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Thema 1.6	Psychological thriller (FHX) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) Classic crime and mystery fiction (FFC) Crime and mystery: women sleuths / detectives (FFS)
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Meet the Parents A totally gripping and twisty psychological thriller

Emily Shiner

Keynote

Meet the Parents is an unputdownable psychological thriller from the Kindle bestselling author Emily Shiner. Fans of *The Housemaid*, *The Girl in Seat 2A* and *The Perfect Marriage* will love it!

Description

"We're so excited to have you here in our home." My boyfriend's mother smiles at me too wide. His father's eyes are hard. It's like they're hiding something. But of course, I already know that...

The mother: Stay-at-home mother **Marta** has always been overlooked by her husband. She's not about to let the beautiful **Gina** take Owen away too. Marta will get Gina to trust her. And then she has a plan of her own.

The son: Owen is certain he wants to marry Gina. They just have to get through this weekend. His mom can be overprotective. But Owen knows what she's hiding.

The girlfriend: Ever since purposefully running into Dr Owen Whitlock at the hospital, Gina has been playing the doting girlfriend. She didn't mean to fall for Owen for real... Now she's finally meeting his parents. And she'll do *anything* to make sure they never find out who she really is.

By the end of the weekend, the Whitlocks' beautiful house will have burned to the ground. And someone won't make it out alive...

Meet the Parents is an absolutely unputdownable psychological thriller that will keep you up reading late into the night! Fans of *The Housemaid*, *The Girl in Seat 2A* and *The Perfect Marriage* will be totally hooked.

Readers love *Meet the Parents*:

"WOW WOW! A rollercoaster ride from start to finish... **I couldn't put it down...**My mind was spinning... **Gripping!**" NetGalley reviewer, □□□□

"I DEVoured this book. It had me hooked from the first page to the last... **Brilliant.**" Goodreads reviewer, □□□□

"WOW! So freakin' good! I could not put it down!... I was **on the edge of my seat** the entire time and **my heart was racing.**" Goodreads reviewer, □□□□

"I was **addicted to this from page one** and I **really struggled to put it down** (it's nearly 2am and **I just had to stay up to finish it**)... The ending **had my jaw on the floor.**" Goodreads reviewer, □□□□

"Jaw dropping ending, OMG! I love Emily Shiner... I couldn't put this book down." Goodreads reviewer, □□□□

"Absolutely incredible!... I **literally gasped out loud in shock! Wow** what a ride... 10/10 would recommend... **Raving about this book to anyone that will listen.**" Goodreads reviewer, □□□□

"Absolutely unputdownable... This book should come with a warning... this has been **impossible to put down... Completely jaw-dropping!**" *littlemissbooklover87*, □□□□

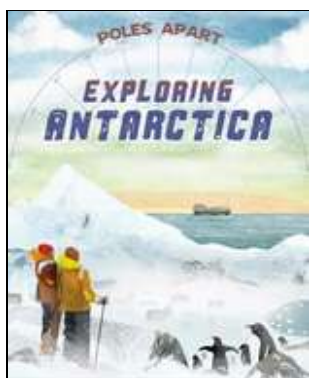
"I absolutely binged this book and finished it in just one sitting! I could not put it down! It is **the definition of thrilling!** I was **completely hooked.**" *sophs.book.club*, □□□□

"Kept me on the edge of my seat... This book is **impossible to put down... A must-read... I was left breathless.**" *schiel_good_reads*, □□□□

"Wow! What an amazing thriller... I sped through all of the chapters ...The ending was just perfect!" *roxyrecommends*, □□□□

"Oh my gosh! I absolutely devoured this book... Truly on **the edge of my seat** for this **rollercoaster ride... Totally loved it!**" NetGalley reviewer, □□□□

Sales Points



Poles Apart: Exploring Antarctica Book 1

Franklin Watts (Illustrated By Oliver Averill)

Keynote

Explore one of our planet's polar regions, Antarctica, to see its unspoilt spectacular scenery and explore how plants and animals manage to live in this extreme environment

Description

Covered in vast expanses of ice and snow, and battered by gale-force winds, Antarctica is one of Earth's most isolated and hostile habitats. And yet many amazing animals and plants thrive in these extreme conditions.

This book explores Antarctica, showing the plants and animals that survive here in the long dark winters and acute cold. Learn about ice floes and pack ice so heavy and hard they can tear a ship's hull and read about the amazing Antarctic fish who have anti-freeze in their blood. See the stunning Southern lights rippling across the sky in glowing greens and yellows and find out what sparkling diamond dust is.

Because so few humans can live in such cold conditions, this means the region is mostly unspoilt, providing a great environment for scientific research. This book looks at the work that happens in Antarctica as well as exploring some of the problems that affect the region, such as climate change and toxic pollution.

Oliver Averill's atmospheric illustrations provide a visual guide to one of our planet's extraordinary polar regions. Perfect for children aged 7+

Sales Points

- Supports geography study at key stage two
- Oliver Averill is an illustrator based in the West Midlands. He creates his imagery through textures and mark making, which help create atmosphere in his work

Author Biography

Franklin Watts (Author)

Franklin Watts is well-known for its high-quality and attractive books. We aim to give children of all abilities a life-long love of learning and reading.

Oliver Averill (Illustrator)

Oliver Averill is an illustrator based in the West Midlands of the United Kingdom, strongly inspired by history. He graduated from Falmouth University with a degree in illustration and enjoys creating his imagery through textures and mark making, which help create atmosphere in his work. Oliver loves to work on children's picture books, especially those with historical content.

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CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
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Poles Apart: Exploring the Arctic Book 2

Franklin Watts (Illustrated By Oliver Averill)

Keynote

Explore one of our planet's polar regions, the Arctic, to see its unspoilt spectacular scenery and explore how plants and animals manage to live in this extreme environment

Description

Covered in vast expanses of ice and snow, and battered by gale-force winds, the Arctic is one of Earth's most hostile habitats. And yet many amazing animals and plants thrive in these extreme conditions.

This book explores the Arctic, showing the plants and animals that survive here in the long dark winters and acute cold. Read about icebergs as tall as a 10-storey building and ice sheets as big as countries. See the stunning Northern lights stretching across the sky in glowing colours. Read about Arctic animals, including polar bears, Arctic foxes and wolverines, reindeer, narwhals and beluga whales. See how life has changed for the people who live and work in the Arctic. This book also explores some of the problems that affect the region, such as climate change and pollution.

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

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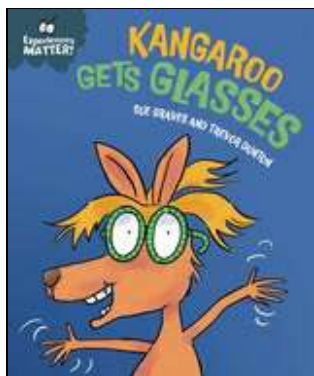
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Experiences Matter: Kangaroo Gets Glasses

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the experience of getting glasses for young children

Description

Kangaroo Gets Glasses offers a gentle introduction to the experience of visiting the optician for young children.

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to the experience of having an eye test and getting glasses. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children reflect on their own experiences.

Kangaroo is having trouble seeing the board in the classroom. Mum takes her to visit Mr Panda, the optician, for an eye test. Kangaroo is a little nervous, but Mr Panda is very kind...

The Experiences Matter series of picture books provide a gentle means of discussing experiences, boosting self-esteem and reinforcing good behaviour. Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is also suitable for use with children in KS1 and can be used to discuss values. Suitable for children under 5.

Sales Points

- Each story is backed up with suggestions for activities and ideas to talk about, consolidating learning by relating the story to the children's own experiences
- Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage

Reviews

- 'Excellent for sharing and encouraging discussion ... we can all learn from the approach taken in this series.' - *Parents in Touch*

Author Biography

Sue Graves (Author)

Sue Graves has been a freelance children's author for more than 17 years. She has written over two hundred books for children from pre-school up to 15+ years. She writes fiction and non-fiction, plays and poetry across the age ranges.

Sue loves reading all sorts of books and is at her happiest when she has a book in her hand. She also loves painting in watercolours, playing tennis and badminton and going for long walks in the country with her husband and children.

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A keen tennis player and apiarist, if he isn't hitting the fluff of a ball, he can generally be found in a field in Kent serenading his bees.

Publication date **Thursday, April 23, 2026**

Price **£7.99 / ₹650**

Main Identifier **9781445192253**

Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage fiction: Nature and animal stories (YFP)**

Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Emotions, moods, feelings and behaviours (YXE)

For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF)
For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA)

For primary education (4CD)
Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC **A3N79**

Age **0-5 years**

Subject **Fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character **Non-character**

Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **236x195**

Depth **6mm**

Extent **32 pages**

Word Count

Illustrations **Full colour**

Series **Experiences Matter**

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

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

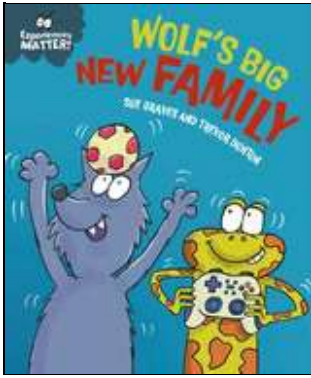
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2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher

Experiences Matter: Wolf's Big New Family

Sue Graves (Illustrated By Trevor Dunton)

Keynote

Picture book story which offers a gentle introduction to the experience of becoming a blended family for young children

Description

***Wolf's Big New Family* offers a gentle introduction to the experience of becoming a larger stepfamily for young children.**

This funny, charming story is the perfect way to introduce young children to the experience of becoming a blended family. Also included are suggestions for activities and ideas to talk through together to help children reflect on their own experiences.

When Gecko and his dad move into Wolf's house with his mum and sister, Wolf is worried. He likes Gecko and Gecko's dad, but he doesn't want his family to change. Tiger's mum helps him to think of things they can do together ...

The Experiences Matter series of picture books provide a gentle means of discussing experiences, boosting self-esteem and reinforcing good behaviour. Supports the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Area of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, and is also suitable for use with children in KS1 and can be used to discuss values. Suitable for children under 5.

Sales Points

- Each story is backed up with suggestions for activities and ideas to talk about, consolidating learning by relating the story to the children's own experiences
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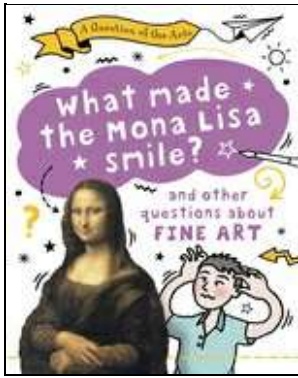
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CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding Format	Hardback 265x210
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	A Question of the Arts
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

February 2026

A Question of the Arts: Architecture
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A Question of the Arts: What Made the Mona Lisa Smile (and other questions about fine arts)

Mary Auld

Keynote

Uncover the mysteries of fine art in this fun question-based book for kids

Description

Uncover the mysteries of fine art in this fun question-based book for kids

What made the Mona Lisa smile? Why do artists love painting haystacks? And just how can you make art with elephant poo? Find out the answers to these questions and much more in this book!

With an engaging question and answer format, this series draws young readers into the fascinating world of the arts. Each spread opens with a simple, quirky question, opening up an exploration of arts topics and busting some popular myths along the way!

The lively lay-out is supported by annotated photos and cartoons, making the arts fun and accessible for every young reader.

Titles in the series:

A Question of the Arts: Architecture / Craft / Dance / Film / Fine Art / Literature / Music / Theatre

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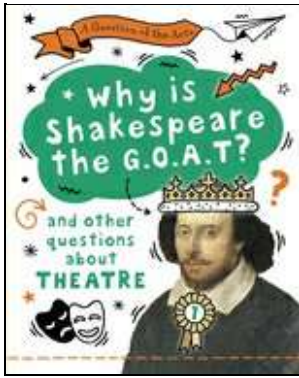
- Tackles art topics in a fun and accessible way
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Summary of Contents

What is fine art? / Who were the OG artists? / Is art history? / When does a dot go for a walk? / When does art enter another dimension? / Can you print a masterpiece? / How can you make art in a snap? / What made the Mona Lisa smile? / When do artists paint haystacks? / When is a bowl of fruit a face? / When is a lobster a telephone? / Why is art confused? / Quick-fire questions / Glossary / Further discovery / Index

Author Biography

Mary Auld is a writer of children's information books, working over a broad range of subjects. She has been actively involved in music from an early age, both singing and playing the flute, on an amateur basis. She loves making music in a group, be that in an orchestra or a choir. Whether making music or writing children's books, her aim is to share her enthusiasm and inspire readers. Mary Auld is a pen name for Rachel Cooke, who is an honorary fellow of the English Association, in recognition of her editorial work in children's non-fiction.



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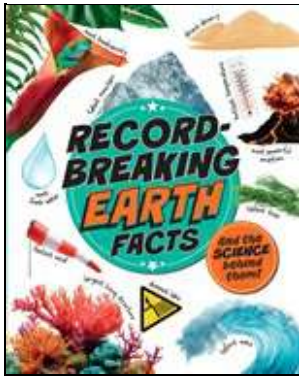
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Record-Breaking: Earth Facts And the science behind them!

Izzi Howell

Keynote

Find out the facts behind the biggest, coldest and most powerful planet Earth record breakers and explore the science behind them

Description

Find out the facts behind the biggest, coldest and most powerful planet Earth record breakers and explore the science behind them.

Discover some of the most incredible places on Earth, from the tallest mountains, trees and waterfalls to the most powerful waves, wind and volcanic eruptions. Children can learn facts such as: Why is the Atacama Desert so dry? How many species live in the Amazon Rainforest? What was the longest lightning bolt?

Packed full of bold images and surprising information, the *Record-Breaking Facts* series for children aged 7 plus, dives into a range of fascinating facts and reveals the secret science behind them.

Sales Points

- High-interest topics but with a solid science learning behind them
- Features big bold labelled photographs, perfect for visual learners
- Appeals to children who enjoy finding out about life's extremes

Author Biography

Izzi Howell is an award-winning author and editor of over fifty children's books. She lives in East Sussex and enjoys learning languages, cooking and travelling around Europe. Her book *Cats React to Science Facts* was the winner of the Best Laugh Out Loud Book for 6-8 year-olds award at The Lollies and winner of The Royal Society Young People's Book Prize in 2020.

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

Binding **Hardback**
 Format **265x210**
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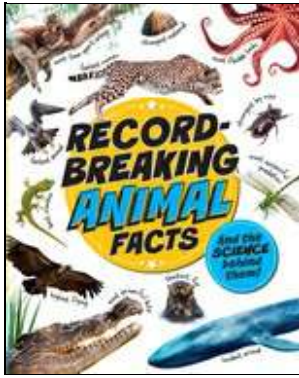
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Keynote

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Description

Find out the facts behind the fastest, loudest and furriest animal record breakers and explore the science behind them.

Discover some incredible animal adaptations, that allow different species to move at record speeds, learn about their surroundings or take down prey. Children can learn facts such as: how do cheetahs run so fast? Which animal is the deadliest to humans? Which is the world's most successful predator?

Packed full of bold images and surprising information, the *Record-Breaking Facts* series for children aged 7 plus, dives into a range of fascinating facts and reveals the secret science behind them.

Sales Points

- High-interest topics but with a solid science learning behind them
- Features big bold labelled photographs, perfect for visual learners
- Appeals to children who enjoy finding out about life's extremes

Author Biography

Izzi Howell is an award-winning author and editor of over fifty children's books. She lives in East Sussex and enjoys learning languages, cooking and travelling around Europe. Her book *Cats React to Science Facts* was the winner of the Best Laugh Out Loud Book for 6-8 year-olds award at The Lollies and winner of The Royal Society Young People's Book Prize in 2020.

Publication date **Thursday, April 09, 2026**
 Price **£12.99 / ₹1099**
 Main Identifier **9781526329431**
 Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-A CJ)**

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

Binding **Hardback**
 Format **265x210**
 Depth **10mm**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Record-Breaking**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

Feb 2026
 Dinosaur Facts 9781526329691
 Technology Facts 9781526329714

Apr 2026
 Animal Facts 97815263229431
 Earth Facts 9781526329455

Jun 2026
 Space Facts 9781526329479
 Human Body Facts 9781526329493

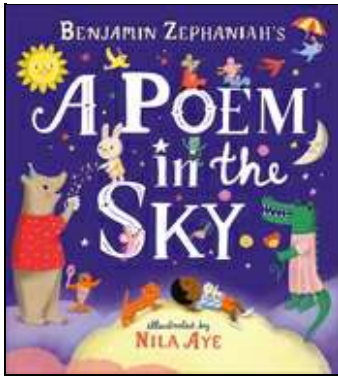
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A Poem in the Sky

Benjamin Zephaniah (Illustrated By Nila Aye)

Keynote

A playful picture book that celebrates the magic of poetry, from legendary poet and performer Benjamin Zephaniah and award-winning illustrator Nila Aye.

Description

A joyful picture book that celebrates the magic of poetry, from the award-winning makers of *Nature Trail* and *People Need People*.

There's a poem on your face
There's a poem in the sky
There's a poem in outta space
There are poems passing by

Poems are EVERYWHERE - in your dreams, on your fingers and in your teeth! There's even a poem in you. Can't you see it? It's right there.

Get ready to see poems wherever you are in this toe-tapping celebration of rhythm and rhyme from award-winning poet Benjamin Zephaniah, beautifully illustrated by Nila Aye.

Praise for *Nature Trail*:

'A joy to read with small children' - Independent

Sales Points

- Benjamin Zephaniah was a BAFTA award-winning performer, musician, actor and remains one of the UK's best-known poets
- Stylish, dream-like illustrations from Nila Aye are packed with imaginative details for children to spot
- Over 80,000 copies of *Nature Trail* sold across all formats since publication (Extent), and over 40,000 copies of *People Need People*

Author Biography

Benjamin Zephaniah (Author)

Benjamin Zephaniah (1958-2023) was a performer, musician, actor and one of the UK's best-known poets. Born in Handsworth, Birmingham, Benjamin began writing and performing at the age of 11, and had his first collection of poetry published when he was 22. He wrote more than 30 books for adults and children, and is known all over the world for his powerful writing and performances.

Benjamin was a founding member of Artists Against Apartheid, and in 1996 he hosted the President's Two Nations Concerts at the Royal Albert Hall in London, UK, at the request of Nelson Mandela. On August 29th 2007, he was the Master of Ceremonies at the unveiling of the statue of Nelson Mandela, again at his request, in Parliament Square. Benjamin was also a musician and was the first person to record with the Wailers after the death of musician, Bob Marley.

As well as writing poetry, novels, screenplays and stage plays, Benjamin also wrote and presented documentaries for television and radio. His poetry show *Life & Rhymes* won a BAFTA for 'best entertainment programme' in 2021. He was awarded 13 honorary doctorates in recognition of his work and a wing at The Ealing Hospital in West London has been named after him.

Nila Aye (Illustrator)

Nila Aye was born in Rangoon, Myanmar, arriving in the UK at the age of three and spent most of her childhood dreaming and drawing pictures. Nila studied graphic design at Central St Martins in London, graduating in 1995.

Nila is an award winning illustrator, collaborating on many well-loved children's books including *Nature Trail*, *People Need People*, *Story Soup* and the *Little Bugs Big Feelings* series. Her love of visual storytelling and collaboration with authors continues to energise Nila in her mission to bring beautifully illustrated books to a new generation of young readers around the world.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹1099
Main Identifier	9781408368183
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage: Poetry / poems (YDP) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC	A1M79
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Poetry & Plays / Songs & Music
Type	Picture Book
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

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

Publishing History

Nature Trail 9781408361269
People Need People 9781408368169

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



50 Fantastic Science Jobs Which one would you choose?

Tom Jackson

Keynote

A comprehensive collection of science careers to wow and inspire the next generation of budding scientists

Description

A comprehensive collection of science careers to wow and inspire the next generation of budding scientists.

Have you any idea how many kinds of scientist there are? Perhaps you're keen to work in the field of science but are not aware of the diverse range of careers on offer. From deep diving in the ocean as an Ichthyologist, or mushroom-hunting as a mycologist, to designing future spacecraft as an Aerospace engineer, or helping to solve crimes as a toxicologist, there is a stunning variety of careers to aspire to.

Flick through the pages of this book to discover what sort of scientist you could be. This book showcases a diverse array of inspiring careers across the four disciplines of chemistry, biology, physics and technology. You'll find details of what sort of work each job involves, the specialist equipment used and what key skills are involved so you can consider which jobs play to your strengths or explore options you'd never considered or even heard of before.

The simple, bold eye-catching design and accompanying artwork of each role will make this the perfect gift for any child or student from age 9 and up.

Sales Points

- An encyclopedic approach to science and STEM careers with a different job explored on each double page spread
- A visual variety of artwork from a collection of different artists to help bring the careers to life
- Key skills for each job role highlighted at the bottom of each spread

Summary of Contents

Primatologist; / Botanist; / Ecologist; / Mycologist; / Entomologist / Zoologist; / Microbiologist; / Molecular Biologist; / Ichthyologist; / Virologist; / Geneticist; / Herpetologist; / Ornithologist; / Cosmologist; / Astrophysicist; / Quantum Physicist; / Particle Physicist; / Astronomer; / Metrologist; / Meteorologist; / Accoustician; / Optical Scientist; / Materials Scientist; / Climate Scientist; / Condensed Matter Physicist; / Biochemist; / Chemical Engineer; / Analytical Chemist; / Pharmacologist; / Toxicologist; / Organic Chemist; / Forensic Scientist; / Physical Chemist; / Nanotechnologist; / Computational Chemist; / Nuclear Chemist; / Lab technician; / Mechanical Engineer; / Electrical Engineer; / Aerospace Engineer; / Construction Engineer; / Microchip Engineer; / Cryptographer; / Genetic Engineer; / Epidemiologist; / Network Engineer; / Web Developer; / Sports Technologist; / Software Developer; / Robotist

Author Biography

Tom Jackson has written more than 80 books and contributed to hundreds more. His specialties are natural history, technology and all things scientific. Tom spends his days finding fun ways of communicating facts, new and old, to all age groups and reading abilities. Tom lives in Bristol, England, with his wife and three children. He studied zoology at Bristol University and has had spells working at zoos. Tom has also worked as a conservationist, which saw him planting trees in Somerset, surveying Vietnamese jungle and rescuing wildlife from drought-ridden Zimbabwe. Writing has also taken him to the Galápagos Islands, Amazon rainforest, coral reefs of Indonesia and Sahara Desert. Nowadays, he can be found mainly in the attic.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781526327406
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) Teenage personal and social topics: Advice on careers and further education, leaving school (YXV) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK)

CBMC	D4N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Reference
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	265x210
Depth	10mm
Extent	112 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
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Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Vida the Vet: Koa's Sweet Tooth

Official Vida the Vet

Keynote

Koa the tiger loves sweets, but his teeth hurt and he doesn't know why. Luckily, Vida the Vet knows just what to do!

Based on an episode from the hit animated series, *Vida the Vet*. Available on Netflix and CBeebies.

Description

Vida the Vet is a ten-year-old girl who loves to care for the creatures living near her woodland home. Whether it's a tiger with a toothache or a bear who's had a bump, Vida is always there to help her friends feel better.

Sales Points

- Hit animated series, launched on Netflix in 2024. Now available on CBeebies and BBC iPlayer.
- New series from SpinMaster, producers of mega-hit franchise PAW Patrol.
- Toy Range launching 2025
- Core themes of kindness, friendship, family and nature.
- Nominee - Outstanding Children's Programming, 2025 GLAAD Media Awards - celebrating meaningful inclusion and representation.

Author Biography

Vida the Vet is a ten-year-old girl who cares for woodland creatures that live just outside her home. Whether it's a tiger with a toothache or a bear with a booboo, Vida is always ready to help an animal in need and will have her furry friends feeling better in one, two, three!

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹750
Main Identifier	9781408375617
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Fantasy (YFH) Children's / Teenage fiction: Nature and animal stories (YFP) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC	A3M68
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Character
Tie In	TV / Film Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Vida the Vet
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Vida the Vet titles publishing 2025

Storybooks:

Popcorn, The Best Assistant
Sunny's Naptime Blues

Activity Books:

Meet Vida! Activity Book
My Colouring Book
Vida the Vet Search and Find

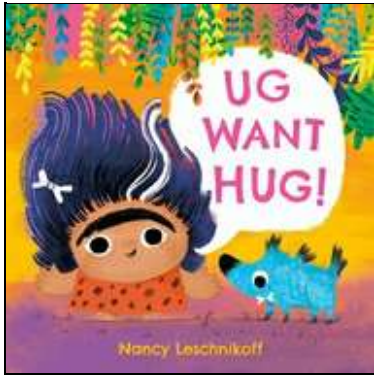
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Nancy Leschnikoff

Publication date **Thursday, April 23, 2026**
 Price **£7.99 / ₹650**
 Main Identifier **9781444980318**
 Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Emotions, moods, feelings and behaviours (YXE) Picture storybooks: imagination and play (YBCS2) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)**

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

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **245x245**
 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Ug and Og**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Ug Want Hug

Nancy Leschnikoff

Keynote

The first story from Ug and Og, a hilarious new prehistoric double act, which teaches little ones that not everyone wants to be hugged.

Description

Meet Ug and Og, the hilarious new prehistoric double act.

Ug REALLY wants a hug, but nobody will give him one. Not the grumpy toad, or the squirting flower, and DEFINITELY NOT the sabre-toothed tiger. Poor Ug!

Could there be someone right under Ug's nose who would also LOVE a hug . . . if only Ug would ask them?

A delightfully funny story with a light-hearted message about consent.

Sales Points

- Eye-catching bold artwork featuring vibrant, loveable characters and zingy pops of colour.
- Offers an entry-point to conversations around consent and healthy boundaries, to aid toddlers' social and emotional development.
- Simple text featuring fun onomatopoeic words to keep little ones engaged and encourage repeat reading.

Author Biography

Nancy Leschnikoff is an illustrator-designer who lives in Kent with her family. Growing up with her father who was also a professional illustrator, Nancy learned early on that doodling (all the time!) was her thing. She went on to study Design and Illustration at Nottingham Trent University. Nancy has a quirky sense of humour that translates into her artwork, and she loves to work on projects that make children giggle.

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DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse: CatRat's Birthday Surprise

Official Gabby's Dollhouse

Keynote

Grab your kitty 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 preschool show and bestselling toy range.

Description

Celebrate CatRat's kitty-riffic birthday in this storybook based on the Netflix show, *Gabby's Dollhouse*!

Gabby and Pandi are off on another adventure in this paperback storybook. Share in Gabby's excitement as she unboxes a new surprise. Then, it's a 'pinch on the left, pinch on the right, grab Pandi's hand and hold on tight!' as you and Gabby enter her magical dollhouse. What surprises do the Gabby Cats have in store today?

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Sales Points

- Immensely popular animated series from Dreamworks Animation (Producers of *How To Train Your Dragon*) in partnership with streaming giant, Netflix.
- Top-rated Netflix preschool show; Top-rated global preschool brand.
- **1.8+ billion** global views on YouTube; **254+ million** music streams; **32+ million** app downloads.
- Top-selling toy range from SpinMaster; *Gabby's Dollhouse* magazine also available (Kennedy Publishing).
- Promotes imagination, resilience, crafting, kindness and friendship.

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.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹750
Main Identifier	9781408375778
Thema 1.6	Picture books: character books (YBCH) Children's / Teenage general interest: Dolls, figures and similar toys (YNVD1) Children's / Teenage general interest: Celebrations, holidays, festivals and special events (YNMD) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC	A3M68
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Picture Book
Character	Character
Tie In	TV / Film Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	DreamWorks Gabby's Dollhouse
Not for Sale	USA

Previous Titles

A Fairy-Tastic Sleepover
MerCat's Mermaid Adventure
Merry Christmas, Gabby Cats!
Mermaid Christmas Cruise
The Easter Kitty Bunny
The Gabby Cats Save the Day
The Sparkliest Day of the Year

Baby Box's Crafty-Rific Sticker Activity Book
Gabby's Dollhouse Annual 2025
Where's Gabby Girl? A Cat-Tastic Search and Find
Springtime Fun! Sticker & Activity Book

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher



Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£6.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781804539989
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Ball games and sports: Association football (Soccer) (YNWD1)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	128 pages
Word Count	
Series	Football Superstars
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; Cent & S Am

Football Superstars: Real Madrid Rule

Simon Mugford (Illustrated By Dan Green)

Keynote

This fully illustrated non-fiction chapter book tells the story of Real Madrid, including facts about the club's world-famous players, its star managers, classic matches and more!

Description

If you're a true fan of Los Blancos, then you need this book! One of the greatest football clubs in history, Real Madrid CF have not only dominated Spanish football but have also achieved massive international success - winning a record number of European Cups, as well as FIFA Club World Cups, UEFA Super Cups, and La Liga titles.

In this fun and fact-filled book about Real Madrid Football Club, *Football Superstars'* dynamic duo Dan and Simon share their unique take on the club's incredible story, from its golden eras featuring legends like Di Stéfano, Raúl, and Cristiano Ronaldo, to the brilliance of today's stars. You'll discover the unforgettable players, managers, and moments that have made Real Madrid a true footballing powerhouse loved all around the world.

Football Superstars is a series aimed at building a love of reading from a young age, with fun cartoons, inspirational stories, a simple narrative style and a cast of characters chipping in with quotes, jokes and comments.

Sales Points

- This fact-packed book traces Real Madrid's history, plus the legendary players, managers, matches and more that tell the story of the football institution beloved around the world.
- Real Madrid are the most successful football club in history, with a record number of European Cups and countless domestic and international titles that have made them a global symbol of football excellence.
- They are one of the most widely supported football clubs in the world, with millions of fans across every continent and a massive global following on social media.
- Fully illustrated biography presents the club's exciting story using simple narrative text - ideal for reluctant readers.
- The narrative is relatable and inspirational for young fans and is sprinkled with humour throughout.

Author Biography

Simon Mugford (Author)

Simon once worked at the Science Museum in London, where he flew paper aeroplanes and made giant bubbles for children. Now he writes and edits books about things like dinosaurs, ice hockey, thunderstorms and llamas. He lives in Kent with his wife and daughter, a cat and two tortoises.

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Soccer Superstars: Heroes of the World Cup Rule

Simon Mugford (Illustrated By Dan Green)

Keynote

With cartoon illustrations - telling the amazing stories of FIFA World Cup players past and present - Soccer Superstars: Heroes Of The World Cup is packed with plenty of jokes, funny characters, as well as the facts and stats that fans of Soccer Superstars have come to know and love.

Description

Fully illustrated with fun line art, this unofficial non-fiction book charts the stars from the history of the FIFA World Cup, plus profiles future stars in the lead-up to the 2026 World Cup in the USA and the 2027 Women's World Cup in Brazil. The series aimed at building a love of reading from a young age, especially among soccer-loving children who are reluctant readers.

Sales Points

- Everything the young fan wants to know about the biggest names from the soccer World Cup! This fact-packed book traces the story of the FIFA World Cup, spanning the timelines of both the men's and women's competition, and cast its spotlight on the biggest stars and their achievements.
- Tells the stories of some of the greatest matches, greatest goals and even the controversies that have become part of soccer legend.
- Humorous artwork captures the legendary players, coaches and modern stars in beautiful caricature.
- The narrative is fun, accessible and inspirational for young fans-ideal for reluctant readers.

Author Biography

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Publication date	Tuesday, April 28, 2026
Price	£6.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781804539941
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Ball games and sports: Association football (Soccer) (YNWD1) Children's / Teenage general interest: Biography and autobiography (YNB) Children's / Teenage general interest: Communities, places and peoples (YNM) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) 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	128 pages
Word Count	4000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Can; Carib; Mex; S Am; USA
Not for Sale	Philippines; RoW

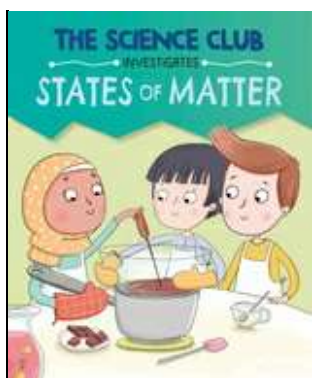
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The Science Club Investigates: States of Matter

Mary Auld (Illustrated By Sernur Isik)

Keynote

Join the kids of the Science Club and discover states of matter through a combination of adventure, activity and experiment in this fun, story-based series

Description

Join the kids of the Science Club and discover states of matter through a combination of adventure, activity and experiment in this fun, story-based series for kids aged 5 and up

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹750
Main Identifier	9781526321503
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	236x195
Depth	4mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Science Club Investigates
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Feb 2025	Light Electricity
April 2025	Sound Habitats
June 2025	Plants The Human Body
August 2025	Forces & Magnets Weather
October 2025	Rocks & Fossils States of Matter

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher

It's Mrs Khan's birthday and she's having a party with the Science Club. It's a great way to learn all about materials and solids, liquids and gases. The kids discover how these different states of matter change from one to the other, as they mix fruit punch, freeze lollies, bake cakes and blow up balloons. Happy birthday, Mrs Khan!

The Science Club follows a group of science-mad kids who meet at a club where they learn about science through their own experiences and discoveries. For example, at one club someone brings in a fossil, leading to an investigation into the rock cycle, dinosaurs and fossil formation. At another, a storm inspires the children to learn about lightning and other forms of electricity. Each story features sweet, humorous illustrations and includes simple experiments for readers to try for themselves.

Titles in the series:

Light
Electricity
Rocks & Fossils
States of Matter
Forces & Magnets
Plants
The Human Body
Habitats
Sound
Weather

Sales Points

- Narrative, story-based approach makes learning science accessible and fun
- Contains simple science activities and experiments for readers to try
- The text and artwork have been checked by a science specialist with extensive teaching experience

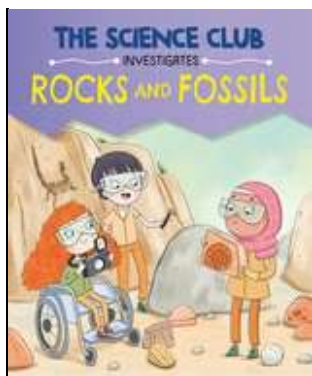
Author Biography

Mary Auld (Author)

Mary Auld is a writer of children's information books, working over a broad range of subjects. She has been actively involved in music from an early age, both singing and playing the flute, on an amateur basis. She loves making music in a group, be that in an orchestra or a choir. Whether making music or writing children's books, her aim is to share her enthusiasm and inspire readers. Mary Auld is a pen name for Rachel Cooke, who is an honorary fellow of the English Association, in recognition of her editorial work in children's non-fiction.

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Istanbul based illustrator and designer, Sernur Isik specialises in children's books and all things lovely. She studied Graphic Design at Ataturk University Faculty of Fine Arts, then worked as an illustrator for a company in Istanbul specialising in content for children's TV. Later, she worked as the Visual Art Director and Character Designer for a Theme Park in Istanbul. In 2014 she was chosen for the Pictoplasma Academy in Berlin, where she studied character design. Since 2002, she has been working with publishers around the world, illustrating children's books. She also creates little sculptures of her characters using clay and ceramics and is currently exhibiting, mainly in USA. She travels with a passion around the world, creating new characters and stories about places she's been to.



The Science Club Investigates: Rocks and Fossils

Mary Auld (Illustrated By Sernur Isik)

Keynote

Join the kids of the Science Club and discover rocks and fossils through a combination of adventure, activity and experiment in this fun, story-based series

Description

Join the kids of the Science Club and discover rocks and fossils through a combination of adventure, activity and experiment in this fun, story-based series for kids aged 5 and up

The Science Club has a new project - rocks. They find out all about Earth's rock cycle and how it has created different types of rock over millions of years. They also discover how fossils are formed and go on an exciting, virtual fossil hunt. What dinosaurs will they find?

The Science Club follows a group of science-mad kids who meet at a club where they learn about science through their own experiences and discoveries. For example, at one club someone brings in a fossil, leading to an investigation into the rock cycle, dinosaurs and fossil formation. At another, a storm inspires the children to learn about lightning and other forms of electricity. Each story features sweet, humorous illustrations and includes simple experiments for readers to try for themselves.

Titles in the series:

Light
Electricity
Rocks & Fossils
States of Matter
Forces & Magnets
Plants
The Human Body
Habitats
Sound
Weather

Sales Points

- Narrative, story-based approach makes learning science accessible and fun
- Contains simple science activities and experiments for readers to try
- The text and artwork have been checked by a science specialist with extensive teaching experience

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Main Identifier	9781526321053
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	236x195
Depth	8mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	The Science Club Investigates

Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Feb 2025

Light
Electricity

April 2025

Sound
Habitats

June 2025

Plants
The Human Body

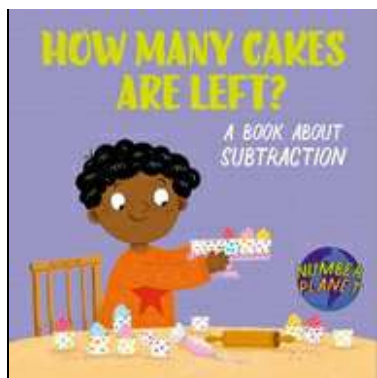
August 2025

Forces & Magnets
Weather

October 2025

Rocks & Fossils
States of Matter

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher



Number Planet: How Many Cakes are Left? A book about subtraction

Louise Spilsbury (Illustrated By Emily Cooksey)

Keynote

A fun picture book that helps young children get to grips with subtraction

Description

This fun picture books helps young children get to grips with subtraction through bold pictures, activities and things to spot on the page.

Leon and Luna are having a magical adventure counting animals all around the world. Through the story, children aged 4 plus will learn about maths concepts including: counting backwards, counting down in fives and removing 10.

Number Planet are picture books that help children explore first maths concepts. Titles in the series cover the topics of Addition, Subtraction, Measurements and Shapes.

Sales Points

- Fun approach to learning KS1 maths topics
- Picture-book style illustrations engage the reader
- Includes highlighted key terms, questions for interactivity and things to spot

Author Biography

Louise Spilsbury (Author)

Award-winning author Louise Spilsbury, who also writes under the name Louise Kay Stewart, has written over 250 books for young people on a wide range of exciting subjects. She loves writing children's books as it gives her the chance to keep learning about new stuff. She lives and works near the coast in South Devon and loves to walk on the beach and swim in the sea after work. Louise won The English Association Margaret Mallett Award for Children's Non-Fiction 2019 for *Rebel Voices: the rise of votes for women*.

Emily Cooksey (Illustrator)

Emily studied at the Wolverhampton School of Art, achieving a first-class BA Hons degree and a distinction Master's degree in Illustration. Her work is created digitally and reflects a hand drawn style, inspired by memories of reading picture books as a child.

Publication date **Thursday, April 09, 2026**

Price **£12.99 / ₹1099**

Main Identifier **9781526330871**

Thema 1.6 **Children's: picture books, activity books, early learning concepts (YB)**

Children's / Teenage general interest:

Mathematics and numbers (YNTM)

Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)

For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (Northern Ireland) (4Z-GB-NCF)

CBMC **B5N79**

Age **5-7 years**

Subject **Non-fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character **Non-character**

Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Hardback**

Format **245x245**

Extent **32 pages**

Word Count

Series **Number Planet**

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

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

Feb 2026

How Big is a Polar Bear (Measurement) 9781526330826

How Many Chicks Can You Count? (Addition) 9781526330840

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How Many Circles Can You See? (Shapes) 9781526330888

How Many Cakes are Left? (Subtraction) 9181526330871

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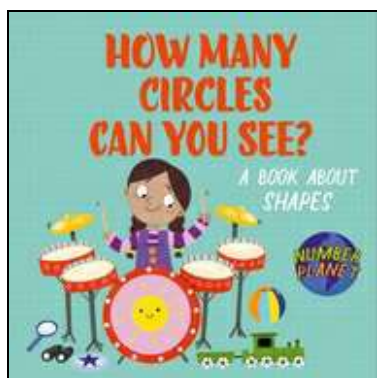


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Number Planet: How Many Circles Can You See? A book about shapes

Louise Spilsbury (Illustrated By Emily Cooksey)

Keynote

A fun picture book that helps young children get to grips with naming and spotting shapes

Description

This fun picture books helps young children get to grips with naming and spotting shapes through bold pictures, activities and things to spot on the page.

Leon and Luna are having a magical adventure finding things with different shapes all around the world. Through the story, children aged 4 plus will learn about maths concepts including: 2D shapes, properties of 3D shapes, patterns and tessellation.

Number Planet are picture books that help children explore first maths concepts. Titles in the series cover the topics of Addition, Subtraction, Measurements and Shapes.

Sales Points

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- Picture-book style illustrations engage the reader
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Main Identifier **9781526330888**

Thema 1.6 **Children's: picture books, activity books, early learning concepts (YB)**

Children's / Teenage general interest:

Mathematics and numbers (YNTM)

Interest age: from c 4 years (5AD)

For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (Northern Ireland) (4Z-GB-NCF)

CBMC **B5N79**

Age **5-7 years**

Subject **Non-fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character **Non-character**

Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Hardback**

Format **245x245**

Extent **32 pages**

Word Count

Series **Number Planet**

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

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

Feb 2026

How Big is a Polar Bear (Measurement) 9781526330826

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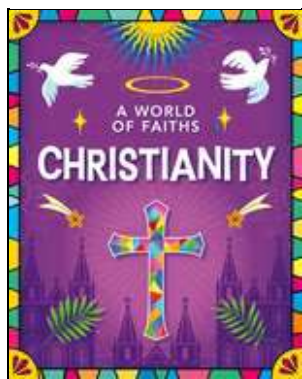


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Thema 1.6	Educational: Religious studies: Christianity (YPJN4) Children's / Teenage general interest: Christianity (YNRM) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z- GB-A CJ) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH) Relating to Christian people and groups (5PGM)

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

Binding	Hardback
Format	265x210
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	A World of Faiths
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

April 2026

A World of Faiths: Hinduism
A World of Faiths: Christianity

June 2026

A World of Faiths: Islam
A World of Faiths: Judaism

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A World of Faiths: Christianity

Kathryn Walker

Keynote

Find out all about the world of Christianity in this friendly first look at religion

Description

Find out all about the world of Christianity in this friendly first look at religion

A World of Faiths: Christianity takes a positive and celebratory look at Christianity, exploring how it began, its core beliefs, ways of worship, important festivals and more. Friendly, accessible text is complimented by a bright, colourful design and images that show Christianity in the real world, making it come alive for young readers.

The text and images have been checked by a consultant in the faith.

A World of Faiths is the perfect introduction to religion for readers aged 7 and up.

Titles in the series: Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism

Sales Points

- A friendly early look at the core beliefs and practices of some of the world's main faiths
- Written by experienced RE authors and checked by a consultant in each faith
- Friendly, accessible text is complimented by a colourful design and photos that show religion in the real world

Summary of Contents

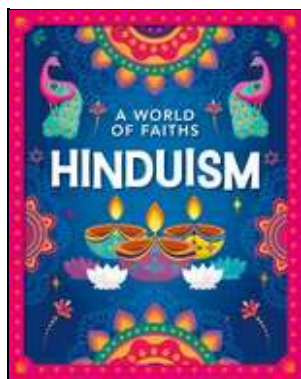
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Author Biography

Kathryn Walker has worked on books for children and adults both as a writer and editor for over twenty years. She specializes in educational non-fiction books.

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A World of Faiths: Hinduism

Gianna Quaglia

Keynote

Find out all about the world of Hinduism in this friendly first look at religion

Description

Find out all about the world of Hinduism in this friendly first look at religion

A World of Faiths: Hinduism takes a positive and celebratory look at Hinduism, exploring how it began, its core beliefs, ways of worship, important festivals and more. Friendly, accessible text is complimented by a bright, colourful design and images that show Hinduism in the real world, making it come alive for young readers.

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Summary of Contents

What is Hinduism? / How Hinduism began / Hindu beliefs / A Hindu home / Hindu gods / Sacred books / A Hindu temple / Ways to worship / Birth and growing up / Weddings / Festivals and feasts / End of life / Pilgrimage / Glossary / Find out more / Index

Author Biography

Gianna Quaglia is an experienced author of children's non-fiction books, specialising in religious education.

Publication date **Thursday, April 09, 2026**

Price **£12.99 / ₹1099**

Main Identifier **9781445195704**

Thema 1.6 **Educational:
Religious studies:
Hinduism (YPJN1)
Children's /
Teenage general
interest: Hinduism
(YNRD)
For National
Curriculum Key
Stage 2 (England
and Wales) (4Z-
GB-ACJ)
Interest age: from
c 7 years (5AH)
Relating to Hindu
people and groups
(5PGD)**

CBMC **C5N79**

Age **7-9 years**

Subject **Non-fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed
Book Format**

Character **Non-character**

Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Hardback**

Format **265x210**

Extent **32 pages**

Word Count

Series **A World of Faiths**

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

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

April 2026

A World of Faiths: Hinduism

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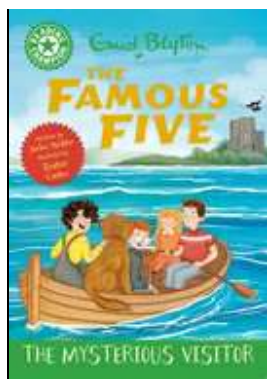
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Reading Champion: The Famous Five: The Mysterious Visitor Green Band 5

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Beatriz Castro)

Keynote

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands for children starting to read independently

Description

Brand new readers based on the wonderful world of Enid Blyton's Famous Five characters, especially written for children beginning to read. Each story is accompanied by colourful illustrations to engage the young reader and support the text.

In this story, The Famous Five visit the castle ruins on Kirrin Island and make a shocking discovery - someone else has clearly been there! Can they find out who it is?

Reading Champion is an independent reading programme carefully levelled to match book bands widely used in schools. This book is suitable for readers aged 5+ and has been levelled at book band Green 5.

Sales Points

- Original stories based on the much-loved characters of Enid Blyton's The Famous Five
- Vibrant new artwork for a young audience
- Carefully levelled to book band green 5, perfect for children learning to read independently

Author Biography

Jackie Walter (Author)

Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

Beatriz Castro (Illustrator)

Beatriz Castro was born in La Rioja, Spain in 1985. When she was a little girl, she was always drawing and writing stories. She studied illustration at the school of arts in her home town, Logroño. After graduating, she embarked on a career as a professional illustrator and has since been published by many international publishing houses. She especially enjoys creating funny characters. Beatriz likes animals, classic stories and fairy tales and listens to rock and punk music.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£6.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781445197210
Thema 1.6	Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA21) For primary education (4CD) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) English (2ACB)

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

Binding Format	Paperback 210x148
Depth	4mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Timmy to the Rescue!,
9781445197173
The Five's New Den, 9781445197234
Anne's Secret, 9781445197265
The Five on a Bike Ride,
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Reading Champion: Graphics: Kid Pirate: The Skeleton Crew
Book band Turquoise 7
Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Denis Cristo)

Keynote

These first graphic readers are part of Reading Champion, a series developed to help children's reading progression

Description

Follow Kid Pirate and his crew in this graphic novel adventure as they are marooned on a desert island.

In this adventure, the crew are playing a game of I-Spy when a spooky-looking ship arrives - the pirate crew think they may be saved ... until they spot the bony-looking visitors!

Reading Champion Graphic readers is a new strand in the Reading Champion programme. Each story follows the adventures of the same set of characters in exciting comic book form, perfect for encouraging reluctant readers. The books have been book banded to support children's reading in the classroom. The Kid Pirate books have all been banded at book band 7 Turquoise.

Sales Points

- First graphic novels, perfect for developing reading confidence and encouraging reluctant readers or those that prefer reading comics
- Written in consultation with graphic novel literacy expert Dee Reid
- Contains a fun quiz and reading notes for guidance on how to use the book

Author Biography

Damian Harvey (Author)

Damian Harvey lives in North Wales with his lovely wife, Vicky. He has three wonderful daughters, one brilliant boy and a cat called Polly. He has written more than 130 books for primary school aged children and is busy writing more. When he isn't writing, Damian loves visiting schools, libraries, bookshops, festivals and anywhere that will have him, where he shares stories, talks about writing and gets people excited about books and reading. You can find out more about Damian by visiting <http://www.damianharvey.co.uk> and follow him on Twitter @damianjharvey

Denis Cristo (Illustrator)

Denis Cristo is an illustrator and web designer based in Belo Horizonte, Brazil. Most of his illustrations are digital vector art. He studied advertising, and worked for many years with an animation studio. Over the last few years he's been working as a freelance illustrator with the advertising and children's books markets.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781445193090
Thema 1.6	Content adapted or suitable for reluctant or struggling readers (children / teenagers) (5AR)

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

Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

- Kid Pirate: The Sea-Monster
- Kid Pirate: The Skeleton Crew
- Kid Pirate: Monkey Trouble
- Kid Pirate: The Spider Queen
- Kid Pirate: The Pesky Parrot
- Kid Pirate: The Golden Bottle

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher





Reading Champion: Graphics: Kid Pirate: The Sea Monster Turquoise book band 7

Damian Harvey (Illustrated By Denis Cristo)

Keynote

Expertly levelled first graphic readers, perfect for children learning to read

Description

Follow Kid Pirate and his crew in this graphic novel adventure as they are marooned on a desert island.

In this story Kid Pirate and his crew have built a raft to escape the island ... only to encounter a giant sea-monster!

Reading Champion Graphic readers is a new strand in the Reading Champion programme. Each story follows the adventures of the same set of characters in exciting comic book form, perfect for encouraging reluctant readers. The books have been book banded to support children's reading in the classroom. The Kid Pirate books have all been banded at book band 7 Turquoise.

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Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781445193076
Thema 1.6	Content adapted or suitable for reluctant or struggling readers (children / teenagers) (5AR) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)
CBMC	C3N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Reading Champion
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Not for Sale	Can; USA

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2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



Reading Champion: Graphics: The Shrinking Twins: Supermarket Disaster Book band Purple 8

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Valentina Bandera)

Keynote

Expertly levelled first graphic readers, perfect for children learning to read

Description

Join the shrinking twins, Dev and Maya, in this graphic novel adventure as they shrink until they are no bigger than a little finger. In this story, Dev and Maya are in the supermarket when they shrink! How will they escape the giant baby and make it home?

Reading Champion Graphic readers is a new strand in the Reading Champion programme. Each story follows the adventures of the same set of characters in exciting comic book form, perfect for encouraging reluctant readers. The books have been book banded to support children's reading in the classroom. The Shrinking Twins books have all been banded at book band 8 Purple.

Sales Points

- First graphic novels, perfect for developing reading confidence and encouraging reluctant readers or those that prefer reading comics
- Written in consultation with graphic novel literacy expert Dee Reid
- Contains reading notes for guidance on how to use the book

Author Biography

Jackie Walter (Author)

Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

Valentina Bandera (Illustrator)

Valentina was born in 1980.

Since her childhood she has loved drawing with pencils and she is a cartoon lover with great interest in arts and illustrations.

She loves trying new tools and new techniques.

Her website [entART] promotes all her creative services showing a collection of colour illustrations with various themes and subjects.

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Publication date **Thursday, April 23, 2026**
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Character **Non-character**
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Binding **Hardback**
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Reading Champion: Graphics: The Shrinking Twins: Lost in the Woods Book band Purple 8

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Valentina Bandera)

Keynote

Expertly levelled first graphic readers, perfect for children learning to read

Description

Join the shrinking twins, Dev and Maya, in this graphic novel adventure as they shrink until they are no bigger than a little finger. In this story, Dev and Maya are walking their dog in the woods when they shrink! How will they escape the giant insects and make it home?

Reading Champion Graphic readers is a new strand in the Reading Champion programme. Each story follows the adventures of the same set of characters in exciting comic book form, perfect for encouraging reluctant readers. The books have been book banded to support children's reading in the classroom. The Shrinking Twins books have all been banded at book band 8 Purple.

Sales Points

- First graphic novels, perfect for developing reading confidence and encouraging reluctant readers or those that prefer reading comics
- Written in consultation with graphic novel literacy expert Dee Reid
- Contains reading notes for guidance on how to use the book

Author Biography

Jackie Walter (Author)

Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

Valentina Bandera (Illustrator)

Valentina was born in 1980.

Since her childhood she has loved drawing with pencils and she is a cartoon lover with great interest in arts and illustrations.

She loves trying new tools and new techniques.

Her website |entART| promotes all her creative services showing a collection of colour illustrations with various themes and subjects.

|entART| is on Twitter and Instagram too...just follow her.





Reading Champion: The Secret Seven: The Stolen Badge Blue Band 4

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Holly Bushnell)

Keynote

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands for children starting to read independently

Description

Introducing the characters of Enid Blyton's much loved *Secret Seven* to a young audience with these fun new adventures, especially written for children beginning to read. Each story is accompanied by colourful illustrations to engage the young reader and support the text.

In this story, Peter can't find his Secret Seven badge anywhere. He's convinced it must be stolen! Then Scamper the dog appears ...

Reading Champion is an independent reading programme carefully levelled to match book bands widely used in schools. This book is suitable for readers aged 5+ and has been levelled at book band Blue 4.

Sales Points

- Original stories based on the much-loved characters of Enid Blyton's The Secret Seven
- Vibrant new artwork for a young new audience
- Carefully levelled to book band blue 4, perfect for children learning to read independently

Author Biography

Jackie Walter (Author)

Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

Holly Bushnell (Illustrator)

Holly is an illustrator and mural artist living near the sea in Liverpool, UK. She has always loved children's books and thinks they can be enjoyed by everyone, not just children. Holly has a masters degree in Illustration but has also worked as a bookshop assistant and barista (a fancy name for someone who makes coffee). Holly is vegetarian and loves animals - her favourite animals include cats, dogs and hedgehogs.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£6.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781445197036
Thema 1.6	Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA21) For primary education (4CD) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) English (2ACB)

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

Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Forgotten Password, 9781445197005
 The Missing Hamster, 9781445197050
 The Town Fair, 9781445197111
 The Lost Car, 9781445197081
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Thema 1.6	Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA21) English (2ACB) For primary education (4CD) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

The Land of Sweets, 9781445196671
 The Land of Dreams, 9781445196640
 The Land of Surprises, 9781445196732
 The Witch's Garden, 9781445196763
 The Wizard's Party, 9781445196794

Reading Champion: The Wishing-Chair: The Land of Wishes Red Band 2

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Liliana Perez)

Keynote

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands for children starting to read independently

Description

Brand new readers based on the wonderful world of Enid Blyton's *The Wishing-Chair*, especially written for children beginning to read. Each story is accompanied by colourful illustrations to engage the young reader and support the text.

In this story, the Wishing-Chair whisks Mollie, Peter and Binky off to world where all your wishes come true. Binky warns the children not to make too many wishes, but it is very exciting... at first!

Reading Champion is an independent reading programme carefully levelled to match book bands widely used in schools. This book is suitable for readers aged 4+ and has been levelled at book band Red 2.

Sales Points

- Original stories based on the much-loved characters of Enid Blyton's *The Wishing-Chair*
- Dazzling colour artwork by Liliana Perez brings Blyton's magical settings to life
- Carefully levelled to book band red 2, a perfect first step for children learning to read

Author Biography

Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

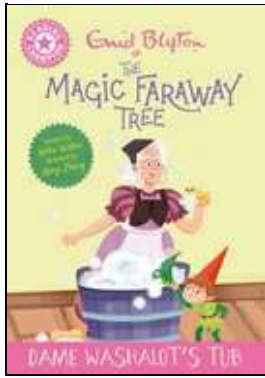
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Reading Champion: Magic Faraway Tree: Dame Washalot's Tub Pink Band 1

Jackie Walter (Illustrated By Amy Zhing)

Keynote

This story is part of *Reading Champion*, a series carefully linked to book bands for children starting to read independently

Description

Introducing the characters of Enid Blyton's *Magic Faraway Tree* to a young audience with these fun new adventures, especially written for children beginning to read. Each story is accompanied by colourful illustrations to engage the young reader and support the text.

In this story, Dame Washalot is busy doing the washing. But she keeps finding odd things in her tub! What is going on?

Reading Champion is an independent reading programme carefully levelled to match book bands widely used in schools. This book is suitable for readers aged 4+ and has been levelled at book band Pink 1B.

Sales Points

- Original stories based on the much-loved characters of Enid Blyton's Magic Faraway Tree
- Dazzling colour artwork by Amy Zhing captures the magical world of Blyton's Enchanted Wood setting
- Carefully levelled to book band pink 1b, a perfect first step for children learning to read

Author Biography

Jackie Walter has written and edited many books for children. She never gets tired of listening to and telling a good story. Jackie lives in Cornwall with her husband and young daughters.

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£6.99 / ₹599
Main Identifier	9781445196527
Thema 1.6	Educational: First / native language: Readers and reading schemes (YPCA21) For primary education (4CD) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) English (2ACB)
CBMC	B3N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Paperback
Format	210x148
Depth	8mm
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

Silky's Cakes, 9781445196459
Moonface and the Kitten, 9781445196480
Saucepan Man's New Pan, 9781445196541
A Surprise for Angry Pixie, 9781445196572
Wake Up, Mr Watzisname!, 9781445196602

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Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781445192116
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-A CJ) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)

CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	284x216
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Series	Clever
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

February 2026

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Space
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Clever: Space Questions

Julia Adams

Keynote

Find out all about space by asking some clever questions!

Description

Find out all about space by asking some clever questions!

Where does space start? Why do stars twinkle? And do aliens really exist?! Discover the answers to these questions and much more in **Clever Questions: Space!**

Discover the world with these fun, child-friendly question and answer books on high-interest topics. Along the way, readers will discover fascinating facts to remember and share, as well as learn key science and geography information.

Books in the series:

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Sales Points

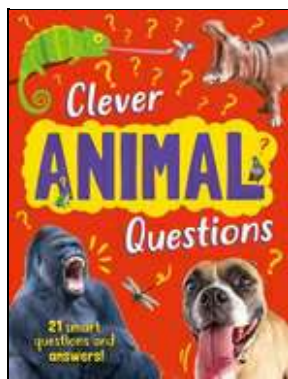
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- Child-friendly question and answer approach will engage and entertain
- Bright and bold design is complimented by light amounts of text

Summary of Contents

Where does space start? / How fast do space rockets go? / What's an astronaut's job? / How hot is the Sun? / What's the weather like in space? / How long can a human survive in space? / Do astronauts really wear nappies? / Why do we float in space? / Why is Mars red? / How fast do comets travel? / Why does Saturn have rings? / What is an eclipse? / Why do stars twinkle? / What is space junk? / What is a shooting star? / What is the Milky Way? / How big is the Universe? / Are there really nurseries for baby stars? / Why can't anything escape a black hole? / Do aliens exist? / Will we live on the Moon one day? / Glossary / Find out more / Index

Author Biography

Julia Adams is an author and editor of children's books. She has an MA in Children's Literature.



Clever: Animal Questions

Annabelle Lynch

Keynote

Find out all about animals by asking some clever questions!

Description

Find out all about animals by asking some clever questions!

Why are flamingos pink? Which is the sleepest animal? And can a cockroach really live without its head?! Discover the answers to these questions and much more in **Clever Questions: Animals!**

Discover the world with these fun, child-friendly question and answer books on high-interest topics. Along the way, readers will discover fascinating facts to remember and share, as well as learn key science and geography information.

Books in the series:

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Summary of Contents

How does a chameleon change colour? / Why can't penguins fly? / Do dogs sweat? / Which is the most venomous animal? / Why are flamingos pink? / Which animal does the biggest poo? / How do snakes smell? / Which bird can fly backwards? / Which fish can turn itself inside out? / Why do animals lay eggs? / Which animal sleeps the most? / Can a cockroach live without its head? / Which animal has the strongest bite? / How do fireflies light up the night? / Which bird clocks up the most air miles? / Do all animals fart? / Which animal lives the longest? / Are dinosaurs still alive today? / Which animal is the best hunter? / Which animal has three hearts (and nine brains)? / Are pets cats really part tiger? / Glossary / Find out more / Index

Author Biography

Annabelle Lynch is a freelance writer who lives in London. She specialises in young non-fiction, with a particular interest in natural history and geography.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£14.99 / ₹1250
Main Identifier	9781445192079
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Nature, animals, the natural world (YNN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-A CJ) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)

CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
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Binding	Hardback
Format	284x216
Extent	48 pages
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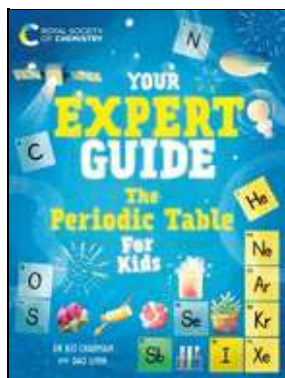
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Your Expert Guide: The Periodic Table for Young Scientists

Dr. Kit Chapman (Illustrated By Dao Linh)

Keynote

From a top expert in the world of chemistry comes this definitive guide to the Periodic Table, published in partnership with the Royal Society of Chemistry

Description

From a top expert in the world of science comes this definitive guide to the Periodic Table, published in partnership with the Royal Society of Chemistry.

In *Your Expert Guide: The Periodic Table*, discover the origins and genius of the Periodic Table: how the idea came about, what each symbol means and how it underpins our understanding of matter, materials and the study of chemistry. Explore the elements at work in our world and get a clear picture of the Periodic Table's role in explaining the building blocks of the Universe.

Written by Dr Kit Chapman, award-winning science journalist, academic at Falmouth University and global science communicator. Published in partnership with The Royal Society of Chemistry, the internationally renowned nonprofit organisation with the same mission since 1841: to advance excellence in the chemical sciences. With lovely artwork by Dao Linh, see the elements come alive for curious readers aged 8+.

Books in the *Your Expert Guide* series:

With Royal Society of Chemistry: *The Periodic Table / Chemistry for Young Scientists*
 With Royal Society of Biology: *The Human Body / Biology for Young Scientists*
 With Institute of Physics: *The Universe for Kids / Physics for Young Scientists*

Sales Points

- Published in association with the Royal Society of Chemistry, the first two books in the series form a foundational duology about this fundamental branch of science
- Written by Dr Kit Chapman, award-winning science journalist, academic at Falmouth University and global science communicator
- With beautiful and engaging artwork by Dao Linh, children can see the science at work and apply it to their experience

Author Biography

Dr Kit Chapman (Author)

Dr Kit Chapman is an award-winning science journalist and academic at Falmouth University. Formerly an editor for *Chemistry World*, Kit's by-line can be seen in *Nature*, *New Scientist*, *The Daily Telegraph*, *Chemist+Druggist* and *BBC Science Focus* among others. Kit appears regularly on radio, TV and podcasts, and has given talks to thousands of students around the world on science, writing and history. Born in the UK, Kit holds a masters degree in pharmacy from the University of Bradford and a PhD in the history and philosophy of science from the University of Sunderland. Kit's first book, *Superheavy: Making and Breaking the Periodic Table*, was published in 2019 and his second book, *Racing Green: How Motorsport Science Can Save The World*, was published in 2022.

Dao Linh (Illustrator)

Dao Linh is an illustrator and animator based in Brno, Czech Republic. Originally from Vietnam, her childhood was filled with tropical plants and colourful bugs. Nature and wildlife have since been her greatest inspiration. After moving to Europe, she attended art school with a specialisation in illustration and also got a degree in 2-D animation. Nowadays, she spends most of her time messing with watercolour and talking to her computer. When not drawing, she loves to travel, so you can randomly find her drinking tea at random places at a random time.

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781526327352
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Inventors, inventions and experiments (YNTD) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 8 years (5AJ)

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

Binding	Paperback
Format	284x216
Depth	8mm
Extent	64 pages
Word Count	
Series	Your Expert Guide
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

RSC: Your Expert Guide: The Periodic Table for Young Scientists
 RSC: Your Expert Guide: Chemistry for Young Scientists
 RSB: Your Expert Guide: Biology for Young Scientists
 RSB: Your Expert Guide: The Human Body for Young Scientists
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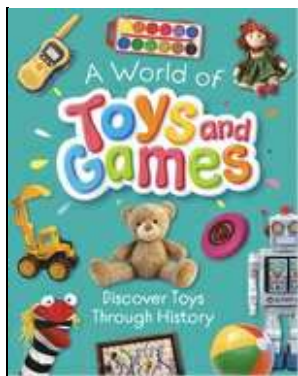


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A World of Toys and Games

Susie Williams

Keynote

Discover the toys and game that children all play with all around the world

Description

From dolls and teddies to cars and games, this book shows all the different toys and games that children play around the world. From common ones globally, such as hopscotch and skipping to cultural ones such as the tompo in Mexico and the African mancala game, discover the toys children played with in the past and compare them with the toys they play with today. At the back of the book is a fun step-by-step craft activity.

This book is book band 9, gold.

Sales Points

- Supports the study of history at key stage one, as well as for science and design and technology work looking at materials used to make toys as well as looking at how they are designed
- Extends children's knowledge and understanding of the world showing the toys and games played around the world

Author Biography

Susie Williams is children's non-fiction editor and author. She aims to inspire children to be interested in and curious about the world around them.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£8.99 / ₹750
Main Identifier	9781445196442
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Toys (YNVD) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) 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	265x210
Depth	10mm
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

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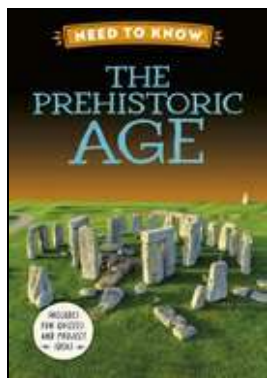
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Need to Know: The Prehistoric Age

Izzi Howell

Keynote

Discover the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages with this first introduction to prehistoric life

Description

Discover the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages with this first introduction to prehistoric life. *Need to Know* introduce key topics for children aged 6 plus, featuring fun facts, fantastic photographs and diagrams. The books also include quizzes and project ideas and are book banded. *The Prehistoric Age* is suitable for children reading at Book Band 10: White.

Contents *Prehistoric Life*: What was the prehistoric age? / Stone Age life / Stone Age tools / The start of farming / Stonehenge / The Bronze Age / Village life / The Iron Age / Hill forts / Iron age tools / The Celtic religion / Art and design / The end of the Iron Age / Quizzes and games and Projects

Titles in the Need to Know series: Ancient Egypt / Anglo-Saxons / The Greeks / The Maya / The Prehistoric Age / The Romans / The First World War / The Second World War / Shang Dynasty / The Vikings

Sales Points

- A perfect introduction to a key curriculum topic
- A great resource for homework
- Features photographs, illustrations, a timeline, quizzes and activity ideas

Author Biography

Izzi Howell is an award-winning author and editor of over fifty children's books. She lives in East Sussex and enjoys learning languages, cooking and travelling around Europe. Her book *Cats React to Science Facts* was the winner of the Best Laugh Out Loud Book for 6-8 year-olds award at The Lollies and winner of The Royal Society Young People's Book Prize in 2020.

