil, where magic brews behind every locked door, tangled with a decades-old mystery - and her signature sparkle of romance - that will enchant fans of *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue* by V.E. Schwab, *Ninth House* by Leigh Bardugo, and *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid.
- **WITH A GLOBAL FANBASE:** With more than 360k followers on Instagram, Stephanie's channels are only growing.
- **STUNNING SPECIAL EDITIONS:** *Alchemy of Secrets* will have multiple high-spec special editions, including signed editions available from Waterstones and Goldsboro.
- **AND AN INTERNATIONAL TOUR:** Stephanie will be touring both the US and UK in 2025 to celebrate the publication of *Alchemy of Secrets*.

Reviews

- 'I've never read anything quite like *Alchemy of Secrets* - it's full of adventure and magic and quirky twists will keep you guessing until the very last line. What a fantastic adult fantasy debut for Stephanie Garber!' - *Jodi Picoult, No. 1 New York Times bestselling author*
- 'As dazzling as a jewel box, *Alchemy of Secrets* immediately charmed me with its layers of mysteries, magic, and twists. No one does world-building like Stephanie Garber. I want to live in this book!' - *Erin A. Craig, No. 1 New York Times bestselling author of THE THIRTEENTH CHILD*

Author Biography

Stephanie Garber is the No. 1 *Sunday Times*, *New York Times*, and internationally bestselling author of the Caraval series and the Once Upon a Broken Heart series. Her books have been published in thirty languages.



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A CEO for All Seasons Mastering the Cycles of Leadership

Carolyn Dewar, Scott Keller, Vik Malhotra, and Kurt Strovink

Keynote

From the world's most influential management consulting firm, McKinsey & Company, and the team behind *New York Times* bestseller *CEO Excellence* comes an insight-packed, compact guide to the four cycles a leader will pass through in his or her journey.

Description

"A CRASH COURSE IN HOW TO BE AN EFFECTIVE CEO." --Adam Grant, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Think Again* and *Hidden Potential* and host of the podcast *Re:Thinking*

From leading global management consulting firm McKinsey & Company and the minds behind the *New York Times* bestseller *CEO Excellence* comes a compact, insight-packed guide to navigating the distinct phases of leadership that every CEO must pass through on their way to mastery.

In the high-stakes world of corporate leadership, becoming a Fortune 500 CEO is an Everest-like ascent - with only the savviest managing to avoid falling off the mountain. In *A CEO for All Seasons* you'll find an essential climbing route that will take you through every stage. Featured in this tip-dense guide is wisdom from some of the world's most iconic leaders, including Blackstone's Steve Schwarzman, Chevron's Mike Wirth, Merck's Ken Frazier, Nasdaq's Adena Friedman, ASML's Peter Wennink, Morgan Stanley's James Gorman, and Dell Technologies' Michael Dell.

Unique in applying a number of sophisticated metrics to isolate the world's top 200 CEOs, reduce them to a representative sample, and then reap their wisdom, the McKinsey team, in *A CEO for All Seasons*, spotlights the specific stage-based hurdles that CEOs face. From preparing for the role (stepping up) to leading with impact (starting strong) to sustaining momentum (staying ahead) to fortifying a lasting legacy (sending it forward), the book leaves no segment of the journey unmapped. Along the way, it offers proven strategies for maintaining forward progress and, crucially, alerts readers to common blind spots, as revealed by a detailed survey of thousands of executives.

Whether you're an aspiring leader or a new-to-the-job CEO - or even a board member wanting to better steward your company's performance - this is the compact, hands-on guide you've needed. Its compendium of pressure-tested tips is a must-have game changer for leaders at all levels.

Sales Points

- Natural follow-up to the first book: Whereas *CEO Excellence* focuses on the mindsets that apply to a leader's entire tenure, *The Four Seasons of a CEO* spotlights the best practices that are unique to each stage.
- Packed with takeaways and survey results: Readers will learn how to assess their motives and expectations as they vie for a top position... how to nail first impressions... how to sustain high performance... how to fortify what they've built in the way they hand off to their successor... and much more. They'll also learn what a recent McKinsey survey of 10,000 executives has revealed about CEO blind spots.
- Terrific sales and praise for first book: A *New York Times* and *Wall Street Journal* bestseller, *CEO Excellence* has so far sold 36,000 copies as of October 2024. *Business Insider* called it "a master class in leadership." *Barron's* hailed it as "impressive and important." *Inc.* touted it as "effective and inspirational."
- New roster of iconic interviewees: The Four Seasons of a CEO will feature wisdom from Blackstone's Steve Schwarzman, Morgan Stanley's James Morgan, and Merck's Ken Frazier, among others, with the likely addition of Alibaba's Jack Ma, Amazon's Jeff Bezos, AMD's Lisa Su, and Walmart's Doug McMillon.
- Irresistibly compact for busy executives on the go: As the success of "quick gloss" services like Blinkist attests, ambitious professionals with limited bandwidth prize concision. They want to grasp "the essentials" on a train ride or plane flight, which is what this compact volume has been tailored to provide.

Author Biography

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Vikram (Vik) Malhotra, a coauthor of *CEO Excellence*, is a Senior Partner at McKinsey

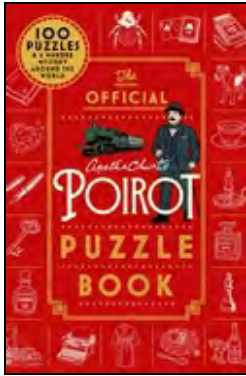


& Company where he has worked since 1986. He has served on McKinsey's Board of Directors and as McKinsey's Managing Partner of the Americas.

Kurt Strovink is a Senior Partner at McKinsey & Company and leads the firm's global CEO services practice. He coauthored the national bestseller *The Journey of Leadership: How CEOs Lead from the Inside Out*.

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Previous Titles

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Agatha Christie Trivia (2024)
The World of Miss Marple Jigsaw (2024)
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The Official Poirot Puzzle Book

Put your little grey cells to the ultimate test this Christmas

Keynote

Can you work out whodunnit, with what and why like Hercule Poirot? Put your armchair detective abilities to the ultimate test with 100 puzzles and a murder mystery around the world...

Description

<h2>'My name is Hercule Poirot, and I am probably the greatest detective in the world.'</h2>

Do you have the skills to seek the truth within? Put your understanding of order and method to good use to crack the case as you travel around the world collecting mysterious bundles of puzzles. From France to Istanbul and beyond, have your map (and pen) at the ready and your suitcase packed as you join Detective Guy in tracking down the perpetrator of the deadliest crime.

Begin by following in Poirot's footsteps and putting your abilities to the test. Unscramble the letters below to complete some of Poirot's most famous and clever quotes:

The pursuit of revenge is...yadrragoealdoi
If the little grey cells are not exercised... eghytosertrthwu
Understand this, I mean to arrive... uretthath

<h2>Immerse yourself in the world of Agatha Christie's beloved Hercule Poirot with this new and official puzzling series of events.</h2>

Sales Points

- CONTINUING MEGA PARTNERSHIP: With 260,000 Agatha Christie products sold via LKP and £1.5m generated in value, the continuing of our partnership has the pull of an official brand combined with a growing non-fiction genre.
- GIANT SOCIAL MEDIA AVENUES: 1.8 million Facebook followers of brand page, 180k on Instagram and 70k on X.
- FAST GROWING GENRE: The publishing of *Murdle* in 2023 has created a core readership of cosy crime and puzzles/trivia readers as we target the 350,000+ buyers of the *Murdle* series. One of few non-fiction growth genres, puzzle/trivia/humour has a staying power thanks to the continued awareness of the series.
- STAYING POWER OF THE CHRISTIE BRAND: Best known for 66 detective novels and 14 short story collections, as well as the world's longest-running play *The Mousetrap*, *Agatha Christie* books have sold over a billion copies in the English language and a billion in translation.
- THE OFFICIAL AGATHA CHRISTIE PUZZLE BOOK: The first in our puzzle book series has now sold over 40k TCM copies.

Author Biography

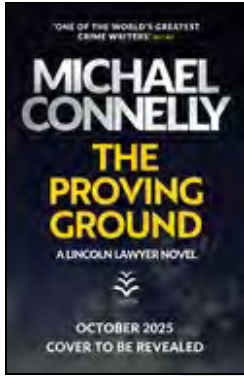
Born in Torquay in 1890, Agatha Christie became, and remains, the best-selling novelist of all time. She is best known for her 66 detective novels and 14 short story collections, as well as the world's longest-running play, *The Mousetrap*. Her books have sold over a billion copies in the English language and a billion in translation too.

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Market

Murdle G T Karber; *Bletchley Park Brainteasers* Sinclair McKay; *Spydle* The National Archives; *The Whodunnit Puzzle Book* Gareth Moore.



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The Proving Ground

Michael Connelly

Keynote

#1 Sunday Times bestselling author Michael Connelly returns with a new thriller

Description

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It is said that machines became smarter than humans on the day in 1997 that IBM's Deep Blue defeated chess master Garry Kasparov with a gambit called "the knight's sacrifice." Haller will take a similar gambit in court to defeat the mega forces of the AI industry lined up against him and his clients.

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Sales Points

- **NUMBER 1 BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Connelly is a mega-brand and growing fast, with over 80 million copies sold worldwide and recent UK #1s in both hardback and paperback.
- **HIT TV SERIES:** The Connelly universe onscreen continues to expand. Season 3 of *The Lincoln Lawyer* airs Autumn 2024 on Netflix. *Bosch: Legacy's* third season will air in spring 2025, and the new *Renée Ballard* series starring Maggie Q will air in the second half of 2025-both on Amazon Prime in the UK.

Author Biography

MICHAEL CONNELLY is the author of thirty-nine novels, including the #1 *New York Times* bestsellers *Dark Sacred Night*, *Two Kinds of Truth*, and *The Late Show*. His books, which include the Harry Bosch series and the Lincoln Lawyer series, have sold more than eighty million copies worldwide. Connelly is a former newspaper reporter who has won numerous awards for his journalism and his novels. He is the executive producer of *Bosch*, starring Titus Welliver, and the creator and host of the podcast *Murder Book*. He spends his time in California and Florida.



The Official Agatha Christie After School Detectives Club

Fifty mystery puzzles for children

Keynote

Grab your magnifying glass and join the After School Detectives Club to puzzle your way through fifty mind-boggling mysteries in this official children's book inspired by the stories of Agatha Christie.

Description

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- * Bringing the thrilling and mysterious world of Agatha Christie to a new generation of puzzle-solving, code-cracking detectives
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Sales Points

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Author Biography

Gareth Moore (Author)

Dr. Gareth Moore is one of the world's leading puzzle-setters. He is the author of more than 75 brain-training titles including *The Ordnance Survey Puzzle Book*, which has sold more than 120,000 copies in the UK. He is also the creator of Brained Up, a cutting-edge brain training site offering scientifically designed daily sessions to help you make the most of your brain.

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Character	Character
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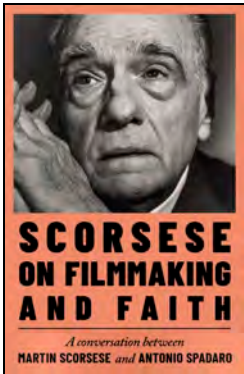
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Binding	Hardback
Format	B Format
Extent	144 pages
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Scorsese on Filmmaking and Faith

Martin Scorsese and Antonio Spadaro

Keynote

Martin Scorsese in his own words: a previously unpublished, deeply intimate portrait of one cinema's most legendary directors. Featuring a short film script by Scorsese himself.

Description

'Have I succeeded, in my own life? I don't know. I don't think so. I'm in my eighties now and I just don't know. But then, maybe "success" is the wrong way of framing it. You just try, and when you fail, you keep trying.'

Over the course of eight years, Martin Scorsese and Jesuit theologian Antonio Spadaro discussed filmmaking and faith.

From his Catholic upbringing amidst the brutality of 1950s New York to the heights of Hollywood, Scorsese sketches a unique self-portrait. And from *Mean Streets* to *Killers of the Flower Moon* - and especially the spiritual reckonings of *The Last Temptation of Christ* and *Silence* - he grants readers a new understanding of his films.

Reflecting on grace and violence, fear and hope, passion and belief, these rich and intimate conversations offer a remarkable insight into the director's life and work.

Sales Points

- **AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY-IN-BRIEF OF ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST DIRECTORS.** Often reading like an autobiography, this is the story of how Scorsese's childhood and his faith have shaped him into the prolific director we know today, who has had an enormous cultural impact over a career spanning almost 60 years.
- **BELOVED AND HUGELY INFLUENTIAL DIRECTOR.** Scorsese is finding new fans beyond devoted film buffs all the time. He's a TikTok star thanks to his daughter Francesca Scorsese, and he excelled on the press tour for *Killers of the Flower Moon* while the film's stars were striking. His films have been nominated for and won many awards, and Scorsese himself has received an Oscar, four BAFTAs, three Emmys, three Golden Globes and a Grammy.
- **FOR FILM BUFFS AND READERS INTERESTED IN FAITH.** Scorsese discusses his films and career, and fans will be excited to read his 'Script for a possible film about Jesus', but he also fascinating on belief and faith, talking about grace and who God is for him.

Author Biography

Martin Scorsese (Author)

Martin Scorsese is a director, film producer, screenwriter and actor. A prominent figure of the New Hollywood era, he is considered one of the greatest and most significant directors in the history of cinema. Central to his career are his collaborations with Daniel Day-Lewis, Harvey Keitel, Joe Pesci, and especially with Robert De Niro and Leonardo DiCaprio. Among the numerous film awards he has received there are the Academy Award for Best Director in 2007 for *The Departed*, the Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival in 1976 for *Taxi Driver*, the Golden Lion for Lifetime Achievement at the Venice Film Festival in 1995, three BAFTAs, four Golden Globes (including one for lifetime achievement in 2010), and the Golden Bear for Lifetime Achievement at the Berlin Film Festival in 2024.

Antonio Spadaro (Author)

Antonio Spadaro (born in Messina in 1966) is an Italian Jesuit, theologian, and essayist. He serves as the undersecretary of the Vatican Dicastery for Culture and Education and as the secretary-general of the All of Us Foundation. For 12 years he was editor of the international magazine *La Civiltà Cattolica*. Among other works, he is the author of the first interview with Pope Francis, *A Big Heart Open to God*, 2013. He collaborated on the series *Stories of a Generation* (Netflix).

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The Midnight Timetable

Bora Chung
Translated by Anton Hur

Keynote

The highly anticipated novel from Bora Chung, author of the National Book Award finalist and International Booker Prize shortlisted *Cursed Bunny*.

Description

Equal parts bone-chilling, wryly funny and deeply political, *The Midnight Timetable* is a masterful work of literary horror from one of our time's greatest imaginations.

'I inhaled Bora Chung's book of ghost stories and then slept with the light on!' Avni Doshi, author of *Burnt Sugar*

'A wild midnight tour of a uniquely brilliant and exquisitely demented world - a world I did not want to leave!' Gerardo Sámano Córdova, author of *Monstrilio*

In a labyrinthine research facility, where those who open the wrong door might find it's disappeared behind them or that the echoing footsteps they're running from are their own, an unnamed protagonist begins their night shift under the watchful eye of the building's enigmatic senior guard.

Each evening, as the fluorescent lights flicker and the silence grows heavier, the guard shares another tale of cursed objects and lives unspooled by vengeance, sorrow or revelation. But these are not mere ghost stories. They're warnings. Lessons. Or, perhaps, confessions . . .

As the nights stretch on and reality frays, our protagonist starts to suspect that the building itself is alive with malevolent intent and that the objects they guard aren't just cursed. They're waiting. Watching.

'Electrifying. A feast of a book. Strange, hypnotic and audacious.' Irenosen Okojie, author of *Curandera*

'A fascinating novel of shifting realities centred by a steady, humane heart. Bora Chung is a master of concocting dreamscapes that linger.' Marie-Helene Bertino, author of *Beautyland*

'These ghost stories . . . mist off the page and leave the real world hazy and askew.' Pemi Aguda, author of *Ghostroots*

Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Bora Chung's *Cursed Bunny* was a global literary sensation that won and was shortlisted for multiple awards - including the **National Book Award for Translated Literature** and the **International Booker Prize** - and she has a **large and very dedicated fanbase** eagerly awaiting her move to novel-writing.
- **GLOBAL CAMPAIGN:** This is a **high priority title in the US, ANZ and in the UK**, so campaign reach for the book will be significant and far-reaching - activating the **legions of TikTok fans who drove so much of *Cursed Bunny's* success**.
- **BELOVED COLLABORATOR:** Translator Anton Hurr is a **giant on the literary scene with a dedicated following** himself, having **translated award winners** such as *Love in the Big City* and *I Want to Die but I Want to Eat Tteokbokki*.
- **PERFECTLY PLACED:** Bora Chung is a breakout star in **the growing literary horror market, and the Korean translated fiction market**. From the novel's setting to its combination of absurdity and playfulness to its sharp social critiques, *The Midnight Timetable* will **resonate with the millions of fans who loved smash-hit *Severance***.

Author Biography

Bora Chung is a writer and translator whose works include the National Book Award finalist and International Booker Prize-shortlisted *Cursed Bunny*. She has an MA in Russian Studies from Yale University and a PhD in Slavic literature from Indiana University. She has taught Russian language and literature and science fiction at Yonsei University and translates modern literary works from Russian and Polish into Korean.

Anton Hur was born in Stockholm and currently resides in Seoul. He won a PEN Translates grant for his translation of *The Underground Village* by Kang Kyeong-ae and a PEN/Heim grant for Bora Chung's *Cursed Bunny*, the latter of which was shortlisted for the 2022 International Booker Prize. His translation of Sang Young Park's *Love in the Big City* was longlisted for the same prize in the same year. His translation of *Violets* was longlisted for the National Book Critics Circle Awards. He has taught at the British Centre for Literary Translation, the Ewha University Graduate School of Translation and Interpretation, and the Bread Loaf Translators Conference. His writing is published in *Words Without Borders*, *Asymptote Journal*, *Litro*, and others.

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 Age **5-7 years**
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Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **320 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Bumper Short Story Collections**
 Exclusively for Sale **Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
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Previous Titles

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

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Christmas Bedtime Stories

Enid Blyton

Keynote

Curl up with this cosy Christmas collection from the world's best-loved storyteller, Enid Blyton. Perfect for reading before bedtime!

Description

Snuggle into bed and read these delightful stories in the lead up to Christmas! From Santa's lost sleigh bell to the clever goose who made it snow, there's a festive adventure for everyone in these jolly short stories from Enid Blyton, the world's best-loved storyteller.

These traditional tales are ideal for younger children being read to and for newly confident readers to read alone. Each story stands alone and is the perfect length for reading at bedtime or in the classroom.

Enid Blyton remains one of Britain's favourite children's authors and her bumper short story collections are perfect for introducing her to the latest generation of readers.

Read all of Enid Blyton's bumper short story collections. New in 2025:

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- Five-Minute Magic Stories*

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Sales Points

- These bumper short-story collections have sold over 850,000 copies in UK and export
- These short stories are perfect for newly confident readers to read alone and for shared reading
- Fresh and contemporary cover illustrations by Mark Beech and foil finishes makes these books the perfect seasonal gifts

Author Biography

Enid Blyton is one of the worlds' 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.

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Maggie O'Farrell

Keynote

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Description

WINNER OF THE 2020 WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION - THE NO. 1 BESTSELLER 2021

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Their mother, Agnes, is over a mile away, in the garden where she grows medicinal herbs. Their father is working in London.

Neither parent knows that Hamnet will not survive the week.

Hamnet is a novel inspired by the son of a famous playwright: a boy whose life has been all but forgotten, but whose name was given to one of the most celebrated plays ever written.

Sales Points

- This will tie in with the HAMNET film starring Paul Mescal and Jessie Buckley
- The extraordinary Winner of the 2020 Women's Prize for Fiction, HAMNET has told over 40,000 copies in hardback, and spent 11 weeks in the *Sunday Times* Top 10.
- In HAMNET, Maggie O'Farrell rips up the rule book of historical fiction and refashions it in her own image, to tell us the little know story of Shakespeare's wife and son. This is historical writing that feels utterly contemporary, sure to appeal to fans of THE SILENCE OF THE GIRLS or HAG SEED.
- To celebrate twenty years since the publication of Maggie's first novel, AFTER YOU'D GONE, Tinder Press has reissued her entire fiction backlist in bold new typographic covers, to bring these classic novels to a new generation of readers.

Reviews

- 'A masterpiece. Historical fiction at its finest' - Stacey Halls
- 'A rich imagining of the lives of Shakespeare's family enchants... O'Farrell's remarkable novel bursts with life' - *Sunday Telegraph*
- 'Stunning... immersive and compelling' - Marian Keyes
- 'Blisteringly brilliant' - *Cosmopolitan*

Author Biography

Maggie O'Farrell is the author of HAMNET, Winner of the Women's Prize for Fiction 2020, and the memoir I AM, I AM, I AM, both *Sunday Times* no. 1 bestsellers. Her novels include AFTER YOU'D GONE, MY LOVER'S LOVER, THE DISTANCE BETWEEN US, which won a Somerset Maugham Award, THE VANISHING ACT OF ESME LENNOX, THE HAND THAT FIRST HELD MINE, which won the 2010 Costa Novel Award, INSTRUCTIONS FOR A HEATWAVE, THIS MUST BE THE PLACE and THE MARRIAGE PORTRAIT, which was shortlisted for the Women's Prize. She is also the author of three books for children, WHERE SNOW ANGELS GO, THE BOY WHO LOST HIS SPARK and WHEN THE STAMMER CAME TO STAY. She lives in Edinburgh.

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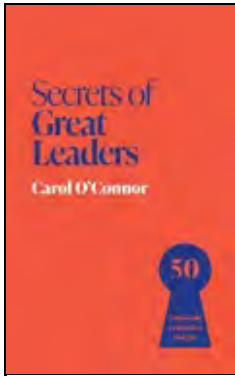
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Secrets of Great Leaders 50 Unmissable Leadership Insights

Carol O'Connor

Keynote

DISCOVER THE 50 SECRETS THAT GREAT LEADERS KNOW - COMPLETE WITH STRATEGIES FOR PUTTING THEM INTO PRACTICE.

Description

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ABOUT THE SERIES

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Sales Points

- *Secrets* is a 100K copy bestselling aspirational business skills series revealing the insider secrets to success from experts at the top of their game.
- Each book has 50 chapters and each of the chapters explains a key concept before sharing 3 clear strategies for putting it into practice immediately.
- It is the perfect combination of insight and strategy, packaged in 'dip-in and dip-out' style. Read from start to finish or just open the book at random. It's up to you.
- Every *Secrets* book contains expert advice from an author with a proven track record of success.
- The series was originally published in the Teach Yourself imprint then updated and moved to John Murray Business from 2025.

Author Biography

Dr Carol O'Connor is the author of eight business books and director of Vision in Practice Ltd, a leadership development consultancy and publisher. She has spent more than 30 years teaching, writing and consulting about leadership, innovation and strategic thinking. She sees her role as preparing leaders to identify strategic goals, clarify performance standards and retain talent that supports organizational growth. Her client list is global and her books have collectively been translated into more than 20 languages. Current projects include the publication of a series of business workbooks for under 25-year-olds in developing nations - with apps in support of key topics - and working at the London School of Economics and Political Science in support of its entrepreneurship programmes.

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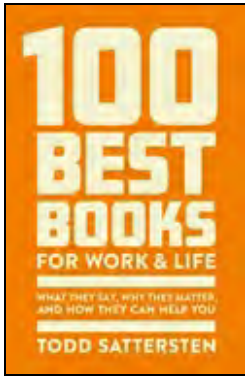
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100 Best Books for Work and Life What They Say, Why They Matter and How They Can Help You

Todd Sattersten

Keynote

100 of the best books to accelerate your success - summarised so you can quickly find the titles that will have the greatest impact on your results.

Description

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Sales Points

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Author Biography

Todd Sattersten is the Publisher at Bard Press, which specializes in business and personal development books and focuses their efforts on publishing one book a year. His work has been featured in Fortune, Business Week, Harvard Business Review, and NPR. Todd lives in Portland, Oregon.

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The Blind Assassin

Margaret Atwood

Keynote

Celebrating the 25th anniversary of this Booker prize winner, Margaret Atwood has written a brand new preface for this edition

Description

THE 25th ANNIVERSARY OF THE WINNER OF THE 2000 BOOKER PRIZE
WITH A BRAND-NEW PREFACE FROM MARGARET ATWOOD HERSELF

'Ten days after the war ended, my sister Laura drove a car off a bridge. The bridge was being repaired; she went right through the Danger sign . . . Nothing much was left of her but charred smithereens.'

More than fifty years on, Iris is remembering Laura's mysterious death.

Sales Points

- **BRAND-NEW PREFACE:** This edition will include a new preface from Margaret Atwood herself
- **UPCOMING ATWOOD MEMOIR:** This anniversary edition will publish alongside Margaret Atwood's November 2025 memoir, *Book of Lives: A Sort of Memoir* from Vintage
- **PRIZE-WINNING ANNIVERSARY:** *The Blind Assassin* won the Booker prize in 2000, making this publication its 25th anniversary

Author Biography

Margaret Atwood is the author of more than forty works, including fiction, poetry and critical essays, and her books have been published in over thirty-five countries. She has won many literary awards and prizes.

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Metro 2035

Dmitry Glukhovsky

Keynote

The third novel in the acclaimed Metro series.

Description

A BRIGHTER PAST. A DARKER FUTURE.

The year is 2035. It's been twenty years since World War Three wiped out humankind. The only survivors were those who made it through the gates of the Metro, the subway system of Moscow city. It's there, hundreds of feet below the ground, that they try to outlive the end of the days. But the Metro's citizens, torn apart by religions and ideologies, are fighting for the now scarce commodities: air, water and space.

Artyom is no stranger to the Metro. Driven by a desire to lead his people out from the depths and into the light, he relentlessly searches for signs of life on the surface. And he will stop at nothing be the saviour that humanity needs . . .

Metro 2035 by Dmitry Glukhovsky is the final thrilling book in the Metro trilogy, a series that inspired the bestselling computer games Metro 2033, Metro: Last Light and Metro: Exodus.

Sales Points

- **GLOBAL BESTSELLING VIDEO GAME:** This is the latest novel in the phenomenal world of the METRO video game series.
- **HARD HITTING DYSTOPIA:** The Metro series are all examples of razor sharp and spectacular dystopian fiction, and METRO 2035 is no exception.
- **INTERNATIONAL SENSATION:** Since publication, the METRO series has been translated into 40 languages and has sold over 3 million copies worldwide.

Reviews

- 'A fascinating and claustrophobic exploration of a terrible future and how human nature adapts' - *Fantasy Book Review on Metro 2033*
- 'The world of *Metro 2033* is fascinating' - *Medium on Metro 2033*
- 'If you're looking for thoughtful, meandering, and thrilling exploration of a world after the end of the everything, check out Dmitry Glukhovsky's *Metro 2033*' - *SFF Insiders*

Author Biography

Dmitry Glukhovsky is a Journalism and Foreign Relations graduate of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He won THE ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD OF THE EUROPEAN SCIENCE FICTION SOCIETY in 2007. In addition to his native Russian, he speaks English, French, German, Hebrew and Spanish.

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A Journey
to the heart
of football
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World Cups

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REVIEWS

‘Praise for *Barça*: A masterfully written history of the world's greatest football club’ - Gary Lineker

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The World at My Feet

A Journey to the Heart of Football through Nine World Cups

SIMON KUPER

KEYNOTE

The story of how football transformed the world, told through nine World Cups - by one of our most talented football writers

SALES POINTS

- Kuper is one of the world's leading football journalists: *Football Against the Enemy* was William Hill Sports Book of the Year 1994 (22k TCM); *Soccernomics* is an international bestseller (17k TCM) and *Barça* was *Sunday Times* Football Book of the Year 2022 (5.6k TCM)
- An original look at the world's biggest sporting event, publishing in advance of the 2026 World Cup in the United States - huge marketing and publicity potential
- Kuper is a high-profile *Financial Times* columnist and co-host of the *Heroes & Humans* football podcast: he has a huge following, and a built-in audience for his writing - *Chums* was a *Sunday Times* bestseller (23k TCM)

DESCRIPTION

The football World Cup is the biggest sporting competition on Earth - a chance every four years for the greatest players to win international glory, and a month-long media spectacle that's watched by an audience of billions.

But the tournament has changed beyond recognition since the inaugural event in Montevideo, Uruguay, in July 1930. What was once a semi-professional meeting beset by haphazard play has evolved to become a game of multinational buyouts, dubious ethics and questionable aims - and the new era of football has much to tell us about the globalised world.

Simon Kuper is among the vanishingly small number of writers who have attended every World Cup since 1990. *The World at My Feet* is his journey to find the heart of football, through the nine tournaments he's experienced first-hand - from watching matches in half-empty stands during Italia 90, a tournament that at times felt like a village fete, to witnessing the French triumph at home in 1998, South Africa's national dream in 2010 and the troubling legacy of Qatar 2022.

Told on the pitch and in the stands, and in the pubs, front rooms and on the streets, this is the story of how football has changed the world.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Simon Kuper is an author and *Financial Times* journalist, born in Uganda and raised around the world. An Oxford graduate, he later attended Harvard as a Kennedy Scholar. He has written for the *Guardian*, *Observer*, and *The Times* and is also the author of *Chums*, *The Happy Traitor*, *Football Against the Enemy* and *Barça*. He lives in Paris with his family.

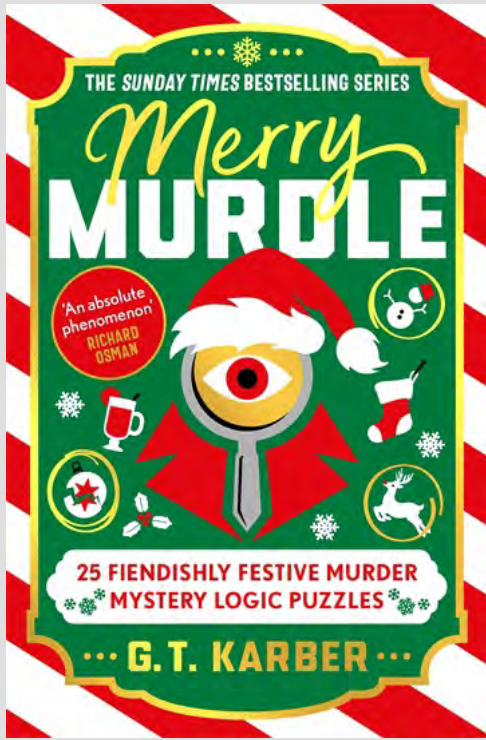
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Merry Murdle: THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING SERIES

25 Fiendishly Festive Murder Mystery Logic Puzzles

G. T. KARBER

KEYNOTE

Deck the halls with this festive instalment of *Murdle*, the #1 *Sunday Times* bestselling mystery puzzle series that challenges you to find whodunnit, where and why!

SALES POINTS

- A special festive edition of the #1 *Sunday Times* bestselling *Murdle* series - the perfect present for puzzle-lovers.
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- *Murdle* book one was the UK Christmas #1 bestseller in 2023 and winner of Waterstones Gift of the Year. It won overall Book of the Year at the 2024 British Book Awards.
- The *Murdle* series has sold over 600,000 copies through TCM.

DESCRIPTION

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Will you deduce who's cooked their goose? Find out, if you dare to MURDLE!

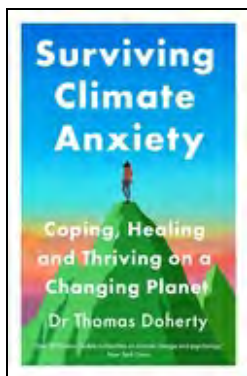
AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

G. T. KARBER is the award-winning creator of *Murdle*, the global bestselling puzzle sensation. He grew up in Arkansas, the son of a judge and a civil rights attorney and graduated summa cum laude from the University of Arkansas with a degree in mathematics and English literature, before gaining an MFA from the University of Southern California's School of Cinematic Arts. He is the General Secretary of the Hollywood Mystery Society and one of only three non-British authors to have ever published a #1 Christmas bestseller in the UK.

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Surviving Climate Anxiety Coping, Healing and Thriving on a Changing Planet

Dr Thomas Doherty

Keynote

An urgent and paradigm-shifting book by the esteemed clinical and environmental psychologist, Dr. Thomas Doherty.

Description

When Dr. Thomas Doherty published his groundbreaking paper 'The Psychological Impacts of Global Climate Change' in *American Psychologist* over a decade ago, he predicted a perfect storm brewing for a mental health crisis of global proportions. And it has arrived. Today, we are more anxious than ever, seized by an impossible new source of mental anguish: climate change and the global environmental crisis. Doherty, who is a pioneer in this crucial, fast-growing field of climate anxiety and 'one of the most visible authorities on climate change and psychology,' according to *The New York Times*, recognizes that this is a very real crisis as well as an existential one. The magnitude of our fear is so great, that many of us simply don't know how to process this level of potential worldwide devastation.

In his vital debut, *The Sustainable Self: A Guide to Coping, Identity, and Action in a Climate Changed World*, Doherty will share his unique step-by-step psychological approach to understanding and healing our environmental anguish, a process he has been teaching practitioners and patients for over 15 years. *The Sustainable Self* will allow readers to view climate change in new and crucial ways, providing them with the tools and knowledge they need to orient themselves in the truth of our current climate crisis, to be able to manage their own reactions to it, and plan for their future of positive personal growth.

This is the first book of its kind.

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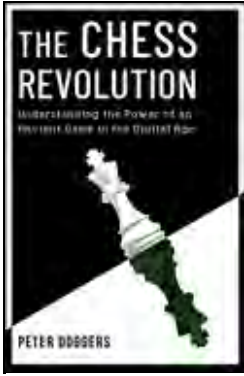
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The Chess Revolution Understanding the Power of an Ancient Game in the Digital Age

Peter Doggers

Keynote

The best chess journalist in the world explores why, after 1,500 years of existence, chess has never been more relevant than now.

Description

Despite being 1,500 years old, chess has never been more relevant than it is today. *The Chess Revolution* explores chess as a cultural phenomenon from its biggest stars and most dramatic moments to the impact of the internet and AI

Chess, as it turns out, isn't just one of the greatest games ever devised. It has inspired writers, painters and filmmakers, and was a secret mover behind technical revolutions like artificial intelligence that are transforming society. In *The Chess Revolution* the acclaimed Chess.com journalist Peter Doggers reveals how computers and the Internet have further strengthened the timeless magic of chess in the digital era, leading to a new peak in popularity and cultural relevance.

Sales Points

- **Author profile and connections:** Peter Doggers is one of the most well-known and respected journalists in the chess world. He is Director of News and Events at Chess.com. He has connections with top podcasters and streamers, as well as the top players such as Magnus Carlsen, Hikaru Nakamura, Garry Kasparov and Judit Polgar.
- **Chess.com** has committed to supporting the book via articles, newsletter mentions and social posts across its vast channels. They have following of 1.5m on YouTube, 1.3m TikTok, 1.1m Twitch, 830k Instagram and 520k Twitter. Their website has 2m active monthly users in the UK and 147m worldwide.
- **Target audience** is anyone who plays chess, is interested in learning about the game and how it intersects with art, popular culture and technology. For people who are seriously into chess as well as more casual fans and those learning the game.
- **Sales of comparatives** on Robinson list are excellent: 82k copies of *The Mammoth Book of Chess*; 33k *The World's Greatest Chess Games*; 56k *Chess for Kids*; 40k *The Right Way to Play Chess*.

Author Biography

Peter Doggers is one of the most well-known and respected journalists in the chess world. An internationally ranked chess player, he is the director of news and events at the market leader in online chess, Chess.com. Doggers has played chess for more than thirty-five years and has covered it for nearly twenty. He has interviewed dozens of grandmasters, played basketball with Magnus Carlsen and interviewed Garry Kasparov at Bobby Fischer's grave. Doggers lives in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

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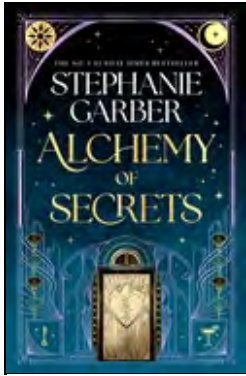
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Alchemy of Secrets

the magical new novel from the Sunday Times and international bestseller

Stephanie Garber

Keynote

The No. 1 Sunday Times bestseller is back! *Alchemy of Secrets* is the first adult novel from global fantasy phenomenon Stephanie Garber, the multimillion-copy bestselling author of the Caraval and Once Upon a Broken Heart series.

Description

YOU'RE HERE BECAUSE OF A STORY . . .

It starts with a class in an old movie theatre. Folklore 517: Local Legends and Urban Myths, taught by a woman called the Professor.

Most students believe the Professor's stories are just fiction, but Holland St. James has always been convinced that magic is real.

Her search for the truth leads her to a dazzling new world, a deadly ultimatum hidden at the heart of Los Angeles, and into the path of a magnetic stranger who claims he's been sent to save her life.

But everyone in this intoxicating new world is lying to her, even this stranger. And if she can't figure out whom to trust, her magical reality could change from a Hollywood dream to a nightmare.

***Alchemy of Secrets* is the spectacular new novel from global phenomenon Stephanie Garber, the multimillion-copy bestselling author of the Caraval and Once Upon a Broken Heart series. Fusing spellbinding Hollywood secrets with a cinematic mystery, it will transport you into another world.**

The UK hardback edition features stunning foiled endpaper art and a secret hidden cover design printed in beautiful foil beneath the dust jacket. There are four different designs to collect! If you order online, you will receive one at random. These will be available for a limited time only so make sure you pre-order to guarantee getting one!

Sales Points

- **FROM THE MULTIMILLION-COPY BESTSELLER:** Worldwide sales have now surpassed 8 million copies with rights sold in 36 languages and counting.
- **A BRAND-NEW WORLD:** Her first ever book not set in the world of *Caraval*, *Alchemy of Secrets* takes place in a Hollywood fuelled by deals with the devil, where magic brews behind every locked door, tangled with a decades-old mystery - and her signature sparkle of romance - that will enchant fans of *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue* by V.E. Schwab, *Ninth House* by Leigh Bardugo, and *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid.
- **WITH A GLOBAL FANBASE:** With more than 360k followers on Instagram, Stephanie's channels are only growing.
- **STUNNING SPECIAL EDITIONS:** *Alchemy of Secrets* will have multiple high-spec special editions, including signed editions available from Waterstones and Goldsboro.
- **AND AN INTERNATIONAL TOUR:** Stephanie will be touring both the US and UK in 2025 to celebrate the publication of *Alchemy of Secrets*.

Reviews

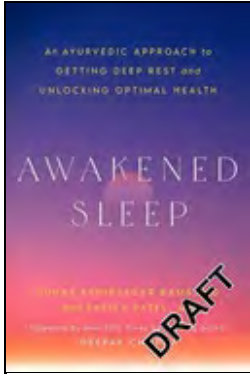
- 'I've never read anything quite like *Alchemy of Secrets* - it's full of adventure and magic and quirky twists will keep you guessing until the very last line. What a fantastic adult fantasy debut for Stephanie Garber!' - *Jodi Picoult, No. 1 New York Times bestselling author*

Author Biography

Stephanie Garber is the No. 1 *Sunday Times*, *New York Times*, and internationally bestselling author of the Caraval series and the Once Upon a Broken Heart series. Her books have been published in thirty languages.

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Awakened Sleep An Ayurvedic Approach to Getting Deep Rest and Unlocking Optimal Health

Dr. Suhas Kshirsagar and Dr. Sheila Patel, Foreword by Deepak Chopra

Keynote

A new take on a topic we never tire of - sleep. This is the user-friendly guide you have dreamed of.

Description

We spend a third of our life sleeping, so why not use that time more effectively?

Sleep is a miracle cure that optimizes all of our body's functions. And yet we are not optimizing this incredible tool. With the increasingly hectic pace of our daily lives, compounded by the prevalence of so many gadgets and machines and the sheer amount of time we spend attached to our screens, it's little wonder that so few of us are getting our beauty sleep.

We know we're not getting enough sleep, but we don't know how to fix it. What most of us don't realize is that we all have the capacity for *awakened sleep*. Awakened sleep slowly trains the sleeper to have optimal energy, superior cognition and brain functioning, more balanced emotions, and longevity - especially when compared to the average seven hours of sleep.

Awakened Sleep bridges the gap between science and ancient wisdom traditions so we can improve our lives. It is the first comprehensive "sleep manual" that guides the reader through the current science of sleep but goes several steps beyond by offering an understanding of the higher states of consciousness that emerge from sleep and dreaming, which in turn, impact our spiritual awareness and the subtler aspects of our overall health. With a Foreword by Deepak Chopra, *Awakened Sleep* fuses cutting-edge scientific research with age-old Vedic practices for balanced, restorative sleep.

Including a comprehensive sleep hygiene protocol and an assessment to uncover your own unique sleep patterns, *Awakened Sleep* reveals why a good day-indeed, a good life-always begins the night before.

Sales Points

- **A NEW TAKE ON A TOPIC WE NEVER TIRE OF:** Where popular sleep books focus exclusively on the physical and mental benefits of sleep, Suhas and Sheila go further, bringing spiritual health into the picture. Dreams, meditation, consciousness and identity are covered and, backed by Western and Eastern science, the authors show that sleep has the capacity to optimize wellbeing, creativity, performance and more.
- **A PERSONALIZED, HOLISTIC APPROACH:** Did you know that not everyone needs 8 hours of sleep? The reason common sleep hacks don't work is that they don't align with our individual mind-body constitutions. When we work with our body's rhythms, we can achieve optimal rest. This book shows how with quizzes and a protocol for personalized sleep hygiene.
- **MEDITATION TIE IN:** In their new paradigm, sleep is an extension of your meditation practice. It holds a unique space in our consciousness, and rest represents not only a time for the body and mind to heal, but for us to tap into higher states of consciousness. When we optimize sleep, we aren't just refreshing, we're accessing our pure human potential.
- **EXPERT AUTHORS:** Dr. Patel is the Chief Medical Advisor for the Chopra Foundation (where she was previously CMO for 13 years), and Dr. Kshirsagar is the most visible, academically accomplished Ayurvedic physician in the United States. Both are sought-after speakers who would promote the book at their engagements.
- **FOREWORD BY DEEPAK CHOPRA:** Deepak Chopra is writing the Foreword and has committed to promoting it extensively online and through his mailing list of 1.4 million people. In addition to its significant total outreach, Chopra Global has a dedicated core of more than 200,000 active online subscribers. Dr. Suhas and Dr. Sheila will actively promote their book through talks with Chopra Global and Chopra Foundation.