Publication date **Thursday, April 09, 2026**
 Price **£9.99 / ₹799**
 Main Identifier **9781526331229**
 Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage general interest: History and the past (YNH) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)**

CBMC **B5N79**
 Age **5-7 years**
 Subject **Non-fiction**
 Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**
 Character **Non-character**
 Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Hardback**
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 Extent **32 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Need to know**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
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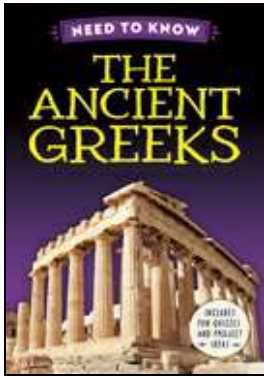
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Need to Know: The Ancient Greeks

Izzi Howell

Keynote

Find out about the life in the past with this first introduction to ancient Greeks

Description

Find out about the life in the past with this first introduction to ancient Greece. *Need to Know* introduce key topics for children aged 6 plus, featuring fun facts, fantastic photographs and diagrams. The books also include quizzes and project ideas and are book banded. *The Ancient Greeks* is book band 11: Lime.

Contents *Ancient Greece* Who were the ancient Greeks? / City-states / Around town / Family life / Food / Clothing / Great Greek minds / Writing / Religion / Mythology / Warfare / Art and theatre / The Olympic Games/ Quizzes and games / Projects / Glossary

Titles in the *Need to Know* series: Ancient Egypt / Anglo-Saxons / The Greeks / The Maya / Prehistoric Age / The Romans / The First World War / The Second World War / Shang Dynasty / The Vikings

Sales Points

- A perfect introduction to a key curriculum topic
- A great resource for homework
- Features photographs, illustrations, a timeline, quizzes and activity ideas

Author Biography

Izzi Howell is an award-winning author and editor of over fifty children's books. She lives in East Sussex and enjoys learning languages, cooking and travelling around Europe. Her book *Cats React to Science Facts* was the winner of the Best Laugh Out Loud Book for 6-8 year-olds award at The Lollies and winner of The Royal Society Young People's Book Prize in 2020.

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Main Identifier	9781526331311
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: History and the past (YNH) Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG)

CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Need to know
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

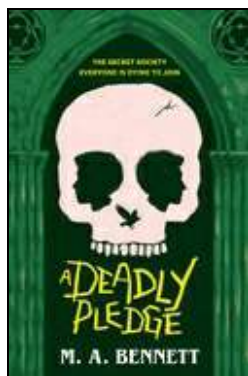
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A Deadly Pledge A dark academia Gothic horror

M.A. Bennett

Keynote

The secret society everyone's dying to join. *Dead Poets Society* meets *Wednesday* and Holly Jackson in this Gothic dark academia thriller, with a secret society that's almost impossible to get into. Packed with intense school drama and deadly competition.

Description

The secret society everyone's dying to join ...

A case of mistaken identity means Eddie Dontay is hurled into the exclusive world of New Haven School. Pretending to be Bartholomew "Brat" Van Buren III, the sole heir to a rich family, who mysteriously disappeared a year ago, Eddie is sent undercover to expose the dark secrets of the Gloomth society.

But all is not what it seems. Eddie must participate in a series of difficult initiations, which prove his fitness for the club, competing against other students. An increasingly deadly contest culminates in the most dangerous challenge of all at a horror-filled, legendary Gothic house.

Is joining the Gloomth really worth dying for?

Perfect for fans of *Wednesday* and Holly Jackson.

Sales Points

- There is huge popularity of horror/gothic/darker themes amongst consumers as evidenced by TV shows such as *Wednesday* and *Stranger Things*
- M. A. Bennett is a very experienced author and has done plenty of festivals and conventions (including YALC, Cheltenham, Harrogate and Edinburgh) and is very comfortable dealing with press and the media, she's done this all over the world, including on live TV. She also has connections in the film and TV world through her husband, and she also used to be an actress
- M. A. Bennett lives in north London, but has connections with Venice, Italy (she's half-Venetian), Yorkshire Dales and Manchester
- M. A. Bennett's other YA series, *STAGS*, has been optioned for film and TV, first by Fox/Disney, and now with Annapurna/Urban Myths films. A pilot has been written by Ava Pickett (*The Great, Brassic*)

Author Biography

M.A. Bennett was born in the north of England to an English mother and a Venetian father. She loved history so much she studied it at four different universities. She also studied art and worked as an illustrator, an actress and a film reviewer. Now she has her dream job of being a writer and her books have been translated into more than 20 languages. She lives in London - the home of Greenwich Meantime - with one husband, two children and three cats.

Publication date **Thursday, April 09, 2026**

Price **£9.99 / ₹799**

Main Identifier **9781804536230**

Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage fiction: Horror and ghost stories, chillers, or other scary supernatural stories (YFD) Children's / Teenage fiction: Dark fantasy (YFHT) Gothic (6GA) Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: School, education and teachers (YXT) Children's / Teenage general interest: Witches, wizards and magicians (YNXW) Interest age: from c 14 years (SAQ) Children's / Teenage fiction: Thrillers / suspense (YFCB)**

CBMC **E3N79**

Age **12+ years**

Subject **Fiction**

Type **Ordinary Printed Book Format**

Character **Non-character**

Tie In **Non Tie-in**

Binding **Paperback**

Format **B Format**

Extent **272 pages**

Word Count

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

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author born in **London, UK**

Author living in **Salford, UK**

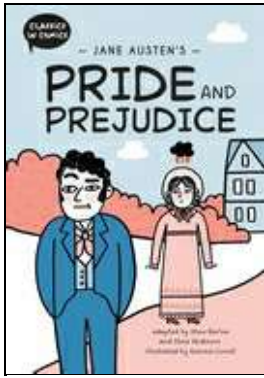
Previous Titles

S.T.A.G.S series

Young Gothic

Children of the Night

No Escape



Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£14.99 / ₹1250
Main Identifier	9781445196244
Thema 1.6	Graphic novel / Comic book / Manga: Literary adaptations (XQB) Children's / Teenage fiction: Classic fiction (YFA) Interest age: from c 9 years (5AK) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ)

CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding	Hardback
Format	210x148
Extent	96 pages
Word Count	
Series	Classics in Comics
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Classics in Comics:
Pride and Prejudice 9781445196244
Little Women 9781445196374
Oliver Twist 9781445196336
The Adventure of the Speckled Band: A Sherlock Holmes Adventure 9781445196312
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Classics in Comics: Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice A Comic Book

Steve Barlow and Steve Skidmore (Illustrated By Gemma Correll)

Keynote

Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* like you've never seen it - or read it - before, in pitch-perfect comic book form

Description

Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* like you've never seen it - or read it - before! *Classics in Comics: Pride and Prejudice* adapts the ultimate will-they-won't-they tale of Lizzie Bennet and Mr Darcy into a comic book full of humour and lots of side-eye. Bringing literature's top Regency romance to young audiences are two authors who are expert on accessible, inclusive and irresistible storytelling, Steve Skidmore and Steve Barlow, with illustrations by cartoonist Gemma Correll.

Classics in Comics is a series of comic books for children aged 9 plus that has inclusion at its heart, opening the doors of literature for everyone to enter and understand. We include dyslexia-friendly design on every page and diverse representations in the art, so all readers can relate to and build life-long connections to the classics. Each comic has:

- snappy simplified text presenting key plot elements clearly
- introductory materials to help set the scene and introduce the original author
- heaps of material at the back, such as explorations of themes & authors' inspirations!

In the series: *Pride & Prejudice* / *Little Women* / *Oliver Twist* / *The Adventure of the Speckled Band: A Sherlock Holmes Adventure* / *The Three Musketeers* / *Around the World in 80 Days*

Sales Points

- From writing duo the 2Steves, who've written over 250 books together, including the popular Classics in Graphics series, iHero choose-your-own adventure stories under the EDGE brand, and many more hi-lo titles
- Valuable introductory and ending materials to enhance understanding of the context of each classic work and their timeless genius - perfect for school or home-learning use
- Includes carefully pitched cartoon styles to suit each work and appeal to a spectrum of readers, perfect for fans of comics & graphic novels, such as Dog Man, Hilda, Sad Ghost Club, manga or Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Author Biography

Steve Barlow (Author)

As 50% of the Two Steves, Steve Barlow has written over 250 books with Steve Skidmore since they first appeared in 1988. Born in Crewe, he was educated at Crewe Grammar School, Warwick University and Nottingham University before a varied career in teaching, acting, stage management and puppetry. He worked in a village school in Botswana for four years before returning to the UK. The Two Steves have toured extensively in the UK and overseas, and to book festivals including Edinburgh and Hay.

Steve Skidmore (Author)

Steve Skidmore writes with Steve Barlow as Britain's most popular comedy writing and performing double act for young people - The 2 Steves! He was born in Birstall near Leicester. He went to Nottingham University to read English, but spent most of his time playing sport and doing a variety of jobs including counting pastry pie lids. He trained as a teacher of Drama, English and Film, before teaming up with Steve Barlow as a full-time author. He lives in Leicester and is a great rugby fan (Come on you Tiiigeers!).

Gemma Correll (Illustrator)

Gemma Correll is a British illustrator currently based in Orange County, California, where she lives with her husband and beloved pugs. She studied Graphic Design and Illustration at the Norwich School of Art and Design, graduating in 2006 and later moved to the USA in 2015. Gemma imbues her simple line drawings with narrative and humour to create illustrations that catch the eye and tell a story. Gemma has illustrated numerous children's books and has worked extensively in publishing, editorial and on social media projects. She also licences her art for use on merchandise, home-wear and fashion products.

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Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Magical realism / Magical fantasy (YFHD) Children's / Teenage general interest: Fairies, elves, or similar magic-like beings or folk (YNXB4) Children's / Teenage general interest: Pets and pet care: Cats (YNNH2) Children's / Teenage fiction: Friendship stories (YFMF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

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

Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Depth	18mm
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	
Series	Rainbow Magic
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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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

Rainbow Magic: Katrina the Kitticorn Fairy

Daisy Meadows (Illustrated By Georgie Ripper)

Keynote

Join Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah for a magical adventure with another fairy friend in this bestselling and much-loved series for girls aged 5 and up!

Description

The purr-fect treat for Rainbow Magic fans!

Katrina the Kitticorn Fairy runs a kitticorn café in Fairyland. But Jack Frost has had enough of her super-cute kitties running around and has stolen her three magical objects. Can Rachel, Kirsty, Gracie and Khadijah help Katrina get her objects back and save the kitticorn magic?

Look out for the heart collar, grooming brush and treat bowl in this story!

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

If you like *Rainbow Magic*, check out Daisy Meadows' new series, *Pixie Magic*!

Sales Points

- A super cute follow up to *Evelyn the Mermicorn Fairy*, one of the series' most popular titles
- Rainbow Magic is the bestselling series for children aged 5+. Over 40 million copies sold!
- Rainbow Magic improves literacy rates by getting children reading - they just can't wait to see which fairy comes next!
- A highly collectable series - children love fairies, adventure and friendship. Daisy Meadows is one of the most borrowed children's authors in UK libraries

Reviews

- 'This is a great book series, with many wonderful characters which are so likable and have great qualities to instill into the younger readers' - *Parents in Touch*
- 'Remains the number one series for girls aged five and over' - *Bookseller*
- 'A sure-fire hit for girls' - *Mumsense*

Author Biography

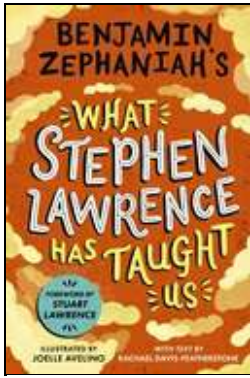
Daisy Meadows (Author)

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.

Georgie Ripper (Illustrator)

Georgie Ripper was born in London and is a children's book illustrator known for her work on the *Rainbow Magic* series of fairy books. She won the Macmillan Prize for Picture Book Illustration in 2000 with *My Best Friend Bob* and *Little Brown Bushrat* which she authored and illustrated.



Benjamin Zephaniah's What Stephen Lawrence Has Taught Us

Benjamin Zephaniah (Illustrated By Joelle Avelino)

Keynote

An illustrated edition of Benjamin Zephaniah's ground-breaking poem on the legacy of Stephen Lawrence - with thought-provoking illustrations and informative context provided alongside the poem, this is an essential conversation starter for discussing and understanding racism in the UK for children, teens and adults alike.

Description

A ground-breaking poem on the legacy of Stephen Lawrence from national treasure Benjamin Zephaniah.

*"The death of Stephen Lawrence
Has taught us to love each other..."*

With extra information provided alongside Benjamin's powerful words and Joelle Avelino's striking illustration, this book is an indispensable tool for helping children aged 9+ to understand identity, diversity, justice, respect and racism.

Sales Points

- An indispensable yet accessible way to teach children aged 9+ about racism
- A lot of crossover appeal on a topic that will always be relevant and important to discuss
- A conversation starter for parents and schools, publishing in time for Stephen Lawrence Day and Black History Month

Author Biography

Benjamin Zephaniah (Author)

Benjamin Zephaniah (1958-2023) was a performer, musician, actor and one of the UK's best-known poets. Born in Handsworth, Birmingham, Benjamin began writing and performing at the age of 11, and had his first collection of poetry published when he was 22. He wrote more than 30 books for adults and children, and is known all over the world for his powerful writing and performances.

Benjamin was a founding member of Artists Against Apartheid, and in 1996 he hosted the President's Two Nations Concerts at the Royal Albert Hall in London, UK, at the request of Nelson Mandela. On August 29th 2007, he was the Master of Ceremonies at the unveiling of the statue of Nelson Mandela, again at his request, in Parliament Square. Benjamin was also a musician and was the first person to record with the Wailers after the death of musician, Bob Marley.

As well as writing poetry, novels, screenplays and stage plays, Benjamin also wrote and presented documentaries for television and radio. His poetry show *Life & Rhymes* won a BAFTA for 'best entertainment programme' in 2021. He was awarded 13 honorary doctorates in recognition of his work and a wing at The Ealing Hospital in West London has been named after him.

Publication date	Thursday, April 02, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781444981094
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Racism and anti-racism (YXN) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-A CJ) For National Curriculum Key Stage 3 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-A CN) Interest age: from c 10 years (5AL)
CBMC	D5N79
Age	9-11 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Hardback B Format
Extent	48 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Deceased

Previous Titles

Nature Trail

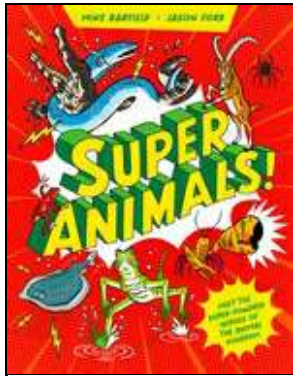
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Super Animals! Meet the superpowered heroes of the animal kingdom Mike Barfield (Illustrated By Jason Ford)

Keynote

Special powers aren't just for comic-book superheroes - meet the real-life Super Animals!

Description

Ever wished you could fly, become invisible, have super-strength or unleash a powerful electric shock? In the animal kingdom, these incredible abilities aren't just comic-book fantasy - they're survival skills!

Discover nature's ultimate superheroes: fish that soar through the air, eels that zap with over 600 volts and beetles that fire toxic blasts from their bums. These mind-blowing creatures are living proof that Mother Nature is the greatest scientific genius of all time.

Join the action-packed, comic-book-style adventures of the **Super Animals** and explore the astonishing, real-life powers that help them thrive in the wild.

Sales Points

- Unique, inventive and fun approach for a non-fiction natural history book for children
- A perfect fusion of graphic novel and the comic-book-superhero genre, ideal for reluctant readers
- Stylised comic-book art that harks back to the traditional artwork style of Marvel and DC Comics, adding a nostalgia that parents will love

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.

Jason Ford (Illustrator)

Jason Ford is a freelance illustrator whose approach has been heavily influenced by his childhood diet of Tintin and Marvel comics and a continuing love of French and Belgian bandes dessinées. His work has been commissioned by the Royal Mail, The New York Times, Penguin Books and The Guardian.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£16.99 / ₹1860
Main Identifier	9781510231184
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Nature, animals, the natural world (YNN)
	Children's / Teenage general interest: Humour: Funny cartoons and comic strips (YNUC)
	For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ)
	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	64 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; S Am; USA

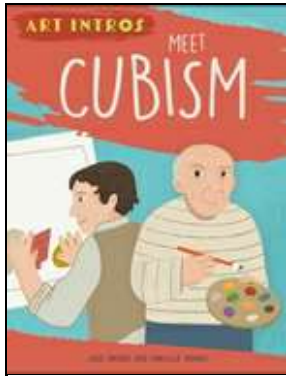
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Art Intros: Meet Cubism

Susie Brooks (Illustrated By Marcella Tamayo)

Keynote

Be introduced to all things Cubism in this engaging and fun book exploring one of the most iconic art movements

Description

Learn all about the first truly modern art movement that paved the way for abstract art. Discover how African masks and statues inspired the movement, where the name Cubism came from, the impact of The First World War and much more. Journey from 1900s Paris to the end of the movement, meeting key figures such as Pablo Picasso, Georges Braque, Albert Gleizes, Marie Laurencin and many more along the way.

Art Intros introduces young readers to each major art movement with an exciting combination of illustrations and reproductions of artwork alongside fun facts and stories. This is the perfect collection of books for creative children, budding artists and all curious young minds to start exploring the world of art.

Sales Points

- Interactive questions, a glossary of key words and a chance to reflect on the book keeps children engaged throughout and cements knowledge
- Employs a visual approach to learning, combining reproductions of iconic artworks and illustrations alongside interactive learning
- Written by artist and award-winning author Susie Brooks

Author Biography

Susie Brooks is an award-winning writer and editor of children's books. Writing on a wide range of subjects from dinosaurs to geography, she also masquerades as an artist (among other things, painting children's portraits and getting messy in classroom workshops!). In 2014, her Get into Art series won the English Association Picture Book Award, British Book Design and Production Award and the overall SLA Information Book Award. She can regularly be found walking people's dogs and in her spare time, loves to travel and explore new places!

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹1099
Main Identifier	9781445183022
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Art and artists (YNA) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF)
CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject Type	Non-fiction Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Hardback 250x190
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Art Intros
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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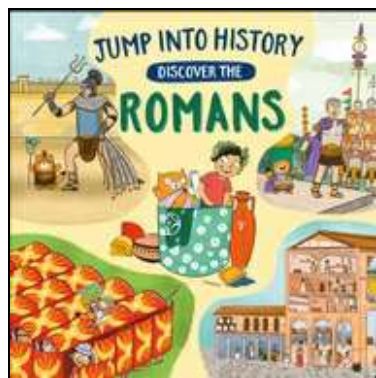
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Jump into History: Discover the Romans

Kay Barnham (Illustrated By Jennifer Naalchigar)

Keynote

A fun and magical journey back to the time of the Romans, with Billie and their very silly pet cat, Mia!

Description

A fun and magical journey back to the time of the Romans, with Billie and their very silly pet cat, Mia!

Billie has a very special dressing up box. When they choose an outfit from the box, they are whisked back in time to different historical civilisations to discover how people lived in the past.

Journey back in time with Billie and Mia to discover the fascinating world of the Romans. Meet a Roman emperor; marvel at a gladiator show at the Colosseum, march with the famous Roman army and take part in a Roman school day!

Perfect as an introduction to history for readers aged 5+

Books in the series

Ancient Egyptians / Romans / Ancient Greeks / Vikings / The Maya / The Shang Dynasty

Sales Points

- The fun, immersive approach sets this series apart from other history books
- Children are encouraged to do further research with fun activities at the end of the book
- Lively, funny illustrations will appeal to young readers
- The text and artwork have been checked by a historical consultant

Summary of Contents

Meet Billie ... and Mia! / The Roman Empire ... was very big / Roman emperors ... were powerful / The Roman Army ... was (nearly) unbeatable / Roman roads ... were straight / Roman aqueducts ... were incredible / Roman sewers ... were magnificent / Roman temples ... were splendid / Roman villas ... were grand / Roman schools ... were not for everyone / Romans ... did all sorts of jobs / Roman entertainment ... was free / Now it's your turn to jump into history! / Timeline and Further information / Glossary / Index

Author Biography

Kay Barnham (Author)

Kay Barnham 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, 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.

Jennifer Naalchigar (Illustrator)

Jennifer Naalchigar is a British - Japanese illustrator based in Hertfordshire, England. She has a love for quirky characters and enjoys experimenting with digital brushes. Jen's client list includes HarperCollins, Hachette, Oxford University Press, Pearson, Random House Children's Books, Reyrcraft books and Scholastic.

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Price	£12.99 / ₹1099
Main Identifier	9781526330482
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: History and the past (YNH) Ancient Rome (1QBAR) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding Format	Hardback 245x245
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Word Count	
Series	Jump into History
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Not for Sale	Can; USA

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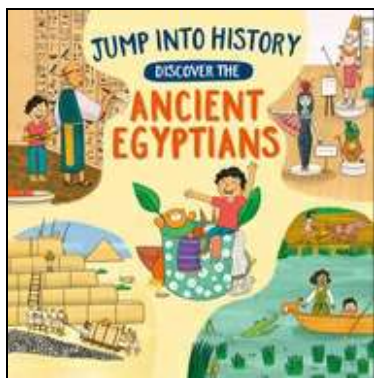


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Jump into History: Discover the Ancient Egyptians

Kay Barnham (Illustrated By Jennifer Naalchigar)

Keynote

A fun and magical journey back to the time of the ancient Egyptians, with Billie and their very silly pet cat, Mia!

Description

A fun and magical journey back to the time of the ancient Egyptians, with Billie and their very silly pet cat, Mia!

Billie has a very special dressing up box. When they choose an outfit from the box, they are whisked back in time to different historical civilisations to discover how people lived in the past!

Journey back in time with Billie and Mia to discover the fascinating world of the ancient Egyptians. Meet ancient Egyptian gods and goddesses; marvel at the monumental pyramids, take a dip in the River Nile and take in a famous festival dedicated to cats!

Perfect as an introduction to history for readers aged 5+

Books in the series

Ancient Egyptians / Romans / Ancient Greeks / Vikings / The Maya / The Shang Dynasty

Sales Points

- The fun, immersive approach sets this series apart from other history books
- Children are encouraged to do further research with fun activities at the end of the book
- Lively, funny illustrations will appeal to young readers
- The text and artwork have been checked by a historical consultant

Summary of Contents

Meet Billie and Mia! / Ancient Egypt ... was powerful / The River Nile ...brought life / Pharaohs ... were rich / Pyramids ... were royal tombs / A mummy ... lasted a long time / Egyptian doctors ... were world-famous / Hieroglyphs ... are pictures and symbols / Ancient Egyptians ... worked and played / Gods and goddesses ... were important / The sphinx ... is a mystery / Cats ... were adored / Now it's your turn to jump into history! / Timeline / Glossary / Find out more / Index

Author Biography

Kay Barnham (Author)

Kay Barnham 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, 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.

Jennifer Naalchigar (Illustrator)

Jennifer Naalchigar is a British - Japanese illustrator based in Hertfordshire, England. She has a love for quirky characters and enjoys experimenting with digital brushes. Jen's client list includes HarperCollins, Hachette, Oxford University Press, Pearson, Random House Children's Books, Reyrcraft books and Scholastic.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹1099
Main Identifier	9781526330512
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: History and the past (YNH) Ancient Egypt (1QBAE) For National Curriculum Key Stage 1 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACF) Interest age: from c 5 years (5AF)

CBMC	B5N79
Age	5-7 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in

Binding Format	Hardback 245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	Jump into History
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

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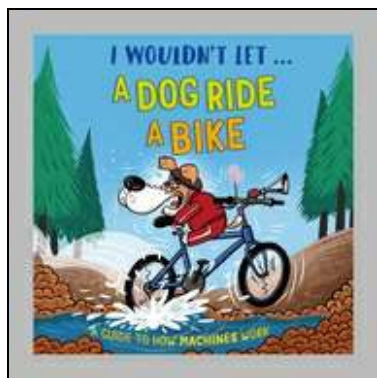


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I Wouldn't Let a Dog Ride a Bike
A guide to how machines work
Paul Mason (Illustrated By Pipi Sposito)

Keynote

A funny take on core science topics with a little help from animals ...

Description

A funny take on core science topics with a little help from animals ...

Written by expert author Paul Mason and hilariously illustrated throughout by Pipi Sposito, this series combines mischievous animal antics with essential science learning.

In this book find out what happens when a Dog tries to ride a bike! Learn all about pulleys, levers, gears, brakes and wheels. See forces in action as Dog loses control downhill ... and makes some urgent bike repairs! Plus learn some extra facts about dogs, too.

The friendly semi comic strip design makes the text highly accessible, perfect for readers age 7+ and those studying science at Key Stage 2.

Sales Points

- Links to the following science KS2 topics: Forces; Earth and space; Living things and their habitats; Humans and other animals; Electricity; Light
- Humorous text combines with some cartoon strip style panels and further explanation spreads to engage all levels of reader
- Fun animal facts included as well as core science learning

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.

Pipi Sposito (Illustrator)

Pipi was born in Buenos Aires in the fabulous 60's and has always drawn. As a little child, he used to make plasticine figures too. He took them along to school as a hobby and at the age of 19 he found out he could earn a living by drawing. Pipi started designing humor magazines and was surrounded by the original drawings of many experimented artists. At the same time, he was encouraged to publish his own works. His curiosity lead him from then onwards. Pipi's drawings are usually funny and expressive. He develops cartoons and children's illustration in different artistic styles, and also 3D figures and puppets. He does some caricaturing as well, and he has done character design for animation, key animation and layouts. Pipi listens to music when he works. He loves Zappa, Bowie, Queen and he is fond of Progressive Rock.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹1099
Main Identifier	9781526330925
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ)
CBMC	C5N79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Ordinary Printed Book Format
Character Tie In	Non-character Non Tie-in
Binding Format	Hardback 245x245
Extent	32 pages
Word Count	
Series	I Wouldn't Let...
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

- I Wouldn't Let ... A Panda Launch a Spacecraft
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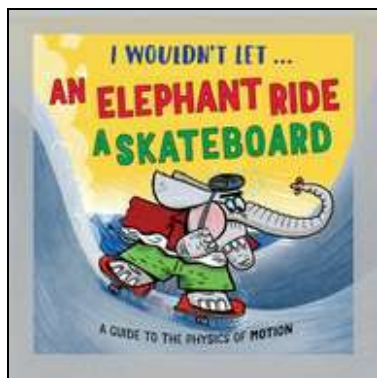
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I Wouldn't Let an Elephant Ride a Skateboard A guide to the physics of motion

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Keynote

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Description

A funny take on core science topics with a little help from animals ...

Written by humour and science expert Paul Mason and hilariously illustrated throughout by Pipi Sposito this series combines mischievous animal antics with essential science learning.

In this book, find out all motion. See what happens when an elephant tries to become an expert skateboarder! Discover how weight affects acceleration, the role of friction when riding a skateboard, plus how to start and how to stop! There are also fun elephant facts included throughout, too.

The friendly semi comic strip design makes the text highly accessible, perfect for readers age 7+ and those studying science at Key Stage 2.

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Publication date **Thursday, April 09, 2026**

Price **£12.99 / ₹1099**

Main Identifier **9781526331007**

Thema 1.6 **Children's / Teenage general interest: Science and technology (YNT) Interest age: from c 6 years (5AG) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ)**

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 **245x245**

Extent **32 pages**

Word Count

Series **I Wouldn't Let...**

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

Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Previous Titles

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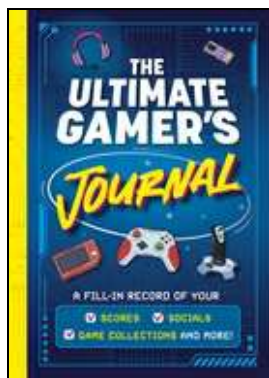
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The Ultimate Gamer's Journal

Welbeck Children's Books

Keynote

This fantastic fill-in journal is perfect for any gamer, letting them safely store all their gaming details, secrets and more.

Description

Every gamer needs somewhere to store their passwords and secrets, but this journal is so much more! It lets you catalogue all your games, and even rate and review every single one, from the best to the worst. You can even fill in your hall of fame (and hall of shame!) for all your favourite genres. Plus, its filled with lots of cool creative activities that will let you create your own race tracks, platform game levels, quest maps, and more. There are also lots of cool gaming facts throughout the book. If you love gaming, you'll need this fantastic interactive journal!

Sales Points

- Interactive journal is perfect for gamers aged 8-12, especially boys who don't usually get the chance to do journal-based activities.
- Filled with cool pixel art that evokes the style of classic games, and gives readers lots of room to add their own information.
- Lets readers get creative, but also includes lots of fascinating facts from the world of gaming.
- Ideal for parents looking to get game-obsessed kids writing/drawing creatively away from a screen.

Author Biography

Welbeck Children's Books is a trend-led imprint that taps into popular culture, gaming and licensing brands that resonate with children of today.

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781839553172
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage general interest: Computer and video games (YNVU) For National Curriculum Key Stage 2 (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACJ) 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	Paperback
Format	216x153
Depth	12mm
Extent	144 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; Carib; Cent & S Am

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Vida the Vet: Sticker Activity Book

Official Vida the Vet

Keynote

Meet Vida and have fun with loads of colouring, activities and stickers! Featuring characters from the hit Netflix and CBeebies series, *Vida the Vet*.

Description

Vida is a 10-year-old girl who cares for woodland creatures that live just outside her home. Follow Vida the Vet as she helps the animals feel better, whether it's a tiger with a toothache or a bear who's had a bump, Vida is always ready to help an animal in need. Based on episodes from the hit animated series, now available to watch on Netflix and CBeebies.

Sales Points

- Hit animated series, launched on Netflix 2024. Now available on CBeebies and BBC iPlayer.
- New series from SpinMaster, producers of mega-hit franchises PAW Patrol and Gabby's Dollhouse.
- Toy Range launching 2025
- Core themes of kindness, friendship, family and nature.
- Nominee - Outstanding Children's Programming, 2025 GLAAD Media Awards.

Author Biography

Vida the Vet is a ten-year-old girl who cares for woodland creatures that live just outside her home. Whether it's a tiger with a toothache or a bear with a booboo, Vida is always ready to help an animal in need and will have her furry friends feeling better in one, two, three!

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£7.99 / ₹650
Main Identifier	9781408375983
Thema 1.6	Children's interactive and activity books and kits (YBG) For National Curriculum Early Years (England and Wales) (4Z-GB-ACA) Interest age: from c 3 years (5AC)

CBMC	A 5L69
Age	0-5 years
Subject	Non-fiction
Type	Activity Book
Character	Character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Paperback
Format	297x210
Extent	24 pages
Word Count	
Series	Vida the Vet
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex ANZ); Ire; UK
Not for Sale	ANZ; Can; USA

Previous Titles

Other *Vida the Vet* titles publishing in 2025

Storybooks:

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Popcorn, The Best Assistan
Sunny's Naptime Blues

Activity Books:

My Colouring Book
Vida the Vet Search and Find

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Publication date	Thursday, April 02, 2026
Price	£25.00 / ₹2740
Main Identifier	9781510232617
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage fiction: Classic fiction (YFA) Children's / Teenage fiction and stories: Folk and Fairy tales (YFJB) Children's / Teenage: Gift and novelty books / items (YZG) Interest age: from c 7 years (5AH)

CBMC	C3J79
Age	7-9 years
Subject	Fiction
Type	Novelty Book
Character	Non-character
Tie In	Non Tie-in

Binding	Hardback
Format	234x158
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

The Little Prince

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry (Illustrated By MinaLima)

Keynote

The full text of Antoine de Saint-Exupéry's beloved story, 'The Little Prince' illustrated by MinaLima, the award-winning design studio.

Description

The Little Prince as you've never seen him before!

From the award-winning design studio behind the graphics for the Harry Potter films, fly away on a magical and poetic journey with this special edition of Saint-Exupéry's masterpiece. Through magnificent images and eight incredible novelty elements, follow the little prince from planet to planet - make his rose bloom, count the sunsets, philosophise with the fox, and discover the desert dunes...

Since its publication 80 years ago, *The Little Prince* has enchanted readers around the world. The MinaLima design studio has produced a spectacularly beautiful anniversary edition with unique interactive features and deluxe full colour illustrations.

Sales Points

- The iconic modern fable by Antoine De Saint-Exupery, reimagined by the award-winning design studio behind the graphics of the Harry Potter films, MinaLima
- Experience the iconic story in an entirely reimagined way with eight incredible novelty elements and full colour illustrations
- A book to enjoy as a family, with themes of imagination, love and emotional connection, perfect for adults and children alike
- A poignant and philosophical exploration of the meaning of life, this story has stood the test of time since it was first published in 1943.
- One of the best selling works in history, this story has been translated into over 505 different languages and dialects worldwide demonstrating its worldwide popularity

Author Biography

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry (Author)

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry (1900-1944) was a celebrated French aviator, writer and poet whose life and works combined a passion for aviation with profound, philosophical reflections on humanity, courage, and existence. He is best known as the author of the beloved classic, *The Little Prince* (*Le Petit Prince*).

MinaLima (Illustrator)

MinaLima is a graphic design studio, founded in 2009 by Miraphora Mina and Eduardo Lima. They are best known for creating the distinctive graphics for the Harry Potter and Fantastic Beasts film series. Based in London, this multi-disciplinary studio designs graphic props, illustrated books and immersive experiences for the entertainment and publishing industries.

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 Publication date **Thursday, April 02, 2026**
 Price **£10.99 / ₹899**
 Main Identifier **9781035431106**
 Thema 1.6 **Family saga / generational saga fiction (FT) Historical fiction (FV)**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **480 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **Can; Cw; Ire; UK**
 Not for Sale **USA**

Book locale **Sunderland**
 Author born in **Northampton**
 Author living in **Northampton**

Previous Titles

Eve and Her Sisters (2008)
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 US **Refer to Publisher**

The Stony Path
A gripping saga of love, family secrets and tragedy
Rita Bradshaw

Keynote

A heartrending saga of lost love, dark secrets and the rocky road to happiness, perfect for fans of Rosie Goodwin and Dilly Court

Description

'Gritty and touching' *Newcastle Evening Chronicle*

When a shocking secret is revealed, will she ever find happiness again?

Growing up on a small, struggling farm on the outskirts of Sunderland in the early 1900s, Polly Farrow has a tough life, but she has gifts money can't buy - a joyful disposition and a loving heart. And that heart belongs to her beloved cousin, Michael. They share a special bond, and Polly knows that one day they'll be man and wife.

But a terrible family secret is to shatter her dreams for ever. The lovers are rent apart and Polly is left to bear the responsibility of the farm and her family alone. Life is now a battle for survival, and Polly wonders if she will ever find happiness, unaware that the answer to her prayers is closer than she thinks . . .

Sales Points

- Rita Bradshaw's most recent sagas, located in Sunderland and the North East of England, have been *Sunday Times* Top Ten bestsellers, demonstrating that her huge popularity continues to grow.
- This paperback edition is being reissued for the first time in B-format with an attractive new cover design and is sure to appeal to fans of Rita Bradshaw's most recent novels as well as to fans of Rosie Goodwin and Dilly Court.
- For the Josephine Cox/Harry Bowling market, with the Sunderland backdrop a strong area to exploit
- Rita Bradshaw is a real professional, having learned her craft in the stable of Mills & Boon, for whom she is a top seller (under the name Helen Brooks)
- Praise for earlier novels: 'Catherine Cookson fans will enjoy discovering a new author who writes in a similar vein' *Home and Family*; 'If you like gritty, rags-to-riches Northern sagas, you'll enjoy this' *Family Circle*; 'What an emotional rollercoaster ride of a book! It grabs your attention from page one and does not let go until the end' *Sunderland Echo*; 'All published writers have skill and creativity, but a few have more. It's called magic. I'm beginning to believe Bradshaw has it!' *Historical Novels Review*

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- 'Displaying an uncanny ability to spin a good yarn' - *Sunderland Echo*
- 'Gritty and touching' - *Newcastle Evening Chronicle*

Author Biography

Rita Bradshaw was born in Northamptonshire, where she still lives today. At the age of sixteen she met her husband - whom she considers her soulmate - and they have two daughters and a son and three young grandchildren. Much to her delight, Rita's first attempt at a novel was accepted for publication, and she went on to write many more successful novels under a pseudonym before writing for Headline using her own name.

As a committed Christian and passionate animal-lover Rita has a full and busy life, but her writing continues to be a consuming pleasure that she never tires of. In any spare moments she loves reading, walking, eating out and visiting the cinema and theatre, as well as being involved in her local church and animal welfare

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Ragamuffin Angel

Old feuds threaten the happiness of one young couple

Rita Bradshaw

Keynote

An uplifting saga of rags to riches, as a young woman unravels the secrets that surround her past in order to find happiness. Perfect for fans of Lindsey Hutchinson and Dilly Court.

Description

'An enjoyable historical read . . . Very readable, with good dialogue and well-drawn characters' *Ipswich Evening Star*

A young couple . . . and the dark and terrible history between their families that threatens to destroy them.

Connie Bell, newly orphaned, is just twelve when she's taken on at the laundry in Sunderland's grim workhouse. Although she's little more than a child, the events of her past have forged a driving determination to rise above her beginnings. But when she applies for a job as a nurse Connie's turned down: her mother was forced by poverty to work the streets and the Bell name is tainted.

Bitterly hurt but undaunted, Connie's soon assistant housekeeper at the Grand Hotel and saving hard for her own business. When her path crosses Dan Stewart's, though, everything Connie's ever dreamed of is threatened. There's a dark and terrible history between the Bells and the Stewarts, and Dan's mother Edith will do anything to keep Dan and Connie apart.

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Reach for Tomorrow
A captivating saga of fighting for those you love

Rita Bradshaw

Keynote

A heartwarming saga of a young woman's indomitable spirit and determination to survive no matter what, perfect for fans of Annie Murray and Rosie Goodwin

Description

When everyone's deserted her, can she find the strength to go on?

Rosie Ferry is hardly more than a child when her father and brothers are lost in a pit disaster. She has to grow up fast when her mother falls apart, leaving Rosie in charge of her two sisters. It's Rosie who finds them lodgings, Rosie who tramps the streets looking for work. Without her friends Davey and Flora, Rosie doesn't know how she'd cope.

Then Davey - the boy Rosie always thought she'd marry - abruptly leaves Sunderland, and to make matters worse her mother turns to drink. It's almost more than she can bear, but Rosie is tougher than she looks, and she's determined to keep the family together.

What readers are saying about *Reach for Tomorrow*:

'I felt as though I was transported in time. I found the book very emotive in places'

'Another lovely story from this very talented writer. The characters are vivid and believable, the storyline keeps you guessing'

'So full of deep love and filled with sorrow too. A book I never wanted to end!'

Sales Points

- Rita Bradshaw's most recent sagas, located in Sunderland and the North East of England, have been *Sunday Times* Top Ten bestsellers, demonstrating that her huge popularity continues to grow.
- This paperback edition is being reissued for the first time in B-format with an attractive new cover design and is sure to appeal to fans of Rita Bradshaw's most recent novels as well as to fans of Rosie Goodwin and Dilly Court.
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Alone Beneath the Heaven

A gripping saga of escapism, love and belonging

Rita Bradshaw

Keynote

In *Alone Beneath the Heaven*, Rita Bradshaw writes a powerful saga of discovering your roots, and finding true love along the way.

Description

One young woman dares to dream of a better life . . .

One freezing night in the 1930s, a baby is left to die in a public lavatory in Sunderland. But against the odds she survives. Sarah Brown is from sturdy stock, and she needs to be, for the orphanage where she grows up is run with brutal efficiency by child-hating Matron Cox. Only Sarah dares to defy her - with horrific consequences.

Emerging from the Home as a beautiful and determined young woman, Sarah takes up a post in London as a housekeeper. She's more than capable of dealing with her employer's son, who has a penchant for young servants. And when she meets again Rodney Mallard, the young doctor who tended her after a beating in the Home, Sarah begins to dream of a better future.

But serpents lurk in every paradise. And Sarah won't be completely happy until she knows why she was abandoned by her mother, the one person who should have loved her more than life itself . . .

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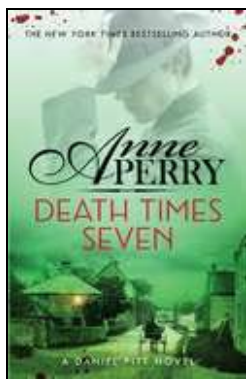
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Death Times Seven (Daniel Pitt Mystery 7) Daniel Pitt mystery 7

Anne Perry

Keynote

Daniel Pitt faces two of the greatest challenges of his life in *Death Times Seven*, the final Daniel Pitt mystery, which is published posthumously and was completed by Victoria Zackheim, an author and editor as well as Anne Perry's close friend.

Description

***Death Times Seven* is the seventh and final gripping Daniel Pitt mystery in which Daniel faces two of the greatest challenges of his life. Following Anne Perry's death, this novel was completed by Victoria Zackheim, an author and editor as well as Perry's close friend, and is being published posthumously as a fitting finale to the series.**

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London, 1913. When a brutal attack leaves Toby Kitteridge's mother dead and his father barely alive, Toby returns to his home in Suffolk. His friend and fellow barrister Daniel Pitt steps in to defend Peter Ward, who is on trial for the sexual assault and murder of a young woman. Damning evidence points to Ward's guilt but Daniel is convinced of his innocence, and Daniel's wife Miriam offers her forensics expertise to expose a group of pathologists who may have withheld information from their autopsy reports.

As the case progresses, Daniel feels compelled to help Toby, who is too distraught to investigate the attack on his parents. And when Toby's father becomes a prime suspect for murder, Daniel faces two of the greatest challenges of his life. One mistake in London and a blameless man will be hanged. One mistake in Ipswich and Toby's father will be sent to prison for the rest of his life . . .

Praise for Anne Perry's Daniel Pitt mysteries:

'Anne Perry's Victorian mysteries are marvels of plot construction . . . truly remarkable'
New York Times

'One of her most teasing mysteries, this time with a courtroom finale that may be her strongest ever'
Kirkus Reviews

'A truly unusual mystery'
Publishers Weekly

'Engrossing . . . The book gallops to a dramatic conclusion'
Washington Times Daily

Sales Points

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- Her worldwide sales are now over 20 million copies, with translations into many languages including French, Italian, Spanish, Japanese, German, Portuguese and Serbian.
- Her total sales for Headline are over 1 million.
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Author Biography

Throughout Anne Perry's illustrious career she was a *New York Times* bestselling author noted for her memorable characters, historical accuracy and exploration of social and ethical issues. She wrote a multitude of bestselling novels including her highly acclaimed William Monk mysteries, Thomas and Daniel Pitt novels and a series of spy thrillers featuring Elena Standish.

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Price	£22.00 / ₹1850
Main Identifier	9781472294425
Thema 1.6	Fiction: literary and general non-genre (FB) Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Crime and mystery: private investigator / amateur detectives (FFD)
Binding	Hardback
Format	Royal
Extent	288 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	London and Suffolk
Author living in	(Deceased)

Previous Titles

The Fourth Enemy
Three Debs Paid
Death with a Double Edge
and many more

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Tyrant of Rome (Eagles of the Empire 24) THE INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

Simon Scarrow

Keynote

THE INSTANT SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

Prefect Cato and Centurion Macro fight anarchy on the streets of Emperor Nero's Rome in the epic new *Eagles of the Empire* adventure

Description

The city of Rome. The most dangerous place in the Empire. The fates of military heroes Macro and Cato lie in Emperor Nero's bloody hands . . .

AD 62. Under the reckless and tumultuous leadership of Emperor Nero, Rome is descending into near-anarchy and conspiracy. The brutal execution of 400 slaves has led to rioting and discontent. Only the strongest soldier could maintain control. And so Nero turns to Prefect Cato to help save his reign from collapse.

Cato has been lying low after a heroic campaign to quash the Boudica uprising. Now he is called upon to serve again. As the new Prefect of the Urban Cohorts in Rome, Cato needs a loyal and proven officer by his side. Centurion Macro is willing to step up.

War and rebellion hold few fears for these seasoned veterans. But the politics and intrigue of Rome make every day as perilous as the battlefield. And the fates of both men, and of the empire, lie in the hands of the most volatile emperor of the age. Death awaits anyone who dares to defy Nero.

Cato and Macro will need to call on all their experience, native cunning and bottomless courage to survive in this epic new adventure of Roman military heroism.

NO ONE KNOWS ROME BETTER THAN SIMON SCARROW!

Sales Points

- **A SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER: No. 10 on the hardback chart in November 2025**
- **A MULTI-MILLION COPY BESTSELLING AUTHOR** Headline has sold over 6 million copies of Simon Scarrow's novels.
- **INTERNATIONAL AUTHOR: 2 million Simon Scarrow books sold in translation** across many territories including **Spain, Italy and Germany**

Reviews

- "Scarrow weaves his heroes into real events with a deft hand. His Nero is terrifying and capricious" - *The Times*
- "Exciting . . . even a non-fan of the genre will be enthralled. Decadent emperors, marching cohorts, grain ships, the Forum, the Circus, togas, brothels, gladiators, senators' intrigues, persecutions, the plebian mob - everything that is ancient Rome comes to life" - *Historical Novels Society*

Author Biography

Simon Scarrow is the acclaimed author of multiple *Sunday Times* bestsellers, including *Tyrant of Rome*, *Revenge of Rome* and *The Gladiator*.

He is also the author of many other acclaimed novels including the *Sunday Times* bestseller *A Death in Berlin*. With T. J. Andrews he has co-written *Warrior*, focusing on the rebel chief Caratacus, and *Arena*, following the career of a gladiator hero, and more.

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Main Identifier	9781472287267
Thema 1.6	Historical adventure fiction (FJH)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	Map, chart
Series	Eagles of the Empire
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Book locale	Ancient Rome
Author born in	Lagos, Nigeria
Author living in	Norfolk, England

Previous Titles	
9781472287212	Revenge of Rome
9781472287113	Rebellion

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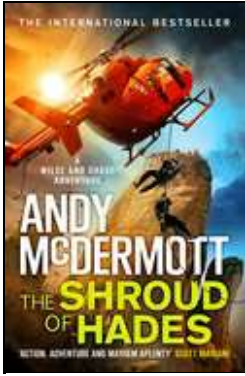
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The Shroud Of Hades (Wilde/Chase 18)

Andy McDermott

Keynote

An adrenaline-charged new Wilde & Chase adventure from the international bestselling author, perfect for fans of Scott Mariani and Clive Cussler.

Description

AN ADRENALINE-CHARGED NEW WILDE & CHASE ADVENTURE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR

THE WORLD'S RICHEST MAN IS DEAD. HIS FINAL ACT: A BILLION DOLLAR BOUNTY ON THE PERSON HE BLAMES. ARCHAEOLOGIST NINA WILDE IS ABOUT TO HAVE A VERY BAD DAY . . .

A global social media message from late trillionaire Rafael Loost makes Nina the most hunted person in history. She and her husband, former SAS soldier Eddie Chase, are forced on the run - with everyone they meet a potential assassin.

When a deadly old enemy of Eddie's joins the pursuit, the couple realise their only hope of survival is a mysterious ancient artefact: the Shroud of Hades. But can they stay alive long enough to find it?

Praise for Andy McDermott:

'Action, adventure and mayhem aplenty' **SCOTT MARIANI**
 'A writer of almost cinematic talent' **DAILY EXPRESS**
 'Adventure stories don't get much more epic than this' **DAILY MIRROR**

Sales Points

- **A GLOBE-HOPPING, PULSE-RACING THRILLER:** Full of cinematic, page-turning adventures and explosive set pieces, the novel sees our heroes travel across the world in a deadly race.
- **A MASSIVE AND DEDICATED READERSHIP** Adventure thrillers remain hugely popular all over the world - from Clive Cussler to Scott Mariani to Wilbur Smith - and Andy McDermott's explosive writing and track record puts him amongst the best of the genre.
- **AN INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER:** Rights for Andy's books have been sold in over twenty-three languages. He made became an instant New York Times bestseller on his US debut.

Author Biography

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

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

Publication date **Thursday, April 23, 2026**
 Price **£10.99 / ₹899**
 Main Identifier **9781035400959**
 Thema 1.6 **Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)
 Adventure / action fiction (FJ)
 Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **384 pages**
 Word Count
 Series **Wilde/Chase**
 Exclusively for Sale **Philippines; UK;
 World (ex USA, Can)**

Not for Sale **Can**

Book locale **US, Canada, Europe**
 Author born in **Halifax, UK.**
 Author living in **Bournemouth**

Previous Titles

9781035400850 The Knights of Atlantis (Wilde/Chase 17)
 9781472236944 The Resurrection Key (Wilde/Chase 15)
 9781035400935 The Shroud Of Hades (Wilde/Chase 18)
 9781472284990 The Temple of Skulls (Wilde/Chase 16)

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Icons of Style: Charli XCX The story of a fashion legend

Caroline Young

Keynote

A fun, fully illustrated guide to the style evolution of hyperpop style icon, Charli XCX.

Description

Genre trailblazer in both music and fashion, Charli XCX is revising the rules on self-expression as a popstar.

From the bright patterns of the 2010s to the grungy, hyperpop style of Brat Summer, Charli XCX has reigned over the cool-girl aesthetic on stage and in the club for over a decade. Discovering the foundations of her style in the London rave scene, it would lead to the rebellious, asymmetrical layers and dark leathers of her current looks, always accessorised with sunglasses - indoors, of course.

With this beautifully illustrated guide to her style trajectory, key looks and signature pieces, explore the high-energy, innovative and edgy world of Charli XCX's style.

Sales Points

- #Bratsummer has engagement from over 1.5 billion users on TikTok.
- Touring the UK and mainland Europe at major summer festivals in 2025.
- The aesthetic is aimed at an 18-30 audience who shop at Urban Outfitters and keep up to date with TikTok trends.
- With six studio albums under her belt, Charli XCX has won 3 Grammys and 5 Brit Awards.

Author Biography

Caroline Young is a writer and author specialising in fashion, pop culture and film history. Originally from Edinburgh, her works include *Hitchcock's Heroines*, *What Coco Chanel Can Teach You About Fashion*, *The It Girls: Glamor, Celebrity and Scandal*, and Welbeck's *The Colour of Fashion*, *Audrey in Paris*, and *Little Book of Chloé*. She lives in Edinburgh, UK.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£14.99 / ₹1250
Main Identifier	9781035435272
Thema 1.6	Fashion and style guides (WJF) Biography: arts and entertainment (DNBF) Popular culture (JBCC1)
Binding	Hardback
Format	194x140
Extent	224 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	100 colour and black and white images
Series	Icons of Style
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
1st Serial	Headline Publishing Group
2nd Serial	Headline Publishing Group
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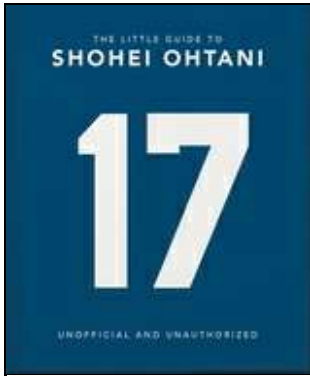
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Extent	192 pages
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The Little Guide to Shohei Ohtani

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Keynote

Shohei Ohtani - The Two-Way Wonder!

Description

From humble beginnings in Ōshū, Japan, to becoming one of Major League Baseball's brightest stars, Shohei Ohtani has stunned the world - not only with his extraordinary talent and discipline but also with his quiet humility. As both a dominant pitcher and a powerful hitter, Ohtani has redefined what's possible in baseball.

Driven by a deep love for the game and an unwavering belief in his potential, he has defied expectations and broken records. But beyond the stats, it's his mindset - fiercely focused but always grounded - that truly sets him apart.

Packed with motivational quotes and intriguing facts and insights, this little book is a tribute to Ohtani's journey - from his cultural roots and early ambitions to his milestones with the Los Angeles Angels and the Dodgers. Whether you're a longtime fan or new to the phenomenon, this collection celebrates everything that makes Ohtani a once-in-a-century athlete.

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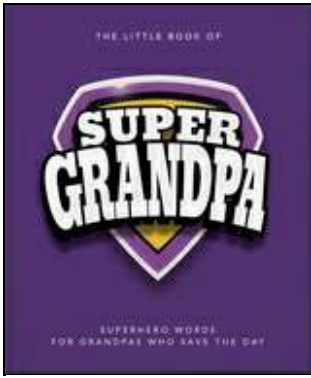
- **Dominating as both a pitcher and a hitter**, Ohtani has been dubbed the modern-day Babe Ruth, and has earned MVP titles, shattered records and captivated fans across the globe - all while remaining remarkably humble and team-focused.
- **Filled with inspirational quotes and fascinating insights** from one of the most unique talents the sport has ever seen, this little book is perfect for baseball lovers and sports fans alike - and sits proudly alongside other Little Books, including LeBron James, Michael Jordan and Patrick Mahomes.

Author Biography

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The Little Book of SuperGrandpa

OH

Keynote

The Little Book of Super-Grandad - Timeless Wisdom from the King of Kindess!

Description

The Little Book of SuperGrandpa is a heartwarming celebration of the everyday heroes who add a sprinkle of magic, mischief and wisdom to family life. Packed with delightful quotes, surprising facts, cheeky trivia and engaging jokes, this little book highlights all the reasons granddads are simply unbeatable.

From timeless advice and legendary storytelling to those classic grandad moments that make us laugh, roll our eyes or feel downright lucky, this book shines a light on the unique charm and superpowers of these beloved family members.

Whether you're a grandad looking for a smile or someone who wants to honour the grandad in your life, this fun-filled tribute is the perfect way to celebrate the laughter, love and unforgettable memories only a grandad can create.

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- **Studies show** that engaged grandfathers not only enrich their grandchildren's development and confidence but also enjoy improved well-being themselves. This little book celebrates that unique and powerful role with humour and heart.
- **The perfect gift**, published alongside other OH Little Book family favourites including *SuperDad*, *SuperMum*, *Fathers and Sons*, *Mother's Love* and *Grandmother's Love*.

Author Biography

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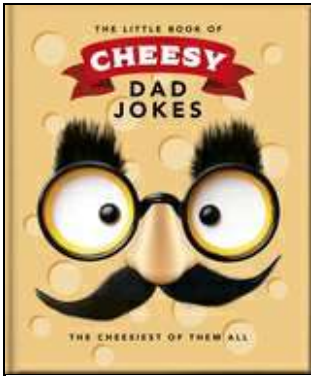
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The Little Book of Cheesy Dad Jokes

OH

Keynote

The Little Book of Cheesy Dad Jokes - A groan-worthy celebration of the timeless art of Dad humour!

Description

Dads: the undisputed champions of the perfectly timed pun and proud purveyors of cringe-worthy humour. *The Little Book of Cheesy Dad Jokes* is packed with delightfully corny one-liners, puns and dad-approved quips guaranteed to spark smiles, chuckles - and almost certainly a few eye rolls from family and friends alike.

Packed with more than 170 jokes, this pocket-sized companion is the perfect sidekick for any dad ready to fully embrace his role as the family's chief fun-maker - complete with a hearty side order of cheese.

Whether you're breaking the ice at family gatherings, lightening the mood on a tough day or just sprinkling some silly into everyday moments, this little book delivers pure, pun-filled joy for dads - and anyone who appreciates a good (or gloriously bad) joke, anytime, anywhere.

Sample Content:

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Sales Points

- **Another topping from the hugely successful line of Dad Joke titles** in the OH Little Books series, this is the ultimate cheesy companion for dads who love to keep the laughs (and eye rolls) coming.
- **Perfect for Father's Day**, birthdays or just because - a fun and easy gift for dads, grandads or any pun-loving joker.

Author Biography

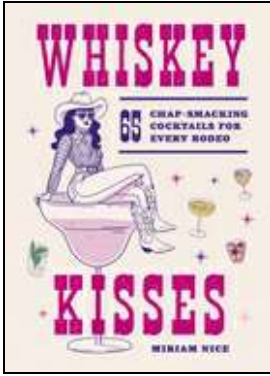
The **OH** list features innovative, quirky books that reflect style, popular culture and current trends.

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Word Count	
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Whiskey Kisses

65 Chap-Smacking Cocktails For Every Rodeo

Miriam Nice (Illustrated By Laurène Boglio)

Keynote

65 cowgirl-themed cocktails of all flavours and styles in a winning gift package.

Description

Blending sass, Southern charm and a little Wild West spirit, Whiskey Kisses has everything you need for a good old knees-up!

From smokey whiskey sippers and spicy mezcal spritzes to smooth fruity foams and sparkling tequila fizzes, this cheeky cocktail compendium is perfect for every celebration - think backyard Western-inspired parties, batchelorettes, weekend grill-outs!

Packed with thirst-quenching drinks recipes written by writer and podcaster Miriam Nice, alongside cute and classy illustrations by Laurène Boglio, now you can toast like a true cowgirl with playful cocktail ideas including Rodeo Rita, Bronco Bubbles and Southern Belle, plus low and no-alcohol options to suit every mood and occasion.

Sales Points

- Cowgirl-adjacent aesthetics remain ever-popular thanks to Beyoncé, Lana Del Rey and Taylor Swift - the perfect trend for Beyoncé's Cowboy Carter tour/ summer festival chic.
- Cowboy core more popular than ever! Nimble publishing to respond to upward global and social media trend with #cowboy 8.8m and #cowgirl 6.9m on Instagram, plus #cowboy 2.8m and #cowgirl 1.5m posts on TikTok.
- The Fashion Glitterati are pushing the 'Yeehaw Agenda' from Paris Fashion week to Timothy Chalamet's latest red-carpet look.
- Cowgirl hats and boots signature straddles both male and female celebrity sphere e.g. Harry Styles, Lil Nas X, Miley Cyrus and Katy Perry.
- A cute, sassy aesthetic & fun trend that's adaptable style for interiors - distressed leather, checks and plaids, colourful quilts are easy to weave into everyday interior design.

Author Biography

Miriam Nice (Author)

Author of *Cooking Without a Kitchen*, 2013 and co-wrote *The Art of Drinking Sober*, 2020 with Richard Davie. Miriam Nice worked for BBC Good Food 7 years and has presented many of their podcast series as well as writing a regular drinks column, and penning over 400 recipes. Miriam now writes her own blog and has written for Great British Chefs, Zlimm123, Jackie Magpie and Eat Me Magazine. She is the author of two cocktail books on the OH list, *Spirited Away* and *Whiskey Kisses*. She lives in London.

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The Scoop

A bold and biting satirical workplace drama from a fresh new voice, coming 2026

Erin Van Der Meer

Keynote

A bold and biting satirical workplace drama from a fresh debut voice, about a washed up journalist working the night shift at a digital tabloid newspaper, and the explosive consequences of her seemingly harmless clickbait. . .

Description

'A timely, commanding, blistering debut, this one's sure to leave a lasting mark' ASHLEY TATE

No story sells faster than a celebrity's downfall. . .

Washed-up journalist Frankie Miller is desperate. Since losing her dream job at a glossy magazine, she's been drowning in rejection letters and overdue bills while eating cereal for dinner.

So, when she's offered a role at *The Scoop*, a notorious tabloid website run by tyrannical editor David Brown, she can't afford to say no - even if it means swallowing her pride for clicks. Besides, it's just a temporary means to an end. Nothing more.

But the deeper Frankie dives into the cutthroat world of clickbait, the blurrier the line between ambition and morality becomes. And when she breaks a story that humiliates a beloved pop star, the fallout is more explosive than she ever imagined - for both of them.

In an industry where reputation is currency and outrage sells, how far is Frankie willing to go - and how much is she willing to lose - to win at this ruthless game?

Sharp, witty, and unflinchingly bold, *The Scoop* pulls back the curtain on tabloid culture and the human toll of the 24/7 news cycle, perfect for fans of *Yellowface*, *The List* and *Succession*.

PRAISE FOR *THE SCOOP*:

- 'Quickly becomes tough to look away from'** NATALIE SUE
- 'Smart and savage...a devastating satire'** RUTH MADIEVSKY
- 'Snappy, fun, and set in the always-fascinating world of New York media. Loved it!'** CAT MARNELL
- 'Sucked me in and spat me out gasping'** CHRIS BRIDGES
- 'An urgent, searing satire of the media'** GEORGIA MCVEIGH
- 'Provocative and propulsive with a relentless protagonist'** WARONA JAY

Sales Points

- **A TIMELY SATIRICAL THRILLER:** About a tabloid journalist and the explosive consequences of her seemingly harmless clickbait. Tackles big themes around online outrage, cancel culture, and media ethics with wit and bite.
- **INTELLIGENT, VOICE-DRIVEN FICTION:** A strong narrative voice with a morally complex female lead, perfect for fans of *Yellowface*, *The List* and *Succession*.
- **AUTHOR HAS EXPERTISE:** The author has worked in a number of New York newsrooms from clickbait tabloids to prestigious publications including *The New York Times*, *Elle* and *Man Repeller*.
- **THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA FOR THE NEXT GENERATION:** An ultramodern take on toxic workplace culture, ambition and moral grey zones in the media industry. With *THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA 2* hitting screens in 2026, demand for workplace dramas is at an all-time high.

Reviews

- 'A timely, commanding, blistering debut, this one's sure to leave a lasting mark.' - *Ashley Tate*
- 'A darkly funny satirical peek into the world of late-night tabloid journalism and the chaos of our times. With explorations on grief, ambition, and privilege in the media industry, it quickly becomes tough to look away from.' - *Natalie Sue*
- 'I gorged on *The Scoop*. Erin Van Der Meer has crafted a devastating satire that reads the media for filth. Smart, savage, and tinged with grief, *The Scoop* is required reading for anyone who has compromised themselves today for a better tomorrow.' - *Ruth Madievsky*
- 'This dark and propulsive tale sucked me in, left me feeling guilty about every time I've clicked on a story about a flailing actor and spat me out gasping. This is the book that everyone is going to be talking about in 2026.' - *Chris Bridges*

Author Biography



Erin Van Der Meer is a writer and former journalist whose work has appeared in publications including *The New York Times*, *The Daily Beast*, and *Elle*. She was a Spruceton Inn Artist Resident in 2024. Born in Sydney, Australia, she now lives in Brooklyn. *The Scoop* is her debut.

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Sneakers

Over 300 classics from rare vintage to the latest kicks

Neal Heard

Keynote

This comprehensive, illustrated edition of *Sneakers* spans over 300 shoes, exploring the stories behind some of the world's most iconic shoes, while also giving advice on shoe care and maintenance.

Description

ADIDAS SAMBA. NIKE AIR MAX. ONITSUKA TIGER CORSAIR. BALENCIAGA TRIPLE S. NEW BALANCE 530. STAN SMITH. VANS OLD SKOOL. AIR JORDAN.

With over 300 styles and including all the essential trends and brands, this is the ultimate sneaker handbook. This new edition features iconic updates including Adidas Sambas, Converse revivals and the hottest collaborations from brands like Miu Miu x New Balance, Salomon x Maison Margiela and Dior x Nike.

Sales Points

- This fifth edition of features a completely up to date anthology of sneakers, exploring new technologies and designs as well as continuing to embrace the old classics.
- The global sneakers market revenue in 2020 was approximately \$70 billion.
- Features a completely up-to-date anthology of sneakers, exploring new technologies and designs as well as continuing to embrace the old classics.
- Brands like Miu Miu and Balenciaga have brought sneakers into high fashion and to a new audience.
- Not only do sneakers remain to be the primary footwear choice for people of all ages, the recent public controversy regarding Lil Nas X and his 'Devil Sneakers' has been generating a lot of heat.

Author Biography

Neal Heard is a sneaker enthusiast and vintage dealer who has been collecting and dealing since the early 90s. He now owns his own fashion label, Lover's F.C. and has been the director of vintage clothing firm and cult clothing brand White Riot. In 2017, he published his second book *The Football Shirts Book: The Connoisseur's Guide*, firmly establishing him as an authority on athleisure wear.

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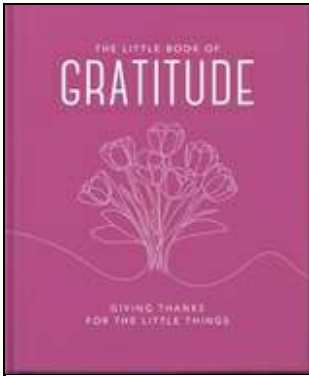
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The Little Book of Gratitude

OH

Keynote

The Little Book of Gratitude - The Quiet Superpower!

Description

In a world that moves fast, gratitude invites us to pause - to notice and to reconnect with what truly matters. *The Little Book of Gratitude* is a celebration of that mindset: a pocket-sized companion filled with uplifting quotes, insightful reflections and fascinating facts about the transformative power of thankfulness.

Drawing on ancient wisdom, spiritual traditions and modern psychology, it reveals how simple acts of appreciation can influence our outlook, lift our mood, strengthen our relationships and even improve our physical health. Whether you're looking for a motivational daily ritual, a spark of perspective during busy times or a thoughtful gift for someone special, this beautifully curated collection offers inspiration on every page.

Calm, grounding and quietly powerful, it reminds us that joy doesn't come from having more - but from truly appreciating what's already here.

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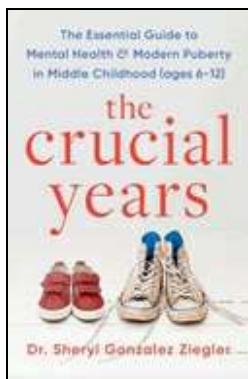
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Sales Points

- **In a world where the average person checks their phone up to 145 times a day**, time for quiet reflection is increasingly rare - making gratitude not just a virtue, but a vital habit.
- **Packed with timeless quotes, practical wisdom and surprising facts**, this book is the perfect feel-good companion for anyone seeking calm, perspective or a gentle daily ritual.

Author Biography

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



The Crucial Years

The essential guide to mental health and modern puberty in middle childhood (ages 6-12)

Dr Sheryl Gonzalez Ziegler

Keynote

An essential guide for parents and caregivers, this book offers insights, strategies, and understanding to navigate middle childhood (ages 6-12).