Author Biography

Dr. Suhas Kshirsagar is one of the most prominent and academically accomplished Ayurvedic physicians in the United States. He is the director of Ayurvedic Healing, an integrative wellness clinic in Santa Cruz where he has successfully treated more than 50,000 clients. He is also the author of *The Hot Belly Diet* and *Change Your Schedule, Change Your Life* which has been translated into 13 languages and sold nearly 60,000 copies. As a leading voice in Ayurvedic medicine, Dr. Suhas is a sought-after speaker at Ayurvedic and wellness conferences both nationally and internationally. He is an Advisor and Consultant at Chopra Global and Chopra Foundation, which allows him to share the stage with some of the leading global experts in the field of Integrative Medicine.

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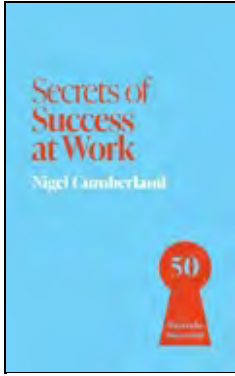
Dr. Sheila Patel (MD) is the Chief Medical Advisor for the Chopra Foundation and a board-certified family physician. Dr. Sheila is certified as an instructor of Ayurveda, yoga, and meditation and served as Chief Medical Officer for Chopra Global for 13 years. She joined the Institute for Integrative Nutrition as a Medical Advisor where she continues to be a lead educator for the Chopra meditation and health certification programs. In addition, she serves as the clinical research director for the Chopra Foundation, volunteer faculty at UCSD School of Family Medicine and Public Health, and is a sought-after keynote speaker.

Market

Those who struggle with getting enough or quality sleep. Those who are seeking natural solutions to their difficulty with sleep. Those who consider themselves healthy or health-conscious, but who would like to use their sleep to access more creativity and manifest their intentions. Spiritual aspirants who want to expand their meditative practices and understanding of sleep from a higher perspective.

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Secrets of Success at Work 50 Ways to be Successful

Nigel Cumberland

Keynote

DISCOVER THE 50 SECRETS FOR SUCCESS AT WORK - COMPLETE WITH STRATEGIES FOR PUTTING THEM INTO PRACTICE.

Description

THESE ARE THE REAL INSIGHTS YOU NEED TO SUCCEED

WHAT DO SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE DO THAT THE REST OF US DON'T? Do they have a secret recipe for success? Is there a special alchemy to being successful? The 50 secrets in this book will help you achieve success in the workplace so that you continually excel in your career. Whether you want to be valued, exceed your goals, secure your future, do meaningful work or avoid burnout, this book provides the tools and techniques you need.

Every one of the secrets in this book contains 3 strategies you can put into practice right now to get better results. Some of the ideas will surprise you, all will inspire you. Put these simple strategies together and you have a recipe for professional success, a formula that will unlock your full potential.

Success Made Easy

With nuggets of wisdom gathered over years of experience, it gives you everything you need to know to get ahead. Treat it as your personal toolbox and with practice over time, these ideas will become habits. No matter what you do, you can do it successfully. *Secrets of Success at Work* will support you on your journey.

ABOUT THE SERIES

Secrets books are designed to be easy to incorporate into your daily life. They boil down the essentials of important topics into short, quick lessons giving expert advice on a wide range of challenges that you can apply instantly. Each chapter outlines one of the 50 secrets and gives three strategies for putting the ideas into action. Whether you want to improve your efficiency, clear your desk, or be on top of your work, these books give the answers you're looking for.

Sales Points

- *Secrets* is a 100K copy bestselling aspirational business skills series revealing the insider secrets to success from experts at the top of their game.
- Each book has 50 chapters and each of the chapters explains a key concept before sharing 3 clear strategies for putting it into practice immediately.
- It is the perfect combination of insight and strategy, packaged in 'dip-in and dip-out' style. Read from start to finish or just open the book at random. It's up to you.
- Every *Secrets* book contains expert advice from an author with a proven track record of success.
- The series was originally published in the Teach Yourself imprint then updated and moved to John Murray Business from 2025.

Author Biography

Nigel Cumberland is an award-winning global coach who helps leaders and teams to optimise and enhance their success in both their careers and lives. He has coached and trained at some of the world's most prestigious organisations such as the United Nations, the World Bank Group, Standard Chartered Bank, Google, Dell, LVMH, Christian Dior, Continental AG and the Dubai Government. He is also one of the elite Marshall Goldsmith approved coaches and a member of Harvard Business Review's Advisory Council. He is also a Freeman of the City of London and has been given the award as one of the world's top 100 leadership coaches.

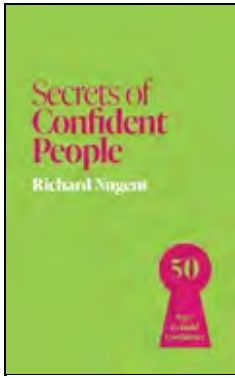
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Secrets of Confident People 50 Ways to Build Confidence

Richard Nugent

Keynote

DISCOVER THE 50 SECRETS THAT CONFIDENT PEOPLE KNOW - COMPLETE WITH STRATEGIES FOR PUTTING THEM INTO PRACTICE.

Description

THESE ARE THE REAL INSIGHTS YOU NEED TO BUILD SELF-CONFIDENCE

WHAT WOULD A LITTLE EXTRA CONFIDENCE MEAN TO YOU? Confidence can help you do better at work, feel more comfortable in social situations, be more open to new experiences. Confidence can do amazing things for you. *Secrets of Confident People* shows you how to build it.

Every one of the 50 secrets in this book contains 3 strategies you can put into practice right now to get better results. Some of the ideas will surprise you, all will inspire you. Put these simple strategies together and you have a recipe for success, a formula that will unlock your full potential.

Instant Confidence

If you've ever done anything well, you already know how to do confidence. The secret is to know what it looks, sounds and feels like *for you*, and then replicate it in areas where confidence doesn't come so easily. *Secrets of Confident People* reveals the things you need to know to grow your self-confidence.

Get the confidence habit

Most people are brought up thinking you're either confident or not. That's not the case. Confidence isn't something you have or don't have; it's something you do or don't do. We all have it and can trigger it in an instant regardless of situation, experience or external factors. This book is packed with strategies for increasing confidence. By choosing one or two at a time and using them, your confidence will grow significantly no matter what your starting point. Apply the tools, techniques and principles and you will have all the confidence you could ever need in any situation.

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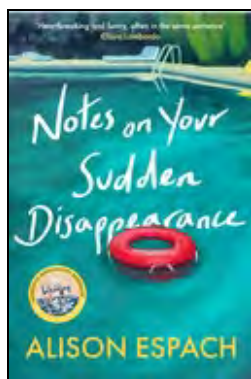
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Author Biography

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Notes on Your Sudden Disappearance

From the bestselling author of *The Wedding People*

Alison Espach

Keynote

A funny and heartbreaking coming-of-age story about sisterhood, grief and first love, from the million copy bestselling author of *The Wedding People*

Description

'Heartbreaking and funny, often in the same sentence'
Claire Lombardo, bestselling author of *The Most Fun We Ever Had*

Sally Holt has always been mystified by the things her older sister, Kathy, seems to have been born knowing. Kathy has answers for all of Sally's questions about life, about love, and about Billy Barnes, the high school basketball star who runs the refreshment stand at the local pool. Billy's unfathomable, otherworldly cool puts him on a different planet - until a tragedy leaves Sally's life forever intertwined with his.

Opening in the early nineties and charting almost two decades of shared history and missed connections, *Notes on Your Sudden Disappearance* is a dazzlingly unconventional love story that brims with unexpected moments of joy.

Sales Points

- **FROM THE AUTHOR OF RUNAWAY BESTSELLER *THE WEDDING PEOPLE*:** Selected for the Read With Jenna Book Club, Alison Espach's most recent novel *The Wedding People* has been a long-running fixture on the *New York Times* bestseller list and has sold over a million copies to date around the world.
- **INTRODUCING UK READERS TO A BELOVED AMERICAN NOVEL:** *The Wedding People* has created an evangelical fanbase for Alison Espach in the UK, with readers eager to discover her backlist. Publishing in the UK for the first time, *Notes on Your Sudden Disappearance* was originally launched in the US in 2022 and named a Best Book of the Year across the media.
- **A LOVE STORY ABOUT SISTERS:** this is a coming-of-age story about a girl growing up in the shadow of her vibrant older sister. It is funny, charming, nostalgic and the story is hugely moving - there is a clear readership for the book among those who love wise, witty US novels about sisters, family, love and loss.

Reviews

- **'Espach is an immensely talented writer . . . This novel is deeply moving, always excellent, and often unexpectedly funny'** - *Emily St. John Mandel, bestselling author of THE GLASS HOTEL*
- **'A deeply felt, finely wrought, and highly satisfying novel. Alison Espach has created a family whose every sorrow, joy, and idiosyncrasy is utterly, vibrantly real'** - *Claire Lombardo, bestselling author of THE MOST FUN WE EVER HAD*
- **'Tender, eloquent, and wise, this is an intensely beautiful book by a supremely gifted writer'** - *Karen Thompson Walker, author of THE DREAMERS*

Author Biography

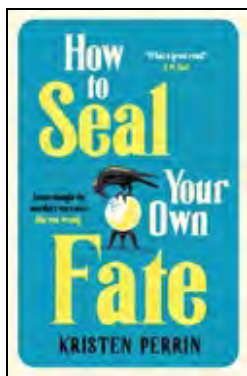
Alison Espach is the author of three novels including *The Wedding People*, which was selected for the Read With Jenna book club and became a major international bestseller. Her short stories and essays have appeared in a wide range of publications, including *McSweeney's* and *Vogue*. She is a professor of creative writing at Providence College in Rhode Island.

Market

FOR FANS OF: *THE WEDDING PEOPLE* by Alison Espach, *THE MOST FUN WE EVER HAD* by Claire Lombardo, *HELLO BEAUTIFUL* by Ann Napolitano, *PREP* by Curtis Sittenfeld and *ASK AGAIN YES* by Mary Beth Keane

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How To Seal Your Own Fate

Kristen Perrin

Keynote

The much-anticipated sequel to *How To Solve Your Own Murder*. A page-turning mystery with an unforgettable cast of characters, perfect for fans of *Knives Out* and *Only Murders in the Building*.

Description

The much-anticipated sequel to *How To Solve Your Own Murder*

'What a great read!' J. M. Hall

'Kept me guessing until the very end' Joanna Wallace

'Thrilling' G. T. Karber

'Original, atmospheric' Ian Moore

Annie thought the murders were over. She was wrong.

It is autumn in Castle Knoll and Annie Adams is busy settling into her new home. She doesn't find Gravesdown Hall particularly cosy, especially since she found two dead bodies there over the summer. What's more, ever since she arrived in the village, Annie has had the creeping sense she's being watched.

Lonely, and desperate for some company, Annie starts talking to a stranger she meets in the grounds of the estate. The striking old woman introduces herself as Peony Lane, the fortune-teller who predicted Great Aunt Frances' murder all those years ago. And now she has a fortune to tell Annie.

Desperate not to fall into the same trap as Frances, Annie flees Peony Lane, refusing to hear any of her grim predictions. But she can't outrun Peony for long, as hours later she finds her, dead on the floor of Gravesdown Hall, a ruby-hilted dagger plunged into her back.

But who killed the mysterious fortune teller and why? And can Frances' library of evidence help Annie solve the case?

Sales Points

- Kristen's first book, *How To Solve Your Own Murder*, was acquired in a seven figure pre-empt by Dutton, PRH. The translation rights sold into 13 territories.
- This is big buzzy fiction with a killer hook. It will appeal to readers of quirky reading group fiction as well as lovers of cosy crime.
- *How to Solve Your Own Murder* had widespread retailer support across multiple territories and was selected as the Waterstones Thriller of the Month for October.

Reviews

- 'What a great read! Full of shadowy corners and lost diaries. Prepare to **joyously lose yourself in the dark secrets of Gravesdown Hall**' - J. M. Hall
- 'Kristen Perrin delivers a **captivating blend of mystery and suspense** in *How to Seal your Own Fate*, where the charming village of Castle Knoll harbors **secrets that span generations**. A **thoroughly engaging** read that **kept me guessing until the very end**' - Joanna Wallace
- 'A **brilliant follow-up** that proves Kristen Perrin is here to stay. It was wonderful to revisit the characters from *How to Solve Your Own Murder*, especially the infamous Peony Lane, who offers a new prediction that once again leads to surprisingly murderous results. *How to Seal Your Own Fate* is a **thrilling story that ends with a big reveal you won't see coming**, even though the clues were in front of you the entire time!' - G. T. Garber
- 'Each character is **so well-written and believable**, all of them bringing something different to a really **original, atmospheric** story' - Ian Moore

Author Biography

Kristen Perrin is originally from Seattle, Washington, where she spent several years working as a bookseller before moving to the UK to do a master's and a PhD. She lives with her family in Surrey, where she can be found poking around vintage bookstores, stomping in the mud with her two kids, and collecting too many plants. *How To Solve Your Own Murder* is her debut adult novel.

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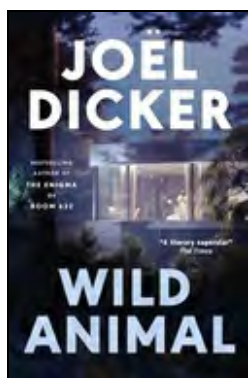
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Wild Animal

The Master of the Plot Twist Returns with a New Bestseller

Joël Dicker
Translated by **Robert Bononno**

Keynote

Gripping domestic thriller meets audacious heist mystery - from the internationally bestselling master of the plot twist

Description

From the devious mind of *New York Times* bestselling author Joël Dicker - master of the plot twist - comes this gripping domestic thriller that transforms into an ambitious heist mystery involving a famed Geneva jewelry boutique.

On July 2, 2022, two criminals set out to rob a jewelry shop in Geneva. But even with a foolproof plan, their "perfect" heist will prove far from uneventful. . .

Twenty days earlier, on a luxurious estate along the shores of Lake Geneva, Sophie Braun prepares to celebrate her fortieth birthday. Her life seems perfect: she has a fairytale marriage, two perfect children, and lives in a stylish modern mansion surrounded by lush forest. But her idyllic world is about to crumble. Her husband is becoming embroiled in petty schemes. Her neighbor, a policeman with a spotless reputation, is obsessed with her and spies on the most intimate moments of her life. Then, on her birthday, she receives a gift from a mysterious prowler that endangers her life.

It will take many journeys into the past, far from Geneva, to unravel the origins of this diabolical plot from which no one will emerge unscathed, including readers. Told at a breathtaking pace, filled with nerve-jangling suspense, *Wild Animal* demonstrates once again why Joël Dicker—since the publication of *The Truth About the Harry Quebert Affair*—reigns supreme as one of the most beloved contemporary mystery writers in the world today.

"A literary superstar" *The Times*

Sales Points

- Dicker's bestselling novel, *The Truth About the Harry Quebert Affair*, has sold more than 7 million copies worldwide and 130,000 copies through the UK TCM
- Dicker's second thriller to be set in his native Switzerland, following *The Enigma of Room 622*, which sold more than a million copies in France and 13,000 copies through the TCM

Author Biography

Joël Dicker was born in Geneva in 1985, where he studied Law. *The Truth about the Harry Quebert Affair* was nominated for the Prix Goncourt and won the Grand Prix du Roman de l'Académie Française and the Prix Goncourt des Lycéens. It has sold more than 7 million copies in 42 countries. All his subsequent novels, including two sequels, have been huge international bestsellers.

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Christmas in the Little Irish Village

A page-turning Christmas romance to fall in love with

Michelle Vernal

Keynote

A heart-warming, festive and uplifting story, *Christmas in the Little Irish Village* will transport you to the Emerald Isle. This top 100 UK Kindle Chart bestseller is perfect for fans of Nicola May, Trisha Ashley and Debbie Macomber.

Description

Welcome to the little Irish village where Christmas celebrations are in full swing! Twinkling lights, cosy fires and big mugs of hot chocolate are in abundance at the Shamrock Inn.

For heartbroken **Shannon**, seasonal joy is the last thing on her mind. Even her big Irish family can't cheer her up. Things get worse when Shannon slips and finds herself red-faced in the arms of a gorgeous American man...

James Cabot is staying at the Shamrock Inn and claiming to be the long-lost grandson of her elderly neighbour. Suspicious, Shannon is determined to find out the truth.

Then they end up snowed in together. But just as James begins to make Shannon's heart melt, a shocking secret threatens to shatter their growing romance.

Can Shannon trust James? And will she get the happily-ever-after she's been hoping for this Christmas?

This gorgeous festive romance is the perfect cosy read to snuggle up with this Christmas. Fans of Nicola May, Trisha Ashley and Debbie Macomber will love this wonderfully uplifting novel.

What readers are saying about *Christmas in the Little Irish Village*:

'Pick up this gorgeous hug of a book and get transported to a beautiful Irish village... wraps itself round you like a cosy blanket. It has warmth, charm, laugh out loud moments and a wistful nostalgia. I absolutely loved it.' NetGalley reviewer, □□□□

'If this doesn't speak rom com perfection I don't know what does!... I was so delighted with the warm fuzzy feeling this book left me with... delightful. Gorgeous!' NetGalley reviewer, □□□□

'Charming and sweet romance... It would make a beautiful Hallmark movie... Reading it put me in the Christmas spirit!' *Johann Loves Books*, □□□□

'Heart-warming cosy Christmas read... I loved the setting in this book, it was such a beautiful little town with such a lovely supportive community... A perfect Christmas book.' *cazthebookworm*, □□□□

'Charming, joyful, festive and surprising story about love, friendship and learning to be true to yourself. It's an emotional rollercoaster! Read it!' Goodreads reviewer, □□□□

'Lovely festive read and the characters are loveable, the little village setting is perfect. Full of family festive cheer, a perfect Christmas read.' Goodreads reviewer, □□□□

Sales Points

- Michelle Vernal is a popular name in the women's fiction genre, with over 54,000 units sold across 8 titles and over 25 million pages read through Kindle Unlimited.
- Christmas in the Little Irish Village hit the top 100 on the UK Kindle Chart when it published.
- Christmas in the Little Irish Village has almost 8 million pages read through KU and has sold 15k units so far.
- Michelle has a brilliant review averages - and over 4k reviews for Christmas in the Little Irish Village with a 4.5* average.

Author Biography

Michelle Vernal is a New Zealand author who writes stories that will take you onto the page with her characters and make you feel part of their lives.

She writes with humour and warmth, and her readers describe her books as

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unputdownable, feel good and funny. Her writing has been likened to Maeve Binchy but with a modern-day vernacular.

In 2015 she was shortlisted for the Love Stories Award. In 2020 she won the Reader's Favorite Gold Medal Award for Chick lit, and in 2021 was shortlisted for the Page Turner Book Awards.

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Comic Strip Science Adventures: Exploring Space

Paul Mason (Illustrated By Jess Bradley)

Keynote

An entertaining collection uncovering amazing space exploration stories told in comic strips

Description

An entertaining collection uncovering amazing stories of space exploration told in comic strips.

Discover the history of the first missions to the Moon, how space rovers have adventures, the mystery of a floating poo and much more. This book is sure to entertain children, while giving them an insight into the many challenges and rivalries behind scientific achievements and how scientists learn from mistakes. It is produced by the same team as *Comic Strip Science* with hilarious comic strips illustrated by award-winning artist Jess Bradley and written by Paul Mason, who is well known for making science learning fun. Key science concepts are pulled out in more depth in feature spreads. The book has a specialist text consultant, Sophie Allan of the National Space Centre.

Comic Strip Science Adventures is a series of comic books that are perfect for young scientists aged 7 plus. Each book has specialist subject consultants. Titles in the series: *Digging for Dinosaurs*, *Exploring Space*, *Medical Marvels*, *Amazing Inventions*.

Sales Points

- Funny cartoons throughout by the illustrator of the best-selling *A Day in the Life of a Poo, Gnu and You*
- Offers a fun way into science learning
- Each book has a specialist consultant

Summary of Contents

Space – a lot to explore / The first astronomers / Galileo v. the Inquisition / The solar system, galaxy and universe / Laika the Space Dog / Animals in space / Gagarin, superstar spaceman / The Cold War / The first spacewoman / Apollo 10 and the mystery poos / The Moon Landing / Exploring the Moon / Rocket science / 13 – the unlucky Apollo / Space not-quite hotels / Robot space adventures / Missions to Mars / Space quiz

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.

Jess Bradley (Illustrator)

Jess Bradley is a writer and artist for *The Phoenix Comic*, a writer for *The Beano* and has illustrated several children's books. *A Day In The Life Of A Poo, A Gnu and You*, illustrated by Jess won the 2021 Blue Peter Award for Best Non-Fiction. Jess lives in Torquay with her husband and son and enjoys drawing in her many sketchbooks, playing video games, reading and watching scary films.

Publication date **Thursday, October 23, 2025**
 Price **£9.99 / ₹699**
 Main Identifier **9781526327253**
 BIC 2.1 **Space (Children's / Teenage) (YNTS) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)**

CBMC **C5N79**
 Age **7-9 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character **Non-character**
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **265x210**
 Depth **8mm**
 Extent **48 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Comic Strip Science Adventures**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

Digging for Dinosaurs 9781526327215
 Exploring Space 9781526327246
 Medical Marvels 9781526327307
 Amazing Inventions 9781526327277

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Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£8.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781510113848
BIC 2.1	General fiction (Children's / Teenage) (YFB) Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK) Republic of South Africa (1HFMS) Family & home stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFN)

CBMC	D3N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Series	The White Giraffe Series
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

The Lion Cub's Secret

Lauren St John

Keynote

Martine and Ben rescue a lion cub in this brand-new wildlife adventure story in Lauren St John's beloved and bestselling *White Giraffe* series.

Description

Imagine rescuing a lion cub . . .

After Martine saves an orphaned lion cub from a market, she dreams of keeping it at Sawubona forever. Then she learns that Tau, the cub, already has a home. He's been stolen from one of South Africa's most famous game reserves. When Martine and her best friend Ben are invited to volunteer at Marula Wilderness Lodge to help settle Tau in, they leap at the chance. But behind Marula's glamorous façade, all is not what it seems. Once Ben and Martine start asking questions, they're drawn deeper and deeper into the deadliest adventure of their lives.

Lauren St John's *White Giraffe* series has become internationally beloved. This is the perfect time to discover - or rediscover - this bestselling series.

Sales Points

- A brand new story in Lauren's bestselling White Giraffe series - publishing ahead of the 20th anniversary of *The White Giraffe* in 2026.
- Lauren's total sales for HCG out of the warehouse are 1.3 million. Her TCM across all books and all UK publishers is 686,000. Her bestseller is *The White Giraffe* which has sold 92,000 (TCM).
- Lauren has been awarded the Blue Peter Book Award (2011, *Dead Man's Cove*) and CrimeFest Best Crime Novel for Children (2019, *Kat Wolfe Investigates*).
- Perfect for fans of Hannah Gold and Michael Morpurgo.
- Vividly evokes the atmosphere of South Africa.

Author Biography

Lauren St John grew up surrounded by horses, dogs, cat, warthogs, and a giraffe on a farm and game reserve in Zimbabwe, the inspiration for her bestselling *White Giraffe* and *One Dollar Horse* series, and standalone novels, *The Snow Angel* and *The Glory*.

Her latest books are *Finding Wonder*, *Wave Riders* and the Wolfe & Lamb Mystery series.

Kat Wolfe Investigates won the 2019 CrimeFest Best Crime Novel for Children, and *Dead Man's Cove*, the first in her Laura Marlin Mystery series, was the 2011 Blue Peter Book of the Year.

A passionate conservationist, Lauren is an Ambassador for the Born Free Foundation, a Patron of Mane Chance Animal Sanctuary, and the founder of Authors4Oceans. When not writing or saving leopards and dolphins, she is a full-time valet to her cats, Skye and Teddy.

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Publication date	Wednesday, October 08, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹399
Main Identifier	9781526368003
BIC 2.1	Anthologies (Children's / Teenage) (YDC) Short stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFU) True stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFY) Personal & social issues: self-awareness & self-esteem (Children's / Teenage) (YXL) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG) 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	B Format
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	
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

Michael Rosen's Totally True (and totally silly) Bedtime Stories

Michael Rosen (Illustrated By Emily Fox)

Keynote

A silly, mind-fizzing collection of TRUE bedtime stories by national treasure storyteller Michael Rosen. Perfect for kids aged 6 and up!

Description

Britain's national treasure Michael Rosen delivers a silly, mind-fizzing collection of heartwarming true tales perfect for bedtime. For kids aged 6 to 106!

These totally true (and very silly) stories are the perfect bedtime reading, either to share together or for newly confident readers to read alone.

Giggle at the story of dogs who learnt to drive (yes, really), elephants who sway to classical guitar music, a fish who is best friends with a diver and the boy who found a huge giant shark tooth. Marvel at these silly, good news stories - there's something to delight and inspire everyone before bedtime.

From the bestselling author of *Chocolate Cake* and *We're Going On A Bear Hunt*, this beautifully illustrated bedtime collection of five-minute true stories is perfect for kids aged 6 and older.

Sales Points

- **MUCH-LOVED CHILDREN'S AUTHOR:** Michael Rosen held the post of Children's Laureate from 2007 to 2009. He is one of the best-known figures in the children's book world, renowned for his work as a poet, performer, broadcaster and scriptwriter. As an author and by selecting other writers' works for anthologies, he has been involved with over 140 books.
- **BEDTIME STORIES FOR TIME-POOR PARENTS:** Each story takes around five minutes to read, so it's perfect for storytime, and an excellent first chapter book for new readers.
- **BEAUTIFUL ILLUSTRATIONS THROUGHOUT:** An appealing package for young readers and a book to treasure and revisit for years to come.
- **PARENT-FRIENDLY** and competitively priced - enduring appeal and not just for Christmas.
- **PROMOTES EMPATHY AND KINDNESS:** The stories are a celebration of kindness, empathy, diversity, community and family.

Author Biography

Michael Rosen (Author)

Michael Rosen held the post of Children's Laureate from 2007 to 2009. He is one of the best-known figures in the children's book world, renowned for his work as a poet, performer, broadcaster and scriptwriter. As an author and by selecting other writers' works for anthologies, he has been involved with over 140 books.

Emily Fox (Illustrator)

Emily Fox is an illustrator whose work is colourful and characterful. She works with a mix of digital and traditional processes and loves bringing characters to life and creating worlds for them to live in. She lives in Bradford on Avon with her partner and their mischievous cockapoo, Lupin.



The Element in the Room

Mike Barfield (Illustrated By Lauren Humphrey)

Keynote

Did you know that without the 'lead' in your pencil, there would be no life on Earth? Just about everything in the universe is made from only 92 elements-and from aluminum to zinc, many of them are hiding in your very own home!

Description

SHORTLISTED FOR THE BLUE PETER BOOK AWARDS 2019-BEST BOOK WITH FACTS
SHORTLISTED FOR THE ROYAL SOCIETY YOUNG PEOPLE'S BOOK PRIZE 2019.
LONGLISTED FOR THE UKLA BOOK AWARDS 2020
Did you know that without the 'lead' in your pencil, there would be no life on Earth? Just about everything in the universe is made from only 92 elements-and from aluminum to zinc, many of them are hiding in your very own home!
Packed with Lauren Humphrey's quirky illustrations and written by the multi-talented Mike Barfield, this unique introduction to the elements in the periodic table will excite all young readers as they help Sherlock Ohms solve the mystery of how absolutely everything came to exist!
Starting with the Big Bang, *The Element in the Room* looks at every element in close detail and includes fun comic-strips to tell the stories of key scientific discoveries throughout history.

Sales Points

- A fully illustrated guide to the chemical elements, packed with mind-blowing facts
- Introduces all the elements in the periodic table, plus non fiction comics and exciting experiments to try!
- Join Sherlock Ohms as he investigates these elements, and solve the mystery of how absolutely everything came to exist!

Author Biography

Mike Barfield (Author)
Mike Barfield is a best-selling children's author, cartoonist, poet and performer with books in well over a dozen different languages. He has a first-class degree in Biology from the University of London, and won the Blue Peter Book Awards 2021 for the Best Book with Facts.
Lauren Humphrey (Illustrator)
Lauren Humphrey is an illustrator with 10 years' experience, based in London, UK. Lauren loves working with bright colors, bold shapes, and is often inspired by plants, animals, and anatomy. She enjoys drawing characters and objects with unique proportions and perspectives. Her experience ranges from illustrating children's informative picture books to designing puppets, sets, and props for animation series.

Publication date **Thursday, October 09, 2025**
Price **£9.99 / ₹799**
Main Identifier **9781510231979**
BIC 2.1 **Science & technology: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNT) Educational: Chemistry (YQSC) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)**

CBMC **D5N79**
Age **9-11 years**
Subject **Non-fiction**
Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character **Non-character**
Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **290x225**
Extent **64 pages**

Word Count
Exclusively for Sale **UK; World**
Not for Sale **None**

Author living in **Yorkshire, UK**

Previous Titles

9781786271778 The Element in the Room (UK HB)
9781786271785 The Element in the Room (US HB)
9781786279064 That's Life (UK HB)
9781786279071 That's Life (US HB)
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Which Way To The Future

The out-of-this-world new series from the author of **HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON**

Cressida Cowell

Keynote

Come with me if you dare, and take the **Which Way to Anywhere...** Hold on tight for book 3 in an out-of-this-world new series from former Waterstones Children's Laureate and No.1 bestselling author of *How to Train Your Dragon*.

Description

From the bestselling author of **HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON** comes book 3 in an out-of-this-world new series packed with epic adventure, thrilling space travel and forbidden Magic.

Planet Earth, in case you do not know it, is a small, green little world, out on the end of a remote and rarely visited Milky Way.

All Magic was *supposed* to have disappeared from this particular planet many centuries earlier.

But in an ordinary, slightly damp part of the planet there are five human children with extraordinary Magical Gifts that the universe has never seen before. Only two of them don't know it yet.

What will Mabel and Izzabird's Gifts be? And how will they navigate Bounty Hunters, a witch and three perilous tasks to reach the end of their story? After all, there's nothing like an adventure to find out whether you are a Hero or not . . .

WARNING: Contains Dangerous Space Travel and Very Illegal Magic

Sales Points

- Launching at the end of a blockbuster year for Cressida, following the release of the HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON live-action film and a new Universal theme park
- Cressida Cowell's books have sold 16 million copies worldwide in 46 languages

Author Biography

Cressida Cowell is the author and the illustrator of the globally bestselling *How to Train Your Dragon* series. Her next series, *The Wizards of Once*, was an international bestseller. Cressida is also the author of the Emily Brown picture books, illustrated by Neal Layton. The *Which Way* series is her most recent and has already been translated into 15 languages.

How to Train Your Dragon has sold over 8 million books worldwide in 42 languages. It is also an award-winning DreamWorks film series, and a TV series shown on Netflix and CBBC. *The Wizards of Once* has been translated into 38 languages and also signed by DreamWorks.

Cressida was the Waterstones Children's Laureate (2019-2022). She is an ambassador for the National Literacy Trust and the Reading Agency and a founder patron of the Children's Media Foundation. She has won numerous prizes for her books, including the Gold Award in the Nestle Children's Book Prize, the Hay Festival Medal for Fiction, and Philosophy Now' magazine's 2015 Award for Contributions in the Fight Against Stupidity.

She grew up in London and on a small, uninhabited island off the west coast of Scotland and she now lives in Hammersmith with her husband, three children and a dog called Pigeon.

Publication date	Thursday, October 16, 2025
Price	£12.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781444982398
BIC 2.1	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Personal & social issues: family issues (Children's / Teenage) (YXF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 8 years (5AJ)

CBMC	D3N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Series	Which Way
Exclusively for Sale	Can; Cw; Ire
Not for Sale	UK; USA

Previous Titles	
9781444979428	Which Way To The Future

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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Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



Rainbow Magic: Friends Forever Collection Four Stories in One!

Daisy Meadows (Illustrated By Georgie Ripper)

Keynote

In this four-story collection best friends Kirsty and Rachel must help the fairies protect friendships everywhere!

Description

Join best friends Rachel and Kirsty on four magical adventures with the Friendship Fairies!

This bumper story collection contains Esther the Kindness Fairy, Mary the Sharing Fairy, Mimi the Laughter Fairy and Clare the Caring Fairy.

The girls must help the fairies find their magical objects before friendships everywhere are ruined. Can Rachel and Kirsty work together to show how powerful true friendship can be?

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 Friends Forever Collection features the four magical fairies from the Friendship Fairies series - Esther the Kindness Fairy, Mary the Sharing Fairy, Mimi the Laughter Fairy and Clare the Sharing Fairy
- This bumper bind-up is a perfect gift to give friends who love 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, October 09, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781408375518 Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

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

Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Depth	28mm
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	
Series	Rainbow Magic
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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Price	£9.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781444980622
	Fantasy romance (Teenage) (YFHR)
	Interest age: from c 14 years (SAQ)
	Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH)

CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Fantasy
Author born in	North Texas, USA
Author living in	New York, USA

Previous Titles

Inferno's Heir

Tempest's Queen
Blackmail. Murder. Revenge. A dark fantasy romance about a queen with no morals

Tiffany Wang

Keynote

Heavy is the head that wears the crown. The epic finale to the cut-throat dark fantasy romance, *Inferno's Heir*. Perfect for fans of *Six of Crows* and *These Violent Delights*.

Description

Heavy is the head that wears the crown. The epic finale to the cut-throat dark fantasy romance, *Inferno's Heir*. Perfect for fans of *Six of Crows* and *These Violent Delights*.

Praise for *Inferno's Heir*:

'A mesmerizing debut fantasy.' - *Rebecca Yarros, No.1 New York Times bestselling author of *Fourth Wing* and *Iron Flame**

'Devious, driven and full of emotion.' - *Marie Rutkoski, New York Times bestselling author of *The Hollow Heart* and *The Winner's Curse**

Six months ago, Teia seized the throne against all odds, sacrificing everything; her morals, her friends, even love.

Now, Teia must set sail across the Dark Sea to warn the Shaylani emperor of a threat that could doom the Five Kingdoms: Cornelius Lehm lives, and he's plotting to raise a legendary creature from the depths.

But Teia knows she can't defeat him alone, even if it means working with the very rebels she betrayed to claim her crown.

Can she earn their trust once again? Is the spark between Teia and Tobias still burning? Or will Teia be forced to face the consequences.

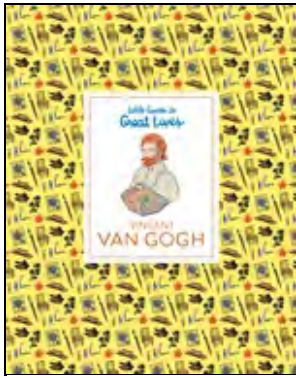
Sales Points

- With an East Asian protagonist, this fresh and powerful fantasy will sit alongside bestsellers such as THESE VIOLENT DELIGHTS and IRON WIDOW
- This is a truly satisfying, fiery fantasy that breaks the mould with its morally grey main character and not just one, but two prison heists to satisfy fans of SIX OF CROWS
- Truly global appeal - this should work across the market but be a particular hit for ANZ and Asia, and work brilliantly in eBook

Author Biography

Tiffany Wang hails from a town in North Texas and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, although she's currently wandering her way through New York City. In her spare time, she enjoys browsing through bookstores, hunting for a quiet place to write, and snacking on a questionable amount of Cheetos. She is also the author of *Inferno's Heir*.





Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781510231528 Art: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNA) People & places (Children's / Teenage) (YNM) 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 Format	Hardback 155x190
Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Series	Little Guides to Great Lives
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; S Am; USA

Little Guides to Great Lives: Vincent van Gogh

Emma Adams

Keynote

Immerse yourself in the vibrant and influential life and artwork of Vincent van Gogh.

Description

Learn all about one of the world's most famous artists in this illustrated biography, full of artwork and letters from throughout his life.

From his early life in the Netherlands to his life as an artist in the rolling hills of Provence, join Vincent as he journeys through Europe, writing letters to his family as he goes. Discover how he used the world around him as the subjects for hundreds of drawings and paintings, and why his paintings are still some of the most loved in the world.

Little Guides to Great Lives is a series of small-format guides introducing children to the most inspirational figures from history in a fun, accessible way. From Curie to Kahlo and Darwin to Da Vinci, Little Guides to Great Lives tells the stories of the most amazing people from all over the world and across history, with colourful illustrations and fresh design to bring their incredible stories to life.

Sales Points

- The official publishing of the Van Gogh Museum
- Teaches children about the life and artwork of Vincent van Gogh in an accessible and fun way
- A blend of informative and humorous narrative with letters, artworks and illustrations that immerse children in that person's world
- The newest title in this small-format, collectible series of beautifully-illustrated biographies

Author Biography

Emma Adams (Author)

Emma Adams grew up spending lots of her time in her local library, reading Roald Dahl books and imagining she was Matilda. Her love of reading turned into a love of publishing when she went to Loughborough University to study Publishing with English, and when Emma later started working on books for children it felt like the most natural thing in the world. Emma lives in Hackney, London.

The Van Gogh Museum (Author)

The Van Gogh Museum is home to the world's largest collection of Vincent van Gogh's artwork and the leading international authority on his paintings and prints. The museum's collection, complemented by years of scientific research into the work of Van Gogh and his contemporaries, offers and unparalleled insight into the artist's life and work in the context of his time.

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365 Amazing True Football Stories One for every day!

Matt Oldfield

Keynote

The next book in the award-winning, bestselling series, Unbelievable Football. In this bumper book, readers can dive into one amazing football story each and every day of the year!

Description

****365 Amazing TRUE football stories - one for every day of the year! The perfect gift for football mad readers****

Think you know everything about football?

Have you heard of...

- * The clever Chilean forward who invented the bicycle kick?
- * The longest penalty shootout in history?
- * The dream debut from superstar striker, Lamine Yamal?
- * The player who got a haircut in the middle of the game?
- * The day Ada Hegerberg made history and was named the best women's player in the world?

From incredible heroes and amazing matches, to the founding of legendary clubs and the most momentous moments in footballing history, this book is packed full of true stories for every single day of the year.

From January 1st to December 31st, there's a football story to discover. Mega football fans can take it one day at a time, dip in and out, or skip ahead to whichever day they choose.

The next unbeatable book for football-mad kids and reluctant readers in the award-winning series, *Unbelievable Football*.

Sales Points

- Bestseller! We have sold 150k copies of the Unbelievable Football series books across 3 books. We know these books spike over Christmas for example in Dec last year we sold 14,000 copies of Unbelievable Football 1 (3 years after publication) and 5,000 copies of Unbelievable Football 2 (1 year after pub)
- Stocking filler: perfect stocking filler and bumper book, with a whopping 365 stories, published in chunky bformat
- Reluctant readers: research shows that reading **daily** is important for making strong reading habits. We also know non-fiction and football can be appealing to readers who want to know more about their favourite hobby but don't think reading is for them. This book will help reluctant readers make daily reading habits with fun, short and easy football stories.

Author Biography

Matt Oldfield is the author of the *Unbelievable Football* series (winner of the 2020 Children's Sports Book of the Year) and the *Johnny Ball: Football Genius* series, as well as the co-author of the bestselling *Ultimate Football Heroes* and *Football GOAT* series. He has also worked with Lioness Beth Mead on her children's book, *Roar*, which won the 2024 Children's Sports Book of the Year award. To date, his books have sold over 3 million copies worldwide.

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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	432 pages
Word Count	
Series	Unbelievable Football
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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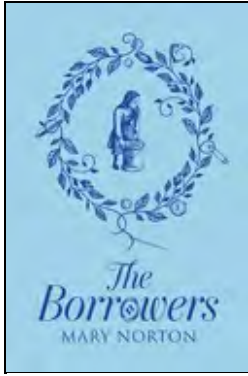
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Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781510102064 Classic fiction (Children's / Teenage) (YFA) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)
CBMC	D3N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	B Format
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Deceased

The Borrowers

Mary Norton

Keynote

A beautiful hardback gift edition of the Mary Norton's classic children's story, THE BORROWERS, winner of the 1952 Carnegie medal.

Description

A beautiful hardback gift edition of Mary Norton's classic children's story, THE BORROWERS, including the original artwork by Diana Stanley.

Deep beneath the floorboards lives the tiny Borrower family - Pod, Homily and Arrietty Clock. Everything they have is borrowed from the humans above them; even their names are not quite their own. There is just one rule: they must never be seen. Then one day Arrietty meets the boy from above, and the family's incredible adventure begins.

Originally published in 1952 when it won the Carnegie Medal, *The Borrowers* is a stunning tale of growing up, family relationships, and making the most unexpected friends. It's the perfect gift for readers of all generations.

Sales Points

- A stunning hardback reissue of the much-loved children's classic, including the original artwork by Diana Stanley
- THE BORROWERS won the Carnegie Medal in 1952, and in 2007, it was nominated for the 'Carnegie of Carnegies', set up to choose book lovers' favourite winner from the Carnegie medal's 70-year history
- The ideal gift for fans of all ages, especially at Christmas
- Previous reissues have sold over 20k copies through the TCM

Author Biography

Mary Norton (1903-1992) spent her childhood in a late Georgian house that later became the model for Firbank Hall in *The Borrowers*. She acted at the Old Vic before marrying and moving to live in Portugal. During the Second World War she was evacuated to New York, USA, and struggled to support herself and her four children while her husband was in the Navy. It was then that she began to write, and in 1945 her first two children's books, *The Magic Bedknob* and *Bonfires and Broomsticks* were published. These were later combined into a single volume, *Bedknob and Broomstick*. They were followed in 1952 by *The Borrowers*, which was awarded the Carnegie Medal, and three further titles: *The Borrowers Afield*, *The Borrowers Afloat*, and *The Borrowers Aloft*.

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The Night is Not For You

A beguilingly dark coming of rage story, based on a jinn from Arabic folklore

Eman Quotah

Keynote

From the award-winning author of *THE BRIDE AT SEA* comes this visceral tale of feminine rage and magical realism as Layla navigates the very human pains of growing up and realising the world isn't as safe a place as it should be.

Description

The Night is Not For You . . . It Has Always Belonged to HER

She's a cautionary tale told by mothers to their young children, 'Come back before it gets dark.'
She's a warning to lecherous young men, 'Don't wander the streets late at night.'

A man's body is found viciously murdered behind a neighbourhood's 24-hour corner store, sending shockwaves through the tightknit community in this small-town neighbourhood. All the victim's family and bystanders want is to make sense of this brutal crime and move on with their lives.

But all seven-year-old Layla wants is a pet donkey. To her, a donkey is the epitome of freedom and being self-sufficient - to think for herself, go anywhere by herself and live an independent life.

As the killings continue, Layla's world unravels. Rumours start to fly of supposed hoofprints and a woman with hair like black silk. As the ambiguous messages in lipstick and sweet smell of perfume cause the finger of blame to point towards the women, Layla herself grows into a woman.

The kind of woman she has always dreamt of becoming - A woman with sharp instincts. A woman who cannot be tamed.

This is a story of old world meets new, of modernity and isolation as a community turns on its women in an effort to protect their boys and men - but mostly importantly, this is the story of one woman's freedom.

Sales Points

- **MIDDLE EASTERN MYTHOLOGY/FOLKLORE** - Inspired by the myth of Umm Ad-Duwais, an Emirati legend about a jinn who appears as a beautiful woman and lures men to their death. Dive into a mythology often unexplored in Western literature.
- **MAGICAL REALISM x HORROR** - Fusion of genres will appeal to readers of *HAGSTONE* by Sinead Gleeson, *PRIVATE RITES* by Julia Armfield, *YOU LET ME IN* by Camilla Bruce and *THE EYES ARE THE BEST PART* by Monika Kim.
- **AWARD WINNING AUTHOR** - Author's previous novel *BRIDE OF THE SEA* (Tin House, 2021) was the winner of the 2022 Arab American Book Award for Fiction
- **WORLD RIGHTS INCLUDING FILM & TV** - Wildfire have acquired WAL rights and will be submitting internationally at FBF and LBF, with plans to partner up with international publishers for a buzzy campaign for publication.

Reviews

- *"The Night Is Not for You is a fierce coming of age novel unlike any I've read before. Steeped in dread and a wild, aromatic atmosphere, this story is a shapeshifter - from murder mystery to folktale to family drama and back again. Through this mutability, Eman Quotah perfectly captures the dark heart of girlhood, the fear of what lurks in the night, and the thrill of lurking there yourself." - JEN JULIAN, author of Red Rabbit Ghost*
- *'This book is a sensory overwhelm in all the best ways; folk tales breed all-too-human hysteria and fervor, all of which kept me right on the edge of what was real and what was imagined. Oftentimes the horror is not the folklore-borne monster of legend, with hooves and sickles for hands, but rather the intricacies of Layla's experience in an adolescence coloured by violence of all stripes. Quotah's portrayal of a young girl grappling not only with herself, but with the true nature of the world - in and out of the murky light of human monstrosity - is painfully earnest, and one that feels both necessary and timely. She paints us a world that feels ripe for the taking, much like the flowers that make up Layla's perfumes, but also foreign and warped. This is a book that I will return to time and time again, particularly when the world feels vibrant and violent.'* - MEGAN BONTRAGER, author of *The Sea Hides Its Dead*

Author Biography

Eman Quotah's debut novel, *Bride of the Sea*, won the Arab American Book Award for

Publication date	Tuesday, October 07, 2025
Price	£15.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781035411658
BIC 2.1	Myth & legend told as fiction (FQ) Thriller / suspense (FH) Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East
Not for Sale	Asia (ex Ind); Can; Carib; Cent & S Am; UK; USA
Book locale	N/A
Author born in	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Author living in	near Washington DC, USA
UNITED STATES Hardback Publisher	Hachette Book Group USA Hardback Publisher

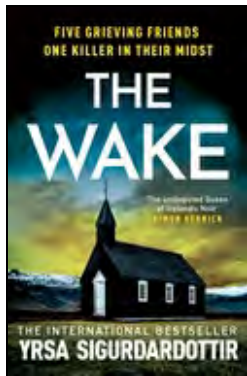
Previous Titles
BRIDE OF THE SEA (Tin House, 2021)

1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
Audio	Headline Publishing Group
Dramatisation and documentary	Headline Publishing Group
Electronic	Headline Publishing Group
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Main Identifier	9781399722896
BIC 2.1	Crime & mystery (FF) Thriller / suspense (FH) Fiction in translation (FYT) Iceland (1DNC)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Black Ice
Exclusively for Sale	Can; Cw; EU; Ire
Not for Sale	UK; USA
Book locale	Iceland
Author born in	Iceland
Author living in	Iceland

Previous Titles

Can't Run, Can't Hide
The Prey
Last Rituals

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Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Federico Ambrosini
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The Wake

Five friends. One devastating reunion. The new thriller from the legendary Icelandic bestseller

Yrsa Sigurdardottir

Keynote

From the legendary Icelandic crime writer and bestseller comes the second book in the chilling Black Ice series, perfect for fans of C. J. Tudor and Ragnar Jónasson

Description

****The undisputed Queen of Icelandic Noir' Simon Kernick****

AMONG THE MOURNERS AT A FUNERAL, ONE OF IS THEM IS A KILLER...

A group of young professionals travel to the Westmann Islands off the coast of Iceland to attend an old friend's wake. Their reunion soon turns into a living nightmare, as the memories of a party they attended at university, and desperately tried to forget, come rushing back.

When two bodies are found on a rocky beach close to the refurbished lighthouse keeper's house that the group had stayed in, medical examiner Iðunn is sent to provide the local police assistance.

For Iðunn, who grew up on the island, this takes her back to the heart of her complex family and the ghosts of her own past she would prefer to keep at bay.

But as the deadly secrets soon become insurmountable, can any of them escape unscathed?

Sales Points

- **THE CRIME WRITER'S CRIME WRITER:** Yrsa's novels are adored by writers including Karin Slaughter, Mari Hannah, Simon Kernick and Shari Lapena.
- **AWARD-WINNER:** *Gallows Rock* was shortlisted for the Petrona Award for Best Scandinavian Crime Novel of the Year in 2021. Yrsa has won this award before with *The Silence of the Sea*.
- **GLOBAL REACH:** Yrsa's novels have been translated into over thirty languages worldwide, which has made her an international bestseller. Her crime writing is known the entire world over.
- **THE QUEEN:** Yrsa is a regular at crime writing festivals around the world. Whether they have read her or not, audiences everywhere know her as the indisputable Queen of Icelandic Noir

Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR YRSA SIGURDARDOTTIR'** - -
- 'Nail-biting . . . Iceland's long dark nights are at their most minatory in Sigurdardottir's atmospheric thrillers' - *Financial Times*
- 'Sigurdardottir is as confident a writer as ever' - *Sunday Times*
- 'One of the best books I've read for a long time: dark, creepy and gripping from beginning to end' - Stuart MacBride

Author Biography

Author of the bestselling Thora Gudmundsdottir crime series and several stand-alone thrillers, Yrsa Sigurdardottir was born in Reykjavik, Iceland, in 1963 and works as a civil engineer. She made her crime fiction debut in 2005 with *LAST RITUALS*, the first instalment in the Thora Gudmundsdottir series, and has been translated into more than 30 languages. Her work stands 'comparison with the finest contemporary crime writing anywhere in the world' according to the Times Literary Supplement. In 2015 *THE SILENCE OF THE SEA* won the Petrona Award for the year's best Scandinavian crime novel. All of her books have been European bestsellers.

Market

For readers of C.J. Tudor, Arnaldur Indridason and Ragnar Jonasson



Throne of Secrets

discover your new devilishly seductive romantasy obsession

Kerri Maniscalco

Keynote

Two rivals torn apart by a dark memory reunite on a deadly hunt - and in an irresistibly twisted fairy tale - in the next steamy standalone fantasy romance from *New York Times* bestselling sensation Kerri Maniscalco.

Description

A SINFUL PRINCE.

Prince Gluttony - self-proclaimed rake of rakes - lives for indulgence. But when an adventure takes a deadly turn, he must turn to the one person he has spent a decade avoiding in order to save his court . . .

A DETERMINED REPORTER.

Adriana Saint Lucent knows Prince Gluttony is hiding something, but during her investigation, she never expected to turn up a rumour too terrifying to be believed: that ice dragons are launching attacks on the kingdom.

A DANGEROUS RIVALRY.

With the realm at stake, prince and reporter must forge an uneasy alliance. But as each cling to their own secrets, can they unravel the mystery before time runs out? And what will they do with an equally troubling rumour: that they might not hate one another, after all?

Sales Points

- **STANDALONE ROMANTASY FROM THE QUEEN OF SPICE:** set in the same world as the *New York Times* and *Sunday Times* bestselling KINGDOM OF THE WICKED series, this is another scorching standalone from Kerri Maniscalco, queen of spice. Kerri writes big, yearning romances like no one else, set in her dazzling world of demon courts - and this time, with dragons, and a war of letters between a journalist and the prince who scorned her.
- **INSIDE COVER PRINTING:** the paperback of *Throne of Secrets* will feature stunning character art on the inside of the jacket.
- **HUGELY POPULAR AUTHOR:** Kerri Maniscalco's KINGDOM OF THE WICKED books have been hugely popular, and she has a dedicated fanbase, who flock to her for book after book. She is personable, engaging, and extremely active online, with over 132k followers on Instagram alone.
- **ALMOST 2 MILLION COPIES OF KERRI'S BOOKS SOLD WORLDWIDE:** Kerri Maniscalco is an international sensation, with almost two million copies of her books sold globally.

Reviews

- **'The Seven Circles have never been so HOT'** - Jennifer L. Armentrout, *New York Times* bestselling author of *From Blood and Ash* on *Throne of the Fallen*
- 'Secrets, spice, and a story I could not put down!' - Katee Robert, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Neon Gods* on *Throne of the Fallen*
- **'A delicious and intoxicating new fantasy by a master of murder and mayhem'** - Elizabeth Lim, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Dragon's Promise* on *Kingdom of the Wicked*
- 'A fast-paced adventure steeped in a luscious and dark world' - Chloe Gong, *New York Times* bestselling author of *These Violent Delights* on *Kingdom of the Wicked*

Author Biography

Kerri grew up in a semi-haunted house outside NYC, where her fascination with dark, atmospheric settings began. To date her books have been translated into more than twenty languages and have been viewed on TikTok a few hundred million times.

She is the #1 *New York Times* and *Sunday Times* bestselling author of the Stalking Jack the Ripper series, the Kingdom of the Wicked series, and the Prince of Sin series.

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BIC 2.1	Fantasy (FM) Fantasy romance (FMR)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	512 pages
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Illustrations	None
Series	A Prince of Sin
Exclusively for Sale	Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East; UK
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Book locale	Fantasy
Author born in	New York, USA
Author living in	Tennessee, USA

Publishing History

Kingdom of the Wicked
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Previous Titles

Throne of the Fallen

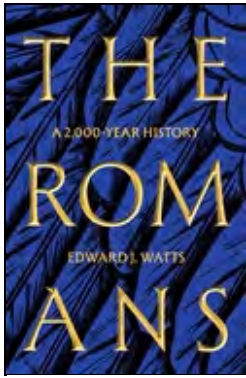
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Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **Royal**
 Extent **736 pages**
 Word Count
 Illustrations **16 plate colour illustration section**
 Exclusively for Sale **Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East**
 Not for Sale **Asia (ex Ind); Can; Carib; Cent & S Am; UK; USA**

Book locale **Europe / Roman Empire**
 Author born in **Princeton, USA**
 Author living in **California, USA**
 CANADA, UNITED STATES Publisher **Basic Books
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Previous Titles

Mortal Republic: How Rome Fell into Tyranny

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The Romans A 2,000-Year History

Edward J. Watts

Keynote

A landmark new two thousand year history of the entire Roman Empire - from its emergence in the Iron Age to the capture of Constantinople in the thirteenth century

Description

'At last, a history of the Roman state as it has always been crying out to be told, and never has been!' RODERICK BEATON

The greatest empire in Western history - told as never been told before.

Rome is often remembered for its spectacular collapse. But for over two thousand years - through civil wars, plagues, invasions, and religious upheaval - the Roman state survived, adapted, and reinvented itself. From a muddy settlement on the banks of the Tiber to the glittering court of Constantinople, this is the untold story of a civilisation that endured.

In *The Romans*, acclaimed historian Edward J. Watts tells the first truly complete history of Rome in all its epic sweep: the Punic Wars, the fall of the republic, the coming of Christianity, Alaric's sack of Rome, the rise of Islam and the onslaught of the Crusaders who would bring about the empire's end. This is the Rome of Augustus, Marcus Aurelius, and Constantine. But it is also the Rome of Charlemagne, Justinian, and Manuel Comnenus, and countless diverse men and women who shaped the empire: African emperors, Byzantine intellectuals and ordinary citizens whose loyalty together made it the most resilient state the world has ever seen.

An expansive, eye-opening portrait, this the definitive history of Rome and its citizens.

Sales Points

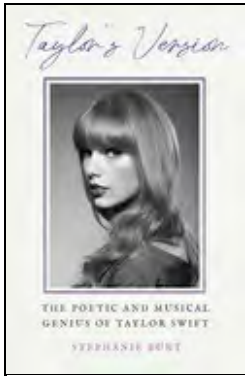
- **A DEFINITIVE HISTORY FOR A NEW ERA:** While Rome has inspired countless books, *The Romans* is the first to tell the *entire* story of the Roman state - from its 8th-century BCE origins to its fall in 1204 CE - a 2,200-year narrative. Sweeping yet deeply human, **this is a landmark history to rival Gibbon** - updated for the 21st century.
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- **ROME AS YOU'VE NEVER SEEN IT:** *The Romans* shifts the focus away from emperors and battles to show how Rome's strength came from its systems: inclusive institutions, adaptable governance, and a deep suspicion of unchecked power. In a world grappling with authoritarianism, this book speaks directly to our political moment, showing that longevity lies in inclusivity and adaptability.
- **A GLOBAL SUBJECT WITH ENDURING APPEAL:** From Carthage to Constantinople, Persia to Paris, *The Romans* touches every corner of the ancient world. Its themes - diversity, resilience, reinvention - resonate far beyond classics departments. With blockbuster comps like *SPQR* by Mary Beard (58.5k HB, 214.2k pb), *Emperor of Rome* by Mary Beard (42k HB, 35k pb), *Pax* by Tom Holland (21.6k HB, 9.6k pb), this book stands apart for its scope, accessibility and narrative ambition.

Author Biography

Edward J. Watts holds the Alkiviadis Vassiliadis Endowed Chair and is professor of history at the University of California, San Diego. The author and editor of several prize-winning books, including *Mortal Republic*, he lives in Carlsbad, California.

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BIC 2.1	Music: styles & genres (AVG) Popular culture (JFCA) Music reviews & criticism (AVC)
Binding	Trade Paperback
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Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
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Not for Sale	Asia (ex Ind); Can; Carib; Cent & S Am; UK; USA
Book locale	Global
Author born in	Maryland, USA
Author living in	Massachusetts, USA
CANADA, UNITED STATES Publisher	Hachette Book Group USA Publisher

Previous Titles

Super Gay Poems (Harvard University Press, 2025); *Reading the X-Men* with Jay Edidin, Rachel Gold, and Todne Thomas (Columbia University Press, under contract); *All the World in Thee: LGBTQ+ Poetry from Antiquity to 1922*, *An Anthology* with Drew Daniel and Melissa Sanchez (Columbia University Press, under contract); *We Are Mermaids* (poems) (Graywolf, 2022); *After Callimachus* (poems and translations) (Princeton University Press, 2020); *Don't Read Poetry: A Book About How to Read Poems* (Basic, 2019); *Advice from the Lights* (poems) (Graywolf Press, 2017); *The Poem Is You: 60 Contemporary American Poems and How to Read Them* (Harvard Univ. Press, 2016); *Belmont* (poems) (Graywolf Press, 2013); *The Art of the Sonnet* with David Mikics (Harvard Univ. Press, 2010); *Close Calls with Nonsense: Reading New Poetry* (Graywolf Press, 2009); *The Forms of Youth: Twentieth-Century Poetry and Adolescence* (Columbia University Press, 2007); *Parallel Play* (poems) (Graywolf Press, 2006); *Randall Jarrell and His Age* (Columbia University Press, 2002); *Popular Music* (poems) (Center for Literary Publishing & University of Colorado Press, 1999)

1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**

Taylor's Version The Poetic and Musical Genius of Taylor Swift

Stephanie Burt

Keynote

An original exploration and celebration of Taylor Swift charting her phenomenal career, from award-winning literary critic and Harvard Professor Stephanie Burt, based on one of the world's first university courses on her music.

Description

An original exploration and celebration of Taylor Swift, the world's biggest music star, as taught at the world's most prestigious university.

One of the biggest stars in the world, Taylor Swift became so popular for many reasons - but first and last thanks to her songs. In *Taylor's Version*, award-winning literary critic Professor Stephanie Burt charts the extraordinary journey from Swift's teen country debut to her most recent record-breaking achievement as the highest-grossing touring artist in the world. Based on her Harvard University course, *Taylor Swift and Her World*, Burt offers the first serious study of Swift that pays close attention to her talent as a songwriter first and foremost.

Drawing from musical and cultural criticism, poetry, economic theory, American history, as well as personal experience, Burt presents an insightful and heartfelt critical appreciation of Swift that delves into her life, her celebrity and her artistry. She explores how Swift's musical and public persona reflect her life and her craft, at once intimate and relatable. She considers the international community Swift's work has fostered, and she shows what makes Swift's body of work so important across styles, genres and generations.

Tracing a path through the Eras, *Taylor's Version* is a literary deep-dive into Swift's particular form of genius, revealing the remarkable impact of her career and showing how her songs - how music itself - can change lives.

Sales Points

- **ORIGINAL PITCH:** The first book to critically examine Taylor Swift's body of work for a general audience. The USP is the author's academic credentials - the book is based on one of the world's first university courses on Taylor Swift which Burt teaches at Harvard. It's attracted global attention with segments on the TODAY show, CNN, BBC and more.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Burt is a multi-award-winning literary critic and poet, and the Donald P. and Katherine B. Loker Professor of English at Harvard University. Honours include a Guggenheim Fellowship for poetry, a McKnight Foundation grant, service on the Pulitzer Prize committee, and finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award. *New York Times* called her "one of the most influential poetry critics of [her] generation".
- **STRONG COMMERCIAL APPEAL:** Taylor Swift is one of the world's biggest celebrities with one of the largest global fanbases. She's the highest-grossing touring artist, first billionaire primarily from music, world's richest female musician, and in 2024 she was the Global Top Artist on Spotify with 96M monthly listeners. Books and products related to her have proven to be phenomenally popular.
- **COMPS:** *Taylor Swift: Era by Era: The Unauthorized Biography* (27.6k HB); *Taylor Swift: The Stories Behind the Songs* (21.5k HB); *Taylor Swift: The Whole Story* (18.5k pb). Current bestselling book on Taylor is *Taylor Swift: Little People, Big Dreams* (159k HB) but this is marketed towards children.

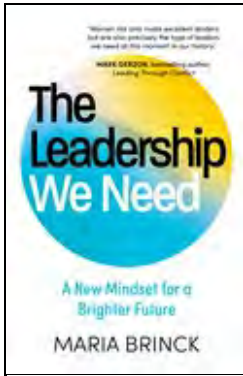
Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR STEPHANIE BURT:**

'One of the most influential poetry critics of [her] generation' - *New York Times*

Author Biography

Stephanie Burt is Donald P. and Katherine B. Loker Professor of English at Harvard University. Her work appears in the *New York Times Book Review*, *New Yorker* and *London Review of Books*, among others. Her books of poetry and literary criticism - fourteen in all - include *We Are Mermaids*, *Advice from the Lights*, and *Don't Read Poetry: A Book About How to Read Poems*. She lives in Massachusetts.



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The Leadership We Need A New Mindset for a Brighter Future

Maria Brinck

Keynote

How we must change the governance of organisations and nations for a better future for all humanity

Description

'A compelling case for a new, more holistic form of leadership.' Andrew Winson, **Thinkers50**

The leaders of today cannot be the leaders of tomorrow.

The Leadership We Need offers a bold, urgent blueprint for a new era of leadership - one that's tough enough to protect our future, and wise enough to lead with purpose, not ego. Drawing from over a decade of leadership experience and cutting-edge research, Maria Brinck calls out the dominant, masculine monopoly on leadership that has shaped society for millennia - and how it's failing us in today's poly-crisis reality.

Brinck argues that the hard way is, in fact, the right way: where we collaborate instead of compete, engage people instead of control them, and live alongside nature rather than dominate it.

We need leadership that serves people and planet.

Through powerful examples of collaborative and service-driven leaders - many of them women - and practical tools including a 10-step roadmap and self-assessments, this book provides a positive path forward for leaders in business, government, and society.

The best of humanity is still ahead. Follow this courageous call to action and create a leadership culture that's inclusive, balanced, and capable of shaping a future we can all thrive in.

Sales Points

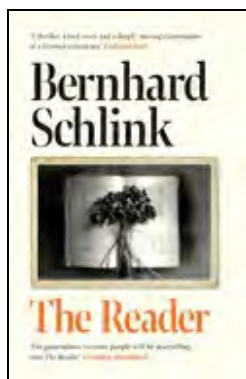
- Current, relevant and urgent topic - a new type of Leadership to get humanity through the Meta Crisis ensuring that minorities and women are fully represented and valued for their leadership qualities.
- Well networked author - in Leadership, coaching and climate circles - with good corporate speaking platform including TEDx and University reading lists
- Author will bring in PR firm
- International endorsements from Ingmar Rentzhog, Hunter Lovins, Mark Gerzon, Andrew Winston
- Includes a strengths based assessment as one of three self assessments

Author Biography

Maria Brinck is a leadership consultant, executive coach and the founder of Zynergy International, working with Fortune 500 companies such as: Stryker, ConMed, IBM, Vizient and Brasseler. Her philosophy is centered on the idea that positive values can be learned and this benefits leaders, their colleagues, their organizations, and the planet.

Maria is the co-founder of the Highland Institute, an active member of the Initiative for the Development of Africa, a climate change leader and mentor for the Climate Reality Leadership Corps with 45,000 climate leaders worldwide, and the Co-Founder of the CRLC's Business Working Group.

Born and raised in Sweden and Algeria, Maria was educated in Sweden, France, and the USA with a focus on International Business. Today she lives with her family in the shadows of the Rocky Mountains.



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Word Count	
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Author born in	Bielefeld, Germany
Author living in	Berlin, Germany; New York, USA

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The Reader; The Weekend; Flights of Love; Homecoming; Self's Deception; Self's Murder; The Gordian Knot; The Woman on the Stairs; Olga

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The Reader

Bernhard Schlink

Keynote

30th anniversary edition of the internationally bestselling modern classic that became an Oscar-winning film starring Kate Winslet and Ralph Fiennes, published with a striking new design

Description

For fifteen-year-old Michael Berg, a chance meeting with an older woman leads to far more than he ever imagined. The woman in question is Hanna, and before long they embark on a passionate, clandestine love affair. He never learns very much about her and when she disappears one day, he expects never to see her again. But, to his horror, he does. Hanna is a defendant in a trial related to Germany's Nazi past and it soon becomes clear that she is guilty of an unspeakable crime.

As Michael follows the trial, he struggles with an overwhelming question: what should his generation do with its knowledge of the Holocaust?

The Reader is an international bestseller and a true modern classic, examining the gap between Germany's pre- and post-war generations, between the guilty and the innocent, and between words and silence.

Sales Points

- **A BESTSELLING CLASSIC:** 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. It has been translated into 39 languages and was made into an Oscar-winning film starring Kate Winslet and Ralph Fiennes.
- **PERFECT FOR READERS OF:** Julian Barnes, John Boyne, Sebastian Faulks, Richard Flanagan, as well as readers of novels on the Holocaust - writers including Victor Frankl, Cynthia Ozick and Elie Wiesel, and novels such as *The Boy in Striped Pyjamas*, *The Book Thief* and *The Passenger*.
- **HUGE RELEVANCE TODAY:** *The Reader* is a deeply moving book about the haunted landscape of post-war Germany, about collective guilt and individual motivation. It deals with the fear that drives ordinary people to do cruel things, and the moral conflict between generations. The story has HUGE relevance to today's political landscape.

Reviews

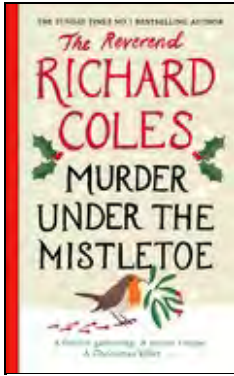
- 'Deeply moving, sensitive enough to make me wince, a Holocaust novel, but light years away from the common run' - Ruth Rendell, *Sunday Telegraph*
- 'Schlink's extraordinary novel *The Reader* is a compelling meditation on the connections between Germany's past and its present' - *Independent*
- 'Leaps national boundaries and speaks straight to the heart . . . a moving, suggestive and ultimately hopeful work' - *New York Times*
- 'The German novel I have been waiting for: it objectifies the Holocaust and legitimately makes all mankind responsible' - Sir Peter Hall, *Observer*

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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Murder Under the Mistletoe

A Canon Clement Christmas Novella

Richard Coles

Keynote

A social dilemma. A family emergency. A secret recipe. A murder . . .

Description

It is Christmas Day and at Champton Rectory, Canon Daniel Clement and his mother Audrey are joined by the residents and guests of the big house to drink, eat and be merry.

At the festive feast, peace and goodwill prevail.

Until two meet under the mistletoe. One of them falls down dead. And Daniel suspects murder has returned to Champton . . .

Can Daniel and Detective Sergeant Neil Vanloo solve the crime and catch the Christmas killer?

Sales Points

- **A FESTIVE INSTALMENT OF THE BESTSELLING SERIES:** Cosy crime-lovers can snuggle up with this Christmas novella and third book in the bestselling Canon Clement series
- **ONE-OF-A-KIND AUTHOR:** Richard Coles is a national treasure, a *Sunday Times* bestselling author and a Twitter phenomenon to boot, with over 500k followers.
- **PERFECT STOCKING FILLER:** this is the ideal gift for the book lover in your life

Reviews

- **'An irresistible cosy crime tale in which Canon Clement is drawn into a mysterious murder investigation during the festive season'** - Anna Bonet, *i Paper*
- **'Anyone daunted by the prospect of Christmas could console themselves by reading Richard Coles's seasonal novella *Murder Under the Mistletoe*'** - *Church Times*

Author Biography

THE REVEREND RICHARD COLES is a writer, broadcaster and an Anglican priest. He co-presented *Saturday Live* on BBC Radio 4 for a number of years and appears, from time to time, on *QI*, *Have I Got News For You* and *Would I Lie To You?* He has won *Christmas MasterChef*, *Celebrity Mastermind* twice, and captained Leeds to victory in *Christmas University Challenge* in 2019. A contestant on *Strictly Come Dancing* (2017) and a third place finalist on *I'm a Celebrity... Get Me Out of Here!* (2024) he exhibits huge bravery.

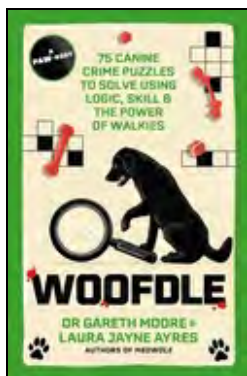
He writes regularly for the *Sunday Times*, and is the author of half a dozen books, including a bestselling autobiography, *Fathomless Riches*, and the bereavement bestseller *The Madness of Grief*, written after the death of his partner, David Coles. The first three books in the Canon Clement series have all been No.1 *Sunday Times* bestsellers.

Market

FOR READERS OF: Richard's previous novels in the Canon Clement Mystery series, as well as his non-fiction; readers of cosy crime more generally; those looking to buy Christmas gifts

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Woofdle

75 Canine Crime Puzzles to Solve Using Logic, Skill & the Power of Walkies

Keynote

Seventy-five doggy crime puzzles to wet your nose and perk up your ears.

Description

Uncover hidden bones and sniff out the criminals of the pack.

Step into *Woofdle*, a collection of 75 thrilling crime puzzles that will test your wit and keep you on your toes. Each puzzle features clever canine characters as they work to solve mysteries, wagging tails and all.

Perfect for fans of *Meowdle*, dog lovers and puzzle enthusiasts alike, *Woofdle* combines brain-teasing challenges with adorable canine characters. Leash up, and get ready for the walk of a lifetime.

Sales Points

- Appeals to readers of cosy crime, logic puzzles and **MURDLE** - but with a canine angle to draw in dog lovers looking for a brainy challenge.
- Written by Britain's leading puzzle-writing duo to create a compelling narrative paired with brain-teasing puzzles.
- Perfect for sleuths of all ages and levels. With the puzzles ranging from easy to expert, there's something for everyone - whether you're a novice solver or a seasoned puzzler.
- Huge international success: following in the footsteps of *Meowdle*, which sold translation rights in 8 countries, this book has fantastic rights potential.

Author Biography

Gareth Moore (Author)

Dr Gareth Moore is the internationally bestselling author of a wide range of puzzle and brain-training books, with total sales in excess of 5 million copies worldwide. His books for adults include *The Whodunnit Puzzle Book*, *Spydle*, *The Ordnance Survey Puzzle Book*, *The Mindfulness Puzzle Book*, *The Mammoth Book of New Sudoku*, *The Great British Puzzle Book* and *The Times Atlas of the World Puzzle Book*, while his books for children include the million-selling *Clever Kids* series. He is also the creator of brain-training site BrainedUp.com, and runs the daily puzzle site PuzzleMix.com.

Laura Jayne Ayres (Author)

Laura Jayne Ayres is a puzzle writer and researcher. After studying Linguistics at the University of Cambridge, she worked as a playwright before joining Dr Gareth Moore's puzzle team. Books that she has worked on include *Hacked: The Cyber Crime Puzzle Book*, *The Great British Puzzle Book*, *The Perfect Crime Puzzle Book*, *The Nautical Puzzle Book* and *The Ordnance Survey Kids' Adventure Book*.

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Main Identifier **9781529447798**
BIC 2.1 **Crime & mystery (FF)**

Puzzles & quizzes (WDK)
Cats as pets (WNGC)
Dogs as pets (WNGD)

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Extent **208 pages**
Word Count **17178 words**
Illustrations **B&W but will include 75 puzzles.**

Series **Meowdle**
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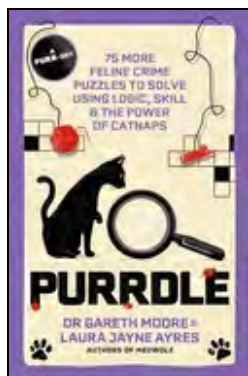
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Purrdle

75 More Feline Crime Puzzles to Solve Using Logic, Skill & the Power of Catnaps

Keynote

Seventy-five ***new*** feline crime pawzzles to solve using logic, skill and the power of catnaps.

Description

The cats are back in town!

Following the international success of *Meowdle* comes *Purrdle*: 75 feline crime pawzzles with more grit and even sharper claws. This book is packed with a variety of engaging brainteasers, each inspired by the playful antics and cleverness of our beloved feline friends.

Perfect for fans of *Meowdle*, cat lovers and puzzle enthusiasts alike, this book promises hours of fun and intrigue in the company of some of the craftiest cats around.

Sales Points

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Last Rites

Ozzy Osbourne

Keynote

Shocking, bitterly hilarious and surprisingly life-affirming, the unflinching memoir from rock'n'roll hellraiser Ozzy Osbourne.

Description

*People say to me, if you could do it all again, knowing what you know now, would you change anything? I'm like, f*** no. If I'd been clean and sober, I wouldn't be Ozzy. If I'd done normal, sensible things, I wouldn't be Ozzy.*

Look, if it ends tomorrow, I can't complain. I've been all around the world. Seen a lot of things. I've done good... and I've done bad. But right now, I'm not ready to go anywhere.

At the age of sixty-nine, Ozzy Osbourne was on a triumphant farewell tour, playing to sold-out arenas and rave reviews all around the world.

Then disaster.

In a matter of just a few weeks, he went from being hospitalised with a finger infection to having to abandon his tour - and all public life - as he faced near-total paralysis from the neck down.

Last Rites is the shocking, bitterly hilarious, never-before-told story of Osbourne's descent into hell. Along the way, he reflects on his extraordinary life and career - including his turbulent marriage to wife Sharon, his regrets over Black Sabbath's reunion, his friendships with Slash and Zakk Wylde, and the harrowing final moments he spent with Motorhead's Lemmy Kilmister.

Unflinching but surprisingly life-affirming, *Last Rites* demonstrates once again why Ozzy has transcended his status as 'The Godfather of Metal' and 'The Prince of Darkness' to become a modern-day folk hero and national treasure.

Sales Points

- In 2009, we published *I Am Ozzy*, which has gone on to sell over 350,000 copies across formats for Sphere.
- Ozzy Osbourne has been awarded numerous accolades during his career and in 2024 was inducted as a solo artist into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.
- Ozzy is a rock 'n' roll legend and a bona fide (inter)national treasure.

Author Biography

Born John Michael Osbourne in Birmingham, 1948, Ozzy Osbourne is a rock music legend.

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The Teller of Small Fortunes

the most cosy, heart-warming, and comforting fantasy

Julie Leong

Keynote

Fleeing a troubled past, an immigrant fortune teller bands together with an ex-mercenary, a semi-formed thief and a baker with a *knead* for adventure in this cozy fantasy about trying to find yourself - and finding a family instead.

Description

Family changes everything.

Tao roams the dusty countryside with only her mule for company, telling small fortunes, for small prices. Fleeing a troubled past, she knows big fortunes come with big consequences.

Until one day, when she finds herself joining a desperate search for a lost child. Alongside an ex-mercenary, a (semi) reformed thief, an overly enthusiastic baker and a slightly magical cat, Tao will need to risk everything to save the family she never thought she'd have.

Can her walls finally break down, or will the shadows of her past close in?

A cozy, heart-warming fantasy adventure about trying to find yourself - and finding family instead.

Sales Points

- Pitch perfect cozy fantasy: this is a brilliantly comforting cozy fantasy, about a group of misfit adventures travelling gently around in a beaten-up wagon, telling small fortunes, having small adventures, and finding themselves - and each other - along the way. It's incredibly gentle, wryly funny, and ultimately about finding acceptance, love and family where you least expect it.
- Perfect for fans of Travis Baldree and TJ Klune: this type of low-stakes, high feeling fantasy is perfect for fans of *Under the Whispering Door*, *Legends and Lattes*, Becky Chambers and *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*.

Reviews

- **'Joyful, heartwarming, and utterly charming, Leong's cozy fantasy debut is a cup of hot (fortune-telling) tea straight to the soul. Readers will delight in road-tripping with Tao, her found family, and their adorable animal companions in this whimsical, healing tale'** - Amélie Wen Zhao, *New York Times* and international bestselling author of *Song of Silver*, *Flame Like Night*
- 'If you're running a little low on serotonin, trust me: brew yourself a hot drink, curl up with this treasure of a tale, and thank me later! It's the warmest, loveliest book I've read in ages' - Sangu Mandanna, author of *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*
- **'Warm, welcoming, and endlessly inventive, THE TELLER OF SMALL FORTUNES feels like being invited in for tea with a dear friend (and expert storyteller!). An utter and complete delight to read'** - Grace D. Li, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Portrait of a Thief*
- 'It's such a delight when a book is every bit as wonderful as you hope it will be. THE TELLER OF SMALL FORTUNES is perfection! A lovely and comforting cozy fantasy about finding your own family and choosing your own path, this is a beautiful treasure of a book that will warm your heart and heal your soul. I absolutely loved every second of it!' - Sarah Beth Durst, award-winning author of *THE SPELLSHOP*

Author Biography

Julie Leong is a Malaysian Chinese American fantasy author and startup exec. She grew up in New Jersey and also lived in Beijing, China for several years. She graduated from Yale University with degrees in Economics and Political Science and currently lives in San Francisco, California with her husband Drew, their rescue pup Kaya, and a magical Meyer lemon tree in the backyard that somehow *always* has ripe lemons.

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Driven

The Inspirational Memoir from Formula One Trailblazer and Managing Director of F1 Academy

Susie Wolff - As Seen on Netflix

Susie Wolff

Keynote

Formula One superstar Susie Wolff lifts the bonnet on her incredible journey to the top of motorsport, and her ambitions for what comes next.

Description

From the moment her parents first sat her in a go-kart, Susie Wolff felt it - the thrill of speed, the spark of something bigger. A little girl who dared to dream to one day race in Formula One.

As she rose through the ranks of motorsport, one truth became impossible to ignore: she was almost always the only woman on the grid. Each time she was knocked down, she got back up with the unshakeable belief that instinct and resilience could carve a path through a world not designed for her. The journey was tough, but one day she was handed the opportunity of a lifetime - 25 laps in an F1 car. She knew chances like that didn't come often, and when they did, you had to grab them.

After showing she could be competitive in an F1 car, what next? When her racing chapter ended, Susie didn't stall, she pivoted. Inspired by her husband Toto's strategic mind and relentless drive in powering one of the most successful F1 teams in history, Susie began to see a new dimension of the sport - one beyond the driver's seat. She led a struggling Formula E team and transformed it from being at the back of the grid to championship contention. More than that, she learned to evolve.

F1 Academy became her next mission: to inspire young women to enter motorsport and shape the future of the sport she loves.

In *Driven*, Susie lifts the bonnet for the first time on her extraordinary life. From the driver's seat of the racing car to the heart of the F1 paddock, she offers a rare, first-hand view into the inner workings of motorsport at its highest level. She shares the triumphs of her early driving career, the setbacks she faced and the motivations behind her bold shift from the cockpit to the boardroom. Along the way, she reflects on her transformative relationship with her husband Toto and how she has navigated the balance between ambition and motherhood. Told with clarity and grace, this is the inspirational story of a woman determined not just to compete - but to redefine the race.

Sales Points

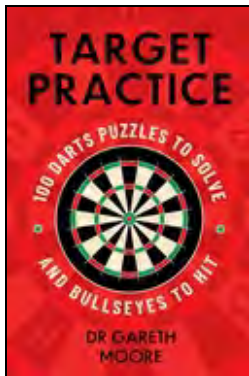
- The book features an afterword by Toto Wolff, Team Principal of Mercedes and star of DRIVE TO SURVIVE on Netflix.
- Formula 1 is a fast-growing global sport: its global audience is increasing roughly 3% YOY (now at 455million): the appetite for content surrounding the sport is insatiable, with a constant pipeline of Netflix documentaries
- 40% of formula 1 fans are now female, with Susie Wolff the most visible female in the sport: they will be clamouring for this book
- This will be a unique book with clear stand-out potential: Susie's access is better than anyone else's (both she and her husband are at the heart of the sport); she is a keen reader who wants to make sure her book is a good, engaging read and is writing herself
- Lead for Hodder non fiction next autumn: expect an ambitious PR and marketing campaign to match Chris Hoy's ALL THAT MATTERS

Author Biography

Susie Wolff is a former professional racing driver and one of the most respected women in motorsport. She began her career in karting with a dream of one day making it to F1. After racing at the highest levels across Europe, she made history in 2014 by becoming the first woman in over two decades to take part in a Formula 1 race weekend.

After hanging up her helmet, Susie brought the same drive to the business side of the sport, leading a Formula E team from the back of the grid to World Championship contenders. In 2023, she became Managing Director of F1 Academy - an all-female series backed by F1 to develop the next generation of female talent and prove that motorsport is no longer just a man's world.

Susie has been widely recognised for breaking down barriers and was awarded an MBE for her contribution to women in sport in 2017.



Target Practice 100 Darts Puzzles to Solve and Bullseyes to Hit

Dr Gareth Moore

Keynote

The first ever darts puzzle book from 'Britain's King of Puzzles' Dr Gareth Moore, the creator of the bestselling *The Ordnance Survey Puzzle Book* and more.

Description

Dust off your darts and brush up your board with **TARGET PRACTICE**, the ultimate darts puzzle book: perfect for aspiring Luke Littlers and Ally Pally regulars alike.

You'll need wits as sharp as your arrows to solve these difficult and dastardly darting puzzles of numbers and logic, including:

- DARTBOARD SUDOKU
- WHO THREW THE DART?
- DARTS MINESWEEPER
- SEQUENCE OF DARTS
- DARTBOARD MAZE

and so much more!

Trickier than a combination finish or a nine-darter, are *you* prepared to take them on, score a champagne finish and hit the bullseye?

Sales Points

- **DARTS IS A GROWING GLOBAL PHENOMENON.** 3.68M people in the UK watched the final of the World Darts Championship in January 2025, up 84.92% on 2024. Record numbers watched in Germany (3.1M) and France (400,000). As of January 2025, darts is the fastest growing sport in the UK.
- **GAP IN THE MARKET.** There isn't yet a darts puzzle book on the market. **TARGET PRACTICE** combines a fast-growing trend with a reliably selling area of the market - cf. **MURDLE** (545,147 TCM), **WORDLE CHALLENGE** (112,306 TCM), **THE GCHQ PUZZLE BOOK** (63,772 TCM) for strong-selling, trend-adjacent puzzle books - to hit the target for the ultimate Christmas gift.
- **CLEAR AND LARGE GIFTING AUDIENCE.** Over a third (36%) of adults in the UK say they like watching or playing darts, and the sport is attracting increasing numbers of young people because of the 'Luke Littler effect'.
- **FROM THE 'KING OF PUZZLES' WITH PROVEN SALES TRACK RECORD.** Dr Gareth Moore has been recognised as 'Britain's King of Puzzles' by the *Sun* and is the brains behind bestselling puzzle books such as **THE ORDNANCE SURVEY PUZZLE BOOK** (78,391 TCM) and **THE MINDFULNESS PUZZLE BOOK** (53,385 TCM).
- **'TARGET'ED PUBLICATION.** **TARGET PRACTICE** publishes during the PDC World Grand Prix and is out in time for the PDC Grand Slam of Darts, the WDF World Championship and the PDC World Darts Championship in Oct-Jan - as well as the Christmas gifting rush: **BULLSEYE!**

Author Biography

Dr Gareth Moore is the best-selling author of *The Ordnance Survey Puzzle Book*, *Brain Games for Clever Kids*, *The Mindfulness Puzzle Books* series, *The Mammoth Book of New Sudoku* and many more titles. He has been described as 'Britain's King of Puzzles' in the media.