Description

'A road map for any adult supporting children... a must read!' Eve Rodsky, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Fair Play*

An essential guide for parents and caregivers, this book offers insights, strategies and understanding to navigate middle childhood (ages 6-12). Dr. Sheryl Ziegler, a seasoned clinical psychologist and mother, highlights ways to foster resilience, encourage open communication and build lasting connections during this crucial period.

A pivotal sea change is happening in children's development. The age of puberty has been trending earlier for decades and now starts as young as eight years old in girls and nine in boys. Bullying doesn't just happen on the playground, but over text and DMs. Depression and anxiety are drastically on the rise. Couple earlier puberty with ill-equipped, developing brains and the onslaught of new media and stressors that never existed when we were kids, and it's clear that parents need a new guide to raise this new generation.

The Crucial Years is your essential handbook to navigating the often misunderstood and overlooked years of middle childhood (ages 6-12). As a mother and clinical psychologist, Dr. Sheryl Ziegler knows first-hand how challenging these years can be - yet she also recognizes that this is a tender age and pivotal opportunity to connect with your child before adolescence. Dr. Ziegler masterfully unlocks the enigma surrounding modern puberty and offers evidence-based strategies, interventions and answers to middle childhood's most perplexing questions and concerns. In these pages she provides:

- **Science-based advice** to recognize the first signs of puberty and navigate the changes to come.
- **Candid and actionable guidance** for getting your kids to talk about anxiety, depression and their complicated feelings.
- **Insight into the changing world of gender and sexual identity**, and how to guide your child through this complicated new landscape.
- **A thoughtful and sensitive discussion** of how race intersects with puberty and mental health, and how all parents can approach this mindfully and inclusively.
- **A clear explanation** of the invisible threads linking mood swings, self-image and social media exposure.
- **Road-tested, real-world guidance** to handle bullies, mean girls and other friendship and social challenges.

The Crucial Years gives you everything you need to guide your child through the hazards and thrills of puberty and help them emerge as well-rounded, confident young adults.

Sales Points

- **EXPERT AUTHOR:** Dr Sheryl Gonzalez Ziegler is a clinical psychologist with twenty years of specializing in working with children in crisis and puberty. She is an expert in childrens' mental health and founder of one of the top mental health practices in Denver.
- **GLOBAL HEALTH ISSUE:** The age at which children enter puberty has been trending earlier *globally* for decades, for a variety of potential reasons, and puberty now overlaps with middle childhood.
- **AGENDA-SETTING BOOK:** The first comprehensive, scientifically-driven and shame-free guide for parents of all children entering or already going through puberty in today's world.

Reviews

- '*The Crucial Years* is more than a book-it is a road map for any adult supporting children. Dr. Ziegler addresses science and strategies that aim to strengthen our children and ourselves. Forward thinking and prevention based, *The Crucial Years* is a must read!' - **Eve Rodsky** *New York Times* bestselling author of *Fair Play*'
- 'An essential read for every parent. The elementary school years are a time of incredible growth and change and can also be fraught with challenges that you don't see coming. Dr. Ziegler prepares you for tough conversations so you can raise happier, healthier kids who quickly become happier and healthier teens.' - **Dr Michele Borba**, educational psychologist and author of *Thrivers*'
- '*The Crucial Years* is the ultimate survival guide... Reassuring, empowering and grounded in research, this book is a must-have roadmap for any parent seeking to

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preserve their child's well-being as they make their way through middle childhood.' - **Phyllis L. Fagell, licensed therapist, school counsellor, and author of *Middle School Matters***'

- "No longer the forgotten years, *The Crucial Years* redefines the ages from 6-12 as a time of opportunity to educate and empower kids. With puberty beginning much earlier, Ziegler provides a developmental framework for understanding the intersection of kids physical and emotional transformation during middle childhood. Her clear explanations and parenting scripts will be a useful tool for any parent navigating this period!" - **Vanessa Kroll Bennett, co-author of *This Is So Awkward: Modern Puberty Explained***

Author Biography

Dr Sheryl Gonzalez Ziegler, Psy.D. is an acclaimed expert on children's mental health with a deep understanding of the needs of today's tweens, teens and their families. A first-generation Latina with Puerto Rican and Cuban roots, Dr Ziegler was born in Harlem and raised in Washington Heights. She completed her advanced doctoral training at The Astor Home for Children in Rhinebeck, NY, where she was supported by The Bill and Melinda Gates Scholarship Foundation, and began her professional career treating the highest acuity patients in subsequent youth residential treatment centres. Her group private practice, The Child & Family Therapy Center at Lowry, was established in 2006 in Denver. Dr Ziegler appears weekly on Denver's NBC-TV's 9News as their on-staff mental health and parenting expert and has been featured in such national media as The Today Show, CNN Headline News and The Katie Couric Show. She has contributed to or been interviewed by *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Harvard Business Review*, *Time*, *Parents*, *Elle*, *Better Homes and Gardens* and more.

Dr Ziegler has been named a Luminary in the field of Psychotherapy and was recognized as such at the 2022 Evolution of Psychotherapy conference in Orlando. She is the author of *Mommy Burnout: How to Reclaim your Life and Raise Healthier Children* (Dey Street, 2018), which won Best Parenting Book of the Year by the International Latino Book Awards Foundation. She is a board member of Detach, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping teens achieve digital balance and advises major national corporations on tween and teen mental health initiatives. She is also the mother of a tween and two teens.

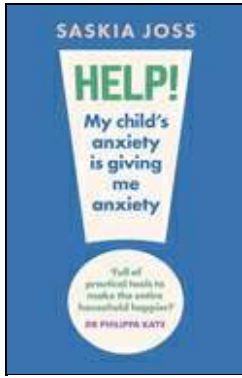
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Help! My Child's Anxiety is Giving Me Anxiety An Essential Guide for Parents of Anxious Children

Saskia Joss

Keynote

A warm, practical and wide-ranging guide to helping children of all ages conquer their anxiety

Description

'A bible for everyone dealing with children' Anthea Turner

'Finally, a book that gives straightforward guidance to parents in need'
Myleene Klass

'Full of practical tools to make the entire household happier!' Dr Philippa Kaye

In *Help! My Child's Anxiety is Giving Me Anxiety*, parents will learn what is going on in their child's brain and body when anxiety strikes, and also -crucially - what they can do to help. This book is full of practical advice and delivers clear spoken scripts for parents to follow when supporting and reassuring their anxious child. It also sets out hundreds of practical dynamic strategies to restore the child's happiness and security, all based on real-life examples that have arisen from personal therapeutic casework with hundreds of children.

This book offers advice, reassurance and a helping hand, with a wide range of solutions and suggestions, as well as issues covered - everything from separation anxiety to issues at school, phobias and so much more. *Help! My Child's Anxiety is Giving Me Anxiety* is designed to fit each family's specific requirements, replenish confidence and put the positivity and pleasure back into parenting.

Sales Points

- Anxiety in children is on the rise and often in the news: more than two-fifths (42%) of parents in the UK have reported their children are currently experiencing frequent anxiety, compared to less than a third (30%) in 2020.
- Expert and well-connected author - as well as being a qualified child therapist, Saskia is also the daughter of national treasure Vanessa Feltz.
- Saskia is also passionate about fighting the adverse impact of TikTok and other social media on young people's mental and physical health and is qualified as an Advanced Practitioner in Emotional Regulation Techniques.

Author Biography

Saskia Joss is a qualified Child Therapist. Saskia trained and qualified as a Primary School Teacher and worked at a high-profile inner-city London school before retraining as a Child Therapist. She has worked in multiple state schools and private practice to support children and families. Since Covid-19, Saskia has become an expert on anxiety in children and has helped families as they battle mental health issues arising from isolating lockdowns and the pandemic. Saskia focuses on helping children deal with anxiety practically and quickly. Saskia is an acclaimed international lecturer in anxiety, early years education, psycho-education and parenting. She regularly appears on national television to advocate for children's mental health.

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Kate Gray

Keynote

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Sales Points

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Reviews

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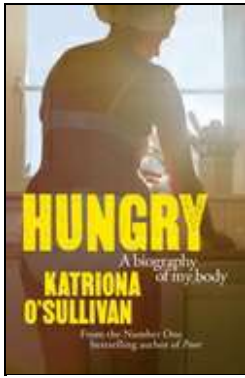
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- 'A destination to die for - quite literally. Kate dials up the heat in this tense, claustrophobic, addictive thriller - that will make you think twice about going on a family holiday.' - *Ruth Kelly*

Author Biography

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Hungry A Biography of My Body

Katriona O'Sullivan

Keynote

A raw, beautifully written memoir from the bestselling author of *Poor* that delves into the complexities of body image, self-worth, and the relentless pursuit of acceptance.

Description

'Amazing. I couldn't put it down.'

ELAINE FEENEY, author of *As You Were*

'Every woman needs to read this book. Every man needs to read this book.'

EDEL COFFEY, author of *In Her Place*

'I doubt there's a woman alive who won't immediately see herself in these pages. I tore through it.'

TANYA SWEENEY, journalist and author of *Esther is Now Following You*

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***Hungry* is the powerful new memoir from Number One bestselling author Katriona O'Sullivan - a raw, courageous exploration of survival, identity and the lifelong search for self-acceptance.**

Raised in a home marked by poverty, addiction and abuse, Katriona defied the odds: from teenage motherhood struggling with her own addictions to becoming a university professor and successful author. But beneath the achievements lay a more private struggle - with her body, her worth, and the unrelenting drive to be enough.

In this fiercely honest memoir, she interrogates how trauma, class and gender shape the way women see themselves - and how society teaches them to measure their value.

Told with stunning courage and vulnerability, *Hungry* is both a personal reckoning and a powerful reclaiming of body, voice and self. It is one woman's story - and a rallying cry for every woman who has ever felt she had to shrink to survive.

PRAISE FOR POOR:

'One of the best [books] I have read about the complexities of poverty . . . one of the most remarkable people you will ever meet' - *Guardian*

'Powerful - Katriona is a legend' - Barry Keoghan

'Raw, passionate and resolutely honest - I'll never forget it' - Annie Mac

'I read *Poor* in one sitting I found it so compelling . . . moving, uplifting, brave, heroic' - Nuala McGovern, *Woman's Hour*, BBC Radio Four

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Katriona's previous book, POOR, has been in the non-fiction charts in Ireland for two years, in addition to selling 29k copies in paperback in the UK.
- **CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED:** POOR won Best Biography and the Last Word Listener's Choice Award at the Irish Book Awards 2023. It received brilliant coverage from the Guardian, Woman's Hour, RTE One, and many other sources, as well as endorsements from figures such as Annie Mac and Barry Keoghan.
- **A GROWING PROFILE:** Katriona is an eloquent and brilliant speaker, and has spoken at the World Education Forum, the European Gender Action Workshop on Women and Digitalisation and most recently at the UN Gender Equality Workshop, as well as corporate events. She appears frequently in the media, most recently with a piece on complicated grief on RTE Radio.

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Author Biography

Dr Katriona O'Sullivan is a professor of psychology and the bestselling author of *Poor*, winner of Biography of the Year and Newcomer of the Year at the Irish Book Awards. The memoir has been translated into seven languages, adapted into a sold-out play at Dublin's Gate Theatre, and remained in Ireland's top-ten nonfiction chart for two years. A regular commentator on the BBC and across Irish and international media, she has spoken at

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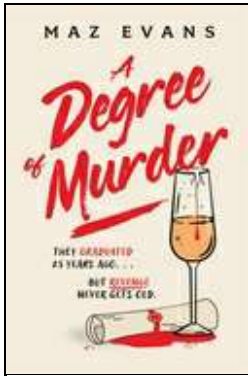
Born in Coventry to Irish parents, her early life was marked by poverty, addiction, teenage pregnancy and homelessness. In 1998 she moved to Dublin, where she entered Trinity College through the access programme and went on to earn a PhD in psychology. Now a professor at Maynooth University, she directs the National Centre for Inclusive Higher Education and leads the award-winning STEM Passport for Inclusion, which has supported over 10,000 young people from underserved communities into higher education and high-status careers.

Market

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A Degree of Murder

It's 25 years since they graduated...but revenge never gets old.

Maz Evans

Keynote

An inventive, hilarious and puzzling crime mystery, perfect for fans of Richard Osman and Janice Hallett.

Description

IT'S BEEN 25 YEARS SINCE THEY GRADUATED...BUT REVENGE NEVER GETS OLD.

The Class of 2000.

The Actress. The Techie. The Bimbo. The Sportsman. The Bad Boy. The Writer. The Singer. The Lecturer. The Musician. The Mature Student. The Weirdo.
But who is The Murderer?

It's Bathory University's 25-year reunion. The Class of 2000 reassemble - and old flames and old feuds are quicky reignited.

Laurence still loves Diana. Mags still hates Bill. Tillie wants Ed. Ryan wants revenge. Rob turned out good. J.D. turned out bad. Lilah's not the same. And as for Marty...

But when murder strikes, the clues to the killing can be found a quarter of a century ago on Graduation Day 2000. As the secrets, tragedies and betrayals from years gone by play out at the reunion, someone is taught a deadly lesson.

Eleven witnesses - or are they suspects? - from the Bathory students and staff recount events in the years 2000 and 2025 while the murder trial unfolds before us. But who is the victim? Who is accused of being the killer? And is the right person even on trial?

The murderer will be revealed... but only by degrees.

Praise for award-winning, bestselling author Maz Evans:

- 'Fabulous' **JANICE HALLETT**
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- 'Pure fun in book form, a laugh out loud murder mystery...a book you won't be able to put down!' **C L MILLER**
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- 'This witty mystery will please fans of Richard Osman and Janice Hallett' **The i Paper**
- 'Gorgeously warm, brilliantly witty...impossible to put down' **LUCY MANGAN**
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- 'A triumph' **DAILY MIRROR**
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Sales Points

- **AN ORIGINAL, HILARIOUS AND PLAYFUL CRIME NOVEL WITH AN IMAGINATIVE HOOK** Seamlessly blending a classic murder mystery with an intriguingly inventive structure , this combines the warmth of Richard Osman with the gripping playfulness of THE APPEAL.
- **AN ACCLAIMED AND AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR** Maz Evans' award-winning crime novels receive lavish praise from a wide range of authors (from Janice Hallett to Martina Cole) and from national media reviews (from the *Daily Mirror* to the *I Paper* to *Woman & Home*)
- **A HUGE AND ESTABLISHED READERSHIP** From thriller fans to book groups, this is perfectly pitched for a broad audience who love writers like Richard Osman, Janice Hallett, Robert Thorogood and Ian Moore.
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Reviews

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Author Biography

Maz Evans is the author of the bestselling WHO LET THE GODS OUT?, VI SPY and THE

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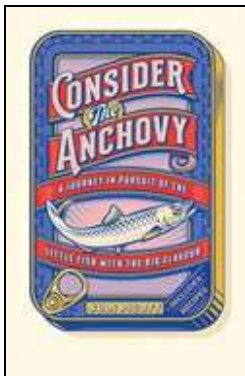
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Consider the Anchovy

A journey in pursuit of the little fish with the big flavour

Sudi Pigott

Keynote

Consider the Anchovy is a love letter to the humble anchovy, that journeys along the Mediterranean and around the world, exploring the fascinating history and culture behind the little fish with the big flavour.

Description

'Between these covers is an anchovy odyssey, a journey in search of a small fish of enormous importance. Fascinating, unexpected and utterly enticing!'
Rachel Roddy

In *Consider the Anchovy*, food journalist and anchovy lover Sudi Pigott goes on a journey of discovery to find out more about the little fish with the big flavour.

Travelling from Cantabria to California, in this book you will meet the personalities, families and communities whose livelihood depends on the not-so humble anchovy, participating in traditions celebrating the little fish, visiting bars, festivals and even museums devoted exclusively to anchovies. See the flatbottomed barque boats and tightly packed fishermen's cottages of Collioure that inspired Matisse, Derain and Fauvism. Meet the film star who made a short film on the sex life of the anchovy. Dig into the preserving traditions of Ancient Greece. Uncork the garum of Ancient Rome and compare it to its modern counterpart, Colatura d'Alici, aged in bourbon barrels.

Alongside delicious recipes to close each chapter, this book is rich in research, stuffed with maverick, rakish characters and full of flavour. Whether you love them or you hate them, *Consider the Anchovy* is both an entertaining odyssey and an unabashedly passionate manifesto that celebrates anchovies with their pungent, complex, umami allure as leading, albeit sometimes unpredictable, movers in world culinary history.

Sales Points

- 'Every year, as I travel the world interviewing chefs and other leading gastronomes, I see how the very mention of anchovies makes eyes light up. It's as though we have suddenly formed a special and secret bond; straight away all other thoughts of food are pushed aside and we are sharing our latest anchovy discoveries, intriguing pairings and fond reminiscences. It's because we've recognized in each other a fellow anchovophile... and realize we're in a rather exclusive but fast-growing club' Sudi Pigott
- Formerly better-known as everyone's least favourite pizza topping, the humble anchovy is now on trend with sales doubling year on year in the UK alone. Premium tins of these funky flavour bombs are now seen everywhere from TikTok to Tesco, from Girl Dinners to the Great Taste Awards.
- Author has 10.5k followers on X and 5k on Instagram as @sudifoodie. Known for her extensive food industry network and hands-on experience in both PR and speciality food sales, Sudi can count many of the world's best chefs as friends and is well-connected with peers in print, digital and broadcast media, social media influencers, and food retailers and producers

Author Biography

Sudi Pigott is a long-established food and travel journalist. Her work appears frequently in national newspapers, particularly *The Telegraph* and *The i Paper*, FT.com and premium magazines including *Condé Nast Traveller*, *Amex Departures* and *Centurion*, *BA High Life*, *Brummell*, *Wanderlust* and *Aston Martin Magazine*) and on gastronomic digital media such as *Fine Dining Lovers* and *Airmail*. On Substack, Sudi continues the work of her first hit book, *How to Be a Better Foodie*, deciphering the latest food and drink trends for aspiring gastronomes, as well as detailing her travels and latest restaurant and *recherché* food discoveries.

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The Perfect Accident an absolutely gripping psychological suspense thriller to keep you hooked in 2026

Tess Stimson

Keynote

The brand new suspense thriller from the *Sunday Times* and *USA Today* bestseller. Could you sacrifice one life to save many? What if that life was your son's? A pulse-pounding novel of small-town secrets, lies and betrayal - with a twist you won't see coming.

Description

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Could you sacrifice one life to save many? What if that life was your son's?

This year, for the first time, the high school prom will be held on a luxurious cruiser on the lake. Sisters Amy and Iris are excited to be chaperones at the event, seeing their sons all dressed up. It's a proud moment.

But, tonight, the boat will sink.

And as darkness falls, secrets unravel and the air starts to run out, one of the sisters will be forced to make a split-second decision - to save her own son and let her nephew and twenty-one other teenagers drown.

And then, a year later, one of the teenagers will wake up from her coma, ready to tell everyone what really happened at the bottom of the lake. And someone needs to keep her quiet - for good.

A pulse-pounding novel of small-town secrets, lies and betrayal - with a twist you won't see coming.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Tess joins the MLP list as a growing bestseller - she has been a *Sunday Times*, *USA Today* and Kindle bestseller. Her most recent thrillers with Avon have sold best in digital hits in ebook and audio, and she will be a focus brand to build on the MLP list.
- **RAVE AUTHOR ENDORSEMENTS:** Tess has blurbs from big names in crime thriller, including **Lisa Jewell** ('Dark, twisty, addictive'), **Jackie Kabler** ('Tense, twisty'), **Alex Lake** ('Complex, intriguing, fast-paced') and more.
- **HOOKY 'WHAT WOULD YOU DO?' PREMISE:** Could you save your son's life to sacrifice so many others? Tess dives into the subtleties of family life - and all the secrets, lies and betrayal that come with it - in a way that feels real and relatable, which really chimes with readers.
- **LOYAL AND ENGAGED FANBASE:** Tess has fantastic reader response with her thrillers, gaining hundreds of early reviews on NetGalley and Goodreads, thousands of Amazon ratings and strong reader review averages - always over 4 stars. She is praised by real readers for her trademark '**so many twists and turns**'.

Reviews

- '**Praise for Tess Stimson's books:**' - -
- 'Tess Stimson is master of the didn't-see-that-coming twist' - *Lisa Jewell*
- 'I devoured One in Three, with its well-drawn characters, believably complex relationships and relentlessly twisting plot that keeps the reader guessing. Plus, Tess Stimson writes beautifully' - *Debbie Howells*
- 'I raced through this tale of a murderous love triangle. Tense, twisty, and that ending - wow' - *Jackie Kabler*

Author Biography

Tess Stimson is the author of fourteen novels, including top ten bestseller *The Adultery Club*, and two non-fiction books, which between them have been translated into dozens of languages.

A former British journalist and reporter, Stimson was appointed Professor of Creative Writing at the University of Florida in 2002 and moved to the US. She now lives and works in Vermont with her husband Erik, their three children, and (at the last count) two cats, three fish, one gerbil and a large number of bats in the attic.



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Thema 1.6	Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Contemporary lifestyle fiction (FQ) Los Angeles (1KBB-US-WPCA)

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Format	B Format
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	Los Angeles, California
Author born in	Manchester
Author living in	Manchester

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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

False Idols

Escape to LA with this unmissable book club thriller for fans of Emma Cline

Karla Marie Sweet

Keynote

A searing look at power and exploitation in the wellness industry, *False Idols* is an unflinching, compulsive thriller by a captivating new voice in fiction - perfect for fans of Gillian Flynn, Celeste Ng and Emma Cline.

Description

'A fascinating look at the intoxicating world of cults and their charismatic leaders . . . tells the story of an LA wellness community hiding a dark secret' **Stylist**

'A very, very smart thriller . . . highly addictive and exquisitely written' **Joanna Cannon**

ANYTHING CAN BE DANGEROUS IN THE WRONG HANDS.

Sadie's been adrift, looking for an escape from her new house and old memories, when a chance encounter leads her to one of the most exclusive wellness classes in LA.

At first she's sceptical, but the classes - and the attention of its magnetic leader, Lilith - are transformative, other-worldly, completely addictive.

No one in Sadie's life understands that Deep Flow isn't a cult, but a community. One that offers the chance to feel powerful in her own body again, maybe even a way to finally let go of her past.

But when the sisterhood, and Sadie's place within it, comes under threat, the hidden cost of being part of Lilith's inner circle becomes clear.

What would Sadie risk to prove her loyalty?

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'A moving and entertaining book about the desperation to heal and belong, and the dangerous places shame can lead you to' **Charlotte Paradise**

'Pure escapism that's also a study of cultism, how we are seduced by promises of a better life. A summer read that's also dark, compulsive, and captivating' **Louise Beech**

Sales Points

- **AN EXCITING NEW VOICE:** As well as appearing on the **2023 screenwriting 'Brit List'**, Karla has worked behind-the-scenes **in TV and radio for the BBC**, has been part of **writers rooms for Netflix and Paramount+**, and has **written on several episodes of *Hollyoaks*** - including a special unconscious bias episode lauded by viewers and critics alike as **the show's 'best ever episode'**. Karla is also **the author of *ANOTHER LIFE*, an Audible Original starring Erin Doherty (The Crown) and Jacob Anderson (Game of Thrones)**.
- **CONVERSATION-STARTING READING GROUP FICTION:** *False Idols* is the kind of book that starts discussions - Karla deftly covers difficult topics such as exploitation and cultural appropriation, miscarriage and living with PTSD, as well as weaving in timely research on modern cults and conspiracy theories.
- **A HOT TOPIC:** Set in LA, *False Idols* is **an intriguing look at the dark side of the \$1.8 trillion global luxury wellness industry**, which is **booming especially among Gen Z and millennial consumers** - from celebrity brands to desert retreats, crystals and pyramid schemes, wellness is a perennial pop culture fascination.

Reviews

- 'A moving and entertaining book about the desperation to heal and belong, and the dangerous places shame can lead you to' - Charlotte Paradise
- 'Pure escapism that's also a study of cultism, how we are seduced by promises of a better life. A summer read that's also dark, compulsive, and captivating' - Louise Beech
- 'A fascinating look at the intoxicating world of cults and their charismatic leaders . . . tells the story of an LA wellness community hiding a dark secret' - *Stylist*

Author Biography

Karla Marie Sweet is a British-American actor, screenwriter, novelist and dramaturg born and based in Manchester, UK. Recent acting credits include acclaimed road movie *Black Dog* and season 2 of Hulu's *No Man's Land*. As a writer, she has multiple television credits to her name and her comedy-drama script *DaSilva & Sharp* landed her on the 2023 Brit List. Her theatre credits include *Cheetham Hill* (for the Royal Exchange), *This Little Relic*



(BBC Radio 3 and the Belgrade Theatre) and *Othello* (Watermill Theatre), a re-versioning of Shakespeare's *Othello*. The Guardian and WhatsOnStage awarded four stars each, calling it a "remarkable" adaptation that "moves with the pace of a thriller." Her speculative fiction novel *Another Life* was released as an Audible Original in September 2024 and was performed by Erin Doherty (*The Crown*) and Kingsley Ben-Adir (*One Love, Barbie*). *False Idols* is Karla's print debut.

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Extent	288 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Book locale	Ironbridge, Shropshire
Author living in	Grimsby

Previous Titles

The Raven Hall series:
A Mother's War
A Daughter's Gift
A Sister's Hope

The Ironbridge Saga:
The Shopgirl of Ironbridge

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The Suffragette of Ironbridge

Mollie Walton

Keynote

A heartbreaking and powerful WW1 saga, perfect for fans of Maggie Hope and Anne Bennett

Description

'What a storyteller Mollie Walton is, all of the Ironbridge books are phenomenal'

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'Evocative, dramatic and hugely compelling . . . I loved it' **Miranda Dickinson**

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Ironbridge, 1911: Childhood sweethearts Jo and Alfie Woodvine couldn't be happier to finally be married with a home of their very own. But when their son, Harry, arrives, Jo finds herself quickly cut off from the world. Though she loves her baby, she hadn't anticipated the confines of motherhood - the long nights and the loneliness.

Only when she is introduced to a local group of bold suffragettes does Jo finally find her spark again - and with it a new sense of purpose. These brave, uncompromising women are willing to risk life and limb for the cause, and, despite her husband's reservations, Jo is determined to be a part of it however she can.

But 1914 brings news of war in Europe and as tragedy comes to Ironbridge, can Jo find the strength to keep helping others, even in the darkest hour of wartime?

Return to Shropshire for a spell-binding new WW1 saga novel, full of compelling historical detail and an addictive story of love, loss, heartbreak and bravery...

<h3>**Praise for The Ironbridge Saga:**</h3>

'A compelling blend of real history, rich period detail, and a gritty, authentic story brimming with love, loss, intrigue, hope, and bitter revenge' **Lancashire Evening Post**

'A Journey. Compelling. Addictive.' **Val Wood**

'Walton has created a brilliantly alive, vivid and breathing world in Ironbridge' **Louisa Treger**

'Feisty female characters, an atmospheric setting and a spell-binding storyline make this a phenomenal read' **Cathy Bramley**

'Such great characters who will stay with me for a long time' **Beth Miller**

'The attention to period detail and beautiful writing drew me right in and kept me reading' **Lynne Francis**

'Vivid, page-turning drama' **Pippa Beecheno**

'A powerful sense of place and period, compelling characters and a pacy plot had me racing to the end' **Gill Paul**

'A story that is vivid, twisting and pacy, with characters that absolutely leap off the page' **Iona Grey**

'Beautiful and poignant' **Tania Crosse**

Sales Points

- **POPULAR SERIES WITH LOYAL READERS:** Follows on from *The Shopgirl of Ironbridge* which marked a return to Mollie Walton's popular 'Ironbridge Saga'
- **PRIZE-WORTHY AUTHOR:** Mollie Walton was a finalist for the Romantic Novelist Association's 'The Romantic Saga Award' for *A Sister's Hope* in 2025 and *A Mother's War* in 2023.
- **POWERFUL AND RELEVANT BOOK:** With themes of suffragettes, women's rights, and looking after refugees and those displaced by war
- **STRONG SALES:** Mollie Walton has sold over 85,000 copies via the TCM across both series to date.

Author Biography

Mollie Walton is the saga pen-name for historical novelist Rebecca Mascull. She has always been fascinated by history and has worked in education, has a Masters in Writing



and lives by the sea in the east of England. Under Mollie Walton, Rebecca is the author of The Ironbridge Saga and the Raven Hall trilogy.

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Format	B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Book locale	Oxford, London, Spain
Author born in	London
Author living in	Kent

Previous Titles

Frontline; Eye of the Storm;

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Under Darkening Skies Love, war, courage - and a life-changing medical discovery

Hilary Jones

Keynote

A rich, absorbing epic novel of love, extraordinary courage and a life-changing medical discovery set against the dramatic background of the second world war

Description

'A fascinating and engrossing read' LORRAINE KELLY

'Moving and hugely entertaining' RICHARD MADELEY

'Loved it' FERN BRITTON

It is 1937, and Europe is on the brink of change...

Kitty has escaped her family home in England to join an international brigade of fighters high up on the snow-covered Spanish borders, determined to lead an effective fight against the growing Fascist forces sweeping across Spain.

In Oxford, Grace has embarked on a new posting, working with two medical scientists - one Australian, one a German refugee - on the brink of a great discovery that will impact a life-changing treatment for infection. But for now, they need to keep their findings away from the envious eyes of Nazi extremists.

And in London, Lieselotte, one of the only surviving members of a German family rounded up by fanatics in their own country, is invited to a clandestine meeting, there to be recruited to work that will divert the course of international action.

As the years pass and the bloody fighting in Europe bites, these women - bonded by idealism, love and extraordinary courage - leave an indelible mark on the historical landscape, united in their efforts to make change in a world riven by war.

UNDER DARKENING SKIES is the concluding story in Hilary Jones's compelling and dramatic trilogy of the twentieth century, covering a time of upheaval, conflict and extraordinary leaps in medicine that affect how we lead our lives now.

'A brilliantly sweeping drama' ANTON DU BEKE

'An exciting tale of intrigue, determination and fortitude' SHAUN WALLACE

'A compelling story, great characters and packed full of historical and medical detail' ED BALLS

'This book is a real page-turner and brilliantly researched' DR DAWN HARPER, author of LIVE WELL TO 101

Reviews for FRONTLINE and EYE OF THE STORM:

'An enthralling tale' Daily Mirror

'An ambitious, sweeping epic of a story, visceral in its descriptions, and written with great insight and empathy' Historical Novel Society

Sales Points

- The third and concluding novel in the immersive medical history, encompassing FRONTLINE and EYE OF THE STORM
- Dr Hilary Jones, the author, is a well known TV personality and medical expert, always willing to appear at events and festivals

Reviews

- 'Hilary is best known for his ability to communicate medical issues in an accessible way. In this book he combines those skills with medical historical fact in a compelling and moving story that really makes you feel you are there. **This book is a real page turner and brilliantly researched**' - Dr Dawn Harper, author *Live Well to 101*
- 'A fascinating and engrossing read' - Lorraine Kelly
- 'A gripping medical thriller . . . moving and hugely entertaining' - Richard Madeley

- **'Loved it . . . Dr Hilary writes with the pace of a true doctor and historian'** - *Fern Britton*



Author Biography

Dr Hilary Jones is a General Practitioner and regular contributor to multiple newspapers and television shows. He is a well-known and trusted face to millions in the UK. UNDER DARKENING SKIES is the concluding novel in his epic medical trilogy.

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 War, combat and military adventure fiction (FJM)**

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 World (ex USA,
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 Author living in **West Sussex**

Previous Titles

The Child On Platform One
 The Oceans Between Us
 The Lighthouse Sisters
 The Orphans on the Train

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The Child at the Window
A powerful novel of love and sacrifice, inspired by true wartime events

Gill Thompson

Keynote

Inspired by the true story of Ida and Louise Cook, two sisters who helped Jewish people escape fascist Germany, a powerful, compelling novel of love, courage and sacrifice.

Description

Inspired by the true story of two sisters who helped Jewish people escape fascist Germany, a powerful, compelling novel of love, courage and sacrifice.

'I adored it... A truly heartrending, stirring, important novel, perfect for anyone who enjoys a cracking good tale' LOUISE MORRISH

'An emotional rollercoaster with unforgettable scenes... A powerful novel of love, loss and healing' SUZANNE GOLDRING

Her hands tremble as she tightens her grip on the letter, taking in the familiar script that is scratched into the fading parchment. For more than thirty years, she has carried this testimony - these secrets - with her. It's time her story was told.

1937. As fascism rises across Europe and the threat turns to very real danger for their Jewish friends in Berlin, sisters Josephine and Constance smuggle out possessions to help to finance their friends' new lives as refugees in London - if they make it out. Then, one day, they're asked to rescue something much more precious: a little girl. Her mother, Ilse, has been imprisoned for her journalism and her father, Daniel, knows he must do all he can to protect their child - even if that means letting her go...

1939. When war breaks out, the sisters are tortured by thoughts of those they couldn't save and commit to doing all they can on the Home Front - Jo, at the Ministry of Information, where she becomes part of a network of intelligence workers, and Constance as an air raid warden during the Blitz. Meanwhile in Germany, Ilse is moved to Ravensbrück, where she bands together with other women in the camp to expose the atrocities they face every day. But can Ilse find a way to connect with her daughter?

Praise for Gill Thompson's writing:

'Heartrending. Riveting. Definitely on my list of *Ten Best Books of the year*' **SHARON MAAS**

'A stunning tale about courage, and sacrifice that will keep you enthralled' **ANDIE NEWTON**

'Really brought a lump to my throat. It has stayed with me since finishing it' **SUZANNE GOLDRING**

'A heartrending story that spans the world' **DINEY COSTELOE**

'A heartrending story' **JANE CORRY**

Sales Points

- **INSPIRED BY A TRUE WARTIME STORY:** Loosely based on Ida and Louise Cook, two opera-loving sisters who smuggled Jewish people out of fascist Germany, and Bella Fromm, a German-Jewish journalist.
- **ONE OF HEADLINE'S TOP-SELLING DIGITAL AUTHORS IN THE US:** Gill Thompson has sold over a quarter of a million eBooks in UK and US combined.
- **CONSISTENT INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS SUCCESS:** Gill is really strong for us in translation and we have made 30 deals across her 4 titles.
- **BLOGGERS' FAVOURITE:** Gill's novels have been loved and supported by the blogging community and she has been invited on to panels for historical fiction authors.

Author Biography

Gill Thompson is the author of several bestselling historical novels. Translation rights in her books have been sold in multiple territories. Gill is a former English lecturer who completed an MA in Creative Writing at Chichester University. She is now a Royal Literary Fund Fellow at the University of Chichester. Gill lives with her family in West Sussex and hosts a creative writing blog.

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The Dark is Descending

Pre-order the **THRILLING** conclusion to the **Nytefall** trilogy by **New York Times** bestselling author - as seen on **TikTok!**

Chloe C. Peñaranda

Keynote

The thrilling finale to the **Nytefall** trilogy by **New York Times**, **B&N** and **USA Today** bestselling author **Chloe C. Peñaranda**.

Description

The thrilling finale to the **Nytefall** trilogy by **New York Times**, **B&N** and **USA Today** bestselling author **Chloe C. Peñaranda**.

Reeling from a shocking betrayal, Star Maiden Astraea must race against time to break the curse imprisoning her lover, Nyte. The only way to save him, may be to ally with a deadly threat.

As daylight fades and devastation looms, Astraea and her companions embark on a quest to recover the Maiden's shattered key - the only weapon that can slay the gods threatening their mortal world.

Dragons will rise, loyalties will be tested, and gods will clash. As the blood that binds them becomes a weapon to end them all, two star-crossed lovers must surrender to fate or make the ultimate sacrifice.

Sales Points

- **TIKTOK SENSATION:** Chloe C. Peñaranda is a TikTok sensation with the following stats as of Sept 2023 - **74.1K** followers, **#chloecpenaranda 8.5M** views, **#thestarsaredying 7.3M** views, **#nytefall 3.6M** views.
- **GREEK MYTH x LIGHT VS. DARK ROMANTASY:** Greek mythology meets romantasy - with tropes such as star-crossed lovers, forbidden romance, an epic betrayal; all with a hefty level of spice.
- **SERIES CAMPAIGN AIMED AT BOOKTOKKERS:** Using Headline's existing romantasy blogger connections, we will be engaging BookTokkers and Bookstagrammers dubbed as 'OUR BRIGHTEST STARS' in our ongoing publishing of the *Nytefall* series to grow organic support and build on the series' TikTok visibility.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** Raven Kennedy, Carissa Broadbent, Amber V. Nicole and Sarah J. Maas.

Author Biography

CHLOE C. PEÑARANDA is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling Scottish author of the *Nytefall* trilogy and *An Heir Comes to Rise* series. A lifelong avid reader and writer, Chloe has spent years crafting stories which build on fictional characters and explore Tolkien-like quests in made-up worlds - all from her quiet pocket of Scotland, which she shares with her dogs. During her time at the University of the West of Scotland, Peñaranda immersed herself in writing for short film, producing animations and spending class time dreaming of far-off lands.

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Author born in	Glasgow
Author living in	Near Glasgow

Previous Titles

THE STARS ARE DYING (2024)
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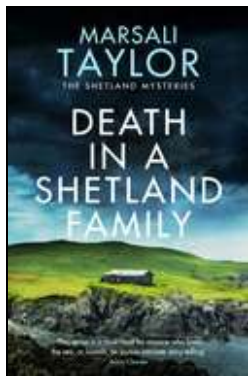
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Death in a Shetland Family

Marsali Taylor

Keynote

Marsali Taylor returns with another gripping mystery in her much-loved Shetland Mystery series, perfect for fans of Ann Cleeves and Alex Gray.

Description

This series is a must-read for anyone who loves the sea, or islands, or joyous, intricate story-telling'
ANN CLEEVES

Shetland sailing sleuth Cass Lynch is definitely out of her comfort zone when she helps round up a prize-winning stallion escaped from the renowned Klaufiger stud. She's even less impressed by its owner, Keith Arthurson, a returned city slicker who's already made enemies in his community.

An unexpected visit to the Arthursons shows Cass the tensions simmering within the family. When Keith's found dead, can she uncover the motive for his murder without putting herself in danger?

Sales Points

- **A BELOVED SCOTTISH CRIME SERIES FROM A LOCAL AUTHOR THAT BRINGS SHETLAND TO LIFE** Marsali is a long time Shetland resident and the series captures in vivid detail the beauty and isolation of Shetland - with a gripping, page-turning mystery at the heart of each book.
- **PRAISED BY NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER ANN CLEEVES** Ann described the series as 'a must-read for anyone who loves the sea, or islands, or joyous, intricate story-telling.'

Author Biography

Marsali grew up near Edinburgh, Scotland. Her summer family holidays were spent in a remote cottage in the West Highlands, the region where her detective Gavin Macrae lives. Like her sailing heroine, Cass, she has always been used to boats, and used her 'gap year' earnings to buy her first sailing dinghy, Lady Blue. She studied English at Dundee University, did a year of teacher training and took up her first post, teaching English and French to secondary children in Aith, Shetland. Gradually her role expanded to doing drama too, and both primary and secondary pupils have won prizes performing her plays at the local Drama Festival. Some of these plays were in Shetlandic, the local dialect.

Marsali teaches dinghy sailing at her local club, and is a keen single-handed sailor in her Offshore 8 m yacht, Karima S - the double of Cass's Khalida.

A qualified STGA green badge tourist guide for Shetland, she now spends a good deal of her summer sharing her home with visitors from overseas. She is particularly interested in women's history, and has published Women's Suffrage in Shetland, two years' worth of original research. She followed this with The Story of Busta House, the romantic tale of the house which is the setting for part of Death on a Longship.

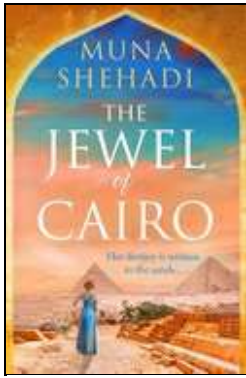
Marsali also writes for the monthly magazine Shetland Life - a mixture of travel writing, interviews, investigative journalism and historical research.

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Book locale	Shetland Islands
Author born in	Musselburgh, Scotland
Author living in	Shetland Islands

Previous Titles

Death on a Shetland Longship; Buried in a Shetland Tomb; The Shetland Night Killings; Grave of a Shetland Sailor; Death in Shetland Waters; Death on a Shetland Isle; Death from a Shetland Cliff; The Shetland Sea Murders; A Shetland Winter Mystery; Death in a Shetland Lane; Death at a Shetland Festival; An Imposter on Shetland; Death in a Shetland Family

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Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Family life fiction / Stories about family (FS) Contemporary lifestyle fiction (FQ)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	448 pages
Word Count	
Series	Women of Consequence
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Book locale	Cairo and Connecticut
Author born in	New Jersey, USA
Author living in	Wisconsin, USA

Previous Titles

- The First Wife
- The Spring Sister (Fortune's Daughters series)
- The Summer Sister (Fortune's Daughters series)
- The Winter Sister (Fortune's Daughters series)
- The Paris Affair (The Women of Consequence series)

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The Jewel of Cairo
A spellbinding tale of secrets, love and self discovery, that spans across oceans

Muna Shehadi

Keynote

The Jewel of Cairo is the second in Muna Shehadi's spellbinding dual-time narrative series, with cross-generational appeal and captivating international settings perfect for fans of Lucinda Riley

Description

The epic journey of the *Women of Consequence* series continues in this spellbinding dual-narrative series that will transport you from France to the heat of Cairo and to secrets hidden in Vermont.

- 'Oh my! It is just exquisite . . . The author is a wonderful storyteller'
- 'I couldn't put it down'
- 'A rich tapestry of secrets, love, and self-discovery.'

Cairo 1915. A wealthy Egyptian jeweller commissions a Fabergé egg as a wedding anniversary gift to his "queen."

Cairo 1976. After leaving Paris, Lilianne is recruited by the CIA to keep tabs on a charming, corrupt jeweller. But when a betrayal renders Cairo unsafe, Lilianne and a broken Gilles must leave for the US - unaware they are carrying priceless cargo. Back on the Connecticut coast, their marriage of convenience deepens into a singular kind of love - until devastating news forces them to make an impossible choice.

Southport, Connecticut present day. Decades later, Sophie has lost everything; her husband, her house, and her picture-perfect life. When her parents' old friend Helen visits with an exquisite antique doll, Sophie discovers a stunning treasure - and a truth about her birth mother that sends her on a journey of self-discovery. In the green mountains of Vermont, she is drawn to the strong, silent Owen and to the family she never knew . . . until another secret upends her life again.

Three priceless treasures. Three extraordinary women. Three powerful legacies.

The next book in the series, *The Temptations of Crete*, will follow Connie's story after parting from Lilianne and Helen in 1975 Paris.

With cross-generational appeal and captivating international settings, this series is perfect for fans of Lucinda Riley, Rachel Hore and Santa Montefiore.

Readers adore Muna's escapist tales:

- 'An original, captivating story'
- 'It left me wanting to read more in this world and from Muna Shehadi'
- 'A delight to read . . . reminded of Nora Roberts' storytelling'
- 'What a book - a secret in every chapter . . . I was glued to it'
- 'The drama, the heartache, the family secrets, the romance, what a cliffhanger!'

Sales Points

- **A BRAND NEW TRILOGY:** The Women of Consequence series page-turning female-led fiction, laced with secrets, and populated with strong women undertaking journeys of self-discovery, seeking love, friendship, adventure and acceptance. With cross-generational appeal and stunning international locations, this is perfect for fans of Lucinda Riley.
- **INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS HIT for her FORTUNE'S DAUGHTERS TRILOGY:** Muna is a bestseller in the Netherlands with Dutch rights sold to HarperCollins Holland in a pre-empt; Norwegian rights sold to Aschehoug in a pre-empt; German rights sold to Bastei Lübbe; Polish rights sold to Wydawnictwo Sonia Draga; Italian rights sold to Sperling & Kupfer in a pre-empt; Danish rights sold to Zara Forlaget; Portuguese rights sold to 2020; Hungarian rights sold to Cartaphilus; Swedish rights sold to Printz.
- **A COMPELLING VOICE IN FEMALE-LED FICTION:** With her Fortune's Daughter's trilogy praised for its vivid, vibrant writing, filled with emotion, drama, secrets and romance, this new trilogy promises more of her high-quality, page-turning storytelling with powerful dual-narrative, dual-time elements and gorgeous international locations.

Author Biography

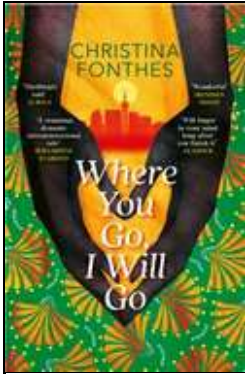
Muna Shehadi's lifelong love of reading inspired her to become a writer. Muna grew up in Princeton, New Jersey, and lives on the beautiful coast of Maine, which she couldn't resist featuring in her Fortune's Daughters trilogy.

For more information, visit her website: munashehadi.com



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Where You Go, I Will Go the emotional and redemptive family saga

Christina Fonthes

Keynote

In this stunning debut that takes us from Kinshasa to London, the stakes of love collide with religion and societal expectations, as two women search for a place of belonging - 'evocative and exhilarating' (Salena Godden)

Description

Two women search for a place of belonging, in this stunning novel that will break your heart and lift you up.

'A stunning novel and a dynamic intergenerational tale' **Bernardine Evaristo**
 'A fresh voice in the global narrative of women's lives' **Charmaine Wilkerson**
 'A wonderful, vital novel!' **Irenosen Okojie MBE**
 'Evocative and exhilarating' **Salena Godden**
 'A captivating read from an exciting new voice' **Cherie Jones**

1980's Kinshasa. Mira is the teenage daughter of a family on the rise. When she falls in love with an impoverished singer, a criminal the eyes of her parents, it sets her on a dramatic path that winds its way across oceans and decades.

2004, London. Bijoux is a young British-Congolese woman living with her silent and flinty Pentecostal aunt, Tantine Mireille. Outwardly she plays the role of the obedient child, going to prayer meetings and following instructions. But Bijoux has a secret; she is in love with a woman. She has been for a year. When her aunt wants her to marry one of the young men from the church, Bijoux has to make a decision.

Vividly bringing to life the Congo and its diaspora, *Where You Go, I Will Go* weaves Bijoux and Mira's stories together across two continents, two generations, through the mess of love and sexuality, and the pull of mother-daughter relationships, to finally bring them to a place of belonging - home.

Sales Points

- **Amazing praise:** we have quotes from Bernardine Evaristo ('stunning') Salena Godden ('evocative and exhilarating'), Irenosen Okojie ('a wonderful and vital novel') and Cherie Jones ('captivating')
- **Author profile:** Christina is the founder of REWRITE, an organisation that supports and champions Black Women and Women of Colour writers. She was mentored by Bernardine Evaristo and Irenosen Okojie. In 2021, she was the winner of the Royal Society of Literature Sky Arts Writers Award for Fiction
- **Talking points:** the novel has so much to say about identity, community and belonging; about motherhood and family estrangement, about being a queer Black woman in London
- **Original subject:** one of the first novels to focus on the British Congolese community in London
- **For fans of:** Kamila Shamsie, Yaa Gyasi and Jennifer Nansubuga Makumbi's *THE FIRST WOMAN*

Reviews

- **'A rich complex compendium exploring the nuances of being Black, Congolese, immigrant, gay and a woman. A story that is thrillingly told. A novel that only Christina Fonthes could have written'** - JJ Bola
- **'What a fantastic novel.** Christina gains your trust from the first few pages and leads you through the winding corridors of the heart-thumping, finger-tingling story, until its satisfying conclusion. The novel is aptly named for wherever Fonthes's future leads, I will gladly follow. **Stunning!**' - Chikodili Emelumadu, author of *Dazzling*

Author Biography

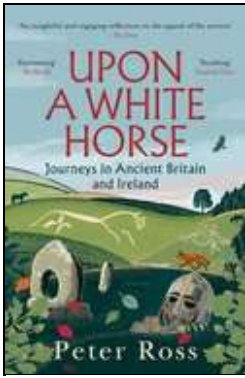
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Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Narrative theme: love / relationships (FXD) Subject matter intended specifically for women and/or girls (5JA) Relating to Black British African people (5PB-GB-BF) Relating to LGBTQIA+ people (5PS) Relating to lesbians (5PSL) Afro-American / African diaspora religions (QRRM) Religion and beliefs (QR) Democratic Republic of Congo (1HFJZ) Central Africa (1HFJ) City of London (1DDU-GB-ESLF)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	The Congo, London, Brussels, Paris, Brighton
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Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Upon A White Horse A Financial Times Best Book of 2025 and Radio 4 Book of the Week

Peter Ross

Keynote

From the bestselling author of *A Tomb With A View* and *Steeple Chasing* comes a new travel narrative spanning the marvellous and mysterious sites of ancient Britain and Ireland.

Description

'I'm a card-carrying admirer of Peter Ross' - Robert Macfarlane

The prehistoric sites of Britain and Ireland are places of wonder and wondering. Who made these structures? What did they mean to them? And what do they mean to us now?

Bestselling author Peter Ross journeys from midwinter at Stonehenge to midsummer at Sycamore Gap. Along the way he encounters bog bodies in Dublin, a wooden goddess in Edinburgh and a chalk giant in Dorset. He asks what it is like to live within the great stone circle at Avebury, what rituals occurred in an Anglesey tomb and what draws volunteers to care for the Uffington White Horse.

These objects and structures speak of the long human story. They offer the comfort of recognition and the pleasure of mystery. There is something about ancient places that fills a hollow in our souls.

***Upon A White Horse* is a celebration of landscape and people - and all that is beautiful, strange and old.**

PRAISE FOR STEEPLE CHASING:

'A delicious treat' - *Financial Times*

'A charming odyssey' - *The Times*

'Lovely, lyrical, whimsical, elegiac' - *TLS*

'Engaging' - *New Statesman*

'A wonderful book' - *Daily Telegraph*

Sales Points

- **AWARD-WINNING AND BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Peter Ross has achieved both **critical and commercial success** with his previous books, *A Tomb With A View* (HB: 4,095 PB: 12,471) and *Steeple Chasing* (HB: 6,839 PB: 19,952). *A Tomb With a View* won the **Saltire Scottish Non Fiction Book of the Year Award** in 2021 and *Steeple Chasing* was a **Waterstones Book of the Month** in February 2025 and was a **Sunday Times** bestseller.
- **WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Peter is an established journalist with many connections. He writes regularly for the *Smithsonian* magazine.
- **EXPANSIVE CONTENT:** Peter travels across England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland in *Upon A White Horse*. **This latest book features more Irish-specific content and sites than his previous titles.**

Reviews

- 'This **fascinating paean** to the ancient monuments of the UK is an evocatively lyrical work . . . **Ross writes with reverence as well as humour**, and there's a pilgrim quality to his travels. The pace of these tributes is gentle, befitting the enduring presence of these mysterious sites in the modern world' - *The Field*
- 'Ross scores highly on his **intuitive interpretations of places and his non-judgemental observations of human nature**; he is **empathetic**, but can stand back' - *Country Life*
- '**Ross is always lucid, almost reverent**, about the whole process of archaeological discovery' - David Robinson, *Books from Scotland*
- '**Ross's last two books, *Steeple Chasing* and *A Tomb With A View*, were outstanding, and *Upon A White Horse* lives up to that excellence**, with his pilgrimage to prehistoric sites and places of ancient enchantment **a meandering journey on which it is a privilege to be able to accompany him**' - *Scottish Field*

Author Biography

Peter Ross is an Orwell journalism fellow. His writing has appeared in national newspapers and magazines in the UK and US. He won the non-fiction prize at Scotland's National Book Awards with *A Tomb With A View: The Stories & Glories of Graveyards*, and his next

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Main Identifier	9781035414079
Thema 1.6	Archaeology (NK) Social and cultural anthropology (JHMC) Travel writing (WTL) United Kingdom, Great Britain (1DDU) Ancient World (1QBA)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	38 black & white photographs
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Book locale	Britain
Author living in	Glasgow

Previous Titles

Steeple Chasing: Around Britain by Church
A Tomb With A View: The Stories and Glories of Graveyards

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book, *Steeple Chasing*, was a *Sunday Times* bestseller and was selected as Waterstones Non-Fiction Book of the Month. He is also author of the collections *Daundlerlust* and *The Passion Of Harry Bingo*. He lives in Glasgow.

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Playfair Cricket Annual 2026

Ian Marshall

Keynote

The bestselling cricket annual and the indispensable pocket guide to the cricket season.

Description

The UK's bestselling cricket annual returns - it's the indispensable pocket guide to the summer.

The 79th edition of the *Playfair Cricket Annual* is packed with **all the information you need to follow the cricket season in 2026**, as well as a review of events during the previous twelve months.

Pakistan, New Zealand, Sri Lanka and India will all be touring England this coming summer, and here you'll find comprehensive Test match and limited-overs records and career records to help you follow the action.

County cricket is covered in unrivalled depth, with biographies of all players registered to the counties at the start of the season, full coverage of last summer's events and a fixture list for all major domestic matches in 2026.

There are also sections on women's cricket, the IPL and The Hundred.

For any cricket fan, the season is never complete without a copy of *Playfair* to guide you through it all.

Sales Points

- Bestselling annual in the manuals chart.
- The most up-to-date cricket guide.
- Now includes league tables, scores and review of the Indian Premier League.
- Enhanced coverage of Test Match cricket, including the year's highlights from around the world.
- Improved layout to ensure all facts are even more readily at your fingertips.

Author Biography

Ian Marshall took over as Editor of the *Playfair Cricket Annual* in 2009, having previously worked on 15 editions of the annual in his role as a book publisher. During his 30-year publishing career, he has worked with some of cricket's greatest players, including Mike Atherton, Sir Ian Botham, Geoffrey Boycott, Stuart Broad, David Gower, Justin Langer, Dennis Lillee and Sir Garry Sobers. He still occasionally plays cricket, and has toured Africa, India and Sri Lanka.

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Main Identifier	9781035430642
Thema 1.6	Ball sports / ball games (SF) Cricket (SFD) Yearbooks, annuals, almanacs (GBCY)
Binding	Paperback
Format	137 x 98mm
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Book locale	N/A
Author born in	UK
Author living in	London
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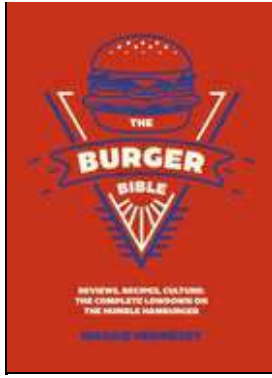
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The Burger Bible

Everything you need to know about the humble hamburger

Maggie Hennessy

Keynote

The complete lowdown on all things burger, featuring profiles of the best burgers in the world right now and recipes to create your own perfect patties.

Description

CELEBRATE THE BEAUTY OF THE BURGER.

This in-depth guide takes you on a whistle-stop tour of the best patties and buns from around the USA and the world beyond, plus must-know lingo and recipes to make your own.

Burgers are a serious business, and *The Burger Bible* is your one-stop guide to all things patty and bun, from esteemed restaurant critic and food writer Maggie Hennessy (*New York Times*, *Bon Appetit*, *Time Out*).

Packed with meaty content, including:

- Profiles of the **80 top burgers in the world** right now, from food trucks to high-end cuisine
- Recipes to create your own perfect burger at home
- **The Burgerpedia** - breaking down the must-know lingo and ingredients
- The complete guide to burger culture

And much more beyond. Featuring hundreds of photographs of burgers and restaurants as well as bespoke illustrations and Hennessy's expert text throughout, this is **the complete handbook on the humble hamburger.**

Sales Points

- A stylish male gift package on an ever-popular topic.
- Chicago-based author Maggie Hennessy is a trained professional cook, restaurant critic and food writer.
- Features hundreds of photographs of the best burgers and where they can be found.
- Includes burger recipes.

Author Biography

Trained cook and food writer Maggie Hennessy is the restaurant critic for *Time Out Chicago* and columnist for *Salon*. Her writing on food and drink has appeared in many publications, including the *New York Times*, *Bon Appetit* and *Conde Nast Traveller*. She lives in Chicago.

Publication date	Thursday, April 02, 2026
Price	£16.99 / ₹1450
Main Identifier	9781035437092
Thema 1.6	Cookery / food and drink / food writing / cookbooks (WB) National and regional cuisine / Cuisine of specific cultures or peoples (WBN)
Binding	Hardback
Format	210x150
Extent	208 pages
Word Count	26500 words
Illustrations	Approx 100 colour photographs
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author living in	Chicago, USA

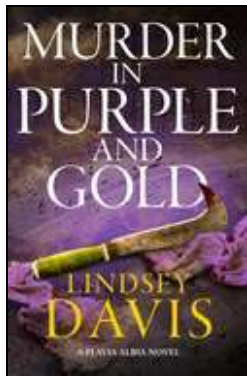
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Main Identifier	9781399747998
Thema 1.6	Historical crime and mysteries (FFH) Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Ancient Rome (1QBAR) Car racing (SMFA)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
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Murder in Purple and Gold

Lindsey Davis

Keynote

The queen of Roman crime takes us to the chariot races!

Description

When Flavia Albia stumbles upon the murdered corpse of a young man near Rome's famous Circus Maximus, she is about to embark on one of her most dangerous and complicated cases.

Rome and the Romans are obsessed with chariot racing. Lepo was the rising star of the Purples, a new team created by the psychotic Emperor Domitian with big money backing. Suspicion immediately falls on Lepo's greatest rival, Agathon, a young man emerging from a rival team, the Golds. Convinced of his guilt, a lynch mob is hunting him.

The Golds faction hire Flavia to clear their man's name. He appears to have an alibi for the night of the murder but, as Flavia soon finds out, nothing is as it seems in the dangerous and glamorous world of the charioteers in which fortunes can be won or lost in seconds and violent death in the arena is always just one race away.

Sales Points

- **LONG-RUNNING MUCH-LOVED SERIES:** The sixteenth crime novel in Lindsey Davis's acclaimed, fun and feisty Flavia Albia series
- **LOYAL READERSHIP:** Lindsey has a dedicated and engaged fanbase, with whom she interacts frequently in newsletters and events
- **BROADER RELEVANCE:** This title focuses on chariot races, murder and corruption. Given the huge success of *Gladiator II*, these contests in the Circus Maximus are back in the cultural consciousness
- **HISTORICAL CRIME:** The appetite for historical crime remains strong, and readers love a spunky heroine like Albia, alongside Lindsey's typically witty writing and plotting

Author Biography

Historical novelist Lindsey Davis is best known for her novels set in Ancient Rome, including the much-loved Marcus Didius Falco series, although she has also written about the English Civil War, including *A Cruel Fate*, a book for the Quick Reads literacy initiative. Her examination of the paranoid reign of the roman emperor Domitian began with *Master and God*, a standalone novel set in that dark period, leading to her new series about Flavia Albia.

Her books are translated and five radio dramas are regularly rebroadcast on BBC Radio 4X. Her many awards include the Premio Colosseo (from the city of Rome) and the Crime Writers' Cartier Diamond Dagger for lifetime achievement. Most recently she was awarded the Ivanhoe Prize for lifetime achievement in historical fiction, given by the Spanish City of Ubeda.

She has been the Chair of the UK Crimewriters' Association, Honorary President of the UK Classical Association, President of the Birmingham and Midlands Institute and is a Fellow of the UK Society of Authors.

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Lindsey Davis - The Crime Writers' Association (thecwa.co.uk)

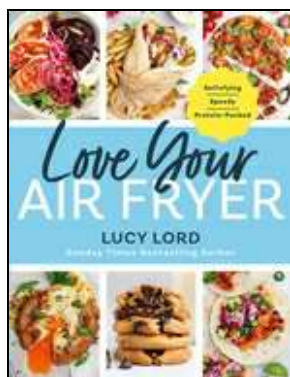
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Love Your Air Fryer

Satisfying, Speedy, Protein-Packed: Your favourite foods made easy by Sunday Times bestselling author

Lucy Lord

Keynote

80 ultimate, easy and delicious air fryer recipes from *Sunday Times* bestselling author

Description

The ultimate air fryer cookbook - from high-protein heroes, to midweek saviours, quick bakes and so much more, these deliciously simple recipes have the answer to every mealtime!

Discover 80 amazing recipes, from *French Toast Sticks*, *Sweetcorn Fritters* and *Breakfast Bagels*, to *Bang Bang Chicken*, *Sticky Salmon Bites*, *Chicken Katsu Curry*, *Speedy Flatbread Pizza*, and *Churros with Chocolate Sauce*.

Plus how to get the best from your air fryer: what works and what to avoid, additional equipment - what's worth it and what's not - and essential tips and tricks. Whether you're an air fryer expert or a total novice, this is the book for you - delivering effortlessly delicious recipes every time

Sales Points

- Lucy is a *Sunday Times* bestselling author with over 185k followers on Instagram with a high engagement rate (4.63%), plus over 30k newsletter subscribers
- Lucy's air fryer recipe videos get huge viewing numbers and regularly go viral, such as Air Fryer Hassleback Potatoes with 29.5m views; Cheesy Pesto and Egg Air Fryer Breakfast Bagel with 18.3m views; and Air Fryer Yoghurt French Toast with 2.7m views
- Air Fryer purchase is expected to rise by another 9% this year, and they continue to dominate the cookbook charts
- For fans of *The Ultimate Air Fryer Cookbook* (198k TCM)

Author Biography

Lucy Lord is a self-taught chef, food photographer, yoga instructor and business owner. Lucy has published two books, both *Sunday Times* bestsellers, since then Lucy has continued to grow her brand and business - including her supper club event series and impressive newsletter subscriber list.

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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	246x189
Extent	192 pages
Word Count	
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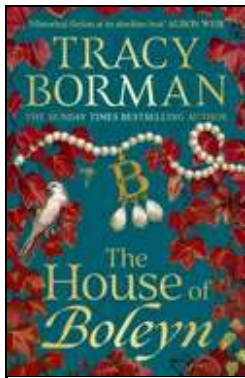
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The House of Boleyn the gripping new historical novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author

Tracy Borman

Keynote

This superb novel charts the astonishing rise and devastating fall of one of the most famous British families in history - the Boleyns - as told by the inhabitants, upstairs and downstairs, of their family home, Hever Castle.

Description

HEVER CASTLE HOLDS ALL THE BOLEYN SECRETS...

Hever Castle was the home of the Boleyn family and this brilliant and breathtakingly dramatic novel charts the rise and fall of Anne Boleyn through her wider family, entourage and servants.

The Boleyns are one of the most controversial and captivating families in British history. Anne Boleyn's turbulent relationship with Henry VIII, who pursued her for seven years before finally making her his queen and then ordering her execution just three years later, has traditionally taken centre stage.

But in the same way as *Downton Abbey* did for the fictional Crawley family, as well as following the lives of the Boleyns themselves, *The House of Boleyn* will also bring to life the servants who worked for them and whose lives were completely tied to those of their employers. The household at Hever will include loyal servants, governesses and stewards, ambitious place-seekers and treacherous spies, as well as visitors from neighbouring estates and the court - including Henry VIII himself.

As Henry's interest in Anne becomes an all-consuming obsession, the worlds of Hever and the court become ever more enmeshed, with dramatic - ultimately catastrophic - effects.

Sales Points

- **CLEAR AUDIENCE AND STRONG AUTHOR CREDENTIALS:** this is Philippa Gregory meets *Downton Abbey*. There is perennial interest in the Boleyn family
- **AUTHORITATIVE AND AMBITIOUS,** full of drama and intrigue, this will be a magnificent novel for a huge audience. Tracy Borman is already well known and highly respected from her nonfiction and TV work and this novel is a very exciting next step.
- **CLEAR AUDIENCE AND STRONG AUTHOR CREDENTIALS:** this is Philippa Gregory meets *Downton Abbey*. There is perennial interest in the Boleyn family

Reviews

- 'Historical fiction at its absolute best' - *Alison Weir*

Author Biography

Tracy Borman OBE is Chief Historian at Historic Royal Palaces and Chief Executive of the Heritage Education Trust. She studied and taught history at the University of Hull.

Tracy is the author of a number of highly acclaimed books including *Crown & Sceptre*, *Henry VIII and the Men Who Made Him*, *The Private Lives of the Tudors: Uncovering the Secrets of Britain's Greatest Dynasty*, *Thomas Cromwell: The Untold Story of Henry VIII's Most Faithful Servant*, *Matilda: Wife of the Conqueror*, *First Queen of England*, *Elizabeth's Women: The Hidden Story of the Virgin Queen* and *Witches: A Tale of Sorcery, Scandal and Seduction*. Tracy is also a regular broadcaster and public speaker, giving talks on her books across the UK and abroad.

Follow Tracy on Twitter @TracyBorman

Market

Philippa Gregory, Lucy Worsley, Hilary Mantel and Alison Weir

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781399709484
Thema 1.6	Historical fiction (FV) 1485–1603 (Tudor period) (3MD-GB-G) Narrative theme: sense of place (FXR)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex UK, Can); Ire
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA

Book locale	London
Author born in	Lincolnshire
Author living in	New Malden, London

Previous Titles

The King's Witch (2018)
The Devil's Slave (2019)
The Fallen Angel (2020)

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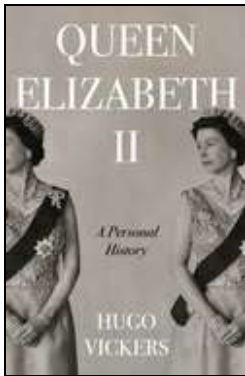
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Queen Elizabeth II

The remarkable life of our nation's most beloved monarch captured by 'the most knowledgeable royal biographer on the planet' - Financial Times

Hugo Vickers

Keynote

A unique and deeply researched portrait of our best-loved monarch

Description

Queen Elizabeth II occupies a unique place in the hearts of her people. She was elegant, self-contained, and enigmatic. After a supremely happy childhood, gravitas descended with the death of her beloved grandfather and after the Abdication she accepted her destiny. When she was 21 in 1947, she made a promise to serve and kept it for a remarkable 75 years. She was steadfast and conciliatory and presided calmly over decades of change, political upheaval and family tragedy. Tommy Lascelles described her as 'the most remarkable woman' he had ever met.