Find him online at www.DrGarethMoore.com.

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Extent	224 pages
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Illustrations	100 puzzles plus accompanying solutions
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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ITCH!

The darkly feminist horror novel crawling under your skin for Halloween 2025

Gemma Amor

Keynote

A darkly feminist folk horror about the psychological turmoil of a woman who discovers a dead body in the woods infested by a horde of ants that then seem to crawl under her skin and infect her life.

Description

Something moves on the forest floor . . .

Josie is at rock bottom. Burned out and heartbroken, she lives a haunted existence after returning to her isolated hometown on the edge of the Forest of Dean.

When she stumbles across a decaying, ant-infested body in the woods, Josie plummets into a downward spiral, facing uncomfortable truths about the victim and her own past - all whilst battling an infestation that seems to have burrowed into her mind . . . and her flesh.

Desperate for absolution, Josie scratches the surface of an age-old mystery - a masked predator stalks the forest around Ellwood, a place deeply gripped by folklore. So when the village prepares for its annual festival, and Josie gets closer and closer to unveiling a monster, she begins to ask herself:

Are these dark crawling insects leading her to uncover the truth? . . . Or is she their next victim?

Sales Points

- **HORROR IS TRENDING!** Horror has seen a **54% increase in value between 2022 and 2023**, and this year is already up by **55% on the same period in 2023**. Plenty of this is dominated by **female-led horror**, or **fem-gore**, with titles such as **BUNNY** by Mona Awad, **THE LAMB** by Lucy Rose, **THE EYES ARE THE BEST PART** by Monika Kim
- **Upmarket FEMGORE and FOLK HORROR:** Perfect for fans of **BRAINWYRMS** by Alison Rumfitt, **BOY PARTS** by Eliza Clark, **MOTHERTHING!** by Ainslie Hogarth, and folk horror such as **LOST IN THE GARDEN** by Adam Leslie, **CURSED BREAD** by Sophie Mackintosh

Reviews

- **'A deeply felt, haunting folk horror that crawls with secrets and darkness.** This disturbing and tender novel possessed me and made my skin crawl. **It will keep you up long into the night!** - LUCY ROSE
- **'A chilling and tremendously disturbing** examination of a wounded mind, of a fragile soul pushed to the limits of her very existence because of trauma, ritual, and obsession. Sinister and utterly fiendish, **ITCH!** is a **shocking and truly surprising blend of mystery, folk horror, and body horror** that will burrow deep in your softest places, into your tenderest, most unspoiled secret parts' - ERIC LARocca
- **'ITCH!** places Gemma Amor firmly at the top of today's horror talent pool. It's as if a small village Tana French murder mystery turned into full on folk horror, with a constant buzz of body horror underneath. **I couldn't have loved this more. It's under my skin now, and it itches! One of the year's absolute must-reads!** - CHRISTOPHER GOLDEN
- **'An exquisitely crafted, uniquely unnerving horror story told with stunning empathy.** **ITCH!** is a visceral, astute, tense spiral into the lingering damage of abuse and violence. **As unflinching and terrifying as it is gentle-hearted, it has all the makings of a horror classic!** - RACHEL HARRISON

Author Biography

Gemma Amor is a Bram Stoker and British Fantasy Award-nominated horror author, editor, illustrator, and podcaster based in Bristol, UK. She was named one of *Esquire's* Writers Shaping Horror's Next Golden Age, and recently featured in Ellen Datlow's prestigious Best Horror of the Year anthology, Vol. 15.

Gemma loves to write about misunderstood monsters, both human and supernatural, as well as feminist horror. *ITCH!* is her first novel with Hodder & Stoughton.

Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£15.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781399745376
BIC 2.1	Classic horror & ghost stories (FKC) Crime & mystery (FF) Thriller / suspense (FH) Folklore, myths & legends (JFHF) Horror & ghost stories (FK)
Binding	Trade Paperback
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Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Airports; Ire; World (ex USA, Can)
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Book locale	Forest of Dean
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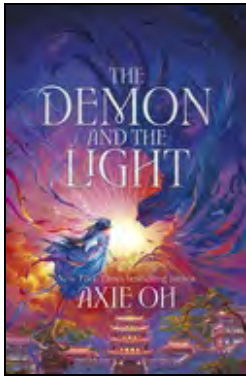
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The Demon and the Light

Axie Oh

Keynote

The second in a new magical fantasy duology from the author of *The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea*, set in an East Asian inspired world.

Description

The battle is over, but the war is just beginning . . .

With the help of her friends and allies, Ren managed to topple the General's insurrection, but the Floating World and its territories are still under threat of attack from the rival Volmaran Empire. And far worse, she was powerless to save Sunho from being overcome by the monstrous power in his blood. Now he's gone, transformed into a feral, deadly creature that doesn't even recognize her anymore, and her heart aches for the sweet boy she's grown to love.

But the escalating war will not pause for her grief. Seen by some as a heavenly savior and others merely a figurehead to be manipulated, Ren must use all her courage and cunning to survive the royal court's game long enough to find Sunho and bring him home before he loses himself to the Demon forever.

Sales Points

- **GORGEOUS YA FANTASY:** Axie Oh writes beautiful, moving, epic fantasies that sweep the reader into intricate and absorbing new worlds, and this duology is just the same.
- **INSPIRED BY KOREAN MYTH:** Rich with Korean mythology, and harkening back to Miyazaki, this is pitch-perfect for a YA fantasy market looking for fantastical, fairy-tale-esque, non-Western stories.
- **WELL CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Axie Oh is well connected within the YA fantasy community, gets excellent blurbs from her fellow authors, and is a rising star within the genre.

Reviews

- **'Entirely enchanting'** - *Stephanie Garber, Sunday Times bestselling author of Once Upon a Broken Heart on The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea*
- **'A tale brimming with love. The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea will whisk you away on an entrancing journey through the most magical realm. Axie Oh's characters own my whole heart'** - *Chloe Gong, New York Times bestselling author of These Violent Delights on The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea*
- **'The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea captivated me with its depiction of a spirit realm rooted in Korean myth and moved me with the power of love and family in its story. A beautiful new favourite of mine!'** - *Xiran Jay Zhao, New York Times bestselling author of Iron Widow on The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea*
- **'A stunning story! In The Floating World, Axie Oh has crafted an exquisite tale filled with mythology, heart, romance and magic, set in a remarkable and intricate world that entranced me. The secrets, intrigue and beautiful prose swept me away, and the compelling characters stayed in my mind long after the end. Am already excited for the sequel!'** - *Sue Lynn Tan, Sunday Times bestselling author of Daughter of the Moon Goddess*

Author Biography

Axie Oh is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea*, *XOXO* and *ASAP*, and the *Rebel Seoul* series. Born in New York City and raised in New Jersey, she studied Korean history and creative writing as an undergrad at the University of California San Diego and holds an MFA in Writing for Young People from Lesley University. Her passions include K-pop, anime, stationery supplies, and milk tea, and she currently resides in Las Vegas, Nevada, with her dogs, Toro and Leila.

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Illustrations **None**
Series **The Floating World**
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Author living in **Las Vegas, USA**

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Format	B Format
Extent	256 pages
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The World According to Cunk An Illustrated History of All World Events Ever, Space Permitting

Philomena Cunk (Edited By Kate Hewson)

Keynote

A comic parody history of the world, from the star of BBC and Netflix's *Cunk on Earth*.

Description

Romans! Madrigals! The Dark Ages! Evolutions! Trumpets! The Oranges of The First World War!

All of this (except trumpets) and more is covered in this definitive, illustrated, easy-clean history of all world history so far, written by the twenty-first century's leading historian, philosopher and thought-thinker, Philomena Cunk.

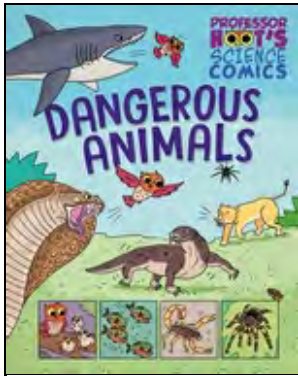
Focusing on the inventions, art and brainboxes that made the modern world the unbearable place it is today, *The World According to Cunk* is the history book to end all history books. From the birth of the first baby caveman to the invention of the poo emoji. Some say history is written by the Victors. But they're wrong - it's written by the Philomenas. Well, a Philomena. The one on the cover. Yes, her, from TikTok

Sales Points

- A 75-minute documentary - *Cunk's Quest for Meaning* - will air on BBC and on Netflix globally this Autumn
- Diane Morgan recording the audiobook, of which the previous book sold 50k+ copies
- Cunk's reach is only increasing since she's aired on Netflix - she is a global phenomenon, reflected in US, Chinese, Polish and other rights sales for the previous book
- Sales of Cunk on Everything stayed strong into the following year and received a boost with every TV show

Author Biography

Philomena Cunk is a journalist, historian and hot-taker who has presented TV shows on everything from time and feminism to Shakespeare and Britain, and really should get round to doing a podcast while they're still a thing. She asks the big questions other journalists are, for some reason, afraid to, like "How important are the words in Shakespeare's plays?", "Why do we cry when it's the onions getting hurt?" and "What is clocks?"



Professor Hoot's Science Comics: Dangerous Animals

Greta Birch (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 dangerous animals.

Description

Every day brings a new adventure for Professor Hoot - and a new learning experience. At sunrise, Professor Hoot sets off to find out all about the most dangerous animals on the planet, and narrowly avoids becoming someone's lunch! From venomous snakes to toothy sharks and fearsome lionesses, discover the deadly bites, killer claws and surprising skills animals use to attack their prey - and warn others away.

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

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.

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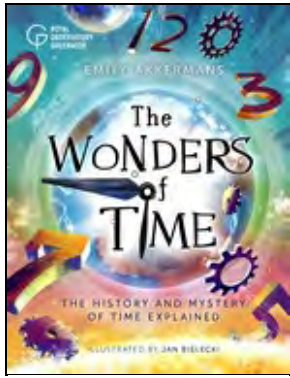
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The Wonders of Time

The history and mystery of time explained

Emily Akkermans (Illustrated By Jan Bielecki)

Keynote

It's time for a mind-blowing look at the history and mystery of time with the masters of timekeeping - *travelling across the globe and even to the far reaches of space* with Royal Observatory Greenwich's Curator of Time

Description

It's time for a mind-blowing look at the history and mystery of time with the masters of timekeeping - *travelling across the globe and even to the far reaches of space!*

The Wonders of Time is written by the expert Curator of Time at the home of timekeeping, Royal Observatory Greenwich. The book uncovers the history and mysteries of time: its beginnings, the methods of measuring it, how we experience it, different philosophies of time and the potential of time travel. Readers explore the timeline of timekeeping, looking at the evolution of our understanding from the Big Bang to today.

Just some of the astonishing contents of *The Wonders of Time*:

- The beginning of time in the Universe, on Earth and measuring time on other planets in the solar system
- The shape of time (is it a circle? a line? a spiral?) and our natural body clocks
- The invention of timekeeping straight through to quartz and atomic clocks
- Coordinating timezones across the world
- Record-breakers in time: lifespans in humans and animals
- Considering our human urge to capture moments in time (take a photo! bury a time capsule!)
- Take a tour of seven amazing clocks from around the world

This is the third book in a series published by Wayland in association with Royal Observatory Greenwich exploring the wonders of science, illustrated by the super-creative Jan Bielecki. Other books in the series include: *Wonders of the Night Sky* and *The Future of the Universe* by Professor Raman Prinja.

Sales Points

- Written by the Curator of Time at the home of timekeeping, Royal Observatory Greenwich, with mesmerising illustrations
- Takes an international look at the evolution of time, travelling across the globe and even to the far reaches of space
- Continues the wonder-full series of beautiful science books, following on from *Wonders of the Night Sky* and *The Future of the Universe*

Author Biography

Emily Akkermans (Author)

Emily Akkermans is Curator of Time at Royal Museums Greenwich. She manages the horology collection, which has close links to astronomy, navigation, science and society. After studying horology at The Vakschool in Schoonhoven, she specialised in the restoration of antique clocks during an apprenticeship in Breda, the Netherlands. She then completed undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in Conservation and Restoration at the University of Antwerp. After graduating, Emily moved to London to work in metals conservation at the National Maritime Museum. She participated in a doctoral partnership between the National Maritime Museum and the University of Edinburgh, on a project that combined maritime history, horology, scientific instruments, and history of science and technology. Her PhD looked at how chronometers were used on board early nineteenth-century voyages of exploration and how they relate to other navigational practices.

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.

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CBMC	D5N79
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Previous Titles

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Comic Strip Science Adventures: Digging for Dinosaurs

Paul Mason (Illustrated By Jess Bradley)

Keynote

An entertaining collection uncovering the stories of dinosaur discoveries told in comic strips

Description

An entertaining collection uncovering the stories of dinosaur discoveries told in comic strips.

Discover the story of Mary Anning, why there is a dinosaur called Sue, what the Bone Wars were and much more. This book is sure to entertain children, while giving them an insight into the many challenges and rivalries behind scientific achievements and how scientists learn from mistakes. It is produced by the same team as *Comic Strip Science* with hilarious comic strips illustrated by award-winning artist Jess Bradley and written by Paul Mason, who is well known for making science learning fun. Key science concepts are pulled out in more depth in feature spreads. The book has a specialist text consultant, paleontologist Dr Dave Hone.

Comic Strip Science Adventures is a series of comic books that are perfect for young scientists aged 7 plus. Each book has specialist subject consultants. Titles in the series: *Digging for Dinosaurs*, *Exploring Space*, *Medical Marvels*, *Amazing Inventions*.

Sales Points

- Funny cartoons throughout by the illustrator of the best-selling *A Day in the Life of a Poo, Gnu and You*
- Offers a fun way into science learning
- Each book has a specialist consultant

Summary of Contents

Uncovering Dinosaurs / Stormy Discoveries / How Fossils Form / The Bone Wars / Revealing Fossils / Sad Story Of A Spinosaurus / Cracking The Oviraptor Case / The Eight-Million-Dollar Dinosaur / Dinosaurs Reimagined / Reconstructing Dinosaurs / Dinosaur Quiz

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.

Jess Bradley (Illustrator)

Jess Bradley is a writer and artist for *The Phoenix Comic*, a writer for *The Beano* and has illustrated several children's books. *A Day In The Life Of A Poo, A Gnu and You*, illustrated by Jess won the 2021 Blue Peter Award for Best Non-Fiction. Jess lives in Torquay with her husband and son and enjoys drawing in her many sketchbooks, playing video games, reading and watching scary films.

Publication date **Thursday, October 23, 2025**
 Price **£9.99 / ₹699**
 Main Identifier **9781526327239**
 BIC 2.1 **Dinosaurs & prehistoric world (Children's / Teenage) (YNNA) 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 **Non-fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character **Non-character**
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **265x210**
 Depth **8mm**
 Extent **48 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Comic Strip Science Adventures**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

Digging for Dinosaurs 9781526327215
 Exploring Space 9781526327246
 Medical Marvels 9781526327307
 Amazing Inventions 9781526327277

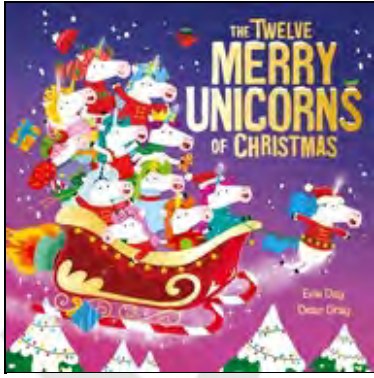
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The Twelve Merry Unicorns of Christmas A laugh-out-loud singalong festive gift

Evie Day (Illustrated By Dean Gray)

Keynote

A hilarious and sparkly romp filled with all kinds of funny, festive unicorns! Count and sing along as the group of unicorns grows and GROWS over the twelve days of Christmas.

Description

On the first day of Christmas, my grandma gave to me . . . an elficorn under the tree!

Count and sing along as the 'blessing' of sparkly unicorns gets bigger and BIGGER in the countdown to Christmas!

From one baby elficorn to seven cosycorns crafting, ten particorns playing and beyond . . .

A unicorn-filled twist on the beloved 'Twelve Days of Christmas' carol, this hilarious festive picture book is the perfect Christmas Advent gift for all the Elficorns out there!

Sales Points

- The perfect Christmas gift for unicorn fans - featuring twelve different types of magical unicorns - with hilarious and sparkly illustrations by Dean Gray
- Filled with Christmas cheer, including three hollycorns sledding down the slopes, five santacorns riding in Santa's sleigh and nine frosticorns at a festive feast!
- Readers count along as the child gets more and more unicorns each day, with a 'sing along' guide at the back
- With super sparkly gold foil on the cover
- **The fourth book in the festive series inspired by the Twelve Days of Christmas carol.**

Author Biography

Evie Day (Author)

Evie Day is a children's author living in London.

She loves the change in seasons, cosying up with a good book and joining in with festive activities!

Dean Gray (Illustrator)

Dean Gray was born in Roehampton, UK and is currently based in south London. He studied Graphic Design and has a character-driven approach to his work and is passionate about storytelling.

Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£7.99 / ₹499
Main Identifier	9781408372098
BIC 2.1	Early learning: numbers & counting (YBLC) Picture storybooks (YBCS) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC) Christmas (5HC)

CBMC	A2M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Home / Early Learning
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

The Twelve Dinosaurs of Christmas
The Twelve Elves of Christmas
The Twelve Trucks of Christmas

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Publication date	Thursday, October 30, 2025
Price	£9.99 / ₹699
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781444983326 Horror & ghost stories, chillers (Children's / Teenage) (YFD) Thrillers (Children's / Teenage) (YFCB) Interest age: from c 14 years (5AQ)
CBMC	E3N79
Age	12+ years
Subject Type	Fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Queensland, Australia
Previous Titles	Don't Let the Forest In The Boy Who Steals Houses A Thousand Perfect Notes

Hazelthorn

Gorgeously gothic horror and queer dark romance from the NYT bestselling author of Don't Let the Forest In

CG Drews

Keynote

Knives Out meets *Belladonna* in this gorgeously gothic queer YA horror and dark romance about an inherited estate, murderous relatives and a garden with a taste for blood, from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Don't Let the Forest In* and *The Boy Who Steals Houses*.

Description

Knives Out meets *Belladonna* in this gorgeously gothic queer YA horror and dark romance about an inherited estate, murderous relatives, and a garden with a taste for blood, from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Don't Let the Forest In* and *The Boy Who Steals Houses*.

Evander has lived like a ghost in the forgotten corners of the Hazelthorn estate ever since he was taken in by his reclusive billionaire guardian.

He can never leave, he can never go in the gardens and he can never be alone with Laurie, the boy who tried to kill him seven years ago.

But when his guardian is murdered and Evander inherits Hazelthorn, Laurie may be the only one who can help him find the killer.

As dark secrets unravel, moss bleeds through the walls, poisonous mushrooms flourish beneath the floorboards, and Evander must discover what he's really inherited before Hazelthorn's garden demands to be fed.

Sales Points

- From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Don't Let the Forest In*, *A Thousand Perfect Notes* and Tiktok sensation *The Boy Who Steals Houses*.
- A deliciously dark and dangerously addictive YA novel perfect for thriller and horror fans alike
- A queer un contemporary dark romance with a bisexual protagonist from a #ownvoices author

Author Biography

CG Drews is the author of *A Thousand Perfect Notes*, *The Boy Who Steals Houses*, and *Don't Let the Forest In*. CG's work has been translated into five languages and was nominated for the 2020 CILIP Carnegie Medal and won the 2020 CBCA Honour Award. CG lives in Australia, never sleeps and is forever buried under a pile of unread books.

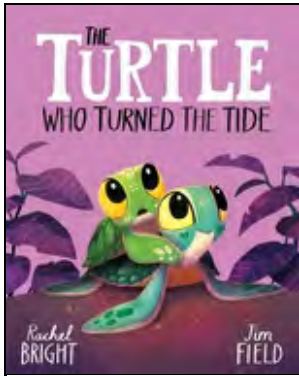
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The Turtle Who Turned the Tide From The World of Rachel Bright & Jim Field

Rachel Bright (Illustrated By Jim Field)

Keynote

A heartwarming tale of adventure, bravery and one baby turtle who changes her world for good - from the bestselling and award-winning creators of *The Lion Inside*.

Description

A heartwarming tale of adventure, bravery and one baby turtle who changes her world for good - from the bestselling and award-winning creators of *The Lion Inside*.

On a midnight-black beach, it's time for a GRAND HATCHING. A rowdy crowd of animal onlookers have gathered to see which baby turtle will win the great race to safety in the sea.

But when Tula's brother loses his way, this baby turtle faces a difficult choice: will she choose to win the race or will she turn back to rescue her brother? And will the other animals stay on the sidelines, or will Tula's brave decision inspire them to join the rescue mission?

An inspiring and funny rhyming story of how we ALL have the power to change things for the better.

Look out for more wonderful books from The World of Rachel Bright and Jim Field:

The Lion Inside
The Koala Who Could
The Squirrels Who Squabbled
The Way Home for Wolf
The Whale Who Wanted More
The Gecko and the Echo
The Pandas Who Promised
The Camel Who Had the Hump

Praise for *The Lion Inside*:

"A heartfelt message, delightfully conveyed." *Parents in Touch*
 "Captivating." *Books for Keeps*
 "A delight to read over and over again." *WRD*

Sales Points

- With an empowering and important message at its heart, this book is the perfect way to open up conversations about how even the youngest people have the power to change their world.
- Jim Field is the illustrator of the Oi Frog and Friend series, which has sold over 3 million copies worldwide and has been translated into 14 languages.
- Rachel Bright is the author of the DinoFeelings series, which has sold over 1 million copies worldwide and has been translated into 31 languages.
- This action-packed, funny and heartwarming rhyming story is the 9th book in the World Of Rachel Bright and Jim Field
- Books in The World of series have sold more than 3.5 million copies worldwide and have been translated into over 43 languages.

Author Biography

Rachel Bright (Author)

Rachel Bright is a wordsmith, illustrator and professional thinker of happy thoughts. She has written many bestselling books for children, including *Love Monster*, *The Lion Inside* and *The Koala Who Could* - winner of the *Evening Standard* Oscar's Book Prize and the Sainsbury's Book Award. Her books have been translated into 40 languages and have sold over 2 million copies worldwide. She is also the creator of award-winning stationery and homewares range, The Brightside. Rachel lives on a farm near the seaside, with her partner and their two young daughters.

Jim Field (Illustrator)

Jim Field is an award-winning illustrator, character designer and animation director. He has illustrated many bestselling children's books, including *Oi Frog!* (written by Kes Gray) and *The Lion Inside* (written by Rachel Bright). Jim is also the illustrator of the Rabbit and Bear series, J.K. Rowling's *The Christmas Pig* and his debut author-illustrator bilingual picture book, *Monsieur Roscoe on Holiday*. He lives near Paris with his wife and daughter.

Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£12.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781408366448 Picture storybooks (YBCS) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)
CBMC	A3M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	300x240
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	The World Of Rachel Bright & Jim Field
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Lion Inside
The Koala Who Could
The Squirrels Who Squabbled
The Way Home for Wolf
The Whale Who Wanted More
The Gecko and the Echo
The Pandas Who Promised
The Camel Who Had the Hump

Author

The Worrysaurus
 The Hugasaurus
 The Stompysaurus
 The Wobblysaurus
 The Chattysaurus

Illustrator

Oi Frog!
Oi Cat!
Oi Dog!
Oi Duck-billed Platypus!
Oi Puppies!
Oi Aardvark!
Oi Dinosaurs!

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



The Magic Pet Shop Stories: Pugicorn's Snowy Friend

Book three in a new chapter book series

Matilda Rose (Illustrated By Tim Budgen)

Keynote

Princess Ava and Pugicorn are off on another magical adventure. This time, they're heading North for a snowy surprise! The third book in a new series for young readers featuring the stars from the *Pugicorn* picture books.

Description

Princess Ava and Pugicorn can't wait for their town's winter festival! But then a mysterious egg arrives at The Magic Pet Shop, and it's up to them to look after it while they join in on the frosty fun.

When the egg suddenly hatches, they'll have to go on a snowy adventure to find this magic pet a new home. Will they find the perfect, jolly friend for this pet?

PUGICORN'S SNOWY SECRET is the next book in the enchanting new series from the creators of *the Pugicorn* picture books. With accessible text and adorable illustrations throughout, this is perfect for newly independent and developing readers.

Sales Points

- A new series for readers 5+ from the creators of *The Magic Pet Shop* series, which has sold over 400k copies worldwide
- A heartwarming story about helping others and looking after the community - delivered with fun and charm
- Short chapters are perfect for newly independent readers, or for sharing aloud
- Features adorable black and white illustrations

Author Biography

Matilda Rose (Author)

Matilda Rose is the author of *The Magic Pet Shop* series - *Pugicorn*, *La-La-Llama*, *Kitticorn* and more fun-filled adventures set in a fairy tale world and featuring different magical pets. With important messages about sharing, kindness, trying your best and being yourself, *The Magic Pet Shop* books combine sparkle, fun and heart!

Tim Budgen (Illustrator)

Tim Budgen is a freelance illustrator and Art teacher. He's illustrated *Pugicorn* and the *Magic Pet Shop* series, the *Lizzie and Lucky* series by Megan Rix, *20 Dinosaurs at Bedtime* by Mark Sperring and many more amazing children's books. For much of his life he has been scribbling down ideas and can usually be found with a pencil in one hand and a sketchbook in the other! He lives by the sea on Hayling Island, England, with his wife Julia.

Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£7.99 / ₹399
Main Identifier	9781408374177
BIC 2.1	General fiction (Children's / Teenage) (YFB) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Magic Pet Shop Stories
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Previous books in *The Magic Pet Shop Stories* series include:
Pugicorn to the Rescue
Pugicorn's Sleepover Surprise

The best-selling picture book series includes:

Pugicorn
Pugicorn and the Christmas Wish
Pugicorn and Hugicorn
Pugicorn and the Lovebug
Pugicorn and the Rainbow Holiday
Starwhal
La-La-Llama
Pandarina
Kitticorn
Starpuff
Elepop
Sparkyfox
Puppicorn
Dinocom



Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£7.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781444965674 Animal stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFP) Humorous stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFQ) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC) For National Curriculum Early Years (4KHA) Personal & social issues: self-awareness & self-esteem (Children's / Teenage) (YXL) Picture books (YBC)
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	The Bear Behind
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Both:
The Bear Behind
The Teeny-Tiny Bear Behind

Illustrator:
The Big Freeze
Chatterbox Bear
The Indigo Wilde Series

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

The Super Snowy Bear Behind

A larger-than-life story about telling the truth

Sam Copeland (Illustrated By Pippa Curnick)

Keynote

A super-snowy, larger-than-life picture book about the importance of telling the truth, from bestselling award-winners Sam Copeland and Pippa Curnick

Description

From the creators of the bestselling *The Bear Behind*, comes a hilarious snowy tale about what happens when little fibs begin to snowball . . .

Ivor has a Bear Behind - a great big, booming bear who has the habit of appearing at just the wrong time.

So the morning Ivor wakes up to the most magical, glittering blanket of snow, he's determined to keep his Bear Behind hidden away and enjoy his snow day.

But when a little fib slips out about his sledding skills, his lie begins to snowball out of control . . . and so does his very silly, very chilly Bear Behind!

A rip-roaringly funny, super-duper snowy picture book about the importance of telling the truth. Written by Sam Copeland, the bestselling author of *Charlie Changes into a Chicken*, with bold, bright illustrations by Pippa Curnick, creator of the award-winning Indigo Wilde series.

(*The Bear Behind* was a two-time Top 10 Official Indie Children's Bestseller in 2023 - via Litalist, Sept and Nov 2023)

Sales Points

- A standalone book but third in The Bear Behind series from bestselling middle-grade author Sam Copeland, with bold, colourful artwork from Pippa Curnick.
- Fibbing/truth-telling hook. Ivor's bear appears every time he lies about his ability to sledge on a snow day - and as the lie grows, his bear gets bigger too.
- Fun commercial winter title - perfect Christmas gift, but can also sell beyond this as not specific to festive period
- *The Bear Behind* was a two-time Top 10 Official Indie Children's Bestseller in 2023 - via Litalist, Sept and Nov 2023

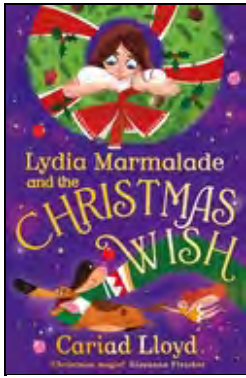
Author Biography

Sam Copeland (Author)

Sam Copeland is an author, which has come as something of a shock to him. He is from Manchester and now lives in London with two smelly cats, three smelly children and one relatively clean smelling wife. His bestselling book *Charlie Changes Into a Chicken* was shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, longlisted for the Blue Peter Book Award and nominated for the Branford Boase Award. *The Bear Behind*, illustrated by Pippa Curnick is his first picture book. Despite legal threats, he refuses to stop writing.

Pippa Curnick (Illustrator)

Pippa Curnick grew up in rural Essex and studied at Camberwell College of Art. She graduated from the University of Derby with a First Class degree in illustration. Pippa's picture book *Lucie Goose* was shortlisted for the Evening Standard's Oscar's First Book Prize. Her website is www.pippacurnick.com and you can follow her on Insta @pippa_curnick and on Twitter @PippaCurnick



Lydia Marmalade and the Christmas Wish

A magical festive adventure to entertain the whole family!

Cariad Lloyd (Illustrated By Ma Pe)

Keynote

On a dark Christmas evening, sometimes you need magic to light the way forward ... Sparkling Christmas fiction full of heart and humour for children of 9-11: comedian Cariad Lloyd creates an unforgettable seasonal story for all the family. Perfect for fans of *A Boy Called Christmas* and *The Christmasaurus*.

Description

When Lydia Marmalade makes a wish on the most magical night of the year, little does she know the chaos she's about to unleash. Could one simple wish start a . . . wish-tastrophe?

'Christmas magic - a book only Cariad could write with such beauty and relatability!' **Giovanna Fletcher**

One winter evening, Lydia Marmalade arrives at Lady Partridge's mansion. She has nothing to her name except her sausage dog, Colin, but she's determined to make this her new home.

Lady Partridge isn't at all keen to make Lydia part of the family. If Lydia doesn't behave herself until the end of the winter season, she'll cast her off entirely. And now her mother's gone, Lydia doesn't have anywhere else to live.

Helped (and often hindered) by a mischievous winter sprite, a grumpy butler and a hungry Colin, Lydia makes a wish on the most magical night of the year. Sometimes you just need magic to light the way forward . . .

The hilarious new Christmas story to read with all the family, from comedian and writer Cariad Lloyd with gorgeous illustrations by Ma Pe. Perfect for fans of *A Boy Called Christmas* and *The Christmasaurus*.

Previously published in hardback as *The Christmas Wish-tastrophe*

Sales Points

- Cariad Lloyd is a comedian best known for her improv show *Austentatious*, her podcasts *Griefcast* and *Sara and Cariad's Weirdos Bookclub*, and her hilarious TV appearances. She is passionate about children's books, writing with humour and heart
- This is an exciting Christmas middle-grade gift opportunity on the fiction list, by an author who will be the new face of funny for children
- We will be following up with another fiction title set in this world, and we have the picture book *Where Did She Go?*, cementing Cariad as a trusted voice in the children's books space
- This book captures the magic of Christmas with heart - and with humour!

Author Biography

Cariad Lloyd (Author)

Cariad Lloyd is a writer, actor, comedian, podcaster and improviser. She is the creator and host of the award-winning podcast, the *Griefcast*, where she talks to people about their experiences of grief and death. It won Podcast of the Year at the British podcast awards in 2018 and was spotlighted by Apple Podcasts in 2022. In 2023, Cariad wrote the critically acclaimed, Times bestseller *You Are Not Alone*, based on her grief lessons from the show. Cariad has also appeared in *Peep Show*, *Alan Partridge*, *Have I Got News for You*, *QI* and a number of other comedy shows on TV and radio. She is one of the creators of hit improv show *Austentatious* and co-hosts *Sara and Cariad's Weirdos Book Club* podcast with Sara Pascoe.

Ma Pe (Illustrator)

Ma Pe is an Italian cartoonist and illustrator. She started drawing as a child. She tried to devote herself to other things, but the love for drawing was too strong. She loves cats (for now she only has two, but there are always more) and flowers, and both elements are never missing from her illustrations. Although she always wears black, she has an inordinate passion for pink.

She has been working in the world of illustration since 2019.

Publication date **Thursday, October 23, 2025**

Price **£7.99 / ₹599**

Main Identifier **9781444971491**

BIC 2.1 **Family & home stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFN) Humorous stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFQ) Historical fiction (Children's / Teenage) (YFT) Fantasy & magical realism (Children's / Teenage) (YFH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Christmas (5HC) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)**

CBMC **D3N79**

Age **9-11 years**

Subject **Fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character **Non-character**

Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **B Format**

Extent **304 pages**

Word Count

Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author living in **London**

Previous Titles

This is Cariad's first book for children. Her non-fiction book for adults, *YOU ARE NOT ALONE*, was a Times Book of the Year.

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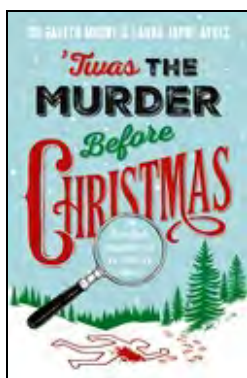


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'Twas the Murder Before Christmas Over 70 Fiendish, Fun and Festive Puzzles

Gareth Moore, Laura Jayne Ayres

Keynote

A devilishly fun and festive collection of over 70 murder mystery puzzles and logic games for the armchair detective to solve set around the 12 Days of Christmas.

Description

The perfect Christmas gift for fans of *Murdle*, the classic mysteries of Agatha Christie or Richard Osman!

Get your mince pies and Christmas crackers at the ready for **the most addictive puzzle book of the year**. It's time to channel your inner Hercule Poirot - because this Christmas, someone is planning merry murder.

* Features **12 murder mysteries**, each with its own set of evidence, unique cast of suspects and notes to help you crack the case.

** Contains **over 70 logic, picture and word puzzles** to test your deductive skills, all with a devilishly fun and festive theme.

*** The **ideal stocking-filler** for puzzle masters and casual players alike.

Sales Points

- **Bestselling puzzle writing team:** Dr Gareth Moore is the author of over 250 bestselling international puzzle and brain-training titles with 5 million worldwide sales, including *The Ordnance Survey Puzzle Book*, and *The Whodunit Puzzle Book* with co-writer Laura Jayne Ayres.
- **Dip-in puzzle format:** 12 individual mystery cases to solve, with over 70 puzzles in total. The format is designed so that the reader can pick up the book, flick to any page and begin to play.
- **Seasonal hook:** the festive murder mystery puzzle book format will make *'Twas the Murder Before Christmas* stand out from the rest of the market in the busy gifting season this Christmas. We plan to make this a long-running series with new puzzle books centred around a different seasonal theme.

Author Biography

Dr Gareth Moore is the internationally bestselling author of a wide range of puzzle and brain-training books, with total sales in excess of 5 million copies worldwide. His books for adults include *The Whodunnit Puzzle Book*, *Spydle*, *The Ordnance Survey Puzzle Book*, *The Mindfulness Puzzle Book*, *The Mammoth Book of New Sudoku*, *The Great British Puzzle Book* and *The Times Atlas of the World Puzzle Book*, while his books for children include the million-selling *Clever Kids* series. He is also the creator of brain-training site BrainedUp.com, and runs the daily puzzle site PuzzleMix.com.

Publication date **Thursday, October 23, 2025**
 Price **£9.99 / ₹499**
 Main Identifier **9781035430406**
 BIC 2.1 **Puzzles & quizzes (WDK) Crime & mystery (FF) Christmas (5HC)**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **256 pages**

Word Count
 Illustrations **B&W illustrations**
 Exclusively for Sale **Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)**

Not for Sale **Can**

Book locale **Christmas**
 Author born in **UK**
 Author living in **UK**

Previous Titles

The Whodunnit Puzzle Book
 The Murder Mystery Club Puzzle Book:
 Murder in the Village

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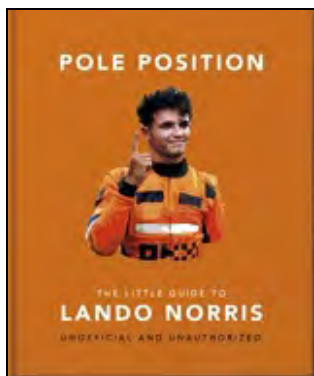
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Pole Position: The Little Guide to Lando Norris

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Keynote

Speed, charisma and the fearless spirit of a Formula 1 star.

Description

Speed, skill and a whole lot of personality - Lando Norris is more than just a Formula 1 driver; he's a rising legend. From his record-breaking junior career to becoming McLaren's fan-favorite star, Lando has captured the hearts of racing enthusiasts worldwide with his raw talent, humour and fearless attitude on the track.

Norris has rapidly ascended the ranks of Formula 1, becoming a standout talent since his debut with McLaren in 2019. By 2024, he secured his first Grand Prix victory at the Miami Grand Prix, followed by wins in the Netherlands, Singapore, and Abu Dhabi totaling four career victories. Beyond his race wins, Norris has achieved 25 podium finishes and six pole positions, highlighting his consistent performance and skill.

This book is a celebration of everything Lando - from his most memorable quotes and on-track moments to fascinating facts about his journey to the top. Whether it's his iconic radio banter, wheel-to-wheel battles or his off-track charisma, this collection dives into what makes Lando one of the most exciting drivers in modern motorsport.

Perfect for die-hard F1 fans and newcomers alike, this is your ultimate guide to the life, speed, and legacy of Lando Norris.

Sales Points

- **Little Book Series:** This little guide follows existing books in the Formula 1 series, including *The Little Guide to Formula One* and *The Little Guide to Lewis Hamilton*.
- **Rising F1 Star:** Lando Norris has rapidly become one of the most exciting talents in Formula 1 since his debut with McLaren in 2019.
- **Global Reach:** Formula 1 has 750 million fans worldwide, and Norris is one of the most popular drivers, especially among younger audiences.

Author Biography

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

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Main Identifier	9781035433094
BIC 2.1	Gift books (WZG) Formula 1 & Grand Prix (WSPC1) Car racing (WSPC) Motor sports (WSP)

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Format	137x113
Depth	20mm
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
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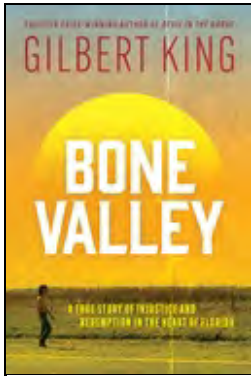
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Bone Valley: A True Story of Injustice and Redemption in the Heart of Florida
Based on the internationally renowned true crime podcast, 'an absolute doozy' - The Guardian

Gilbert King

Keynote

The stranger-than-fiction story of a husband who has spent 35+ years in jail for his wife's murder, even though a known murderer confessed to the crime.

Description

From Pulitzer Prize-winning author Gilbert King comes a chilling exploration of one of America's most haunting wrongful conviction cases. Based on the hit podcast, *Bone Valley* dives into the dark heart of rural Florida, where a young man's life was upended by a tragic miscarriage of justice.

"Captivating, enraging, and all too true." —Bob Kolker, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Hidden Valley Road*

"Bone Valley is a work of rare moral clarity and deep compassion." —Sister Helen Prejean, author of *Dead Man Walking*

In 1987, Leo Schofield was arrested and charged with the murder of his wife, Michelle. Always insistent on his innocence, he was poorly served by his legal defense: the investigation was sloppy, the case flimsy, and numerous pieces of evidence were ignored. He was sentenced to life in prison.

Over thirty years later, Gilbert King is tipped off to Leo's case and is astonished by what he found: layers of corruption, flawed evidence, and deep-seated errors. He can't shake the story and starts to get to know Leo and his family. Leo shows an incomprehensible amount of grace and love about his situation, which spurs Gilbert even more to tell his story.

Bone Valley is at once a revelatory investigation into a murder, a chilling portrait of the criminal justice system, and a uniquely powerful story of grace and redemption. Gilbert King has written a new classic of narrative nonfiction.

Sales Points

- PODCAST: Bone Valley has been downloaded over 14 million times so far, which huge listenerships in the UK, Ireland and ANZ. *The Guardian* was one of many outlets that called it one of the best podcasts of the year.
- AWARD-WINNER: Gilbert King's investigations into miscarriages of justice all over the world have won him huge accolades and recognition, including the Pulitzer Prize
- NEW DEVELOPMENTS: As a result of Gilbert's reporting for the podcast and this book, it appears Jeremy will finally be freed after 25+ years in prison, bringing new attention and publicity to the story.

Reviews

- 'Captivating, enraging, and all too true.' - Bob Kolker, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Hidden Valley Road*
- '**Bone Valley is a work of rare moral clarity and deep compassion.**' - Sister Helen Prejean, author of *Dead Man Walking*

Author Biography

Gilbert King is the writer, producer and host of *Bone Valley*, a narrative podcast about murder and injustice in 1980s central Florida, from the Lava for Good podcast network. He is the author of three previous books, including *Devil in the Grove*, winner of the Pulitzer Prize. A *New York Times* bestseller, the book was also a runner-up for the Dayton Literary Peace Prize. King has written about race, civil rights and the death penalty for the *New York Times*, *Washington Post* and the *Atlantic*, and he was a 2019-2020 fellow at the Dorothy and Lewis B. Cullman Center for Scholars and Writers at the New York Public Library. He lives in Brooklyn.