Hugo Vickers has been described by the *Financial Times* as 'the most knowledgeable royal biographer on the planet.' This major new biography is based on sixty years of close observation and research, and uses never-before-seen sources and personal recollections to illuminate her life as never before.

Sales Points

- This is the first significant biography of Queen Elizabeth to be published since her death; strong media interest expected
- Hugo is a well-respected royal expert who frequently appears on *Loose Women* and many royal YouTube channels, as well as in *Tatler*: his depth of knowledge and passion for this subject is unparalleled and will be perfect for *Daily Mail* readers to buy in their droves
- Evergreen part of the market: comps include: QUEEN FOR OUR TIMES / Robert Hardman (89,000 copies); THE PALACE PAPERS / Tina Brown (13,000 copies); COURTIERS / Valentine Low (19,000 copies)
- This biography will be use unique and exceptionally well-placed sources to illuminate new details in subjects of perennial fascination: what really happened after Diana's death; what did Queen Elizabeth really think of the many prime ministers who crossed over her carpet; how did Prince Harry really leave things with his grandmother?

Author Biography

Hugo Vickers is a writer, lecturer and broadcaster, and an acknowledged expert on the British Royal Family. He has written biographies of the Queen Mother, Cecil Beaton, Vivien Leigh, Princess Andrew of Greece and the Duchess of Windsor. His book *The Kiss* won the 1996 Stern Silver Pen Award for Non-Fiction. His recent bestsellers have included *Malice in Wonderland* and *The Sphinx* - the life of Gladys, Duchess of Marlborough. He collaborated with HRH The Duke of Kent on *A Royal Life*. He is a Deputy Lieutenant for Berkshire.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
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Main Identifier	9781529355208
Thema 1.6	Biography: royalty (DNBR) History (NH) United Kingdom, Great Britain (1DDU)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	672 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	3 x 8pp. colour plate sections
Exclusively for Sale	Airports; Ire; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Book locale	England
Author living in	London
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Main Identifier	9781399736909
Thema 1.6	Historical adventure fiction (FJH) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) Adventure / action fiction (FJ)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	Will Bowman Series
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Previous Titles

The Pilgrim's Revenge
The Knight's Pledge

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Die For A King

A Will Bowman epic historical adventure by the number 1 bestseller

Scott Mariani

Keynote

The #1 Sunday Times bestseller is back in the third instalment in the historical action-adventure series featuring Will Bowman.

Description

How far will his loyalty go?

1191. For young knight Will Bowman, newly restored to the service of King Richard 'the Lionheart', the savage wars in the Holy Land continue unabated. In the wake of their siege of Acre comes battle after battle against the might of the great sultan, Saladin.

By a miracle Will has managed to survive this far. But when the fighting in the Holy Land is finally winding to a close, the skulduggery of traitors conspiring against Richard's kingdom threatens the outbreak of more conflict.

Torn between his destiny and his allegiance, Will must somehow find a way out. But then a surprise visitor arrives, bringing shocking news from abroad. Now it's King Richard's life that is hanging in the balance, and Will is the only man who can save him.

To do that, Will and his companions must embark on their most dangerous voyage yet, penetrating deep into the heartlands of a ruthless foreign power to launch a covert rescue mission. But is his loyalty to King Richard strong enough to die for him?

Sales Points

- **#1 SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER:** *The Tudor Deception* was a #1 Sunday Times bestseller. The majority of this 29-book series have been Kindle bestsellers and Sunday Times Top 20 titles.
- **PACY, RELIABLE PUBLISHING:** Scott currently writes two books per year. This is fantastic for momentum in both the digital and physical space.
- **ENGAGED RETURNING AUDIENCE:** Scott has a strong male readership that follows each new release, split evenly across digital and physical formats.

Reviews

- 'Scott Mariani shows his deep knowledge of the period in this excellent read . . . historical fiction as it should be written' - *Ben Kane*
- 'Two of my favourite things have come together - Scott Mariani's masterful storytelling and the medieval world . . . the gripping, and at times agonising, adventures of Will the Bowman have only just begun - and I'm hooked!' - *Philippa Langley MBE*
- 'Classic storytelling on an epic scale' - *Tony Riches, bestselling historical fiction author*

Author Biography

Scott Mariani is the author of the bestselling thriller series featuring ex-SAS hero Ben Hope. Scott's novels have topped the charts in his native Britain and are translated into 25 languages.

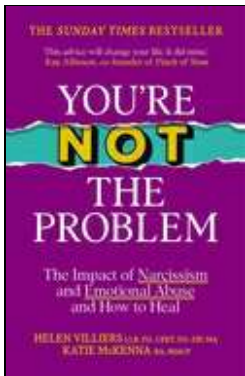
Scott was born in Scotland, later studied at Oxford and ended up living there. Deciding after university that a career in academia didn't suit him, he pursued his ambition to write for a living.

During what turned out to be a long process of reaching that goal, he worked in various jobs before eventually leaving Oxfordshire and moving to the tranquil and beautiful setting of rural west Wales.

The first Ben Hope book, *The Alchemist's Secret*, went on to spend six straight weeks at #1 in the charts and sell publishing rights across the world. Every book since has been a bestseller.

Market

For readers of Dan Brown, Robert Harris, Ben Kane.



You're Not the Problem The Impact of Narcissism and Emotional Abuse and How to Heal - The instant Sunday Times bestseller 2024

Helen Villiers and Katie McKenna

Keynote

With a compassionate, sympathetic approach to looking at your familial patterns, Villiers and McKenna show you how to truly break free from narcissistic relationships and reclaim your life.

Description

The Instant *Sunday Times* bestseller & Top 10 Irish bestseller

'Helen & Katie's advice will change your life. It did mine.' - *Kay Allinson, co-founder of Pinch of Nom*

This book will show you what a narcissist looks like and how their emotional abuse impacts the lives and relationships of their families.

Many emotionally abusive behaviours from parent to child have become socially acceptable; because they're so prolific, they're normalised. Furthermore, humans often repeat relational patterns, passing the baton of trauma from generation to generation, until someone decides to change things. *You're Not the Problem* shows you how to recognise these behaviours and realise the profound impact they have had, and still have, and to see the patterns they form in our relationships with parents, partners, friends and colleagues. Using stories and examples from their clinical experience and extensive research, psychotherapists Helen Villiers and Katie McKenna share:

- What Narcissistic Personality Disorder is
- How to recognise emotional abuse in family relationships
- The immediate and long-term impact
- Practical strategies for healing
- How to avoid repeating these behaviours

With a compassionate, sympathetic approach to looking at your familial patterns, Villiers and McKenna show you how to truly break free from these toxic relationships and reclaim your life.

Sales Points

- **Expert authors** with a combined TikTok following of over 460k followers and more than 5m likes. They also have over 50k Facebook and Instagram followers combined. Their Friday-night podcast has attracted 180K downloads since its launch last March, and the Pinch of Nom authors have just offered to sponsor it.
- **Trending topic** as narcissism is a Google trend in the UK and worldwide - the thirst for insights into narcissism and relatable accounts from experts who can name what they have experienced - all of which this book will deliver.
- **Accessible**, practical and actionable advice based on real case studies.
- A **much-needed**, up-to-date resource in an otherwise under published category.
- Katie & Helen have a combined social media following of over 750,000. and they host their weekly 'In Sight' Exposing Narcissism Podcast which currently has over 500,000 downloads.

Reviews

- 'This book genuinely had me engulfed all week . . . love the book.' - *Shay, Kaur, Grewal, BBC Radio London*
- 'A fantastic book, almost so detailed that we would have to go back to it time and time again.' - *Oliver Callan, RTE Radio 1*

Author Biography

Helen Villiers, LLB, PG Cert, PG Dip, MA is a psychotherapist with a Masters degree in Working Therapeutically with Adult children of Narcissistic Parents, making her expertise in this area unique. Helen lives in South Wales with her 2 children and their springer spaniel Bailey.

Katie McKenna, BA, MIACP is an accredited psychotherapist who specialises in parentification and emotional abuse who works to help people recognise and heal from the life long impacts of dysfunctional family dynamics. Katie lives in Ireland with her husband and four children.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781399719278
Thema 1.6	Sociology: family, kinship and relationships (JHBK) Psychiatric and mental disorders (MKLD) Personality traits / Personality types (VSPP) Coping with / advice about mental health issues or topics (VFJQ) Intergenerational relationships: advice, topics and issues (VFVX) Assertiveness, motivation, self-esteem and positive mental attitude (VSPM)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	352 pages
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It Happened on the Lake

The new twisty and unputdownable crime thriller for 2026 from the bestselling author

Lisa Jackson

Keynote

A brand-new thrilling novel from #1 New York Times Bestselling author Lisa Jackson, perfect for fans of Lucy Foley and Karin Slaughter.

Description

Don't miss the next utterly gripping and spine-tingling read from #1 New York Times Bestselling Author Lisa Jackson!

Twenty years ago, Harper's grandmother died suspiciously in her huge Victorian house on Lake Twilight while in her care. That same night, Harper's boyfriend disappeared. His body was never found and no charges were filed.

Now, Harper's inherited the old house. Her marriage is over, her daughter is estranged, and Harper just wants to sell the property and make a fresh start. Except returning to the lake has stirred everything up again. Whispers. Memories. And the persistent feeling that she's being watched.

The whole town thinks Harper has something to hide: and they're right. But uncovering the truth is just the beginning...

Sales Points

- Lisa is a huge bestseller in the states, whose numbers go up every time, with a thriving social media following.
- Lisa Jackson is a *New York Times* bestseller with every book. She has sold over 30 million copies of her novels, has keen fans, strong ebook potential, and a big export presence.
- This is a slightly different proposition from Lisa Jackson, with a setting-led narrative built around an evocative and gothic location of a lake house. This book is the perfect story to reposition Lisain the market and bring not only her existing fan base to this new book, but also introduce a wider pool of crime and thriller readers to her brilliant writing.

Author Biography

LISA JACKSON is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of more than seventy-five novels, including *Liar Liar*, *You Will Pay*, *Willing to Die*, *You Don't Want to Know*, *Running Scared*, *Without Mercy*, *Malice* and *Shiver*. She has over twenty million copies of her books in print in nineteen languages. She lives with her family and three rambunctious pugs in the Pacific Northwest.

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781399746496
Thema 1.6	Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH) North America (USA and Canada) (1KB)
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The Fish and Chip Shop Detectives

A brand-new and utterly addictive cozy crime British mystery

Jenny Kane

Keynote

The start of a brand-new cozy crime mystery series set in a fish and chip shop in the heart of Cornwall.

Description

There's some fishy business happening in the idyllic Cornish village of Mousehole. As a killer begins to make waves, can these new amateur detectives solve the mystery?

Maggie Tyson loves living in the utterly charming village, Mousehole. She spends her days walking the local coastal paths, solving the latest crossword puzzle, and working in the small town's only fish and chip shop.

Looking for a fresh start, Ryan Stepney is in desperate need of a job, and stumbles across a vacancy at the chip shop.

When a body is found by the harbour, shock ripples through the village. And as Ryan was the last person seen talking to the victim, he becomes the number one suspect in the investigation.

Maggie is certain that her new colleague had nothing to do with the murder, so swaps her apron for a magnifying glass, and starts to investigate herself.

Can Maggie prove Ryan's innocence and reel in the killer, before they strike again?

Sales Points

- **A BRAND-NEW SERIES:** expect an idyllic Cornish location, quirky characters in the fish and chip shop, and a gripping murder mystery; we're rapidly publishing 3 books in this series between April-September 2026 to really capitalise on British summertime reading.
- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Jenny Kane has published cosy women's fiction novels, some of which have been #1 Kindle bestsellers.
- **REGIONAL SUPPORT:** the series is set in Mousehole in Cornwall, and the author lives in Devon, so would be great to get regional & local support.

Author Biography

From the corner of a café in Devon, former archaeologist and historian, Jenny Kane, is currently having a wonderful time writing a brand new, cosy crime, series: *The Fish and Chip Shop Detectives*, for Hodder & Stoughton.

Jenny Kane has been writing professionally for the past 20 years. With over 40 novels published to date (including *Misty Mornings at The Potting Shed*, *Midsummer Dreams at Mill Grange* and *A Cornish Escape* as Jenny Kane, and *The Folville Chronicle* series as Jennifer Ash), she has also written 20 plus audio scripts and novellas for ITV's popular 1980's television show, *Robin of Sherwood*. (Released by AUK Ltd and Spiteful Puppet from 2017-2025.)

Jenny teaches creative writing via her tutoring business, Imagine.

All Jenny Kane's news can be found at www.jennykane.co.uk

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Main Identifier	9781399754491
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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	368 pages
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Series	The Fish and Chip Shop Detective Agency
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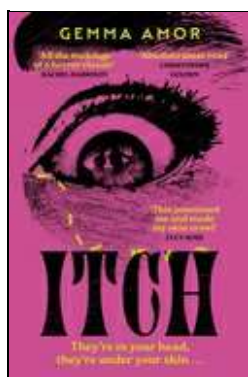
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ITCH!

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

- 'As fun as it is earnest, *ITCH!* is an **unflinching tale of the grotesque side of humanity** and the people who unearth its rotting remains. From the first page, **this story is already under your skin, building a nest in your heart**' - KYLIE LEE BAKER
- '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.

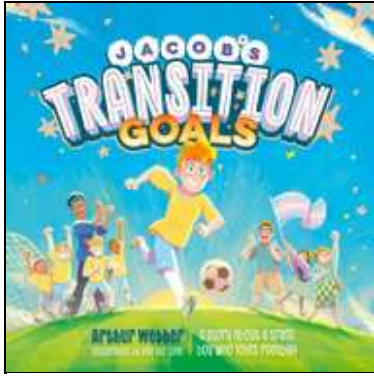
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Jacob's Transition Goals

An inspiring story about trans inclusion and trans kids in sport

Arthur Webber (Illustrated By Hui Qing Ang)

Keynote

The first picture book about transgender inclusion in sports.

Description

Jacob loves football, but being accepted by his teammates isn't easy.

Meet Jacob, a transgender boy with a dream of becoming a footballer. But Jacob has another dream-to join the boy's team and play happily with his teammates. This story follows Jacob on his journey as he joins a football team, his struggles to be accepted and his happy ending.

This uplifting picture book will help start conversations about gender diversity and inclusion with children. It also includes a guide for adults with a glossary of terms and answers to questions that might be asked in conversations about trans people in sport.

Sales Points

- **Author platform** -11k followers on Bluesky, 3k on Instagram and 36k on X.
- **Author experience** - The author has first-hand experience as a trans man in football. He is a member of the LGBTQ+ Professionals in Football Collective and a former Just Like Us ambassador.
- **Educational** - Encourages understanding and acceptance of gender diversity.
- **Parents & Teachers** - A useful resource for parents and teachers.
- **Unique** - No other children's book on the market covers trans children in sport.

Author Biography

Arthur Webber is a transgender man who plays football. He is captain of TRUK United FC Men's team, who are the world's first all-transmasculine 11-a-side team. He also plays for Leftfooters FC (London's recreational LGBTQ+ football team). Arthur has produced video content for Stonewall and Arsenal FC about being a transgender footballer. He is based in London.

Market

Children aged 3+. Parents/families, schools, children's football academies/clubs, support groups and organisations.

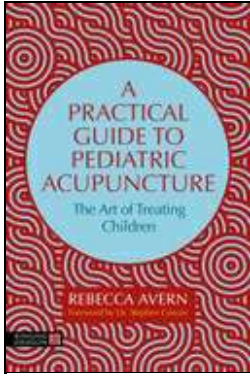
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Price	£12.99 / ₹1099
Main Identifier	9781805012887
Thema 1.6	Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: Gender identity (YXC) Children's / Teenage fiction: Sporting stories (YFR) Children's / Teenage general interest: Ball games and sports: Association football (Soccer) (YNWD1) Children's / Teenage personal and social topics: LGBTQIA+ (YXB) Gender studies: 'trans', transgender people and gender variance (JBSF3)

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

Binding	Hardback
Format	245 x 245mm
Extent	40 pages
Word Count	2500 words
Illustrations	Colour illustrations throughout
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Author living in	London
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1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Jessica Kingsley Publishers
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



A Practical Guide to Pediatric Acupuncture The Art of Treating Children

Rebecca Avern. Foreword by Stephen Cowan

Keynote

A straightforward guide to treating children with acupuncture.

Description

A Practical Guide to Pediatric Acupuncture prepares practitioners for the treatment room by explaining clearly how to approach children and families with confidence and sensitivity and focusing on the 'how' of treatment.

Rebecca Avern draws on 25 years of experience to share the subtleties that shape successful practice; from the first moments of connection with a child to the choices made when treatment proves challenging. Through case histories, she reveals her clinical reasoning step by step, demonstrating how theory can be applied, and adapted, to meet the needs of each individual child.

Covering issues as varied as the impact of family dynamics, the complexities of working with neurodivergent children, and the realities of practice in a post-Covid world, this book offers both insight and reassurance. It is an indispensable resource for acupuncturists and students growing their pediatric practice.

Sales Points

- **Companion text:** Builds on Avern's *Acupuncture for Babies, Children and Teenagers* (9781848193222), offering the practical follow-up practitioners have been asking for.
- **Author authority:** written by Rebecca Avern, leading UK practitioner, international lecturer, and experienced teacher of pediatric acupuncture.
- **Practice focus:** First book to emphasise the *how* of pediatric acupuncture - rapport, communication, treatment dosage, family dynamics.
- **Case-based learning:** step-by-step case histories demonstrate clinical reasoning and show how theory translates into practice.
- **Topical coverage:** addresses treatment challenges with neurodivergent children and the post-Covid landscape.

Author Biography

Rebecca Avern BA Hons, Lic Ac, Dip Paed Ac, FBacC has 25 years' experience as a practitioner and teacher in paediatric acupuncture. She is author of *Acupuncture for Babies, Children and Teenagers*, *Chinese Medicine for Childhood Anxiety and Depression*, and leads a specialist children's clinic in Oxford, and lectures internationally on child health in Chinese medicine.

Market

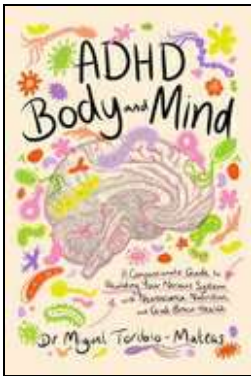
Professional acupuncturists, student practitioners, and Chinese medicine educators seeking practical strategies and case-based insight into treating children with acupuncture.

Publication date	Tuesday, April 21, 2026
Price	£35.00 / ₹2999
Main Identifier	9781805013716
Thema 1.6	Complementary therapies, healing and health (VXH) Complementary, integrated and alternative medicine and therapies (MX) Mind, body, spirit (VX) Acupuncture (VXHA) Cultural and regional medicines, health and healing techniques (VXHT)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	229x152 (6x9")
Extent	208 pages
Word Count	50537 words
Illustrations	22 line
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author born in	N/A
Author living in	Oxfordshire

Previous Titles

Rebecca Avern, *Acupuncture for Babies, Children and Teenagers*, Sept 2018 (9781848193222), 1,348 copies
Rebecca Avern, *Chinese Medicine for Childhood Anxiety and Depression*, Oct 2021 (9781787757813) 614 copies

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
US	Refer to Publisher



Publication date	Tuesday, April 21, 2026
Price	£17.99 / ₹1550
Main Identifier	9781399833912
Thema 1.6	Dietetics and nutrition (MBNH3) Mental health services (MBPK) Coping with / advice about ADHD (VFJR2) Coping with / advice about physical impairments / disability (VFJD) Cookery for specific diets and conditions (WBHS)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	229x152 (6x9")
Extent	304 pages
Word Count	78275 words
Illustrations	15 b/w diagrams
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author born in	N/A
Author living in	Hertfordshire
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
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ADHD Body and Mind

A Compassionate Guide to Rewilding Your Nervous System with Neuroscience, Nutrition, and Gut-Brain Health

Dr Miguel Toribio-Mateas. Foreword by Brian Sutton

Keynote

An accessible, neuroaffirming and supportive guide to understanding how nutrition, the gut, brain and nervous system interact in individuals with ADHD.

Description

An evidence-based exploration of neuroscience, nutrition and the gut-brain connection from a clinical neuroscientist living with ADHD.

This is a book that speaks to both your biology and your belonging. It's a unique, neurodiversity-affirmative resource that:

- Reframes ADHD as a natural neurotype, a different way of living and making sense of the world, rather than a disorder.
- Expands neuroscience beyond the brain and into the whole body. Showing how gut, microbes, breath, heart, hormones and immune system are always in conversation.
- Reimagines nutrition and gut-brain health through a non-diet lens, offering flexible, compassionate tools that nourish body and mind without rules, shame or restriction.
- Extends gentle invitations, not prescriptions, to honour your ADHD as a whole body-mind experience, rather than reducing it to symptoms to be managed.

In a nutshell, *ADHD Body and Mind* is a companion, offering space to breathe, reflect, and return to yourself, again and again. It will help you reconnect with your body's natural rhythms, release some of the weight of shame and perfectionism, and discover a way of living with ADHD that feels not just manageable, but meaningful.

Sales Points

- The author has lived experience with ADHD.
- This book is an accessible guide for both a general audience and professionals.
- The author is a rising star in the ADHD world. He has appeared on the ADHD Chatter podcast as well as many others.
- The author is one of the pioneers in the field of gut-brain health and the gut microbiome.
- Interest in gut-brain health and the gut microbiome is steadily rising.

Author Biography

Dr Miguel Toribio-Mateas is a clinical neuroscientist, nutritionist, and applied microbiologist with a doctoral degree in Gut Microbiome & Mental Health. He is an Honorary Research Fellow at Cardiff University's School of Psychology and Lecturer in Nutrition at the University of West London. With an extensive background in research and teaching, Miguel bridges neuroscience, lived experience, gut microbes, and non-diet, evidence-based approaches to nutrition. His work is known for translating complex science into deeply human, trauma-informed, neurodiversity-affirming insight. He is based in Hertfordshire.

Market

ADHD adults, parents of children with ADHD, professionals (nutritionists, nutrition practitioners and health coaches).

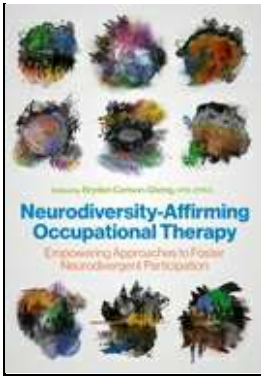
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Neurodiversity-Affirming Occupational Therapy Empowering Approaches to Foster Neurodivergent Participation

**Edited by Bryden Carlson-Giving, OTD, OTR/L. Foreword
by Winnie Dunn. (Edited By Dr. Bryden Carlson-Giving,
OTD, OTR/L)**

Keynote

A ground-breaking resource to empower occupational therapy into a profession of liberation.

Description

This community-driven resource is a timely collaboration amongst justice-focused leaders, equipping OT professionals with the tools to foster neurodiversity-affirming practice. Drawn from both lived experience, professional expertise, and justice-oriented frameworks, this is both a practical guide and a visionary blueprint for dismantling ableism in OT practice. The first half of the book explores essential foundations such as neurodiversity, ableism, disability justice, trauma-informed care, antiracism, and strengths-based approaches. The second half offers practical strategies for embedding affirming principles throughout the OT process, including evaluation, intervention, research, and education. Supplemented with over 100 pages of digital content including a bonus chapter of case studies, a resource on how to support Neurodivergent students in higher education and more, this book is a roadmap for transforming OT into a more equitable profession that celebrates neurodivergent ways of life.

Sales Points

- **Market need:** According to a YouGov poll, almost 1 in 5 Americans identify as neurodivergent, indicating the need for resources that are neurodiversity-affirming.
- **Additional content:** Offers over 100 pages of digital downloads including self-study tools, case studies, checklists, assessment resources, and neurodiversity-affirming goal banks.
- **EMPOWER Model:** Bryden Carlson-Giving's new model focuses on client participation and empowerment, with neurodiversity-affirming care and anti-ableism at its heart.
- **Academic-ready:** Perfect for integration into occupational therapy curricula or continuing education programs.
- **International perspective:** Includes contributors from diverse cultural backgrounds and regions, fostering global relevance and a broader lens on neurodivergent experience and care.

Reviews

- 'This is a remarkable book that provides an accessible, yet scholarly introduction to neurodiversity-affirming occupational therapy. Centered both on disability justice and on the enhancement of meaningful occupational engagement, the various contributors contest ableism, challenge personal and professional assumptions, and promote a strengths-based approach to the provision of occupational therapy that fosters an understanding of both neurodiversity and queerness as naturally-occurring dimensions within the spectrum of human variations. This book has provided me with knowledge from which I am both learning and reflecting, and I unreservedly recommend it to my international occupational therapy colleagues.' - Karen Whalley Hammell PhD., Honorary Professor, Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, University of British Columbia

Author Biography

Bryden Carlson-Giving is a Neurodivergent occupational therapist and activist who combines clinical expertise with lived experience to champion inclusive, anti-ableist practice. He earned his post-professional doctorate from Boston University, where he developed a toolkit to help occupational therapy practitioners challenge ableism in pediatric settings - work that led to the creation of the EMPOWER model, the first neurodiversity-focused occupational therapy framework. Bryden is the founder of Neurodivergent Nexus, an online resource hub for supporting anti-ableist OT practice and is the recipient of Boston University's Emerging Leader Award. Based in Minnesota, he works in the public schools to foster equitable practices that affirm the identities of all students.

Market

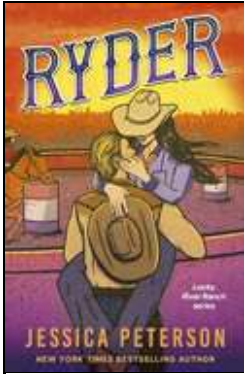
Occupational therapy professionals.
Secondary market of academics and other healthcare professionals interested in disability justice and health science.

Publication date	Tuesday, April 21, 2026
Price	£29.99 / ₹2599
Main Identifier	9781805014072
Thema 1.6	Occupational therapy (MQT) Autism Spectrum Disorder (MKJA) Cognitive and behavioural neuroscience (PSAN5) Child, developmental and lifespan psychology (JMC)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	246x173 (6.8x9.7")
Extent	320 pages
Word Count	100000 words
Illustrations	approx. 35 black and white images
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None
Author living in	Minnesota
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
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Publication date	Tuesday, April 07, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781408750483
Thema 1.6	Romance: 'western', rural or 'outback' (FRJ) Narrative theme: love / relationships (FXD) Texas (1KBB-US- SWT)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	Lucky River Ranch
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Previous Titles

Cash
Wyatt
Sawyer
Duke

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Ryder

The latest irresistibly sexy cowboy romance from bestselling sensation

Jessica Peterson

Keynote

Steamy and wildly sexy, *Lucky River Ranch* is a series of interconnected cowboy/small-town romance standalones, featuring a cast of five brothers fighting to protect both their family's ranch and their hearts from the women who turn their lives upside down.

Description

**One hard fall in the rodeo ring.
One maddeningly gorgeous cowboy.
One chance at love she swore she'd never take.**

Billie Wallace has spent her whole life trying to prove she's more than the Wallace Ranch's "wild" only daughter. All she wants is a shot at barrel racing but when her very first run ends in disaster, Billie lands flat on her back with Ryder Rivers - her childhood crush, her brother's best friend, and the town's notorious heartbreaker - hovering over her.

Ryder has never entertained Billie's shameless flirting. But after her fall, he's suddenly everywhere - showing up to help her when she's hurt, staring at her across the honky-tonk when she's trying to move on with a bronc rider, and encouraging her to explore her dream career.

Before either can register what's happening, their partnership sparks into much more than just dust and arguments.

Late nights turn into stolen kisses. Stolen kisses turn into something that feels dangerously like forever.

Ryder swears he's not the staying kind, but the way he looks at Billie like she's the only woman in the world makes her wonder if he's ready to stop running . . .

***Ryder* is the fifth standalone cowboy romance in the steamy and wildly sexy *Lucky River Ranch* series by the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author Jessica Peterson, perfect for fans of Elsie Silver and Lyla Sage.**

Sales Points

- Cowboy romance continues to prove a booming niche of the romance genre, with #cowboyromance trending at 57k posts and #smalltownromance at 215k posts on TikTok. This is an opportunity to really capitalise on the digital/KU consumers of this genre as well as the general contemporary romance audience who are looking for fresh, non-sports romance settings.
- *Lucky River Ranch* has tropes galore and all are BookTok favourites, including forced proximity, opposites attract, grumpy/sunshine, enemies-to-lovers.
- Jessica has an engaged and growing author platform, with 11k followers on Instagram and nearly 3k on TikTok, so there is a guaranteed audience for the series that we would continue to build.
- *Cash*, the first book in the series, came out at the end of August and still stands at #26 in Western & Frontier Romance chart, with 4.4 stars, 6k ratings on Amazon. 8k people have shelved the second book as 'to-read' on Goodreads.
- This is Renegade's first and currently the only offering in the cowboy romance genre and it would be perfect for fans of Elsie Silver, Lyla Sage and Paisley Hope.

Author Biography

Jessica Peterson writes romance with heat, humor, and heart. Heroes with hot accents are her specialty. When she's not writing, she can be found bellying up to a bar in the South's best restaurants with her husband, Ben, reading books with her adorable daughters, Gracie and Madeline, or snuggling up with her seventy-pound lapdog, Martha. A Carolina girl at heart, she fantasizes about splitting her time between Charleston and Asheville, but currently lives in Charlotte, North Carolina.

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Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781399808163
Thema 1.6	Crime and / or mystery fiction (FF) Crime and mystery: women sleuths / detectives (FFS) Crime and mystery: private investigator / amateur detectives (FFD) Crime and mystery: police procedural (FFP) Crime and mystery: hard-boiled crime, noir fiction (FFL) Thriller / suspense fiction (FH)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
Series	The Lorraine Henry Thrillers
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex ANZ); Ire; UK
Not for Sale	ANZ; Can; USA

Book locale	New Zealand
Author born in	Wellington, New Zealand
Author living in	Paris, France

Previous Titles

Paper Cage	
1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
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Translation	Refer to Publisher
Undramatised (straight) reading	Refer to Publisher
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Lucky Thing

Tom Baragwanath

Keynote

A compelling new New Zealand-set crime novel starring unforgettable sleuth Lorraine Henry.

Description

When brilliant young student Jessica Mowbrie is left in a coma after being abandoned in a remote patch of New Zealand bush, the local Masterton police don't have a clue what happened. Isolated and under-resourced, the detectives struggle even to begin piecing it together.

Police records clerk Lorraine Henry will not accept that Jessie simply had a lucky escape. She thinks whoever hurt her needs to be hunted down, and worries that her employers are a bit hopeless.

As Jessie's life hangs in the balance, it looks as if Lorraine will do the hunting. She's not getting any younger, of course. But she has all the police records at her fingertips - and as much information about who hates who as anyone in their small town. Plus, she's used to being under-estimated. And you should never under-estimate a middle-aged woman with justice in her sights . . .

In this follow-up to his award-winning crime novel *Paper Cage*, Tom Baragwanath delivers another bone-deep exploration of life in the margins of small-town New Zealand.

Praise for *Paper Cage*

'A protagonist who is impossible not to root for . . . breathtakingly compelling' *Daily Mail*

'An astonishing debut with a wonderfully flawed character . . . full of heart and determination' James Oswald, author of *All That Lives*

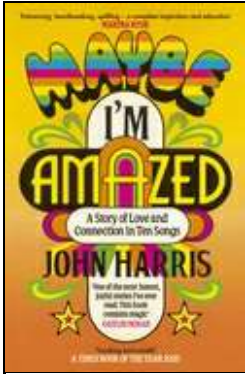
'A truly crackling mystery' *Publishers Weekly*

Sales Points

- The Lorraine Henry Thrillers are perfect for fans of deeply atmospheric literary crime novels by the likes of antipodean writers Jane Harper, Chris Hammer and Fiona Sussman plus British names Ann Cleeves, Sarah Hilary and William Shaw.
- Follows Lorraine Henry, the memorable series lead introduced in *Paper Cage*. Lorraine is a wonderful older female protagonist, whose personal ties span both sides of her small town and the conflicts that present themselves.
- Author Tom Baragwanath is originally from New Zealand but lives in Paris. He is available for events and has attended several UK crime festivals in 2023 and 2024, to help raise the profile of PAPER CAGE and his profile within the crime writing community.
- PAPER CAGE won the Michael Gifkins Prize for unpublished writers (2021) and was longlisted for the Ngaio Marsh Award 2023, following its publication in Australia and New Zealand.

Author Biography

Tom Baragwanath is a writer originally from New Zealand, currently living in Paris. His debut novel *Paper Cage* won the 2021 Michael Gifkins Prize and was shortlisted for the Ngaio Marsh and Ned Kelly awards.



Maybe I'm Amazed
A Story of Love and Connection in Ten Songs: A BBC RADIO 4 BOOK OF THE WEEK

John Harris

Author Biography

John Harris is a prize-winning writer, journalist and presenter. He has a weekly column in the *Guardian*, hosts its Politics Weekly UK podcast, and co- created its BAFTA-nominated video series *Anywhere But Westminster*. He also writes regularly for the music magazine *Mojo*, and is the author of the acclaimed pop-cultural history of the 1990s, *The Last Party*, as well as the definitive work on Pink Floyd's *The Dark Side of The Moon*. He has been awarded the Orwell Prize for Political Journalism and the UK Press Award for Political Commentator of the Year.

Publication date	Thursday, April 02, 2026
Price	£12.99 / ₹1099
Main Identifier	9781399814058
Thema 1.6	Memoirs (DNC) Autism Spectrum Disorder (MKJA) Music (AV)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	272 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	n/a
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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Publication date **Thursday, April 09, 2026**
 Price **£10.99 / ₹899**
 Main Identifier **9781399815925**
 Thema 1.6 **Fiction: literary and general non-genre (FB) Historical fiction (FV) Ireland (1DDR) South America (1KLS)**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **352 pages**

Word Count
 Illustrations **N/A**
 Exclusively for Sale **UK; World (ex USA, Can)**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Book locale **Ireland, UK, Brazil**
 Author living in **Dublin, Ireland**

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Eden's Shore

Oisín Fagan

Keynote

A wildly inventive and epic tale of greed, revenge and love set in eighteenth-century Latin America

Description

'Fagan is shaping up to be one of the most dazzling and daring stylists around' Guardian, Books of the Year 2025

At the close of the eighteenth century, Angel Kelly, an Irishman, sets sail from Liverpool aboard the *Atlas* with the intention of creating a Utopian commune in Brazil. But when a mutiny takes place on the ship, he finds himself stranded upon the coast of an unnamed Spanish colony in Latin America. In the aftermath, Kelly becomes unwittingly caught up in a series of crises culminating in displacement, rebellion and a deadly game of cat-and-mouse between empires.

Set in an era of global upheaval, *Eden's Shore* is an epic and intricate tale of greed, revenge and love. Populated by a vivid and rich cast of revolutionaries and pirates, capitalists and aristocrats, sailors and soldiers, slaves and spies, this is a work of staggering ambition and wondrous imagination.

'Visceral, propulsive, kinetic' Colin Walsh, author of *Kala*

'Wild, dark and free-wheeling' Ferdia Lennon, author of *Glorious Exploits*

Sales Points

- **JMO SUCCESS STORY:** Oisín's debut novel *Nobber* was a JM Original success story selling 10,000 copies and being shortlisted for a host of awards
- **PRIZE SUCCESS:** Oisín has had much prize success with *Nobber* being longlisted for the Desmond Elliott Award and shortlisted for the Bollinger Everyman Wodehouse Prize
- **CRITICAL AND COMMERCIAL SUCCESS:** *Nobber* published to great critical acclaim in 2019 with a raft of reviews in the likes of the *Guardian* ('a dark and bloody tale, well leavened with bone-dry humour'), *Observer* ('vigorously, writhingly itself, spilling out of any box you put it in') and *The Times* ('a striking new talent'), as well as many Irish Book of the Year mentions. It was also named Waterstones Irish Book of the Month
- **BOOK OF THE YEAR ACCLAIM:** 'Fagan is shaping up to be one of the most dazzling and daring stylists around' *Guardian*, Book of the Year 2025

Reviews

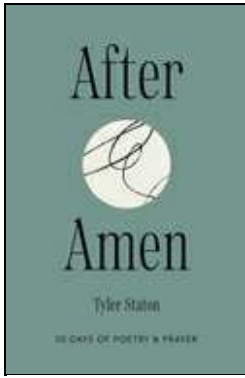
- **'Fagan is shaping up to be one of the most dazzling and daring stylists around' - Guardian, Book of the Year 2025**
- **'Visceral, propulsive, kinetic . . . a glorious firework display of ambition, imagination and ideas. This is an unforgettable odyssey from one of the most daring writers at work today' - Colin Walsh, author of the bestselling debut KALA**
- **'Wild, dark and free-wheeling, this epic of colonialism and revolution cements Fagan as one of the most strikingly original Irish writers working today' - Ferdia Lennon, author of the Sunday Times bestselling GLORIOUS EXPLOITS**
- **'Unexpectedly hilarious and very beautiful . . . Eden's Shore often felt like a sort of maritime Blood Meridian - Cormac McCarthy's portentous masterpiece of the American west - and it will no doubt divide readers along similar lines. But I'd be hard pressed to think of higher praise' - Guardian**

Author Biography

Oisín Fagan is the author of *Hostages*, a collection of stories, and *Nobber*, his debut novel which was longlisted for the Desmond Elliott Prize, shortlisted for the Bollinger Everyman Wodehouse Prize, and was named a Book of the Year by the *Guardian* and the *Daily Mail*.

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After Amen 50 Days of Poetry and Prayer

Tyler Staton

Keynote

Pastor and beloved author Tyler Staton shares a personal and profound creative devotional to draw us deeper into God's truth and beauty.

Description

Pastor and beloved author Tyler Staton shares a personal and profound creative devotional to draw us deeper into God's truth and beauty. Are you ready to explore the remarkable reality of God's beauty? After his shocking Stage 4 cancer diagnosis, pastor and author Tyler Staton found himself cast into a wilderness of emotion. Amid the struggle, he found strength in the familiar solaces of prayer, contemplation, and Scripture, but also through an unexpected source—writing carefully crafted poetry. Even after going into remission, this practice awakened a new appreciation in Tyler for how God uses beauty to draw us powerfully to himself. After Amen contains inspiring chapters on the role of creativity and beauty in the Christian life, as well as a core of 50 entries which feature biblical reflection, heartfelt prayer, and a short original poem from Tyler. Focusing on Jesus's seven signs in the gospel of John, readers will encounter their own lives with new appreciation and inspired insight, as Tyler shows how all of life, joy and suffering, is an opportunity to be formed more completely in the image of Jesus. This exceptional book is an inspiring, provocative, and beautiful exploration of how much of our spiritual life truly happens not only with what we say during prayer, but what we live After Amen.

Sales Points

- *After Amen* refocuses our attention on the role of wonder in the Christian life, presenting 50 devotional entries that feature biblical reflection, heartfelt prayer, and original poetry from Tyler. Focusing on Jesus's seven signs in the gospel of John, Tyler shows how all of life is an invitation to be formed into the image of Jesus. A provocative and beautiful exploration of the way prayer reshapes us long after "amen."
- Contains 50 beautiful original poems written by Tyler.
- Perfect for fans of Pete Greig and John Mark Comer, *After Amen* is Tyler's fourth book having already published *Praying Like Monks*, *Living Like Fools*, *The Familiar Stranger*, and *Searching for Enough*.
- Tyler is the Lead Pastor of Bridgetown Church, Portland US. He took over from John Mark Comer in 2021.

Author Biography

Tyler Staton is the lead pastor of Bridgetown Church in Portland, Oregon, where he lives with his wife Kirsten, and their sons Hank, Simon, and Amos. He is passionate about living prayerfully and relationally. Tyler is the author of three additional books: *The Familiar Stranger*, *Praying Like Monks*, *Living Like Fools*, and *Searching for Enough*.

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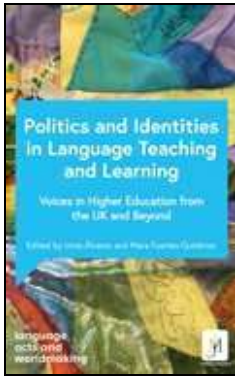
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Politics and Identities in Language Teaching and Learning

Voices in Higher Education from the UK and Beyond

Inma Álvarez and Mara Fuertes Gutiérrez

Keynote

A timely, comprehensive and compelling exploration of the politics of language teaching and learning in higher education.

Description

This volume examines the politics of language teaching and learning, providing a critical appraisal of the institutional, political and professional issues around language teaching and learning. It specifically focuses on how these issues have shaped recent provision at universities, using the UK as a case study, revealing consequences relevant for language departments around the world. By exploring the interface between language policies and strategies and the ways in which these impact the experiences of learning and teaching, this book highlights the complexities at play in language education at tertiary level.

Like all the volumes in the *Language Acts and Worldmaking* series, the overall aim is two-fold: to challenge widely-held views about language learning as a neutral instrument of globalisation and to innovate and transform language research, teaching and learning, together with Modern Languages as an academic discipline, by foregrounding its unique form of cognition and critical engagement.

Specific aims are to:

- propose new ways of bridging the gaps between those who teach and research languages and those who learn and use them in everyday contexts from the professional to the personal
- put research into the hands of wider audiences
- share a philosophy, policy and practice of language teaching and learning which turns research into action
- provide the research, experience and data to enable informed debates on current issues and attitudes in language learning, teaching and research
- share knowledge across and within all levels and experiences of language learning and teaching
- showcase exciting new work that derives from different types of community activity and is of practical relevance to its audiences
- disseminate new research in languages that engages with diverse communities of language practitioners.

Sales Points

- Volume Editors are accomplished academics and professors at King's College London and the University of Westminster, London.
- Accessible as ebook and paperback, and through our own website for bulk orders.
- New topics in language learning that are of great interest to curriculum developers, policy makers within schools and government, self-study learners, teacher trainers and teacher trainees (PGC), as well academics and post-docs.
- Global appeal for institutions, with UK used as a case-study.

Author Biography

Mara Fuertes Gutiérrez is Head of Spanish at The Open University. She has conducted extensive research in the areas of Spanish Language Teaching and Historiography of Linguistics. She particularly investigates the interpretation and implementation of linguistic theories into language teaching, and, in connection to this, how language teachers' identities, background and cognition impact on their practices.

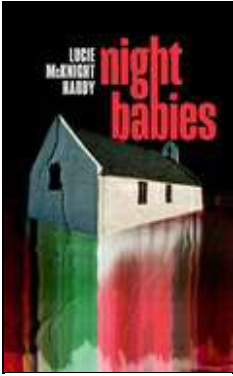
Inma Álvarez is Senior Lecturer in Spanish at The Open University. She has published on a range of topics including language teaching pedagogies, language teacher identity and language teacher education. She is currently Director of Postgraduate Research Studies in the Faculty of Wellbeing, Education and Language Studies and current research focuses on issues regarding inclusion and diversity at postgraduate level.

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Night Babies

Lucie McKnight Hardy

Keynote

A menacing slice of folk horror from Lucie McKnight Hardy where a troubled artist is haunted by her past in rural Wales

Description

The haunting new folk horror novel from Lucie McKnight Hardy

'All my fears have vanished, and I realise now that my dreams were not nightmares but a sign of what was to come, how this will end. An inevitability.'

Things were looking up for Astrid Aspden and her partner, Kit, until their house flooded. With Astrid's first solo art exhibition just weeks away, her paintings are ruined and excitement has turned to despair.

She is thrown a lifeline when her best friend Flora invites her to stay in a run-down chapel she and her partner, Sim, are renovating in the Brecon Beacons. As Astrid and Kit settle into their new surroundings to salvage her work, they soon learn about the unsettling history of the chapel and what lies beneath the nearby reservoir.

As the weeks go by, tensions simmer between Astrid and Flora as sour memories flare up from their teenage past and deep wounds are laid bare from an ill-fated school trip to Florence. Her relationship with Kit begins to fray as the chapel and the surrounding hostile beauty of the valley begin to intrude on their lives.

Astrid throws herself into her work but the longer she spends in the chapel the more she begins to notice things: handprints on her paintings, shadowy figures reflected in the reservoir and voices whispering in the night. As the darkness of the Welsh valley closes in on Astrid, will she be able to run from the looming horror or be consumed by it?

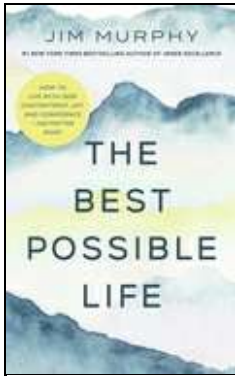
Whether it is the past, the otherworldly, or the truth - they all haunt this menacing and claustrophobic novel.

Sales Points

- **A RISING STAR OF FOLK HORROR:** With films like *MIDSOMMAR* and books like *THE HAUNTING SEASON*, recent years have seen a major resurgence in love of FOLK HORROR. Lucie McKnight Hardy is a rising star in this genre who **'brings a slick perfectionism to the genre of folk horror...a fine writer, sensitive to detail and with a knack for gruesome imagery'**
- **FOR READERS OF:** This is a novel that would sit alongside authors such as Andrew Michael Hurley, Riley Sager, Sarah Perry, Tobi Coventry, Adam S Leslie, and Michelle Paver.
- **A DARKER SIDE OF WALES:** *Night Babies* is set in rural Wales, specifically, the Brecon Beacons. The book taps into the dark history of the region and presents a haunting and atmospheric landscape that will stay with you.
- **ART, MOTHERHOOD, FERTILITY, AND SHAME:** While *Night Babies* has all the hallmarks of a folk horror novel - creepiness, atmosphere, dread - it is also a novel that investigates deep and timely issues about shame, the female body, motherhood, and the power of art.
- **A BREAKOUT BOOK:** *Night Babies* is Lucie McKnight's third novel, which will announce her to a wider audience. Her first two books were published by a small press and got good reviews and prize attention. Now on the John Murray list, *Night Babies* will take her to a new level of readership.

Author Biography

Lucie McKnight Hardy is the author of *Water Shall Refuse Them*, which was shortlisted for the Mslexia Novel Competition and longlisted for the Caledonia Novel Award and the short story collection, *Dead Relatives*. Lucie grew up in West Wales and is a Welsh speaker. She has also lived in Liverpool, Cardiff, Zurich and Bradford, and now lives in Hay-on-Wye.



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The Best Possible Life How to Live with Deep Contentment, Joy, and Confidence - No Matter What

Jim Murphy

Keynote

By the author of the #1 New York Times bestseller *Inner Excellence*, this book offers a transformational blueprint for building the life you long for.

Description

By the author of the #1 New York Times bestseller *Inner Excellence*, this book offers a transformational blueprint for building the life you long for.

Each one of us has a deep need for meaningful relationships, where love is unconditional and fully reliable, and where we can rest secure, with the deepest contentment, no matter what the circumstances around us.

In the chaos of everyday life, it's easy to lose sight of what's possible, of the life we were created for: a life lived with a love you can feel in your heart that enlivens every experience; everything you think, feel, and do. It's a life marked by courage and meaning. Each of us has a deep need for something that this world cannot fulfil, and we spend most of our lives searching for it.

Drawing on over 2,000 years of wisdom along with hard-won lessons from his own journey, bestselling author and performance coach Jim Murphy shares with you the path to a life of genuine peace, joy, and confidence so that you can live each day of your life with absolute fullness, free from anxiety and doubt.

You'll learn how to become your true self, grounded and connected to purpose and meaning. You'll experience the power of living in authentic relationship with yourself and with others. A life beyond your wildest dreams is available to you, one far beyond anything you have ever imagined ... your best possible life.

Sales Points

- From the author of the #1 New York Times bestseller *Inner Excellence*.
- A self-help book offering a transformational blueprint showing you how to connect directly with the source of love, wisdom, and courage, and live with *absolute fullness of life*.

Author Biography

Jim Murphy is a Performance Coach to extraordinary athletes and leaders around the world. He began his career as a professional baseball player in the Chicago Cubs organization. After experiencing vision issues that ended his playing career, Murphy coached with the Texas Rangers as well as the South African Olympic baseball team. He also leads Inner Excellence and Best Possible Life retreats across the globe and is the president of the Inner Excellence Freedom Project, whose mission is to build communities to alleviate spiritual and physical poverty around the world.



God Is Stranger The Surprising Power of Hospitality

Krish Kandiah

Keynote

A new edition with introduction and foreword that tackle today's hot topics of immigration and welcome. Krish's exploration of the Bible's teaching on the subject are more relevant than ever.

Description

With huge marches in central London, demonstrations outside asylum hotels and opinion polls showing that immigration is one of the most important electoral issues for the majority of the population, churches and individual Christians are grappling with how to respond.

The call to recognise God in the stranger has never been more relevant.

God Is Stranger strips us of our comfortable assumptions about God and invites us to look afresh at his character. When Abraham welcomes three men for dinner, he ends up pleading for the life of a city. When Jacob meets God by the river, they end up in a fight. And when two forlorn disciples meet a stranger on the road, their lives are turned upside down. *God Is Stranger* challenges us to lay down our expectations of God and delight in the power that is proven by his very strangeness.

'Be warned: this book could seriously affect your view of yourself, of the world and of God - I highly recommend it to you!' PAULA GOODER, ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

'An important and timely book from someone who lives out its message.' PETE GREIG, 24-7 PRAYER INTERNATIONAL

Sales Points

- Krish is a leading Christian voice in the UK, frequently appearing in mainstream media, advising government on refugee resettlement, and mobilising churches nationwide through the Sanctuary Foundation.
- Krish is a presenter on BBC Radio 2's Pause for Thought, BBC Radio 4's *Thought for the Day* and is a regular commentator on GB News and in *The Guardian* and *I-Paper*.
- Krish Kandiah is a well-known speaker and writer and appears regularly at Spring Harvest, New Wine, Soul Survivor and Momentum festivals as well as many other events throughout the year, both in the UK and overseas.
- Krish's charity Home for Good has been working with the government on the refugee crisis to highlight the issue of unaccompanied children, and this book will be promoted both into churches and to key agencies via this campaign.

Reviews

- 'Praise for *Paradoxology*: These may seem like heavy theological ideas, yet the author approaches his theme in what is an easily read way through leading characters of the bible from Abraham to Paul. He challenges his readers to consider not only those passages that give us comfort, but also those "dark sayings" which so often perturb people.' - *The Irish Catholic*
- 'Praise for *Paradoxology*: Allow your mind to test your conclusions about the Bible. Like Thomas in the Easter Story, you might find that exploring doubts and questions will bring you to clearer vision.' - *Inspire Magazine*
- 'Praise for *Paradoxology*: Amazing...I really loved it. This book is a real eye-opener that makes you look at the Bible in a different way.' - *Families First Magazine*

Author Biography

Krish Kandiah is Founder and Director of the adoption and fostering charity Home for Good and an Ambassador for the relief charity Tearfund. He is in demand as a speaker, consultant and social entrepreneur. He lives with his wife and seven children, including fostered and adopted children, in Oxfordshire, UK.

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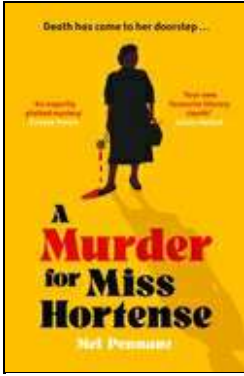
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A Murder for Miss Hortense 'It's Murder She Wrote as you've never seen it before' Sir Lenny Henry

Mel Pennant

Keynote

The first of a gripping new crime series, starring unforgettable Jamaican sleuth Miss Hortense.

Description

'Fresh, original and intriguing from start to finish!' Janice Hallett, bestselling author of *The Examiner and The Appeal*

'What a joy - a brilliant new amateur sleuth to rival Miss Marple!' *Good Housekeeping*

'More than a cosy crime mystery . . . it's the story of a community' Jennie Godfrey, author of *The List of Suspicious Things*

Death has come to her doorstep . . .

Retired nurse, avid gardener, renowned cake maker and fearless sleuth Miss Hortense has lived in Bigglesweigh, a quiet Birmingham suburb, since she emigrated from Jamaica in 1960. She takes great pride in her home, starching her lace curtains bright white, and she can tell if she's been short-changed on turmeric before she's even taken her first bite of a beef patty. Thirty-five years of nursing have also left her afraid of nobody - be they a local drug dealer or a priest - and an expert in deciphering other people's secrets with just a glance.

Miss Hortense uses her skills to investigate the investments of the Pardner network - a special community of Black investors, determined to help their people succeed. But when an unidentified man is found dead in one of the Pardner's homes, a Bible quote noted down beside his body, Miss Hortense's long-buried past comes rushing back to greet her, bringing memories of the worst moment of her life, one which her community has never let her forget.

It is time for Miss Hortense to solve a mystery that will see her, and the community she loves, tested to their limits.

'A beautiful novel, suffused with fondness and wit . . . highly entertaining' Alexander McCall Smith, author of *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency Series*

'Unique, compulsive, and laugh-out-loud brilliant!' Nadine Matheson, author of *The Jigsaw Man*

'A vibrant tribute to the Windrush generation' Jessica Bull, author of *Miss Austen Investigates*

Sales Points

- Won in a heated five-way UK auction, with US rights snapped up in a pre-empt by Pantheon Books, Knopf Doubleday. TV rights are sold following a major auction.
- Playwright Mel Pennant's wonderful cast of older Caribbean characters, and her gripping, humorous and compassionate writing will appeal to fans of Richard Osman's Thursday Murder Club series.
- Miss Hortense was inspired by author Mel Pennant's grandmother, a Pardner Lady of the Windrush generation and will be published in June 2025 to tie-in with annual Windrush Day.
- Baskerville's lead debut release of 2025, to be launched on a joyful wave of Jamaican rum and Black Cake, and backed by a highly distinctive major marketing and publicity campaign.

Reviews

- 'If this **delightful murder mystery** is anything to go by, then **the formidable Miss Hortense will be your new favourite literary sleuth! Fresh, original and intriguing from start to finish!**' - Janice Hallett, bestselling author of THE EXAMINER and THE APPEAL
- **'What a read! This is more than a cosy crime mystery, from the brilliant Miss Hortense and Blossom, and the rich history of their lives, it's the story of a community, one I hope I get to visit again soon'** - Jennie Godfrey, author of THE LIST OF SUSPICIOUS THINGS
- **'Packed with cleverness and warmth, with an expertly plotted mystery spanning decades, you do not want to miss the unique wit and resourcefulness of Miss Hortense.** This book delivers that **magical combination of unforgettable characters, community, and heart, and I could not put it**

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' - Kristen Perrin, author of HOW TO SOLVE YOUR OWN MURDER

- **'A clever, funny, and suspenseful debut with unforgettable characters that anyone from a Caribbean family will recognise - unique, compulsive, and laugh-out-loud brilliant! Miss Hortense is a brilliant addition to crime fiction'**
- Nadine Matheson, author of THE JIGSAW MAN

Author Biography

Mel Pennant is an award-winning playwright whose work has appeared in the National Archives, as well as on stage. Born in London, she was raised by an extraordinary village, which included her Jamaican grandparents who moved to England in the 1950s as part of the Windrush generation. Mel is drawn to stories that explore what's hidden below the surface and celebrate the richness and strength of tight-knit communities. She lives in London with her family and their dog, Bleu, and she is currently writing another mystery starring Miss Hortense.

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A Daughter's Dream an emotional, heartwarming new saga novel, perfect for mother's day gifting

Maggie Mason

Keynote

The unforgettable and inspirational new historical saga from bestselling author, Maggie Mason. Perfect for fans of Katie Flynn, Rosie Goodwin and Dilly Court this Mother's Day.

Description

Blackpool, 1904

When young **Elisha** loses her parents, she clings to Primula Cottage - the only home her family has ever known. Once filled with love and laughter under her grandmother Millicent's care, it's now a place of peril under her Uncle Joe's cruel temper and dangerous threats.

Elisha dreams of restoring the cottage's thriving market garden with Jack, a gentle labourer who brings her hope. Together, they imagine a future of love, family, and prosperity. But when tragedy strikes, Elisha's dreams are torn away, forcing her into the brutal life of the workhouse. Her only solace comes from Harriet, a young widow with her own sorrows to bear.

As the years pass, and through heartbreak and hardship, Elisha fights to reclaim her home and her family's legacy. **But can one young woman's wish truly overcome a lifetime of struggle?**

A gripping and heartrending saga, perfect for fans of Kitty Neale, Katie Flynn, and Dilly Court.

Sales Points

- **A DEDICATED AND ENGAGED AUTHOR:** Maggie lives in Blackpool and is committed to promoting her books with local booksellers and fans. She has a loyal online following and a stellar reputation within the saga community. Her latest book, *A Mother's Hope* sold 7,642 TCM which was up 34% on the previous book.
- **A READER FAVOURITE AND ESTABLISHED SAGA AUTHOR:** Maggie Mason, better known as Mary Wood, is a beloved saga author with a lifetime TCM of over 300,000 copies sold.
- **A HEARTWARMING STANDALONE SAGA WITH TIMELESS APPEAL:** Featuring the themes saga readers love including resilience, nostalgia, hope, and hardship. This brand-new standalone delivers an unforgettable story of aspiration and love.
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF BESTSELLING SAGA AUTHORS:** Positioned for readers of Dilly Court's *Poppy's Choice* (36k TCM), Rosie Goodwin's *Our Fair Lily* (HB 15k, PB 36k TCM), Val Wood's *Foster's Mill* (15k TCM), and Nancy Revell's *A Secret in the Family* (14 TCM).
- **A BEAUTIFUL SPRING READ WITH WIDE APPEAL:** As the second book in a three-book series of seasonal Mother's Day books, this novel continues the tradition of a stunning cover, making it the perfect read for the spring and for the Mother's Day period. Each book in the series can be enjoyed as a standalone.

Author Biography

Maggie Mason also writes saga as Mary Wood. Mary was born the thirteenth child of fifteen and throughout her life had various factory, office and home-based jobs, finally becoming a probation service officer before she retired. Mary married in 1963 and with her husband Roy has four children, eight grandchildren, and five step-grandchildren. She got her first book deal in 2013 and has not looked back since.

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Main Identifier	9781408730911
Thema 1.6	Romance (FR) Southern Italy and Islands (1DST-IT-U)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	272 pages
Word Count	90000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can

Book locale	Italy
Author born in	Ireland
Author living in	Ireland

Previous Titles

The Italian Escape
One Italian Summer
The Italian Holiday

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
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Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
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The Italian Castle a sweeping, escapist summer romance set on a beautiful Italian island

Catherine Mangan

Keynote

Escape to a sun-drenched Italian island with this irresistible summer romance - the perfect holiday read for fans of Karen Swan, Rosanna Ley and T.A. Williams.

Description

One summer escape could change your life . . .

After a devastating break-up, budding artist Emma escapes to the sun-drenched Italian island of Giglio with her two best friends, determined to not let her own heartbreak get in the way of the ultimate hen weekend.

With sprawling sandy beaches, glistening turquoise seas and delicious food, Emma finally feels like she can leave her troubles behind - until her best friend reveals a jaw-dropping secret that shakes Emma to her core. Unable to continue with her girls weekend, Emma goes off on her own and finds solace deep within Giglio's castle walls, where she meets Jack, an Irish artist in Italy for the art festival, and sparks an instant connection.

As the pair grow closer over their shared passion for art, Jack instils in Emma the confidence to finally follow her dreams. But Jack has secrets of his own, and under the heat of the Italian sun, will those secrets come to light?

Escape to a sun-drenched Italian island with this irresistible summer romance - the perfect holiday read for fans of Karen Swan, Rosanna Ley and T.A. Williams.

Sales Points

- **STELLAR SALES:** Catherine Mangan's escapist Italian romances have sold 45,000 copies across all editions, including 15,000 copies through TCM (UK & IE).
- **AN AUTHENTIC ITALIAN LOCATION:** The stunning Italian island of Giglio is true to life in the book, and is filled with authentic detail from the author's own travels there. This is escapist, romantic storytelling at its very best.
- **AN IRRESISTIBLE SUMMER READ:** *The Italian Holiday* is perfect for fans of escapist summer fiction, such as *The Little Theatre by the Sea* by Rosanna Ley [8k TCM], *PS Come to Italy* by Nicky Pellegrino [5k TCM] and *The Little Venice Bookshop* by Rebecca Raisin [10k TCM].
- **A WELL-CONNECTED AUTHOR:** Catherine Mangan is a pseudonym for Susan O'Brien, an award-winning Irish entrepreneur and creator of a language-learning app, which has users in 175 countries. She is well connected to the UK, Irish and American media and will be available for publicity and events on publication.

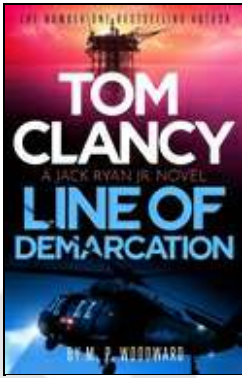
Reviews

- **'PRAISE FOR CATHERINE MANGAN'** - -
- 'A feel-good holiday read...joyful and romantic' - *Hello!*
- 'Full of romance, sunshine and inspiration, this is a gorgeous escapist holiday read' - *My Weekly*
- 'A heart-warming and uplifting romance, infused with the glittering seas and charming culture of Italy' - *Woman's Own*

Author Biography

Catherine Mangan grew up in Ireland before embarking on her own Italian escape. She studied languages at University College Cork before moving to Italy (briefly) with friends, which was the start of a life-long love affair with the country. She now divides her time between Ireland and Silicon Valley.

Under another name, Catherine is an award-winning Irish entrepreneur and creator of a language-learning app, which has users in 175 countries.



Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£9.99 / ₹799
Main Identifier	9781408732779
Thema 1.6	Technothriller (FHK)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	100000 words
Series	Jack Ryan, Jr.
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
UNITED STATES Publisher	G.P. Putnam's Sons Penguin Random House LLC Publisher

Previous Titles

The Jack Ryan Jr. series
The Teeth of the Tiger
Under Fire
Duty and Honor
Point of Contact
Line of Sight
Enemy Contact
Firing Point
Target Acquired
Zero Hour
Flash Point
Weapons Grade
Act of Defiance

1st Serial	Refer to Publisher
2nd Serial	Refer to Publisher
Audio	Refer to Publisher
Dramatisation and documentary	Refer to Publisher
Electronic	Refer to Publisher
Film and TV	Refer to Publisher
Large print	Refer to Publisher
Podcast	Refer to Publisher
Translation	Refer to Publisher
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Tom Clancy Line of Demarcation

Jack Ryan, Jr. is caught in a deadly web of lies in this thrilling addition to the No.1 bestselling series

M.P. Woodward

Keynote

The new novel starring the original action thriller hero Jack Ryan, Jr., creation of the legendary Tom Clancy.

Description

Pre-order the pulse-racing new Tom Clancy thriller, TOM CLANCY EXECUTIVE POWER, now!

The discovery of an oil field off the coast of Guyana plunges Jack Ryan, Jr. into a cauldron of lies in the latest entry in this internationally bestselling series.

It starts with the destruction of a US Coast Guard cutter and the loss of her entire crew. But the USCG Claiborne was on an innocuous mission to open a sea lane between an oil field off the coast of Guyana and the refineries of southern Louisiana. The destruction of the ship, tragic as it is, won't stop that mission from continuing.

So who would sacrifice twenty-two men and women just to slow down the plan? That's the question plaguing Jack Ryan Jr. He's in Guyana to work a deal to get his company, Hendley Associates, in on the ground floor of this new discovery, but the destruction of the Claiborne and the kidnapping of the Guyanese Interior Minister make it clear that there's a malignant force working to destroy Guyana's oil industry.

It's up to Jack to identify the killers before they draw a bead on him, but how can he do that when the line of demarcation between friend and foe is constantly shifting?

PRAISE FOR TOM CLANCY

'Constantly taps the current world situation for its imminent dangers and spins them into an engrossing tale'
NEW YORK TIMES

'Exhilarating. No other novelist is giving so full a picture of modern conflict'
SUNDAY TIMES

'A brilliantly constructed thriller that packs a punch'
DAILY MAIL

'Heart-stopping action . . . entertaining and eminently topical'
WASHINGTON POST

Sales Points

- **A SALES GIANT:** Over two million Tom Clancy books have been sold in the UK (TCM), half a million in Australia (ABM), and eighteen of his novels were no.1 *New York Times* bestsellers.
- **THE ORIGINAL AND THE BEST:** Tom Clancy is the original king of the action thriller, and this novel is perfect for fans of high-octane, blockbuster authors like Lee Child and David Baldacci
- **A BRAND GIANT WITH A FILM INCOMING:** Clancy's brand includes seven feature films and a hit Amazon series. A new adaptation of RAINBOW SIX, starring Michael B. Jordan, is in production. His books have been adapted into 43 high-profile videogames to date, and sold over 76 million copies, making him one of the most successful brands in entertainment history
- **A SPHERE SALES LEADER:** Since taking over the publishing of Clancy titles at the end of 2022, Sphere has sold half a million Clancy novels.

Reviews

- 'Constantly taps the current world situation for its imminent dangers and spins them into an engrossing tale' - *New York Times*
- 'Exhilarating. No other novelist is giving so full a picture of modern conflict' - *Sunday Times*
- 'A brilliantly constructed thriller that packs a punch' - *Daily Mail*
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Author Biography

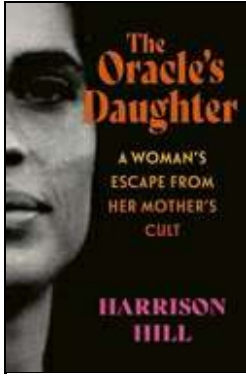
Tom Clancy was America's, and the world's, favourite international thriller author. Starting with *The Hunt for Red October*, all of his books have hit #1 on the *New York Times* bestseller list. Seven of his novels were made into major motion pictures and *Tom*



M.P. Woodward is a veteran of both US intelligence ops and the entertainment industry. As a naval intelligence officer with the US Pacific Command, he scripted scenario moves and countermoves for US war game exercises in the Middle East. In multiple deployments to the Persian Gulf and Far East, he worked alongside US Special Forces, the CIA, and NSA. After leaving the Navy, Woodward ran international distribution marketing for Amazon Prime Video. Today, he is a full-time writer based in Washington State.