Publication date	Tuesday, October 07, 2025
Price	£16.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781035419388
BIC 2.1	True crime (BTC) c 1980 to c 1990 (3JJPN) Florida (1KBBFL)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Florida
Author born in	New York
Author living in	USA
1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
Audio	Headline Publishing Group
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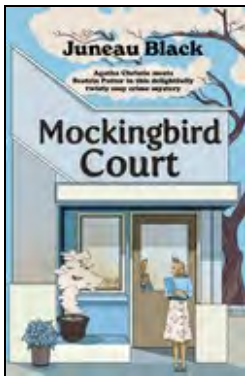
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Mockingbird Court

The cosy crime series full of 'rare and sinister charm' set in your favourite village

Juneau Black

Keynote

In the latest instalment in the beloved Shady Hollow series, everyone's favourite vulpine investigator Vera Vixen must contend with a cold-hearted killer - and the ghosts of her past.

Description

It's a crisp, cool autumn in Shady Hollow, and preparations are underway for the annual Harvest Festival. Creatures have flocked from far and wide to partake in the seasonal festivities, from pumpkin carving to pie tasting to soup throwing. With all these new faces around town, it's the perfect time for someone to slip in unnoticed...

Unless that someone is Bradley Marvel - famous author and huge personality. Back in the city, a body was found in his penthouse apartment, and Marvel skipped town before the questioning could commence.

Marvel claims to be innocent, and it's up to Vera and her friends to piece together what might have happened - but things get even more complicated when Vera recognises the victim's name... and might even be implicated herself.

Sales Points

- Think Agatha Christie and Beatrix Potter: US acquiring editor says they made him feel just as he did when he found *No 1 Ladies Detective Agency* many years ago, and the appeal (if not the books) is similar
- Publishing on Vintage Crime's Black Lizard list, with big publicity plans
- Cosy crime is an ever expanding part of the market and these occupy a unique space in the genre

Reviews

- 'Billed as Agatha Christie meets Beatrix Potter . . . Sometimes you just need **an entertaining, escapist read** to while away the hours, and Juneau Black certainly delivers all the small-town cosy crime vibes, with the animal quirkiness of Wes Anderson's *Fantastic Mr Fox* . . . **a perfect long weekend binge read**' - *Culture Fly*
- 'It sounds daft - it is daft - but it's also **lots of fun**' - *The People's Friend Magazine*

Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£10.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781399716154
BIC 2.1	Crime & mystery (FF)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	272 pages
Word Count	
Series	Shady Hollow series
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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The Black Wolf

the brilliant new Chief Inspector Gamache novel

Louise Penny

Keynote

The stunning new thriller from the number one *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The Grey Wolf*.

Description

Somewhere out there, in the darkness, a black wolf is feeding.

Several weeks ago, Chief Inspector Armand Gamache of the Sûreté du Québec and his team uncovered and stopped a domestic terrorist attack in Montréal, arresting the person behind it. A man they called the Black Wolf.

But their relief is short-lived. In a sickening turn of events, Gamache has realized that plot, as horrific as it was, was just the beginning. Perhaps even a deliberate misdirection. One he fell into. Something deeper and darker, more damaging, is planned. Did he in fact arrest the Black Wolf, or are they still out there? Armand is appalled to think his mistake has allowed their conspiracy to grow, to gather supporters. To spread lies, manufacture enemies, and feed hatred and division.

Still recovering from wounds received in stopping the first attack, Armand is confined to the village of Three Pines, leading a covert investigation from there. He must be careful not to let the Black Wolf know he has recognized his mistake. In a quiet church basement, he and his senior agents Beauvoir and Lacoste, pore over what little evidence they have. Two notebooks. A few mysterious numbers on a tattered map of Québec. And a phrase repeated by the person they had called the Grey Wolf. A warning...

In a dry and parched land where there is no water.

Gamache and his small team of supporters realize that for the Black Wolf to have gotten this far, they must have powerful allies, in law enforcement, in industry, in organized crime, in the halls of government.

From the apparent peace of his little village, Gamache finds himself playing a lethal game of cat and mouse with an invisible foe who is gathering forces and preparing to strike.

Sales Points

- **GLOBAL PHENOMENON AND NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER:** Sales of Louise Penny novels exceed 18 million copies worldwide and she hits the *New York Times* number one slot with every book.
- **INCREASED TIME IN UK:** Louise now spends 3-4 months a year in the UK and will participate in more events.
- **ALWAYS-ON BACKLIST PROMOTION:** the series sells phenomenally well across the year in promotion.
- **AWARD-WINNING WRITER:** Louise has won a huge number of writing awards and has been recognised for her contribution to Canadian culture.
- **20th ANNIVERSARY OF THE RELEASE OF STILL LIFE:** the first book in the series will be released as a special edition hardback in September 2025.

Reviews

- 'A wonderful, multi-layered novel: all the established characters are there for lovers of Three Pines, but it's also a political thriller, an exploration of friendship and betrayal, and a celebration of kindness. It's astonishingly prescient too' - *Ann Cleeves*

Author Biography

Louise Penny is an international award-winning and bestselling author whose books have hit number one on the *New York Times*, *USA Today* and *Globe and Mail* lists. Her Chief Inspector Gamache novels have been translated into thirty-one languages and have sold over 18 million copies worldwide. She has received the Ordre National du Québec and the Order of Canada for her contributions to Canadian culture. In 2021, she co-authored the standalone thriller *State of Terror* with Hillary Rodham Clinton. Louise Penny lives in a village south of Montreal.

Market

For fans of Ann Cleeves, Peter Robinson and Elly Griffiths.

Publication date **Tuesday, October 28, 2025**
 Price **£15.99 / ₹799**
 Main Identifier **9781399730587**
 BIC 2.1 **Crime & mystery (FF)**
Thriller / suspense (FH)

Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **Royal**
 Extent **384 pages**
 Word Count
 Illustrations **N/A**
 Series **Chief Inspector Gamache**
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**
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Book locale **Quebec, USA**
 Author born in **Quebec**
 Author living in **Canada**

Previous Titles

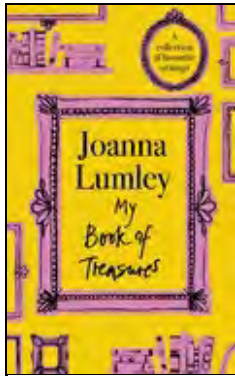
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 Translation **David Gernert**
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My Book of Treasures A collection of favourite writings

Joanna Lumley

Keynote

Joanna Lumley's compendium of good cheer, wisdom and absolutely fabulous literary treasures.

Description

'I welcome you with open arms to my book of treasures. It's a book for all seasons and for all occasions; and it comes to you from me, with armfuls of effusive greetings and salutations, trailing clouds of glory and affection, this offering of treasures made specially for you.' Joanna Lumley

Over the years Joanna Lumley has kept private notebooks, filled with her favourite writings, thoughts and quotes. Now, for the first time, she opens her *Book of Treasures* to share some of her many and varied jottings with readers.

This collection of favourite writings, interspersed with narration from Joanna, features the lines of her favourite authors, from Shakespeare to Emily Dickinson, pearls of wisdom that she has heard or read, and nuggets of trivia and miscellanea that have made her happy.

The book is full of surprise and variety: the wistful keeps company with the acerbic, the sincere slips in besides the absurd. And the result is a jewel box of delights, filled with fabulous titbits.

Sales Points

- **Much-loved author:** Joanna Lumley has been described as our 'most trusted national treasure' and is iconic, hugely respected and adored. YouGov ranks her highly in polls of the most loved and well known in the UK market. Her TV documentaries average between 1.75 and 2 million viewers. This book showcases her never-before-seen personal notebooks.
- **Proven bestselling author:** In the 1990s Joanna curated the bestselling *Forces Sweethearts*, a collection of wartime love letters. Her memoir *No Room for Secrets* (104k TCM) and celebration of the late Queen *A Queen for All Seasons* (42k TCM) were bestsellers.
- **Energetic, sales-driving promoter:** Joanna will promote across broadcast and print media and events. Analysis of *A Queen for All Seasons* sales spikes shows that they were driven by JL's publicity.
- **Perfect gift-book:** ... for Christmas 2025 and Mother's Day 2026. The book is an uplifting stocking filler purchase, perfect for Lumley fans, readers of *Shakespeare* by Judi Dench (61k TCM), of Alan Titchmarsh's almanac (21k TCM), of Gyles Brandreth's *Dancing by the Light of the Moon* (53k TCM) and of John Julius Norwich's Christmas crackers of yesteryear (*Ultimate Christmas Cracker* 13k TCM).

Author Biography

Joanna Lumley was born in Kashmir and educated in Malaysia and Sussex. She has spent much of her life in books, reading them night and day, and sometimes even writing them. Reading is the prop and mainstay of her life, but she has wrenched herself away to act in theatre, films and television, criss-crossing the globe with television documentaries and lending her voice to as many deserving causes as she can.

Dazzled by the wit and wisdom of others, she cuts out and keeps treasured pieces she wishes she had written herself. She is married to the conductor Stephen Barlow who reads all the time: theirs is a quiet household.

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Funny Thing, Getting Older And Other Reflections

Michael Morpurgo

Keynote

A poignant and joyful collection of thoughts and reflections from one of the world's most beloved authors.

Description

'A beautiful, thoughtful book that brims with joy' **KATE MOSSE**

'Our master storyteller' **JOANNA LUMLEY**

In *Funny Thing, Getting Older*, one of our most beloved novelists shares his reflections from a lifetime of writing stories about the world. Here, collected for the first time on Michael's 82nd birthday, are his thoughts on nature, childhood, writing, peace and war, and getting older. Some are deeply personal, some political, others in between. And woven amongst them you will find a play, a poem or two, and even a few stories.

Full of wonder, gentle humour and sharp observation, *Funny Thing, Getting Older* is a book to treasure.

'For me, a story is like a kite. It will swoop and soar, and it will please my heart when it's up there, floating on the wind. It is the same with the making of the pieces in this book, every one of them. I have to keep making and flying my kites, and to teach others, if I can, to fly theirs.'

MICHAEL MORPURGO

Sales Points

- **RARE PERSONAL NON-FICTION FROM A NATIONAL TREASURE:** A rare book of adult non-fiction from one of the nation's best loved authors who will have just turned 82. It includes a new preface which addresses for the first time the surgery he underwent earlier this year. Candid and personal, Michael has said this book will be the closest he comes to writing a memoir.
- **BESTSELLING HIGH-PROFILE AUTHOR AND RECENT NON-FICTION SUCCESS:** Michael's books have sold more than 35 million copies worldwide, and he is beloved by the media and readers alike. His recent Non-Fiction book *SPRING* has TCMed more than 13,000 hb sales in 6 weeks. He has 46.5k followers on Facebook. This book is very meaningful for him, and he is fully available for promotion.
- **THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT:** Gentle, comforting and joyful in tone - this is the perfect cosy Christmas gift for 40+ readers, existing fans and readers of Alan Bennett's collected writings and diaries - eg *Untold Stories* (600k TCM) and *Keeping On Keeping On* (150k TCM) Michael Rosen's *Getting Better* (19k TCM) and *Many Different Kinds of Love* (40k TCM).
- **FEATURING PREVIOUSLY UNPUBLISHED WRITING:** These pieces have been collected and published for the first time, drawing on personal writing, speeches, radio broadcasts and more. Wide-ranging and beautifully written, Michael offers his opinions on topical subjects, bringing in history and his life to illustrate - from refugees, education, Brexit and the royal family.

Author Biography

Michael Morpurgo is the award-winning author of over 100 books, including *Private Peaceful*, *Kensuke's Kingdom* and *War Horse*, which has been made into a Tony Award-winning Broadway play and a Golden Globe-nominated film. He was Children's Laureate from 2003-2005, a role that took him across Britain to inspire a love of reading in children.

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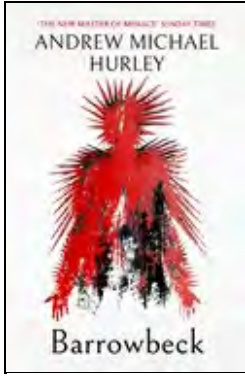
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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	198mm x 134mm
Depth	30mm
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Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author born in	Preston
Author living in	Lancashire

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Barrowbeck
Andrew Michael Hurley
Keynote
A CHILLING NOVEL FROM 'THE NEW MASTER OF MENACE'
Description
'Barrowbeck casts a real spell - or is it a curse?' *Mail on Sunday*
'Thrilling, unsettling, ominous . . . like a knock at the door on a dark evening' *Irish Times*
'Impeccable and beautifully drawn . . . Hurley has been rightly lauded in British folk-horror circles' *Big Issue*

For centuries, the inhabitants of Barrowbeck, a remote valley on the Yorkshire-Lancashire border, have lived uneasily with forces beyond their reckoning. They raise their families, work the land, and do their best to welcome those who come seeking respite. But there is a darkness that runs through the village as persistently as the river.

A father fears that his daughter has become possessed by something unholy.

A childless couple must make an agonising decision.

A widower awaits the return of his wife.

A troubled man is haunted by visions of end times.

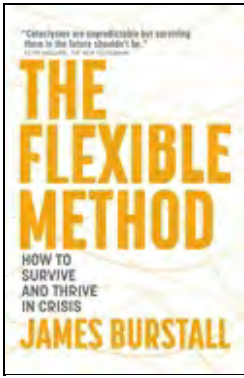
As one generation gives way to the next and ancient land is carved up in the name of progress, darkness gathers. The people of Barrowbeck have forgotten that they are but guests in the valley. Now there is a price to pay. Two thousand years of history is coming to an end.

'Hurley's achievement is, like American craftsman of the weird H.P. Lovecraft before him, to put humanity in its place' *Northern Soul*
'Hurley is the master of contemporary British folk horror' *Dazed*
****COMING SOON** *SALTWASH*, the disturbing new novel from Andrew Michael Hurley**
Sales Points

- Based on Andrew's acclaimed Radio 4 series, *Village of the Valley*, the stories in this collection are expanded, with two completely new stories
- The film of STARVE ACRE, starring Matt Smith and Morfydd Clark, was chosen to represent Britain at the BFI Film Festival in autumn 2023. Cinema release to come in 2024
- For those who read and loved THE LONEY (Costa winner), DEVIL'S DAY and STARVE ACRE (Waterstones Book of the Month) as well as readers of THE WINTER SPIRITS: GHOSTLY TALES FOR FROSTY NIGHTS, which included a story by Andrew and was a *Sunday Times* bestseller

Author Biography

Andrew Michael Hurley is based in Lancashire. His first novel, *The Loney*, won the Costa Best First Novel Award and the Book of the Year at the British Book Awards. *Devil's Day*, his second novel, was picked as a Book of the Year in five newspapers, and won the Encore Award. *Starve Acre* was made into a film starring Matt Smith and Morfydd Clark.



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The Flexible Method How to Survive and Thrive in Crisis

James Burstall

Keynote

Disasters are inevitable but you don't have to face them unprepared. This book shows what we can do to futureproof our organisations against the next global crisis.

Description

The next shock will come

Whether you run a business, lead a team or have people who depend on you, in today's uncertain and increasingly unstable world you want to be ready to respond effectively.

Recent history has proven that an unexpected crisis has the potential to turn our world upside down without warning. Things can get bad, but there is always a way through.

How to survive and thrive

From one of the most widely quoted creative industry leaders, *The Flexible Method* is a tried and tested approach to preparing for and leading through crisis.

Drawing on hard-won lessons from past crises and offering real-world solutions, this book will help you to build a plan you can lean on in challenging times ahead. With 16 concise lessons on taking care of your team, your finances and yourself, this is a guide to emerging from disasters stronger and fitter.

Act now to look after your people, lead your team and outstrip your industry when crisis hits.

"Jam-packed with brilliant ideas on how to cope with a catastrophe, both professionally and personally."

Chantal Rickards, Former Chair Bafta, Los Angeles

"An easy to use and pragmatic manual for surviving crisis, for team leaders."

Jane Seymour

Sales Points

- James Burstall is CEO of Argonon, a top international independent production group. The group is headquartered in London with hubs in New York and Los Angeles
- James is one of the most widely quoted creative industry leaders.
- Comprehensive book launch campaign from Argonon's media and communications team, who's relationships span a wide network of writers, journalists and influencers across different sectors.
- Argonon's eight independent production companies produce content for TV channels, platforms and brands, ranging from Netflix to Nationwide, TikTok to Tesco.
- James company has won more than 125 international awards including Emmys, BAFTAs and Royal Television Society Awards.

Author Biography

James Burstall is CEO of Argonon, a world leading production group. The group is headquartered in London with hubs in New York, Los Angeles, Oklahoma, Liverpool and Glasgow.

Founded by James, the group has won more than 125 international awards including Emmys, BAFTAs and Royal Television Society Awards, and encompasses nine world class production companies. The group produces shows ranging from smash hit entertainment show *The Masked Singer* through to iconic current affairs programme *Dispatches*, critically-acclaimed BBC One series *Attenborough* and the Mammoth Graveyard to much-loved BBC drama *Worzel Gummidge*, Catherine Tait-fronted Netflix comedy series *Hard Cell* to long-running hit US series *House Hunters International*.

Before Argonon, James was CEO of Leopard Films, producing long-running series and formats including *Cash in the Attic*, which has aired in 167 countries, as well as award-winning documentary series, and the dramas *Eve* (RTS winner), *Missing*, and *An Englishman in New York*, starring John Hurt.

James has worked as an executive producer and producer-director for broadcasters all over the world. Prior to his television career, he was a journalist, working as a writer and editor in Paris, London and New York for *Vanity Fair*, *Condé Nast Traveller*, *HG*, *Vogue*, *The Daily Mail* and *The Evening Standard*.

He is a speaker at Saïd Business School, University of Oxford, on entrepreneurship and ethical leadership.



Intent to Destroy Russia's Two-Hundred-Year Quest to Dominate Ukraine

Eugene Finkel

Keynote

Leading political scientist Eugene Finkel places the war in Ukraine amid a long history of political violence to argue that dominating Ukraine has been the cornerstone of Russian policy for centuries - now, we are witnessing a genocide.

Description

'A masterpiece' Peter Pomerantsev

'Powerful' Serhii Plokhly

'Fascinating' *Daily Telegraph*

A history of Russian violence waged against Ukraine across the centuries.

Russia's brutal invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 shocked the world. And yet this attack was in fact the latest episode in a centuries-long Russian campaign. In *Intent to Destroy*, leading scholar of genocide and Eastern Europe Eugene Finkel uncovers the deep roots of the Russo-Ukrainian War. Ever since the rise of Russian nationalism in the nineteenth century, the domination of this key borderland has become a cornerstone of Russian and Soviet policy. Using genocidal tactics - killings, deportations, starvation and cultural destruction - against ethnic Ukrainians and minorities including Tatars, Jews and Poles, Russia's long-standing policy has aimed to obliterate Ukrainian identity. This eradication has consistently been a part of the Kremlin playbook and leads inexorably to the violence we see today.

Told with the astonishing power of Finkel's connection to this living history, and the authority of two decades of research, *Intent to Destroy* casts today's war in its broadest historical context, illuminating as never before Europe's bloodiest conflict since World War II.

Sales Points

- **BOLD TOPIC:** This book will focus on the deep history of Russia's genocidal violence, how this form of atrocity has shaped Europe over time, and explore what happens next. It is much bigger than a current affairs take, but will be the war's most ambitious draft of history to date.
- **GLOBAL RELEVANCE:** The war in Ukraine is the most important event in Europe since the collapse of the Soviet Union. It is also arguably the key global geopolitical event since 9/11. This book will make a significant contribution to global discussions which will continue for years to come.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Author is uniquely placed to write an authoritative book on this topic - a leading political scientist and historian of genocide and Eastern Europe, born in Ukraine, and has very personal connections to this subject.
- **GROWING PROFILE:** He would be a great name for future of the Basic Books list with the potential to rank alongside Timothy Snyder, Anne Applebaum and Paul Preston.

Reviews

- 'This is **the must read masterpiece** to understand Russia's mission to destroy Ukraine over hundreds of years - and the heroic resistance against it. **Utterly essential** if you want to know what's at stake in the greatest war in Europe since WWII' - Peter Pomerantsev, author of *NOTHING IS TRUE AND EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE*
- 'Vladimir Putin claims that Russians and Ukrainians are one and the same people, but as Eugene Finkel convincingly argues in his new book, the relationship between the two nations has been anything but brotherly, with Russians doing their best to dominate and recently destroy Ukraine. **A powerful antidote** to those who claim that NATO is the main culprit responsible for the current war' - Serhii Plokhly, author of *THE RUSSO-UKRAINIAN WAR*
- '**Fascinating**' - *Daily Telegraph*
- 'Eugene Finkel, who correctly called Russia's war against Ukraine "genocidal," makes the case here with **erudition and verve**. Those who want Russian perspectives on the war will find the relevant ones here' - Timothy Snyder, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *ON TYRANNY*

Author Biography

Eugene Finkel is a political scientist, historian of genocide, and an expert on Ukraine. He is associate professor of international affairs at the Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS). His first book, *Ordinary Jews: Choice and Survival during the Holocaust* was published by Princeton University Press and won several

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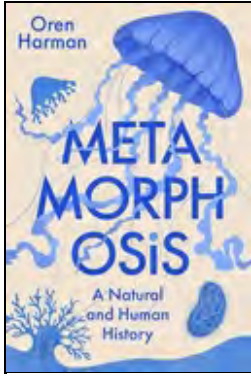


awards. His second book, *Reform and Rebellion in Weak States* (co-authored with Scott Gehlbach) was published by Cambridge University Press.

Interviews with Eugene have been published in *Newsweek*, *The Independent*, *Der Spiegel*, *Die Zeit* and multiple other media outlets in Europe, North America, and Asia. He has also published in the *Washington Post*, *The Hill*, and *Haaretz*.

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Metamorphosis A Natural and Human History

Oren Harman

Keynote

A breathtaking exploration of metamorphosis, nature's greatest puzzle. Teeming with fantastical creatures, this book will change your perspective on life, identity and change.

Description

Metamorphosis has always been one of biology's greatest wonders and toughest riddles. To emerge a butterfly, a caterpillar dissolves inside its chrysalis and builds a brand new brain, wings and legs. Why all this destruction and remodelling? Why all this wasted energy and time?

Oren Harman beautifully unfurls the untold story of metamorphosis across two millennia, asking why it has obsessed and inspired us so profoundly. Along the way we meet poets, artists, philosophers, and a cast of scientists as colourful as the animals themselves: whether Aristotle determining cucumbers had souls, Sigmund Freud searching in vain for eel testicles, or a Japanese zoologist singing karaoke to a baby jellyfish.

Taking us on an exhilarating journey through the creatures that metamorphose - a staggering three-quarters of all animal species - from starfish reproducing in reverse in ocean depths, to poison dart frogs on steaming rainforest canopies, to human adolescents struggling to control themselves, *Metamorphosis* is a new classic of natural history: a book that, by explaining a mystery of nature, causes us to relearn ourselves.

Sales Points

- **WIDE APPEAL:** This book blends cutting-edge science with enthralling storytelling, guiding you through 3,000 years of the history of ideas, from Aristotle, to Darwin, to today. It will appeal to fans of biology and natural history but also people interested in the intersections of philosophy, art and science.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** This will be the first ever book on the major topic of metamorphosis - and it comes from brilliant and well-connected historian of science and author of two award-winning and critically acclaimed trade books.
- **PACKED WITH SURPRISING STORIES:** about weird and wonderful creatures, as well as the poets, artists, philosophers and scientists with their harebrained experiments who have all tried to solve the mystery of metamorphosis.
- **FOR FANS OF:** *An Immense World* by Ed Yong (45,673 TCM), *Metazoa* by Peter Godfrey-Smith (16,399 TCM), *Otherlands* by Thomas Halliday (73,195), *The Light Eaters* by Zoë Schlander (3,426 TCM)

Reviews

- '*Metamorphosis* is a soulful, genre-defying inquiry into the nature of transformation. Harman interweaves a history of scientific discovery with philosophy and memoir, introducing readers to astonishing characters and discoveries that bring us from the depths of the ocean to the furthest reaches of outer space. *Metamorphosis* asks difficult questions with great tenderness and deep humanity. It is a book full of wonder and revelation'
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- 'A masterful tale of the long quest to understand one of the most wondrous and enigmatic phenomena in the animal world. Fueled by Oren Harman's **boundless curiosity and rich storytelling**, *Metamorphosis* roams the globe to meet fascinating creatures and equally colorful naturalists determined to penetrate their secrets. **A thoroughly enjoyable and illuminating journey**' - Sean B. Carroll, author of *THE SERENGETI RULES*
- 'Inspired by history, language, and biology, Oren Harman explores a wonderland of animal lifecycles to tell a **truly fascinating** tale of transformations in body and identity. His story culminates in the growth of a human child and asks how is it possible to remain ourselves while changing all the time? **A book to treasure**' - Janet Browne, Harvard University, author of *CHARLES DARWIN: A BIOGRAPHY*

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Secret Lives of Colour

New edition with 25 new colours

Kassia St Clair
Keynote

The much loved design classic and *Sunday Times* bestseller, translated into 21 languages, **EXPANDED INTO GLORIOUS TECHNICOLLOUR with 25 NEW COLOURS and 33% EXTRA NEW MATERIAL**

Description

'A mind-expanding tour of the world without leaving your paintbox. Every colour has a story, and here are some of the most alluring, alarming, and thought-provoking. Very hard painting the hallway magnolia after this inspiring primer' **SIMON GARFIELD**

THE MODERN CLASSIC, NOW BOLDER, BRIGHTER AND WITH 25 NEW COLOURS.

The history of colour tells the vivid story of civilisation. From **scarlet** women to imperial **purple**, **leaf green** to the **white** paint that protected against the atom bomb, Picasso's **blue** period to the **pink** Barbie claimed for feminism, *The Secret Lives of Colour* offers a bright thread throughout human history.

Kassia St Clair's lifelong fascination with colours and where they come from (whether Van Gogh's chrome **yellow** sunflowers or Dorothy's **ruby** slippers) takes us on an unforgettable journey through our past, present and future.

Sales Points

- *The Secret Lives of Colour* has sold over 175,000 copies. It was a **Radio 4 Book of the Month, a Waterstones Book of the Month and a Sunday Times top ten Bestseller.**
- **Beautiful** new edition with a **fantastic new cover** and **33% EXTRA NEW MATERIAL: the perfect gift.**
- **Translated into 21 languages**, SLOC is a much loved book. Readers still get in touch to ask questions about favourite shades and post photos and videos on social media. **One wooed his wife by reading extracts to her: their wedding was themed around the book.**
- Clever marketing and PR campaign to build on SLOC's very strong existing platform.
- **The perfect next step for all fans of colouring books.** This very dip-in-able book explains where colours come from, why we need them and what they mean.

Reviews

- 'If you want to fall back in love with colour, read *The Secret Lives of Colour*' - *SUNDAY TELEGRAPH*
- 'A dazzling and vibrant history of colour, from Van Gogh's wilting yellow sunflowers to Turner's deadly green and Picasso's darkest period' - *MAIL ON SUNDAY*
- 'This is a gorgeous book' - *GUARDIAN*
- 'Even Farrow and Ball don't know as much about the secret lore of colour as Kassia St Clair . . . Almost every page throws up an unexpected detail and insight . . . **Extraordinarily full and interesting** . . . An **ideal** crib and a **valuable** resource not only for the design-conscious but for students' - *TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT*

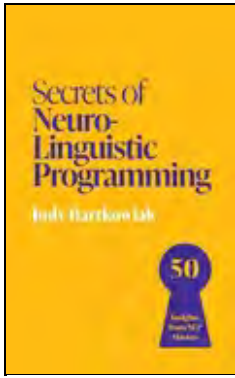
Author Biography

Kassia St Clair studied the history of women's dress and the masquerade during the eighteenth century at Bristol and Oxford. She has since written about design and culture for the *Economist*, *House & Garden*, *TLS*, *Quartz* and *New Statesman*, and has had a column about colour in *Elle Decoration* since 2013. Her first book *The Secret Lives of Colour* was a top-ten bestseller, a Radio 4 Book of the Week and has been translated into over a dozen languages; her second, *The Golden Thread*, was a *Sunday Times* Book of the Year and was shortlisted for the Somerset Maugham Award. She lives in London.

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Secrets of Neuro-Linguistic Programming 50 insights from NLP masters

Judy Bartkowiak

Keynote

DISCOVER THE 50 SECRETS THAT NLP MASTERS KNOW - COMPLETE WITH STRATEGIES FOR PUTTING THEM INTO PRACTICE.

Description

THESE ARE THE REAL NLP INSIGHTS YOU NEED TO SUCCEED

WHAT ARE THE 50 SECRETS THE NLP MASTERS KNOW? Do they have a secret recipe for success? Is there a special alchemy? NLP can help you change your life, overcome obstacles and achieve your goals, but not everyone is successful. *Secrets of Neuro-Linguistic Programming* reveals the things you need to know to use NLP effectively.

Every one of the 50 secrets in this book contains 3 strategies you can put into practice right now to get better results. Some of the ideas will surprise you, all will inspire you. Put these simple strategies together and you have a recipe for success, a formula that will unlock your full potential.

Change your life with Neuro-Linguistic Programming

Fundamental to NLP is the idea of modelling excellence: the idea that, if someone else can do a thing, then by coding it, you can do that thing too. *Secrets of Neuro-Linguistic Programming* supports you on your journey to mastering NLP by sharing the insights from the greatest NLP writers, trainers, therapists, and coaches in the field.

Discover the essential presuppositions you need to hold in order to banish limiting beliefs. Find the chapters that relate best to the outcome you're looking for. Each chapter gives examples of how to apply the techniques for a successful result whether that be in business, parenting, relationships, health, sport or any other aspect of life. Whatever your goals, this book provides the tools and techniques you need to get there. With nuggets of wisdom gathered over years of experience, it gives you everything you need to know to succeed.

ABOUT THE SERIES

Secrets books are designed to be easy to incorporate into your daily life. They boil down the essentials of important topics into short, quick lessons giving expert advice on a wide range of challenges that you can apply instantly. Each chapter outlines one of the 50 secrets and gives three strategies for putting the ideas into action. Whether you want to improve your efficiency, clear your desk, or be on top of your work, these books give the answers you're looking for.

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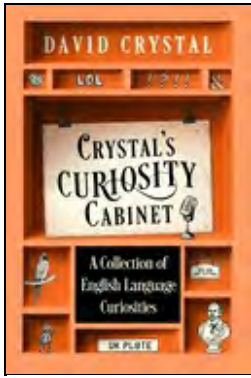
- *Secrets* is a 100K copy bestselling aspirational business skills series revealing the insider secrets to success from experts at the top of their game.
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- Every *Secrets* book contains expert advice from an author with a proven track record of success.
- The series was originally published in the Teach Yourself imprint then updated and moved to John Murray Business from 2025.

Author Biography

Judy Bartkowiak's training courses and coaching practice have helped thousands of people to apply the skills of NLP in their everyday lives. She is a qualified NLP Trainer, NLP Master Practitioner, NLP Sports Practitioner, NLP Business Practitioner and NLP Children's Practitioner.

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Crystal's Curiosity Cabinet An English Language Miscellany

David Crystal

Keynote

A charming, unique, entertaining and informative English Language Miscellany.

Description

What do a comic alphabet, a glorious lipogram and a wellerism have in common?

Or, an audit of accountants, an illusion of magicians, and an intrusion of spammers?

And do you know how Shakespeare pronounced his name?

Quirky, original, amusing and enlightening, this charming English Language Miscellany from David Crystal, one of the greatest British linguists of our time, offers fascinating observations on random, weird and witty words and expressions, collected over a number of years.

Following the tradition of the Victorian miscellany and cabinets of curiosities, the 150+ random entries reveal the global, national, contemporary and historical impact of language, and will appeal to word lovers and fun-fact-fiends alike.

Showcasing linguistic creativity in all its glory, and featuring a wide range of topics that reflect current language issues, such as accents, dialects, etymology, proverbs, place names, punctuation, everyday usage, and language change, this book provides a playful, entertaining and informative read on the bizarre nature of language.

Sales Points

- Around 153 entries (plus answers) varying in length, with introduction, index and answer key.
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- Appeal to David Crystal fans - also fans of Susie Dent, Gyles Brandreth, Stephen Fry and such like.
- David Crystal OBE is one of the most well-respected British linguists of our time.

Author Biography

David Crystal, OBE, is known throughout the world as a writer, editor, lecturer, and broadcaster on language and linguistics. He has written or edited over 100 books and published numerous articles for scholarly, professional, and general readerships on the history and development of English, including *The Stories of English*, *How Language Works*, and *Evolving English*. He has also published many works on Shakespeare, most recently co-authoring *Everyday Shakespeare: Lines for Life* (Chambers, 2023). An honorary professor of linguistics at the University of Bangor, David works from his home in Holyhead, North Wales. His autobiographical memoir, *Just a Phrase I'm Going Through*, appeared in 2009, and he lives online at www.davidcrystal.com.

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Heir

A #1 Sunday Times bestseller

Sabaa Tahir

Keynote

Prepare for the action-packed, ruthless, and romantic new fantasy from the #1 Sunday Times bestselling and National Book Award winning author Sabaa Tahir about love, legacy, and vengeance.

Description

'Heir is a tour de force of fantasy that will leave readers breathless and boneless and aching for more' Stephanie Garber, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Once Upon A Broken Heart*

Prepare for the action-packed, ruthless, and romantic new fantasy from the #1 Sunday Times bestselling and National Book Award winning author Sabaa Tahir about love, legacy, and vengeance.

*An orphan.
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Growing up in the Kegari slums, **AIZ** has seen her share of suffering. An old tragedy fuels her need for vengeance, but it is love of her people that propels her. Until one hotheaded mistake lands her in an inescapable prison, where the embers of her wrath ignite.

Banished from her people for an unforgivable crime, **SIRSHA** is a down-on-her-luck tracker who uses magic to trace her marks. Destitute, she agrees to hunt down a killer who has murdered children across the Martial Empire. All she has to do is carry out the job and get paid. But when a chance encounter leads to an unexpected attraction, Sirsha learns her mission might cost her far more than she's willing to give up.

QUIL is the crown prince of the Empire and nephew of a venerated empress, but he's loath to take the throne when his aunt steps down. As the son of a reviled emperor, he, better than anyone, understands that power corrupts. When a vicious new enemy threatens the survival of the Empire, Quil must ask himself if he can rise above his tragic lineage and be the heir his people need.

Beloved storyteller Sabaa Tahir masterfully interweaves the lives of three young people as they grapple with the burdens of power, the treachery of love and the devastating consequences of unchecked greed. Get ready for a dark and breathless journey that will captivate readers and that may cost these young people their lives - and their hearts. Literally.

Sales Points

- **A number one Sunday Times bestseller in hardback!**
- **Sabaa Tahir's long-awaited return to fantasy.** This is Sabaa's first fantasy novel since her number one *New York Times* bestselling *An Ember in the Ashes* series.
- **Return to the Martial Empire - the same world, brand new characters.** This new duology will appeal to both longtime fans and brand new readers, similarly to what *Six of Crows* was to the *Shadow and Bone* trilogy.
- **For fans of Leigh Bardugo and Sarah J Maas.** This has crossover appeal, so can be read by both YA fans and adult SFF fans.
- Sabaa Tahir has over **17 million views on Tiktok**

Reviews

- **'An incredible tapestry of treachery, romance, and heart pounding storytelling. Heir is a tour de force of fantasy that will leave readers breathless and boneless and aching for more'** - Stephanie Garber, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Once Upon A Broken Heart*
- **'Heir is a breathtaking, propulsive triumph that is impossible to put down. Brimming with unforgettable magic, betrayal, and romance, every chapter keeps you guessing. Sabaa Tahir is an unmatched storyteller - I'll read anything she writes'** - Alex Aster, #1 New York Times Best Selling author of *Lightlark*
- **'In a triumphant return to her glorious world, Sabaa Tahir blazes a new trail. I was entranced by the propulsive storytelling and deeply-drawn world of Heir, alongside brilliant new heroes and a few familiar faces. Brilliance and darkness abounds as we journey across seas, jungles, deserts, and the desperation of the human heart. This will be a delight for fantasy fans of all ages, and a battle cry to everyone trying to make a difference in their own lives'** - Victoria Aveyard, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Red Queen*
- **'This fast-paced, epic, endlessly gripping YA fantasy blends themes of**

Author Biography

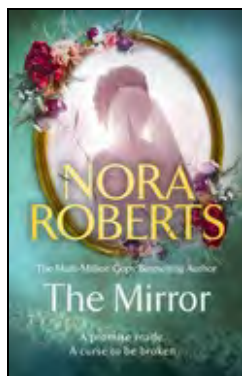
SABAA TAHIR is a former newspaper editor who grew up in California's Mojave Desert at her family's eighteen-room motel. There, she spent her time devouring fantasy novels, listening to thunderous indie rock, and playing guitar and piano badly. Her #1 *New York Times* bestselling *An Ember in the Ashes* series has been translated into more than thirty-five languages, and the first book in the series was named one of *TIME*'s 100 Best Young Adult Books of All Time. Tahir's most recent novel, *All My Rage*, won the National Book Award for Young People's Literature, the Michael L. Printz Award, the Boston Globe-Horn Book Award for Fiction and Poetry, and was an instant *New York Times* bestseller.

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Binding	Paperback
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Extent	496 pages
Word Count	140000 words
Series	The Lost Bride Trilogy

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The Mirror

Nora Roberts

Keynote

Book 2 in The Lost Bride trilogy by *New York Times* and *Sunday Times* bestselling author Nora Roberts

Description

'Nora Roberts is, quite simply, a one-woman phenomenon' Heat

Book two in the haunting Lost Bride trilogy - a tale of tragedies, loves found and lost, and a family haunted for generations.

In need of an escape from her ex-fiance's betrayal, and the lucky recipient of a surprise inheritance, Sonya MacTavish leaves behind her life in the city and moves to a Victorian mansion on the coast of Maine.

The house is beautiful but comes with surprises - footsteps in the night, doors slamming, music playing - and in her dreams Sonya sees glimpses of the past and the brides who once lived there.

As the house reveals more of its history and the sad stories of the brides murdered there, Sonya discovers an antique mirror. She finds herself drawn to the mirror, sensing it holds dark secrets. What can the mirror tell her? Can it help her to understand how the seven brides died?

Sonya will need the help of her friends and family if she has any chance of breaking the curse and making this house her home.

Sales Points

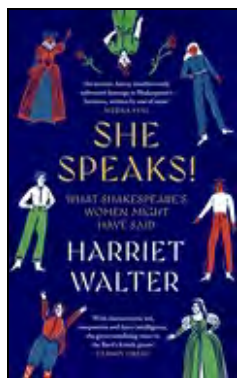
- She has written over 200 books under both her own name and her pseudonym, J.D. Robb and her books are published in over 34 countries
- Nora Roberts is in the Top 10 most borrowed author in UK libraries and she was the third author to sell more than 1 million Kindle books
- Nora Roberts has sold over 500 million books worldwide and sells 1 million books in the UK EVERY YEAR
- Over the last 30 plus years, an average of 27 Nora Roberts books were sold every minute

Reviews

- 'Nora Roberts is a superstar' - *New York Times*
- 'If you're after the perfect pick-me-up, take-me-away-from-the-world read, then she's your woman' - *The Guardian*
- 'I love Nora Roberts' - Stephen King

Author Biography

Nora Roberts is the number one *New York Times* bestseller of more than 200 novels. With over 500 million copies of her books in print, she is indisputably one of the most celebrated and popular writers in the world. She is both a Sunday Times bestseller in the UK and a number one bestseller in Australia.



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BIC 2.1	Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA) Shakespeare plays (DDS)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA)
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Author born in	London, UK
Author living in	London, UK

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She Speaks! What Shakespeare's Women Might Have Said

Harriet Walter

Keynote

New parts for thirty of Shakespeare's women, letting them speak their minds, written by famed stage and screen actress, Dame Harriet Walter DBE

Description

'It is STUNNING and I simply sat and read it right through, and shall start again at once. I had no idea that she is such a sensationally fine poet. Astonishing' JOANNA LUMLEY

'Harriet Walter unpicks and re-centres the inner life and journey of these women as only one of our most talented and celebrated classical actors could. A must read!' MAXINE PEAKE

'Bold and original . . . Anyone who cares about Shakespeare will want to own and share this book'

JAMES SHAPIRO, author of *1599: A Year in the Life of William Shakespeare*

Dame Harriet Walter, renowned for her wonderful portrayals in *Succession* and *Killing Eve* among others, is one of Britain's most esteemed Shakespearean actors. Now, having played most of the Bard's female characters, audaciously she lets them speak their minds.

With thirty new parts for Shakespeare's women, written in 'Shakespearean' verse and prose, Harriet Walter goes between the lines of the plays to let us hear what she imagines - sometimes playfully and sometimes searchingly - these women were really thinking.

Gertrude tells Hamlet the unvarnished truth; Lady MacBeth has her regrets; Kate, the Shrew, challenges us; Juliet's nurse challenges the nobility; Cleopatra's handmaiden reveals her mistress's secrets; Ariel is frightened of freedom; Ophelia surprises us; Olivia surprises herself; and the Witches have a good old rap.

Harriet Walter herself says, 'I worship Shakespeare. His psychological insight is second to none but the mirror that he held up to nature reflected a predominantly male image of the world. I pondered the long shadow of his genius and tried to think of ways to let a little sunlight in on some of his women's stories. I like to think he wouldn't mind'.

'An incisive, funny, mischievously subversive homage to Shakespeare's heroines, written by one of mine' MEERA SYAL

'With characteristic wit, compassion and fierce intelligence, she gives tantalising voice to the Bard's female greats' TAMSIN GREIG

'Effortlessly witty, charming, surprising, delightful. Clearly, Harriet Walter should have been in the writers' room with us for *Succession*' FRANCESCA GARDINER

Sales Points

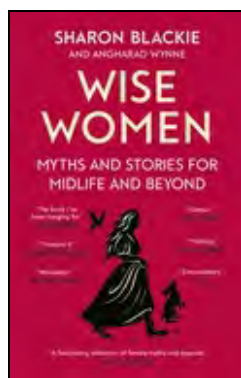
- Harriet Walter has played many of Shakespeare's major female characters and some of the men, too
- For a younger, streaming-savvy demographic, Harriet Walter has never been more relevant (*Succession*, *Killing Eve*)
- Huge potential in audio, with Harriet Walter reading

Author Biography

Dame Harriet Mary Walter DBE is a British actress. She has received a Laurence Olivier Award as well as numerous nominations including for a Tony Award, three Primetime Emmy Awards, and a Screen Actors Guild Award. In 2011, she was appointed Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire (DBE) for services to drama.