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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	C Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	88000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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The Oracle's Daughter

A Woman's Escape From Her Mother's Cult

Harrison Hill

Keynote

A work of deeply reported narrative non-fiction about one woman's escape from a paramilitary religious cult founded by her mother, interweaving the history of fringe religion and radical belief in America and culminating in a series of terrible crimes committed by cult members who believed they were following God's orders.

Description

On a cool autumn night in 1999, twenty-six-year-old Sarah Green crept out of her house and ran for her life. She was escaping not just the Aggressive Christianity Missions Training Corps, a paramilitary religious cult operating out of the New Mexico desert, but also the cruelty of the cult's leader-her mother, Deborah.

In *The Oracle's Daughter*, Harrison Hill traces the fascinating beginnings and violent end of ACMTC, from its early days as an outgrowth of the hippie movement, through the conspiracy-theorist 1990s and into the present day. It follows Deborah, the group's founder and self-proclaimed oracle; Maura, one of its first members; and Sarah, Deborah's daughter, among the cult's primary victims.

With a propulsive, deeply researched narrative, *The Oracle's Daughter* illuminates the strange world of religious cults-and how more vulnerable we are to extremism than we might like to think.

Sales Points

- For fans of **The Handmaid's Tale**, **Louis Theroux**, **Jon Ronson** and TV shows on cults like **Wild Wild Country**
- For fans of **Tara Westover's Educated** (TCM PBK 241,729)

Reviews

- 'Harrison Hill's *The Oracle's Daughter* is a **staggering achievement**, synthesizing **rigorous reportage**, incisive cultural analysis, and a **deeply compassionate** gaze into a **propulsive** and **unforgettable narrative**.' - *Leslie Jamison, author of Splinters: Another Kind of Love Story*
- 'Harrison Hill's *The Oracle's Daughter* does far more than delineate in **vivid detail** the alarming story of the Aggressive Christianity Mission Training Corps, surely one of the most frightening cults in modern religious history. Hill also provides **essential cultural context**, focusing not only on what happened involving that quasi-military group but also on how and why such a group can emerge. **Anyone trying to understand religious cults should consider *The Oracle's Daughter* required reading - it's that comprehensive and excellently written besides.**' - *eff Guinn, author of Manson, The Road to Jonestown and Waco*

Author Biography

Harrison Hill is a graduate of Columbia University's nonfiction MFA program. His work has appeared in *The Cut*, *GQ*, *The Guardian*, *AFAR*, *Travel + Leisure*, *The American Scholar*, *Vogue*, and, as "notable," *The Best American Travel Writing*. Read more about him at HarrisonHill.me.

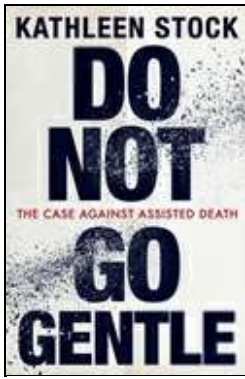
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Do Not Go Gentle The Case Against Assisted Death

Kathleen Stock

Keynote

A punchy, rigorous take on the moral dangers of assisted suicide from a secular point of view.

Description

Is there a right to die?

Is a system of assisted death really compassionate?

Are we sleepwalking into a moral disaster?

In *Do Not Go Gentle*, acclaimed writer and philosopher Kathleen Stock tackles one of the great debates of our time: should we set up a system of assisted death? With her trademark sharp thinking and dry wit, the bestselling author of *Material Girls* argues that despite what some progressives might tell you, assisted death will not give a person more "freedom" or "control" over their lives. Whether you have a terminal illness, are in chronic pain, or are disabled, being able to ask your doctor to kill you fundamentally changes society's attitude towards the vulnerable - and in a sinister direction.

Life is complex. For some individuals, an assisted death might be the right choice. But we should be deeply wary of introducing a system that offers death as just another option, especially when palliative care is so under-resourced. Expertly marshalling the arguments, Stock's laser polemic cuts through the wishful thinking and clouded reasoning that surrounds the issue and reaffirms life, rather than death, as what we should be fighting for. Collectively, we should rage against the dying of the light.

Sales Points

- **Material Girls: Why Reality Matters for Feminism sold TCM HB 7,319 and PB 14,435**
- Assisted Dying legislation is passing through parliament through 2025/6 and will be a continual source of debate with strong opinions on both sides.
- A polemic against assisted dying will be of interest to disabled groups, religious groups, doctors and those on the political right in general.

Author Biography

Kathleen Stock OBE is a contributing writer at UnHerd, a frequent columnist at The Sunday Times and the Times, and a co-director of The Lesbian Project which she runs with journalist and activist Julie Bindel. She is the author of *Material Girls: Why Reality Matters for Feminism* (Little Brown 2021). From 2021-2023 she was a Founding Faculty Fellow at UATX. Until 2021, she was a Professor of Philosophy at Sussex University.

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Price	£16.99 / ₹1450
Main Identifier	9780349136653
Thema 1.6	Philosophy (QD)
Binding	Trade Paperback
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Extent	304 pages
Word Count	60000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
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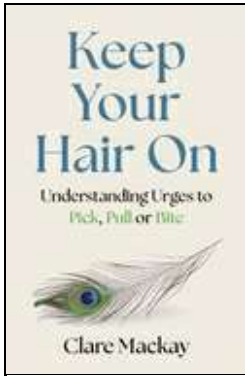
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Main Identifier	9781472149930
Thema 1.6	Coping with / advice about mental health issues or topics (VFJQ) Self-help, personal development and practical advice (VS) Coping with / advice about body image issues or topics (VFJH) Coping with / advice about stress and stress-related issues or topics (VFJS)
Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	C Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	224 pages
Word Count	50000 words
Illustrations	5 b/w integrated illustrations
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Author living in	Didcot
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Keep Your Hair On Understanding Urges to Pick, Pull or Bite

Clare Mackay

Keynote

Blending science and lived experience, this book offers a compassionate, stigma-busting exploration of body-focused repetitive behaviours (BFRBs) - revealing why they happen, why they bother us, and how understanding them may be the key to healing.

Description

Blending science and lived experience, this book offers a compassionate, stigma-busting exploration of body-focused repetitive behaviours (BFRBs) - revealing why they happen, why they bother us, and how understanding them may be the key to healing.

Keep Your Hair On combines personal experience with scientific inquiry to explore the misunderstood world of hair pulling, skin picking and nail biting. These behaviours are fairly common and can cause a lot of distress, but have been largely neglected by medical science, leaving many to suffer in silence.

Neuroscientist Clare Mackay shares her own four-decade struggle with hair pulling, while examining what drives these behaviours and why they can make people feel so bad. Drawing on psychology, neuroscience, animal behaviour, dermatology and lived experience, she challenges the stigma and oversimplified assumptions surrounding BFRBs.

Mackay offers compassionate insights into why these behaviours develop, why they're so hard to stop, and how shame compounds the struggle. Rather than promoting quick fixes, she encourages understanding over judgement and introduces new avenues for management, including the power of self-compassion. This is not a self-help manual, but it may help - by reframing BFRBs not as signs of personal failure, but as interesting, deeply human behaviours that deserve curiosity, care and connection.

Sales Points

- Standalone self-help with breakout publicity potential, more so than with a typical series approach to a specific disorder.
- Surprising numbers of big names with this problem, and when they speak it out, it can move the dial in terms of interest.
- Author has previously featured on Woman's Hour discussing this issue, but has had no other coverage, so it is largely a blank canvas. Reaching a TikTok audience also seems a good aim, as this has growing coverage and discussion there.
- For people with trichotillomania or other body-focused repetitive behaviours (current estimates = 2-5% of the population), their loved ones and professionals working with them, anyone interested in a 'coming out' story of someone living with the shame of a hidden disorder.

Author Biography

Clare Mackay is a professor of neuroscience at the University of Oxford, and has spent over thirty years studying the structure and function of the human brain. In 2023, Clare decided to turn her attention to the disorder that had been with her all along, and 'came out' about her secret shame of living with hair pulling disorder. She has since established a number of new collaborations and research projects, and organised the first UK conference for BFRBs. She is committed to raising awareness, improving our understanding and reducing stigma around compulsions to pick, pull or bite.

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Dark is When the Devil Comes

Daisy Pearce

Keynote

Dark is When the Devil Comes is a feminist kidnap horror thriller - imagine *The Last House on Needless Street* meets *Carrie*.

Description

HE'S A KIDNAPPER. BUT SHE'S THE REAL MONSTER . . .

Dark Is When the Devil Comes is the utterly gripping and chilling new novel from acclaimed horror author Daisy Pearce.

'Haunting and propulsive, it had me reading late into the night - and jumping at every shadow' Hannah Whitten, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Foxglove King* and *Reliquary*

Hazel is twenty-seven, and her life is falling apart. As an amateur mycologist - someone who studies mushrooms - Hazel's hobby takes her to some dark places, but following a traumatic divorce she reluctantly finds herself back in her childhood home in the shadow of the sprawling Idless wood. To start rebuilding, she takes the plunge and arranges to meet her estranged sister Cathy; she also bumps into Suzie, an old school friend with whom she shares a dark childhood secret.

But then Hazel meets Andrew, who claims to have rare fungi growing in his old farmhouse. Lured out into the wilderness by curiosity and no little professional ambition, Hazel is trapped by Andrew, shut in the basement with no help for miles around.

As Cathy and Suzie desperately begin the search for her, Hazel starts to feel that something darker and even more terrifying than Andrew resides in that farmhouse. But is the power living in the dark with her or . . . much, much closer.

Discover the brilliantly creepy and twisty new novel from Daisy Pearce, author of *Something in the Walls*. Part psychological thriller, part horror, it will thrill fans of books such as *The Last House on Needless Street* by Caitriona Ward, *Behind Her Eyes* by Sarah Pinborough and *Home Before Dark* by Riley Sager.

'A masterclass in unrelenting tension . . . Pearce strikes the perfect balance between the unforgiving tightrope of tension and pacing that's so expected of a thriller, and the creeping, impermeable dread of the best horror' Megan Bontrager, author of *The Sea Hides Its Dead*

'Pearce's taut storytelling and shocking revelations had me breathless, and as chilled as *Idless*' freezing, haunted woods' Francesca May, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Wild and Wicked Things*

'Dark and terrifying, this is an insidious tale that will burrow deeper beneath your skin with each turned page' Philip Fracassi, USA Today bestselling author of *Boys in the Valley* and *The Autumn Springs Retirement Home Massacre*

Books by Daisy Pearce
SOMETHING IN THE WALLS
DARK IS WHEN THE DEVIL COMES

Sales Points

- **A beautifully written novel that treads the line between psychological thriller and grounded horror**, this is perfect for fans of smart, commercial horror novels such as *The Last House on Needless Street* by Caitriona Ward, *We Used To Live Here* by Markus Kliever, *Behind Her Eyes* by Sarah Pinborough and *Home Before Dark* by Riley Sager.
- Daisy's previous horror novel *Something in the Walls* has received **superb review coverage** in the US, and was a **Library Reads Pick**, and a **Most Anticipated book by Goodreads, E! News, BookRiot, and more**
- Daisy Pearce's first two novels *The Silence* and *The Missing* were Kindle bestsellers, selling **more than 160,000 copies across the two books**.

Reviews

- **'Haunting and propulsive, *Dark is When the Devil Comes* had me reading late into the night - and jumping at every shadow'** - Hannah Whitten, *SUNDAY TIMES* bestselling author of *THE FOXGLOVE KING* and *RELIQUARY*
- **'A masterclass in unrelenting tension . . . Pearce strikes the perfect balance between the unforgiving tightrope of tension and pacing that's so expected of a thriller, and the creeping, impermeable dread of the best horror'** - Megan Bontrager, author of *THE SEA HIDES ITS DEAD*
- **'Disorientating, unsettling, and with an eerie atmosphere that crawls**

Publication date	Tuesday, April 28, 2026
Price	£16.99 / ₹1450
Main Identifier	9780356529172
Thema 1.6	Contemporary horror, ghost stories and supernatural fiction (FKM)

Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	C Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	78000 words
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Book locale	Cornwall (fictional town of Banathel)
Author born in	Truro, Cornwall
Author living in	Lewes, Sussex
UNITED STATES Publisher	St Martin's Press
Publisher	Publisher

Previous Titles

Something in the Walls

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Author Biography

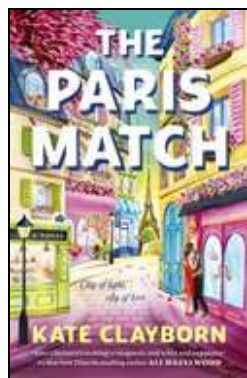
Daisy Pearce was born in Cornwall and grew up on a smallholding surrounded by hippies. She read *The Hamlyn Book of Horror* far too young and has been fascinated with the macabre ever since.

Daisy began writing short stories as a teenager and had her first short story 'The Black Prince' published in *One Eye Grey* magazine. In 2015 'The Silence' won a bursary with The Literary Consultancy and her short story, 'The Brook Witch', was performed on stage at the Small Story Cabaret in Lewes.

Daisy's debut novels *The Silence* and *The Missing* were published by Thomas & Mercer in 2020. Her third novel *Something In The Walls* was published in the US in 2025 and will soon be available in the UK. Daisy currently works in a library and hunts ghosts.

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Main Identifier	9780349442723
Thema 1.6	Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Romance: unlikely or unexpected lovers (FRL) Romance: unintentional or forced proximity (FRLH) Paris (city) (1DDF-FR-LAA) Romance: the rich / famous / powerful (FRR)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Depth	22mm
Extent	464 pages
Word Count	90000 words
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; Ire; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA

Book locale	US/France (Paris)
Author living in	Virginia, US
UNITED STATES	Berkley Books
Publisher	Penguin Random House LLC Publisher

Previous Titles

Love Lettering
Georgie, All Along
The Other Side of Disappearing

1st Serial	Little, Brown Book Group Ltd
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The Paris Match

Kate Clayborn

Keynote

A brand new Parisian-set, heartfelt romance from bestselling author, Kate Clayborn - perfect for fans of Emily Henry and Carley Fortune.

Description

'Kate Clayborn's writing is magnetic and witty and expansive' ALI HAZELWOOD

'Atmospheric, sexy, and downright unforgettable . . . one of the most singular love stories I've read in years' TARAH DEWITT

A woman tests the limits of her so-called amicable divorce when she flies to Paris for the destination wedding of her former sister-in-law, only to butt heads with the deliciously gruff best man, in a poignant and romantic novel from Kate Clayborn - perfect for fans of Emily Henry and Carley Fortune.

City of light, city of love?

Physician Layla Bailey has spent over a year telling herself she's moved on from a painful but amicable divorce from her college sweetheart. Staying friends with her ex seemed like the mature thing to do, but when Layla is invited to her former sister-in-law's destination wedding in Paris - where Layla once spent her own romantic honeymoon - she knows her commitment to maturity might be her worst enemy . . . especially since her ex isn't attending alone.

The only thing that could make the week more difficult is getting through it without the distraction of the wedding . . . But when what Layla thought was a harmless conversation about the choices of her younger self leads to the bride getting cold feet, Layla finds herself facing down the groom's mysterious, taciturn best man, Griffin, who will do anything to make sure this wedding happens.

Since she broke it, Griff demands she help him fix it. Going along with his plan to alleviate the engaged couple's doubts seems like Layla's best chance at maintaining a good relationship with a family she once called her own. But as she learns more about the past heartbreak that's driving Griff to help his friend, she gets closer and closer to confronting the true depth of her own pain . . . while finding herself more and more willing to risk it all again for Griff.

Why readers love Kate Clayborn . . .

'Poignant, observant, tender, and deeply romantic. This book is everything' CHRISTINA LAUREN

'The most tender of love stories . . . you won't be able to put down' CARLEY FORTUNE

'Perfect for Emily Henry fans . . . so rich and wonderful' JULIA QUINN on The TODAY Show

'Absolute perfection - this is the book you are looking for' SARAH MACLEAN

'Totally original and so romantic . . . the moving love story I'm always looking for' BETH O'LEARY

'Kate Clayborn delivers another masterclass in romance' ALICIA THOMPSON

'A delight from beginning to end and beyond' JULIA WHELAN

'A glorious feat and a must read' TESSA BAILEY

'A modern yet timeless love story' *Kirkus Reviews* (starred review)

'Tender and sexy . . . will appeal to fans of Emily Henry' *Library Journal* (starred review)

Sales Points

- Kate Clayborn is a brilliant writer - her books are smart, funny, compulsively readable, and more than anything, deliver that big, sweeping, swoony experience readers can't get enough of. She's racked up a staggering number of glowing reviews and a very loyal readership. She's perfect for fans of Emily Henry, Carley Fortune, Abby Jimenez and Christina Lauren.
- THE PARIS MATCH is about a woman reckoning with the fact that the future she'd imagined for herself has completely fallen apart. And that the world still wants - and

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maybe even expects - her to paste a pleasant smile on her face . . . when all *she* wants to do is scream at the sky. It's also about the magic of Paris, and new beginnings, and the terrible risk of falling in love, and how doing the 'right' thing is sometimes all wrong.

Reviews

- 'No one does it quite like Kate Clayborn. Intricately complex, atmospheric, sexy, and downright unforgettable, *The Paris Match* is one of the most singular love stories I've read in years' - *Tarah DeWitt, USA Today bestselling author of Left of Forever*

Author Biography

Kate Clayborn is the critically acclaimed author of bestselling contemporary romance novels. Her work has been featured in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *NPR*, *Oprah Magazine*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *Bookpage*, and more.

She is a lifelong reader of texts of all kinds, and a passionate advocate for the romance genre. A Midwesterner by birth, she now lives in Virginia. You can find her on Instagram @kateclayborn.author.

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Thunder Game

Christine Feehan

Keynote

The next novel in the captivating Ghostwalkers series . . . prepare to be seduced

Description

Two broken souls find a love worth fighting for in this captivating GhostWalker novel from No. 1 *New York Times* bestselling author Christine Feehan.

Diego Campos has come home to die. The GhostWalker is tired of walking a dark path shaped by countless losses. There has never been a moment of good in his life that wasn't followed by something bad. But as he makes his way to his family's homestead in the Appalachian Mountains, his plans are interrupted by a violent ambush that sets his life on a new course.

In between fighting off a small army of assailants, Diego is struck by a beautiful, brutal warrior woman unlike anyone he's encountered before. Compelled to rescue her, Diego uses his psychic gifts to make Leila's broken body whole again and save her from certain death. With each new breath she regains her strength, showcasing her humor, intelligence and courage as she reveals the truths of her past and inspires feelings Diego never thought his heart could experience.

After a lifetime alone, in the middle of firefight, Diego has finally found a light to guide him through the darkness - and one brief touch is enough to set them both aflame.

Sales Points

- The next novel in the worldwide bestselling Dark Carpathian series
- We have sold almost THREE MILLION copies of Christine Feehan's books in our markets

Author Biography

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

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

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The Nightshade God

Hannah Whitten

Keynote

The epic final instalment of Hannah Whitten's lush, bestselling romantasy trilogy that began with *The Foxglove King*.

Description

'Hannah Whitten is my new favourite obsession' Jodi Picoult, *New York Times*-bestselling author

'OH MY. THIS ENDING . . . I can now confidently say this is one of my favourite romantasy trilogies'
Reader review

***The Nightshade Crown* is in the hands of a ruthless god and Lore will stop at nothing to defeat him in the final instalment of this lush, romantic, *Sunday Times* bestselling fantasy series from breakout star Hannah Whitten.**

Lore has failed. She couldn't save King Bastian from the rotten god speaking voices in his mind. She couldn't save her friends from being scattered across the continent. She couldn't save her beautiful, corrupt city from the dark power beneath the catacombs. And she couldn't save herself.

Banished to the Burnt Isles, Lore must use every skill she earned on the streets of Dellaire to survive the desolate prison colony and figure out a way to defeat the power that's captured everything and everyone she holds dear. But as Lore gets closer to her goal, her magic grows stronger . . . and to a woman who's always had to fight for survival, that kind of power may be hard to give up.

Praise for the series:

'Sinister, deadly and so seductive you won't be able to tear yourself away from this dark gem of a book' Stephanie Garber, *New York Times*-bestselling author

'Beautifully written, lushly cinematic, unsettling, mysterious - an unputdownable story' Ali Hazelwood, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The Love Hypothesis*

'Darkly sumptuous and beautifully dangerous, *The Foxglove King* wraps you up in a velvet gown and then holds a knife to your throat' Ava Reid, *Sunday Times*-bestselling author of *A Study in Drowning*

'I am obsessed with this book! Hannah Whitten just keeps getting better and better' Katee Robert, *New York Times*-bestselling author

Readers are loving *The Nightshade God*!

'This final book surpasses them all, leaving me clapping so hard my hands hurt. . . . It belongs in a special category that deserves more than ten stars. I can't express just how much I loved it!'

'Everything I could have hoped for - and more . . . the perfect, devastating and beautiful conclusion to this trilogy'

'Pull it off is actually not the accurate way to describe this finale. KNOCKED IT OUT the GODDDDDDDAAAMNNN FOUNT is more like it'

'Finished this 10 minutes ago and I'm still crying *The Nightshade God* is everything I've ever wanted from a fantasy novel!'

'A thrilling, gut wrenching and superbly written finale to a series I will hold close to my heart'

'I don't think I can put into words just how much I loved this book, and this series . . . I truly feel like I'm in mourning now that it's over'

Sales Points

- *The Foxglove King* is a compelling commercial epic fantasy that manages to combine

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the dark magic and romance that enchanted the readers of *For the Wolf* with a bigger world of courtly intrigue, politics and war that will appeal to epic fantasy fans

- The author's previous series, *The Wilderwood* duology, has sold over 350,000 copies worldwide
- Hannah's fans are rabid for all things Hannah Whitten. They are engaged on social media and regularly create fan art. She has over 25K followers on Instagram and the hashtag #forthewolf has over 3.9 million views on books TikTok.

Author Biography

Hannah Whitten has been writing to amuse herself since she could hold a pen, and sometime in high school, she figured out that what amused her might also amuse others. When she's not writing, she's reading, making music or attempting to bake. She lives in Tennessee with her husband and children in a house ruled by a temperamental cat. Follow her on Twitter at @hwhittenwrites.

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Heart Racer

STEM meets sports romance in this spicy, slow-burn, nerd/jock, academic rivals rom com

Megan Avery

Keynote

The Love Hypothesis meets *Ice Breaker* by way of *High School Musical* (no singing required) in this spicy, college-set, academic rivals romance, as a biochemistry major and a student-athlete go head to head...

Description

Romance readers! You've had chemistry with steminist romance, you've raced through sports romance. Now get ready for the ultimate crossover...

Biochemistry major Keely has the next five years of her life down to a science. But when her grad school loan application is inexplicably rejected, her carefully calculated future spontaneously combusts.

Her college's Pursue Your Passions scholarship could be the answer. The problem? There's one place left, and she's not the only student in the running. Enter Max: a state champion sprinter who sets hearts racing on and off the track - and the one thing standing between Keely and her dreams.

Keely knows the key to winning is keeping her head in the game. But when your opponent is Lycra-clad and... rippling?! Well, it's hard to keep the chemistry to the lab.

Experimenting with her heart could cost Keely everything she's worked for. But staying away from Max might be a race she's destined to lose...

***The Love Hypothesis* meets *Heated Rivalry* in this spicy, dual-pov, academic rivals rom com - as nerdy as it is sure to raise your pulse...**

Tropes:

- Stem x Sports/ Jock x Nerd
- Childhood friends to academic rivals to lovers
- He falls first
- On campus!
- Slow burn (some spice)
- Only one... scholarship
- You know how to ball, I know Aristotle

Real readers loved Max and Keely

'I really enjoyed this one...every exchange sparked with tension and humor...Funny, smart and surprisingly heartfelt' GoodReads reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'So cute, I loved every bit of it. It would be hard not to love these two...**I loved the prank wars** and watching them fall for each other...**I already wish I could read it again for the first time'** GoodReads reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'This book is **absolutely phenomnal!!!** The chemistry between Max and Keely? **Sizzling.** Their shared love for Biscuit? **Adorable.** How painfully relatable Keely is? **Perfection.** I wish I could go back and read this for the first time again. Hello??? The locker room scene??? **If you're a fan of witty, spicy romance, this is the book for you!** GoodReads reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'A cutie of a romance...told with care and empathy, which adds to the overall depth of the book. **Five stars!** GoodReads reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'As someone who has only read ice hockey [sports] romances, this was a pleasant change of scenery for me. **Who knew that running could be so sexy?...**I really felt for both characters throughout and **I was completely cheering them both on to win the scholarship...**I really had no idea how it would end, but I was **happy with the outcome'** GoodReads reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Really liked this...such a **cute and fun** read. I would definitely **buy this book for a friend'** GoodReads reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'*Heart Racer* is a **heartfelt sports romance** with strong themes of **ambition, family and women in STEM**, and two **likeable leads** with **real emotional stakes... Sweet and engaging'** GoodReads reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

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Sales Points

- **A SPICY, COLLEGE-SET, ACADEMIC RIVALS ROMANCE:** This rom com is as nerdy as it is sure to raise your pulse, uniting two of the hottest trends on TikTok today: STEM and sports romance. Paired with multiple perennially popular tropes - academic rivals, estranged childhood friends/ friends to enemies to lovers, grumpy/sunshine, jock/nerd, opposites-attract, he falls first, on-campus - and served with a good dose of spice, this is a must-read for any contemporary romance lover who enjoyed *Ice Breaker* (374k UK TCM), *The Love Hypothesis* (271k UK TCM), *The Cheat Sheet* (36k UK TCM), and *The Kiss Quotient* (28k UK TCM) [all TCM as of 14/01].
- **WITH HUGE INTERNATIONAL POTENTIAL:** This on-trend stem-sports romance is a foreign rights focus in the genre for the Little, Brown team - perfect for romance-mad markets, like the US, Germany, and Holland, and anyone who was obsessed with *Heated Rivalry*.
- **A CAMPAIGN WITH CHEMISTRY:** Little, Brown are award-winning experts in this rom-com arena, and our campaign will marry our expertise and contacts with this strong concept in order to maximise buzz amongst booksellers and booktokkers, retailers and readers alike.

Author Biography

Megan Avery's biggest critique of modern media has always been 'needs more kissing.' She's taken it upon herself to make that happen by writing heartwarming and steamy romance novels. She loves coffee, dogs, and books - the bigger the better. On the rare occasion she leaves her home in Kentucky, she's most likely to be found at a concert or local restaurant with her husband.

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Outlaw Planet

The wild, exhilarating SF adventure

M. R. Carey

Keynote

This is the story of a lone outlaw, haunted by her past and with all the multiverse against her . . . Discover this thrilling standalone SF adventure from the million-copy bestselling M. R. Carey, author of *The Girl With All the Gifts* and the Philip K. Dick Award-shortlisted *Infinity Gate*.

Description

A LONE OUTLAW, HAUNTED BY HER PAST, WITH ALL THE MULTIVERSE AGAINST HER . . .

****FINALIST FOR THE PHILIP K. DICK AWARD****

'A sweeping story of vengeance, love and redemption, set against a backdrop of unimaginably vast interdimensional conflict' Claire North, award-winning author of *84K* and *Slow Gods*

Discover this thrilling stand-alone science fiction adventure set in the world of the Pandominion from the million-copy bestselling M. R. Carey, author of *The Girl With All the Gifts* and the Philip K. Dick Award-shortlisted *Infinity Gate*.

Sometimes the fate of entire worlds can be decided by a woman with nothing to lose, and the smartest gun in the multiverse in her hand . . .

This is the story of Bess - or Dog-Bitch Bess as she came to be known. It's the story of the gun she carried, whose name was Wakeful Slim. It's the story of the dead man who carried that gun before her and left a piece of himself inside it. And it's the tale of how she turned from teacher, to renegade, and ultimately to hero.

This is also the tale of the last violent engagements in an inter-dimensional war - one of the most brutal the multiverse had ever seen.

This is how Bess learned the truth about her world. Came to it the hard way, through pain and loss and the reckless spilling of blood, and carried it with her like a brand on her soul. And once she knew it - knew for sure how badly she'd been used - she had no option but to do something about it.

From one of science fiction's most original and revolutionary voices comes a tale like no other. Vengeance always comes with a price . . .

Praise for *Outlaw Planet*:

'A character you can't forget in a lush, inventive world that expands past the wildest horizon' David Wellington, author of the Arthur C. Clarke Award-nominated *The Last Astronaut*

'Western and science fiction tropes collide to brilliant, fresh effect' *Kirkus*

'Studded with wild worldbuilding details, this cinematic saga has nary a dull moment' *Publishers Weekly*

'His best novel yet' *SFX*

Sales Points

- **A thrilling standalone science fiction adventure set in the multiverse, with a unique Wild West edge** - this is SF at its most original and entertaining
- **A finalist for the Philip K. Dick Award!** This book is set in the same world as M R Carey's **Pandominion series**, which has **sold over 116,000 copies**.
- **Perfect for fans of entertaining space opera and high-concept science fiction, by the likes of Adrian Tchaikovsky, Alastair Reynolds, James S. A. Corey, Martha Wells and John Scalzi.** Also perfect for fans of scifi films & TV that combine scif-fi with Wild West tropes theme: e.g. *The Mandalorian*, *Firefly* and *Westworld*

Reviews

- **'Outlaw Planet is a sweeping story of vengeance, love and redemption, set against a backdrop of unimaginably vast interdimensional conflict'** - *Claire North, award-winning author of 84K and SLOW GODS*
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'A fascinating window onto a dangerous and multifaceted universe' - Adrian
• 'The gripping, unflinching, and absolutely unique. Carey is working at the
absolute top of his game' - Seanan McGuire, New York Times bestselling author on
INFINITY GATE

Author Biography

M. R. Carey has been making up stories for most of his life. His novel *The Girl With All the Gifts* has sold over a million copies and became a major motion picture, based on his own BAFTA Award-nominated screenplay. Under the name Mike Carey he has written for both DC and Marvel, including critically acclaimed runs on *Lucifer*, *Hellblazer* and *X-Men*. His creator-owned books regularly appear in the *New York Times* bestseller list. He also has several previous novels including the Felix Castor series (written as Mike Carey), two radio plays and a number of TV and movie screenplays to his credit.

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A Dance of Burning Blades

M. H. Ayinde

Keynote

The epic second book in M. H. Ayinde's relentlessly gripping Invoker Trilogy, following her *Sunday Times* bestselling debut *A Song of Legends Lost*, a sweeping tale of revenge and rebellion set in a richly imagined world of warring clans and ancestor magic.

Description

The epic second book in M. H. Ayinde's relentlessly gripping Invoker Trilogy, following the *Sunday Times* bestselling debut *A Song of Legends Lost*.

Tension simmers across Nine Lands. In the capital, the people of Lordsgrave seethe with resentment after the horrors of the greyblood attack. Clan Adatali are in open rebellion against the king. And as war in the Feverlands rages on, a humble tree feller who looks a lot like missing invoker Jinao Mizito, has not forgotten the promise he made to avenge his brother.

Meanwhile, in the shadows, the king's daughter Lyela continues to move her pieces across the board. Will the people of Nine Lands reclaim their stolen history and unlock the secrets that have been kept from them for centuries?

***A Dance of Burning Blades* is a sweeping epic of revenge and rebellion set in a richly drawn world of warring clans and ancestor magic.**

Praise for *A Song of Legends Lost*:

'A relentlessly gripping, glorious epic fantasy - the exhilarating must-read fantasy debut of 2025'

Tasha Suri,

'A truly excellent debut, with a genuinely fascinating magic system, engaging characters and deep worldbuilding. A fantastic read'

James Islington, author of *The Will of the Many*

'An epic tale of conflict, betrayal, and intrigue . . . M. H. Ayinde weaves a rich and engrossing story through a unique and fascinating world'

Anthony Ryan, author of *Blood Song*

'Stunning and vividly told . . . Ayinde is a master storyteller'

Andrea Stewart, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Bone Shard Daughter*

Sales Points

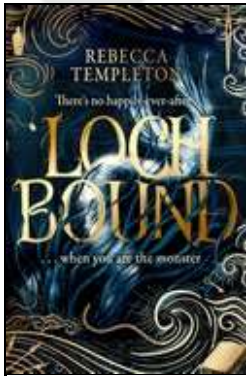
- Vividly written and epic in scope, this is fantasy on a grand scale. It expertly balances a large cast of wonderfully vibrant characters with rich, original worldbuilding and a gripping, propulsive narrative that is threaded through with mysteries that draw you inexorably on
- M. H. Ayinde won the Future Worlds Prize, which was created to discover new writers of science fiction and fantasy from ethnically diverse backgrounds. She looks set to be an exciting new voice in the genre
- With its vibrant non-western setting inspired by multiple pre-colonial cultures, queernorm world and diverse cast of characters *A Song of Legends Lost* will have huge appeal to epic fantasy fans looking for more diverse stories, such as *The Rage of Dragons*, *The Unbroken* and *The Bone Shard Daughter*

Reviews

- 'A truly excellent debut, with a genuinely fascinating magic system, engaging characters and deep worldbuilding. **A fantastic read**' - James Islington, on *A SONG OF LEGENDS LOST*
- **"An epic tale of conflict, betrayal, and intrigue . . . M. H. Ayinde weaves a rich and engrossing story through a unique and fascinating world"** - Anthony Ryan ON *A SONG OF LEGENDS LOST*
- 'Stunning and vividly told . . . **Ayinde is a master storyteller**' - Andrea Stewart on *A SONG OF LEGENDS LOST*

Author Biography

M. H. Ayinde was born in London's East End. Her short fiction has been published in *FIYAH Literary Magazine*, *Omenana*, *Beneath Ceaseless Skies* and elsewhere, and she was the 2021 winner of the Future Worlds Prize. She is a runner, a lapsed martial artist and a screen time enthusiast. Modupe lives in London with three generations of her family and their Studio Ghibli obsession.



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Lochbound

Rebecca Templeton

Keynote

A glitteringly dark reimagining of *The Little Mermaid* set in eighteenth-century Scotland, this enchanting and gothic historical fantasy is *Outlander* meets *The Leviathan*.

Description

There is no happily-ever-after . . .

Kilmara, Scotland. 1725. For fifty years, Iris has accepted the curse that blighted her life. By night, she is a heartbroken woman, destined to walk the misty shores of Kilmara without growing older. By day, she is Moireach, a terrifying monster imprisoned in the murky depths of Loch Moine.

When bodies begin appearing on the shore, the villagers are convinced Moireach is responsible. So a hunter - the rugged, ruthless Henry Carver - is summoned to slay the monster of the loch.

Iris must break her curse before she is killed for crimes she cannot believe she has committed. But as Kilmara's hunt for the monster becomes ever more fevered, she and Henry are drawn together in a dangerous game of impossible attraction.

And when a figure from Iris's past suddenly reappears, she must choose what - or who - she is willing to sacrifice to win her freedom.

. . . when you are the monster.

A glitteringly dark reimagining of *The Little Mermaid* set in eighteenth-century Scotland, this enchanting and gothic historical fantasy is perfect for fans of Rosie Andrews's *The Leviathan*, Georgia Leighton's *Spellbound* and anyone who loved *Outlander*.

Real readers loved *Lochbound*

'*Lochbound* was crafted so well, weaving in folklore [alongside] the moving parts of the fates of each person...I really enjoyed!' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'As soon as I started reading, I knew *Lochbound* was going to be a five-star read. And when I cried at the 11% mark, that cemented it. It was a great mashup of its inspirations, *The Little Mermaid* and Scotland's loch monsters...really emotional and I liked all the twists' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Whimsical and folkloric, this standalone felt so immersive and the storyline was gripping until the very end. So many mysteries, plot twists and romantic tension that will keep you awake at nonsense o'clock...This book is a delight, perfect for romantasy readers!' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'The worldbuilding was amazing!...I really liked the protagonist and the love interest' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'*Lochbound* is a standalone historical fantasy romance that felt like a dark fairytale... [it] kept me gripped throughout and had some surprising twists. I absolutely loved the setting, a small village in the Scottish highlands bordering a loch, and the creepy, unsettling atmosphere of the story' NetGalley Reviewer ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- **THE LEVIATHAN WITH A TWIST OF SCOTTISH FOLKLORE:** *Lochbound* is an enchantingly gothic and darkly magical reimagining of the original Hans Christian Anderson fairytale, *The Little Mermaid*, set amidst the kelpies and sea beasts of Scottish folklore. Blending historical fantasy with a murder mystery and an enemies-to-lovers romance, this glitteringly dark and atmospheric debut is perfect for readers of Rosie Andrews's *The Leviathan* (16k HB TCM/ 7k TPB ABM) and Georgia Leighton's *Spellbound* (8k HB TCM) [TCM/ABM as of 23/07].
- **FOR FANS OF OUTLANDER AND LOVERS OF CELTIC MYTHOLOGY:** the success of *Outlander*, the popularity of pagan rituals and old traditions in online culture, and the prominence of Celtic mythology in contemporary fantasy point to a renewed interest in the Celtic cultures, and we plan to harness grassroots support from Scottish booksellers and champions with targeted book drops, mailings and events.
- **AN IMMERSIVE CAMPAIGN:** This beautifully packaged hardback will be backed by a campaign that includes exquisitely produced bound proofs and POS, and the author will be available for events and signings. We'll be pitching for special and exclusive editions, and this is a focus title for the Little, Brown rights team.

Author Biography

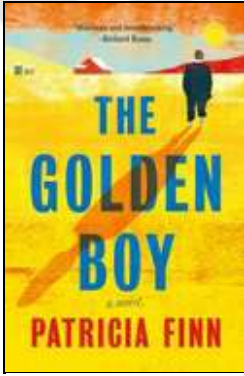
Rebecca Templeton has had a love of books from a very early age and had lofty childhood aspirations of being a writer, though she ended up joining the legal profession instead. When her husband encouraged her to start writing again, she rediscovered her creative outlet and hasn't looked back since.

When not writing or working, Rebecca can usually be found crocheting giant blankets, baking or watching *Gilmore Girls*. She is also owned by a couple of very energetic children.



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The Golden Boy

Patricia Finn

Keynote

An unexpected letter sends a man and his wife into their pasts - and offers them both a shot at redemption. *The Golden Boy* is a captivating debut about love, mercy, and second chances

Description

An unexpected letter sends a man and his wife into their pasts - and offers them both a shot at redemption

After an involuntary retirement from his high-flying Hollywood career, Stafford Hopkins has retreated to a luxury estate on Maui, along with his wife Agnes, both grimly resigned to life in a paradise where neither feels fully at home. Stafford is ready to retreat into himself, too, when a letter arrives with shocking news.

Stafford has been named guardian of four children he didn't know existed: the grandchildren of his late childhood friend, Bobby Shepherd, whose ghost Stafford can no longer ignore. Returning to both the hardscrabble farming town and the dark secret he'd tried to forget for decades, Stafford is forced to confront his past in order to rebuild his future - and to redirect the fates of his family and the four young people suddenly in his care.

Sales Points

- An extraordinarily assured debut by a mature writer, attracting lots of early buzz in the US.
- **Global interest:** In the US, *The Golden Boy* will be published on Reagan Arthur's new imprint at HBG, Cardinal, in March 2026. Canadian rights were preempted by Jennifer Lambert at HarperCollins Canada, French rights by Albin Michel, and there was a bidding war in Germany, with rights going to Penguin Verlag.

Reviews

- 'Extraordinary. The Golden Boy is both a love story and a family drama, where the past gives purpose to the present action. I can't recall ever reading such a satisfying ending... nor cheering for characters more enthusiastically.' - *Elin Hilderbrand, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Swan Song and The Perfect Couple*
- 'With *The Golden Boy*, Patricia Finn has constructed something miraculous - an immersive, profoundly moving story about friendship, marriage, betrayal, and redemption that spans across generations and oceans. She writes with a philosopher's deep wisdom, and a screenwriter's talent for satisfyingly messy characters and wholly gripping plots. Combine all of that with the fact that *The Golden Boy* is also very, very funny, and what you've got is a novel that's about as perfect as they come.' - *Grant Ginder, author of The People We Hate at the Wedding*
- 'The Golden Boy is not just an astoundingly ambitious novel, but also - and more importantly, in my opinion - a wildly entertaining one, by turns hilarious and heartbreaking. Bravo, Patricia Finn!' - *Richard Russo, author of Empire Falls and the North Bath trilogy of Fool novels*

Author Biography

Patricia Finn is a writer, editor, and ghostwriter. She was educated in Canada and New Zealand, where she took an MA at the University of Canterbury in English and Classics with a focus on Aristotle and Athenian tragedy. Patricia has worked for television networks and production companies in both countries, including CBC and Television New Zealand. She has family roots in Canada and the United States and now lives in British Columbia.

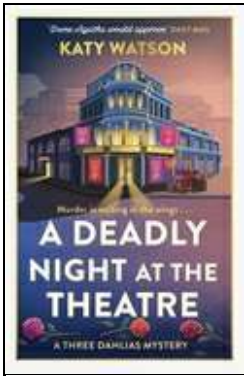
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Extent	320 pages
Word Count	80000 words
Series	Three Dahlias Mysteries

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Book locale	West End of London
Author born in	North Wales
Author living in	Hertfordshire

Previous Titles

The Three Dahlias mysteries:
The Three Dahlias (2022)
A Very Lively Murder (2023)
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A Deadly Night at the Theatre

An utterly gripping English cosy murder mystery

Katy Watson

Keynote

In this fifth charming and whip-smart mystery starring the Dahlias - three charismatic actresses turned amateur sleuths - Posy, Caro and Rosalind are in the glitz and glamour of London's theatreland and the stakes have never been higher to solve a murder case.

Description

MURDER IS WAITING IN THE WINGS . . .

Actresses Posy Starling and Caro Hooper both gained a name for themselves playing fictional detective Dahlia Lively on screen - but now they are back treading the boards in London's theatre district, starring in two very different plays.

Their fellow Dahlia, Rosalind King, is in the city to catch their opening weeks, but she can't help but notice some tensions between Posy and Caro. Perhaps because of Caro's new friendship with her co-star Luke Burrows, who seems to have a history with Posy . . .

Before Rosalind can get to the bottom of what's going on, Luke is found dead. Worse, his body is found in Posy's dressing room - with Posy standing over him, covered in his blood.

The West End is in uproar, but the cast of the two plays have closed ranks. Posy needs her fellow Dahlias to prove her innocence - but first she has to convince *them* that she didn't do it.

The play's the thing... but when all their suspects are actors, how can the Dahlias tell what's real, and what's just theatre?

Whether you've read the whole series, or are discovering the Three Dahlias novels for the first time, this is the perfect murder mystery to escape into if you love Agatha Christie, Jessica Fellowes and Janice Hallett.

Praise for the Three Dahlias mysteries . . .

'Dame Agatha would approve' **DAILY MAIL**

'An absolute treat of a read . . . Perfect weekend reading!' **JANICE HALLETT, author of THE APPEAL**

'Hugely entertaining' **THE TIMES**

'The best kind of book to curl up' **KRISTEN PERRIN, author of HOW TO SOLVE YOUR OWN MURDER**

'The perfect cosy: atmospheric, ingenious and fun!' **IAN MOORE, author of Death and Croissants**

'A wonderful celebration of Golden Age crime' **S.J. BENNETT, author of THE WINDSOR KNOT**

'A fun, 1930s style murder-mystery, which makes for perfect holiday reading' **WOMAN'S WEEKLY**

Sales Points

- **THE THREE DAHLIAS SERIES:** This is the fifth book in the delightfully entertaining crime series starring the three Dahlias - three actresses turned amateur sleuths. Posy, Caro and Rosalind have each played fictional detective Dahlia Lively (think Miss Marple) at different points over the decades, before they turned to sleuthing, and this series is a contemporary homage to the Golden Age of Detective Fiction. As the *Daily Mail* said: 'Dame Agatha would approve'.
- **PREVIOUS SUCCESS:** We have sold over 90,000 copies of this series across formats. *The Three Dahlias* was a Waterstones Thriller of the Month in May 2023.
- **THIS BOOK:** In this mystery the three Dahlias are in London's theatreland to solve a murder. Think bright lights, West End glamour, and a cast of actors who are all suspects . . .
- **THE COMPS:** Cleverly constructed and huge fun, this novel is perfect for fans of Agatha Christie, Jessica Fellowes, Janice Hallett and Robert Thorogood.

Reviews

- 'Praise for the Three Dahlias mysteries:'
- 'An absolute treat of a read with all the ingredients of a vintage murder mystery: a

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country house, mysterious dead bodies and three actresses all keen to catch the killer.

- 'Perfect weekend reading' - *Police Hottel* author of THE APPEAL
- 'Dame Agatha would approve' - *Daily Mail*
- 'Celebrates and gently satirises Golden Age crime novels in a **hugely entertaining country house mystery**' - *The Times*

Author Biography

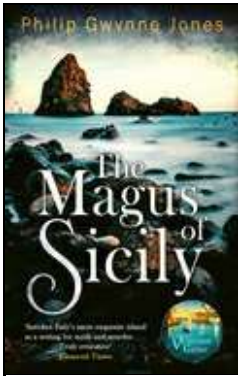
Growing up in a family of murder mystery addicts, Katy Watson learned early to look for means, motive and opportunity.

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

Two careers, a lot of airmiles, one husband, two children, three houses and forty-five published books for children and adults later, lockdown finally gave her the means, motive and opportunity to create her own murder mystery. The Three Dahlias mysteries are the result.

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Book locale	Acitrezza, Sicily, Italy
Author born in	South Wales
Author living in	Venice, Italy

Previous Titles

Nathan Sutherland series set in Venice:

- The Venetian Game (2017)
- Vengeance in Venice (2018)
- The Venetian Masquerade (2019)
- Venetian Gothic (2020)
- The Venetian Legacy (2021)
- The Angels of Venice (2022)
- The Venetian Candidate (2023)
- The Venetian Sanctuary (2024)

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The Magus of Sicily
A gripping thriller set on Italy's most beautiful island
Philip Gwynne Jones

Keynote

Discover the first mystery in a new crime series set on Italy's most beautiful island: Sicily. A gripping and atmospheric page-turner from Philip Gwynne Jones, the master of the Italian destination thriller.

Description

'If this book is not popular with fans of *The White Lotus*, something is definitely awry . . . [a] sumptuously set mystery' *Daily Mirror*

'Invokes Italy's most exquisite island as a setting for myth and murder . . . Truly evocative' *Financial Times*

'Tension that keeps us rooted to the page' *Daily Mail*

An island of myth, legend . . . and murder?

As the summer sun beats down on the ancient town of Acitrezza, a folk festival plays out in the picturesque harbour. Music, laughter and the aroma of local delicacies fill the air, and a traditional pantomime draws a crowd.

For rookie journalist Nedda Leonardi, it's just another day's reporting in a calendar of unremarkable events. Until that is, the performers dive in the sparkling Ionian Sea for their finale... and emerge with a corpse. Could this be Nedda's big break?

After one trick too many, Calogero Maugeri, self-styled Magus and con artist, is a wanted man. But his attempts to clean up his act and keep a low profile are thwarted when it's revealed he has a suspicious connection to the dead man pulled from the sea.

A young reporter keen for a scoop and a reformed swindler desperate to clear his name... can this improbable pair solve the most unusual of murders?

Discover the first mystery in your new favourite crime series set on Italy's most beautiful island: Sicily. A gripping and atmospheric page-turner, perfect for fans of Andrea Camilleri's Inspector Montalbano series.

Praise for Philip Gwynne Jones:

'I devoured all Philip's novels' **Val McDermid**

'Clever and great fun' **The Times**

'An irresistible concoction of crime and culture' **Daily Mail**

'As delightful as a Spritz by the Rialto - a must for all Italy lovers' **David Hewson**

'Superb - always gripping, beautifully constructed and vivid' **Stephen Glover**

'Sinister and shimmering' **L.S. Hilton, bestselling author of *Maestra***

'Vividly described' **Literary Review**

'The lively, colourful narrative scuds along as briskly as a water taxi...you'll enjoy the ride' **Italia Magazine**

Sales Points

- **A NEW CRIME SERIES SET IN SICILY:** After writing eight thrillers set in Venice, Philip Gwynne Jones moves his crime writing to Italy's most beautiful island, Sicily. Rich in history and with a dark underbelly behind the stunning landscape, Sicily is the perfect setting for a crime series. This is arm-chair travel at its finest. The series is set in Acitrezza in Sicily and follows the unlikely crime-solving duo Nedda Leonardi, a young female journalist, and Calogero Maugeri, a con artist.
- **PREVIOUS SUCCESS:** We have sold approximately 190,000 copies of Philip Gwynne Jones's Nathan Sutherland crime series set in Venice. The first book in that series, *The Venetian Game*, was selected as Waterstones Thriller of the Month in March 2019 and sold over 60,000 copies through its stores. The series is loved by peers such as Val McDermid, L.S. Hilton and Gregory Dowling.
- **THE COMPS:** Perfect for fans of Andrea Camilleri's Inspector Montalbano series and

Donna Leon's Commissario Brunetti series - as well as anyone who loved the setting of *The White Lotus* Season 2.

- **THE AUTHOR:** Philip Gwynne Jones moved from the UK to Venice with his wife in his middle-age to start a new life, and has never looked back. He spends his holidays in Sicily and felt it was the perfect place to write about murder . . .

Reviews

- 'A murder mystery drenched in Sicily . . . **If this book is not popular with fans of *The White Lotus*, something is definitely awry . . . [a] sumptuously set mystery**' - *Daily Mirror*
- '*The Magus of Sicily* invokes Italy's most exquisite island as a setting for myth and murder . . . **truly evocative**' - *Financial Times*
- '**A delight**' - *Peterborough Telegraph*
- '**Praise for Philip Gwynne Jones:**'

Author Biography

Philip Gwynne Jones was born in South Wales in 1966, and lived and worked throughout Europe before settling in Scotland in the 1990s. He first came to Italy in 1994, when he spent some time working for the European Space Agency in Frascati, a job that proved to be less exciting than he had imagined.

He spent twenty years in the IT industry before realising he was congenitally unsuited to it. Furthermore, an attempt to find a secure, well-paid job with a proper pension had resulted in him finding himself in the IT department of a large Scottish bank during the global financial crisis.

Something, clearly, had to change. And so it was that - following a conversation with a man in a pub - Philip and Caroline left their jobs, sold their flat and moved to Venice in search of a better, simpler future. They were wrong about the 'simpler' bit . . .

Philip now works as a teacher, writer and translator, and lives in Venice with Caroline. He enjoys cooking, art, classical music and opera; and can occasionally be seen and heard singing bass with Cantori Veneziani and the *Ensemble Vocale di Venezia*.

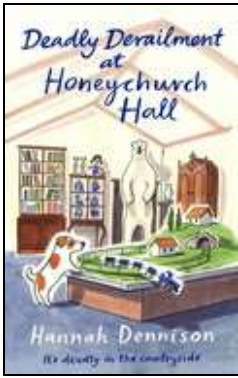
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Deadly Derailment at Honeychurch Hall

Hannah Dennison

Keynote

The 12th instalment of the ever-popular Honeychurch Hall cosy crime series features a decades-old unsolved train robbery and plenty of modern-day murders. As ever, ex-celebrity antiques dealer and shrewd amateur detective Kat Stanford is on the scene - can she solve the crimes before her idyllic Devonshire life is completely derailed?

Description

'This series just keeps getting better and better!' - Amazon reviewer,

Fifty years ago, the glorious Honeychurch Hall estate made headlines as the scene of a botched train heist that left two men dead and the whereabouts of a chest of diamonds unknown.

So when the daughter of the signalman on duty that night asks antiques dealer Kat Stanford to value her father's railway memorabilia, Kat jumps at the chance. But the collection contains more surprises than Kat could've imagined, and soon it's full steam ahead on a very modern-day murder investigation.

Meanwhile, Kat's mother Iris is wrapped up in the writing of her latest steamy novel; estate manager Delia is preoccupied by the upcoming grand opening of the Hall's Polar Tearoom; Kat's beau, local detective Mallory, is spending *far* too much time with his impressive ex, Chief Superintendent Stella Greenleigh; and there's a stuffed polar bear on the loose . . .

Amid the chaos, Kat stays on the track of a series of puzzling clues which lead her to a thrilling final confrontation. As long-held secrets explode into the open, will life at Honeychurch Hall be permanently derailed?

Readers and reviewers love the Honeychurch Hall series!

'These books fill me with joy!... they are fabulous, light, funny and joyful mysteries... they entered my world and I felt a little better.' - NetGalley reviewer,

'You wouldn't believe how excited I get when a new instalment of Honeychurch Hall pops up on my Kindle!' - Amazon reviewer,

'As fun, lively and cosy as it gets' - Amazon reviewer,

'I love this series... the madcap characters and beautiful setting enhance the magic of the writing... thoroughly enjoyable and unfathomable... Great read. Great series. Can't wait for the next one' - Amazon reviewer,

'Just the thing to chase the blues away' - M. C. Beaton, author of the *Agatha Raisin* and *Hamish Macbeth* series

'The perfect classic English village mystery but with the addition of charm, wit and a thoroughly modern touch' - Rhys Bowen, author of *The Royal Spyness* and *Molly Murphy Mysteries*

'Downton Abbey was yesterday. Murder at Honeychurch Hall lifts the lid on today's grand country estate in all its tarnished, scheming, inbred, deranged glory' - Catriona McPherson, author of the *Dandy Gilver Murder Mystery Series*

'Sparkles like a glass of Devon cider on a summer afternoon' - Elizabeth J. Duncan, author of the *Penny Brannigan Mysteries*

Sales Points

- Cosy crime set in the West country
- The author's previous Vicky Hill mysteries have been IMBA bestsellers in the USA
- Author very clued up - large mailing list, UK fans, website and quarterly newsletter

Author Biography

Hannah Dennison was born and raised in Hampshire but moved to Los Angeles to pursue screenwriting more than two decades ago. She has been an obituary reporter, antique dealer, private jet flight attendant and Hollywood story analyst. Hannah writes the

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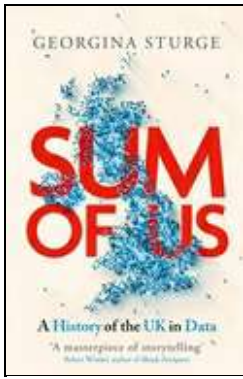
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- The Honeychurch Hall series:**
1. *Murder at Honeychurch Hall*
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 5. *Dangerous Deception at Honeychurch Hall*
 6. *Tidings of Death at Honeychurch Hall*
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Sum of Us A History of the UK in Data Georgina Sturge

Keynote

A history of the UK told through how we have collected statistics about ourselves - and how we decide what (and who) counts

Description

'A masterpiece of storytelling' Robert Winder

Georgina Sturge, House of Commons Library statistician and author of the critically acclaimed *Bad Data*, explores the rich history of the times the UK has counted itself - from the revolutionary first census of 1801 to modern worries over technological surveillance.

Condensing a whole society into numbers brought hidden problems to light: mapping cholera deaths in Soho led researchers to a single deadly water pump; Florence Nightingale stunned the Victorian establishment with her diagrams showing disease was the soldier's hidden enemy; and the discovery that industries like firework-making were almost entirely staffed by women helped improve workers' rights.

Full of fascinating social detail, *Sum of Us* draws out the human stories captured in the vast tangle of data the UK has collected over two centuries. It provides a vital snapshot not of who we imagine ourselves to be - but who we really are.

Sales Points

- History with a topical angle: Georgina looks at a range of data-gathering methods across the last 150 years and how much of their results have echoes into the present day, from how wartime ID cards helped seed the NHS to the legacy of destroying Windrush landing cards
- Tim Harford, Alexander van Tulkeken, John Lanchester, Matt Baker, Emily Oster, Carol Vorderman and Caroline Criado Perez have been asked to quote.

Reviews

- 'Remarkable. **A history of data-gathering that is also a masterpiece of storytelling.** Georgina Sturge has illuminated Britain's social history with a searching beam of good sense, always sensitive to the poetry of actual fact.' - *Robert Winder, author of Bloody Foreigners*
- 'This book covers a formidable scope, **does an excellent job of drawing human narratives from the numbers**, and encourages a critical approach, highlighting how statistics can either illuminate or cloud our judgement, depending on how they are used.' - *Dr Sophie Kay, Who Do You Think You Are?*
- '**A fascinating and often moving journey** through British data-gathering from Domesday Book right up to modern day debates about ethics.' - *Significance*

Author Biography

Georgina Sturge is a Statistician at the House of Commons Library. Prior to working at Parliament, she trained in quantitative public policy analysis at the United Nations University and Maastricht University Graduate School of Governance. She has worked in global development, international migration, social security, poverty and inequality. She is a member of the Office for National Statistics' expert advisory group on population and migration statistics and an advisor to the University of Oxford's Migration Observatory. Her first book was *Bad Data: How Governments, Politicians and the Rest of us Get Misled by Numbers*.

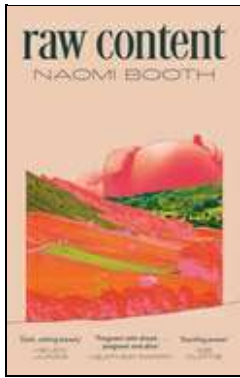
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Author living in	York

Previous Titles

Animals at Night
Exit Management
Sealed
The Lost Art of Sinking

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raw content

Naomi Booth

Keynote

Set among the Yorkshire Moors, *raw content* is the dark, tender and troubled story of a young mother whose past has taught her that love and fear are two sides of the same coin.

'No other novel has explored the terrifying and joyful transformations of parenthood with such dazzling power' **ABI CURTIS**

Description

'*raw content* is a work of dark, aching beauty' HELEN JUKES

'A stunning mix of horror and tenderness, love and despair. It's rare to see such a raw and real account of early motherhood' KIRSTY LOGAN

'No other novel has explored the terrifying and joyful transformations of parenthood with such dazzling power' **ABI CURTIS**

'Peter Sutcliffe, Ian Brady and Myra Hindley are the ghosts that haunt Grace's youth, but it is the land itself that remains pregnant with dread, the empty mills and the rushing rivers both poignant and alive' HEATHER PARRY

'The landscape of Yorkshire is beautifully depicted' *NB Magazine*

'An unervingly honest and uncensored account of the claustrophobic intensity of new motherhood . . . a rare gift' *Yorkshire Life*

'In this small but powerful novel a harsh and haunted Northern landscape mirrors the fears and fragilities of a new mother as she gradually discovers new ways of living - and of loving' ALICE JOLLY

'This insightful and beautiful book turned me inside out' PRAGYA AGARWAL

When Grace becomes unexpectedly pregnant, the rush of excitement and fear that she experiences is like joyriding again. Grace welcomes a partner and baby into her life, but after the euphoria of giving birth, she is overwhelmed by terrifying visions. The awesome beauty and dark history of Grace's childhood on Yorkshire moorlands resurfaces.

Learning how to mother forces Grace to revisit all her most intimate relationships - including with her own mother - and it transforms how she understands her place in the world, ushering in new forms of care that become sources of revelation.

Tender, vivid and brave, *raw content* explores the most unsettling and taboo experiences of mothering with illuminating power.

Sales Points

- For readers of **Gwendoline Riley** and **Claire Kilroy's *Soldier Sailor***: and for fans of **Happy Valley**: dark, claustrophobic, distinctive voice set against the **vivid haunting landscape of York and the Yorkshire Moors**
- Much of *raw content* is rooted in the author's experience of post-partum OCD: the story of a young mother falling apart in extreme circumstances
- Local author: Naomi lives in York and teaches at Durham University and is well known for hosting and curating literary events in York and the north

Reviews

- "*raw content* is a work of dark, aching beauty. This is the side of new motherhood we're still learning to speak: violent, tender, clarified - and ringing with determination and love. No one writes about landscape and the body the way that Booth does, and no one captures the strange lines of connection that run between them with such visceral precision. **Brimming with Booth's love of language and literature, and her irrevocable knack for revealing us to ourselves**" - *Helen Jukes, author of Mother Animal*
- "A luminous and visceral novel about new motherhood. Booth skillfully portrays a young woman's unravelling against the backdrop of a grittily beautiful Yorkshire landscape. **No other novel has explored the terrifying and joyful transformations of parenthood with such dazzling power**" - *Abi Curtis, author of The Headland*
- **'I have loved Naomi Booth's work for a long time. In her brilliant new novel, *raw content*, Peter Sutcliffe, Ian Brady and Myra Hindley are the ghosts that haunt Grace's youth, but it is the land itself that remains pregnant with dread, the empty mills and the rushing rivers both poignant and alive'** - *Heather Parry, author of Carrion Crow*
- "Beautifully written, honest and gritty" - *The Sun*

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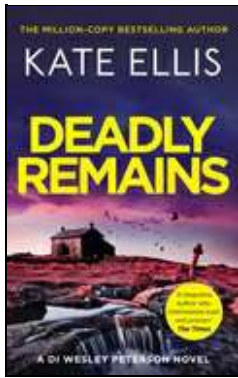
Naomi Booth is the author of the short story collection *Animals at Night* as well as the novels *Exit Management* and *Sealed* (all Dead Ink Books). *Sealed* is optioned by Erin Richards who is currently working on a script. *Exit Management* was listed as a *Guardian* Best Fiction Book of 2020 and *Animals at Night* was shortlisted for the 2023 Edge Hill Prize, winning the 'Reader's Choice' award. Naomi's other short fiction has been listed for the *Sunday Times* EFG Short Story Award and the Galley Beggars Short Story Prize and anthologised in Best British Short Stories. Her story, 'Sour Hall', first published in Virago's 2020 collection *Hag*, was adapted into an Audible Originals drama series. Naomi grew up in West Yorkshire and now lives in York. She is an Associate Professor at Durham University, and also writes academic prose, including her recent, brilliantly reviewed, monograph on the literary history of swooning, *Swoon: A Poetics of Passing Out*.

Market

For readers of Gwendoline Riley, Claire-Louise Bennett, Molly Aitken, Claire Kilroy, Sarah Moss, Adele Stripe, Sophie Mackintosh

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Extent	384 pages
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Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Book locale	South Devon
Author born in	Liverpool
Author living in	Cheadle, Greater Manchester

Previous Titles
The Wesley Peterson series:

- Coffin Island (2024)
- The Killing Place (2023)
- Serpent's Point (2022)
- The Stone Chamber (2021)
- The Burial Circle (2020)
- Dead Man's Lane (2019)
- and many more.

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Deadly Remains

The gripping new mystery in the DI Wesley Peterson crime series

Kate Ellis

Keynote

Million-copy bestselling author Kate Ellis returns with the gripping new mystery in the DI Wesley Peterson crime series set in Devon.

Description

Million-copy bestselling author Kate Ellis returns with the new mystery in the DI Wesley Peterson crime series.

When a body is discovered in a picturesque South Devon village, DI Wesley Peterson is called in to investigate. The victim, Barry Brown, is a celebrity ghostwriter and the theft of his laptop suggests that the motive for murder may lie in his work.

While Wesley investigates Barry's famous clients, Wesley's teenage son Michael joins family friend, Dr Neil Watson, on an intriguing excavation of a crashed World War Two plane on Dartmoor. The plane was used to ferry secret agents into Europe during the war and, when three skeletons are discovered nearby, it seems the wreckage might hold more secrets than they could ever have imagined.

Wesley's case leads him to the same area and he discovers a sinister history surrounding the moor and the nearby village of Moor Barton.

With four unexplained deaths, can Wesley solve the mystery before anyone else is put in danger?

Whether you've read the whole series, or are discovering Kate Ellis's DI Wesley Peterson novels for the first time, this is the perfect page-turner if you love reading Ann Cleeves and Elly Griffiths.

Praise for Kate Ellis . . .

'Clever plotting hides a powerful story of loss, malice and deception' **Ann Cleeves**

'Haunting' **Independent**

'The chilling plot will keep you spooked and thrilled to the end' **Closer**

'Unputdownable' **Bookseller**

'A fine storyteller, weaving the past and present in a way that makes you want to read on' **Peterborough Evening Telegraph**

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING SERIES:** The DI Wesley Peterson series is a much-loved and bestselling crime series and Kate Ellis has sold over a million copies of her books across formats worldwide. She is one of the most borrowed authors in UK libraries up and down the country.
- **AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:** Kate Ellis has won the CWA Dagger in the Library Award in recognition of her crime writing. She has also twice been shortlisted for CWA Short Story Dagger and longlisted for the Theakston Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year.
- **DETECTIVE NOVELS WITH AN ARCHAEOLOGY ANGLE:** The DI Wesley Peterson novels are intricately plotted police procedurals that have a fascinating historical strand woven into each investigation. Wesley's close friend, Dr Neil Watson, is an archaeologist and in each book there is a mystery of the past, as well as the present, for Wesley to solve. This series **fills the perfect gap for readers now that Elly Griffiths' Dr Ruth Galloway series has come to an end.**
- **PERFECT FOR FANS OF:** Ann Cleeves' Two Rivers series (THE RAGING STORM) and Elly Griffiths' Dr Ruth Galloway mysteries (THE LAST REMAINS).
- **ATMOSPHERIC, WEST COUNTRY SETTING:** The series is set in a fictional town (Tradmouth) that is based on Dartmouth in South Devon. The rural Devonshire setting is atmospheric and evocative, and Kate Ellis has strong connections to the West Country.

Reviews

- 'A crime writing sensation . . . stories steeped in spine-tingling atmospherics and set in intriguing locations - often incorporating gems of real history . . . this is the perfect summer thriller' - *Lancashire Post*
- 'Praise for Kate Ellis'
- 'A beguiling author who interweaves past and present' - *The Times*
- 'I loved this novel . . . Clever plotting hides a powerful story of loss, malice and deception' - Ann Cleeves

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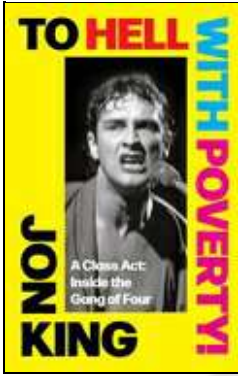
Kate Ellis was born and brought up in Liverpool and studied drama in Manchester. She is the award-winning author of the DI Wesley Peterson detective novels, as well as the Albert Lincoln trilogy and the Joe Plantagenet mysteries.

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To Hell With Poverty! A Class Act: Inside the Gang of Four

Jon King

Keynote

The Gang of Four memoir by the band's lead singer...

Description

TO HELL WITH POVERTY! documents Jon King's story from a South London slum and impoverished working-class background to international success as core musician, lyricist, writer, and producer in legendary post-punk/funk band Gang of Four. The reader is taken on an episodic and kaleidoscopic journey full of adventures from childhood to the end of Gang of Four's 'golden period' in 1984. Thrown off Top of the Pops, truncheoned by police at an anti-Nazi rally, being at the heart of Leeds music scene and the UK post-punk movement in the 1970s, fraternising with Hell's Angels and other undesirables, supported by bands like REM and playing with the likes of the Police and Talking Heads, King's times with Gang of Four are rich with stories.

Sales Points

- Gang of Four's Entertainment! LP is consistently ranked as one of the greatest debut albums of all time and continues to inspire new generations of musicians today. The band has influenced everyone from Red Hot Chili Peppers, Radio 4, and INXS to 2024 era Hip Hop giants Run The Jewels whose hit "The Ground Below" is built on samples from the Gang of Four's song "Ether."
- Cross-generational appeal: The band's landmark track "Damaged Goods" is today a Generation Z floor filler and the Idles cover version enjoys enormous airplay.
- Gang of Four have been championed by the likes of Flea, Sofia Coppola, Massive Attack, Damien Hirst, Greil Marcus and many, many more - promising for plaudits closer to the book's publication.

Author Biography

Jon King is an English musician, songwriter, and Grammy-nominated Art Director in the post-punk band Gang of Four.

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Author living in	Nottingham

Previous Titles

The Wild Hunt series:
The Coming of the Wolf
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The William Marshal series:

A Place Beyond Courage
The Greatest Knight
The Scarlet Lion
The Time of Singing
To Defy a King
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First Knight

The Crownless Queen
From the bestselling author comes a BRAND NEW historical fiction novel of secrets, sacrifice and survival against the odds

Elizabeth Chadwick

Keynote

From the award-winning and bestselling author Elizabeth Chadwick comes the much-awaited second novel in the Jeanette of Kent duology, *The Crownless Queen* - bringing to a powerful conclusion the remarkable story of a woman who began life as a royal rebel and ended it behind the throne...

Description

1360: Having left her days of rebellion behind, **Jeanette of Kent** has finally found contentment as a wife and mother. Then, she is delivered a new blow: her beloved husband, Thomas Holland, has died on duty overseas.

Though broken, Jeanette readies herself once more to fight to protect what is hers. And when **Prince Edward**, heir to the throne and her longtime friend, unexpectedly steps forward and offers marriage, she accepts for the sake of her family.

As their relationship deepens, love blossoms again for Jeanette, but it comes at a price. With great power comes great responsibility - not least bearing a future king - and, as the wheel of fortune climbs higher, it becomes harder and harder to hold on.

Jeanette has more to lose than ever before. But with the wolves gathering beneath her, can she survive the fall?

From the award-winning and bestselling author Elizabeth Chadwick comes the much-awaited second novel in the Jeanette of Kent duology, *The Crownless Queen* - bringing to a powerful conclusion the remarkable story of a woman who began life as a royal rebel and ended it behind the throne...

Sales Points

- **THE BOOK:** Elizabeth Chadwick has an enviable knack for uncovering history's forgotten heroines, and *The Crownless Queen* brings to a close the Jeanette of Kent duology: following mother of Richard II through the better part of a century, moving through love and loss, motherhood and marriage, battles and betrayals, as she transforms from royal rebel to crownless queen.
- **THE READER:** A trusted author in the genre, Elizabeth Chadwick's existing readership are fans of specialist and well-researched historical fiction set in the Middle Ages - those who read Philippa Gregory (6.5 million sold through TCM), Alison Weir (1.6 million copies sold through TCM) and Anne O'Brien (300k sold through TCM) - but we'd like to open her readership up further with our reimagined cover approach for this series, enticing those drawn to beautifully-packaged book-club historical fiction featuring strong female protagonists from a broad range of time periods.
- **THE BRAND:** Renowned and long-established, Elizabeth Chadwick is a reliable and trusted brand in historical fiction, with over a million of her novels sold across formats in the UK alone and an army of loyal fans across the world. She won a Betty Trask Award for her first novel - *The Wild Hunt* - and has been shortlisted for the RNA Awards four times. We now hold WEL rights in many of her novels and publish her successfully across the UK, commonwealth and North America - where she has a strong and loyal following.

Reviews

- 'A master storyteller who knows her period well' - *Alison Weir on Elizabeth Chadwick*
- 'One of Elizabeth Chadwick's strengths is her stunning grasp of historical details...Her characters are beguiling and the story is intriguing and very enjoyable' - *Barbara Erskine on Elizabeth Chadwick*
- 'Picking up an Elizabeth Chadwick novel, you know you are in for a sumptuous ride. Beautifully strong characters and a real feel for time and place' - *Daily Telegraph on Elizabeth Chadwick*
- 'Elizabeth Chadwick is an excellent chronicler of royal intrigue...an author who makes history come gloriously alive' - *The Times on Elizabeth Chadwick*

Author Biography

New York Times bestselling author Elizabeth Chadwick lives in a cottage in the Vale of Belvoir in Nottinghamshire with her husband and their four dogs. Her first novel, *The Wild Hunt*, won a Betty Trask Award, *To Defy a King* won the Romantic Novelist Association's Historical Novel Prize and *The Scarlet Lion* was nominated by Richard Lee - founder of the Historical Novel Society - as one of the top ten historical novels of the last decade. She often lectures at conferences and historical venues, has been consulted for television documentaries and is a member of the Royal Historical Society.



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Chasing the Clouds Away

The uplifting and heart-warming romance from the New York Times bestseller

Debbie Macomber

Keynote

The brand-new seasonal romance from the #1 *New York Times* bestseller. Perfect for fans of Trisha Ashley, Phillipa Ashley and Sarah Morgan.

Description

One unexpected act of kindness can change everything...

Maisy Gallagher always dreamed of becoming a nurse, but when her father died, she gave it all up to support her family. Now, years later, she's built a quiet, steady life - safe, predictable, and entirely focused on others.

Chase Furst is everything Maisy isn't. A high-flying bank executive with a complicated past, he's learnt not to rely on anyone. But when a twist of fate brings them together, Maisy offers him kindness with no strings attached - and it throws him completely off balance.

Determined to prove he can return the favour, Chase sets out to do one selfless thing. What he doesn't expect is how much it will change him - or how hard it will be to forget the woman who made him believe in second chances.

Can Maisy open her heart to a man who's only just learning how to use his? Or will the risk be one step too far?

The brand-new heartwarming romance from the *New York Times* bestseller Debbie Macomber. Perfect for fans of Trisha Ashley and Phillipa Ashley.

Sales Points

- **#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Fifteen of Debbie's novels have reached #1 on the *New York Times* bestseller list, and six of her Christmas books have been made into Hallmark movies.
- **A MUCH-LOVED AUTHOR WITH A HUGE PLATFORM:** 200M books in print; 175K e-newsletter subscribers, 318K fans on Facebook, 15.6K on X, 50K on Instagram, and 24k brand ambassadors!
- **INSPIRING AND HEARTWARMING THEMES:** Debbie Macomber's newest hardcover follows characters as they grapple with grief, new love, and finding happiness through helping others.
- **AUTHOR COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:** Debbie stays engaged with her fans through social media and she speaks regularly with readers at various events throughout the year. She has won several fan-voted awards in the US for romance and is a volunteer mentor for young people for literacy and medical research.
- **PLENTY MORE TO COME FROM DEBBIE:** After *Chasing the Clouds Away*, we have a delightful, festive, romance novel called *Cookies with Santa* slated for publication in October 2026.

Reviews

- 'Sure to get readers in a festive mood!' - *Publishers Weekly*
- 'An ideal holiday book!' - *Good Housekeeping*
- 'No list of Christmas romance books is complete without Debbie Macomber' - *Reader's Digest*
- 'If there's a star in the romance and women's fiction, chances are high that it's Debbie Macomber' - *Publishers Weekly*

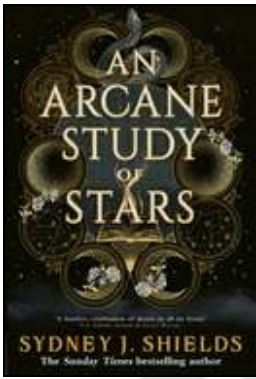
Author Biography

Debbie Macomber, the author of *Cottage by the Sea*, *Any Dream Will Do*, *If Not for You*, and the Rose Harbor Inn series, is a leading voice in women's fiction. Fifteen of her novels have reached #1 on the *New York Times* bestseller list, and six of her beloved Christmas novels have been made into hit movies. Macomber's Cedar Cove books have also been made into an original television series. There are more than 200 million copies of her books in print worldwide.

She lives with her husband in Port Orchard, Washington. Their children are grown and she is a proud grandmother.

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An Arcane Study of Stars

Sydney J. Shields

Keynote

From breakout star Sydney Shields comes *An Arcane Study of Stars*, a historical dark academia fantasy filled with ancient secret societies, a swoon-worthy rivals-to-lovers romance and dangerous deals made after dark.

Description

From breakout star Sydney Shields comes *An Arcane Study of Stars*, a historical dark academia fantasy filled with ancient secret societies, a swoon-worthy rivals-to-lovers romance and dangerous deals made after dark. Perfect for fans of *Heavenly Bodies* and *The Atlas Six*.

When Claudia Jolicoeur is rejected from Cygnus University, a devilish stranger named Dorian appears in her nightmares offering a bargain: he will get her into Cygnus if she learns how to free him from a prison of stars.

With a bite of her soul to seal the deal, Claudia is enrolled, taking the place of Odette, a student who mysteriously passed away.

Her arrival sparks suspicion and Cassius MacLeod - her infuriating academic rival - spreads the rumour that Claudia had a hand in Odette's death.

Hell bent on clearing her name, Claudia makes a discovery that puts her in direct danger. The only way to protect herself: free Dorian.

By night, she studies the stars, slowly unravelling the mystery of Dorian's prison. By day, she and Cassius wage rhetorical war as debate partners in class. What begins as a fierce rivalry devolves into something deeper, darker, and dangerously sensual. But Cassius may not be who he says he is, and soon Claudia must decide: will trusting him be the last mistake she ever makes?

'Utterly transportive and thrilling. Shields is clever as they come, and this the author at her most ambitious and triumphant' S. T. Gibson bestselling author of *A Dowry of Blood*

'An Arcane Study of Stars is a deal with the devil like you've never read before. Sharp, clever, spicy; this is the blueprint for dark academia romantasy' Breanne Randall, author of *The Unfortunate Side Effects of Heartbreak and Magic*

'An atmospheric and devastating tale. . . This magical, phenomenal novel will keep you guessing until your last second at Cygnus' Kamilah Cole, *USA Today* bestselling author of *An Arcane Inheritance*

'Gothic, gripping and utterly spellbinding' Hazel McBride, author of *A Fate Forged in Fire*

'Glitters with the lush atmosphere and heart. . . written in prose so sharp it sinks its teeth into you and takes a bite out of your soul' Callie Rowland, author of *Fields of Asphodel*

Sales Points

- **Potential to be a TikTok sensation:** the author already has a good following on TikTok, with most of her videos about the book reaching over 60k views per video. She knows exactly how to sell to the TikTok market, and we would put our marketing and publicity focus on building a strong TikTok campaign to reach out to the large community of fantasy romance readers as well as #WitchTok
- **Strong sub box and Waterstones potential:** given that Fairyloot have done special editions of SPELLS FOR FORGETTING, BELLADONNA and that we've seen good Waterstones support for titles like WILD AND WICKED THINGS and THREADNEEDLE, there's a good chance that there will be interest in THE HONEY WITCH
- **Sydney Shields is a breakout star:** Her debut, *The Honey Witch*, has grossed over 100,000 copies across all formats worldwide, making it one of Orbit's most successful debuts of 2024. Sydney is an enthusiastic self-promoter and has proven success attracting readers from TikTok and Instagram.
- *The Honey Witch* was a Number one *Sunday Times* bestseller
- **A Dark Direction:** *An Arcane Study of Stars* is a deliciously dark romantasy, a new direction for Sydney that we think will be just as appealing to her fans. BookTok readers will salivate over the dark academia setting and trope-heavy plot.

Reviews

- 'Utterly transportive and thrilling. Shields is clever as they come, and this the author at

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Format	C Format
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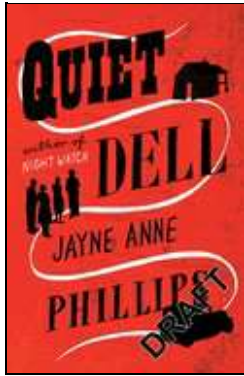
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- 'Gothic, gripping and utterly spellbinding' - Hazel McBride, author of *A Fate Forged in Fire*

Author Biography

Sydney J. Shields (she/they) is a YA and Adult SFF Author represented by Mollie Glick at CAA, and she is a Bookish Content Creator with over 30,000 followers. Her debut novel, *THE HONEY WITCH*, will be published by Orbit Books (Hachette) in 2024. She is a Magna Cum Laude graduate of Columbus State University, where she majored in Communication. Sydney lives in Georgia with her British partner and her dog, Olive (also known as Ponchdog).

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Thema 1.6 **Fiction: literary and general non-genre (FB)**
Historical fiction (FV)
True crime (DNXC)

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
Depth **22mm**
Extent **464 pages**
Word Count **65000 words**
Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**
Not for Sale **Can; USA**

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Quiet Dell

Jayne Anne Phillips

Keynote

A reissue of *Quiet Dell*, by the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Night Watch*

Description

A story of love, murder and obsession - from the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Night Watch*

'Jayne Anne Phillips has written the novel of the year... A compulsively readable story' STEPHEN KING

'Combines a strange hypnotic and poetic power with the sharp tones of documentary evidence' COLM TOIBIN

'Superb' SUNDAY TIMES

'Absorbing and captivating' GUARDIAN

Chicago, 1931. Asta Eicher, a lonely widow with three children, is swept off her feet by charismatic Harry Powers. After a hasty courtship, she agrees to move across the country to Quiet Dell, his farm in Appalachia. She and her children are never seen again.

Emily Thornhill, one of the few female journalists in Chicago, is sent to West Virginia to cover the case. The deeper her investigation leads, the more obsessed she becomes with Asta's disappearance - until she finally uncovers the terrifying truth.

Sales Points

- *Night Watch* won the **Pulitzer Prize for Fiction 2024** and we have **sold 22k copies across all formats** - this is an opportunity to build on Jayne Anne's profile since the Pulitzer win
- Originally published in 2015, this is a fictional portrayal of **one of the first sensationalized serial murders in the US** - of Chicago widow Asta Eicher and her three children in the hamlet of Quiet Dell, West Virginia
- Now reissued to introduce Jayne Anne Phillips' backlist to readers who loved *Night Watch*

Reviews

- 'In a brilliant fusion of fact and fiction, Jayne Anne Phillips has written **the novel of the year... A compulsively readable story**' - *Stephen King*
- '**Superb... A brilliant, beautiful novel**' - *Sunday Times*
- '**Absorbing and captivating**' - *Guardian*
- '*Quiet Dell* has all the elements of a murder mystery, but its emotional scope is larger and more complex. It combines a strange hypnotic and poetic power with the sharp tones of documentary evidence. It offers a portrait of rural America in a time of crisis and dramatises the lives of a number of characters who are fascinating and memorable' - *Colm Tóibín*

Author Biography

Jayne Anne Phillips was born in Buckhannon, West Virginia. She is the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of six novels, including *Night Watch*, *Quiet Dell*, *Lark And Termite*, *MotherKind*, *Shelter*, and *Machine Dreams*, and two story collections, *Fast Lanes*, and *Black Tickets*, a debut that influenced a generation of writers. Twice nominated for the National Book Award, and twice a finalist for the National Book Critics' Circle Award, she is the recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship, two National Endowment for the Arts Fellowships, and a Rockefeller Foundation Fellowship. Awarded the Sue Kaufman Prize for First Fiction, Phillips is a member of the American Academy of Arts & Letters. Her work has been translated into twelve languages and has appeared in *Granta*, *Harper's*, *The New York Times* and *The Norton Anthology of Contemporary Fiction*. See information and text source photographs at her website, www.jayneannephillips.com.

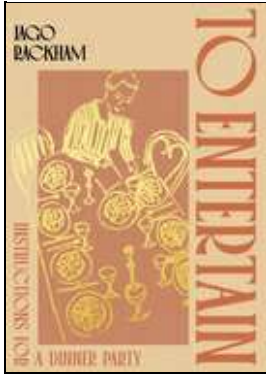
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To Entertain Instructions for a Dinner Party

Jago Rackham

Keynote

The ultimate guide to hosting a dinner party from cook, writer and gourmand Jago Rackham.

Description

I brought the cake over, covered with whipped cream and sugared sage leaves, and as I began to cut it I felt overcome with happiness, looking at friends from so many places, with those they loved and were able to love.

Cook, writer and gourmand Jago Rackham has always sensed a specific magic at the heart of a dinner party. Crowding his friends around a table in his east London flat, refilling glasses deep into the night and cooking generously and lavishly every week for the last few years has trained him in the art of hosting and fed him body and soul. He will guide you through inviting guests, transforming a tiny space into a nourishing sanctuary, entertaining many on limited funds and assembling a menu for each and every occasion.

Weaving virtuosic advice and discerning reflections on food and friendship with unmissable, indulgent recipes, this love letter to sitting around a table is as practical as it is moving.

Sales Points

- Package: With a gorgeous, cover and spread treatment and featuring stunning illustrations in an unusual and pickupable format, this book makes the perfect gift and coffee table essential.
- Author profile: Jago Rackham is a stunning writer with impeccable reflections on food, friendship and hosting. He's a featured writer at The Observer.
- Subject matter: From Forbes claiming that 'Dinner parties are back on the table for Gen Z' to the Guardian reflecting that 'Dinner parties are back: but smaller, more casual', the concept of hosting is thoroughly in the zeitgeist with many people looking for advice on how to do so.

Reviews

- 'Jago Rackham is rough around the edges, with delicate taste and a naive way of working. His food is lush but not opulent, Dionysian without being ostentatious - greedy, yes, but never gaudy.' - *Glamcut*
- 'Jago Rackham talks about food like it's a language, a way to tell stories without needing a script. From the moment he describes his practice, you can see it-this isn't just about taste or technique.' - *Hube*

Author Biography

Jago Rackham is an east London-based cook who hosts private dinners and events. He runs a cult Instagram and blog called 'Greed' on Substack and his writing has been published by *The Guardian*, *Vice*, *The London Magazine* and *Apartamento*.

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The Film Lover's Guide to London

Thomas Duke aka Stepping Through Film

Keynote

Step inside the movie magic! A photographic guide to where your favourite TV shows and movies were shot in London, from Thomas Duke AKA social media's leading film account, Stepping Through Film.

Description

Step inside the movie magic! A photographic guide to where your favourite TV shows and movies were shot in London, from Thomas Duke AKA social media's leading film account, Stepping Through Film.

From James Bond to Bridget Jones, Paddington Bear to Sherlock Holmes, London is home to some of the world's most popular characters and has been at the heart of the film and TV world for over 100 years. Now, in *The Film Lover's Guide to London*, you'll discover a hidden London you've never seen before.

Thomas Duke has been behind the scenes of the world's biggest movies and TV shows, interviewing actors, directors, producers and location scouts to discover what makes magic onscreen. Join Tom as he guides you through iconic and hidden London locations, from *Love, Actually* to *Bridgerton*; from *Saltburn* to *Shaun of the Dead*; from the MCU to *Heartstopper*, exploring beloved classics, festive favourites and today's biggest blockbusters, with a sneak peek at some movies not even out yet.

Through full colour photography and illustrated maps, Tom pairs his famous film and TV stills with their real-life backgrounds and guides you through how to find the locations and immerse yourself in the filming magic. Complete with trivia, facts and stories from filming, and exclusive contributions from filmmakers, this is the ultimate guide to London for film and TV lovers everywhere.

Sales Points

- The guides market has been on the rise for the last few years and this is a perfect, fresh new title to capitalise on it. Like *A London Guide for Curious Wanderers*, but with a film and TV spin, this should appeal to Londoners and tourists alike.
- The author is unbelievably well-connected in the film and TV world, with behind the scenes access on massive movies and franchises, like *Heartstopper*, *Wicked*, and *Deadpool and Wolverine*. We can expect great support from high-profile people in the industry.
- Tom's channels have grown enormously since acquisition (summer 2024). Instagram, up 122% to 853k; TikTok up 29% to 455k; Facebook now at 230k. Across all channels he now has a staggering 1.54m followers. His engagement level is amazing at 15%.
- We've selected a range of films and TV shows to appeal to a wide audience. The list includes Christmas favourites like *The Holiday* and *Love Actually*, massive blockbusters like the Marvel movies, older classics, and Gen Z darlings like *Heartstopper*.

Author Biography

Tom Duke has forever been finding a way to escape into the world of film and TV. His journey began when he started writing down every film he had ever watched and realised his list amassed over 4000+! Tom studied Film & TV at Brunel University, and it was then that he started to visit film locations. One thing led to another and as the passions of film, TV & photography became ingrained into his day-to-day life, his hobby became his job. Since then Tom has built an engaged community of over 1.6 million who tune in to 'step through film' via his content creation, discovering and retracing both locations based on our favourite movies and shows. Tom is also a seasoned presenter, hosting junkets and interviewing some of his heroes including the likes of Olivia Colman, Tom Cruise, Simon Pegg, Claire Foy and Rebecca Ferguson to name a few.

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Illustrations	An illustrated map and colour photo per double page spread
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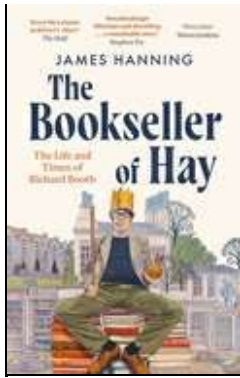
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Extent	304 pages
Word Count	50000 words
Illustrations	2 plate sections of b&w and colour photos
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Book locale	Hay-on-Wye
Author born in	London
Author living in	London
Previous Titles	
Love and Deception: Philby in Beirut (2021)	
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The Bookseller of Hay The Life and Times of Richard Booth

James Hanning

Keynote

A biography of the bookseller and entrepreneur Richard Booth, the 'King of Hay', known for his contribution to the success of Hay-on-Wye and its annual literary festival.

Description

'A breathtakingly hilarious and absorbing portrait of one of the most brilliant, dotty, dippy delirious yet ultimately inspiring eccentrics in British history . . . A remarkable story of cultural life, friendship, obsession and passion' Stephen Fry

'Brilliantly evocative, like listening to the gossip of ghosts' Bruce Robinson

'The Bookseller of Hay is the very model of a biography which amazes, occasionally horrifies and entirely engrosses . . . James Hanning is a writer of sublime insight, style and skill' Horatio Clare

'What you have to understand is that Richard Booth was completely mad' Marianne Faithfull

In 1962, a young man left university without a degree and, for want of anything better to do, bought a small shop in an obscure market town on the edge of the Brecon Beacons. Within fifteen years, largely through force of personality, Richard Booth had created the world's largest second-hand bookshop, attracting thousands of visitors from across the globe to Hay-on-Wye, on the Welsh border.

The Bookseller of Hay tells the tale of an extraordinary, chaotic man, a true British eccentric, who invented the term 'book town', attracted a coterie of exotic and illustrious followers, crowned himself king, declared the town's independence and provided the bookish backdrop which - to his frustration - allowed a rival attraction, the now world-famous Hay Festival, to flourish.

It is a story of the extraordinary singlemindedness of a hard-working, hard-playing and rebellious son of privilege, inspired by a romantic vision and a deep love of the area, of a man better suited to publicity than bean-counting, who launched countless careers but whose business instincts undermined precisely what had brought success. Booth was a deeply divisive figure, but love him or hate him, all agree on one thing. He put Hay on the map.

James Hanning, a frequent visitor to Hay since the 1960s, has interviewed dozens of local people and booksellers and with typical acuity wonderfully captures this bygone era of eccentricity and excess.

Sales Points

- Headlining Hay Festival 2026, in conversation with Stephen Fry
- Praised by early readers Stephen Fry, Marianne Faithfull, Horatio Clare and Bruce Robinson
- For literary festival go-ers, booksellers, and those interested in the bookselling business

Reviews

- **'A breathtakingly hilarious and absorbing portrait of one of the most brilliant, dotty, dippy delirious yet ultimately inspiring eccentrics in British history.** In its depiction of Richard Booth's monomaniacal creation of the Hay-on-Wye that the world knows and celebrates to today as the Town of Books and home of the great literary festival, this terrific book would be fascinating enough. But somehow the telling of it all contrives to add up to more than the sum of those parts alone and emerges as **a remarkable story of cultural life, friendship, obsession and passion'** - Stephen Fry
- **'Wonderful and astute... The Bookseller of Hay will, I have no doubt, make a classic, rollicking, award-winning film... Had I the loot, I'd snap up the rights instantly'** - *The Oldie*
- **'Hanning's book is fascinating and is full of larger-than-life characters'** - *London Standard*
- **'In an age of tedious homogeneity, The Bookseller of Hay unabashedly flicks two fingers... Hanning deals deftly with it all, overcoming the intricacies of local chatter to provide an amusingly universal tale'** - *Country Life Magazine*

Author Biography

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James Hanning is a former deputy editor of the *Independent on Sunday*. His first book, co-authored with Francis Elliott of *The Times*, was a biography of David Cameron, which ran to three editions and is widely regarded as the definitive book on Cameron. Building on a longstanding interest in the phone hacking scandal, in 2014 his book *The News Machine*, written with exclusive access to the *News of the World's* chief investigator Glenn Mulcaire, lifted the lid on the unlawful climate on that newspaper in the early 2000s. One admirer described it as reading 'like a thriller'.

His book on Soviet mole Kim Philby's time in Beirut shed remarkable new light on the spy's domestic life, and exclusively revealed new evidence from the late art historian Brian Sewell and others about the events that brought about the shocking denouement of his story.

James is married and has two daughters.

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The Expanded Earth A TOP TEN TIMES BESTSELLER

Mikey Please

Keynote

A high-stakes adventure packed with jeopardy and invention *The Expanded Earth* is a classic-in-the-making about the capacity of small things to effect great change. A story for grown-ups by bestselling Waterstones Children's Book Prize-winner Mikey Please, with illustrations by the author.

Description

THE TOP TEN *TIMES* BESTSELLER
A *FINANCIAL TIMES* 'BEST BOOKS OF SUMMER 2025'

'An excellent, inventive novel' *Financial Times*

'*The Expanded Earth* is a wonderfully sustained celebration of human ingenuity' *Irish Times*

'I loved the fantastic, horrifying, heartwarming, mind-boggling adventure of it' Emma Hooper

'Mikey Please has one of the most brilliant minds I know' Daniel Kwan, director of *Everything Everywhere All At Once*

Humankind has been reduced to the height of a handspan. Many do not survive the sudden transformation. This is the story of those who do.

Frightened and awed in his new body, Giles embarks on a quest across a wildly altered landscape in search of his loved ones, hoping that for all its perils, this new world might offer a chance of redemption.

Elsewhere, deep in the ocean, the spectre of an ancient godlike force stirs, and catastrophe inches closer and closer still.

Welcome to the micropocalypse. Welcome to *The Expanded Earth*.

Extra content: Includes a brand new story set within the world of *The Expanded Earth*

Sales Points

- A writer with real potential to build: Mikey Please was overall winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2025 for picture book *The Café at the Edge of the Woods*
- A Top Ten *Times* bestseller in hardback with 6K copies sold in first 2 months
- Paperback includes exclusive new short story set within the world of *The Expanded Earth*

Reviews

- '*The Expanded Earth* genuinely changed the way I look at the world around me. I loved the fantastic, horrifying, heartwarming, mind-boggling adventure of it. Mikey Please is a singular breed of genius and this book proves it yet again' - Emma Hooper, author of *Etta and Otto* and Russell and James
- 'Mikey Please has one of the most brilliant minds I know; the perfect combination of science, philosophy and madness' - Daniel Kwan, Oscar-winning director of *Everything Everywhere All At Once*
- 'It's one thing to portray just a single person or a handful of individuals getting reduced in size. In Mikey Please's *The Expanded Earth*, by contrast, that very fate is visited forcibly upon the entire global population, and of those who undergo the transformation - a repulsive, traumatic experience - only a small fraction emerge alive. An excellent, inventive novel from an author whose career in stop-motion animation, including work for Aardman, appears to have given him a solid grounding in seeing things from a small-scale perspective' - *Financial Times*
- 'By turns comic and horrific, *The Expanded Earth* is a wonderfully sustained celebration of human ingenuity' - Declan Burke, *The Irish Times*

Author Biography

Mikey Please is a Bristol based BAFTA-winning and OSCAR-nominated writer, director, animator and illustrator. An alumnus of the Royal College of Art (MA Animation) his music videos and short films have garnered over 60 international awards. In 2023 he was appointed as a member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. *The Café at the Edge of the Woods* (HarperCollins), his critically acclaimed debut picture book, has been published in a dozen languages and was overall winner of the Waterstones Children's

Book Prize 2025. A career in making and animating miniature puppets makes him particularly well placed to write a book about tiny people. *The Expanded Earth* is his first novel.



Market

Fans of THE MINISTRY OF TIME, Megan Nolan's THE END WE START FROM, Emily St John Mandel, Philip Pullman, Kim Stanley Robinson. Bringing the tradition of *The Borrowers* and *The Little Grey Men* into conversation Kurt Vonnegut, David Mitchell and the charm of Jon Klassen

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The Kindness of Strangers

Emma Garman

Keynote

A rollicking, character-led literary mystery for fans of Kate Atkinson and *The Housekeepers*, about a boarding house thrown into chaos when a stranger arrives and threatens to expose the truth about their landlady.

Description

'Intricate, compelling and intriguing . . . I couldn't turn the pages fast enough. A triumph of a debut novel' KATE KEMP, author of *The Grapevine*

IN A HOUSE BUILT ON LIES, THE TRUTH WILL GET YOU KILLED.

London, 1953. One foggy night, in the dead of February, a diffident young man arrives unannounced at 42 Tregunter Road in Chelsea. Self-styled Bohemian **Mrs Honor Wilson**, who runs a minor literary journal and lodgings from this timeworn Victorian house, introduces him to her 'dear house guests': **Robbie**, the writer; **Mina**, the aspiring socialite; **George**, the debutante; and **Saul**, the refugee poet. **Jimmy Sullivan** is a family friend, Honor says - yet clearly, something is very amiss. Despite everyone's suspicions, she lets the stranger move into the attic.

As they each try to disprove Jimmy's dubious account of himself, secrets, jealousies, and disturbing schemes come to light, fracturing the household's delicate allegiances and setting in motion, unstopably, a tale of perilous self-invention, complicated love, and murderous revenge.

'Twisty, fast-paced, brilliantly plotted and deliciously entertaining . . . an absolute must-read!' KRISTIN HARMEL, *New York Times* bestselling author

'A rich labyrinth of a story filled with deeply real, flawed, fabulous characters. Good luck putting it down' STEPHEN SPOTSWOOD, author of *DEAD IN THE FRAME*

'A wholly delightful novel brimming with unpredictable characters and delivering every ingredient of a classic whodunnit with wit and flair' SARAH CROUCH, author of *Middletide*

'An ingeniously plotted, diabolically clever story of human deception and connection' KAREN DUKESS, author of *Welcome to Murder Week*

Sales Points

- **Incredible characters:** Witty and lazy George, desperate seeker Robbie, kind Saul, haughty Honor and ambitious Mina--all the members of this boarding house are fully realised and easy to empathise with. Readers will find favourites within the crew and be desperate to find out what happens to all of them.
- **Balance of darkness and humour:** Garman brings levity and wit to even the darkest moments, perfectly balancing the light and the dark to create an unputdownable read
- **Post-war Setting:** Set in 1953, the year war rationing ended and Elizabeth II's coronation took place, when homosexuality and abortion were illegal and murder was punishable by death, Garman shines a light on the drama and danger of her characters' day-to-day lives, adding an extra layer of urgency to the dramatic plot
- A debut from a great new talent.

Author Biography

After growing up in London and a decade spent in New York, Emma now lives in Brighton and works as a critic and journalist. She has been a columnist for the *Paris Review* and a contributor to *Literary Review*, *The Daily Beast*, *Salon*, and many other publications. She has an MA in creative writing from the City College of New York and an MA in literature from Queen Mary University of London. *The Kindness of Strangers* is her debut novel.

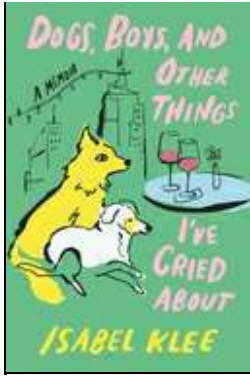
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Dogs, Boys and Other Things I've Cried About

Isabel Klee

Keynote

A deeply relatable, tender-hearted memoir for all the hopeless romantics and dog-obsessed among us.

Description

From the social media superstar behind @SimonSits, Isabel Klee - known for her heartwarming tales of dog rescue - comes an utterly winning memoir about a twentysomething woman's search for true love in New York City and the dogs who helped her find it.

Isabel Klee had always wanted to live in New York City. At age 20, she got her chance, ditching her college upstate for Marymount Manhattan and moved into a tiny basement apartment on the Upper East Side. Dog-obsessed since childhood, her first postgrad job was managing content for the incredibly popular account The Dogist, and something clicked into place: a career focused on helping dogs was the new dream.

Isabel quickly found a passion for using her own growing platform to help rescue pups find their forever homes. At the same time, she was caught up in a whirlwind of friendships, parties, fickle boyfriends and grand romances, which she recounts in honest, tender and sometimes devastating chapters about the search for love and belonging.

Isabel's first true love, though, was Simon, a fluffy puppy who'd been saved from the meat trade. As the highs and lows of this classically turbulent decade hit Isabel in wave after wave, it was Simon who kept her grounded. Together, Isabel and Simon created an online community of dog-lovers, fellow foster advocates and girls just trying to get through the trenches of their twenties.

In *Dogs, Boys and Other Things I've Cried About*, Isabel weaves together the stories of her foster dogs - and the challenges she helped them overcome - with tales of bad dates, hard decisions and great loves in New York City, all leading to a happy ending not only for the rescue pups, but for Isabel herself.

Sales Points

- Isabel has a great platform with 837k followers on TikTok and 558k followers on Instagram (@SimonSits)
- There's crossover appeal here for readers of memoir, but also fans of romcom fiction.

Author Biography

Isabel Klee is a writer and content creator. She documents her experiences rehabilitating dogs on social media through her writing and storytelling. She lives Brooklyn with her Fiancé, Jacob, her dog, Simon, and a rotating cast of foster dogs.

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The Spider Covenant

Brian Klein

Keynote

From the author of the critically acclaimed *Reich Trilogy* comes a hair-raising new political thriller.

Description

On 10 August 1944, with Germany on the verge of a crushing and humiliating defeat, Heinrich Himmler, the second most powerful Nazi and head of the notorious SS, holds a clandestine meeting in Strasbourg, with a handful of elite industrialists and bankers.

A covert organisation is born, codenamed '*Die Spinne*' - The Spider. The network is tasked with helping senior SS officers escape the clutches of advancing allied forces. New identities are created, bankrolled by illicit funds, allowing notorious criminals to begin new lives in Europe and South America. Many of them land key roles in the worlds of politics, banking and industry. Decades later, they're able to pass on a privileged and influential birth right to their descendants.

Himmler's secret lovechild, Amelie, is also spirited out of Germany by '*Die*', armed with a Nazi nest egg of fifty million dollars. Eighty years on, Amelie's adopted son becomes the head of the Spider network, which has evolved, survived and prospered over the decades under a cloak of secrecy.

Employing a level of AI technology years ahead of anything currently known, the Spider network operates a secret facility based in Strasbourg, capable of creating undetectable Deepfakes of their own extremist politicians: perfect avatars, capable of conducting live interviews on a video stream with any news outlet in the world. The computer 'brain' of the Deepfakes is linked to state-of-the-art AI machines, programmed to create the perfect politician, spouting extreme right-wing rhetoric, aimed at winning over the masses. At a time of world disorder, with bitter wars across and the Middle East, the leaders of the Spider network look to seize their opportunity of grabbing control of the levers of political power.

Sales Points

- Brian has sold 60,000 units of his counter-factional novels (The Counterfeit Candidate and The Führer's Prophecy) to date, self-published.
- The author is very well connected, and has secured plaudits from Jeremy Clarkson, Peter James amongst others.

Author Biography

Brian Klein is an award-winning television director, with over twenty-five years' experience in the industry. His work regularly appears on Netflix, Amazon Prime, BBC and Sky. Amongst his directing credits are twenty-five seasons of the iconic car show, TOP GEAR and five seasons of A LEAGUE OF THEIR OWN ROADTRIP, Sky One's highest rating entertainment show. He has also directed two feature-length films for BBC Worldwide and five entertainment specials for Netflix. He published THE LAST REICH TRILOGY to critical acclaim.

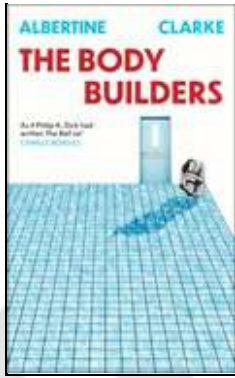
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The Body Builders

Albertine Clarke

Keynote

A mesmerizing debut - dreamlike, disturbing and deeply affecting - about alination, loneliness, and the fragile borders between our bodies and minds by a conspicuously gifted young writer to watch

Description

'I was enraptured by this book. *The Body Builders* exhibits Albertine Clarke's remarkable gifts - the boldness and precision of her imagination, the breadth of her ethical and intellectual concerns. She is a fearless writer, and I felt a shiver of admiration as I read every page' KATIE KITAMURA

'If Philip K. Dick had written *The Bell Jar*, it may have resembled *The Body Builders* - at once smooth as android skin and sharp as shards of broken mirror. A stunning and haunting debut' CAMILLE BORDAS

'By turns tender and unsettling, *The Body Builders* is a spare yet profound enquiry into the bonds of family and the limits of the self, and what it means to be connected to other people. Full of stylish and unexpected touches - a debut that marks an important new talent' TASH AW

'An exciting and remarkably controlled debut using a brilliant sci-fi conceit to tell a story about estrangement, selfhood, and love' CATHERINE LACEY

Ada lives a solitary life in London. A young adult haunted by her lonely childhood, she spends her days swimming, occasionally visiting her cousin, meeting people for drinks, ignoring invitations.

When she meets a man named Atticus by the pool, Ada immediately senses an intimate connection between them, as if they share a life in a way she can't explain. Little by little, Ada's estrangement from all that is familiar to her widens, as though she is seeing her reflection through a mirror, pieces of it falling away. She worries she may be losing her mind.

Eventually, Ada's attachment to the world and her body itself fails completely. She is jolted into a new, artificial environment - The Facility - apparently created and designed just for her.

When a person's life is inherently one of isolation, are our connections with those around us merely projections of ourselves? And if not, where do they come from?

With precision, subtlety, and confidence Albertine Clarke transforms the speculative into an entirely singular experience of deep interiority. *The Body Builders* lands like a blow, widening a crack that allows us to perceive the world differently than we ever imagined.

Sales Points

- **Young debut author Albertine Clarke is writing genre-bending fiction in style that speaks to a generation:** literary and speculative debut for fans of Sophie Macintosh, Martin McInnes, Jaqueline Harpman, Daisy Johnson, Megan Nolan
- **A mesmerizing and original debut:** explores themes of identity, love, and existential uncertainty through a world tinged with the quiet nightmare of things being not as they seem, where reality bends to imagination

Reviews

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Author Biography

Albertine Clarke is originally from London but lives in Brooklyn, New York. *The Body Builders* is her first novel.

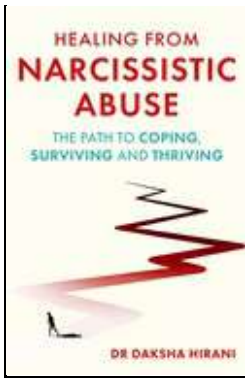
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For fans of *Severance*; for readers of Kurt Vonnegut, Megan Nolan, Ottessa Moshfegh,
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Healing from Narcissistic Abuse The Path to Coping, Surviving and Thriving

Dr Daksha Hirani

Keynote

THE WINNER OF THE 2024 ROBINSON NEW VOICES AWARD

Description

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Anyone who has experienced bullying, coercive control or narcissistic abuse may know what it is like to be fearful, anxious, angry, confused, guilt-ridden, grief-stricken, self-doubting and so much more. It can feel like a tsunami engulfing the mind and body - and the subsequent pain is very real.

This minefield of sensations, thoughts, urges and feelings can feel impossible to navigate. This book offers you a road map and provides the skills and tools you need to see the path ahead more clearly.

Using evidence-based and trauma-focused acceptance and commitment therapy, you will be guided through the FOG of your *fears* and feelings of *obligation* and *guilt*, so that you can focus on living the life you value.

This book is relevant not just for people who have been in intimate romantic relationships with individuals who have narcissistic traits but also for anyone who has experienced narcissistic abuse at the hands of a child, sibling, other family member, work colleague or friend.

Sales Points

- The inaugural winner of the Robinson New Voices Award, Dr Daksha Hirani's proposal was selected from all submissions as the best as judged on several criteria - originality, credibility, accessibility, rigour, usefulness and commercial relevance.
- Whilst this is a topical area, there is little evidence-based treatment available. The author is developing this field herself, using existing ACT techniques and applying them to this problem with great success with her clients. She also brings lived experience of this problem from her own marriage.

Reviews

- 'Dr Daksha Hirani has created an exceptional guide for navigating the complexities of narcissistic abuse recovery. By combining her clinical expertise with trauma-focused acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT), she offers readers a compassionate, practical and evidence-based roadmap to healing. Packed with relatable case studies, actionable exercises and empowering insights, this book is a must-read for survivors and clinicians alike. It will help readers reconnect with their values, build resilience and take meaningful steps toward a thriving, fulfilling life' - Dr Joe Oliver, co-author of The Mindfulness and Acceptance Workbook for Self Esteem; founder of Contextual Consulting
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- 'In this book, Daksha successfully combines her personal experience of narcissistic abuse as well as her clinical experience to provide valuable insights into how to survive this challenging experience. She does this through the evidence-based psychological approach of acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT). Rather than getting caught up in trying to understand or change the behaviour of those around us, Daksha encourages us to use ACT skills to focus on our own values, how we want to live our lives, and take action that will bring us closer to these values. This is a must-read for anyone wanting to take control of their own lives and move forward in a positive direction' - Dr Sarah Swan, consultant clinical psychologist and author
- 'A must-read for anyone affected by narcissistic abuse. Dr Daksha Hirani combines expert clinical advice with personal experience to offer wisdom, insights and practical strategies. Using the evidence-based approach of acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT), she shifts the focus from trying to change others to instead reclaiming your own life. Through ACT skills, readers learn to align with their values and take meaningful steps toward healing and empowerment' - Dr Catherine O'Leary, consultant clinical psychologist and author

Author Biography

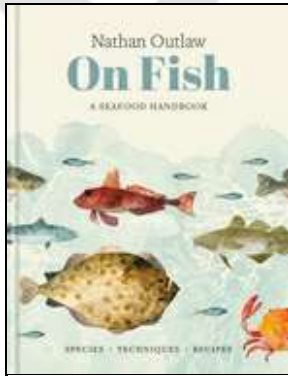
Dr Daksha Hirani is a clinical psychologist with over twenty-five years of experience. After having experienced narcissistic abuse at the hands of a number of personal



relationships around her, she focused her energies on helping others who had suffered similarly. She now works in private practice, providing psychotherapy services for clients from all walks of life and at all stages in their recovery process, helping them to cope, survive and thrive.

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Nathan Outlaw On Fish A Seafood Handbook

Nathan Outlaw

Keynote

A comprehensive handbook for anyone who is cooking with fish, from home cooks to chefs and culinary students

Description

'Simply delicious recipes by the master of fish.' *Jamie Oliver*

This brand new handbook from Michelin-star chef Nathan Outlaw is a must-have for anyone cooking with fish, from home cooks to culinary students.

For anyone wanting to know more about seafood and how to cook it, Michelin-starred Nathan Outlaw has distilled three decades of experience as a foremost fish chef into a very personal go-to cook's handbook.

Fish Basics covers fishing methods, shopping & storing plus preparation techniques and advice on curing, grilling, smoking, pickling, barbecuing, poaching and frying. Chapters on flat fish, round fish, oily fish, shellfish and cephalopods provide detailed knowledge about 32 individual species including habitat, fishing and when to eat seasonally, along with cooking & serving suggestions, followed by more than 80 recipes ranging from Brill Cured in White Wine with Grapes, Pumpkin Seeds & Basil Oil and Plaice, Aubergine & Mushroom Curry to Anchovies with Crispy Potato Wedges and Grilled Octopus Skewers.

With recipes to suit all occasions and cooking skills, *On Fish* is an indispensable resource for anyone wanting to discover and cook with sustainable fish.

Sales Points

- Eating more fish is encouraged worldwide for both health and environmental reasons.
- Eating two portions of fish per week provides your total required amount of vitamin D and omega-3.
- Nathan Outlaw is a Michelin-star chef, whose previous titles have sold well (*Fish for Dinner* has sold 3,491 copies via TCM, *Restaurant Nathan Outlaw* has sold 4,067 copies via TCM).
- Nathan's recipes are not overly complicated but are built around excellent ingredients and perfect flavour combinations.

Author Biography

Nathan Outlaw is a Michelin-starred British seafood chef. Nathan trained with Rick Stein, and has two restaurants and a guest house, *Outlaws*, in Port Isaac, Cornwall. He is passionate about using local, seasonal and sustainable produce, and the importance of ethical fishing and seafood consumption. He appears regularly on BBC TV's *Saturday Kitchen* and ITV's *James Martin's Saturday Morning*.

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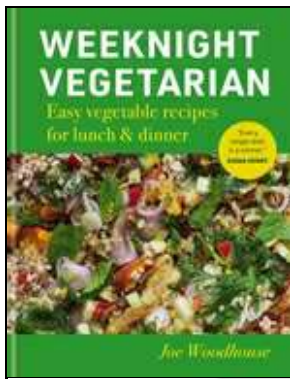
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Weeknight Vegetarian

Easy vegetable recipes for lunch & dinner

Joe Woodhouse

Keynote

Vibrant vegetarian food from trained chef and successful author Joe Woodhouse, perfect for easy weeknight cooking

Description

Full of deliciously simple veggie-filled recipes, *Weeknight Vegetarian* is perfect for the everyday home cook. Joe Woodhouse uses minimal ingredients with maximum flavour, celebrating seasonal eating and making vegetables exciting. 90 recipes include:

Lentil and Crunchy Veg Salad with Tahini Dressing
Oyster Mushroom Cheesesteak with Oven Chips
Fridge Drawer Fritters
Whipped Tofu with Charred Broccoli & Red Onion
Spelt Stew au Pistou
Georgian Spiced Spinach & Chickpeas
Red Lentil Moussaka

Wherever possible recipes will highlight any make-ahead options, easy substitutions and modifications to fit the cook's tastes or dietary needs. With tips on how to prep dishes and hacks for minimising stress in the kitchen, this is a must-have for every household.

Chapters include: Assembly Job, Mix and Make, One Pot on the Hob, In and Out of the Oven and Worth the Washing Up.

Praise for *Your Daily Veg*

'I absolutely adore the food in this beautiful book' Nigella Lawson
'One of the most inventive vegetable cooks' Anna Jones

Sales Points

- **A growing market:** Searches for plant-based diets have grown by 125% since 2019 (Google Trends). In the US roughly 6% of the population is vegetarian (Statista).
- **Big savings:** A meat-free diet can reduce food costs by one third (University of Oxford, 2021).
- **An established author:** Joe Woodhouse's previous books have done well, with *Your Daily Veg* (2022) selling 7,246 copies via TCM and *Your Daily Veg* (2023) selling 2,056 copies via TCM.

Author Biography

Joe Woodhouse has been vegetarian since the age of 10, teaching himself how to cook. He later trained as a chef and spent years working in kitchens such as Vanilla Black and the Towpath Café, as well as contributing to events with restaurants such as the Quality Chop house. Alongside being a chef, he is also a photographer, shooting with clients such as Soho Farmhouse, Belazu, Marmite, Asda, Hakkasan, and Coleman's. He is lauded amongst colleagues - including Anna Jones and Nigella Lawson - for being the best vegetarian chef in the business. His work has featured in publications such as *The New Yorker*, *Bon Appétit*, *Guardian*, *Observer*, *Metro*, *Evening Standard* and *Life & Thyme*.

Instagram: @joe_woodhouse

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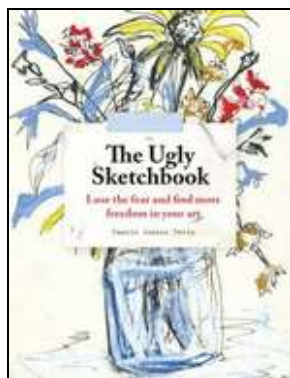
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The Ugly Sketchbook

Lose the fear and find more freedom in your art

Tawnie Jeanne Terry

Keynote

In this interactive sketchbook from artist Tawnie Jeanne Terry (@tawniejeannestudios), rid yourself of inhibitions and (re)discover your creative streak.

Description

Are you full of creative ideas but scared to put pen to paper? Do you find yourself wanting to make art but intimidated by a blank page?

In this guided sketchbook, regain your creativity with the help of artist Tawnie Jeanne Terry (@tawniejeannestudios). With 10 playful exercises to get you warmed up, 20 projects, plus ideas and inspiration to take your art practice further, *The Ugly Sketchbook* is your toolkit to finding freedom through art. The sketchbook contains step-by-step instructions and blank pages throughout for you to draw into, as well as scope to use whatever art materials you have to hand. Shake off the fear and get creating!

Sales Points

- **ILEX PRACTICAL ART BOOK SUCCESS:** Ilex has had great success with practical art titles, which backlist strongly - *You Will Be Able to Draw by the End of This Book* by Jake Spicer has more than 200,000 copies in print across all languages.
- **ENGAGING AND ACCESSIBLE:** Each art project is broken down into easy-to-follow step-by-steps, and fun warm up exercises are included in the book. The sketchbook has pages to draw into directly.
- **STRONG SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWING:** The author has more than 230k followers on her Instagram (@tawniejeannestudios) where she shares reels of her artwork, and a growing YouTube channel (more than 4k subscribers) where she posts art tutorials.
- **COMPS:** *Wreck This Journal* by Keri Smith has sold more than 750k copies via TCM across both editions, while the *365 Days of Creativity* series has sold more than 100k copies via TCM.

Author Biography

Tawnie Jeanne Terry is a mixed media artist and content creator based in Southern California. Her art has been featured on US TV networks such as Showtime, USA, AMC and more. Having taken art classes on and off throughout her life, she decided to finish her art degree online during the pandemic. Since beginning to post her art more regularly on Instagram a couple of years ago, her platform has grown quickly - she now has more than 180k engaged followers, and has recently started sharing tutorials on her YouTube channel which more than 2k subscribers.

@tawniejeannestudios

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Thema 1.6	Arts and Crafts (6AF) Painting, drawing and art manuals (WFA) Adult colouring, interactive and activity books or kits (WFX)
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Market

- Vegans, vegetarians and everyone looking for more creative and exciting ways to cook with vegetables
- Foodies looking for their favourite new writer. Fans of Sabrina Ghayour, Ottolenghi, Georgina Hayden, Honey & Co and Claudia Roden

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Eros

Queer Myths for Lovers

Zoe Terakes

Keynote

An erotic, queer twist on five Greek myths as you've never read them before - for fans of **LOVE IN COLOUR** meets **SONG OF ACHILLES**

Description

'A stunning debut' **GUARDIAN**

'A feast of gender-bending pleasures' **THE BIG ISSUE**

She keeps her eyes on me while she lights the end of my cigarette. I stare back at her. Something in the pills and in her eyes is opening up my muscles like hands parting from prayer, like trees breathing.

EROS is a stunning collection of short stories, grounded in truth and coloured with dazzling imagination and alluring, unpredictable mystery. Revealing how queerness, nature and myth have been intertwined for eternity, these are stories of gods and goddesses. Of Zeus, of Eurydice, of Hermaphroditus, of Icarus before he flew into the sun. Stories of queer life, lust, revenge, wrath, passion and sex. Of yearning, love, loss. Some transformations span across a life, and others, an evening. Perspectives will shift. Houses will burn. Lovers will learn their fate.

Zoe Terakes has skilfully blended myth and modernity to illuminate the complex and enduring truth of trans lives, resisting a history of erasure and delivering a sexy, soul-touching book to read to your lover . . . or yourself.

'Transness is not an abnormality of nature but a necessity of it. You'll find that refrain woven into **EROS's** tapestry, stitched into the way characters dive into the ocean, like they are returning to it' **VOGUE**

Sales Points

- **GREEK RETELLINGS AS YOU'VE NEVER READ THEM BEFORE:** If **LOVE IN COLOUR** and **SONG OF ACHILLES** had a queer lovechild, it would be **EROS**
- **STAR AUTHOR:** Zoe Terakes is an actor as well as an exceptional writer whose acting credits include A24's critically acclaimed film **TALK TO ME** and **NINE PERFECT STRANGERS**. They will also soon appear in the Marvel Studios **IRON HEART** on Disney Plus. They have received two Sydney Theatre awards including Best Newcomer, and were also nominated for a Helpmann Award.
- **BUZZY LAUNCH:** **EROS** published in Australia in October 2025 to great fanfare. Zoe has received invitations to both Melbourne and Sydney Writers Festivals in 2026, and have been embarking on an extensive tour spanning bookshops, libraries, festivals, literary dinners, bars, breakfasts and beyond. We will build on this incredible buzz with our UK launch in April, collaborating with queer indies and arts institutions to make this an unmissable queer lit moment.

Reviews

- **'Goddamn, these stories set my queer heart alight.** In finally making queer and trans undertones of ancient Greek myths explicit, **Zoe Terakes has forged something both classic and eternal, timely and timeless.'** - *Benjamin Law*
- **'Mucky and sexy, violent and shocking, tender and joyful, and constantly surprising - this is a stunning debut'** - *Guardian*
- **'Transness is not an abnormality of nature but a necessity of it.** You'll find that refrain woven into *Eros's* tapestry, stitched into the way characters dive into the ocean, like they are returning to it' - *Vogue Australia*
- **'These are not your yiaia's myths . . . A feast of gender-bending pleasures . . . and goddess knows we need some trans pleasure right now'** - *Big Issue*

Author Biography

Zoe Terakes is a writer and award-winning actor living and working on Gadigal land. They are a vocal advocate for trans rights within arts industries and on a global scale.

Zoe was most recently seen on screen in A24's critically acclaimed film *Talk to Me*. Their other acting credits include *Nine Perfect Strangers*, *Creamerie*, *Wentworth* and *Ellie & Abbie*. They will soon appear in the Marvel Studios series *Iron Heart*.

Eros is Zoe's debut literary work, inspired by their Cretan heritage.

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The Running Bucket List 104 Ideas to Inspire Every Runner

Jeff Horowitz

Keynote

A bucket list to inspire runners everywhere - this book provides a fun and organized way to keep motivated and reinvigorate your love for running.

Description

There are a lot of reasons to run. We do it to lose or maintain weight, to be healthier, and to clear our minds. Running can do all these things, and more. But running can be, well, repetitive. For everyone, at some point, it can get boring. Predictable. Routine.

Experienced runner, coach, and adventurer Jeff Horowitz wrote *The Running Bucket List* to provide a fun and organized way to reinvigorate your love for running. Pulling from his nearly four decades of running, which includes racing in every state in the US and on every continent, running in everything from the world's biggest races to solo runs in almost every kind of condition imaginable, Horowitz offers ideas to spice up your training and events that you might already be familiar with, as well as others that you've never dreamed of before.

Check items off your running bucket list like:

- Join a running club;
- Get a gait analysis;
- Participate in your local parkrun;
- Conquer the Great Wall Marathon;
- Run on the Roger Bannister Track in Oxford;
- Become a race volunteer;
- And so much more!

In this book, you'll find over 100 bucket list items, ranging from the sublime to the ridiculous, from the deeply challenging to the whimsical. Pick and choose from among these adventures or work your way through the list one by one. Either way, you can be sure to banish boredom from your running.

Sales Points

- This is the perfect gift for the runner in your life, whether they are a seasoned marathon runner or just starting out. It includes inspiration for races around the world, as well as training tips, so there is something for everyone.
- We are publishing in time for the London Marathon, which is now the world's largest marathon with over 56,000 participants this last year. It's watched by millions worldwide, inspiring runners everywhere to dust off their running trainers.
- In the UK, 4 in 10 adults run weekly, meaning this book has broad appeal. It will appeal to runners of all ages and levels. The trend for running seems to be increasing steadily - Park Run (featured in the book) is a growing phenomenon where 140,000 take part in their local run, shows no sign of slowing down (pun intended).

Author Biography

Jeff Horowitz is an author, editor, speaker, certified triathlon, running, and cycling coach, as well as a personal trainer, with over 25 years experience in the fitness industry.

Formerly a practicing attorney, Jeff quit law to share his passion for endurance sport and healthy living. His books include *Quick Strength For Runners* (Velo Press, 2013), *Smart Marathon Training - Run Your Best Without Running Yourself Ragged* (Velo Press, 2011), *Ageless Strength* (Velo Press 2013), and *My First 100 Marathons; 2,620 Miles With An Obsessive Runner* (Skyhorse Press, 2008). He has been published in the *New Yorker*, *Competitor* magazine - for which he was also the mid-Atlantic editor - *Running Times*, and *Marathon & Beyond*.

Jeff was also the program director for sport development programs serving at-risk youth, a race director, and the head coach for several charity fund-raising running programs, He also teaches running, cycling, and strength training at George Washington University in Washington DC.

Among his own endurance sports accomplishments, Jeff has run over 200 marathons, completing at least one marathon in every state and on six continents, including Antarctica. He lives in Washington DC with his wife, the artist and teacher Stephanie Kay, and their son Alex.

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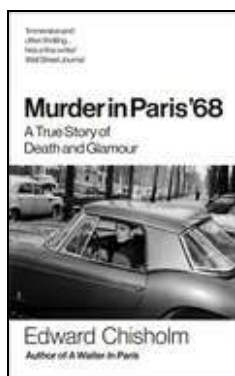
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Murder In Paris '68

A true story of death and glamour

Edward Chisholm

Keynote

Author of *A Waiter In Paris* delves deep into the 1960s Parisian underworld and an unsolved murder that brought the country to its knees.

Description

'Evocative, gripping and beautifully written. I've recommended this book to everyone I know!' EMERALD FENNEL

'Highly original, atmospheric and brilliantly conceived, *Murder in Paris '68*, a true story, reads like a tremendous thriller: fascinating, disturbing and shrewdly compelling.' WILLIAM BOYD

'A magnificent read' LAWRENCE OSBORNE

From the author of *A Waiter In Paris*...

In 1960s Paris, the high-life and the low-life go hand in hand. It is a time of glamour, sports cars, casinos and night clubs with a cast of actresses, petty criminals, high-level gangsters and compromised politicians. And with French cinema taking the world by storm, the man at the dark heart of it all is an enigmatic film star dubbed 'the most beautiful man in the world'.

With a shady past and a taste for bad company, Alain Delon lives on the edge. But when a dead body turns up in the outskirts of Paris that turns out to be his associate, Stevan, questions begin to be asked. That Delon shot to stardom playing the stylish and murderous Tom Ripley does not go unnoticed. Is art imitating life or is life imitating art? And who killed Stevan Marković?

Edward Chisholm, author of the acclaimed *A Waiter In Paris* submerses the reader into the city's demimonde and draws us intimately into events as they unfold. And as we inhabit the lives of the players in this extraordinary true-life drama, we witness what became to be known as The Marković Affair from the inside, as it spirals out of control and not only pulls down Alain Delon but everyone in his orbit.

For fans of Patrick Radden Keefe, David Grann and Philippe Sands, A Murder In Paris '68 may be the best non-fiction you read this year.

'An engrossing book. Through the story of a murder, it takes us back to Paris in the 1960s. As in *A Waiter in Paris*, Edward Chisholm pierces the glitter to find the city's seamy underside. And unlike the police of the time, he seems to have cracked the case.' SIMON KUPER

'A tremendous achievement, genre-defining, sexy, supple, scary. Chisholm gets us into the heads of all the characters, with the noir of Ripley and the street style and ineffable cool of New Wave.' JASON SOLOMONS, film critic and producer

Sales Points

- **BREAKOUT AUTHOR, HIGHLY PRAISED:** Edward Chisholm's *A Waiter In Paris* was a word-of-mouth hit and became everyone's favourite recommendation.
- **EXCEPTIONAL PRAISE FOR A WAITER IN PARIS:** 'Astonishing ... worthy of standing on the shelf next to Orwell as a classic.' *Daily Mail*. 'Immersive and thrilling ... He's a fine writer.' *WSJ*
- **PARIS AND RIPLEY ARE HOTTER THAN EVER:** From *Moulin Rouge* to Orwell and *Emily in Paris*, the long-term obsession with all things Parisian isn't going anywhere. As with his last book, Chisholm revels in the Parisian underworld - now we return, but this time in the 1960s. Alain Delon was the first star to portray Tom Ripley, a recurrent theme in the book, so the recent Netflix mega-hit, RIPLEY makes the book even more timely.
- **EXCLUSIVE & AMAZING STORY:** A huge story in France, this is the first book to tell The Marković Affair in English.
- **A CLASSIC IN THE MAKING:** Comparisons to titles like *Say Nothing* by Patrick Radden Keefe (88.5k PB), *Killers Of The Flower Moon* by David Grann (58.2k PB and 8k HB) and *East West Street* (110k PB) by Philippe Sands are fair, Chisholm is such a great writer, with an eye for incredible detail.

Author Biography

Edward Chisholm was born in Dorset, England, and moved to Paris in 2012 after graduating from the School of Oriental and African Studies, London.

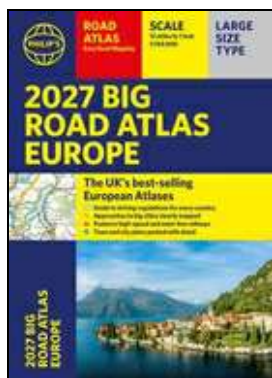


A resident there for seven years, Chisholm spent the first four of them working all manner of low-paid jobs, from waiting and bar work to museum security and market hand, while trying to build a career as a writer.

Now, Chisholm makes a living as a copywriter/pen for hire, with ambitions of writing novels. His work has appeared in *The New York Times*, the *Guardian* and the *Financial Times* magazine.

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Philip's Maps

Keynote

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Description

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Reviews

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Author Biography

Philip's has been at the forefront of creating maps and atlases since 1834. Whether a local street map or a fact-packed World Atlas, we use the most up-to-date technology, expertise and our global network to ensure our customers have all the information they need.

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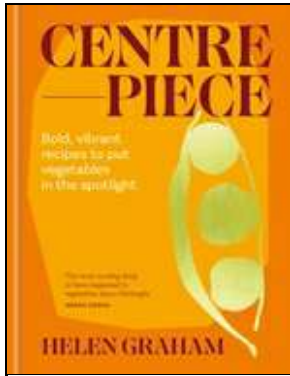
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Centrepiece

Bold, vibrant recipes to put vegetables in the spotlight

Helen Graham

Keynote

100 vibrant vegetarian recipes from celebrated chef Helen Graham

Description

'Helen carries the torch for all the ingredients I love most. Vegetables behaving exactly as they should. A cook after my own heart.' - YOTAM OTTOLENGHI

'Original, do-able, unquestionably delicious vegetable recipes. I love this book.' - ANNA JONES

'Helen's recipes are the most exciting thing to have happened to vegetables since Ottolenghi.' - MEERA SODHA

'Helen has a thrillingly unique way with flavours, which makes you look at familiar ingredients anew.' - JAY RAYNER

A celebration of bold, vibrant vegetarian dishes designed to inspire, delight and put vegetables exactly where they belong: centre stage.

Drawing inspiration from the rich flavours of the Middle East and North Africa, as well as Helen Graham's Ashkenazi Jewish heritage, this cookbook features 100 inventive, vegetable-based recipes that will transform your table. With accessible ingredients and simple methods, Helen's flavour-packed combinations of spices, herbs and sauces elevate vegetables into something truly showstopping.

Contents includes:

- **The Meal Before the Meal**, including Mushrooms Skewers with Tamari & Pomegranate and Halloumi & Ricotta Fritters with Spiced Lemon Syrup
- **The Main Event**, including Harissa Roast Carrots, Mango Labneh & Mint and Hispi Cabbage with Date Butter & Tahini
- **On the Side**, including Potato Salad with Basil Zhoug & Coconut Crunch and Hawaii Roast Potatoes with Preserved Lemon Roast Shallots
- **Something Sweet**, including Za'atar & Cherry Chocolate Fridge Cake Bars and Poppy Seed & Orange Blossom Babka

Helen Graham was Executive Chef at renowned London restaurant Bubala for 5 years, following working at critically acclaimed restaurants the Palomar and the Barbary, as well as the Ottolenghi Test Kitchen.

Sales Points

- **LAUNCHING A NEW, EXCITING NAME IN COOKERY.** Helen was selected by Jay Rayner as a rising star in 2022, and has a growing following in the foodie world through her many press appearances, impressive/copious brand collaborations, regular supper clubs and creative recipe writing. We are launching her as a highlight name, alongside our other wonderful stand-out chefs (e.g. Sabrina Ghayour).
- **MIDDLE EASTERN CUISINE INTERNATIONALLY POPULAR,** as shown by the success of Ottolenghi and Sabrina Ghayour. Waitrose has seen a 203% increase in searches for Middle Eastern recipes on its website in 2024 (*The Grocer*).
- **CHEF OF ACCLAIMED RESTAURANT.** Helen was executive chef at the esteemed London vegetarian restaurant Bubala, which received rave reviews from Grace Dent, Jay Rayner, Jimi Famurewa, William Sitwell and more.
- **EASY TO FOLLOW RECIPES.** Unlike other Middle Eastern-inspired cookbooks this uses uncomplicated methods and simple techniques, without compromising on flavour.
- **FOREWORD BY JAY RAYNER,** acclaimed and industry-leading food writer and critic.