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	90000 words
Illustrations	6 black and white drawings, integrated
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Wise Women

Myths and stories for midlife and beyond - 'Extraordinary . . . beautifully and vividly retold stories' TLS

Sharon Blackie and Angharad Wynne

Keynote

An inspiring and beautifully told collection of retellings of ancient stories from European myth and folklore which celebrate women in midlife and beyond, from the award-winning author of *Hagitude*.

Description

An unforgettable collection of retold myths and folk tales, celebrating the wisdom and power of women in midlife and beyond, from the award-winning author of *Hagitude*

'An extraordinary selection of stories ... beautifully and vividly retold' TLS

'Genius' *Irish Times*

'Treasure it!' Shahrulkh Husain

'Wonderful' Victoria Smith

'The book I've been longing for' Jill Dawson

'Thrilling' Stella Duffy

This dazzling array of not-to-be-messed-with characters from a lost tradition of European myth and folklore - from ungainly giantesses and sequin-strewn fairy godmothers to misunderstood witches and craggy crones - provides inspiration for how women can walk boldly and live authentically in the second half of life.

'Features an exuberant cast ... The collection is precious, because it's the first time that these rare, patriarchy-surviving remnants of powerful elder female folk stories have been deliberately anthologised' *Irish Times*

'A fascinating collection of female myths and legends' Sara Sheridan

'I adored *Wise Women*' Eleanor Mills, author of *Much More to Come: Lessons on the mayhem and magnificence of midlife*

'Wondrously wise, clever and insightful as well as slyly funny' AG Slatter, author of *The Briar Book of the Dead*

Sales Points

- Over 7500 invoiced sales so far for the first outing
- Sharon Blackie has an impressive sales track record, a good platform including her Substack which has over 30k subscribers, and strong relationships with indie bookshops and festivals
- Taps into the hunger for fresh takes on myths, legends and folklore
- Also taps into current conversations around ageing, menopause and the perception of older women
- For readers of HAG (12k+ hardbacks sold) and THE VIRAGO BOOK OF WITCHES (10k+ copies sold) - both books Virago has done really well with

Author Biography

Dr. Sharon Blackie is an award-winning writer (including *Hagitude* and *If Women Rose Rooted*), psychologist and mythologist, and an internationally recognised teacher and lecturer. Sharon's awards include the Roger Deakin Award from the Society of Authors (2022), and a Creative Scotland Writer's Award (2009). She is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

Angharad Wynne is an acclaimed storyteller, writer, speaker and expedition leader.

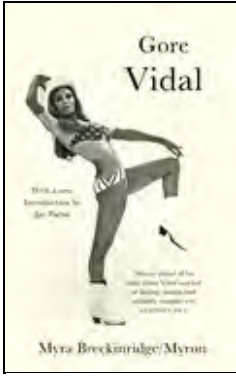
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Myra Breckinridge And Myron Gore Vidal

Keynote

The outrageous and immortal, gender-bending and polymorphously perverse, over-the-top, and utterly on-target comic masterpiece

Description

Everyone is talking about Myra Breckinridge - and everything you have heard about her is true

'I am Myra Breckinridge, whom no man will ever possess.'

So begins the irresistible testimony of the luscious instructor of Empathy and Posture at Buck Loner's Academy of Drama and Modeling. Myra has a secret that only her surgeon shares; a passion for classic Hollywood films, which she regards as the supreme achievements of Western culture; and a sacred mission to bring heteronormative civilization to its knees.

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Sales Points

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Reviews

- 'Nothing in the versatile Vidal's past will quite prepare the reader for *Myra Breckinridge*' - *Time*
- '**A masterpiece**' - *The Listener*
- '**Shocking some, tickling others, and outraging many**' - *Newsweek*
- 'A genuinely, brutally witty book, a parody on Hollywood, pop intellectualism, pornography and just about anything else you could name' - *New York Times*

Author Biography

Gore Vidal was at the centre of literary and intellectual life for half a century and wrote 'The Narratives of a Golden Age' series as well as countless bestsellers. He died on 31st July 2012.

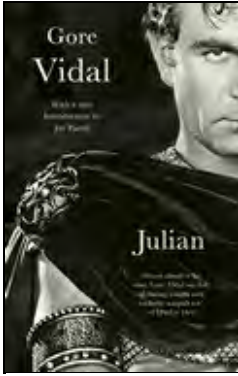
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Julian Gore Vidal

Keynote

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Julian the Apostate, nephew of Constantine the Great, was one of the brightest yet briefest lights in the history of the Roman Empire. A military genius on the level of Julius Caesar and Alexander the Great, a graceful and persuasive essayist, and a philosopher devoted to worshipping the gods of Hellenism, he became embroiled in a fierce intellectual war with Christianity that provoked his murder at the age of thirty-two, only four years into his brilliantly humane and compassionate reign. A marvelously imaginative and insightful novel of classical antiquity, Julian captures the religious and political ferment of a desperate age and restores with blazing wit and vigor the legacy of an impassioned ruler.

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Sales Points

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Reviews

- **'A beautifully persuasive historical tale, a poignant portrait of the Emperor Julian'** - *Harold Bloom*
- 'High entertainment' - *New York Times Book Review*
- **'Simply great... A truly monumental novel'** - *Associated Press*
- 'Historical fiction in the true, honorable sense... **Full of vivid, richly wrought fictional detail'** - *Wall Street Journal*

Author Biography

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Literature & literary studies (D)
Literature: history & criticism (DS)
Literary studies: fiction, novelists & prose writers (DSK)
Literary reference works (DSR)

Binding **Paperback**
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Palimpsest: A Memoir

Gore Vidal

Keynote

Vidal on Vidal - a great and supremely entertaining writer on a great and endlessly fascinating subject

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Palimpsest is Gore Vidal's account of the first thirty-nine years of his life as a novelist, dramatist, critic, political activist and candidate, screenwriter, television commentator, controversialist, and a man who knew pretty much everybody worth knowing (from Amelia Earhart to Eleanor Roosevelt, the Duke and the Duchess of Windsor, Jack Kennedy, Jacqueline Kennedy, Jack Kerouac, Truman Capote, Andre Gide, and Tennessee Williams, and on and on).

Here, recalled with the charm and razor wit of one of the great raconteurs of our time, are his birth into a DC political clan; his school days; his service in World War II; his emergence as a literary wunderkind in New York; his time in Hollywood, London, Paris and Rome; his campaign for Congress (outpolling JFK in his district); and his legendary feuds with, among many others, Truman Capote and William F. Buckley.

At the emotional heart of this book is his evocation of his first and greatest love, boyhood friend Jimmy Trimble, killed in battle on Iwo Jima.

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Reviews

- **'An elegantly observed, ineffably sad - and at times hysterically funny - memoir'** - David Andrews, *Sunday Express*
- 'One of the best first-person accounts of this century we are likely to get' - *Sunday Times*
- 'An engrossing and beguiling read. **Admirably candid, refreshingly indiscreet, intelligent and full of wit, it is also startlingly original...** An unequivocal triumph' - William Boyd, *Daily Telegraph*
- 'He does not narrate his life: he reviews it. The result is something quite novel and wonderfully appealing, a critical biography of himself...Vidal's life might even be his greatest work' - *Independent*

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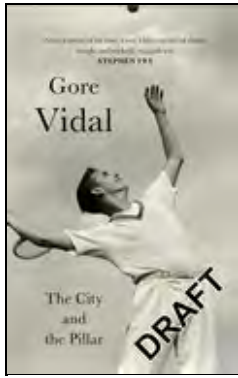
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Depth	22mm
Extent	208 pages
Word Count	
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The City And The Pillar

Gore Vidal

Keynote

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Description

A literary cause célèbre when first published in 1948, Gore Vidal's now-classic *The City and the Pillar* stands as a landmark novel of the gay experience

Jim Willard, former high-school athlete and clean-cut boy-next-door, is haunted by the memory of a romantic adolescent encounter with his friend Bob Ford. As Jim pursues his first love, in awe of the very same masculinity he possesses himself, his progress through the secret gay world of 1940's America unveils surreptitious Hollywood affairs, the hidden life of the military in the Second World War and the underworld bar culture of New York City.

With the publication of his daring third novel *The City and the Pillar* in 1948, Gore Vidal shocked the American public, which has just begun to hail him as their newest and brightest young writer. It remains not only an authentic and profoundly important social document but also a serious exploration of the nature of idealistic love.

'Gore Vidal, a writer of lustrous and fabulously readable prose, was always ahead of his time, so it is wonderful to see some of his finest works being republished for an audience who will be ready to (re)discover his daring, his insight and his wickedly waspish wit' STEPHEN FRY

Sales Points

- Reissued to mark the centenary of Gore Vidal's birth
- 'Gore Vidal, a writer of lustrous and fabulously readable prose, was always ahead of his time, so it is wonderful to see some of his finest works being republished for an audience who will be ready to (re)discover his daring, his insight and his wickedly waspish wit' **Stephen Fry**

Reviews

- **'Certainly one of the best novels of its kind ...** It isn't sentimental and it is frank without trying to be sensational and shocking. These are enormous virtues' - *Christopher Isherwood*
- **'A noble work ...** An important human document, of excellent and enlightening truthfulness' - *Thomas Mann*
- **'Frank, shocking ... extremely sympathetic, penetrating and exhortive'** - *New York Herald Tribune*
- 'An artistic achievement' - *Washington Post*

Author Biography

Gore Vidal was at the centre of literary and intellectual life for half a century and wrote 'The Narratives of a Golden Age' series as well as countless bestsellers. He died on 31st July 2012.

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It's Not A Bloody Trend Understanding Life as an ADHD Adult

Kat Brown

Keynote

A unique and much-needed book that is part memoir/part self-help guide for adults either diagnosed with ADHD or finding they recognise the symptoms in themselves.

Description

'A sledgehammer of a book putting to bed all the cynicism and misinformation around a condition that affects so many hidden, brilliant people' Professor Tanya Byron

'Laugh out loud funny and deeply validating - every person who thinks ADHD isn't real should read this book' Leanne Maskell, author of *ADHD: An A to Z*

Nobody should spend their life feeling defective. Everyone deserves to have a user manual to their brain - welcome to yours.

Once associated more with hyper boys than adults, ADHD (attention deficit hyperactivity disorder) is now recognised as a condition in need of a rebrand which affects people of all genders and ages in a multitude of ways.

In this enlightening and definitive layman's guide, Kat Brown cheerfully smashes the stereotypes with scientific evidence, historical context, and practical support for ADHD minds across areas that can cause problems, from finances and work to self-medicating, relationships, hormones and self-esteem.

Based on Kat's personal experience and extensive interviews with ADHDers and world-leading clinical experts, *It's Not A Bloody Trend* is for anyone wondering if what's always been 'wrong' with them might just be undiagnosed ADHD.

Sales Points

- Kat Brown's personal story generated lots of publicity coverage, and she's well placed as a journalist with links to many media outlets to write articles for newspapers and health magazines/supplements.
- A popular, trending area - see the success of *Dirty Laundry* and *Scattered Minds*.

Reviews

- 'A sledgehammer of a book putting to bed all the cynicism and misinformation around a condition that affects so many hidden, brilliant people. Read it if you live, or think you might live, with ADHD. Definitely read it if your lack of understanding leads you to believe it's just a bloody trend. It bloody well isn't. Only a neurodivergent person living with ADHD could write such a brilliantly informative yet easy to read book about ADHD. Kat Brown adeptly deconstructs the prevailing cynicism about a condition that could be so easily diagnosed and treated. If this book doesn't challenge the discrimination that so many neurodivergent people live with, I don't know what will' - Professor Tanya Byron
- 'You can't influence the past but you can influence the future – and, drawing on lived experience, this book might just show you how' - Professor Susan Young, president of the UK ADHD Partnership, co-founder in 1994 of the UK's first adult ADHD clinic, and co-author of the 2008 NICE guidelines on adult ADHD
- 'Laugh out loud funny and deeply validating - every person who thinks ADHD isn't real should read this book. Unputdownable' - Leanne Maskell, author of 'ADHD: An A to Z'
- 'Here's a book I'm never gonna read cos I can't focus long enough to read a book but have bought to show support and will then wait to listen to on audio (whilst going for a walk cos I can only do two things at once)' - Georgia Tennant, actress and producer

Author Biography

Kat Brown is a freelance journalist and commentator whose national work on ADHD, mental health stigma and other social and arts commentary has appeared in the *Telegraph*, *Grazia*, *Woman's Hour* and *The Times*. She is also the author of *No One Talks About This Stuff*, a groundbreaking anthology sharing people's untold experiences of infertility and baby loss.

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How Not to Mess Up Your Startup Lessons on Building Something Amazing

Tom Fairey

Keynote

Turn your great idea into a fully funded startup with this straight-talking real-world guide

Description

Turn your great idea into a fully funded startup with this straight-talking real-world guide

Great ideas are everywhere. You've probably already had one today. But how do you turn it into a huge business? How do you make it into a killer product, develop it with an amazing team, raise cash, and smash your way to the top of the market?

With solid, proven advice from founders who have been there and done it on every page, expert Tom Fairey will guide you through the process so that you can avoid the pitfalls and fuckups that await you. If you know that this is the chance of a lifetime but have no idea where to begin, *How Not to Mess Up Your Startup* is the book you need.

Sales Points

- Thomas built Stakester from an idea to being worth £300m in two years, and is the owner of the fastest growing video game competition platform globally
- **Writes** regularly for Medium.com for Startups, Venture Capital and Entrepreneurship. He is the host of the Back Yourself Show podcast, which has over 500k listens
- **Big on LinkedIn:** Achieved the top 1% on LinkedIn in terms of followers and views, and raised \$1.3m investment from a single LinkedIn post
- Tom has an engaging, informal and relatable writing style. A business book for SME owners who are looking to build their business to a point where they can live comfortably, rather than relentlessly chase unicorn status.

Author Biography

Tom is largely unimpressive. He grew up on the Isle of Wight and did unimpressive things. Then three years ago he went from being broke and unemployed to building a world-leading business in a sector he'd never worked in and hosting one of the UK's largest entrepreneurship shows. Tom now lives in Kent and dreams of one day owning a rugby club that he can brag about to his friends.

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Blood for the Undying Throne Book Two of the Bleeding Empire

Sung-il Kim

Keynote

Blood for the Undying Throne is the action-packed sequel to *Blood of the Old Kings*, an epic fantasy adventure where the corpses of sorcerers power an empire, from award-winning Korean author Sung-il Kim and translated by the world-renowned Anton Hur

Description

Nothing can stop the Empire's insatiable conquest. Not gods, not dragons, not armies. But heroes still rise.

The Empire continues to enforce its so-called peace with massive war machines that destroy anything that opposes their might. Though the conquered are wholly at the mercy of the Empire, desperate odds such as these can be fertile soil for heroic resistance.

Last seen rallying under Loran's banner, Emere is now a powerless politician in the Imperial Capital. But when an assassination attempt is made on his life, he discovers that he may just be at the center of sinister plots brewing in the highest levels of the Empire.

Arienne has crossed the continent on a mission to learn more about the Star of Mersia, the infamous yet mysterious weapon that decimated the country of Mersia in a single day. But when she arrives at the supposedly lifeless land, Arienne is shocked to find much more than ruins.

One hundred and seventy years ago, before the Empire laid waste to its plains and its people, Mersia suffers under the whims of the ruthless Grim King Eldred. When Yuma, the chief cattle herder, meets an emissary from the Empire, she dares to hope that this foreign nation might have the power to overthrow the Grim King and end his reign of terror. But Yuma will learn, only once it's too late, that aligning with the Empire will have consequences that reverberate through the ages.

Sacrifices must be made in the fight against tyranny, but some sacrifices may be too great.

***Blood for the Undying Throne*, the sequel to *Blood of the Old Kings*, from award-winning Korean author Sung-il Kim and translated by the world-renowned Anton Hur, is an epic fantasy adventure where the corpses of sorcerers power an empire and ordinary people rise up to tear it down.**

Praise for the series

'Thrilling, inventive, and fierce - a tale of malevolent empire and those who stand against it. Not to be missed' Max Gladstone

'A woman's burning quest for vengeance and power leads to a thrilling magic-filled adventure. Absolutely captivating' K.S. Villoso

'Fast, fun and fabulous! Truly imaginative fantasy with a story that speeds along like a bullet train fueled by sorcery' Dyrk Ashton

'Epic underdog fantasy in which choice outweighs destiny . . . Readers seeking an exciting new fantasy world to sink into will find this hits the spot' *Publishers Weekly*

'A magnificent tapestry . . . If you're looking for something to scratch that sprawling epic itch, give *Blood of the Old Kings* a chance' *Lightspeed*

'Full on fantasy delight . . . expansive and exciting—it's a book that so clearly loves fantasy and gives readers classic elements of the genre in a totally new way. *Blood of the Old Kings* is just a goddamn blast to read' Reactor

'An immersive world that's sparking towards war' *Library Journal*

Sales Points

- **A fresh take on beloved tropes:** Sung-il Kim puts a fresh spin on classic fantasy themes and elements including dragons, evil empires and magic swords
- **Huge commercial appeal:** packed with dramatic action sequences and distinctive worldbuilding including an empire fuelled by the corpses of dead necromancers, *Blood of the Old Kings* is commercial fantasy of the highest quality and will appeal to a wide range of fantasy fans
- **Popular anti-colonial themes:** In a similar vein to recent bestsellers like *The Poppy War* and *The Bone Shard Daughter*, *Blood of the Old Kings* tells the story of a

conquered people who resist the fate their oppressors have inflicted on them

- **Booker-nominated and bestselling translator:** Anton Hur is the world-renowned translator of Man Booker Prize-listed books such as *Cursed Bunny* and *Love in the Big City*

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Reviews

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- 'Epic underdog fantasy in which choice outweighs destiny . . . Readers seeking an exciting new fantasy world to sink into will find this hits the spot' - *Publishers Weekly* on *BLOOD OF THE OLD KINGS*
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Author Biography

Sung-il Kim was born in Seoul in 1974. Despite his lifelong dream of writing fiction, he only got around to it in his forties. He writes science fiction, fantasy, Lovecraftian horror, or some blend of those. In South Korea, he is known for *Star of Mercia*, *I Will Go to Earth to See You*, and *The Knight of La Mancha*, the last of which earned him an Excellence Award in SF Awards 2018. He spends most of his time in his downtown Seoul apartment, with his wife and two cats.

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The Isle in the Silver Sea

Tasha Suri

Keynote

In a mirror England fuelled by stories, the knight and the enchantress are fated to fall in love and doom each other over and over. But Vina and Simran are looking for a way to break the cycle. From the author of the World Fantasy Award-winning *The Jasmine Throne*, comes a sapphic epic fantasy of medieval myth, romance, and the magic of stories.

Description

From World Fantasy Award-winning author Tasha Suri comes *The Isle in the Silver Sea*, a heart-shattering romantasy of sapphic longing, medieval folklore and a love that spans the centuries.

In an island nation fuelled by stories, the knight and the witch are fated to fall in love and doom each other over and over, the same tale retold over hundreds of lifetimes.

Simran is a witch of the woods. Vina is a knight of the Queen's court. When the two women begin to fall for each other, how can they surrender to their desires, when to give in is to destroy each other?

As they seek a way to break the cycle, a mysterious assassin begins targeting tales like theirs. To survive, the two will need to write a story stronger than the one that fate has given to them.

But what tale is stronger than *The Knight and the Witch*?

Sales Points

- A new series from the author of the World Fantasy Award-winning *The Jasmine Throne*
- This series taps into the fable and medieval magic of British myth: from Arthuriana to Shakespeare - but through an incredibly zeitgeisty romantic fantasy lens.
- A joint publication with Orbit USA, for maximum global impact and a joined-up campaign
- Our UK publicist will be lining up plenty of events and signings for Tasha around this publication - let us know if you want Tasha to stop at your store!

Reviews

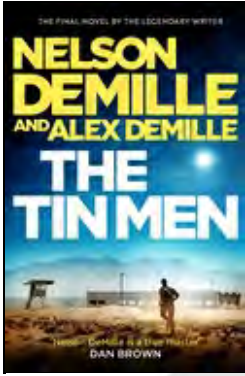
- 'Fiercely tender, wildly imaginative, and deeply smart, *The Isle in the Silver Sea* is an ode to the power of stories themselves--both to shackle us to our destinies, and to free us from them. **One of my new all-time favourites**' - Alix E. Harrow
- '*The Isle in the Silver Sea* is a **magnificent fantasy**. Unapologetically queer, fiercely inclusive, and full to the brim with the extraordinary magic of stories, **this is truly a masterpiece**' - Sangu Mandanna, author of *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*
- 'Set in a world where story is magic and magic is story, *The Isle in the Silver Sea* swept me off my feet with its **lyricism, spellbinding romance, and vivid characters who breathe, love, and bleed**. *Isle* is gorgeously folkloric -- and really puts the lore back into folklore. **This book is a bit of spellcraft and Suri is definitely a witch**' - Brigitte Knightly
- 'A **magnificent** story about the strength of stories, full of grand love, adventure, and beauty! **Completely captivating!**' - Sarah Beth Durst, New York Times bestselling author of *THE SPELLSHOP*

Author Biography

Tasha Suri is an award-winning author, a writing tutor, an occasional librarian and a cat owner. She has won the Best Newcomer (Sydney J. Bounds) Award from the British Fantasy Society, the Starburst Brave New Words Award, and has been nominated for the Astounding Award and Locus Award for Best Fantasy Novel. Her debut novel *Empire of Sand* was named one of the 100 best fantasy books of all time by *TIME* magazine. When she isn't writing, Tasha likes to cry over TV shows, buy too many notebooks, and indulge her geeky passion for reading about South Asian history. She lives with her family in a mildly haunted house in London.

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The Tin Men

Nelson DeMille and Alex DeMille

Keynote

This gripping thriller, the final novel from the legendary Nelson DeMille, coauthored with his son Alex DeMille, is a masterful blend of suspense and cutting-edge technology. It is a page-turning and thought-provoking exploration of the implications of AI in modern warfare and is a must-read for fans of military thrillers.

Description

At a top-secret Army training facility in the Mojave Desert, Special Agents Scott Brodie and Maggie Taylor plunge into a deadly web of military suspense, AI technology, and robot soldiers as they unravel the shocking murder of a senior scientist in this gripping thriller from New York Times bestselling authors Nelson DeMille and Alex DeMille.

'A page-turning extravaganza of suspense and action.' Harlan Coben

Army CID Special Agents Scott Brodie and Maggie Taylor team up for their toughest assignment yet as they are dispatched to Camp Hayden to investigate the death of Major Roger Ames, the chief scientist in charge of the top-secret war games being conducted between a platoon of Army Rangers and a fleet of "lethal autonomous weapons." Brodie and Taylor find themselves at ground zero of the next generation of warfare, and must untangle the complex web of alliances, animosities, and secret agendas among the men and women of the isolated facility.

In a place cut off from the world and exposed to the harsh desert elements, everyone is a suspect - from the zealous camp commander who pushes his men to the limit, to the Rangers slipping into madness due to isolation, grueling training, and rampant abuse of performance-enhancing drugs, to the late Major Ames's own research colleagues. Brodie and Taylor must uncover layers of deception to find the hidden hand behind the murder of Major Ames, and the real purpose of the activities at Camp Hayden and its terrifying arsenal of next-generation weapons.

Sales Points

- The final novel written by legendary **international number one bestseller Nelson DeMille, co-written with his screenwriter son Alex DeMille.**
- Nelson DeMille is **STILL** a huge international success: a **number one New York Times bestseller** and a **top ten bestseller in Australia**
- Little, Brown has sold **more than 2.5 million copies** of Nelson DeMille's books
- **For fans of the golden age of thriller authors.** Recent books include *Nemesis* by Wilbur Smith (12,288 HB TCM), *Fast Ice* by Clive Cussler (13,448 TCM), and *Tom Clancy Red Winter* (1,700 HB TCM).

Reviews

- 'Big, compelling and furiously paced, it screams to a terrific climax' - *Daily Mail (on A Quiet End)*
- 'DeMille's strengths are legend. His plots are tremendous' - *Sun*
- 'If you like your thrillers fast-paced, intelligent, tough and good to the last drop, *The Deserter* is right up your alley. An unrelenting edge-of-your-seat ride from America's foremost storyteller, and son' - *New York Journal of Books*
- '[An] outstanding thriller . . . DeMille and son provide it all in this rumble through the jungle-authentic detail, lively dialogue, a vividly drawn setting, and an exhilarating plot' - *Publishers Weekly (on the Deserter)*

Author Biography

Nelson DeMille (Author)

Nelson DeMille is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of twenty-one novels, including his most recent #1 *New York Times* bestseller, *The Cuban Affair*. Two of his novels, *Mayday* and *Word of Honour*, were made into TV movies, and *The General's Daughter* was made into a major motion picture starring John Travolta and Madeleine Stowe. He has written short stories, book reviews, and articles for magazines and newspapers.

Nelson DeMille is a combat-decorated US Army veteran, a member of Mensa, Poets & Writers, and the Authors Guild, and a member and past president of the Mystery Writers of America. He is also a member of the International Thriller Writers, who honored him as 2015 Thriller Master of the Year. He lives on Long Island with his family.

Alex DeMille (Author)

Alex DeMille is a writer, director, and film editor. He grew up on Long Island and received a BA from Yale University and an MFA in film directing from UCLA. His films and screenplays have won many awards and fellowships, including his film *The Absence* which was awarded Best Film at Comic-Con in 2012. He has edited numerous commercials,



shorts, and independent feature films, among them *My Nephew Emmett*, which was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Live Action Short in 2018. He lives in Brooklyn with his wife and daughter.

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Rainforest

The incredible new novel from Sunday Times bestseller Michelle Paver

Michelle Paver

Keynote

The brand-new ghost story from Sunday Times bestseller Michelle Paver

Description

**An experience like no other.
 From a writer like no other.**

The virgin rainforest seems a paradise to Englishman Simon Corbett. A last chance to salvage his career. A final refuge from a terrible secret.

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As Simon is drawn deeper into its haunted shadows, he learns to his horror that the past will not stay buried. For there are places in the forest where the line between the living and the dead is thinner than the skin of water.

A terrifying supernatural tale from Sunday Times bestseller Michelle Paver, author of *Dark Matter*, *Thin Air* and *Wakenhyrst*.

Sales Points

- **IMPRESSIVE STATS:** Michelle's children's series, THE CHRONICLES OF ANCIENT DARKNESS, has sold nearly 960,000 copies since publication, and DARK MATTER has now sold over 180,000 copies.
- **ACCLAIMED AUTHOR:** Michelle gained wide acclaim with works DARK MATTER (Sunday Times bestseller with regular reprints), THIN AIR, and WAKENHYRST, and her intentionally-bestselling WOLF BROTHER series for younger readers.
- **EXCITING NEW PACKAGE:** We're packaging Michelle's new book in an exciting new look - intriguing and ornate, perfect for capturing new and old readers alike.
- **LITERARY PRESTIGE:** Michelle has received glowing praise from across the industry, with her writing described as 'spellbinding' (*Guardian*), 'marvellously vivid' (*Sunday Times*), and 'disquieting and poignant' (*Irish Examiner*).

Author Biography

Michelle Paver was born in central Africa and came to England as a child. After gaining a degree in Biochemistry from Oxford University, she worked as a solicitor before giving up the law to write full-time. Her books include the internationally bestselling Wolf Brother series for younger readers, and the acclaimed supernatural novels *Dark Matter*, *Thin Air*, and *Wakenhyrst*.

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Description

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Sales Points

- **FRANCE'S BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Guillaume Musso consistently ranks at no. 1 in the end of year charts in France. Combining intensity, suspense and love, his novels are what make him France's favourite author, translated into forty-six languages and adapted for the big screen.
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Reviews

- **'For almost a decade, Guillaume Musso has reigned supreme as France's most popular author . . . he's instantly poised to join the ranks of Stieg Larsson and Jo Nesbo'** - A.J. Finn, bestselling author of THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW
- **'A stunning storyline'** - RTL
- **'Don't believe those who tell you they saw the end coming'** - *La Voix du Nord*
- **'An extraordinary novel'** - *Ouest France*

Author Biography

Guillaume Musso is the no. 1 bestselling author in France. He is the author of THE REUNION, THE SECRET LIFE OF WRITERS and THE STRANGER IN THE SEINE, among others. His novels have been translated into 47 languages and have sold over 34 million copies worldwide. He was born in Antibes, South of France, and currently lives in Paris.

Rosie Eyre is a literary translator from French and Spanish, whose translations include adult fiction, non-fiction and titles for young readers. A dyed-in-the-wool Francophile, she now lives in Guillaume Musso's native South of France.

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Author living in **Boston, USA**

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Hammajang Luck

Ocean's 8 meets sci-fi in this devilishly funny and romantic heist adventure debut

Makana Yamamoto

Keynote

A love letter to Hawai'i meets the space heist of the century in this propulsive scifi standalone perfect for fans of blockbuster romantic thrillers with a twist.

Description

HAMMAJANG | adjective. Definition: In a disorderly or chaotic state; messed up. Chiefly in predicative use, esp. in *all hammajang*. Etymology: A borrowing from Hawaiian Pidgin. Source: Oxford English Dictionary.

Edie is done with crime. Eight years behind bars changes a person - costs them too much time with too many of the people who need them most.

And it's all Angel's fault. She sold Edie out in what should have been the greatest moment of their lives. Instead, Edie was shipped off to the icy prison planet spinning far below the soaring skybridges and neon catacombs of Kepler space station - of *home* - to spend the best part of a decade alone.

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Sales Points

- **BUZZY DEBUT WITH A KILLER HOOK:** Ocean's 8 in space, with crossover appeal with romantasy and YA/New Adult
- **JOYFUL REPRESENTATION:** An ode to Hawai'i with a cast of Native Hawaiian and LGBTQ+ characters
- **INTERNATIONAL:** We have World All Language rights, with US rights sold in a heated six-figure auction deal to HarperVoyager, and German rights pre-empted at London Book Fair 2023 by Heyne

Author Biography

Makana Yamamoto was born on the island of Maui. Splitting their time between the Mainland and Hawai'i, they grew up on beaches and in snowbanks. Always a scientist at heart, Makana fell in love with sci-fi as a teen. A writer from childhood, fiction became the perfect medium for them to explore their interests as well as reconnect with their culture, coalescing into a passion for diverse sci-fi. They currently live on the East Coast with their wife and two cats. Find their website at makana-yamamoto.com.

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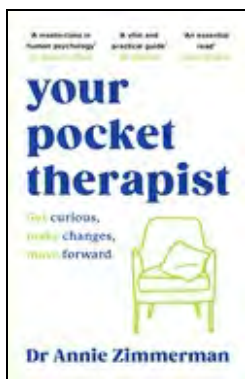
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Your Pocket Therapist Get curious, make changes, move forward

Annie Zimmerman

Keynote

With the help of *Your Pocket Therapist*, understand your childhood, break free from limiting patterns and start living the life you deserve.

Description

Every day psychotherapist and social media sensation Dr Annie Zimmerman meets clients who are struggling with their lives. They're committed to making changes, but they're stuck at the question stage. They ask her - why do I keep going back to a bad relationship? Why did I lose my temper? What is wrong with me?

Here's the thing: nothing is wrong with them. They're just asking the wrong questions.

In *Your Pocket Therapist*, Annie Zimmerman shows us that by understanding how our early lives shape our behaviour as adults, we can begin to unpick the ways in which we are being held back.

Whether you deal with conflict in your relationships, negative self-talk, anxiety, depression or any other emotional issue, this book will empower you to delve into your past to start solving your own problems in the present.

With *Your Pocket Therapist*, you don't have to struggle alone. By breaking down complex ideas and offering simple exercises throughout, this confidence-boosting guide gives you the expert tools you need to find more purpose, resilience, and joy in every day.

Sales Points

- **FOLLOWING GROWING AT A RAPID PACE:** Annie's followings on TikTok and Instagram are growing at an unusually quick pace, with both accounts reaching over 350k followers. The following is global in nature and highly engaged. We would confidently compare her to Nicole LePerra and Dr Julie Smith
- **GLOBAL EXCITEMENT:** 10 translation deals have been done for *Your Pocket Therapist* already, plus NA Rights have been bought by Dey Street Books, Harper Collins US
- **PRACTICING PSYCHOTHERAPIST:** Annie has no intention of giving up her practice seeing clients so will continuously be inspired for content and close to the work. She has a PhD, is accredited by all the important bodies and has been practicing for 4 years.
- **NEWSLETTER AND PODCAST:** Annie has launched a newsletter (Jan 2023) which is growing steadily and has plans to launch a podcast this Summer with fellow mental health advocate and founder of men's mental health charity M-Path, Chris Hemmings
- **GROWING AREA OF THE MARKET:** Self help is in steady growth and this title perfectly caters to the readers who have previously enjoyed books by Dr Julie Smith, Matt Haig and Philippa Perry, and want to dive deeper into their emotions.

Reviews

- '*Your Pocket Therapist* is an essential read for anyone wanting to understand both themselves and relationships better. It's written with clarity, expertise and experience that will help anyone interested in self-development.' - Owen O'Kane, Sunday Times Bestselling author of *Ten to Zen & How To Be Your Own Therapist*
- '*Your Pocket Therapist* is a masterclass in human psychology that will help you better understand yourself and your relationships. This book is for anyone who wants to increase their self-awareness, strengthen their connection with themselves, or deepen their bonds with others.' - Dr Nicole LePerra, bestselling author of *How to Do the Work*
- '*Your Pocket Therapist* is a vital and practical guide to understanding your emotions, improving your relationships and letting go of limiting beliefs. Everyone can benefit from Annie's nuggets of wisdom and expert advice.' - Mo Gawdat, international bestselling author of *Solve For Happy*

Author Biography

Annie Zimmerman PhD, is a psychotherapist, writer and academic. Annie began posting her life changing insights from the therapy room on TikTok and Instagram as @your_pocket_therapist in 2021 and has since amassed a large and dedicated following who return to her content for advice on everything from attachment styles, inner child work and making peace with your body.

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Ten Little Pumpkins Board Book

The perfect picture book for Halloween

Mike Brownlow (Illustrated By Simon Rickerty)

Keynote

Join ten playful pumpkins for Halloween fun in this charming rhyming counting adventure! Now in sturdy board, perfect for little hands.

Description

Join ten playful pumpkins for Halloween fun in this charming rhyming counting adventure! Now in sturdy board, perfect for little hands.

Ten little pumpkins are brought to life by magic dust on Halloween. Can they make their way past ghosts, ghouls and monsters to the Halloween party?

Follow the pumpkins as they screech and squelch their way through a weird and wonderful world, packed with sweet and spooky friends.

Read the bouncy rhyming story and count from ten to one and back again, as the little pumpkins 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 Pumpkins* is perfect for sharing.

Sales Points

- Book number 13 (perfect for Halloween!) in the bestselling Ten Little series - over 2 million copies sold!
- A contemporary counting rhyme; learn to count from ten to one and back again as the little pumpkins disappear, then reappear
- Bright, graphic, action-packed illustrations from a Roald Dahl Funny Prize winner featuring witches, ghouls, monsters and even a zombie surprise!
- Rhythmic, rhyming text with lots of sounds to read aloud
- With neon orange Pantone on the cover

Author Biography

Mike Brownlow (Author)

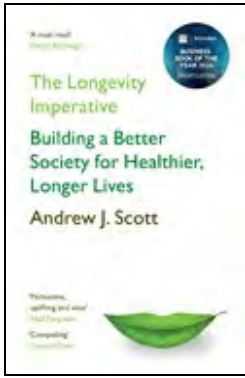
Mike Brownlow is the creator of many books for children. He wrote and illustrated the picture book *Little Robots*, which was turned into a major animated TV show for CBeebies and aired in over 70 countries worldwide. His other books include *Mickey Moonbeam*, *Dog Did It!* and *The Big White Book*.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

Building a Better Society for Healthier, Longer Lives

Andrew J. Scott

Keynote

A call for a radical re-examination of the way we think about health, ageing and the future.

Description

'Persuasive, uplifting and wise' Niall Ferguson

'A revelation on every page' David Sinclair

'A must-read book with an important message and many lessons' Daron Acemoglu

A leading expert on longevity calls for a revolution in the way we think about health, ageing, and the future . . .

The last century saw a revolution in life expectancy. Whether you are male or female, born in the global south or north, the chances are that you can expect to live much longer than previous generations. But instead of seeing this as a precious gift of extra life, we see it as a burden, with ageing populations dogged by infirmity, dependent on an ever-decreasing number of young people to support them.

Andrew J. Scott argues it doesn't have to be like that. Our longer lives can be a source of hope and fulfilment if we seize the opportunity to pursue the evergreen agenda, one in which we pursue a sustainable lifestyle both for ourselves as individuals - investing in our finances, health, skills and relationships to support a longer life - and for the planet.

Sales Points

- **THE PITCH:** This is the first book to provide a complete 360 degree approach to ageing bringing together the science of ageing with the economic, political and social factors that will impact the nature and quality of our longer lives and the implications for us as individuals.
- **GLOBAL APPEAL:** This affects everyone, everywhere in the world, young and old.
- **FRESH PERSPECTIVE:** This book has a uniquely positive and practical message - it is in our power as societies and individuals to live longer, more fulfilling and productive lives.
- **PRACTICAL TAKEAWAYS:** Provides a practical plan not only for how societies but also individuals can prepare for healthier, more fulfilled longer lives.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Andrew is the world leading expert on longevity and the ageing society, at the forefront of establishing the longevity agenda. *The 100 Year Life* sold a million copies worldwide and was translated into 15 languages.

Awards

Shortlisted for the 2024 FT and Goldman Sachs Business Book of the Year Award

Reviews

- 'The world is undergoing an unparalleled demographic change. We are witnessing not just aging, but a longevity revolution as billions around the world are set to live longer, healthier lives. This engaging book does not just draw attention to this underappreciated transformation. It also outlines how we need to change our economy, with an "evergreening" strategy that allows people to flourish many times during their lives, and remake our norms and institutions. This is a must-read book with an important message and many lessons' - Daron Acemoglu, author of *POWER AND PROGRESS*
- 'As improvements in medical science and living standards ensure that most of us now live to be old. How do we make sure that we age well-that we are 'evergreen'? That is the question at the heart of Andrew Scott's striking new book, which argues persuasively that aging is as big a challenge for humanity as climate change or artificial intelligence. Scott has some wise suggestions as to how exactly we can do it' - Niall Ferguson, author of *THE ASCENT OF MONEY*
- 'Finally, a manifesto to guide the longevity revolution . . . A revelation on every page. This should be required reading for every physician and politician. On almost every page, I found myself saying, "Really, I didn't know that!"' - David Sinclair, Professor of Genetics, Harvard Medical School, author of New York Times bestseller *LIFESPAN*
- 'Once in a while, a book comes along that resets our thinking - this certainly does that! It is an important work that will stimulate you to rethink your own, and our collective, future' - Linda Yueh, author of *THE GREAT CRASHES: LESSONS FROM GLOBAL MELTDOWNS AND HOW TO PREVENT THEM*

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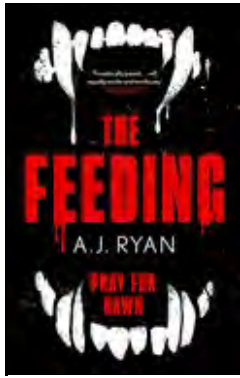


Author Biography

Andrew J. Scott is a professor of economics at London Business School, having previously taught at the University of Oxford and Harvard University. He is co-founder of The Longevity Forum, a consulting scholar at the Stanford Center on Longevity, and co-author of the global bestseller *The 100-Year Life*. He lives in London.

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The Feeding

A. J. Ryan

Keynote

Internationally bestselling fantasy author Anthony Ryan - writing as A. J. Ryan - delivers a nerve-shredding horror novel where humankind is no longer top of the food chain

Description

'[A] pulse-pounding vampire tale . . . Ryan keeps readers on the edge of their seats. Fans of *The Last of Us* will be enthralled' *Publishers Weekly*

'A frenetically-paced read that will equally excite and terrify you' FanfiAddict

Layla has spent her entire life in the Redoubt, one of the last bastions of humanity in a ravaged world. She's never been beyond the Redoubt's walls; only Crossers, with their special training and survival skills, are permitted to venture into the shadow-haunted wastelands.

When Layla's father falls ill, she knows she needs to find a cure. But no such medicine can be found within the Redoubt. Instead, her only chance is to pass a series of gruelling trials to become a Crosser, and then to strike out into the wilderness.

Where the feeders are.

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Praise for A. J. Ryan

'Bursts onto the page like a riveting ride into a monstrous heart of darkness, starting out as a locked-room mystery and steadily stomping the gas to become an edge-of-your seat thriller' Craig DiLouie

'A madly entertaining amalgam of locked-room mystery, heart-racing thriller, and terror-inducing horror show that will keep you up late into the night and darken your dreams long after you turn the last page' Philip Fracassi

'Soaked in terror and shrouded in fog, this book demands to be gulped down in one sitting' Andy Merino

'A frenetically paced, galvanizing read that will equally excite and terrify you' *FanFIAddict*

Sales Points

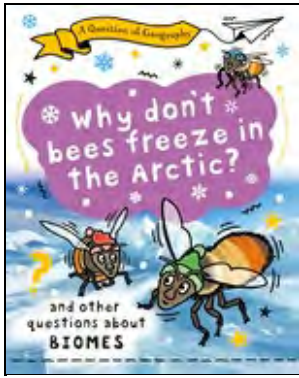
- This is a fast-paced, action-packed horror novel that will hold strong appeal to horror fans and vampire lovers everywhere
- The perfect read for fans of *The Last of Us*, *A Quiet Place* and *Birdbox*
- Internationally bestselling author: Anthony Ryan - one of the world's bestselling fantasy authors with over a million books sold worldwide - now turns his hand to horror, writing as A. J. Ryan

Reviews

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Author Biography

A. J. Ryan is a pseudonym for Anthony Ryan, who lives in London and is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Raven's Shadow series, as well as the Raven's Blade, Draconis Memoria and Covenant of Steel series. He previously worked in a variety of roles for the UK government, but now writes full time. His interests include art, science and the unending quest for the perfect pint of real ale.



A Question of Geography: Why Don't Bees Freeze in the Arctic? and other questions about biomes

Clive Gifford

Keynote

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

Description

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

Do yeti crabs live up mountains? How does a leaf know it's autumn? And are there really plants that eat POO?!