Reviews

- 'Helen Graham has a thrillingly unique way with flavours, which makes you look at familiar ingredients anew. Her bold plant-based cookery takes the Middle Eastern repertoire and shakes it by the scruff of the neck.' - Jay Rayner

Author Biography

Helen Graham is a celebrated chef and food writer based in London. Drawing on her Jewish diasporic roots, she pioneers innovative vegetable-forward cooking inspired by cuisines across the Middle East, Eastern Europe and North Africa. She has worked at several prominent Middle Eastern restaurants including the Palomar, the Barbary and the Ottolenghi Test Kitchen. Helen was Executive Chef at renowned London vegetarian restaurant Bubala for 5 years, helping take the business from pop-up to two critically acclaimed sites before leaving in 2023 to go solo. In 2022, Helen was selected as a rising star by Jay Rayner, and she made her debut television appearance on *Sunday Brunch*. She has since also appeared on *Saturday Kitchen*. Her recipes have been featured in

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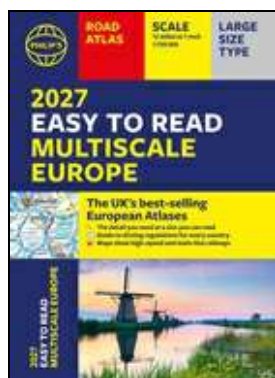
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Market

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Philip's 2027 Easy to Read Multiscale Road Atlas of Europe A4 Paperback

Philip's Maps

Keynote

The latest in Philip's best-selling European Atlas range, now in a practical paperback format. The *2027 Philip's Easy to Read Multiscale Road Atlas of Europe* contains mapping at the best scales for driving and train travel in Europe alongside the rules and regulations for every country.

Description

PHILIP'S: THE BEST-SELLING EUROPEAN ATLAS RANGE IN THE UK

With the detail you need at a size you can read, the latest *2027 Philip's Easy to Read Multiscale Road Atlas of Europe* is the ultimate driving companion. Including the rules and regulations across Europe for easy driving, and the high speed and main line networks if you need to take to the train.

- * **Super-clear, easy to read** main scale at 1:750,000 (12 miles to 1 inch)
- * **Multiscale mapping** with scales from 1:1.5M to 1:3M, showing **more detail where you need it**
- * Clear mapping of **every country in Europe** and the **driving rules and regulations**
- * **Special mapping of canals and rivers** for cruising and boating
- * **Distance Chart** and a 23-page route planning section included, for **easy route planning** across long distances
- * **Spectacular scenic routes** clearly highlighted
- * Including **Europe's High-Speed Rail and Main Line Network** to help plan long distance journeys with ease

'The clearest and most detailed maps of Europe' *David Williams MBE, former CEO Gem Motoring Assist*

'The best of its kind with quick, easy-to-use information' *Fleet Week*

Sales Points

- **LARGE PRINT, EXTRA CLEAR, EASY TO READ** mapping and index
- **SUPER-CLEAR** main scale maps at 1:750,000 (12 miles to 1 inch)
- **ALL THE DRIVING RULES AND REGULATIONS YOU NEED** for travelling in Europe
- **THE BEST OF EUROPEAN SCENIC ROUTES** - coastal and mountainous - clearly highlighted
- **MULTISCALE MAPPING** - more details where and when you need it

Reviews

- 'The clearest and most detailed maps of Europe' - *David Williams MBE, former CEO Gem Motoring Assist*
- 'The best of its kind with quick, easy-to-use information' - *Fleet Week*

Author Biography

Philip's has been at the forefront of creating maps and atlases since 1834. Whether a local street map or a fact-packed World Atlas, we use the most up-to-date technology, expertise and our global network to ensure our customers have all the information they need.

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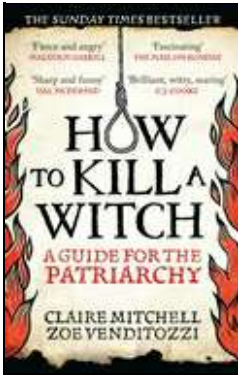
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HOW TO KILL A WITCH A Guide For The Patriarchy Claire Mitchell ; Zoe Venditozzi

Keynote

A compelling and detailed investigation into the historic persecution of women as witches from the 1500s to the present day.

Description

**** **THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER** ****

WINNER 2025 Goodreads Choice Awards

Blackwell's Scottish Book of the Year

'Fascinating and illuminating, this book tempers the justifiable rage with sharp and funny pinpricks to the pompous.' **VAL MCDERMID**, author of *Past Lying*

'As well as highly entertaining read, *How To Kill A Witch* is a tour de force of research, understanding and compassion.' **PROFESSOR SUE BLACK**, author of *All That Remains*.

'Serious and angry, but so completely accessible, *How To Kill A Witch* is a work of real historical investigation and a fierce warning for our times.' **MALCOLM GASKILL**, author of *The Ruin Of All Witches*

'At a time when women's rights are once again being threatened across the globe, this book could not be a more timely read if it tried.' **SHIRLEY MANSON**, *Garbage*

'Two of Scotland's most vivid storytellers.' **THE TIMES**

'Fascinating, angering' **THE MAIL ON SUNDAY**

As a woman, if you lived in Scotland in the 1500s, there was a very good chance that you, or someone you knew, would be tried as a witch. Witch hunts ripped through the country for over 150 years, with at least 4,000 accused, and with many women's fates sealed by a grizzly execution of strangulation, followed by burning.

Inspired to correct this historic injustice, campaigners and writers Claire Mitchell, KC, and Zoe Venditozzi, have delved deeply into just why the trials exploded in Scotland to such a degree. In order to understand why it happened, they have broken down the entire horrifying process, step-by-step, from identification of individuals, to their accusation, 'pricking', torture, confessions, execution and beyond.

With characteristically sharp wit and a sense of outrage, they attempt to inhabit the minds of the persecutors, often men, revealing the inner workings of exactly why the Patriarchy went to such extraordinarily lengths to silence women, and how this legally sanctioned victimisation proliferated in Scotland and around the world.

With testimony from a small army of experts, pen portraits of the women accused, trial transcripts, witness accounts and the documents that set the legal grounds for the hunts, *How to Kill A Witch* builds to form a rich patchwork of tragic stories, helping us comprehend the underlying reasons for this terrible injustice, and raises the serious question - could it ever happen again?

Sales Points

- **HOW TO KILL A WITCH sits in a bestselling market** of witch books and revisionist feminist histories: *STORYLAND* by Amy Jeffs (HB 24k/ PB 55k), *The Ruin of All Witches* by Malcolm Gaskill (HB 6,210/ PB 37,557) and *The Manningtree Witches* by A. K. Blakemore (HB 11,253/ PB 48,162).
- **SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING BOOK AND US DEAL: HOW TO KILL A WITCH** impressively charted in the *Sunday Times* Bestseller list two weeks running. Rights have sold in the US (Sourcebooks) their edition publishes in September 2025.
- **CHARISMATIC AUTHORS WITH INSIGHT BY INCREDIBLE EXPERTS:** Highly promotable, Claire Mitchell is a renowned human rights barrister and has featured on TV shows *Murder Island* and *the Firm*. The authors were finalists for Scottish Women of the Year, 2022; recently received honorary doctorates from the University of Dundee and have been offered speaking tours in the USA.
- **HIT PODCAST AND STRONG SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT:** Very successful podcast with listeners all around the world and 45k followers on Instagram.
- **WORLDWIDE CAMPAIGN:** Their campaign has been featured on BBC, CNN, TV, newspapers and radio internationally. It has inspired further campaigns in the USA; and has helped Advocacy for Alleged Witches in Africa. In 2022, First Minister Nicola Sturgeon formally exonerated the 4000+ women killed as witches. This ties into the

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Extent	304 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); EU; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author born in	Scotland
Author living in	Claire lives in Edinburgh and Zoe lives in Fife.
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Author Biography

Leading human rights lawyer **CLAIRE MITCHELL, KC**, and writer, **ZOE VENDITTOZZI** formed the Witches of Scotland campaign with the aim of shining a light on the historic injustice of the Witch Trials. Through their tireless campaigning, regular public appearances, and highly entertaining podcast, this pair of 'quarrelsome dames' recently launched a Witches of Scotland tartan to act as a lasting memorial to the women throughout the world killed as witches. In 2022, Claire and Zoe were made Doctors of Laws by the University of Dundee in 2022 in recognition of their work. Claire lives in Edinburgh and Zoe lives in Fife.

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You Smashed It! Motivational Quotes and Affirmations to Celebrate All Your Small and Big Wins

Summersdale Publishers

Description

Celebrate all the small and big wins with this little book of inspirational quotes and celebratory affirmations to shape your life

In a world that focuses on always looking at the next big goal or dream to achieve, this motivational book invites you to pause from the marathon of life and celebrate all your achievements - big or small.

Full of quotes and affirmations, *You Smashed It!* is all about embracing the current you in all your success and glory. Whether passing a driving test, learning to cook something new, getting your dream job or just getting through a tough day, this book is an ideal gift to encourage you towards a path of triumph.

Within these pages, you will find:

- Uplifting quotes to honour every step of your journey
- Spurring affirmations to celebrate all your progress
- The perfect words to strive for personal growth

It does not matter how slowly you go, as long as you do not stop!

Sales Points

- A thoughtful gift for anyone you care about, offering them daily inspiration and celebrating all their small and big wins.
- A similar Summersdale title, *You Are Amazing* (ISBN: 9781786859808), has sold over 125,000 copies.
- Other similar Summersdale titles include: *Believe and Achieve* (ISBN: 9781800073920); *You Got This* (ISBN: 9781800073913); *You Go Girl* (ISBN: 9781837997671).

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Price	£7.99 / ₹650
Main Identifier	9781837997794
BIC 2.1	Gift books (WZG) Dictionaries of quotations (GBCQ) Self-help & personal development (VS) Assertiveness, motivation & self-esteem (VSPM)

Binding	Hardback
Format	136 x 101
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	2000 words
Illustrations	0
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You Will Be Able to Crochet Amigurumi by the End of This Book

15 Cute and Easy Crochet Characters

Fay Lyth

Keynote

Start with a crash course in the basics of crochet, then get straight into 15 cute and easy amigurumi projects.

Description

Want to try making those cute crochet critters you see everywhere, but don't know where to begin? This book is for you.

Start with a crash course in the basics of crochet, then get straight into 15 cute and easy amigurumi projects. A mini acorn is a quick way to get over the fear of the crochet hook - then a cupcake and a pea pod will help you build your confidence. Finally, move on to more complex, multi-piece amigurumi projects like a cute whale and an adorable duck. By the time you have finished making your way through this book, you will have the skills and confidence to tackle any amigurumi project you put your mind to.

Projects include:

Potato
Sour Lemon
Pencil
Planet
Mallard Duck
Mouse
Hanging Cherries
Takeaway Coffee Cup
Acorn
Ice Cream Cone
Bee
Octopus
Cat
Flower Pot
Bear

Sales Points

- **POPULAR SERIES:** The best-selling You Will Be Able to series has sold over 300,000 copies worldwide.
- **TRENDING TOPIC:** Crochet has been on the rise as a hobby since the pandemic, and continues to grow, with the Japanese art of amigurumi becoming particularly popular outside of Japan in recent years.
- **ACCESSIBLE FORMAT:** With step-by-step instructions, this book is approachable for crochet beginners, while also offering more advanced projects as you progress.

Author Biography

Fay Lyth is the creative force behind Stitch by Fay. She has over a decade of crochet experience and has a passion for quick and easy crochet patterns. Since 2020, she has built a following online by posting and selling original crochet patterns suitable both for complete beginners and for more experienced crocheters. Fay lives and works in New Zealand.

@stitchbyfay

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£19.99 / ₹1699
Main Identifier	9781781579701
Thema 1.6	Crochet (WFBS2) Knitting and crochet (WFBS) Needlework, textile and fabric crafts (WFB)

Binding	Paperback
Format	SSN (246x189)
Extent	160 pages
Word Count	27184 words
Series	You Will Be Able to
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World
Not for Sale	None

Book locale	Global
Author living in	New Zealand

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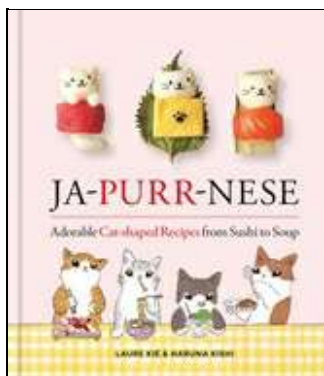
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Ja-Purr-Nease Adorable Cat-shaped Recipes from Sushi to Soup

Laure Kié (Illustrated By Haruna Kishi)

Keynote

A collection of adorable Japanese themed and inspired recipes, all shaped like cats.

Description

The most winning culinary combination possible - Japanese food and cats!

From the savoury (sushi, onigiri, gyoza and spring rolls) to the sweet (daifuku mochi, dango, matcha latte), this collection of cat-themed Japanese recipes, is the perfect gift and self-purchase for the cat lover in your life. The first of its kind, this is the kawaii trend adapted to cooking.

Recipes include

- Bento boxes
- Sushi
- Tonkatsu burger
- Karé rice
- Inari-sushi
- Dango
- Donuts

Sales Points

- **CATS ON TREND:** cats are seemingly everywhere in popular culture; from the covers of bestselling Japanese cat books (see below) to cat ranges in every major gift retailer, including Waterstones and Barnes & Noble.
- **JAPANESE CATS ON TREND:** the last few years has seen a significant rise in the popularity of cat-themed Japanese fiction, including *We'll Prescribe You A Cat*, *The Travelling Cat Chronicles*, *What You Are Looking For is in the Library*, *The Full Moon Coffee Shop* and many more.
- **JAPANESE FOOD ON TREND:** Japanese food and Japanese culture has enjoyed much popularity over the last few years, from the rise in restaurants around the globe, to the publication of bestselling cookbooks, to the rise in the awareness and appreciation of Japanese culture more generally.
- **ADORABLE RECIPES:** truly adorable and original creations, with huge inspiration for Japanese cooking.

Publication date	Thursday, April 23, 2026
Price	£14.99 / ₹1250
Main Identifier	9781846016677
Thema 1.6	General cookery and recipes (WBA) Quick and easy cookery (WBF) Cats as pets (WNGC)

Binding	Hardback
Format	216x184
Extent	128 pages

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

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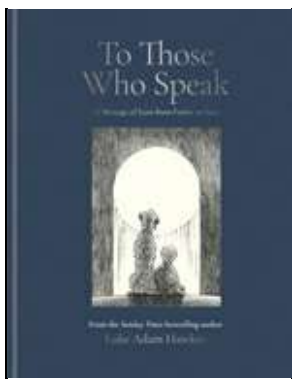
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To Those Who Speak A Message of Love from Father to Son

Luke Adam Hawker

Keynote

A moving tale of a boy and his dog, and a friendship beyond words, from the bestselling author of *Together* and *The Last Tree*.

Description

'An epic, lyric, loving book; a cosmos between covers, illuminated by other ways of being and seeing. It will reach many people, and many people will reach for it.' - Robert Macfarlane

When we pause to truly listen, everything speaks.

As it became clear that his son, Harry, would not talk in the same way as other children his age, Luke Adam Hawker began to discover the power and wonder of wordless communication. It was this, and Harry's growing friendship with their beloved family dog, Robin, that provided hope through all that was thrown at them in the first few years of Harry's life.

This is a book about an unconventional parenting journey, and the joy that is unlocked when we really learn to listen.

A heartening, hopeful story of fatherhood and friendship, from bestselling author and artist Luke Adam Hawker.

Sales Points

- **BESTSELLING AUTHOR:** Luke Adam Hawker's debut book *Together* became a *Sunday Times* bestseller, while his second book *The Last Tree* inspired a highly praised exhibition with the National Trust in 2024. Together, these two titles have sold over 220,000 copies and have been translated into twelve languages.
- **STRONG FOLLOWING:** Luke Adam Hawker has more than half a million highly engaged followers on Instagram (@lukeadamhawker), where he posts his beautiful drawings.
- **HIGHLY GIFTABLE:** Sitting in the highly successful genre of crossover illustrated gift books for adults, *To Those Who Speak* makes a beautiful gift.

Author Biography

Luke Adam Hawker is a globally acclaimed artist celebrated for his compelling work, which is displayed in several prestigious collections including the Parliamentary Art Collection. He has garnered an enthusiastic social media following that now exceeds half a million. His debut book *Together* became a *Sunday Times* bestseller, while his second book *The Last Tree* inspired a highly praised exhibition with the National Trust in 2024. Together, these two titles have sold over 220,000 copies and have been translated into twelve languages.

An advocate for empathy, Luke harnesses its transformative power in his art, fostering deep connections with his audience through his openness and vulnerability. His passion for creativity is matched only by his dedication to fatherhood, and he eagerly anticipates sharing his son Harry's story through his artistic lens in his third book. Luke lives in Surrey, England, with his wife, son, and their dog, Robin.

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Price	£16.99 / ₹1450
Main Identifier	9781840918724
Thema 1.6	Graphic novels (XAB) Relating to childhood (5LC) Graphic novel and Manga artwork (AKLC1)
Binding	Hardback
Format	SSN (246x189)
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The Witch and the Huntress

The page-turning and atmospheric Greek mythology retelling you don't want to miss!

Luna McNamara

Keynote

From the bestselling author of *Psyche and Eros*, Luna McNamara's exquisitely written latest novel, *The Witch and the Huntress*, will appeal to fans of Madeline Miller, Jennifer Saint and Susan Stokes-Chapman.

Description

'A riotous adventure, populated by a cast of vivid, glittering characters' **JENNIFER SAINT** on *Psyche and Eros*

Daughters. Warriors. Lovers.

"There is the love that is thrust upon us, and love that we choose. Run after the latter, no matter what gods and men say, and never let it go. Or at least, never let yourself look back."

Medea, born to the goddess Hekate and wicked King Aeetes, endures a lonely and trapped life on the island of Colchis. Yet as she grows, so do her powerful talents of witchcraft and magic.

When Jason, Prince of Iolcus, and his band of Argonauts arrive on the island, Medea knows it is her one chance to escape. If she helps Jason steal the Golden Fleece from her father, he promises to marry her and take her back to his kingdom.

Atalanta, raised by bears, is a warrior caught between the wilderness and the human world, but never fully part of either. After the sudden disappearance of the woman she loves, Atalanta joins the Argonauts in an attempt to find her.

But when Medea joins the ship, the sorceress awakens something in Atalanta that she cannot ignore - something more dangerous than she could ever have imagined.

As the ship sets sail, Medea and Atalanta will be forced to choose between the life they always wished for, and a love they secretly desire - but in a world ruled by men, it might just destroy them...

Sales Points

- **BROAD, COMMERCIAL APPEAL:** *The Witch and the Huntress* will appeal to fans of Madeline Miller & Susanna Clark, but it feels more accessible & commercial, with scope to tap into the TikTok fever around books in this space. It will appeal to readers 25+, book club readers, fans of mythological retellings, fans of love stories, Waterstones readers
- **AUTHENTIC AUTHOR:** Luna McNamara is a social worker living in Boston. She holds a master's degree from Harvard University. Her fiction and creative non-fiction have been published in *Rune Bear* and the *Harvard Divinity Bulletin*.
- **FRESH, FEMINIST MODERN RETELLING:** *The Witch and the Huntress* is feminist retelling of one of the greatest love stories in Greek mythology, Jason and the Argonauts, but for the first time told from Atalanta and Medea's perspective.

Author Biography

Luna McNamara holds a master's degree from Harvard University in the study of women and gender in world religions. A lifelong lover of Greek myths, she has studied ancient Greek language and philosophy. She is currently a social worker living in Boston. *Psyche and Eros* is her debut novel

Market

Stone Blind by Natalie Hayes, The Song of Achilles by Madeline Miller, Clytemnestra by Costanza Cosati

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 Thema 1.6 **Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)**

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 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw; EU; Ire**
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Author living in **Boston, Massachusetts**

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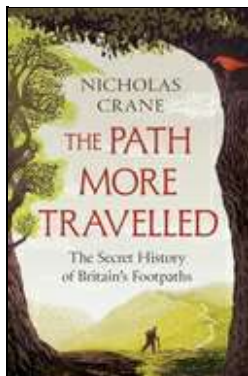
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The Path More Travelled The Secret History of Britain's Footpaths

Nicholas Crane

Keynote

A fascinating, immersive history of Britain's footpaths and routeways from the Mesolithic era to the present day - from the acclaimed geographer and author of *The Making of the British Landscape*

Description

Walking defines us as human beings. But how much do we know about the paths that we walk? Why do they matter? What caused so many to be lost? And can we create more of them?

In *The Path More Travelled*, acclaimed geographer and travel writer Nicholas Crane explores the hidden history of Britain's coast-to-coast web, from prehistoric routeways walked by European migrants 12,000 years ago to pilgrim ways and coffin roads, turnpikes, towpaths and city pavements. We discover how land-grabbing Norman barons began the enclosure of our countryside, and how our beloved national parks and long-distance trails emerged from the ashes of two world wars.

Along the way, Crane takes the reader on some of his most memorable walks: along the Hadrian's Wall Path, into the icy Cairngorms and to the banks of the Severn where he discovers footprints from over 7,000 years ago. *The Path More Travelled* is a passionate ode to walking - and a call to rediscover and protect the lifeblood of our landscapes.

Sales Points

- **BELOVED, WORLD-CLASS AUTHOR:** Nicholas Crane is one of the UK's most admired nature and travel writers - 'Storytelling at its best' was how *The Times* described *The Making of the British Landscape*, and this new book delivers on that promise
- **TOPICAL SUBJECT:** From conservation to Right to Roam to landowners' rights and more, footpaths are never far from the news agenda
- **DEEP HISTORY:** This is ambitious, deep natural history that takes us back over 12,000 years to the Mesolithic era to show how our routeways have developed over millennia. Readers journey through thousands of years of history and archaeology under Nick's expert guidance
- **BRITAIN UNEARTHED:** All the biggest moments from our story are here - from Roman occupation to the Norman conquest and two world wars - told through the lens of migration and geography

Reviews

- 'Absorbing and exhilarating . . . This book will literally expand your horizons' - MICHAEL PALIN
- 'A glorious love letter to the British countryside, and its towns and cities too - panoptic, deeply researched and compelling' - PATRICK BARKHAM
- 'A delightful meander through the lanes and byways of Britain' - CATHERINE FLETCHER, *author of The Roads to Rome: A Journey into Europe's Past*
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Author Biography

Nicholas Crane is an author, geographer and the recipient of numerous awards, most recently the 2024 Stanfords Award for Outstanding Contribution to Travel Writing. Crane was born in seaside Hastings, grew up in rural Norfolk and learned winter mountaineering in snowy Scotland. Between 2015 and 2018, he was president of the Royal Geographical Society. He is also known for his television work as lead presenter on the BAFTA-winning series *Coast*, among several others. He has written more than ten books, including *The Making of the British Landscape*.

Market

Nick's existing fans, readers of nature writing including Tristan Gooley, Robert MacFarlane and Guy Shrubsole, readers of geography and history, fans of walking and rambling, those interested in walking from a political perspective, e.g. the right to roam campaign.

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Thema 1.6 **Walking, hiking, trekking (SZC)
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Author living in **Norfolk, UK and London**

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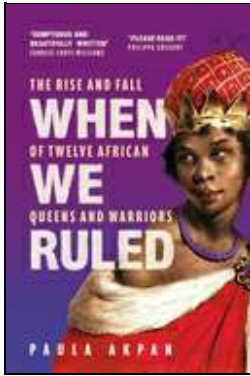
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Thema 1.6	African history (NHH) Feminism and feminist theory (JBSF11)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	416 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
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Book locale	London
Author living in	London SE25

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When We Ruled 'A history the world needs' Bettany Hughes

Paula Akpan

Keynote

Discover the reigns of twelve African queens and warriors from across the continent, from pioneering historian and writer, Paula Akpan.

Description

'POETIC AND FIERCE' - Olivette Otele, author of *AFRICAN EUROPEANS*

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'PLEASE READ IT!' - Philippa Gregory, bestselling author of *NORMAL WOMEN*

Discover the reigns of twelve African queens and warriors from across the continent, from pioneering historian and writer, Paula Akpan.

There are women who ruled vast swathes of the African continent. They led, loved and fought for their kingdoms and people and their impact can still be felt today. However, beyond the lands they called home, so few of us have heard their names.

From pre-colonial Nigeria to the rich plains of Rwanda, from Ancient Egypt to apartheid South Africa, historian Akpan writes the stories of these powerful queens and takes you on a spellbinding, enrapturing and immersive journey that is nothing short of revelatory.

Sales Points

- **NEVER-BEFORE-TOLD HISTORY WITH CLEAR PITCH.** Twelve queens. Twelve stories filled with hope, intrigue and sometimes tragedy. Perfect for readers of *Love in Colour*, *Black and British* as well as *Sapiens* and *Mythos*.
- **LEAD AUTHOR WITH EXPERT KNOWLEDGE AND WIDE REACH.** Paula Akpan is a journalist, Black British historian and public speaker with an MA in Black British History. Paula is an authoritative voice who has the ability to drill down into long untold histories we all should know.
- **WELL-RESEARCHED, ACCESSIBLE AND IMMERSIVE** Paula has done an extensive research trip to cover almost all of the countries presented in the narrative and will also be speaking to women who come from the cultures and backgrounds of the rulers, ensuring the book feels current and accessible.
- **HITTING AND EXPANDING THE TREND.** There is a real hunger for feminist historical retellings: this book sits alongside bestsellers such as *Natives* by Akala, *An African History of Africa* by Zeinab Badawi, *Black and British* by David Olusoga and *The Five* by Hallie Rubnhold.

Reviews

- 'Poetic and fierce, this volume is a compelling modern-day journey into past histories of impressive African queens and leaders.' - Olivette Otele, author of *AFRICAN EUROPEANS*
- 'A rich, sumptuous and beautifully written tapestry of the past that makes my heart soar and ache all at once; this is the history we should have learned in schools. I can't imagine the person I'd be today if I'd known that *this* is where we came from.' - Candice Carty-Williams, author of *QUEENIE*
- 'A searing, nourishing journey through a history the world needs' - Bettany Hughes, author of *THE SEVEN WONDERS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD*
- 'A beautiful retelling of the stories of African women long ignored, and attempted erasure. Paula Akpan looks at our collective ancestors and gathers their stories into one book as a hen would her precious eggs, with care and reverence. She explores, questions and offers the world a glimpse into the past. Establishing the grit of African women present, gifting a future bright.' - Ayòdélé Ọlòfintúàdé, author of *LAKIRIBOTO*

Author Biography

Paula Akpan (she/her) is a Black British historian and writer who gained a distinction in her fully funded MA in Black British History and who has credits in *Vogue*, *Teen Vogue*, *The Independent*, *Stylist*, *VICE*, *i-D*, *Bustle*, *Time Out London* and more. This is her much-anticipated debut book.

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Binding	Trade Paperback
Format	Royal
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; UK; USA
Author living in	Glasgow, UK

Boyhood

David Keenan

Keynote

Cult author David Keenan's most mature, magical and profoundly realised novel yet, centred on a young boy in Glasgow

Description

'*Boyhood* is a complete triumph . . . it slaps our dull, sterile culture hard across the face with a studded, uncompromising literary glove' - **IRVINE WELSH**

'Reading Keenan is like reclaiming your own imagination' - **LIAS SAUDI**

Boyhood opens in 1979 with the abduction of a young boy outside a Glasgow football ground. Nine years later, the boy's brother, Aaron Murray, is on the cusp of that moment when adolescence becomes adulthood. His own journey of grief and recovery has been guided by an angel, 'The Precious Gift' - perhaps imagined, perhaps real - who has blessed Aaron with redemptive, messianic powers. These have enabled him to see through the past and present, joining the dots between a vast array of characters; ballerinas, soldiers, poets, burlesque dancers, East End gangsters and the Vampire of Derry over five decades, all tied up in each other's fate.

As Aaron's visions span cities and decades, from wartime Paris to the Troubles in the 1970s, Mexico City in the 1980s to - of course - Glasgow, *Boyhood* builds to an extraordinary, intense, climactic moment of redemption.

A book of great joy, of laughter in the face of horror and delight in storytelling by the beloved and critically acclaimed author of *This Is Memorial Device*, *Boyhood* is a hymn to the resilience of youth, to the brave dreams of artists and lovers and a love letter to Glasgow - a city where magic happens.

'*Boyhood* is a marvel. Impossible to sum up, it is a true novel, jumping with event and spectacle and showmanship - while speaking in its own extraordinary voice of tenderness and violence and pity and love, along with the gorgeous great fun and wonder of being alive' - **KIRSTY GUNN**

Sales Points

- **CULT AUTHOR:** Keenan has an incredibly engaged following and has gained a deserved reputation at the centre of literary counterculture. Readers have been eagerly awaiting a new novel and this is both his most ambitious and his most accessible yet
- **SENSE OF PLACE:** *Boyhood* has real potential to become one of the great Glasgow novels. The author is well supported in Scotland and we have ambitions to make the most of the book as a beautiful love letter to Glasgow
- **LITERARY CREDENTIALS:** Keenan's writing is admired by everyone from Wendy Erskine to the late Edna O'Brien. We anticipate strong support from leading writers and tastemakers of literary fiction

Author Biography

David Keenan is the author of six critically-acclaimed novels; the cult classic *This is Memorial Device*, which won the *London Magazine Prize*; *For the Good Times*, which won the Gordon Burn Prize and was shortlisted for the Encore Award; *The Towers The Fields The Transmitters*, *Xstabeth*, which was shortlisted for the Dublin Literary Award, *Monument Maker*, which was a Rough Trade Book of the Year and *Industry of Magic & Light*. He is also the author of *England's Hidden Reverse*, a history of the UK's post-punk and Industrial music scenes. He has been writing about music since he was seventeen years old, most consistently for *The Wire*, and between the years 2004-2014 he co-ran the cult Glasgow record shop Volcanic Tongue. His selected music writing was published in 2025 as the collection *Volcanic Tongue*.

Market

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 bands and groups
 (AVP)
 Later 20th century
 c 1950 to c 1999
 (3MPQ)
 Rock and Roll
 (6RG)
 Psychedelic (6PM)
 Traditional and
 folk music (AVLT)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
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 Extent **400 pages**
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Where the Music Had to Go How Bob Dylan and The Beatles Changed Each Other – and the World

Jim Windolf

Keynote

The first book to tell the full story of the deep and lasting connection between the two most enduring musical acts of the twentieth century

Description

FEATURING AN EXCLUSIVE NEW INTERVIEW WITH SIR PAUL MCCARTNEY

Persuasive, captivating and bursting with insight, this dual biography by acclaimed journalist Jim Windolf dives into the surprisingly supportive, occasionally rivalrous, always fertile relationship between Bob Dylan and the Beatles.

Few artists have shaped pop culture as profoundly as the Beatles and Bob Dylan. In *Where the Music Had to Go*, Jim Windolf offers a new, persuasive interpretation of how two of the twentieth century's greatest recording artists influenced one another - and reveals how their apprenticeships, accomplishments and legacies are uncannily intertwined.

From Dylan's early dismissal of the Beatles as being for 'teenyboppers' to his rapid acknowledgment of their talent, the book captures the pivotal moments that pushed Dylan to 'go electric' and inspired the Beatles to deepen their lyrics. Packed with vivid anecdotes (the Beatles rehearsing Dylan songs; Dylan spending hours at Lennon's childhood home), the book paints a picture of a relationship full of camaraderie, rivalry and mutual evolution.

Windolf's meticulous research uncovers hidden gems, peeling back layers of history to reveal the stories fans didn't even know they were missing. From Lennon's and McCartney's lyrical transformations to George Harrison's growth as a songwriter, the book showcases the ripple effects of the Beatles-Dylan connection. More than a music biography, this is a front-row seat to the forces that shaped the sound of a generation.

Sales Points

- **LEGENDARY ARTISTS:** Both Dylan and The Beatles are two of the world's best-loved artists and both have wide-reaching, cross-generational, global fanbases
- **SIMULTANEOUS US PUBLICATION:** We will publish alongside Scribner in the US, making the most of cross-promotional opportunities from their PR campaign
- **LONGEVITY:** The two artists covered are of perennial interest as they enter the seventh decade of their careers. There is a strong, consistent sales record for quality books about these two artists
- **EXCLUSIVE MCCARTNEY INTERVIEW:** The book features an exclusive new interview with Sir Paul McCartney, shedding new highlight on the Dylan / Beatles relationship from one of the story's key players

Author Biography

Jim Windolf is an American investigative journalist and pop culture writer for the *New Yorker*, *New York Times*, *Vanity Fair* and other publications. He is Features Editor at *Style*, *New York Times*.

Market

FOR READERS / FANS OF: Bob Dylan's and The Beatles' music; Dylan's *Chronicles* and Paul McCartney's *Lyrics*; books about the history of the artists, such as Ian Leslie's *John & Paul: A Love Story In Songs*, John Higgs' *Love and Let Die*, Craig Brown's *One, Two, Three, Four* and *The Double Life of Bob Dylan* by Clinton Heylin



The Lies of Lena

The dark and delicious fantasy romance with fiery tension, forbidden magic and soaring romance taking BookTok by a storm!

Kylie Snow

Keynote

The first in a dark and delicious romantasy series from BookTok sensation Kylie Snow, featuring forbidden magic, plenty of spice, morally grey characters, and secrets that could ignite a revolution...

Description

A SECRET MAGE. A VENGEFUL PRINCE. WILL FORBIDDEN LOVE UNITE THE REALM - OR BURN IT DOWN...
**please check trigger warnings before diving in*

In Tovagoth, Mages like Lena Daelyra live in fear: hunted, outlawed, and reviled. Even after fleeing to Otacia, Lena hides her magic, cloaked in silence. But when she meets Quinn Callon, a quick-witted swordsman from the Inner Ring, her walls begin to crack. He trains Lena to fight, never suspecting the truth she hides. But as their connection deepens, so does the danger... and Lena knows love is a risk she can't afford.

Silas La'Rune, Crown Prince of Otacia, has been caged within the Kingdom castle since the kidnapping and murder of his sister, the Princess. Until one day beyond the castle walls reveals a Kingdom rotting beneath its guiled surface - and a girl who shouldn't exist.

When tragedy tears Lena from Quinn, as destiny would have it, Lena and Silas' paths collide. For the future of Magekind depends on them, and love could just about be the deadliest weapon...

READERS LOVE THE OTACIAN CHRONICLES

'Like a movie... intense, cinematic, and an emotional rollercoaster!'
 ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Kylie is going to wreck me in book two, and honestly? I'm ready'
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'Couldn't eat, sleep or function while I read this book...'
 ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'The plot was PLOTTING HARD! The ending had my jaw ON THE FLOOR'
 ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- **SELF-PUBLISHED BOOKTOK SENSATION:** #theotacianchronicles started to take off on BookTok in June 2025 and has continued to grow, with an 7k reviews, average 4.7 stars on Amazon and 14k ratings, 4.2 stars on GoodReads!
- **DARK ROMANCE SFF MARKET:** this explosive dark romantasy debut has resonated with readers, from the unique magic system, political intrigue, multiple POV's, plenty of plot twists and sensitive handling of darker themes. Perfect for fans of ROSE IN CHAINS, QUICKSILVER and METAL SLINGER!
- **A MAJOR GLOBAL EVENT:** US & UK rights were pre-empted in a significant 6-figure deal, with auctions for international rights underway as of now!

Author Biography

Kylie Snow is a dark romantasy author from Illinois who writes stories laced with tension, conflict, and dark themes. Kylie started writing stories when she was ten years old and has always loved character creation (and has spent many hours doing so by playing Sims over the years).

Growing up, she played a variety of horror and fantasy video games and still does to this day. She is also an artist and has been drawing her whole life. When she is not writing, she is raising her two rambunctious little girls with her husband, reading an endless number of fantasy and dark romance novels, drawing, gaming, going to concerts, or planning her next tattoo.

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Thema 1.6	Fantasy romance / Romantic fantasy (FMR) Dark romance (FRV) Romance (FR) Romance: fantasy and paranormal (FRT) Romance: enemies to lovers (FRLE)

Binding	Hardback
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All to Play For

Josie Juniper

Keynote

The third book in this spicy F1 series pairs the first female driver with a privileged journalist, perfect for fans of Netflix's Drive to Survive and readers of Sarah Adams.

Description

Sage Sikora, the new driver for the Emerald F1 team, is bold and daring, on and off the track. This season, as the only female driver on the grid she has a single-minded goal: to be the first woman to win a Grand Prix. But there's one thorn in her side, the unfairly gorgeous and spoiled journalist and popular blogger Alexander Laskaris-who seems to have it out for Sage.

When one of his blog posts goes too far, Alexander finds himself working for Emerald as penance and his new boss is none other than Sage herself. Despite their battle of wills, the pair end up as allies when trouble arrives and Alexander begins to fall for F1's Queen of Chaos. Sage soon realises there's more to spoiled playboy Alexander than meets the eye. But with the critical eyes of the racing world upon them, she has too much to prove and even more to lose. Can her feelings take a backseat or will Emerald's first female driver fail to reach the podium?

Author Biography

Josie Juniper is a Pacific Northwest native who has worked chiefly in mathematics and journalism. She writes romance featuring STEM, sass, spice, smart women, and angsty, wicked-talking men. She lives in Portland, Oregon with her artist husband and a flock of rescue turkeys. In addition to weird loud birds, she's a fan of Formula 1 racing, prime numbers, tattoos, rain, crochet, and lost causes.

Market

Simone Soltani, Lauren Asher, Sarah Adams

Publication date	Thursday, April 09, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹899
Main Identifier	9781398724655
Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	352 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Africa; ANZ; EU; Ind; Ire; M East; UK
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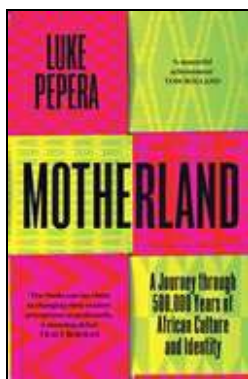
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Thema 1.6	African history: pre-colonial (NHHA) African philosophy (QDHP) Traditional African religions and spiritual beliefs (QRRN)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	272 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	1 x 8 page colour inset
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Motherland A Journey Through African History, Culture and Identity

Luke Pepera

Keynote

A groundbreaking exploration of 500,000 years of African history, cultures and identity

Description

'A wonderful debut by a talented and exciting young historian' Peter Frankopan

'Simultaneously capacious and personal . . . a masterful achievement' Tom Holland

'Elegant and powerful, Pepera's magnificent book elevates our understanding of Africa's overlooked histories' Olivette Otele, author of *African Europeans*

Motherland is a ground-breaking exploration of African culture and identity, told via Luke Pepera's journey through 500,000 years of history to connect with his extraordinary heritage. Pepera tackles the questions many people of African descent ask - Who are we? Where do we come from? What defines us? And how might knowledge of deep history affect our understanding of our identity?

Interwoven with Luke's own experiences of exploring his Ghanaian family history, this is a comprehensive, relevant and beautifully told account of the stories that have shaped Africa.

Sales Points

- **Incredible endorsements.** The book has been praised by a dazzling array of a-list historians, including Tom Holland, Peter Frankopan, Simon Sebag Montefiore, Bettany Hughes and many more.
- **Fresh angle on a big subject.** Looks beyond the colonial period and the 400 years since slavery, to encompass the 500,000 years of African history before that period. Luke links this history to the present day world showing why it these stories and themes continue to be relevant to people of African descent, and to all of us, today.
- **Fantastic author.** Luke is young, energetic and well-connected. He has a degree in ancient and medieval African history from Oxford University. He combines academic rigor with a gift for mass-market communication and storytelling.

Reviews

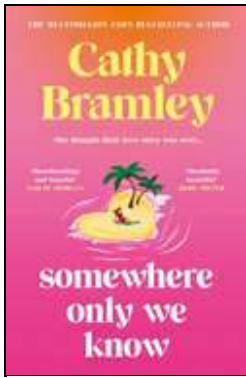
- 'Leaps nimbly between past and present . . . The juxtaposition of modern and ancient is bracing and fun' - *Spectator*
- 'An informative, enlightening read' - *Irish Times*
- 'Magisterial, brilliant, capacious and transformative' - *Kate Williams*
- 'A wonderful debut by a talented and exciting young historian: a book we've been waiting for for far too long' - *Peter Frankopan*

Author Biography

Luke is a writer, broadcaster, historian, and anthropologist dedicated to sharing his passion for African history & cultures. He was born in Ghana, and has a degree from St Peter's College, Oxford, where he read Archaeology & Anthropology and studied ancient and medieval African history. Since graduating he has worked at the Pitt Rivers Museum, The Times, and Tatler, and has written and presented *Africa: Written Out of History*, a documentary for Dan Snow's History Hit.

Market

Readers of global history and people who bought *Black and British* by David Olusoga, *Afropean* by Johny Pitts and *African Europeans* by Olivette Otele.



Somewhere Only We Know

The perfect uplifting, escapist new novel from the Sunday Times bestselling author!

Cathy Bramley

Keynote

Sometimes it takes getting away from it all to truly bring you home . . . the brand-new joyful bestseller from Cathy Bramley

Description

'Tender and emotional, just absolutely beautiful' **JOSIE SILVER**

'Heartbreaking and hopeful' **SARAH MORGAN**

She thought their love story was over. The world had other plans...

When Magnolia Jones finds her daughter's travel journal, she can think of no better way to honour her life than setting off on the gap year trip that twenty-three-year-old Brontë had dreamed of taking.

It was meant to be Brontë's adventure, but perhaps following her daughter's footsteps around the world is exactly what Magnolia needs to piece her broken heart back together and begin to heal.

As her travels take her further away from home, memories of a long-ago summer come flooding back. Magnolia barely recognises that girl she used to be - the dreams she had, the freedom ahead, the midnight kisses on the beach with curly-haired, brown eyed Jackson.

Maybe, just maybe, in this magical place that is somewhere only they know, Magnolia is about to discover that her journey isn't over - it's just about to begin...

More praise for *Somewhere Only We Know*:

'Life-affirming and full of love and hope. A book you won't want to put down, I devoured it greedily' **SANTA MONTEFIORE**

'A heart-breaking yet hugely uplifting novel about finding yourself after loss' **EMILY STONE**

'An injection of pure of happiness and escapism!' **KIRSTY GREENWOOD**

'An emotional journey which will have you reaching for tissues and your passport, this book is a beautiful exploration of grief and hope. The perfect cocktail of heartbreak, nostalgia and romance in an idyllic setting' **VERONICA HENRY**

'Poignant and inspiring, Somewhere Only We Know broke my heart and then healed it. Absolutely stunning!' **KIM NASH**

'Maggie was the perfect protagonist to travel the world with' **CESCA MAJOR**

'Emotional and evocative, the perfect escapist read. I loved it' **ALEX BROWN**

'A wonderfully different and uplifting novel - thoroughly enjoyable' **KATIE FFORDE**

'A gorgeous story that swept me away. I loved it!' **SOPHIE COUSENS**

Sales Points

- A MEGABRAND IN THE MAKING: Cathy Bramley is fast becoming a must-have author for readers of feel-good, uplifting and comforting women's fiction. With sustained sales growth and consistent presence in the Sunday Times bestseller chart, as well as being a bestseller in ebook, Cathy is an author we have hugely ambitious plans for this year.
- A CONSISTENT BESTSELLER: A Patchwork Family was a #3 Sunday Times bestseller and has sold over 100,000 paperbacks through TCM. My Kind of Happy was a #6 Sunday Times bestseller and has sold over 55,000 paperbacks already. The Summer That Changed Us was Cathy's fastest selling paperback to date, and well on the way to hitting 100,000 paperbacks
- GLOWING REVIEWS: Cathy has garnered brilliant author blurbs from some of the biggest names currently in women's fiction, including Sarah Morgan, Carole Matthews, Milly Johnson, Phillipa Ashley and Katie Fforde.

Author Biography

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Thema 1.6	Family life fiction / Stories about family (FS)
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Extent	384 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Philippines; UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can
Book locale	UK/Thailand/Australia
Author born in	Birmingham
Author living in	Nottinghamshire
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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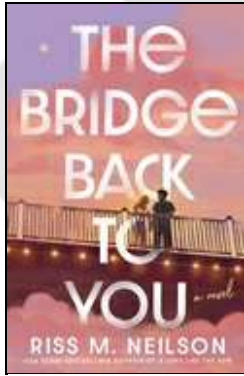
Cathy Bramley is the *Sunday Times* bestselling author of eighteen novels and has sold almost two million copies worldwide. She has been a lover of stories since she was a small child and used to beg her mother to take her to the library every week for new books. Many of her passions have come and gone over the years, but her love for story, drama and romance will last a lifetime.

Cathy's books are about people she would want to be friends with, characters her readers will cheer for. They are about ordinary women doing extraordinary things. Cathy has two grown-up daughters and lives in a small village in the English countryside. Her house overlooks fields of barley and the garden is full of fruit trees: damson, plum, pear and, of course, Bramley apples!

You can keep up to date with Cathy Bramley's latest books on Instagram and X as @CathyBramley and on Facebook as @CathyBramleyAuthor.

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The Bridge Back to You

Riss M. Neilson

Keynote

Exes discover they've both inherited the restaurant they love in this sparkling, emotional new novel from the USA Today bestselling author of *A Love Like the Sun*.

Description

'Riss M. Neilson writes tender, vibrant, breath-stealing romance.' - **EMILY HENRY**, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Great Big Beautiful Life*

Olivia owes everything to Celia's Place. It's where she learned how to be a great chef. It's also where she first fell in love. But at nineteen, Olivia had a wanderlust she couldn't deny. And Carmello, whose mother owned the restaurant, couldn't leave Celia's Place behind any more than he could force Olivia to stay.

Now, ten years later, Olivia is a successful personal chef. Her job allows her to travel the world, and she has never stayed in the same place for too long. When Carmello learns that his mother left shares of her beloved restaurant to both him and Olivia, he plans to buy her portion of the shares back quickly and painlessly.

That is until Olivia shows up at the restaurant, ready to help run it. Carmello sees an opportunity: drive Olivia away from his restaurant so that she will want to sign over her shares. But Olivia sees things a bit differently. She finally has the chance to stay in one place and build a home after years on the move, and perhaps now is the right time to explore whether that home can be with the one who got away.

Soon enough, sparks begin to fly, but can Olivia and Carmello avoid the mistakes of the past?

Author Biography

Riss M. Neilson is a magna cum laude graduate of Rhode Island College, where she won the English department's Jean Garrigue Award, which was judged by novelist Nick White. Her debut young adult novel, *Deep in Providence*, was a 2022 finalist for the New England Book Awards, and her forthcoming novel *I'm Not Supposed to be in the Dark* is set to publish in 2023. She is from Providence and lives for the city's art and culture scene. When she's not writing, she's watching anime or playing video games with her two children. *A Love Like the Sun* is her adult debut.

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 Price **£10.99 / ₹899**
 Main Identifier **9781398721692**
 Thema 1.6 **Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)**

Binding **Paperback**
 Format **B Format**
 Extent **368 pages**
 Word Count
 Exclusively for Sale **Cw; Ire; UK**
 Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Author living in **Rhode Island, USA**

Previous Titles

A Love Like The Sun

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 2nd Serial **Refer to Publisher**
 Audio **Refer to Publisher**
 Dramatisation and documentary **Refer to Publisher**
 Electronic **Refer to Publisher**
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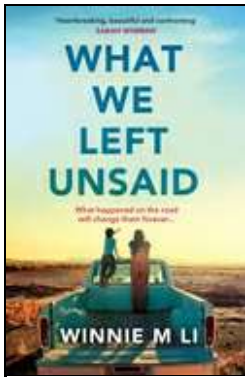
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Thema 1.6	Contemporary lifestyle fiction (FQ) Family life fiction / Stories about family (FS)
Binding Format	Paperback B Format
Extent	368 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	UK; World (ex USA, Can)
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Warminster, Wiltshire
Previous Titles	
Complicit	
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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What We Left Unsaid

The new gripping and unputdownable must-read novel of 2026!

Winnie M Li

Keynote

On an unexpected road trip, three estranged siblings uncover a startling family secret and larger truths about being Asian American in a post-COVID world from the author of the 'dazzling and devastating' (Chris Whitaker, *New York Times* bestselling author) thriller *Complicit*.

Description

'Heartbreaking, beautiful and confronting' **SARAH WINMAN**

'A timely conversation-starter of a book' **WIZ WHARTON**

'Kept me enthralled until the very last page' **ROWAN COLEMAN**

'Truly gripping and moving . . . I was hooked' **LIBBY PAGE**

'Exhilarating and poignant, I devoured it in one go' **JINI REDDY**

'Brilliant and powerful . . . her best novel yet' **BIDISHA**

What happened on the road will change them forever...

Thirty years ago, Alex, Bonnie and Kevin went on a road trip to the Grand Canyon with their parents. But something cut their journey short, and they never made it there. Something that shifted the dynamic of their family forever.

Today, Alex, Bonnie and Kevin might be siblings, but they've grown apart, each holding heavy secrets close to their chests. When their mother's health takes a turn for the worse, she asks them to relive that old road trip to see her, and they're forced into close quarters once more.

As the siblings retrace old steps on an epic journey along Route 66, they are led to finally share the parts of their lives they've tried to keep hidden. Along the way, they can learn the truth of what really happened in their fractured past - a past they now have the chance to mend.

With 'powerful and beautiful writing' (Sarah Pearse, *New York Times* bestselling author), Winnie M Li weaves an emotive and eye-opening exploration of family, race, growing up, and what it means to be American.

What readers are saying about Winnie Li:

'Such a compelling and convincing read'
 'An excellent, meaty page-turner . . . couldn't put it down!'
 'A powerful book. Amazing, incredible and also heartbreaking'
 'A brilliantly-written timely book'
 'Gripping and hugely enthralling'
 'Engaging and intelligent . . . five easy stars!'
 'Completely absorbing and unputdownable'

Sales Points

- **HUGE US DEAL:** we have sold US rights to this for a MASSIVE six figure sum after a hotly contested five way auction.
- **CLEAR HOOK:** This is a BIG talking point novel that sits perfectly in that dark reading group space
- **HIGH PROFILE AUTHOR:** The author is amazing: her first novel *DARK CHAPTER* won the Guardian's Not The Booker Prize in 2017 and was shortlisted for the Edgar Awards, and was sold in twelve territories. Almost 100,000 people have read her article on the Stanford sexual assault: <https://theconversation.com/stanford-sexual-assault-how-social-media-gave-a-voice-to-the-victim-60814> and her TED talk on sexual violence has been watched over 7,000 times: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3bjyFUoUXg&feature=youtu.be>
- **PERSONAL STORY:** The author has personal experience in the subject matter and is very vocal about wanting to bring about change

Reviews

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- 'Li writes with warmth and clarity... If you've ever felt estranged from your brother or sister, this trip will make you ache-and maybe hope a little' - *CONDE NAST TRAVELLER*
- 'Wonderfully descriptive and panoramic... A timely and thought-provoking novel, which undoubtedly will be adapted for the big or small screen' - *THE IRISH INDEPENDENT*
- 'A novel that will grip you and keep you gripped until the end' - *THE BELFAST TELEGRAPH*
- 'What We Left Unsaid evokes family feuds that can't be forgotten. The novel struck a chord with me' - *THE NEW EUROPEAN*

Author Biography

Winnie M Li is an author and activist. A Harvard graduate, she previously wrote for travel guide books, produced independent feature films, and programmed for film festivals. Driven by her own experience of rape, she founded Clear Lines, the UK's first festival addressing sexual assault and consent through the arts and discussion, and began her PhD research at the LSE. She has an honorary doctorate from the National University of Ireland in recognition of her work. Winnie lives somewhere in traveling distance of London, with her partner and toddler.

Market

Perfect for fans of Celeste Ng, Meg Mason, and Avni Doshi

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Format	B Format
Extent	784 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	0
Exclusively for Sale	Cw (ex Can); Ire; UK
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Book locale	USA
Author living in	Massachusetts, USA
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Previous Titles

SWEET SOUL BLUES MUSIC / SEARCHING FOR ROBERT JOHNSON / FEEL LIKE GOING HOME / LAST TRAIN TO MEMPHIS / THE COLONEL AND THE KING

**Careless Love
The Unmaking of Elvis Presley**

Peter Guralnick

Keynote

Newly re-issued under the White Rabbit imprint comes the second of three volumes that make up the definitive Elvis Presley biography

Description

'Homerich in its play of beauty and folly, this is a monumental work'
INDEPENDENT ON SUNDAY

'Riveting ... A masterwork'
WALL STREET JOURNAL

The second volume of Peter Guralnick's critically acclaimed Elvis Presley biographies

The next chapter in the definitive biography of Elvis picks up where *Last Train to Memphis* closed with Presley's military service in Germany 1958 and ends with his death in Memphis, 1977. *Careless Love* chronicles the unravelling of the dream that shone so brightly, homing in on his very close, and very complex relationship with his lifelong manager, Colonel Tom Parker.

It's a breathtaking drama that places the events of a too often mistold tale in a fresh, believable and understandable context. This is the quintessential American story, encompassing race, class, wealth, sex, music, religion and personal transformation.

Written with grace, sensitivity and passion, *Careless Love* is a unique contribution to our understanding of American popular culture and the nature of success, giving us true insight into one of the most misunderstood public figures of our times.

'It must be ranked among the most ambitious and crucial biographical undertakings yet devoted to a major American figure'
NEW YORK TIMES

Sales Points

- CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Often cited as the definitive biography of Elvis, both volumes have attracted great reviews and quotes from everyone from Bob Dylan to Roddy Doyle.
- ENDURING POPULARITY: Sales of LAST TRAIN TO MEMPHIS and CARELESS LOVE have sold over 30k physical copies each across editions
- PERENNIAL FIGURE IN CULTURE: The hugely successful 2022 Baz Luhrmann biopic *Elvis*, starring Austin Butler and Tom Hanks, has brought a new audience to The King.
- NEW FORMAT: For the first time this book will be available in Audio
- UNIFIED COLLECTION: The re-issuing of *Careless Love* and *Last Train to Memphis at White Rabbit* will coincide with the paperback release of Guralnick's latest Elvis biography, *The Colonel and The King*

Reviews

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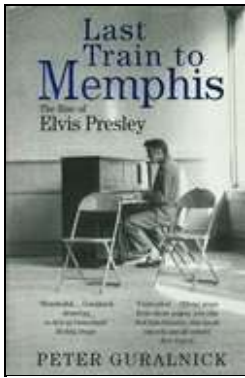
Author Biography

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Market

- * National press advertising campaign targeting books and music in the INDEPENDENT ON SUNDAY, TIMES METRO and MAIL ON SUNDAY
- * Poster and mixed CARELESS LOVE/ LAST TRAIN TO MEMPHIS display bin with custom header
- * Review and feature coverage in the national press and music magazines
- * Trade promotions





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 Thema 1.6 **Biography: general (DNB)
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 Biography: arts and entertainment (DNBF)**

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 Extent **592 pages**

Word Count
 Illustrations **Integrated: 16, Integrated**
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Not for Sale **Can; USA**

Book locale **USA**
 Author living in **Massachusetts, United States**
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Previous Titles

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Last Train to Memphis The Rise of Elvis Presley - 'The richest portrait of Presley we have ever had' Sunday Telegraph

Peter Guralnick

Keynote

Newly re-issued under the White Rabbit imprint comes the first of three volumes that make up the definitive Elvis Presley biography

Description

'Elvis steps from the pages. You can feel him breathe' BOB DYLAN

'Wonderful' RODDY DOYLE

The first volume of Peter Guralnick's critically acclaimed Elvis Presley biographies

Last Train to Memphis is arguably the first serious biography that refuses to dwell on the myth of Elvis. Aiming instead to portray in vivid, dramatic terms the life and career of this outstanding artistic and cultural phenomenon, it draws together a plethora of documentary and interview material to create a superbly coherent and plausible narrative.

This is the first of three volumes from music critic and author, Peter Guralnick, and covers Presley's stratospheric rise to stardom up to his departure for Germany in 1958. *Last Train to Memphis* is undoubtedly the benchmark by which other biographies of Elvis are judged.

'Soars above all other accounts of Elvis' *Guardian*

'A triumph of biographical art... profound and moving' *New York Times*

Sales Points

- PERENNIAL FIGURE IN CULTURE: The hugely successful Baz Luhrmann biopic in 2022 - starring Austin Butler and Tom Hanks - has brought a whole new audience to The King
- ENDURING POPULARITY: Over 100,000 copies sold by Little, Brown/Abacus with incredible critical acclaim, this book is often considered the greatest Elvis biography
- CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Winner of the Ralph J. Gleason Music Book Award, featured in *Entertainment Weekly's* 100 New Classics list, and an *Esquire* Book of the Decade.
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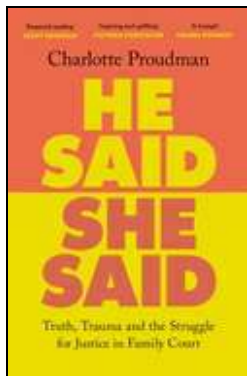
- 'Unrivalled... **Elvis steps from the pages. You can feel him breathe.** This book cancels out all others' - *Bob Dylan*
- 'A wonderful book... Guralnick gives us an Elvis of real flesh and blood... **the richest and most detailed portrait of Presley we have ever had'** - *Sunday Telegraph*
- 'Wonderful... Guralnick deserves to live in Graceland' - *Roddy Doyle*
- **'A triumph of biographical art... profound and moving...** Even the minor revelations are positively spellbinding... Guralnick's narrative is rendered with an intimate, restrained intensity eerily reminiscent of the plaintive tone of Presley's ballads, that tremulous yearning of America itself' - *New York Times Book Review*

Author Biography

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 Thema 1.6 **Gender studies: women and girls (JBSF1)**
Law and society, gender issues (LAQG)
Memoirs (DNC)
Domestic abuse (JBFK3)

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He Said, She Said Truth, Trauma and the Struggle for Justice in Family Court

Charlotte Proudman

Keynote

A searing indictment, full of fascinating real life stories, of how the law is fundamentally stacked against women by an award-winning barrister

Description

'Required reading' CATHY NEWMAN
'Inspiring and uplifting' VICTORIA DERBYSHIRE
'A rallying cry and a beacon of hope' LUCIA OSBORNE-CROWLEY

If you and your family needed help, could you trust the law to be on your side?

Barrister Charlotte Proudman has seen countless women let down by the very courts meant to protect them - dismissed, disbelieved and left unsafe, while their abusers are given the benefit of the doubt. Her own experience of misogyny within the profession reveals a deeper truth: a justice system designed by men, still tilted against women. In *He Said, She Said*, Proudman lays bare the prejudice at the heart of family law. Through cases of forced marriage, domestic abuse, child abduction and FGM, she exposes a culture of bias - and calls for urgent, lasting change.

Sales Points

- **FRESH STORY:** The first book to lift the bonnet on the UK's family courts , which until very recently was a closed system
- **COMPELLING CASE STUDIES:** full of real stories featuring real women who have been caught up with the law in lots of different ways. They are fascinating, moving, engaging and - ultimately - mobilising
- **STAR AUTHOR:** Charlotte is an award-winning barrister who has been instrumental in key legislative changes including raising the age of marriage from 16 to 18, criminalising virginity testing and hymenoplasty, amendments to the Domestic Abuse Bill, introducing FGM Protection Orders and criminalising forced marriage
- **RECENT HIGH PROFILE CASE:** Charlotte recently won a case that the Bar Standards Board had brought against her for calling out misogyny in the legal profession. Her win garnered much high profile publicity and cemented her reputation as a fierce advocate for women's rights

Reviews

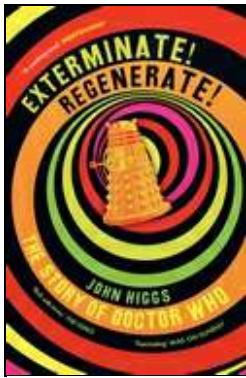
- 'A triumph. Proudman's searing analysis puts the system in the dock but also provides a roadmap for reform' - Baroness Helena Kennedy
- 'An important book. You will be inspired and uplifted by the countless women who don't and won't give up' - Victoria Derbyshire
- 'Fearless . . . should be required reading for lawyers and lawmakers alike' - Cathy Newman

Author Biography

Charlotte Proudman is an award-winning barrister. She combines her legal career with her academic work as a Senior Research Associate at the University of Cambridge, where she researches and teaches gender and inequality under law in the UK. In 2022, she founded 'Right to Equality', a radical organisation campaigning to change the law for women and girls and put gender justice at the top of the agenda.

Market

For fans of Sarah Langford, Alexandra Wilson, the Secret Barrister and *Invisible Women*



Exterminate/Regenerate The Story of Doctor Who

John Higgs

Keynote

The first biography of the infamous Time Lord, written by one of the most well respected cultural critics at work in the UK today

Description

'Captures much of the warmth, wit and worthiness of this thoroughly British institution' *THE TIMES*

'Crammed with fascinating nuggets' *INDEPENDENT*, Biography of the Month

'Absolutely wonderful. The book I've been waiting to read since I was ten years old' JEREMY DYSON

With its unique ability to evolve and adapt more radically than any other fiction, *Doctor Who* has acted as a mirror to more than six decades of social, technological and cultural change. In the first biography of this central fixture of the British imagination, John Higgs invites us into the Doctor's TARDIS on a journey to discover how ideas emerge and survive despite the odds, how failed monks and war heroes created one of the most successful TV shows in history and why this wonderful wandering time traveller means so much to so many.

'A TARDIS of a book . . . the whole space-time continuum is inside' FRANK COTTRELL BOYCE

'Wonderful! You don't need to be a Whovian to delight at John Higgs's journey through *Doctor Who*, but you may well be one by the end of the book' ROBIN INCE

Sales Points

- **ENDURING BRAND:** Doctor Who is a well established part of the British cultural psyche. And now, sixty years after the birth of Doctor Who, science-fiction, fantasy and superheroes are the dominant stories of our time
- **THE FIRST BIOGRAPHY:** Much has been written about the show for the cult fan audience, but this is the first biography. The character has been rewritten many times, to stay in sync with a constantly moving society - as such, this will be as much about the last sixty years of British history as it is a biography of the enigmatic time traveller
- **AUTHOR/SUBJECT COMBINATION:** The perfect match of author and subject. John has a growing fanbase - including many high profile names - and is incredibly engaged in his publishing in a way that delivers results in terms of media and sales
- **STRONG HARDBACK RECEPTION:** Received glowing reviews across the board and endorsements from several high profile authors including Frank Cottrell-Boyce, Jeremy Dyson, Jenny Colgan, Ian Dunt, Robin Ince and Joel Morris

Reviews

- 'Rich with trivia . . . engaging, entertaining . . . captures the warmth, wit and worthiness of this thoroughly British institution' - *The Times*
- 'Crammed with fascinating nuggets . . . a cracking read' - *Independent, Biography of the Month*
- 'Engrossing . . . anyone interested in television or cultural history will find it fascinating' - *Mail on Sunday*
- '[A] capsule study that uses this genuinely odd and enduring show as a means to probe the travails of TV land and British society itself over the past 60 years' - *Spectator*

Author Biography

John Higgs is the author I HAVE AMERICA SURROUNDED, THE KLF, STRANGER THAN WE CAN IMAGINE, WATLING STREET, THE FUTURE STARTS HERE, WILLIAM BLAKE NOW, WILLIAM BLAKE VS THE WORLD and LOVE AND LET DIE. He lives in Brighton.

Market

For fans of *Doctor Who*, science fiction and anyone interested in British cultural history

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Thema 1.6	Film, television, radio and performing arts: companion works (ATZ) Social and cultural history (NHTB) United Kingdom, Great Britain (1DDU) Later 20th century c 1950 to c 1999 (3MPQ)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	464 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK
Not for Sale	Can; USA
Author living in	Brighton

Previous Titles

9781399600170 Love and Let Die;
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Thema 1.6	Science fiction (FL) Science fiction: space opera (FLS)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	496 pages
Word Count	
Exclusively for Sale	Cw; EU; Ire; SA; UK
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The Folded Sky

Elizabeth Bear

Keynote

A superb new adventure in the *White Space* universe, by multiple award-winning author Elizabeth Bear.

Description

Strap in for an epic new WHITE SPACE adventure from the multiple Hugo award winning, and John W. Campbell award winning author.

Praise for Elizabeth Bear

'Like the best of speculative fiction, Bear has created a fascinating and complete universe that blends high-tech gadgetry with Old World adventure and political collusion' *Publishers Weekly*

'This is certainly the best science fiction novel I've read in 2019 so far and I look forward to see how Bear develops the characters and her impressively rich universe' (*POPULAR SCIENCE*)

'Elizabeth Bear is just as comfortable writing steampunk and fantasy as she is hard science fiction, and *Ancestral Night*, first half of a duology, brims with heady concepts and sleek far-future hardware. There is a mordant wit at work' (*FINANCIAL TIMES*)

'Awesome, awe-inspiring space opera. Fittingly, it shifts from weighty themes to lighter humour with dexterity, grace and crackling dialogue' (*Daily Mail*)

'Bear has constructed a fascinating, absorbing universe populated with compelling and intelligent characters who conform to neither clichés nor stereotypes. It's sci-fi of the top order' (*popmatters.com*)

Sales Points

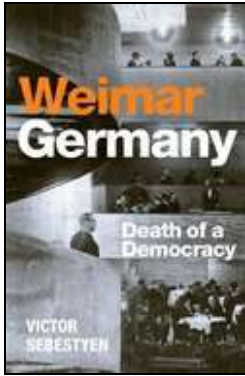
- Elizabeth Bear is an acclaimed US genre writer, winner of several Hugo Awards, and of the John W. Campbell award.
- The WHITE SPACE novels are all acclaimed stand-alones in a shared, richly diverse, SF universe
- A high concept space opera adventure, *The Folded Sky* is perfect for fans of Alastair Reynolds and S. A. Corey's *Expanses* novels.
- Brilliantly written and imagined, this is SF at its best, and highly likely to attract nominations for the Clarke, Hugo and Locus awards.

Reviews

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Author Biography

Elizabeth Bear won the John W. Campbell award for Best New Writer in 2005 and has since published 15 novels and numerous short stories. She writes in both the SF and fantasy genres and has won critical acclaim in both. She has won the Hugo Award more than once. She lives in Massachusetts.