Find out the answers to all these questions and much more in **A Question of Geography: Biomes!**

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.

Titles in the series:

A Question of Geography: What Makes Land Wobble? and other questions about earthquakes

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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 experienced ex-geography teachers

Summary of Contents

What on Earth is a biome? / Which is the granddaddy of all deserts? / Why don't bees freeze in the Arctic? / Which rainforest plants are a bit ... clingy? / Do yeti crabs live up mountains? / How does a leaf know it's autumn? / Why is a giraffe's neck soooo long? / Are there plants that really eat poo? / Which bird enjoys two summers a year? / Which animal doesn't drink for ten years? / Which animal is rock-hard? / Who clears up a forest's rubbish? / Quick-fire questions / Glossary / Further reading / Index

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*).

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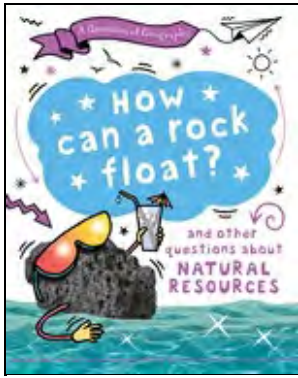
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CBMC **D5N79**
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 A Question of Geography: How Can a Tree Turn into Rock? and other questions about natural resources

A Question of Geography: How Can a Rock Float? and other questions about natural resources

Clive Gifford

Keynote

Uncover the mysteries of natural resources in this fun, lighthearted geography series

Description

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

Does money really grow on trees? How can you fit a T-rex in your petrol tank? And just WHERE do monkeys hang out in hot tubs? Find out the answers to all these questions and much more in **A Question of Geography: Natural Resources!**

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 are natural resources? / Is that a T. rex in your tank? / Where is the world's largest medicine cabinet? / Where can you see monkeys in hot tubs? / How much of my phone is from under the ground? / How can a breeze power a town? / How does sand help you see? / How can a rock float? / Does my yoghurt contain crushed insects? / How do salty ponds power cars? / Could money really grow on trees? Are there any energy superheroes? / Quick-fire questions / Glossary / Further info / Index

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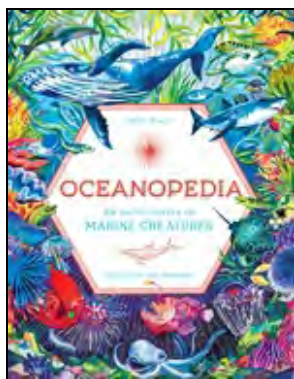
- Covers core KS2 geography topics in a fun and engaging way
- Funny cartoon-style illustrations are the perfect accompaniment to lively text
- Written by award-winning geography authors with extensive teaching experience

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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*).



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CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	290x225
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

Return of the Wild (2023)
9781510230132

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US	Refer to Publisher

Oceanopedia

Helen Scales (Illustrated By Good Wives & Warriors)

Keynote

Discover an incredible world hidden beneath the waves with this beautiful encyclopedia of our oceans and the animals that live in and around them.

Description

Discover an incredible world hidden beneath the waves with this beautiful encyclopedia of our oceans and the animals that live in and around them.

Our planet's oceans are home to a breathtaking array of animals. From the neon squid that roam the open waters and the floating forests of the Sargasso Sea, to glow-in-the-dark sharks and the angel fish of the coral reefs, discover an underwater world teeming with life.

Expertly written by marine biologist and author Dr Helen Scales and brought to vivid life with striking illustrations by Good Wives and Warriors (artists on *Mythopedia* and *Dinopedia*), this comprehensive encyclopedia includes a global collection of fascinating sea creatures.

Dive in - you never know what you might discover...

Sales Points

- The ultimate ocean encyclopedia for all animal lovers
- Continuing to build on the success of a strong series, following *Mythopedia* and *Dinopedia*
- Features a variety of marine animals from all around the world

Author Biography

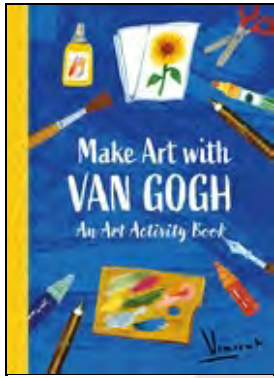
Helen Scales (Author)

Dr. Helen Scales is a marine biologist, writer, and public broadcaster. She's written several books including *Spirals in Time: The Secret Life and Curious Afterlife of Seashells* which is a *Guardian* bestseller, shortlisted for the Royal Society of Biology books prize and selected as book of the year by *The Economist*, *Nature*, *The Times* and *Guardian* as well as BBC Radio 4's Book of the Week. She has written for National Geographic, the *Guardian*, *New Scientist*, *BBC Wildlife* magazine and *BBC Focus*, among others, and also presents the Earth Unscrewed podcast. She's been a frequent guest on Brian Cox's *Infinite Monkey Cage Podcast*. Helen gives talks for schools, bookshops and science and literary festivals. She's also spoken at Google, the Royal Institute and has a Ted Talk called 'Stories from the Ocean'. She teaches marine biology and science writing at Cambridge University and is scientific advisor for the marine conservation charity Sea Changers.

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Good Wives and Warriors (Illustrator)

Becky Bolton and Louise Chappell have been working collaboratively as Good Wives and Warriors since 2007, soon after graduating from the Painting Department at The Glasgow School of Art. They divide their time between designing large-scale installations for fine art settings and undertaking design commissions for companies in the UK and abroad, including Absolut Vodka, Tiger Beer, Swarovski, Adidas, Chevrolet and Swatch. They have exhibited around the world, including shows in Berlin, Paris, Melbourne, Buenos Aires, San Francisco and Sao Paulo and have been featured in a number of publications and books including *ICON Magazine*, *Wired Magazine* and the Taschen books *Illustration Now!3* and *Portraits*. They are currently based in London.



Make Art with Van Gogh: An Art Activity Book

Van Gogh Museum

Keynote

A creative art activity book inspired by the life and artwork of Vincent van Gogh.

Description

With creative ideas and prompts inspired by Vincent van Gogh's life and artwork, this art activity title will have young artists filling the pages with all sorts of vibrant and wonderful things.

The activities range from colouring pages of Vincent's iconic artworks, to creating your own *Sunflowers*, to making your own mini easel and much more. Perfect for building children's creativity, and teaching them more about the exciting and colourful life of Vincent van Gogh.

Sales Points

- The official publishing of the Van Gogh Museum
- An interactive activity book that encourages creativity and expression
- Teaches children about the life and artwork of Vincent van Gogh in an accessible and fun way

Author Biography

The Van Gogh Museum is home to the world's largest collection of Vincent van Gogh's artwork and the leading international authority on his paintings and prints. The museum's collection, complemented by years of scientific research into the work of Van Gogh and his contemporaries, offers and unparalleled insight into the artist's life and work in the context of his time.

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Main Identifier BIC 2.1	9781510231566 Art: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNA) Colouring & painting activity books (YBGC) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (4KHF) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)
CBMC	B5L79
Age	5-7 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Activity Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
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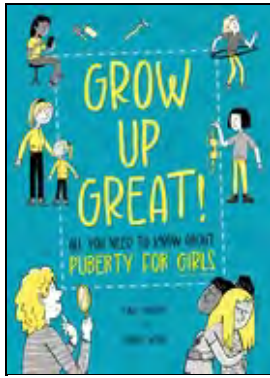
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Grow Up Great!: All You Need to Know About Puberty for Girls

Olivia Key (Illustrated By Laura Wood)

Keynote

A fun, positive and reassuring guide to puberty for girls

Description

A fun, positive and reassuring guide to puberty for girls

Get ready for puberty and all its thrills and spills with this handy guide! The core scientific information is balanced with plenty of guidance on how to take the best care of yourself during puberty, both physically and emotionally, and includes fun features and activities, including mini-quizzes, 'It's not just you!' facts and true or false panels.

Funny, cartoon-style illustration will help to keep the mood and message of the books light and positive, and is complimented by a clever design with bold typography. Perfect reading for girls aged 9 and up. And you can find out what's going on in the world of boys with Grow Up Great: All You Need to Know About Puberty for Boys.

Chapter 1: Goodbye girl, hello woman! / Ready, steady ... puberty! / What's the point of puberty? / When does puberty start? / What makes puberty happen? / The first signs / From girls to women / What will I look like after puberty? / Chapter 2: Big body changes / Embarrassing adults / Talking breasts / Bring on the bras! / Buying your first bra / Brilliant facts and top advice / Putting spots in the spotlight / Quiz: Spot the facts / Hair everywhere! / Smelly stuff / Hair down there / Take a closer look / Chapter 3: The world of periods / The inside story / Know your periods / What to expect during a period / Period pants and pads / Tampons and menstrual cups / What's right for you? / Feeling great during your period / Pesky PMS / Er, what about boys? / Chapter 4: Mind your head / Emotions all over / Feeling okay or not okay / Dealing with your family / Grow your confidence / Build your body image / Chapter 5: Getting social / Friendships / Friends or enemies? / Bullying / The highs and lows of being online / Funny new feelings / Love etc / It's (not actually that) complicated / Chapter 6: Taking care of you / Fuel your body! / Fit and strong / Leaving puberty behind / Growing up great FAQs / Useful words and info / Index

Sales Points

- Balances the science with practical, reassuring advice
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Author Biography

Olivia Key (Author)

Olivia Key is the pen name of Kay Barnham, who was born in Barrow-in-Furness, grew up in Carlisle, went to college in Brighton, and lived in Hove for a while, before sailing for Kinsale, Co Cork, popping back to Hove and then moving to the New Forest with her husband and daughter. And never at any point has she lived more than ten miles from the sea. She began working in children's publishing in 1992. She was an editor first of all, working on illustrated non-fiction and learning fun facts like how long it would take to walk to the moon - nine years - and how to spell palaeontology. Next, she commissioned fiction titles, editing picture books, storybooks and novels. And then she got the chance to write her own books, which she thinks is quite the best job ever. Except possibly being a chocolatier. She writes non-fiction as Kay Barnham. Her specialist subjects include ice-skating, Isambard Kingdom Brunel, lightning, fairies, Roald Dahl, Sir Isaac Newton,

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 BIC 2.1 **Personal & social issues: sex education & the facts of life (Children's / Teenage) (YXAX) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (SAK) People & places (Children's / Teenage) (YNM)**

CBMC **D5N79**

Age **9-11 years**

Subject **Non-fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

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Extent **96 pages**

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Christmas, dolphins, Florence Nightingale and very bad cracker jokes. And chocolate. She also writes fiction as Kay Woodward, including the Skate School series for Usborne and the novels Jane Airhead and Wuthering Hearts for Andersen Press. Altogether, she's written about a hundred books. Her favourite colour is navy blue. Her favourite chocolate is 85% cocoa solids.

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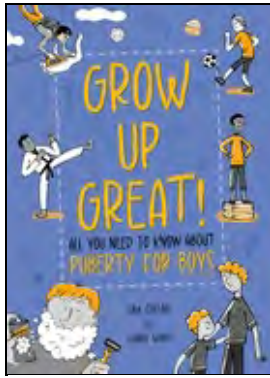
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Summary of Contents

Chapter One: Goodbye boy, hello man! / Get ready for puberty / What's the point of puberty? / All part of the life cycle / Quiz: The human life cycle / Happy hormones / More on hormones / When will puberty start? / What will I look like after puberty? / Chapter Two: Big body changes / Growing up! / Tall, short or in between? / Fast or slow? / Things are getting deep / Spot the difference / Quiz: Spots myths and legends / Hairy areas / Fuzzy face / A close shave / Sweat it out! / Down there ... / Touching yourself / Meanwhile in the world of girls ... / Chapter Three: Looking after yourself / Keep it clean / Find a balance / Eat smart / Get active / Tired teens / Sleep troubles / Chapter Four: In your head / Puberty brain / Anger management / A world of worry / Dark clouds / Chapter Five: Other people / Old and new friends / Find your tribe / On and offline / Keep it fun / Bullying / Bystanding and bullying / New feeling / Girlfriend or boyfriend? / Chapter Six: Who are you? / Finding yourself / Knowing what you like / Happy being you / The first day of the rest of your life / Growing up great FAQs / Glossary / Index

Author Biography

Tim Collins (Author)

Tim Collins is originally from Manchester, but now lives near London and has published over seventy books that have been translated into over forty languages.

These include series fiction like *Wimpy Vampire*, *Cosmic Colin*, *Dorkius Maximus* and *Monstrous Maud*.

He has also written many stories for reluctant readers, such as *Troll*, *Joke Shop*, *The Locals*, *Mr Perfect* and *Dawn of the Daves*. Tim has won several awards including the Manchester Fiction City, The Lincolnshire Young People's Book Award and The Kalbacher Klapperschlange.

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The Definitive Guide to Horror Movies

Kim Newman, James Marriott

Keynote

A detailed, illustrated directory of horror movies and sub-genres, from the birth of cinema to the present day.

Description

Pull back the curtain on more than a century of terrifying horror movies... if you dare.

Packed with stills from the most terrifying scenes in cinema history, *The Definitive Guide to Horror Movies* is a comprehensive companion to the genre, tracing the story of horror film, decade-by-decade. Providing a witty and informative critique of more than 350 films and several TV series, this extensive handbook offers a superb introduction for newcomers to the genre as well as something new for the die-hard horror fan.

Horror is one of the most popular and influential genres in cinema, a perennial favourite that just won't stay dead. This fully updated edition covers everything from all-time classics to hidden gems and big-budget duds to breakout foreign hits. This is your ultimate guide through a century of fear.

Sales Points

- Fully updated to include recent horror hits like *Midsommar*, *Evil Dead Rise* and *Pearl*.
- A complete guide to horror movies with over 350 film reviews spanning more than a century.
- Illustrated with hundreds of film stills in a striking two-colour package.
- Horror is one of the most enduring and popular film genres. It's enjoyed a resurgence in box office popularity over the last decade (13 horror movies have grossed over \$250m in the past 10 years), as well as retaining a strong cult appeal.
- Compiled by a team of celebrated horror experts, including journalists, authors and broadcasters.

Author Biography

Kim Newman (Author)

Kim Newman is a novelist, critic and journalist specialising in horror. He has written many books including: *The Night Mayor*, *Anno Dracula*, *The Man From the Diogenes Club*, *The Vampire Genevieve*, *Nightmare Movies*, *Ghastly Beyond Belief*, *Horror: 100 Best Books* and *The BFI Companion to Horror*. He has won the Bram Stoker Award, the International Horror Guild Award and the British Science Fiction Award.

James Marriott (Author)

James Marriott was an author and academic specialising in film. His book *Horror Films*, was selected by *The Times* as one of their film books of 2004. He also wrote a series of essays and articles for magazines and websites including cult periodical *Headpress*.

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Illustrations	Film stills throughout
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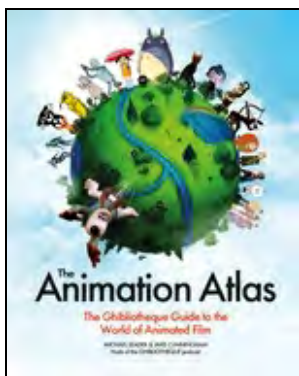
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Binding	Hardback
Format	237x185
Depth	22mm
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	54186 words
Illustrations	Approx. 200 colour illustrations and artworks
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Previous Titles

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The Animation Atlas The Ghibliotheque Guide to the World of Animated Film

Michael Leader & Jake Cunningham

Keynote

An essential and beautifully illustrated guide to the exciting, expansive world of animated cinema.

Description

Animation is a global artform, and *The Animation Atlas* is your essential guide to this exciting, expansive world.

From Michael Leader and Jake Cunningham, authors and hosts of the Ghibliotheque podcast, comes this whistle-stop tour through animated film history. A cartography of cartoons, *The Animation Atlas* takes in everything from titans of animation such as **Disney, Pixar, Aardman** and **Studio Ghibli** to pioneers, innovators and rising stars from the wider world of cinema.

A truly global history of animation - Each of the 30 chapters sets down in a different country to focus on local talent that has made a global impact on the form, from Spain to South Africa and China to Chile.

Box office hits and hidden gems - Features a dazzling selection of films, from hand-drawn Hollywood classics (*Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*) and award-winning CG masterpieces (*Flow*), to the works of revered artists such as Lotte Reiniger (*The Adventures of Prince Achmed*), Jan Švankmajer (*Alice*) and Hayao Miyazaki (*My Neighbour Totoro*).

Dozens of gorgeous illustrations - Includes more than 150 photographs, artworks and stills from some of the most beautiful animated films ever made. A perfect gift for film lovers.

Sales Points

- A new book in the *Ghibliotheque* series, which has sold more than 180k copies worldwide and been translated into ten languages.
- Includes animated films from 30 countries around the world, from major hubs like the US, UK and Japan to exciting studios in Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and Oceania.
- Illustrated with more than 150 photographs, artworks and stills from some of the most beautiful animated films ever made.
- Animation is one of the most popular cinematic genres - the top ten animated films of 2023 made more than \$4.2 billion at the global box office.
- Authors Michael Leader and Jake Cunningham are experts in animation and hosts of the popular Ghibliotheque podcast. They frequently host sold-out screenings and talks around the UK.

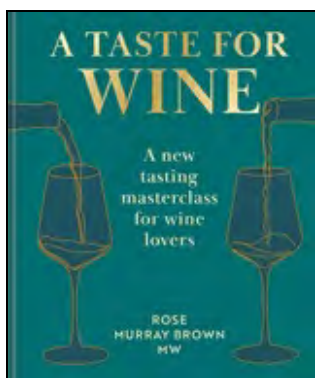
Author Biography

Jake Cunningham (Author)

Jake Cunningham is a multimedia writer and producer. As well as Ghibliotheque, he has produced podcasts with NBC Universal, Sky, Channel 4 and Prime Video. He discusses film on the BBC World Service, and has written and voiced video essays for the BBC and *Little White Lies*. He has written for *Empire*, *The I* and *NME* among others. His first animated short film as writer and producer, made with the BFI, was released in 2021. He recently developed and wrote on a Sky Atlantic documentary and is currently producing his next film. He lives in London with his wife, small dog and baby.

Michael Leader (Author)

Michael Leader is a writer and broadcaster whose writing has appeared in *Sight & Sound* and *Little White Lies*, and whose voice has appeared on podcasts and radio ranging from *Ghibliotheque* and *Truth & Movies* to BBC *Front Row* and BBC Radio 5. For several years he was Editorial Director for Film4 Online, and Commissioning Editor of the BBC Arts/iPlayer series *Inside Cinema* and *Inside Games*, for which he wrote and produced short-form documentaries about, among other things, Studio Ghibli. He lives in Sussex with his partner and a small child.



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A Taste for Wine

A new tasting masterclass for wine lovers

Rose Murray Brown MW

Keynote

A complete home wine tasting course, from the basics of grapes to blind tasting, from celebrated wine critic and educator, Rose Murray Brown, Master of Wine.

Description

From **award-winning wine critic and educator Rose Murray Brown MW** comes a complete guide to understanding, tasting and appreciating wine.

- Begin with the key elements of taste, before learning how wine is made and the effect this has on flavour.
- Familiarize yourself with every significant grape variety and the wine countries of the world.
- Dive into natural, orange and low-alcohol wines, and enjoy expert at-home food and wine matching.
- Prepare for a changing world of wine, with features on everything from urban wineries to PiWi grapes.

A Taste for Wine includes ten step-by-step tasting practices in which to apply your newfound knowledge, interspersed throughout the book:

1. Classic Whites
2. Classic Reds
3. Full, Rich Whites
4. Crisp, Delicate Whites
5. Soft, Juicy Reds
6. Sparkling Wines
7. Comparing Sweetness
8. Fortified Wines
9. Full Rich Reds
10. Taste Trends

Sales Points

- **WINE BOOKS SELL:** each year's edition of annual *Hugh Johnson's Pocket Wine* ranks in the top 5 bestselling drinks book each year; the latest edition of the *World Atlas of Wine* from 2019 has a TCM of 22,000 copies at £50;
- **CHEAPER THAN A WINE COURSE:** With courses in wine tasting becoming increasingly more expensive, this is the perfect way to gain the same skills from the comfort of your own home.
- **HUGELY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND QUALIFIED AUTHOR:** Rose Murray Brown is one of only 416 Masters of Wine - and one of only 149 female MWs - in the world. She is a certified wine educator, and her wine school, Rose Murray Brown Masterclass, was rated as Scotland's best in the Top Ten places to learn about wine in the UK by the *Telegraph*.
- **EQUIPPED FOR A CHANGING WINE FUTURE:** The climate crisis and the changing temperatures and landscapes that come with it are already having a profound impact on the varieties of grape grown across the world. This up-to-the-minute companion will ensure you are prepared and knowledgeable about the wine of the future.

Author Biography

Rose Murray Brown is one of only 422 Masters of Wine - and one of only 154 female MWs - in the world. She is also one of very few 'generalist' MWs covering all regions of the wine world focusing primarily on consumer and trade education - as well as working as a consumer journalist.

After training at Sotheby's for 12 years as a wine and spirit specialist, Rose set up her own wine school in Scotland in 2001. She offers her own brand of consumer wine courses, virtual and in-person wine masterclasses, fine wine dinners, corporate entertainment events and escorted wine tours for beginners to advanced level. Her wine school, Rose Murray Brown Masterclass, was rated as Scotland's best in the Top Ten places to learn about wine in the UK by the *Telegraph*.

Rose is also Scotland's leading award-winning wine journalist. She has been the weekly wine columnist at the *Scotsman*, Scotland's national newspaper, for 38 years covering all topics of the wine world on her weekly Saturday page. She also contributes to international specialist trade and consumer magazines and broadcasts on BBC Radio Scotland - and has presented a 13 part series on food and wine for Tyne Tees TV/ Yorkshire.



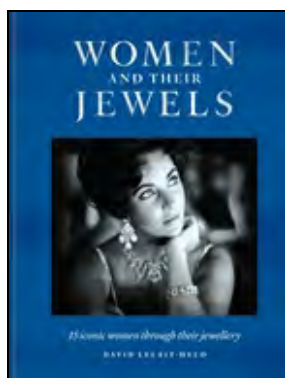
As a great lover of travel, Rose first fell in love with wine whilst studying Italian in Perugia during university holidays. Today she travels the world as a wine journalist and wine judge at international competitions (eg Hungary, Chile & China) - and personally organises and hosts consumer group tours to wine regions (most recently to Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, Georgia and Hungary).

Rose is a certified wine educator. She is a member of The Institute of Masters of Wine, Association of Wine Educators and Circle of Wine Writers. In her spare time she is an active charity fundraiser - she created the popular Comic Relief Wine Fair which raised over £30,000 for Wine Relief.

In 2021 Rose was the Drinks Judge for the André Simon Food & Drink Book Awards. In this process she assessed over 30 recently published drinks books giving her valuable up-to-date knowledge of wine book publishing and what they offer consumers today.

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Women and Their Jewels

15 iconic women through their jewellery

David Lelait-Helo

Keynote

A sumptuously illustrated book exploring the lives and loves of 15 famous women through the prism of their jewellery - including Elizabeth Taylor, Elizabeth II, Jackie Kennedy, Princess Diana and Wallis Simpson.

Description

The word 'jewel' derives from the Old French word *joiel*, a word that finds its roots in the words for playing, joy, and enjoyment, proof that jewellery is intimately tied to notions of pleasure and happiness.

For some, it is the pleasure of love, for others, an obsessive passion. For **Wallis Simpson**, after the throne had passed her by, her jewelled treasures were her solace. As for **Maria Callas**, the soprano amassed diamonds and rubies to ward off the poverty of her childhood, and to spark the jealousy of a mother she hated. **Barbara Hutton**, America's most famous poor little rich girl, went around wearing a tiara, demanding to be called a princess. And they have been the cause of so much drama, **Marie-Antoinette**, whose diamond necklace identified her and sent her to the guillotine; **Joséphine de Beauharnais**, who was also embroiled in a necklace affair involving Marie-Antoinette's pearls; **Yvette Labrousse**, Miss France 1930, and wife of the Aga Khan, who was robbed of her royal jewellery in the middle of the street...

In this gloriously illustrated book, novelist and jewellery expert David Lelait-Helo stares into the jewellery boxes of these illustrious women to discover their hearts and their minds.

The women featured are:

Ava Gardner
Barbara Hutton
Brooke Astor
Elizabeth II
Elizabeth Taylor
Eugénie de Montijo
Grace Kelly
Helena Rubinstein
Jackie Kennedy
Diana, Princess of Wales
Maria Callas
Marie-Antoinette
Princess Soraya
Wallis Simpson, Duchess of Windsor
Yvette Labrousse

Sales Points

- **BIG NAMES:** Discover the lives and loves of 15 famous women and fashion icons through the prism of their jewels.
- **PROVEN SUCCESS:** Octopus have sold more than 45,000 copies of *Vogue the Jewellery* across English-language markets.
- **COMPS:** Successful comps include *V&A Jewels and Jewellery*, *Precious*, and *Vogue The Jewellery*.

Author Biography

David Lelait-Helo is a novelist, essay writer, and biographer whose childhood dream was to become a jeweller. With little plastic pearls and pieces of aluminium foil, he would create entire collections of finery. In 2011, he was given the wonderful opportunity to admire the jewellery box of Liz Taylor, and the history of jewellery became one of his greatest passions.

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The Jane Austen Recipe Book Picnics, Feasts and Afternoon Teas Inspired by Jane Austen

Robert Tuesley Anderson

Keynote

Celebrate the 250th anniversary of Jane Austen's birth with this culinary treasure trove of over 70 delicious recipes, perfect for Jane Austen fans.

Description

The novels of Jane Austen are full of great feasting, from picnicking on Box Hill and strawberry picking at Donwell Abbey in *Emma*, to supper at the Netherfield Ball and Mrs. Bennet's sumptuous family dinners in *Pride and Prejudice*. *The Jane Austen Recipe Book* takes inspiration from the celebrated author's works and serves up over 70 of these delicious Regency era delights for you to recreate at home.

Explore a wide range of Austen-inspired recipes from **Lady Catherine de Bourgh's Caraway and Raisin Breakfast Bread** to **Elizabeth Martin's Sausage Rolls**, **Mansfield Wood Roast Pheasant** and **Mr Woodhouse's 'All-Apple' Tarts**, this beautiful collection takes you through the day from breakfast to dinner, crafting fabulous foods to be enjoyed with friends around a well-laid table.

Featuring delicious, easy-to-follow recipes alongside fascinating insights into the world of Jane Austen's novels and Regency era England, *The Jane Austen Recipe Book* makes a wonderful addition to the bookshelf of Austen fans and anyone with a keen interest in eighteenth and nineteenth century feasting.

- Featuring a wide variety of delicious foods inspired by the novels of Jane Austen, with clear steps to help you recreate them in your own kitchen.
- Indulge in the luxury and splendour of the Regency period with food and drink perfect for every occasion - from breakfasts and dinners to picnics, luncheons and puddings.
- Immerse yourself in Austen's world with detailed notes and essays providing insight into the world of eighteenth century living and the works of Jane Austen.

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
- Perfect gift for the bookworm in your life, detailed, entertaining and wonderfully informative. A must have for bibliophiles and foodies alike.
- This beautiful cookbook features vintage line illustrations throughout, as well as fascinating essays that help to fully immerse the reader in the world of Jane Austen in your very own kitchen. Perfect for fans of Austen in particular, but also those who have an interest in the Regency period in general.
- Enduring interest in the Regency period, and all things Austen, continues to be prevalent, thanks to *Bridgerton*, Netflix's popular original show, which was watched by over 82 million accounts in its first month.
- Comparable titles: *Jane Austen's Table* (LT sales 96K, Pyramid 2021), *Recipes from the World of Tolkien* (LT sales 288K, Pyramid), *Tea with Jane Austen* (LT sales 4.1K, Cico Books)

Author Biography

Robert Tuesley Anderson is a writer, poet and editor living in the Southern Uplands of Scotland. He is the author of several books including *Recipes From the World of Tolkien*. His cookbooks have given him the opportunity to bring together two lifelong enthusiasms: good home-cooked food and classical literature.

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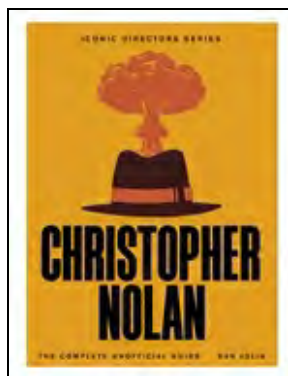
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Christopher Nolan

Dan Jolin

Keynote

The complete guide to acclaimed, mind-bending work of movie director Christopher Nolan.

Description

Few filmmakers have made such a seismic impact on Hollywood during the past two decades as Christopher Nolan. Whether mind-twisting crime thrillers or vast sci-fi epics, his films are consistently huge crowd pleasers, despite his bold and complex visions never being compromised.

Featuring fresh insights from a writer who has witnessed Nolan at work first-hand on several of his films, this is the definitive guide to the most significant British director since Hitchcock. From *Memento* to The Dark Knight Trilogy to *Inception* to *Oppenheimer*, it takes you on a cinematic odyssey that is truly like no other.

Sales Points

- **New instalment in exciting series.** One of a series of definitive guides to the most influential directors of our time, each book contains perceptive and insightful text about their work, their inspirations and their unique filmmaking styles.
- **Get to know Nolan.** Packed with images from Christopher Nolan's films, as well as intriguing behind-the-scenes shots of the director at work, this beautifully designed book provides an intimate celebration of his work.
- **Expert author.** Dan Jolin is a film journalist and contributing editor to *Empire*, the world's biggest movie magazine. Dan has interviewed Nolan before and has seen him work on set.
- **Nolan's soaring popularity.** Christopher Nolan won the Oscar for Best Picture in 2024, and he is one of the leading filmmakers of the 21st century.

Author Biography

Dan Jolin is a film journalist and contributing editor to *Empire*, the world's biggest movie magazine. He also writes for *Screen International* and *Time Out*, and is the editor and co-founder of *Senet* magazine, about the craft and culture of board gaming.

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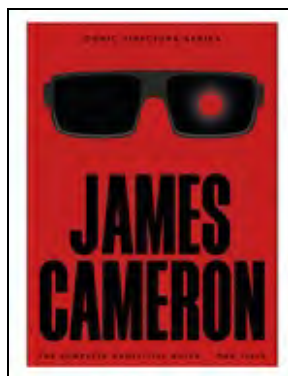
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James Cameron The Complete Unofficial Guide

Dan Jolin

Keynote

The complete guide to the visionary movie director James Cameron.

Description

Ground breaker. Game changer. The King of the World. Director James Cameron went from cult sci-fi rising star to box-office dominator at faster than light speed.

As much a technical innovator as he is a visionary artist, Cameron has proven himself the master of his own cinematic destiny. His methods have often been controversial, but the results are undeniably impactful.

Taking in his scrappy early days, his impressive breakthrough with *The Terminator*, his colossal triumph with *Titanic*, his real-life adventures in planet Earth's most extreme environment, and his astonishing world-building success with *Avatar*, this is a truly essential guide to Cameron's stellar filmography.

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A Walk in the Dark

Alice Hemming (Illustrated By Elin Manon)

Keynote

Take a walk through nighttime nature and meet the mammals, birds and insects that wake up while most people are tucked up in bed!

Description

A dusk till dawn walk through nature through the eyes of the animals who hunt, scavenge, play, dig and build while most people are tucked up in bed.

Beginning just as the human world is slowing down for the evening, *A Walk in the Dark* takes the reader into the woods and the moonlit countryside. As the sun sets, a family of **rabbits** hop out of their burrows . . . until they spot a hungry **fox** returning to the **badger's** sett . . . and follow the badger through a field where **wood mice** hide from **owls** circling overhead . . .

With fact boxes on every page and tips on how we can all help nocturnal animals, little ones will discover a whole world that's taking place in the dark.

Sales Points

- A narrative takes the child reader from dusk till dawn, moving from each animal to the next
- Packed with behavioural and physiological facts about the different animals throughout, including hares, foxes, owls and spiders
- Includes a section at the back advising on protecting our night skies and how to help nocturnal animals

Author Biography

Alice Hemming (Author)

Alice has never been at a loss for ideas. A childhood playing make-believe and working her way through the shelves of the local library helped fuel her imagination. She began her working life as a librarian and a web content editor, while all the time attending various part-time classes, in sculpture, illustration and writing. Alice lives in Hertfordshire, UK with her husband and two children. When she's not visiting schools, she works in a writing shed at the top of her garden, where she can immerse herself in the world of her stories.

Elin Manon (Illustrator)

Elin Manon is an illustrator from Wales now based in Perth, Scotland, UK, after graduating from Falmouth University and living in Cornwall for 6 years. Her work is inspired by the natural world, ecology, folklore and anthropology. A passion for storytelling and the celebration and protection of our natural world has been a constant drive within her creative process. Through her work Elin hopes to deepen our connection to the environment, reflecting stories of the landscape in a world that is often focused on the material.

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Art School (in a book)

A future artist's guide to contemporary art

Russell Tovey and Robert Diament (Illustrated By Rose Blake)

Keynote

An exciting introduction to the world of contemporary art for young creatives from the makers of hit podcast *Talk Art*, actor Russell Tovey and gallerist Robert Diament

Description

An exciting introduction to the world of contemporary art for young creatives from the makers of hit podcast *Talk Art*, actor Russell Tovey and gallerist Robert Diament.

Do you love art and want to know more but don't know where to start? Introducing *Art School (in a book)*, a virtual gallery where you can see the most exciting contemporary artists of today, as well as some of the greatest from the twentieth century, including Henri Matisse, Jean-Michel Basquiat and Frida Kahlo.

And who are the visionaries, the icons, the ones to watch now? With works by Marina Abramović, Tracey Emin, Rachel Whiteread and David Hockney, study the art of 20 key artists working today, find out what inspires them, how they work and the meaning behind their art.

With Russell and Robert as your guides you will also discover the artist within you, with tips on new ways of seeing and reacting to the world around you and guidance on how you can develop your own creativity.

Sales Points

- The go-to title for middle-grade kids on contemporary art, with photographs of artworks and facts about leading artists working today.
- Includes many artists covered in the Key Stage 2 curriculum.
- Offers a new approach to art books for kids - with contributions from artists working today as well as historical content covering the key art movements and artists from 20th century to present day.

Author Biography

Russell Tovey (Author)

Russell Tovey is a familiar face on TV and in movies, and in the art world as a curator, collector, and most recently a member of the jury for the Turner Prize and patron for the charity Art UK.

Robert Diament is director at the Carl Freedman Gallery and Counter Editions (a company that produces prints and multiples by leading contemporary artists such as Tracey Emin, David Shrigley, and Martin Creed).

Rose Blake (Illustrator)

Rose Blake is an illustrator and artist who studied at the Royal College of Art. Her book *A History of Pictures for Children* (2018), written by David Hockney and Martin Gayford, won the New Horizons award at the 2019 Bologna Children's Book Fair.

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 BIC 2.1 **Picture books: character books (YBCH)**

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

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **245x245**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse**

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1st Serial **Refer to Publisher**
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 Undramatised (straight) reading **Refer to Publisher**
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DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse: The Mermaid Christmas Cruise

Official Gabby's Dollhouse

Keynote

Grab your cat ears and join Gabby, Pandi Paws and their cat-tastic friends for fun adventures in Gabby's Dollhouse! These are the official books, based on the top-ranking Netflix pre-school show and bestselling toy range.

Description

Grab your cat ears and join Gabby, Pandi Paws and their cat-tastic friends for loads of festive fun in Gabby's Dollhouse!

It's Christmas Eve and Gabby and Pandi Paws are so excited when a dollhouse delivery leads them to board the mermaid kitties' cruise ship for an a-meow-zing Christmas adventure!

But when Santa Kitty's sleigh breaks down and he loses a load of gifts, it's up to Gabby, Pandi and the MerCats to find the presents and figure out how to help Santa Kitty deliver them all before Christmas morning!

Sales Points

- Smash-hit animated series from DreamWorks Animation (*How To Train Your Dragon*, *Shrek* and *Kung Fu Panda*) and Netflix.
- Full-length feature film starring Kristen Wiig and Gloria Estefan in UK cinemas, 26 September 2025.
- Top-rated Netflix preschool series; Top five global preschool brand.
- **4+ billion** global lifetime YouTube views; **250+ million** music streams; **32+ million** app downloads.
- Top-selling toy range from SpinMaster; *Gabby's Dollhouse Magazine* also available (Kennedy Publishing).

Author Biography

DreamWorks' **Gabby's Dollhouse** is a top-rated Netflix preschool show full of imagination, kindness and friendship. Gabby uses her kitty ears to get tiny and join her friends on a-meow-zing adventures in the dollhouse.

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Tracks Through Time

The history of the world told through animal adventures

David Long (Illustrated By Rong Pham and Vinh Nguyen)

Keynote

The history of the world - as told by the animals who lived it! A unique gift book for history and animal lovers alike, from Blue Peter Award-winning author David Long.

Description

For years we have explored history through the eyes of the people that lived there... but now it's finally time to hear what the animals have to say! Get ready to journey back down the path of human history and uncover the tracks of the animals who lived through it, too. From the greyhound who had a paw in the formation of the Church of England to the bravery of Alexander the Great's mighty warhorse to the tiny fleas who started the black death, this is history as it's never been told before.

Sales Points

- David Long is a Blue Peter Award-winning author who has a strong reputation as a history writer, both in the UK and internationally
- Beautifully illustrated throughout, this is a stunning gift for history and animal lovers alike
- Includes stories from all around the world throughout time

Author Biography

David Long (Author)

David Long is a writer and journalist who has written many adult and children's books on topics such as London, popular science and the environment. His book *Survivors* (Faber & Faber) won the Blue Peter Book Award 2017.

Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£16.99 / ₹1399
Main Identifier	9781526364494
BIC 2.1	History & the past: general interest (Children's / Teenage) (YNH) Natural history (Children's / Teenage) (YNN) People & places (Children's / Teenage) (YNN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (4KHJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)

CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	290x225
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Written by David Long:
Around the World in 80 Buildings
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Publication date	Thursday, October 09, 2025
Price	£14.99 / ₹999
Main Identifier	9781510230620
BIC 2.1	Puzzle books (Children's / Teenage) (YNVP) Adventure stories (Children's / Teenage) (YFC) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)

CBMC	C5L79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Activity Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	350x260
Extent	36 pages
Word Count	
Series	Pierre the Maze Detective
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; Jap; S Am; USA

Author living in	Hiroshima, Japan
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Previous Titles

Pierre The Maze Detective: The Search for the Stolen Maze Stone (2015)
9781780675633

Pierre the Maze Detective: The Mystery of the Empire Maze Tower (2017)
9781786270597

Pierre The Maze Detective: The Curious Case of the Castle in the Sky (2020)
9781786277244

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Pierre the Maze Detective: The Hunt for the Maze Pyramid

Hiro Kamigaki and IC4DESIGN

Keynote

Join Pierre the Maze Detective on a puzzling new Egyptian-themed adventure to stop infamous thief Mr X from stealing again . . .

Description

A vibrant and stylish activity book filled with mazes and search-and-find challenges for kids aged 7+.

Phantom thief Mr X has escaped Lockmaze Prison, announcing his intention to steal the precious Maze Pyramid from the Valley of the Mazes. Travel with Pierre and Carmen to the Kingdom of Caramelia and journey through an endless desert aboard an enormous mechanical camel. Marvel at the Maze Pyramid and puzzle your way out of a confusing Christmas market and a spectacular Ice Palace.

This vibrant and stylish activity book features 15 brilliantly intricate mazes. Trace your way through each maze, search for hidden objects, spot clues and solve some extra mystery challenges along the way, as you become a key member of the maze detective team!

The Pierre the Maze Detective books have sold 1 million copies worldwide and have been translated into 30 languages. Other books available:

Pierre The Maze Detective: The Search for the Stolen Maze Stone
Pierre the Maze Detective: The Mystery of the Empire Maze Tower
Pierre The Maze Detective: The Curious Case of the Castle in the Sky

Sales Points

- Featuring new full-spread mazes and search-and-find challenges in IC4DESIGN's popular and instantly recognisable trademark style
- The fourth title in a highly successful activity series - 1 million copies sold worldwide, and with stationery, jigsaw and video game products available
- Beautifully detailed, it's the perfect gift to keep curious kids amused for hours

Author Biography

Hiro Kamigaki (Author)

IC4DESIGN are a collective of illustrators based in Hiroshima, Japan. Founded by Hirofumi Kamigaki, they were elected one of the 200 Best Illustrators Worldwide, and were one of American Illustration's and the Society of Illustrators' selected illustrators. Clients include Amtrak, *The New York Times*, Ogilvy Italy, Adobe, *Newsweek* and Toyota.



Life In Technicolor: A Celebration of Coldplay (2025)

Debs Wild & Malcolm Croft

Keynote

A fully illustrated and extensively researched history of one of the world's most successful bands: Coldplay.

Description

Explore the makings of a musical phenomenon in this definitive celebration of Coldplay.

Life in Technicolor is the ultimate tribute to Coldplay, telling the complete story one of the most successful bands of the twenty-first century. Co-authored by Debs Wild, the A&R scout who discovered Coldplay, this fully illustrated book reveals rare, behind-the-scenes moments from the band's rise to global superstardom - from their acclaimed debut album *Parachutes* to the record-breaking Music of the Spheres World Tour.

Featuring individual profiles of Chris Martin, Guy Berryman, Will Champion and Jonny Buckland, and packed with exclusive interviews and rare, original memorabilia including setlists, flyers, tour passes and candid snapshots, this is an essential companion for any Coldplay fan and the most complete celebration of the band to date.

Sales Points

- A lavishly illustrated tribute to one of the world's best-selling bands, packed with setlists, flyers, and other rare memorabilia.
- Co-authored by the A&R exec who discovered Coldplay, featuring rare behind-the-scenes stories.
- Fully updated to cover the albums *Music of the Spheres* and *Moon Music*, and mark the 25th anniversary of the band's debut album, *Parachutes*, in 2025.
- Coldplay have sold more than 100 million albums worldwide, and their current Music of the Spheres Tour is the most-attended tour of all time.