Publication date **Thursday, April 30, 2026**
 Price **£16.99 / ₹1450**
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 Thema 1.6 **Weimar (1DFG-DE-FTJ) 1918-1933 (period of the Weimar Republic) (3MPBG-DE-G)**

Binding **Trade Paperback**
 Format **Royal**
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 Author living in **London W11 and Oxford**
 UNITED STATES **Pantheon Books**
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Previous Titles

Twelve Days (2006)
Revolution 1989 (2009)
Lenin the Dictator (2017)
Budapest (2022)

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Weimar Germany Death of a Democracy

Victor Sebestyen

Keynote

The definitive account of how Germany's interwar republic led to the birth of Nazism

Description

In the years after the First World War, Berlin was - as Vladimir Nabokov described it - a place 'of dangerous glamour and worldliness, of tawdry cynicism, where art and riot flourished side by side.'

The Weimar Republic was Germany's postwar experiment with democracy, and a time of unprecedented cultural, intellectual and artistic freedom. Berlin was at the cutting edge of quantum physics and psychoanalysis; its nightlife showcased grand opera and dissolute cabaret. Bauhaus architecture and modernist painting flourished, and it rivalled Hollywood as a capital of film. But beneath the glamour was a deeply polarised society of extremes plagued by economic disasters, populist leaders fuelling culture wars, and an uneasy political settlement that would soon spawn the horrors of Nazism.

Covering fifteen years from the end of the First World War to Hitler's appointment as Chancellor in 1933, *Weimar Germany* tells the definitive story of Germany's interwar republic and descent into fascism. Featuring an extraordinary cast of characters including Vladimir Nabokov, Albert Einstein, Marlene Dietrich, Adolf Hitler, Billy Wilder, Thomas Mann, Joseph Goebbels, Christopher Isherwood and Rosa Luxemburg, *Weimar Germany* is a gripping and evocative account of how the fledgling German democracy died.

Sales Points

- **GAP IN THE MARKET:** Nazi Germany has long been popular with readers but there are few substantive historical titles about the Weimar period, particularly from authors with the credentials of Sebestyen. In *Weimar Germany* the author has crafted a definitive, authoritative account of Germany teetering on the precipice of extremism
- **STRONG AUTHOR REPUTATION:** Sebestyen is a talented journalist and popular historian, immensely well connected, reviewing strongly and has convincing family connections to central Europe
- **TIMELY SUBJECT:** Weimar is irresistible metaphor for our own historical moment: polarization, culture wars, economic tensions and the spread of authoritarian 'strongman' politics. It has never been more important to understand what really took place in Germany during that period

Author Biography

Victor Sebestyen is the internationally acclaimed author of *TWELVE DAYS* (W&N, 2006), *REVOLUTION 1989* (W&N, 2009), *LENIN THE DICTATOR* (W&N 2017) and *BUDAPEST* (W&N, 2022). He was born in Budapest. He was a child when his family left Hungary as refugees. As a journalist, he worked for numerous British newspapers, including the *Evening Standard*, *Daily Mail* and *The Times*. He reported widely from Eastern Europe when Communism collapsed and the Berlin Wall came down in 1989. He covered the wars in former Yugoslavia and the breakup of the Soviet Union. At the *Evening Standard* he was foreign editor, media editor and chief leader writer. He was an associate editor of *Newsweek*.

Market

Readers of Victor's many previous books; WW1 and WW2 history readers; general European history readers; readers of *AFTERMATH* Harold Jahner and *BEYOND THE WALL* by Katja Hoyer; readers interested in 20th century arts and culture

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Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	416 pages
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Not for Sale	Can; USA
Book locale	Space
Author born in	USA
Author living in	Toronto, Canada
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Whalesong

Miles Cameron

Keynote

The explosive new novel by Miles Cameron, set in the years following the events of *Artifact Space* and *Deep Black*.

Description

Thor Stokel had always dreamed of being master of his own ship, and the *Silver Star* is a dream ship: fast, sleek and powerful. But leaving the safety of his military career in the DHC behind to become an independent merchant fast becomes a nightmare of endless solo flights, paperwork, bad deals and customs disasters.

When he's imprisoned over the latest customs and paperwork mistake, Thor's luck finally starts to change. Incarceration leads to his first crewmate - and then a second. But it also leads to an increase in his paranoia: something doesn't add up about his beautiful new ship, the AI is erratic, and he's increasingly sure that his crewmates are hiding something. And now he thinks the *Silver Star* is being followed . . .

Exhausted, isolated, and still just trying to make ends meet, Thor Storkel is either the most paranoid man in space . . . or he's a vital part of a galaxy-spanning conspiracy, that's going to depend on his being paranoid enough to survive it . . .

. . . And Marca N'baro still needs a whale . . .

Sales Points

- **A superb SF spy novel**, fusing the realities and dangers of space travel with the edge-of-the-seat thriller plotting
- **A brilliant, diverse cast of characters shine** in this well-realised and **award-nominated** SF world
- We have **sold more than 250,000 Miles Cameron novels, including 30,000 copies of *Artifact Sapce***, the first in this series
- A loyal readership which has already embraced both his fantasy and a historical novels
- This is **highly accessible science fiction**, perfect for fans of *Star Trek: Strange New Worlds* and *Ahsoka*

Reviews

- 'Thrilling, terrifying and sublime' - *The Times on Artifact Space*
- 'A superb military science fiction adventure, in a fascinating universe' - *Garth Nix on Arifact Space*
- 'Now I've read *Artifact Space* I know what it's really going to be like serving aboard an armed interstellar merchant ship, with a smart lead character as my companion' - *Peter F. Hamilton*
- 'Fabulous. Fans of *Star Trek the Next Generation* looking for an intriguing modern space opera to fall in love with are in luck!' - *Sebastian de Castell*

Author Biography

Miles Cameron is a full time writer who lives in Canada with his family. He also writes historical fiction under the name Christian Cameron.



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Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Classic fiction: literary and general (FBC) Narrative theme: identity / belonging (FXN) International Women's Day (5HCH)
Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	336 pages
Word Count	
Series	S.F. MASTERWORKS
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The Left Hand of Darkness

A groundbreaking feminist literary masterpiece

Ursula K. Le Guin

Keynote

A brand new edition of Ursula Le Guin's groundbreaking work of science fiction - *The Left Hand of Darkness* tells the story of a lone human emissary to Winter, an alien world whose habitants can change their gender

Description

'Genre cannot contain Ursula Le Guin: she is a genre in herself' Zadie Smith

'Groundbreaking' *Guardian*

'No single work did more to upend the genre's conventions' *Paris Review*

A lone human emissary journeys from Earth to the planet of Winter, an alien world whose inhabitants can choose - and change - their gender.

His goal is to secure Winter's inclusion in a growing intergalactic civilisation, but to do so he must bridge the gulf between his own views and the culture he encounters.

Forced into a perilous partnership with an outcast on a journey across the planet's bitter, whirling snow, he learns how survival, trust and love take shape in a world nothing like his own.

A visionary classic, *The Left Hand of Darkness* reshaped fiction with its radical exploration of gender, human connection and power.

WITH AN INTRODUCTION FROM DAVID MITCHELL

Sales Points

- **ICONIC, TRAILBLAZING AUTHOR:** Ursula Le Guin was a highly influential writer, a pioneer in feminist science fiction who influenced literary greats across genres and generations - including Margaret Atwood, Zadie Smith and David Mitchell
- **STUNNING NEW EDITION:** if you are new to Ursula Le Guin, start with W&N's hand-picked series of her most beloved works. These irresistible reissues offer a cornerstone of literary imagination essential for every shelf
- **A VISIONARY CLASSIC:** one of the most influential works of modern science fiction, this novel reshaped the genre with its daring exploration of gender, power and human connection
- **TIMELY THEMES:** though written in 1969, Le Guin's exploration of gender and national identity feel more timely than ever, offering a thought-provoking lens on fluidity, diplomacy and empathy in an increasingly polarised world

Awards

Winner of the 1970 Nebula Award

Reviews

- 'Poignant . . . Brimming with both honour and madness' - *The Times*
- 'Ursula Le Guin is a chemist of the heart' - David Mitchell
- 'Its legacy is immeasurable' - *Literary Hub*
- 'A jewel of a story' - Frank Herbert

Author Biography

Ursula K. Le Guin (1929-2018) was a celebrated author whose body of work includes 23 novels, 12 volumes of short stories, 11 volumes of poetry, 13 children's books, five essay collections, and four works of translation. The breadth and imagination of her work earned her six Nebula Awards, seven Hugo Awards, and SFWA's Grand Master, along with the PEN/Malamud and many other awards. In 2014 she was awarded the National Book Foundation Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters, and in 2016 joined the short list of authors to be published in their lifetimes by the Library of America.

Market

For fans of: books by Margaret Atwood, Angela Carter or Kazuo Ishiguro; readers of modern classics; fans of literary fiction with a speculative edge; *I Who Have Never Known Men* by Jacqueline Harpman

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The Vanity Fair Diaries The Magazine that Defined a Decade 1983–1992

Tina Brown

Keynote

The irreverent diaries of Tina Brown's eight spectacular years as editor in chief of *Vanity Fair*. From the author of the bestselling *THE PALACE PAPERS*

Description

'Hang on - it's a wild ride' **Meryl Streep**

'Brilliant, concretely realised social history as much as a fabulous odyssey, and I read it in a mad frenzy' **Stephen Fry**

'Indiscreet, brilliantly observed, frequently hilarious' ***Evening Standard***

'As delightful as eating a whole box of chocolates, without a trace of weight gain'

Telegraph

'Heaven' **India Knight, *Sunday Times***

It's 1983. A young Englishwoman arrives in Manhattan on a mission. Summoned in the hope that she can save Condé Nast's troubled new flagship *Vanity Fair*, Tina Brown is plunged into the maelstrom of competitive New York media. She survives the politics and the intrigue by a simple stratagem: succeeding. Here are the inside stories of the scoops and covers that sold millions: the Reagan kiss, the meltdown of Princess Diana's marriage to Prince Charles, the sensational Annie Leibovitz cover of a gloriously pregnant, naked Demi Moore. Written with dash and verve, the diary is also a sharply observed account of New York and London society. In its cinematic pages the drama, comedy and struggle of raising a family and running an 'it' magazine come to life.

Sales Points

- **BELOVED MAGAZINE:** A vivid portrait of the flash and dash of the Eighties in New York and Hollywood, this is the inside story of an iconic magazine that today has a total circulation of 1.25 million
- **INCREDIBLY JUICY:** Features every celebrity worth writing about during the glitzy excess of 1980s New York City - and lays bare every nasty, juicy detail in the most delicious way
- **A LITERARY SENSATION:** received extraordinary reviews across the whole media estate, featured as Radio 4's Book of the Week and sold almost 50k copies across editions on first publication
- **LEGENDARY AUTHOR:** the former editor in chief of *Tatler*, *Vanity Fair*, *The New Yorker*, and the founding editor in chief of *The Daily Beast*, Tina Brown is a legend. Her newly-launched substack is rapidly attracting a huge following

Reviews

- 'As delightful as eating a whole box of chocolates, without a trace of weight gain . . . irresistible' - *DAILY TELEGRAPH*
- 'I read them in one six-hour sprint of pure pleasure and joy . . . indiscreet, brilliantly observed, frequently hilarious' - *EVENING STANDARD*
- 'Heaven' - India Knight, *SUNDAY TIMES*
- 'Addictive . . . features encounters with every influential name under the sun (political, literary and Hollywood stars)' - *i NEWSPAPER*
- 'Such a juicy read' - *GRAZIA*

Author Biography

Tina Brown is an award-winning writer and editor and the founder of the Women in the World summits. Between 1979 and 2001 she was editor successively of *Tatler*, *Vanity Fair* and *The New Yorker*. She is the author of the 2007 bestselling biography of the Princess of Wales, *The Diana Chronicles*. In 2008 Brown founded *The Daily Beast*, and in 2014 launched Tina Brown Live Media to expand Women in the World internationally. She is married to editor, publisher and historian Sir Harold Evans and lives in New York City.

Market

Vanity Fair readers; followers of fashion and popular culture; the market for books by Grace Coddington, Arianna Huffington and Alexandra Shulman.

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Thema 1.6	Published diaries, letters and journals (DND) Autobiography: arts and entertainment (DNBF1) Autobiography: writers (DNBL1) News media and journalism (KNTP2) Memoirs (DNC)
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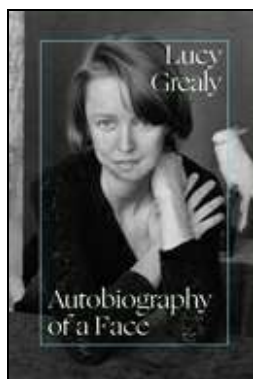
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Autobiography of a Face

Lucy Grealy

Keynote

In this celebrated memoir and exploration of identity, cancer transforms the author's face, childhood - and the rest of her life

Description

'Both book and life are unforgettable' *New York Times*

'Read it twice and then read it again' Ann Patchett

At age nine, Lucy Grealy was diagnosed with cancer.

When she returned to school with a third of her jaw removed, she faced the cruel taunts of classmates. It took her twenty years of living with a distorted self-image and more than thirty years of reconstructive procedures before she could come to terms with her appearance.

In this lyrical and strikingly candid memoir, Grealy tells her story of great suffering and remarkable strength without sentimentality and with considerable wit. She captures what it is like as a child and a young adult to be torn between two warring impulses: to feel that more than anything else we want to be loved for who we are, while wishing desperately and secretly to be perfect.

Sales Points

- **ANN PATCHETT CONNECTION:** Lucy Grealy and Ann Patchett were best friends until Lucy's untimely death. Patchett's book *Truth and Beauty* is entirely about their friendship and takes its title from one of the chapters of *Autobiography of a Face*. Lucy comes up repeatedly in Ann's work
- **IMPORTANT, UNDER-EXPLORED TOPIC:** What it is to live with a body and particularly a face that does not conform to our expectations is an important, under explored topic.
- **HIGH PROFILE ADMIRERS:** *Autobiography of a Face* is praised rapturously and discussed at length in Sinead Gleeson's *Constellations*. Grealy also has champions in writers like Elizabeth McCracken, Elisa Gabbert, Celeste Ng and Lily Dunn

Reviews

- 'Grealy has turned her misfortune into a book that is engaging and engrossing, a story of grace as well as cruelty, and a demonstration of her own wit and style and class' - *Washington Post Book World*
- 'You are not just seeing a writer; you are not trying to see yourself. You are seeing the world in a different way' - Margo Jefferson, author of *Constructing a Nervous System*
- 'An honest, deeply moving book' - Eva Hoffman, author of *Lost in Translation*

Author Biography

Lucy Grealy (1963-2002) was an award-winning poet and a memoirist. In addition to *Autobiography of a Face*, she was the author of the essay collection *As Seen on TV: Provocations*.

Market

FOR FANS OF: Women's memoirs at the intersection of illness, pain, addiction and art, including *Constellations* by Sinead Gleeson, *Constructing a Nervous System* by Margo Jefferson, *Notes to Self* by Emilie Pine and *Breasts* by Jean Hannah Edelstein

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Price **£12.99 / ₹1099**
Main Identifier **9781399613880**
Thema 1.6 **Memoirs (DNC)**

Narrative theme:
health and illness
(FXK)
**Health, illness or
addiction: social
aspects (JBFN)**

Binding **Paperback**
Format **B Format**
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Thema 1.6	Urban fantasy (FMX) Dark fantasy (FMT)

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	464 pages
Word Count	
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Book locale	New Orleans
Author living in	New York, USA

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Witch Queen Rising

Savannah Stephens

Keynote

Introducing *Witch Queen Rising* by Savannah Stephens, a decadent, dark Southern gothic fantasy, perfect for fans of *The Witching Hour* and *The Originals* TV series.

Description

INTRODUCING YOUR NEXT FANTASY OBSESSION . . .

A Witch fated to rise.

A truce about to crumble.

One woman to stand between peace and ruin.

PHINE WAS BORN OF THE BAYOU . . . NOW THE TICK WITCH HAS COME HOME

For New Orleans witchkin, there is no greater honor than to become the Prime - chosen to rule. But the title is meant to pass between two rival Houses of magic, not to the wayward daughter of the former Prime who died under mysterious circumstances.

As a girl, Seraphine Barreau was dubbed the Tick Witch for her ability to feed on magic and make it her own. Even among those who alter fate and manipulate reality, she was a powerful outcast feared and misunderstood by her people. Now dragged back to continue the legacy that nearly destroyed her, Phine has her work cut out for her. She must earn the respect of her people, navigate the politics of the paranormal communities residing in her city, and heal a broken heart, all the while battling a parasitic curse poisoning witchkin. Between her werewolf ex, power-hungry vampires, and the skeletons in her family's closet, Phine must learn to make peace with her past to save her - and all of witchkin's - future.

***Witch Queen Rising* is the lush and haunting fantasy from Savannah Stephens, perfect for fans of Anne Rice and *The Originals* TV series.**

Sales Points

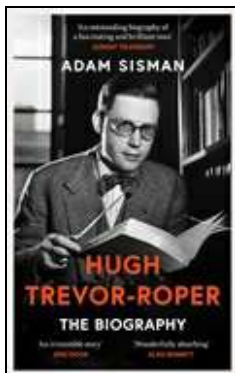
- **CROSS-GENRE APPEAL:** *Witch Queen Rising* is Savannah Stephens's decadent gothic fantasy x horror debut with a diverse cast. Expect dark magic, immaculate witchy vibes, body horror, vampires, wrapped up in a coming of age story, and set against the backdrop of a haunted New Orleans.
- **MODERN TWIST ON CLASSIC VAMPIRE TALES:** Combining the extravagant old-worldly feel of *The Witching Hour* by Anne Rice and the species war, passion, and danger of *The Originals* TV series, *Witch Queen Rising* puts a fresh spin on everyone's favourite paranormal stories.
- **QUEEN OF BOOKTOK:** Rich with tropes BookTok audiences devour *Witch Queen Rising* is poised to be on the cusp of the rising trend of urban fantasy and horror crossover readers are looking for.

Author Biography

Savannah Stephens is a genre-blending fantasy fiction author. She is proud to create the representation she did not have growing up. With an intersectional worldview, she uses social commentary to explore familiar concepts in fantasy spaces. When not writing, Savannah indulges in one of her too many hobbies.

Market

Perfect for fans of horror, Southern Gothic, and fantasy



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Hugh Trevor-Roper The Biography

Adam Sisman

Keynote

The gripping, richly researched and highly entertaining story of the great historian whose career was made and unmade by Hitler - 'An outstanding biography' (SUNDAY TELEGRAPH)

Description

FROM THE AUTHOR OF *THE SECRET LIFE OF JOHN LE CARRÉ*

'A fine and serious biography which, on page after page, has made me laugh out loud' *Sunday Telegraph*

'It is a long time since I have enjoyed a book as much as this one' Robert Harris, *Sunday Times*

'It is impossible to praise Sisman's biography too highly' A.N. Wilson, *Observer*

Clever, witty and cruel, Hugh Trevor-Roper was one of the most gifted scholars of his generation. As a young intelligence officer, he broke one of the German codes while taking a bath during an air raid. After the war, his solo investigation into the death of Hitler made him famous in his early thirties and rich enough to buy a Bentley. Ten years later he was appointed the most senior history professor at Oxford. He married into the aristocracy and was acknowledged as one of the most brilliant intellectuals of his time. But he failed to write the 'big book' expected of him and tainted his reputation when in old age he erroneously authenticated the forged 'Hitler Diaries'. The tragicomedy of his tenure as Master of Peterhouse forms a fitting finale to the story of a full and varied life.

Sales Points

- **SUPERB REVIEWS:** *Hugh Trevor-Roper* has been praised as 'an almost perfect biography' (*Sunday Times*), 'richly rewarding on every level' (*Independent*), 'an irresistible story' (*Spectator*) and 'by miles the best biography I have read this year' (Max Hastings, *Mail on Sunday*)
- **EXCLUSIVE ACCESS:** Sisman was granted exclusive access to the Hugh Trevor-Roper archive to write this book. A treasure-trove of unpublished papers and letters, the archive revealed the extraordinary correspondence between Trevor-Roper and his future wife during their illicit affair
- **IMPORTANT STORY:** Trevor-Roper was a hugely influential figure over the course of twentieth-century history and his story is a must-read for anyone interested in the postwar academic establishment

Reviews

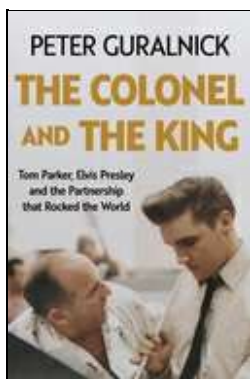
- 'Richly rewarding on every level' - *INDEPENDENT*
- 'It is impossible to praise Sisman's book too highly' - A N Wilson, *OBSERVER*
- 'A crackingly entertaining biography of the waspish historian' - Craig Brown, *MAIL ON SUNDAY*
- 'A fine and serious biography which, on page after page, has made me laugh out loud' - *SUNDAY TELEGRAPH*

Author Biography

Adam Sisman is a writer, editor and biographer. He is the author of the acclaimed biographies of two historians often considered rivals - A.J.P. Taylor and Hugh Trevor-Roper. Among his most recent published works are the authorised biography of John Le Carré (2015), two volumes of letters by Patrick Leigh Fermor (2016 and 2018) and *The Indefatigable Asa Briggs* (2025).

Market

FOR READERS OF: Craig Brown, Andrew Roberts, Andrew Lownie, Anthony Seldon



The Colonel and the King Tom Parker, Elvis Presley and the Partnership that Rocked the World

Peter Guralnick

Keynote

The conclusion of the critically acclaimed music writer's Elvis trilogy, focusing on his relationship with the 'Colonel', his legendary manager

Description

INCLUDED IN TIME'S 100 MUST READ BOOKS OF 2025

'Guralnick knows the intricacies of this story more than anyone, except perhaps the Colonel and Presley themselves'
GUARDIAN

The concluding volume of Peter Guralnick's critically acclaimed Elvis Presley biographies

In early 1955, Colonel Tom Parker discovered a teenage Elvis Presley and declared him destined for greatness. What followed was one of the most extraordinary partnerships in music history and the creation of a bond built on loyalty, ambition and an unshakeable belief in each other.

From the meteoric rise that reshaped popular culture to the struggles that shadowed their final years, this concluding volume of Peter Guralnick's acclaimed trilogy reveals the full complexity of their relationship.

Drawing on previously unpublished letters and telegrams from Parker's own archives, it offers an intimate, unflinching portrait of two American originals: the visionary manager who invented the modern superstar and the artist who became one. Brilliant, flawed and inseparable, Elvis and the Colonel changed the music world forever.

'Guralnick's view of Parker is both clear-eyed and sympathetic, but best of all, it's persuasive'
TIME

'A riveting and revelatory read'
SUNDAY INDEPENDENT

Sales Points

- **LEGENDARY MUSIC AUTHOR:** Peter Guralnick is one of the twentieth century's most iconic music writers
- **PERENNIAL APPEAL:** Elvis gets c.37 million streams per month on Spotify and has been the subject of recent movies directed by Baz Luhrmann and Sofia Coppola. The first two books in Guralnick's trilogy have sold around 30,000 copies each. There is a clear book-buying audience for this latest offering from Guralnick on this iconic figure
- **DRAWS ON A WEALTH OF UNPUBLISHED MATERIAL:** The book contains a trove of original, largely unpublished material, and the storytelling is rich, layered, powerful and gripping, and makes for an extremely exciting read.
- **UNIFIED COLLECTION:** The re-issuing of *Careless Love* and *Last Train to Memphis* at White Rabbit will coincide with the paperback release of Guralnick's latest Elvis biography, *The Colonel and The King*

Reviews

- 'Guralnick knows the intricacies of this story more than anyone, except perhaps the Colonel and Presley themselves . . . offers the most rounded, complex and myth-dispelling understanding of him we are ever likely to get' - Eamonn Forde, *GUARDIAN*
- 'A surprisingly human portrait of the man behind the brash showman's façade . . . Guralnick has delivered a beautifully written and broadly sympathetic portrait of a complex, secretive individual whose loyalty to his sole charge was absolute' - *MOJO*
- 'Guralnick's book, written with full access to Parker's unpublished, witty, clever letters, gives a more nuanced, sympathetic picture. The author is no biased sensationalist' - Harry Mount, *SPECTATOR*
- 'A riveting and revelatory read' - *SUNDAY INDEPENDENT*

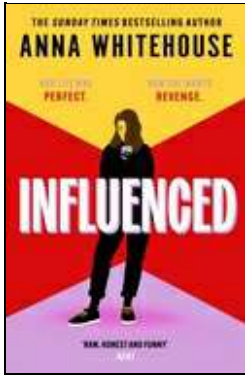
Author Biography

Peter Guralnick is a journalist and author who has written extensively on American music and musicians. His other books include the prize-winning two-volume Elvis Presley biography, *Last Train to Memphis* and *Careless Love*; the acclaimed trilogy on American roots music, *Sweet Soul Music*, *Lost Highway* and *Feel Like Going Home*; the biographical inquiry *Searching for Robert Johnson*; *Looking to Get Lost: Adventures in Music & Writing*, and the novel *Nighthawk Blues*.

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Previous Titles

Last Train to Memphis
Careless Love



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Extent	336 pages
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Underbelly (2021)

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Influenced

The explosive and conversation-starting book club read from the bestselling author!

Anna Whitehouse

Keynote

The electrifying and unputdownable new novel from *Sunday Times* bestselling author Anna Whitehouse, also known as Mother Pukka.

Description

'Darkly voyeuristic but with heart - as funny as it is painful and true. We loved it' **GRAZIA** on *Underbelly*

'So sharp, so tender... truly excellent storytelling' **DAISY BUCHANAN** on *Underbelly*

INFLUENCED [v.]

To affect or change how someone or something develops, behaves, or thinks.

Alexandra is falling apart. She's just lost her job, her husband barely acknowledges her existence and her daughter hates her. The only place she truly feels seen, is online.

She loves nothing more than the rush of emotion when she sees a blinking notification, a heart on one of her posts. Here, in this filtered reality, this community of women means she doesn't feel quite so alone, after all.

Until, one day, everything changes. And she'll do everything in her power to put it right...

Readers can't wait for *INFLUENCED*...

'Blown away by the first novel and hoping and praying for much more where this came from! Relatable, well-written, harrowing and gripping reading'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Incredible, absolute must read, I can't wait for what comes next!'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Absolute killer first novel... more please!'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

'Unputdownable, funny and serious, I can't wait for the next book'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- **BOLD & EXPLOSIVE** : *Influenced* is a darkly funny, addictive commercial women's fiction novel with a psychological edge. Unflinchingly honest and refreshingly nuanced, it has motherhood and female friendship at its core, against a dark backdrop of cancel culture and social division.
- **EXCEPTIONAL PLATFORM**: Anna Whitehouse (a.k.a. Mother Pukka) is a journalist and the co-author of *Sunday Times* bestsellers *Underbelly*, *Parenting the Shit Out of Life* and *Where's My Happy Ending?* She founded the Flex Appeal campaign, which helped for the Flexible Working Bill, recently addressed in parliament. She has 418K followers on Instagram, a weekly show on Heart Radio, and co-presents the podcast Dirty Mother Pukka.
- **INSTAGRAM VS REALITY**: Beneath the polish of filtered posts peppered with pugs, peonies and activism lurks a dark underbelly of resentment and trolls. At a time when ordinary people can find themselves catapulted to insta-fame overnight, this is a story of two good people distorted by society and misrepresented by social media.
- **MID-LIFE INVISIBILITY**: In *Influenced*, Anna Whitehouse explores the unique invisibility felt by many women in mid-life. Overlooked in their careers after time out to raise children, ignored by their husbands, and struggling with a new identity forced upon them.

Author Biography

Anna Whitehouse is the trailblazing *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *Parenting the Sh*t*



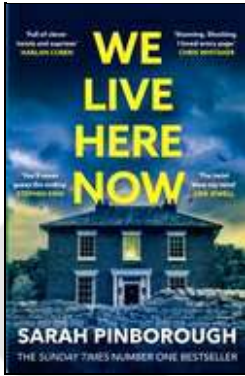
out of Life, Where's My Happy Ending?, and *Underbelly*, mother and campaigner behind the Flex Appeal movement (flexible working for all), the premise of which helped form the powerhouse Flex For All Campaign recently addressed in parliament. *Influenced* is her second novel.

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We Live Here Now

The sensational new thriller from the number one bestselling author of **BEHIND HER EYES!**

Sarah Pinborough

Keynote

The brand-new pulse-pounding, mind-blowing thriller from *New York Times* and *Sunday Times* bestseller Sarah Pinborough

Description

<h3>THE INSTANT USA TODAY BESTSELLER!</h3>

'Full of clever twists and surprises' **HARLAN COBEN**

'The summer read everyone is talking about' **WOMAN & HOME**

'Stunning, shocking, terrifying' **CHRIS WHITAKER**

'Atmospheric, immersive, surprising, a master class in twists' **NEW YORK TIMES**

'Sarah Pinborough is at the absolute top of her game' **LISA JEWELL**

'You'll be hooked on this thriller with a twist you could never predict' **THE SUN**

'I'm saying nothing more except you NEED to experience *We Live Here Now*' **JANICE HALLETT**

'A genuinely creepy haunted house novel' **LIZ NUGENT**

'This gothic chiller has its own secret that will have you gasping' **HEAT**

If their new home doesn't break them, their secrets will...

When Emily wakes from a coma following an accident that nearly kills her, she finds herself agreeing to move from London to the wild moors of Devon with her husband Freddie. A fresh start is exactly what their marriage needs.

As their car pulls up to Larkin Lodge, their dream country home, Emily's heart sinks. Outside, everything is covered in an icy gray mist. Inside, the air is filled with dust and abandonment.

And then she finds the empty suite on the second floor. A room so bleak, so cold, so void of anything good. Something bad happened in here. Someone dies in here. Why can't Freddie feel the darkness that stirs within its walls?

There's something wrong with the house, this strange house, where the floorboards creak at night, the doors rattle, the windows slam shut, the taps turn on and off - and on and off.

But if the house is hiding something, so are Emily and Freddie...

Your favourite authors can't get enough of *We Live Here Now*:

'A chilling, darkly atmospheric thrill ride' **CRESSIDA MCLAUGHLIN**

'This is Sarah Pinborough at her mind-bending best' **RUTH WARE**

'Eerie, clever, and darkly funny' **NICCI CLOKE**

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'Brilliantly chilling' **JOHN MARRS**

'You can imagine Edgar Allen Poe himself applauding' **ALEX NORTH**

'Original, spooky, and full of twists' **NIKKI MACKAY**

'Tantalising and laced with menace, this is magnificent thriller writing from an expert' **DAILY MAIL**

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Sales Points

- **STRONG SALES TRACK:** Sarah Pinborough has sold £2 million worth of books through the TCM, and is a UK No.1 bestseller and NYT bestseller
- **HER BEST BOOK YET:** this twisted marriage thriller is firmly back in the conversation-starting territory of *BEHIND HER EYES*, an addictive pageturner with multiple twists and WTF moments
- **TV HOT PROPERTY:** *INSOMNIA*, *BEHIND HER EYES* and *13 MINUTES* have been adapted/in process of being adapted for TV and film series
- **MAJOR US LAUNCH:** a priority launch title for Flatiron, their first print run will include stenciled edges and a major marketing campaign

Reviews

- 'Eerie, clever and darkly funny, *We Live Here Now* puts an entirely fresh spin on the haunted house novel. The twists are genius, the ending so satisfying - I loved it. Sarah Pinborough's best book yet.' - *Nicci Cloke*
- "Genre-bending and cunning, *We Live Here Now* is a riveting modern Gothic, full of the clever twists and surprises that have become Sarah Pinborough's trademark. I'm a big fan" - *Harlan Coben*
- "This book shows Sarah Pinborough at the absolute top of her game, I read the whole thing in a one day frenzy, and the twist blew my mind" - *Lisa Jewell*
- "Stunning. Shocking. Terrifying. You know it's coming, but you'll never guess what it is. *We Live Here Now* is a twisting, funny and frightening journey from calm to storm, from a dream right into a nightmare. I loved every page. No one tells stories like Sarah Pinborough" - *Chris Whitaker*

Author Biography

Sarah Pinborough is an award-winning and *New York Times*, *Sunday Times*, and internationally bestselling author and screenwriter who is published in over 30 territories worldwide. Having published more than 25 novels across various genres, her recent books include *Behind Her Eyes*, now a smash-hit Netflix limited series; *Dead to Her*, in development with Topic Studios; *The Death House*, which she's adapting herself for Compelling Pictures; and her most recent book *Insomnia*, which she's adapted for Left Bank Pictures, currently filming and coming to Paramount+ in 2024, starring Vicky McClure.

Market

Readers who enjoyed *THE SILENT PATIENT*, *GIRL A*, *BEFORE I GO TO SLEEP*, *THE HUNTING PARTY* and Netflix smash *BEHIND HER EYES*

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REVIEWS

'An evocative debut . . . Foley crafts a colorful portrait of a headstrong artist' - Publishers Weekly

'In a novel inspired by the life of the artist Agnes Martin, Foley invents a fictional scenario while capturing Martin's emotional essence ... A rich portrayal' - Kirkus reviews

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I Am Agatha

NANCY FOLEY

KEYNOTE

A darkly funny debut about late-in-life queer relationships and smalltown shenanigans for readers of Sigrid Nunez and Jen Beagin

SALES POINTS

- Will appeal to fans of Elizabeth Strout, Jen Beagin's Big Swiss (TCM 40K), Sigrid Nunez's The Friend (TCM 11K), Miriam Toews' All My Puny Sorrows (TCM 17K), and of the quirky Americana of the Coen Brothers' comedies
- Significant international campaign from Serpent's Tail and Avid Reader Press, the US publishers of Greta & Valdin and The Ministry of Time
- Witty fiction loosely inspired by the life of artist Agnes Martin, a contemporary of Georgia O'Keefe's who has recently come to wider attention, including in the writing of Olivia Laing

DESCRIPTION

'Surprising and spellbinding' Angie Kim, author of Happiness Falls

Agatha and Alice are in love. Agatha, a celebrated painter and even more famous recluse, finally wants to settle down. But Alice has dementia, and a lingering fixation on her late daughter, who's buried in her backyard.

In an ideal world, Agatha would move Alice - and her daughter's remains, if necessary - into her isolated house in the mesa high above their New Mexico town. But Alice's son wants her safely shut up in an assisted living facility and her property deeds in his pocket. As unlikely allies come to her aid and secrets are unearthed that should have stayed below ground, Agatha engages in a ferocious battle of wills with the townsfolk who stand between her and happily ever after.

Freewheeling, hilarious, moving and entertaining, I Am Agatha combines the sideways humour of Big Swiss with the heart and strong female characters of Olive Kitteridge.

AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Nancy Foley is a scriptwriter and novelist. Born and raised in New Mexico, she now divides her time between Santa Fe and Hood River, Oregon. I Am Agatha is her first novel.

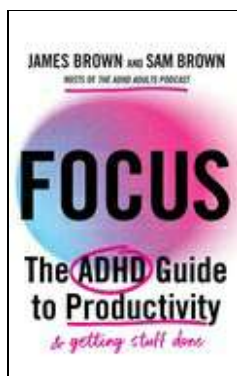
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Focus The ADHD guide to productivity

Prof. James Brown and Sam Brown

Keynote

THE productivity guide for ADHDers, packed with life-changing tips and tricks for harnessing focus, managing stress and turbo-charging productivity.

Description

If you've ever stared at a to-do list, waiting for divine inspiration to strike, and then randomly found yourself cleaning the fridge instead, welcome. You're in the right place.

ADHD experts and co-hosts of the popular *ADHD Adults* podcast, Professor James Brown and Sam Brown will show you how to disarm procrastination and overcome decision paralysis by **using your ADHD brain to your advantage: harnessing hyperfocus, activating your reward system and turbo-charging productivity.**

Sam and James were both diagnosed with ADHD as adults - and have experienced first-hand the disappointment and sense of failure when neurotypical solutions to ADHD challenges inevitably fail. **This is a productivity book with a difference**, tailored to your ADHD brain. With the right tools and a framework that plays to your strengths, **you can achieve anything.**

This book will show you how to identify underlying **motivations, redirect your dopamine-hungry reward system and break through the roadblocks**; allowing you to **tackle your to-dos head on**, progress towards your longer-term goals and ultimately **achieve your full potential.**

With an **easy-to-navigate** contents list, **short chapters**, and **practical solutions that work with your ADHD brain**, not against it; this book will give you strategies that might just change your life...

Topics included:

- Why we procrastinate
- How to identify roadblocks
- Internal motivation vs external demands
- Working memory hacks
- Effective reward systems
- Dealing with overwhelm
- Recognising and preventing burnout
- Differences in the experiences of ADHD men and women
- Understanding how ADHD interacts with autism and other neurodevelopmental conditions

Sales Points

- **EXPERT AUTHORS WITH ADHD** - Professor James Brown is a leading voice in adult ADHD in the UK, having been diagnosed with ADHD in adulthood himself. James and his wife Sam are the co-founders of ADHDadultUK, a registered charity supporting adults with ADHD, and two of the creators of The ADHD Adults Podcast.
- **POPULAR PODCAST** - James and Sam are co-hosts of the ADHD Adults Podcast which regularly features in the top mental health podcast charts and has a global audience. They've had 6 million downloads, over 40k followers on Spotify, and listeners in over 190 countries (54% UK, 16% Australia, 9% USA).
- **FORMATTED FOR NEURODIVERGENT READERS** - Easy-to-navigate contents list, short chapters, and clear practical exercises to ensure content is presented clearly for target readers.
- **ANSWERS A NEED** - productivity is the topic which James most frequently gets asked to speak about as an ADHD expert. This is like Deep Work by Cal Newport, but tailored for the ADHD brain - packed with strategies to remove distractions and focus on what matters.
- **FEMALE PERSPECTIVE** - Sam will be writing about the unique ways ADHD presents in women and how they intersect with challenges to productivity.

Author Biography

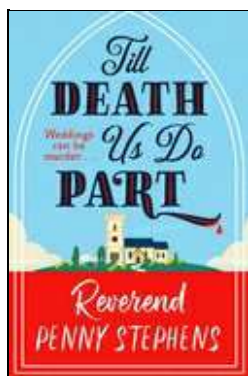
Professor James Brown is a science communicator, author, co-founder and co-host of The ADHD Adults podcast and co-founder and Chair of the adult ADHD charity ADHDadultUK. James spent more than two decades in academia and is a Visiting Professor of Science Communication at Aston University in Birmingham, UK. He has published numerous scientific articles and reviews in these fields and won awards for his research. James is also the co-author of *ADHD Unpacked* (Bloomsbury Tonic, 2025).



Sam Brown is a Director and Secretary of JBHD Ltd as well as an Executive Personal Assistant with expertise in ADHD-informed PA support, and an ADHD Coach. Sam also co-founded and runs the ADHDadultUK charity and is a co-host of The ADHD Adults Podcast. Her involvement in these initiatives reflects her personal experience with ADHD and her commitment to raising awareness and providing support for adults living with the condition.

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Till Death Us Do Part a charming and delightfully cosy mystery that will keep you hooked!

Penny Stephens

Keynote

The charming and delightfully cosy debut crime novel from Reverend Penny Stephens. Perfect for fans of Rev. Richard Coles and Tom Hindle.

Description

'A new star in the crime-writing firmament' *Elly Griffiths*

The charming and delightfully cosy debut crime novel from Reverend Penny Stephens.

Weddings can be murder . . .

Reverend Clare Brakespear is used to a challenge. With a young family to wrangle, a parish to manage and a particularly excitable Golden Retriever by her side, life is never dull.

But when she attends a wedding where one of the guests is fatally stabbed with a cake knife, even Clare admits that she might have been given too much to handle this time.

As the police investigate the murder, they zero-in on one woman as their prime suspect, who they believe had the motive, means and opportunity to commit the crime. The trouble is, Clare is convinced that they have the wrong person. She might not understand forensic testing and finger-tip searches, but if there's one thing Clare does know, it's people and the complexities of their emotional lives. So she decides to take matters into her own hands.

However, investigating a murder is no mean feat and Clare soon finds herself embroiled in a complex web of family secrets and deceptions. Is she in way over her head or can she find the real killer before an innocent woman is sent down?

Sales Points

- A cosy mystery starring a vicar sleuth and her golden retriever. Perfect for fans of Rev. Richard Coles, Tom Hindle and S J Bennett.
- Like her main character, the author is a vicar.
- This is a debut crime novel and the first in a new series.

Reviews

- 'A new star in the crime-writing firmament' - *Elly Griffiths*
- 'Take a pew for murder most reverend! . . . **deliciously twisty . . . a cosy crime treat** ideal for summer and perfect for fans of Reverend Richard Coles and *The Vicar of Dibley*' - *Janice Hallett*
- '**What a cracking read!** . . . I loved the way Penny Stephens wove murder and mayhem amongst all the marital fanfare . . . **the Rev. Clare is great!**' - *J. M. Hall*
- '**Brilliantly fun and well plotted**, with some wonderful characters . . . **I was totally captivated!**' - *Laura Marshall*

Author Biography

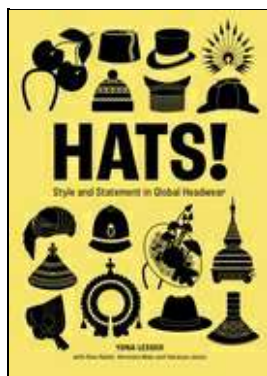
Rev. Penny Stephens was a vicar in a village parish before working as a hospice chaplain in East London and Kent. She now takes services in the Diocese of Rochester, where she is an Honorary Canon of the Cathedral. *Till Death Us Do Part* is Penny's debut novel.

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Hats! Style and Statement in Global Headwear

Yona Lesger

Keynote

From pulpits to protest lines, catwalks to coronations - a head-turning look at how hats express who we are, what we believe, and where we've been.

Description

Hats! is an exploration of headwear from around the world. Divided into four parts reflecting the key reasons why we make and wear hats - Practical, Symbolic, Aesthetic and Transformative - the book covers a broad range of iconic headgear from firemen's helmets to beautiful traditional lace Mantillas from Spain, to bionic visors worn by celebrities.

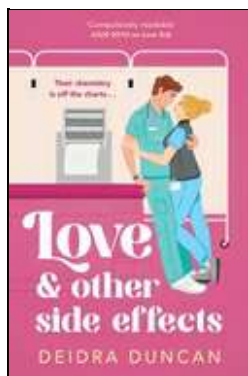
Drawing on various collections and in particular the archives of the Culture Trust, which boasts 'the most complete collection of hats and headwear in the world, as well as contributions from today's most inspiring milliners, this compendium is a fantastic resource for accessory designers, as well as a perfect gift for hat lovers.

Sales Points

- An international tour of headwear from the worlds of work, cultural ceremony, fashion and performing arts, including examples from all continents
- Fully illustrated with exclusive imagery from The Cultural Trust, home to the largest headwear collection in the world
- Co-authored by a panel of experts, with a foreword by the celebrated milliner Stephen Jones

Author Biography

Yona Lesger is a curator and has worked at the Culture Trust, where she curated the Hats Made Me Exhibition!, as well as the Victoria & Albert Museum, where she began her career in the fashion and performance departments. She holds an undergraduate degree in Performance Costume from the Edinburgh College of Art and a postgraduate degree in fashion history from the Courtauld Institute of Art.



Love and Other Side Effects

Deidra Duncan

Keynote

An emotional friends-to-lovers medical romance, perfect for fans of Ali Hazelwood and Abby Jimenez

Description

Two best friends start a collision course toward something more in this emotional romance for fans of Ali Hazelwood, Abby Jimenez and *Gray's Anatomy*.

Publication date	Tuesday, April 14, 2026
Price	£10.99 / ₹899
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Thema 1.6	Romance: medical (FRQ) Modern and Contemporary romance (FRD) Contemporary lifestyle fiction (FQ) Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA)

Friendship like this should come with a warning label . . .

Asher Foley is an imposter - at least, that's how it feels. The letters 'MD' after his name should mean he's confident, respected, put-together. Instead, he still feels like the class clown pretending to be a grown-up doctor.

Jocelyn Maddox is a paradox - warm, fearless, but utterly closed off. She's lost too much already - family, love, home - and she's not about to gamble her heart again. As an anaesthesiologist, she'll fix everyone else's pain and refuses to feel her own. It makes Asher, her flirty best friend-slash-work husband, perfectly safe. Right?

When a surgical complication forces Asher to drop the mask and show her the man underneath, Jocelyn sees more than the jokes and easy smiles. She sees him. And suddenly, the walls she's built to survive begin to crack - one look, one laugh, one heartbeat at a time.

Binding	Paperback
Format	B Format
Extent	400 pages
Word Count	
Illustrations	N/A
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Not for Sale	Can; USA
In-House Editor	Anne Perry

Perfect for fans of: Workplace Besties to Lovers Close Proximity Medical drama from a real doctor Netflix's Pulse meets Scrubs

Sales Points

- A stemist romance featuring popular tropes, including friends-to-lovers, grumpy x sunshine and workplace romance.
- Deidra is a practicing OB/GYN, so is inspired by her own personal experiences as a doctor.
- *Love & Other Side Effects* is the follow-up to *Love Sick*, so will delight Grace and Julian fans, but also works as the perfect standalone romance.
- The film and TV rights to *Love Sick* have sold at auction to Sony/Tristar.

Previous Titles

Love Sick

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

Reviews

- 'Deidra Duncan is a **specialist in rom-com** and prescribes us a cinnamon roll hero who pines deliciously, and a jaded woman who falls harder and deeper than she ever dreamed. **Read this one stat!**' - *Noreen Nanja, author of The Summers Between Us*
- 'Amid a realistic portrayal of the highs and lows of medical resident life, enemies-to-lovers tension and nonstop banter fill this resonant and romantic debut. **Heartfelt and smart**, *Love Sick* is just what the doctor ordered' - *Emily Wibberley and Austin Siegemund-Broka, authors of The Breakup Tour, on Love Sick*
- '**Bursting with laughter, the joy of found family, and spicy will-they-or-won't-they tension**, Duncan's debut about the struggles of OB/GYN residency is **the perfect book for Grey's Anatomy fans** who wish they could start the Meredith-and-McDreamy journey all over again. Readers who love workplace romance, enemies-to-lovers banter, and STEMist heroines will have a ball' - *Ashley Winstead, author of The Boyfriend Candidate*
- '**Compulsively readable**, *Love Sick* is equal parts **sexy and angsty**. Deidra Duncan nailed all my favorite aspects from medical dramas' - *Julie Soto, author of Rose in Chains, on Love Sick*

Author Biography

Deidra Duncan is a board-certified OB/GYN and lover of all things angsty and romantic. Based in Florida, she spends her days either delivering babies or lounging in the sun with her kids and husband. *Love Sick* is her debut novel showcasing the day-to-day hilarity (and harsh reality) that ensues when training to work with female anatomy. deidaduncan.com

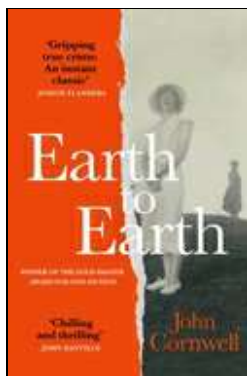
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Earth to Earth Lives and Violent Deaths of a Devon Farming Family: A True Crime Classic Revisited

John Cornwell

Keynote

This new edition of a true crime classic includes a postscript in which the author describes the extraordinary lengths that the great poet Ted Hughes, a neighbour of the Luxtons, went to try and suppress publication of the book.

Description

A STRONG WORDS BOOK OF THE YEAR 2025
'CHILLING AND THRILLING' JOHN BANVILLE
'IRRESISTIBLE STORYTELLING' THE TIMES

On Tuesday morning, 23rd September 1975, the corpses of three unmarried siblings, last surviving members of the ancient Luxton clan of Winkleigh, North Devon, were found on their remote farm. All three had had their heads blown off. Robbie's cheeks and neck had been stabbed; Frances had a broken leg. Strangely, each of the four doors to the house had been locked from the inside.

The Luxtons' idyllic farm on a stretch of lush countryside between Exmoor and Dartmoor had been lovingly tended with outdated methods. There were rumours of a thwarted betrothal, wrangles over money and property, generational feuds in the extended family, bouts of insanity and extreme miserliness.

John Cornwell's classic investigation into the violent deaths of these unhappy siblings told a story of a farming family struggling under unbearable practical and emotional pressures, their violent deaths, the police investigation and the proceedings of the inquest. The official verdict was that there had been a suicide pact, but Cornwell decided to revisit the evidence forty years after *Earth to Earth* was first published, and he finds that there were anomalies in the evidence suggesting alternative, criminal scenarios, and the misery that preceded these savage deaths suggested even darker elements.

Were the Luxtons scapegoats of local malice, or victims of a murderous family conflict, stricken by a dire ancestral curse?

This new edition of a true crime classic includes a postscript in which the author describes the extraordinary lengths that the great poet Ted Hughes, a neighbour of the Luxtons, went to try and suppress publication of the book.

Sales Points

- For readers of *In Cold Blood*, for fans of true crime series and podcasts, for those with an interest in Ted Hughes.

Reviews

- '**Cornwell approaches it with the tenacity of an investigative journalist, the sympathy of a social worker drawing up case notes and the descriptive capacity of a novelist. What differentiates his book from the mass of true life crime stories is its insistence on making vivid for us not only the loud horror of the Luxtons' deaths, but the 40 years of claustrophobic rage, bred in silence, that preceded them**' - *New York Times*
- '**Exceptional true crime in the tradition of Truman Capote's *In Cold Blood*, a forensic examination of three mysterious killings but also an utterly absorbing portrait of a family, a region and a way of life. The new coda about Ted Hughes and the publication of the original book, fascinating in itself, adds a new, unsettling dimension to the whole story. A rich, compelling and powerful book.**' - Simon Mason
- '**John Cornwell marries the cool-headed forensic skills of the investigative journalist with the warmth and humanity of a true storyteller. The result is an utterly absorbing account of this great tragedy, revealing the many smaller, day-to-day tragedies which set a country family on the path to such a savage end.**' - Ed Stourton
- '**On first reading, a gripping true crime unravels before the reader; at a deeper level, it is a profound meditation on truth, reality, and what can, ultimately, be known. An instant classic.**' - Judith Flanders

Author Biography

John Cornwell is an award-winning journalist and author. *Hitler's Pope* was an international bestseller, and he won the non-fiction Gold Dagger Award for *Earth to Earth*, the story of a West Country family tragedy. His story of the Louisville Prozac trial, *Power To Harm*, received international acclaim, and his recent history, *Hitler's Scientists*:

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9781529441963 *Earth to Earth*

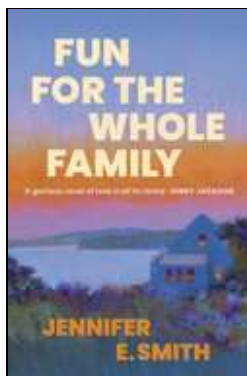
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Science, War and the Devil's Pact, won the Science and Medical Network book of the year prize for 2005. Cornwell is a Fellow Commoner of Jesus College, Cambridge, and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature.

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Fun for the Whole Family the heartwarming and heartbreaking story of family, love and loss

Jennifer E. Smith

Keynote

A breathtaking, joy-filled novel about the people we love, the secrets we keep, and the enduring power of family.

Description

'A glorious novel of love in all its forms - familial, romantic, lost, and found. Jennifer E. Smith is a ray of literary sunshine' *Jenny Jackson*

The four Endicott siblings - Gemma, Connor, Roddy, and Jude - were once inseparable. Decades later, the unthinkable has happened: they haven't spoken in years . . . until an out-of-the-blue text arrives from Jude, now a famous actress, summoning them to a small town in North Dakota.

They're each at a crossroads: Gemma, who put her own ambitions aside to raise the others, now isn't sure if she wants to be a mother herself. Connor, a celebrated novelist, is floundering after his recent divorce and suffering from an epic case of writer's block; and Roddy, at the tail end of a professional soccer career, is dangerously close to losing his future husband for the chance at one last season.

Will they be able to resolve their differences in just one weekend? And why has their sister brought them to North Dakota in the first place?

READERS LOVE JENNIFER E. SMITH'S NOVELS

'Loved it! ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
'I could not put it down' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
'Moving and beautiful' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Reviews

- *'Fun for the Whole Family is a glorious novel of love in all its forms - familial, romantic, lost, and found. Jennifer E. Smith is a ray of literary sunshine' - Jenny Jackson, bestselling author of Pineapple Street*
- **'PRAISE FOR JENNIFER E. SMITH: 'Charming, funny, diverting and a cracking good story' - *Sunday Independent***
- **'Warm, funny and bursting with heart' - Rebecca E. Serle on THE UNSINKABLE GRETA JAMES**
- **'Fun for the Whole Family is a captivating and joyful novel about siblings and family and the ties that bind us together. This is Jennifer E. Smith at her absolute best' - Laura Dave, New York Times bestselling author of The Last Thing He Told Me**

Author Biography

Jennifer E. Smith is the author of nine novels for young adults, including *Windfall* and *The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight*. Her first adult novel, *The Unsinkable Greta James*, published in 2022. She earned a master's degree in creative writing from the University of St. Andrews in Scotland, and her work has been translated into thirty-three languages. She lives in Los Angeles.

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Author living in	California, USA

Previous Titles

ADULT NOVELS
The Unsinkable Greta James

YA NOVELS
The Geography of You and Me
Hello, Goodbye and Everything in Between
The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight

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The Search for Othella Savage

Foday Mannah

Keynote

Winner of the 2022 Mo Siewcharran Prize - A young woman's disappearance sparks an amateur investigation that spans continents and explores the darkest aspects of organised religion

Description

"A compelling and authentic mystery that explores faith, identity, corruption, and friendship with a deft touch. Foday's writing is vivid, thoughtful, and full of heart" Amen Alonge

When one of their own is found unconscious in the boot of her car, Scotland's Sierra Leonean community is cast into a state of shock. And the young woman's death a few days later sparks a murder investigation.

Though Hawa Barrie lives on the fringes of that community, which revolves around the Lion Mountain Church, the disappearance of a second woman - her childhood friend Othella Savage - draws her in.

But as the police investigation drags on, Hawa grows increasingly suspicious of the charismatic Pastor Ronald Ranka - and increasingly fearful for her friend, Othella. Desperate, she launches her own search, which will take her from Scotland to Sierra Leone and back again, revealing the true nature of Ranka's church whilst exposing dark secrets within the fabric of both countries she calls home.

A darkly compelling read inspired by a real incident, *The Search for Othella Savage* is an engaging and compulsive debut which examines the insidious nature of corruption - both religious and political - whilst also exploring the enduring power of friendship.

Sales Points

- Winner of the 2022 Mo Siewcharran Prize
- Set between Edinburgh and Sierra Leone. Provides insights into Scotland and the UK from fresh eyes alongside an insider's look at Sierra Leone's capital city.
- Mannah makes liberal use of Sierra Leone creole and aphorisms, giving his dialogue rich flavour and texture
- A reading group novel with a missing persons/serial killer angle, perfect for readers of *My Sister the Serial Killer* and *The Lagos Wife*

Reviews

- 'A compelling and authentic mystery that explores faith, identity, corruption, and friendship with a deft touch. Foday's writing is vivid, thoughtful, and full of heart' - Amen Alonge

Author Biography

Born in London, Foday Mannah spent his formative years in Sierra Leone before returning to the United Kingdom. He currently lives in Scotland where he works as a teacher of English. His short story, *Amie Samba*, was shortlisted for the 2019 Bristol Short Story Prize, he has also had stories longlisted, shortlisted or highly commended for the Bridport, Sean O'Faolain, Mo Siewcharran, Brick Lane, Commonwealth, Morley, Bloody Scotland and Queen Mary Wasafiri writing competitions. His novel *The Search for Othella Savage* won the 2022 Mo Siewcharran Prize.

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Thema 1.6	Modern and contemporary fiction: literary and general (FBA) Scotland (1DDU-GB-S) Sierra Leone (1HFDE)
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Author born in	London
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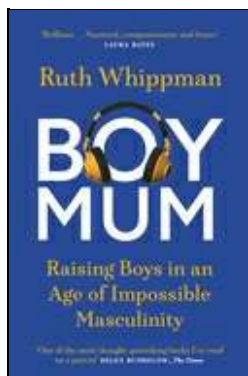
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BoyMum Raising Boys in an Age of Impossible Masculinity

Ruth Whippman

Keynote

How do we raise our sons to be compassionate, responsible men in a world where toxic masculinity is still the norm? And why are young men today more troubled, less confident and more radicalized than ever before?

Description

'BoyMum is one of the most thought-provoking books I've read as a parent'
The Times

BoyMum is about boys and young men - how we are raising them, and what it means to be a man-in-the-making in an era when #MeToo has challenged our tolerance for toxic masculinity, yet the pressure on young men to be 'masculine' has never been more intense.

It is also a mother's perspective. Ruth Whippman is the proud/overwhelmed, feminist mother of three boys and her family life can be a daily confrontation with the triumph of nature over nurture. All too aware that her parenting today will shape the men her sons become tomorrow, she explores the expectations placed on boys - must boys be boys?; the messages we send girls but not boys (but they really need to hear too); boys in the classroom and boys online; incels; entitlement, sexual harassment and "cancel culture" and what radicalizes young men.

Blending memoir with cultural analysis, and approaching her subject with wit, honesty and open-mindedness, this is a sympathetic investigation into where we are going wrong with raising boys, and how trying to change those patterns must be one of society's most urgent cultural projects.

Praise for Ruth Whippman and *The Pursuit of Happiness*

- "A whip-sharp British Bill Bryson" *The Sunday Times*

- "Ruth Whippman is whip-smart, her writing nothing short of genius" *Huffington Post*

- *The Pursuit of Happiness* was a *New York Post* Best Book of 2016, a *New York Times* Editors' Choice and Paperback Row pick, one of *Newsweek's* 'Nine Books to Change the Way You Think in 2016', a *Sunday Times* top summer read and a *Daily Mail* 'Must Read'.

- Ruth Whippman manages the trick of being funny about what is, deep down, a serious problem: the American quest for happiness isn't working" Oliver Burkeman, author of *Four Thousand Weeks*

- "I LOVED this book. I found it SO WELL WRITTEN, so witty and funny and reading it I was often envious of Ruth Whippman's facility with language. It was a hugely engaging read, accessible and so relevant... I've been quite evangelical about it." Marian Keyes, best-selling author of *Grown Ups*

Sales Points

- Boys are struggling: official statistics for England, Scotland, and Wales show that in 2020, 264 people aged 10-19 died by suicide - 72% of these were boys. In school, boys lag behind girls educationally at all levels, and across all ethnicities. They are ten times as likely to develop anti-social behaviour in adolescence, twice as likely to be the victim of violent crime and 35% less likely to go to university.
- Alpha masculinity' is gaining traction with directionless adolescent boys. 79% of UK 16-17-year-olds have consumed content from Youtubers such as Andrew Tate.
- The most widely sold "raising boys" books tend to be written by men. This book comes from a mum's perspective, and is realistic, sympathetic and above all, honest. Throughout the book in both her reporting and her own story Ruth grapples with the question of how to raise good sons, and how we can arrive at a feminism that can both hold boys accountable and allow them to flourish, while challenging some of the more simplistic narratives of the culture wars.
- Ruth Whippman is a regular contributor to radio shows, television and podcasts, she has appeared on NPR's Brian Lehrer Show, To the Point, CBS news and Morning Edition and Lauren Laverne's Late Night Women's Hour on Radio 4.
- Ruth writes a Substack newsletter, *I Blame Society*, where she writes about culture, feminism, gender, motherhood, boys, anxiety, fear and self-loathing.
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Author Biography

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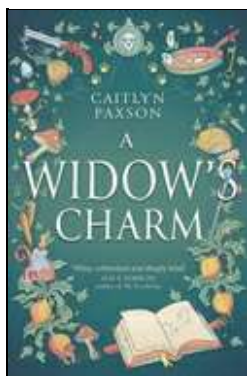
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Ruth Whippman is a British author and journalist living in the United States. A former BBC documentary director and producer, her essays, cultural criticism and journalism have appeared in the *New York Times*, *Time magazine*, the *Guardian* and the *Huffington Post*. Her first book, *The Pursuit of Happiness*, was a *New York Post* Best Book of the Year, a *New York Times* Editor's Choice, a *Daily Mail* Must Read and a *Sunday Times* Top Summer Read. She lives in California with her husband and three sons.

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A Widow's Charm

The Sparkling Cozy Enemies-To-Lovers Fantasy, Perfect For Fans Of The Princess Bride!

Caitlyn Paxson

Keynote

A rollicking cosy fantasy romance, perfect for fans of T. Kingfisher, Heather Fawcett and India Holton!

Description

In this witty fantasy romance, a widow blackmails her rakish necromancer neighbor to bring her husband back to life and save her home . . . only to find herself falling for him instead.

Lady Hildegard Croft is accustomed to changes in position. After all, she rose from maidservant to lady of the manor when she married Lord Thorgoode Croft. But when he drops dead quite unexpectedly, the plans that would have protected her and the people of Croftholde from her malevolent brother-in-law die along with him. What's a widow to do?

Fortunately, potential salvation arrives in the form of Lord Erol Elmwood, who is fleeing the consequences of using his forbidden Charm to raise the dead and save his own life. Now he's injured, destitute, and miserable, stuck hiding out at the neighboring estate.

For Hilde, blackmailing Lord Elmwood to resurrect Thorgoode seems like the perfect solution. For Elmwood, beautiful Lady Croft seems like the ideal distraction from his troubles. The problem is, all she wants from him is the horrifying power he knows he can never use again.

'Clever, funny, charmingly written, this tale of unexpected love and yes, dead bodies, will run away with your heart. I was rooting for Hilde and Elmwood from the very first page' Lucy Holland, author of *Sistersong*

Sales Points

- **A romantic cosy fantasy:** A WIDOW'S CHARM is the perfect fantasy-tinged romance for readers who wish Jane Austen and Georgette Heyer had a bit more magic, filled with sparkling dialogue and an adorable dog.
- **Trope-tastic:** tropes include enemies-to-lovers, secret relationship, slow-burn, blackmail date, and older characters falling in love.
- **A sparkling rom-com with dark themes:** A WIDOW'S CHARM features witty dialogue and lots of cute setpieces, but doesn't shy away from darker themes including PTSD and disability.
- **Cosy is the new black:** Cosy romances, particularly cosy fantasy romances, have been massively successful recently, with titles like *The Baby Dragon Cafe* and *ReWitched* selling well and developing huge fandoms.

Reviews

- **'Witty, whimsical, and deeply kind, A Widow's Charm is beyond charming - it's wholly enchanting'** - *Alix E. Harrow, author of STARLING HOUSE*
- **'A WIDOW'S CHARM is a delightfully grown-up fairy tale:** witty, sexy, and deeply romantic. Hilde and Elmwood are instantly loveable leads-two bruised charmers in a broken world, drawn together by love's irresistible spell. This is **a warm, glowing hearth of a book**, perfect for a night when the world seems too cold.' - *Tessa Dare, author of THE DUCHESS DEAL*
- **'A clever, unconventional fantasy** with a fascinating magic system, A Widow's Charm was an absolute delight. **All hail Lord Rollo and his darling waggy tail!**' - *Olivia Atwater, Author of THE WITCHWOOD KNOT*
- **'A Widow's Charm is an absolute delight from start to finish:** a lush garden of warmth, wonder, and appetite that will leave you pleasantly sated and hungry for more' - *Amal El-Mohtar, co-author of THIS IS HOW YOU LOSE THE TIME WAR*

Author Biography

Caitlyn Paxson is a writer, performer, and historical interpreter. She has worked as an artistic director of storytelling performances, a book reviewer for NPR Books and Quill & Quire, a fiber arts consultant, a legal document and poetry transcriber, a 19th century jack of all trades, and a shepherdess. She currently interprets haunted historic house museums on Prince Edward Island and moonlights as a fake spirit medium.

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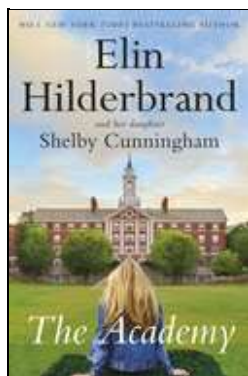
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The Academy the completely addictive novel set at an elite New England boarding school

Elin Hilderbrand and Shelby Cunningham

Keynote

The brand new novel from the international bestselling author of *Swan Song* and *The Perfect Couple*, Elin Hilderbrand, and her daughter Shelby Cunningham.

Description

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READERS LOVE THE ACADEMY

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'Pure **nostalgia**' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
'**Prep** meets **Dead Poets' Society**' ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐

Sales Points

- **PERFECT FOR:** anyone who loves *Gossip Girl*, Curtis Sittenfeld, *Dead Poets' Society* and *The Holdovers*
- **PURE ESCAPISM:** with its idyllic New England setting and unforgettable cast of characters, *The Academy* is escapism at its most delicious
- **MOTHER-DAUGHTER AUTHOR DUO:** the No.1 bestselling author of *The Perfect Couple*, **Elin Hilderbrand**, has teamed up with her daughter, **Shelby Cunningham**, to create a deliciously escapist novel set in an elite boarding school - expect **drama, gossip** and **intrigue**

Reviews

- '*The Academy* has **all of Hilderbrand's breezy storytelling, roving points of view, and effortless characterization that her readers love**. It adds up to a panoramic view of nine months in the life of a New England prep school, on which her co-author, daughter Cunningham, offers personal expertise. **Addictive, dishy fun**, with enough loose ends to suggest a sequel might be in the works. . . Hilderbrand's first post-Nantucket novel, written with her daughter, will draw in her legions of readers' - *Booklist*
- 'The authors employ catchy narrative devices, such as the gossipy collective voice of a clique of Tiffin girls and SAT-word-riddled posts from Davi, and they give the main characters plenty of depth. **Readers are in for a treat**' - *Publishers Weekly*
- '**Delicious**. . . A boarding-school fantasia, with Hilderbrand's signature upgrades to the cuisine and decor. **Sign us up for next term**' - *Kirkus*
- '**A juicy mix of scandal and coming-of-age** moments. Fans of Hilderbrand's signature ensemble dramas and readers who enjoy stories about secrets in privileged worlds will likely appreciate this **buzzy** take on boarding-school life' - *Library Journal*

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