Author Biography

Debs Wild (Author)

Debs Wild is a former A&R scout executive responsible for developing bands such as Badly Drawn Boy, Keane and Coldplay. Debs discovered, developed and championed Coldplay from the very beginning, and now operates as one of Coldplay HQ's trusted inner circle.

Malcolm Croft (Author)

Malcolm Croft is a celebrated author and music journalist who has written dozens of books on music and entertainment. He lives in Bristol.

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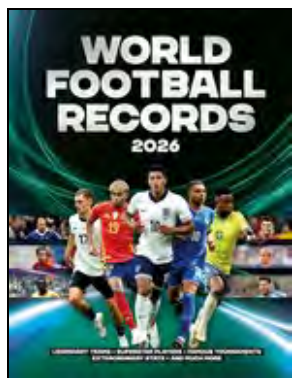
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World Football Records 2026

Keir Radnedge

Keynote

All the facts and stats from the world of international football, including updated stories for all major national teams and tournaments, as well as previews of the 2025 UEFA Women's Euro and the Africa Cup of Nations, and a review of the 2025 UEFA Nations League.

Description

The best-selling collection of football facts, stats and stories is back for another fantastic new edition!

World Football Records 2026 offers lively, fun and fascinating facts and stats from the world of international football. Focusing on all the major world and continental tournaments, national team records, exceptional matches and the stars who made it all possible, this exhaustively researched annual tells the stories of these key moments and the players and teams behind them.

This new edition includes updated stats and facts for all recent major tournaments, awards and international teams. You'll also find the latest record-breaking achievements of more than 35 featured nations from around the world, including a sidebar with key stats, as well as updates and records for all the other FIFA members.

Sales Points

- The new 2026 edition of the bestselling *World Football Records* series, which has sold more than 500,000 copies worldwide.
- New features include updated stats and stories for all major nations and tournaments, including previews of the 2025 UEFA Women's Euro and the Africa Cup of Nations, and a review of the 2025 UEFA Nations League.
- Thousands of up-to-date facts, stats and fascinating pieces of trivia are crammed into this title, all illustrated with hundreds of photos of the most popular players from around the world.
- Every major international team and tournament is covered here, including the FIFA World Cup, FIFA Women's World Cup, UEFA Euro, UEFA Women's Euro, Copa América and Africa Cup of Nations.

Author Biography

Keir Radnedge has been covering football for more than 40 years. He has written countless books on the subject, from tournament guides to comprehensive encyclopedias, aimed at all ages. His journalism career included the *Daily Mail* for 20 years, as well as the *Guardian* and other national newspapers and magazines in the UK and abroad. He is a former editor of *World Soccer*, generally recognized as the premier English-language magazine on global football. In addition to his writing, Keir has been a regular analyst for BBC radio and television, Sky Sports and the American cable television news channel CNN.

Publication date	Thursday, October 30, 2025
Price	£20.00 / ₹1599
Main Identifier	9781035427642
BIC 2.1	World Cup (WSJA 1) Football (Soccer, Association football) (WSJA) Sports teams & clubs (WSBT) Ball games (WSJ) History of sport (WSBX)

Binding	Hardback
Format	269x205
Extent	224 pages
Word Count	90000 words
Illustrations	Approx 400 colour and b/w photographs
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

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Formula 1: The Greatest Races

Giles Richards

Keynote

A fully authorised, lavishly illustrated book chronicling the most iconic grands prix in Formula 1 history.

Description

Experience the greatest races in F1 history with this official, lavishly illustrated Formula 1 book

Spanning more than 70 years of incredible grand prix action, *Formula 1: The Greatest Races* delves into the adrenaline-fuelled narratives of 40 iconic races that have shaped the world's most popular motorsport.

From tense, personal duels that have decided championships to incredible comebacks against the odds and superhuman feats of driving in extreme conditions, each chapter showcases a legendary grand prix with insightful prose and captivating photography.

Relive the unforgettable battles between Max Verstappen and Lewis Hamilton, Ayrton Senna and Alain Prost, Michael Schumacher and Damon Hill, and many more in this essential, officially licensed companion for F1 fans.

Sales Points

- A new, officially licensed follow-up to the massively successful *Formula 1: The Official History* (more than 150k copies sold worldwide).
- Formula 1 is the world's most popular motorsport, boasting more than 750 million fans globally and a social following of more than 78 million across its official channels.
- Features profiles of 40 legendary races spanning a variety of iconic eras, drivers, teams and circuits, fully illustrated with more than 250 photographs.
- Author Giles Richards is an F1 expert, and has been covering the sport for the *Guardian* and *Observer* for more than 20 years.

Author Biography

Giles Richards has been a journalist at the *Guardian* and the *Observer* for more than twenty years. He is a lifelong fan of motor racing and has been reporting on Formula 1 for over a decade, working at the heart of the sport with which he is fascinated. He is based in London.

Publication date	Thursday, October 16, 2025
Price	£35.00 / ₹2599
Main Identifier	9781035432066
BIC 2.1	Motor sports (WSP) Motor cars: general interest (WGCB) Biography: sport (BGS)

Binding	Hardback
Format	280x230
Extent	256 pages
Word Count	66542 words
Illustrations	Approx. 300 colour and b/w photographs
Series	F1® Official Guides
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Previous Titles

Formula 1: The Official History

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
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Price	£16.99 / ₹1399
Main Identifier	9781035434305
BIC 2.1	Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945) (FA) Fantasy (FM) Horror & ghost stories (FK)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	896 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Book locale	USA, England
Author born in	USA
Author living in	USA

Previous Titles

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The Fireman
Stranger Weather (short story collection)
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King Sorrow

the epic new novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author

Joe Hill

Keynote

Like *The Secret History* colliding with *IT*, this exhilarating, emotional and genre-bending novel is perfect for fans of Stephen King and Catriona Ward.

Description

SOME PROMISES SHOULD NEVER BE MADE...

'A monster of a book...a vast, brimstoned, relentless zinger' NICK HARKAWAY

Bookish dreamer Arthur Oakes is a student at Rackham College, Maine, renowned for its frosty winters and beautiful buildings.

But his idyll - and burgeoning romance with Gwen Underfoot - is shattered when local drug dealers force him into a terrible crime: stealing rare and valuable books from the exceptional college library.

Trapped and desperate, Arthur turns to his closest friends for help: the wealthy, irrepressible Colin Wren; brave, beautiful Alison Shiner; the battling twins Donna and Donovan McBride; and brainy, bold Gwen. Together they dream up an impossible, fantastical scheme that they scarcely imagine will work: to summon the fabled dragon King Sorrow to kill those tormenting Arthur.

But the six stumble backwards into a deadly bargain - they soon learn they must choose a new sacrifice for King Sorrow each year or one of them will become his next victim. Unleashing consequences they can neither predict nor control, this promise will, over the course of four decades, shape and endanger their lives in ways they could never expect.

Praise for Sunday Times bestseller Joe Hill:

'Fantastically compelling' THE OBSERVER

'Clever, gripping and packs a hell of a punch' JOANNE HARRIS

'Character-driven stories that enthrall and thrill' DAILY MAIL

'Original and gripping' GEORGE R. R. MARTIN

Sales Points

- **AN EPIC MASTERPIECE FROM THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER** Internationally bestselling sensation Joe Hill returns with an astonishing, emotional and genre-bending new novel. **Like *The Secret History* colliding with *IT***, this is unmissable for fans of Stephen King, Leigh Bardugo and Catriona Ward.
- **AN ACCLAIMED AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR** Joe Hill is a multi-award-winning author, whose books receive praise from high-profile writers (George R. R. Martin: 'Original and gripping') and glowing reviews across the national media.
- **A MAJOR NEW AUTHOR AND MASSIVE LAUNCH FOR HEADLINE:** This is a lead title with a unmissable marketing and publicity campaign.
- **A FANTASTIC TRACK RECORD OF TV AND FILM ADAPTATIONS BASED ON HIS NOVELS** Much of his work has been adapted for film and television. His second novel, *Horns*, was made into a movie starring Daniel Radcliffe; his third novel, *NOS4A2*, was adapted for television by AMC, and featured Zachary Quinto.
- **A HUGELY POPULAR AUTHOR WITH A MASSIVELY DEVOTED FANBASE** With a loyal readership who are fiercely dedicated to his work, Joe has over 400,000 followers across social media.

Author Biography

Joe Hill is a *Sunday Times* bestseller and the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Heart-Shaped Box*, *The Fireman*, and *Full Throttle*. He won the Eisner Award for Best Writer for his long-running comic book series, *Locke & Key*, co-created with artist Gabriel Rodriguez. Much of his work has been adapted for movies and television. His second novel, *Horns*, was translated to film in 2014 and starred Daniel Radcliffe. His third novel, *NOS4A2*, is now a hit series on AMC, starring Zachary Quinto. The first season of *Locke & Key* was released on Netflix in early 2020 and became an overnight smash. His story, 'In The Tall Grass', co-written with Stephen King, was made into a feature for Netflix, and became a mind-bending cult horror sensation. Most recently, Hill has returned to graphic novels -- his latest comics include *Basketful of Heads* and *Plunge* for D.C., and *Dying is Easy* for IDW.

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Beyoncé All The Songs The Story Behind Every Track

Benoît Clerc

Keynote

The latest instalment in the bestselling *All The Songs* series, this definitive book reveals the complete story behind every track Beyoncé has ever released.

Description

THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF BEYONCÉ'S WORK EVER.

THE DEFINITIVE, UNTOLD, RECORDING HISTORY OF BEYONCÉ, TOLD ALBUM-BY-ALBUM AND SONG-BY-SONG.

In 528 pages you can explore the extraordinary artistry and vision of Beyoncé in this comprehensive guide, chronicled song-by-song throughout her groundbreaking career. From her early days with **Destiny's Child** to her trailblazing **solo albums**, record-breaking visual projects, and cultural moments that have redefined the music industry, this book leaves no stone unturned.

Delve into the chart-topping anthems like ***Crazy in Love*** and ***Single Ladies***, the deeply personal and politically charged works of ***Lemonade*** and ***Renaissance***, as well as more her recent album, ***Cowboy Carter***.

Expertly crafted with behind-the-scenes stories, lyrical analyses, and detailed accounts of her creative process, this book uncovers the inspiration, production, and collaborators behind Beyoncé's genre-defying sound.

Spanning **over 500 pages** and featuring **hundreds of photographs** - rare studio shots and breathtaking concert images - ***Beyoncé: All the Songs*** offers an intimate portrait of her evolution as an artist, performer, and cultural icon. Lavishly illustrated, this is the ultimate keepsake for the Beyoncé fan in your life.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING SERIES:** The latest title in an incredibly successful series by expert authors. *Bruce Springsteen: All The Songs* sold almost 40,000 copies, while *Michael Jackson: All The Songs* and *Prince: All The Songs* each sold over 20,000 copies.
- **BESTSELLING MUSICAL ARTIST:** Beyoncé is regarded as one of the greatest musical artists of the 21st century by major publications, having sold 200 million records worldwide.
- **PASSIONATE FANBASE:** Beyoncé's fandom, called the 'BeyHive' have over 33,000 official members across the world. She is most popular in the Caribbean, parts of Africa, the US, Brazil and France. Over 2.7 million fans saw Beyoncé at her 57-stop tour, 'Renaissance'.

Reviews

- 'It's got so much content about every song.' - John Wheeler
- 'What a fantastic book detailing every track.' - Angela H

Author Biography

Benoît Clerc is an author, composer, and professional musician. He has written several books in the bestselling *All the Songs* series, including those on Queen, David Bowie, and ABBA.

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Binding	Hardback
Format	270 x 210
Extent	528 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	Global
Author born in	France
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Previous Titles

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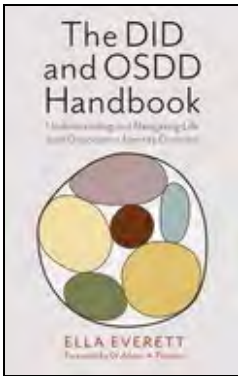
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The DID and OSDD Handbook Understanding and Navigating Life with Dissociative Identity Disorder

Ella Everett

Keynote

A guide for adults with DID (dissociative identity disorder) or OSDD (other specified dissociative disorder) and those that support them

Description

The DID and OSDD Handbook is a supportive, accessible guide to life with dissociative identity disorder (DID), other specified dissociative disorder (OSDD) and partial dissociative identity disorder (P-DID), based on author Ella Everett's experience living with DID.

Answering questions from 'What is it like to live with DID and OSDD?' to 'What does recovery look like?' and covering topics such as seeking diagnosis, practical coping skills and navigating relationships, this guide is designed to dip in and out of as needed. Throughout, Ella works to address the lack of awareness and understanding of DID and OSDD in society, and challenge the harmful stereotypes often associated with these conditions.

This essential handbook offers kindness, understanding, recognition and representation for everyone living with DID and OSDD, as well as mental health professionals, therapists and those who support them.

Sales Points

- **Fills a gap:** There are very few books on DID which are aimed at the self-help market and accessible to general reader.
- **Author platform:** The author has over 14K followers on their Instagram page @dissociation.info.
- **Significant potential audience:** Approximately 1.5% of the population internationally has been diagnosed with DID, with estimates that the prevalence of dissociative disorders could be up to 5%.
- **Growing interest:** Awareness and advocacy for DID and OSDD, especially online, has grown hugely in the past few years.
- **Widely misunderstood topic:** DID and OSDD are highly stigmatised diagnoses and misinformation about the conditions continues to circulate. This book provides an authentic look at DID and OSDD, drawn from the author's lived experience of DID.

Author Biography

Ella Everett is a writer, artist and mental health advocate. On their Instagram, @dissociation.info, they share insights on Dissociative Identity Disorder (DID) and Other Specified Dissociative Disorder (OSDD), educating and creating community connection. Ella is dedicated to raising awareness, fostering understanding, and creating spaces where mental health can be openly discussed. Ella is also the owner of DissociationInfo, an Etsy shop where they offer mental health resources designed to support and inspire individuals worldwide. They live in England.

Market

People with DID and OSDD. Friends, family and professionals supporting people with DID and OSDD. Anyone interested in learning more about DID and OSDD.

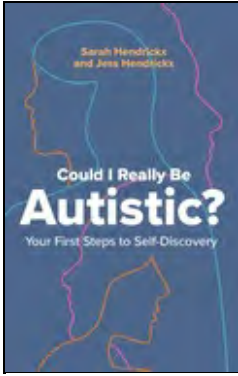
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Could I Really Be Autistic? Your First Steps to Self-Discovery

Sarah and Jess Hendrickx

Keynote

The first book to read for anyone considering whether autism might be a good fit and the next steps to take, from a bestselling author in the field

Description

Perhaps a child in your family has been diagnosed as autistic, your therapist has suggested it, or people you know have called you 'Rain Man' throughout your life. Whatever the reason, here you are, either seeking to confirm or dispel the idea that you might be autistic.

Written by two experts in autism assessment, this is a pathway for you to explore the likelihood of meeting the diagnostic threshold for autism, while offering advice on possible next steps.

With guidance on ways autism can manifest in day-to-day life, factors that prompt people to wrongly dismiss the label (I'm too old/clever/social/ married!), commonly co-occurring conditions, and alternative explanations for autistic traits - this will help you decide whether a professional assessment is appropriate, and give you the best chance of an accurate outcome should you seek one.

Filling the gap between self-identification and formal diagnosis, this rigorous, accessible guide to diagnosis will give you confidence in taking the next steps on your autism journey.

Sales Points

- Bestselling authors: previous title by this author pair, *Women and Girls with Autism Spectrum Disorder* sold over 56k copies in 1st ed. (9781849055475) and over 15k in 2nd ed. (9781805010692) globally
- Sarah and Jess are experts in the field, with over 1500 autism assessments between them
- Significantly cheaper and more accessible than a professional diagnosis
- There is a lack of books on the market focusing specifically on autism assessment
- Written for an international audience, with Rights potential

Author Biography

Sarah Hendrickx is an autistic six-time JKP author, including *Women and Girls on the Autistic Spectrum* (2nd edition, publication date January 2024). She has worked as an autism diagnostician (non-clinically trained) for the past 15 years assessing more than 1000+ children and adults both independently and as an associate diagnostician for Axia-ASD. Sarah has developed and delivered training for diagnosticians working for the NHS and privately as well as coaching individuals pre- and post-diagnosis.

Jess Hendrickx is an autistic author, non-clinical diagnostician, trainer and mentor. She has a PGCE in Autism. Jess has worked as a neurodiversity diagnostician for the past two years both with Axia-ASD and privately. Within her work as a mentor, Jess has guided people to make an informed decision on whether or not to pursue an autism assessment, as well as providing post-diagnosis support, Jess is Sarah's daughter.

Market

People who self-identify as or think they might be autistic, their family members and professionals supporting them; parents of autistic children who think they might be autistic too

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Author living in **France**

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Hendrickx, *Women and Girls with Autism Spectrum Disorder*, May 2015 (9781849055475) 56,429 copies sold (14,931 UK, 8,270 US, 749 ANZ, 1,267 ROW, 8,290 ebook, 16,213 audiobook) 2nd edition Jan 2024 (9781805010692), approx. 15,104 copies sold (11,804 UK, 2500 US, 500 ANZ, 300 CAN)

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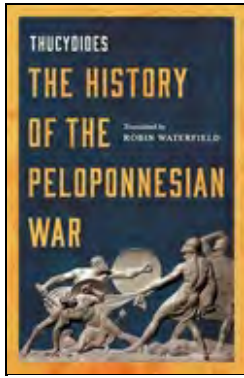
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The History of the Peloponnesian War

Robin Waterfield and Polly Alexandra Low

Keynote

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Description

A definitive and refreshingly readable new translation of Thucydides's *History of the Peloponnesian War*, paired with a brilliant introduction on how to read and understand Thucydides.

Thucydides called his work a "possession for all time," and his *History of the Peloponnesian War* has been essential reading for generals and politicians for centuries.

Robin Waterfield's translation of Thucydides's sweeping narrative vividly depicts the events of the war between Athens and Sparta that began in 431 BCE and would continue until 404, a conflict that embroiled not only mainland Greece but Greek states from the eastern Mediterranean and as far west as Italy and Sicily. The only extant contemporary narrative of this conflict, Thucydides's *History* brims with military, moral, and political reflections, offering critical commentary on challenges that still dominate our world today, from the strife of civil war to the devastation of widespread plague to the nature of political power.

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Sales Points

- **THE PITCH:** A definitive new translation of Thucydides' *History of the Peloponnesian War* - a sweeping narrative of the Peloponnesian war between Athens and Sparta (431-404) with vital moral and political lessons for our time. It is the only extant contemporary narrative of this conflict and considered one of the great masterpieces of Classical Greece alongside prose writers such as Plato and Aristotle.
- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Robin Waterfield is widely regarded as the best current translator of ancient Greek prose works. He has had more than fifty books published ranging from children's fiction through biography and popular science to history and philosophy. The introduction is by Polly Low, one of the world's leading authorities on Thucydides, and covers the historical and intellectual context for the *History*.
- **STRONG CATEGORY:** Translations of Thucydides' *History* have a history of selling well e.g. Penguin Classics edition trans. by Rex Warner (39.7k pb), Oxford World Classics edition trans. by Martin Hammond (11.2k pb)

Reviews

- 'Athenian historian (if that's what he was) Thucydides is a notoriously gritty and gristly writer. Even his fellow ancient Greeks found translating him hard going. For a **happy combination of accuracy (prime Thucydidean quality), literary fluency, and interpretative skill**, this new translation by super-experienced Robin Waterfield with the assistance of distinguished ancient historian Polly Low will be far more than a transient showpiece of the sort Thucydides abhorred' - Paul Cartledge, author of *DEMOCRACY: A LIFE*
- '**Waterfield has a track record of marvelous translations** of Herodotus, Plato, and others, and now his Thucydides is just as good, **extremely readable and accessible** without any dumbing down of this demanding author. It is enhanced by the introduction and notes by Polly Low, telling readers exactly what they need to know to make the most of a **perpetually engrossing text**' - Christopher Pelling, Professor of Greek Emeritus, University of Oxford
- '**Waterfield's elegant, modern translation of Thucydides will serve both scholars and general readers exceptionally well**, while Low's introduction and notes offer just the right amount of context and explanation, **illuminating** the text rather than weighing it down. In their hands Thucydides' great work shows the same 'bloom of perpetual newness' that Plutarch once saw in the Parthenon' - Johanna Hanink, Brown University
- 'Waterfield's translation of a bold and powerful writer brimming with creative ideas on matters of language and politics is **crisp, readable, and true to the author's diction**. Polly Low's introduction is accessible and expansive without being pedantic . . . **Thucydides is a writer for the ages: Waterfield and Low, his interpreters today**' - Lawrence A. Tritle, Loyola Marymount University

Author Biography

Robin Waterfield is a British classical scholar, translator, and editor, specializing in ancient Greek philosophy and history. Among others, his translations include Plato's *Republic*, Herodotus's *The Histories*, Marcus Aurelius's *Meditations*, and *Aesop's Fables*. He lives in Greece.



REVIEWS

‘An impressive debut from a very talented new writer’ - *Guardian*

‘Brilliantly unsettling and unsettlingly brilliant, *Flowers from the Void* is the debut of a writer to watch. There is enough invention in each one of these short stories to power a novel, the macabre inventiveness of Gianni Washington's imagination only matched by the elegance of her style and her ability to create sympathy for the most monstrous of protagonists. These are stories you will want to devour in a hurry but which will linger with you for a very long time indeed.’ - Ellery Lloyd, New York Times bestselling author of *The Club*

‘These wonderfully creepy short stories peel back layers of surface reality with such insight and skill that we find ourselves moving beyond time and space into an underground realm where deeper and darker truths can be revealed.’ - Ayesha Manazir Siddiqi, author of *The Centre*

‘A grisly, smart, heart-wrenching collection that holds a mirror up to ourselves; I can't wait to see what Washington does next.’ - Nadia Attia, the author of *Verge*

Flowers from the Void

'An impressive debut from a very talented new writer'
Guardian

GIANNI WASHINGTON

KEYNOTE

Grotesquely gothic short stories to keep you awake all night

DESCRIPTION

Addictively strange and disturbing, *Flowers From the Void* is a collection of delectably uncanny tales. A reaper readies herself for her next gruesome assignment and a bereaved African witch prepares for a showdown with a rigidly traditional white Salem coven while an outcast teenage boy is lured into a pact with a schoolfriend that will cost him far more than he ever imagined.

Hauntingly macabre and piercingly insightful about loss and loneliness, these gothic short stories lead us into a labyrinth of other possible worlds, each one darker than the last and yet all fearfully close to our own. Living dolls serve as imperfect replacements for the deceased, a girl without a shadow finds her soulmate and spurned lovers' bodies begin falling to pieces. In this scintillating debut collection Gianni Washington explores the limit of intimacy and empathy with the vivid intensity of your worst nightmare.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

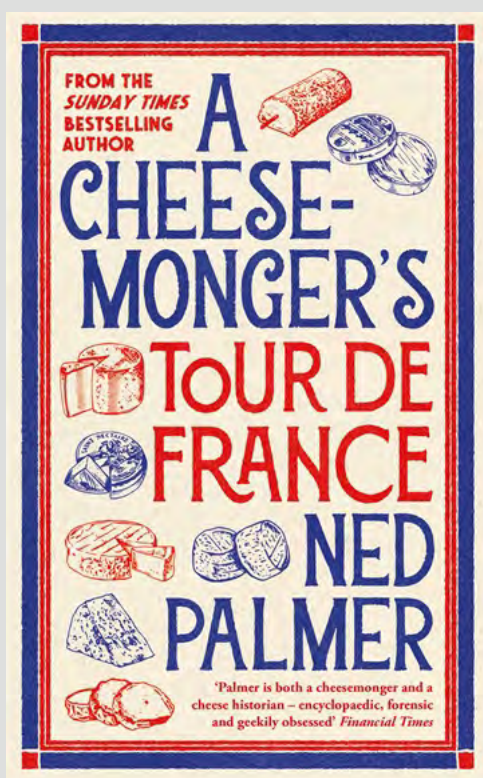
Gianni Washington's writing has been published in *The Fat City Review* online, LitroNY.com, the horror anthology *Brief Grislys* and read aloud on the Great American Folk Show. She is a monthly contributor to the *Chicago Review of Books* and holds a PhD in Creative Writing from The University of Surrey. She worked for many years as a bookseller in London but is currently based in North Carolina.

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A Cheesemonger's Tour de France

NED PALMER

KEYNOTE

A cheesemonger's guide to the world of French cheese, complete with tasting notes and serving suggestions

SALES POINTS

- A glorious tour of France and French cheese, featuring tasting notes, serving suggestions, and the fascinating stories of artisan cheesemongers and *fromagers* across the country
- Ned Palmer is a foodie sensation: his cheesemonger books have **sold a combined 56k copies through Bookscan**, and *A Cheesemonger's Tour de France* is longlisted for the André Simon Awards
- The perfect Christmas gift for cheese lovers and Francophiles, replete with illustrations, photography and a map of French cheeses

DESCRIPTION

Longlisted for the 2024 André Simon Awards

In *A Cheesemonger's Tour de France*, Ned Palmer wends his way around the country's regions, meeting the remarkable cheesemongers who carry the torch for France's oldest and most treasured traditions. Every French cheese carries an essence of the place where it's made - its history, identity and landscape. Sometimes that's a physical thing, as the hard texture of Comté echoes its mountainous home in the Jura. Other times it's about power and politics - Brie swelling to royal dimensions due to its proximity to the French court, or Camembert gaining national status after being supplied in patriotic boxes to First World War soldiers.

Witty, fascinating and endlessly moreish, *A Cheesemonger's Tour de France* is the perfect guide to a French cheeseboard - and a terrific insight into *la Belle République*.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Ned Palmer runs the Cheese Tasting Company, whose unique events pair cheese with wines, beers, whiskies and history. After studying philosophy, theatre and experimental psychology, he worked as a jazz pianist and hospital porter, before helping out on a stall at Borough Market led him into a life of cheesemongering.

REVIEWS

'A celebration of the quality, traditions and idiosyncrasies within traditional, small-scale French cheesemaking' - 'Best Food Books for Christmas', *Club Oenologique*

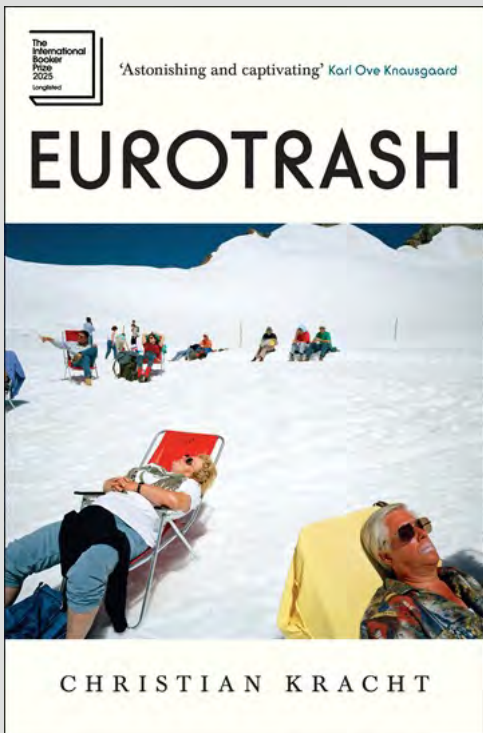
'Unearthing the history and people behind some of the country's finest fromages' - *Specialty Food*

'**Praise for Ned Palmer:** Full of flavour ... Palmer writes with pace and passion, and his encounters with modern-day practitioners fizz with infectious delight' - *Sunday Times*

'An utter delight, rousing, infectiously impassioned and inspiring' - *Spectator*

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REVIEWS

'Resonant and spiky' - *Daily Mail*
'Brilliantly caustic' - *i Paper*
'Not only moving and uplifting, but strangely funny ... *Eurotrash* is a knowing book' - *Guardian*
'Very funny and very precisely written' - Toby Lichtig, *Times Literary Supplement*

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Eurotrash

Longlisted for the International Booker Prize 2025

CHRISTIAN KRACHT

KEYNOTE

A rambunctious, tragicomic absurd road trip novel about a wealthy Swiss-German mother and son

SALES POINTS

- Already beloved in the USA and Europe, Kracht comes with endorsement from the world's best writers, including Knausgaard, Jelinek, Kehlman, Handke, Cohen, Zink and more
- *Eurotrash* is Christian Kracht's UK debut and this is set to be 2024's great translated literature discovery
- Perfect for fans of Thomas Bernhard, Jon Fosse and Karl Ove Knausgaard, not to mention the TV comedy series *Arrested Development*

DESCRIPTION

'Odd and evocative, a frolicking rumination' *TIMES CRITICS' BEST BOOK OF 2024*

'Hilarious, unsettling and unexpectedly moving' *FINANCIAL TIMES BEST TRANSLATED BOOK OF 2024*

'Resonant and spiky' *DAILY MAIL*

'Brilliantly caustic' *i PAPER*

Realising he and she are the very worst kind of people, a middle-aged man embarks on a dubious road trip through Switzerland with his eighty-year-old mother, recently discharged from a mental institution. Traversing the country in a hired cab, they attempt to give away the wealth she has amassed from investing in the arms industry, but a fortune of such immensity is surprisingly hard to squander. Haunted in different ways by the figure of her father, an ardent supporter of Nazism, mother and son can no longer avoid delving into the darkest truths about their past.

Eurotrash is a bitterly funny, vertiginous mirror-cabinet of familial and historical reckoning. The pair's tragicomic quest is punctuated by the tenderness and spite meted out between two people who cannot escape one another. Intensely personal and unsparingly critical, *Eurotrash* is a disorientingly brilliant novel by a writer at the pinnacle of his powers.

Praise for Christian Kracht:
'Christian Kracht is the great German-language writer of his generation' Joshua Cohen

'Astonishing and captivating' Karl Ove Knausgaard

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AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Christian Kracht is a Swiss novelist whose work has been translated into thirty languages. His novels include *Faserland*, *1979*, *Imperium* - which was the recipient of the Wilhelm Raabe literature prize, and one of *Publisher's Weekly* ten best books of 2015 - and, most recently, *The Dead*, which won the Swiss Book Prize and the Hermann Hesse Award.

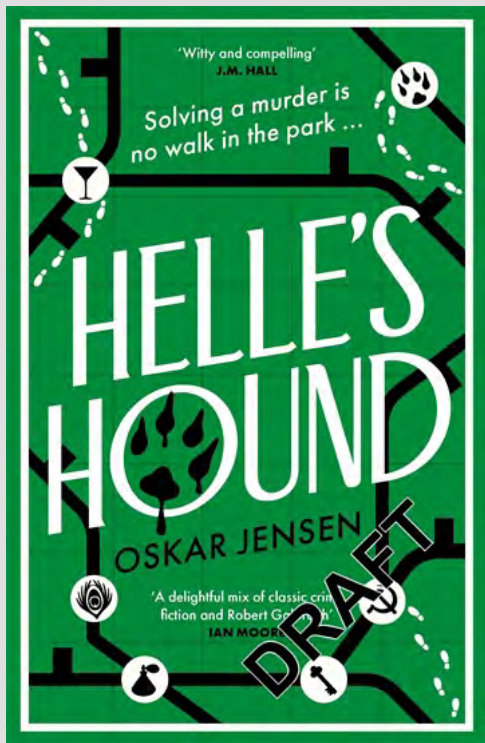
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'An absolute corker, highly improbable, hugely enjoyable, an ingenious blend of Nordic noir and hygge crime' - *Saga*

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'Another delightfully mischievous whodunnit from the author of *Helle and Death*' - *the i*

'One to be enjoyed' - *Belfast Telegraph*

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Helle's Hound

OSKAR JENSEN

KEYNOTE

The new novel from the highly acclaimed author of *Helle and Death*, this is Golden Age crime for the twenty-first century

SALES POINTS

- With a knowing wink to Agatha Christie, Arthur Conan Doyle and Dorothy L. Sayers, *Helle's Hound* is a modern homage to *The Hound of the Baskervilles* and the Golden Age whodunnit.
- Perfect for readers of Richard Osman, S.J. Bennett, Janice Hallett and Robert Thorogood

DESCRIPTION

'A delightful mix of classic crime fiction and Robert Galbraith' - IAN MOORE

'Witty, compelling and an intriguing fiendish murder' - J.M. HALL

'Brilliantly entertaining and fiendishly fun' - PHILIPPA EAST

A dead art historian. Cold War skulduggery.

A reluctant Danish sleuth. And an extremely hungry dog.

Dame Charlotte Lazerton - eminent art historian and mentor of Danish academic Torben Helle - is dead. And to make things worse, she was found partially eaten by her Irish wolfhound, Mortimer. While the police believe that she died of natural causes, Torben becomes convinced that Charlotte was murdered, although as usual no-one pays any attention to him. That is, until he gains the confidence of a policeman who has watched too many Nordic Noir television shows, and is ready to listen to any Scandinavian in a fetching woolly jumper.

Aided by his old friend Leyla, Torben soon realises that there are plenty of people who might have wanted Dame Charlotte dead, from her competitors for a prestigious academic presidency, to old enemies from her time in intelligence during the Cold War. One thing is for sure: Torben Helle is woefully unqualified to catch a killer, and the killer knows it...

This witty murder mystery puts a modern spin on the classic Golden Age whodunnit. A must-read for fans of Tom Hindle, Richard Osman and Janice Hallett.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Oskar Jensen is an author and academic. He researches songs at Newcastle University, and has written scholarly tomes on Napoleon, ballad-singing, and most recently the London streets, with 2022's *Vagabonds*. He is a BBC New Generation Thinker, appearing frequently on Radios 3 and 4, as well as showing up in the *New Statesman*, on *Who Do You Think You Are?*, and as historical advisor for 2018's *Vanity Fair* and a forthcoming major motion picture. His debut adult novel, *Helle and Death*, was published in 2024.

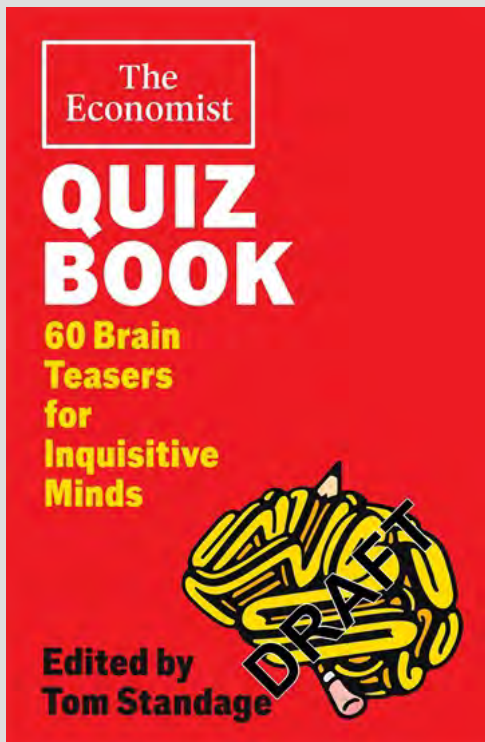
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TOM STANDAGE

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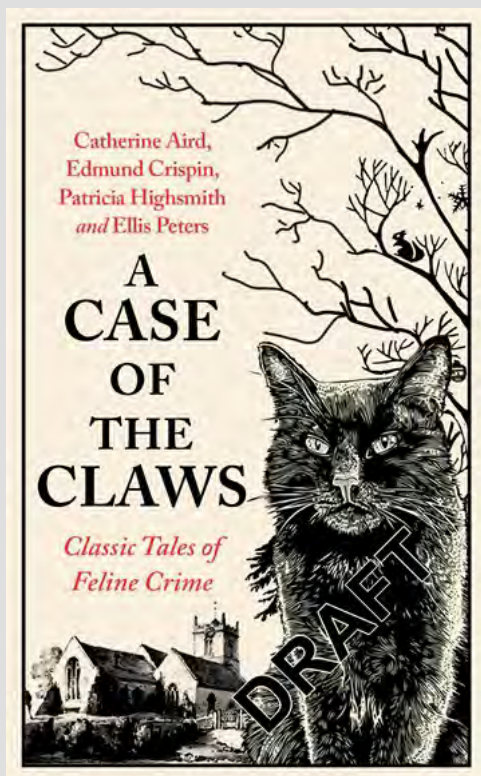
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‘With Cecily Gayford in charge, we are on safe ground’ - *Daily Mail*

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A Case of the Claws

Classic Tales of Feline Crime

KEYNOTE

Soft paws, sharp claws: three classic crime tales to delight crime-fiction and cat lovers at Christmas

SALES POINTS

- The editor of Profile's *Vintage Murder series* (260k sales) brings feline crime to Christmas, with three classic stories from the golden age of crime.
- A festive gift hardback package makes this a great till point impulse-buy and the perfect Christmas gift or stocking-filler
- Features three cat crime stories by classic crime legends
- Perfect for lovers of classic and cosy crime, from Agatha Christie to existing readers of Profile's *Vintage Murder series* and tapping into the trend for feline-based fiction (*The Travelling Cat Chronicles*)

DESCRIPTION

It's deep winter and time to light the fire, pull up a blanket and curl up with your cat. But has it occurred to you that your feline companion might be licking blood from its paws?

Slink through shadows and brush with death in these three classic cat-themed mystery tales from beloved crime authors Catherine Aird, Edmund Crispin and Ellis Peters.

Claws Out at Christmas brings a thrilling winter chill to the festive season and asks: are these furry friends the guardians of our secrets or omens of misfortune?

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Cecily Gayford studied English at the University of Oxford, where she immersed herself obsessively in the Gothic, morbid and mysterious side of literature. Now a Publishing Director, she has worked at Profile Books for twelve years.

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The Vanishing Place

ZOË RANKIN

KEYNOTE

An upmarket debut thriller, with the wild atmosphere of Kristin Hannah's *The Great Alone* and the page-turning intensity of Abigail Dean's *Girl A*

SALES POINTS

- Strong appeal for fans of cinematic thrillers, such as Lucy Clarke's *The Hike* (102k TCM), as well as the stunning poignancy of Chris Whitaker's *All the Colours of the Dark* (18.5k TCM)
- Rankin combines high-quality writing with page-turning pace to create an intricate and elevated escapist thriller
- The hooks in *The Vanishing Place* are multi-faceted: the dangers of the wilderness, survivalism, dark family secrets and the love between siblings. There's plenty for readers to talk about long after the final page

DESCRIPTION

'A genuinely thrilling ride' - LISA GARDNER

ONE GIRL LOST.

In the unforgiving wilderness of New Zealand stands a small cabin, home to nine-year-old Effie, her three siblings and their survivalist father. Their only connection to civilisation is the infrequent visits to the small town of Koraha, where Effie soon learns that her life in the bush is different... and that she needs to escape.

ONE GIRL FOUND.

Twenty years later, a young girl stumbles into a local store in Koraha, her hands stained with blood. She can't speak, but her path has been tracked through the woods to a cabin - Effie's cabin - and the scene of a harrowing double murder. Now, Effie must return to her childhood home. Is she ready to confront the truth about her past?

Flooded with atmosphere and full of twists, *The Vanishing Place* is perfect for readers of Lucy Clarke and Sarah Pearse.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Zoe Rankin grew up in Scotland where she studied International Relations with Arabic, before going on to qualify as a primary school teacher. She spent many years travelling, in Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and Africa, and eventually settled in New Zealand. She has always been passionate about writing, as well as spending time outdoors and exploring by bike. The wild setting of her debut novel *The Vanishing Place* reflects this passion. Zoe lives in Rotorua, New Zealand, and has two small children who are equally adventurous when it comes to the outdoors, spending hours walking and cycling through the stunning Redwoods forest.

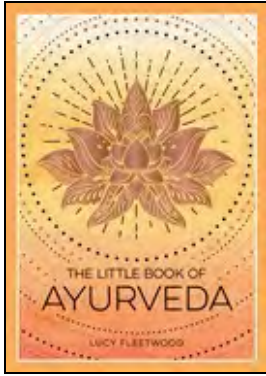
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The Little Book of Ayurveda A Beginner's Guide to the Art of Balancing Mind, Body and Spirit

Lucy Fleetwood

Description

Make your well-being a priority and embrace your connection to the world around you with the help of this beginner's guide to Ayurveda

Originating in India, the holistic therapy of Ayurveda is one of the oldest healing practices in the world. Based on the principle that illness and disease are caused by an imbalance between mind, body and spirit, Ayurveda offers a comprehensive approach to finding balance with an emphasis on a healthy diet combined with regular exercise, meditation and yoga.

The Little Book of Ayurveda will introduce you to the benefits of this ancient practice so you can uplift your mind and body with simple lifestyle changes to help you achieve balance.

Inside you will find:

- An accessible and enlightening overview of Ayurveda
- A wide range of Ayurvedic self-care rituals and techniques
- Practical advice for introducing Ayurveda into your day-to-day life

Unlock the powers of Ayurveda and begin your journey towards a healthier you.

Sales Points

- The perfect introduction to Ayurveda, this book covers everything you need to know and how you can implement it in your life.
- The global Ayurvedic market was valued at US \$8.459 million in 2022, and is projected to reach US \$15.655 million by 2030.
- A similar Summersdale book, *The Little Book of Reiki* (ISBN: 9781800076846), has sold over 10,000 copies.

Author Biography

Lucy Fleetwood, a mother of two and author of *Your Peaceful Belly*, has a passion for Ayurveda, soil and sustenance. Qualified as an Ayurvedic coach and hypnotherapist, Lucy healed her digestive issues of 15 years in just three months with an Ayurvedic approach.

You can find Lucy at her clinic in Bath, UK, or over on Substack at yourwellbeing.substack.com.

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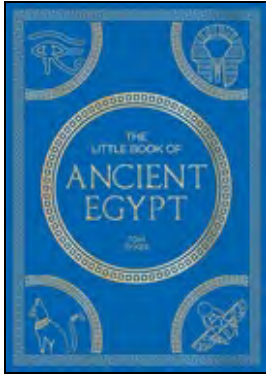
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The Little Book of Ancient Egypt A Pocket Guide to an Epic Civilization, Including Key Events, People, Trivia and More

Tom Sykes

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- An insight into the daily life of an Ancient Egyptian citizen
- The influence of Ancient Egypt on the modern day, from medicine to writing systems to mathematics

And so much more.

In this pocket-sized window into the past, discover the key events, people and trivia you need to know to understand this remarkable period of history.

Sales Points

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